

## Thorhild – Northeast Region Red Deer – North Saskatchewan Operational Region

Provincial Grazing Reserves

| General Grazing Reserve Information |   |
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| Area:                               | 16,954 acres (6,861 hectares)   |
| Year Established:                   | 1969  |
| Terrain:                            | Gently rolling to moderately rolling slopes, with several strong slopes present |
| Vegetation:                         | Tame pasture and deciduous upland forests                                       |
| EcoRegion:                          | Low-boreal mixedwood forest ecosystem   |
| Nearby Municipalities:              | 17.7 km east of Newbrook  |
| Water Bodies:                       | Long Lake, Lucky Lake, Saturday Lake, White Earth Creek                         |

| Livestock Management Information |   |
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| Responsible Association:         | Thorhild Grazing Association (privatized April 1, 1999)   |
|                                  | Looks after livestock and maintains the tame pastures in good, productive condition.                              |
|                                  | Maintains all fence lines, dugouts, one corral system and the buildings at the headquarters.                      |
| Grazing Season:                  | Mid-May to Mid-October  |
| Cattle:                          | Approximately 8,200 Animal Unit Months (AUMs)   |
| Minimum number of Patrons:       | 40 patrons  |
| Application:                     | Please contact 780 645-6336 for grazing allotment application. Application deadline is January 15 <sup>th</sup> . |

Within the Thorhild Provincial Grazing Reserve 9,335 acres (3,777.7 hectares) have been developed as tame pastures. The grey wooded and rocky soil is unsuitable for annual cropping. The reserve can, however, provide productive pasture on these marginal lands.

A number of environmentally sensitive areas in the reserve were left as habitat and to protect the watershed. The area between the west boundary of the reserve and Long Lake Provincial Park is held under the Ministerial Order to protect the steep slopes of Long Lake and White Earth Creek. It has been designated as the White Earth Natural Area.

Provincial Grazing Reserves are popular recreational sites for the general public. Recreational access condition information for Provincial Grazing Reserves can be found at:

• Recreation on Agricultural Public Land

You must contact the grazing reserve agrologist prior to accessing the reserve at:

• Tel: 780 645-6336

