



Bighorn Backcountry

Public Land Use Zone



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About the area

A Public Land Use Zone (PLUZ) is an area of public land to which legislative controls are applied under the authority of the Public Lands Act and Public Land Administration Regulation. A PLUZ is created specifically for that land base and the conditions that exist within it. The area is used for forestry, agriculture, oil and gas and recreation, and continues to provide opportunities for traditional uses.

Use this map and information to learn about the rules and regulations for recreation in the Bighorn Backcountry PLUZ and adjacent designated public land trails. Learn more about the area at [Alberta.ca/bighorn-backcountry](https://alberta.ca/bighorn-backcountry)

The Bighorn Backcountry is managed in a way that helps protect the environment, while allowing responsible and sustainable recreational use. The area includes more than 5,000 square kilometres (1.2 million acres) of public land east of Banff and Jasper National Parks.

The Bighorn Backcountry hosts a large variety of recreational activities including camping, off-highway vehicle (OHV) and snow vehicle use, hiking, fishing, hunting and cycling.

Public land trails may be designated under the Trails Act, established under the Public Lands Act as a provincial trail and/or designated in a public land use zone. Trail designation enables the province to establish and manage trails, protect recreation infrastructure, ensure public safety, enhance trail experiences and improve sustainable use of trails. Learn more at [Alberta.ca/sustainable-trail-management](https://alberta.ca/sustainable-trail-management)

Alberta public land trail maps

Download designated trail maps at [Alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation](https://alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation). Ensure you are aware of the regulations and guidelines when travelling in adjacent areas.

More information

Find more information about recreation on public land at:

- [Alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation](https://alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation)
- [Alberta.ca/PLUZ](https://alberta.ca/PLUZ)
- open.alberta.ca/publications/albertas-public-land-trail-guide

Adjacent areas

Banff and Jasper National Parks: motorized off-highway vehicles, firearms and hunting are not permitted. There are some restrictions for non-motorized activities. National Park Fishing Licences are required in the National Parks. Check for important bulletins including bison area closures at [pc.gc.ca/apps](https://www.pc.gc.ca/apps). Contact Parks Canada staff for further information.

Siffleur and White Goat Wilderness Areas: foot-travel only; bicycles, equine, motorized vehicles, hunting, fishing and campfires are not permitted.

Kootenay Plains Ecological Reserve: limited use/access, bicycles and equestrian users only on designated trails. Motorized access, hunting, fishing, grazing, camping and campfires are not permitted.

Bison drift fence

Wild plains bison were once common in the foothills and front ranges of the mountains and strongly shaped the ecology and culture of the area. They were reintroduced to Banff National Park to restore these roles. New drift fences help prevent any eastward moving bison from mixing with cattle. The design was tested and developed to allow for the free passage of other wildlife. Bison could be encountered within and beyond the reintroduction zone.

If you encounter a bison:

- Maintain a safe distance of 100 metres when encountering a bison.
- If a bison approaches you, remain calm and do not run. Back away slowly and place a large object, such as a tree, between you and the animal.
- Be especially wary of female bison with young calves (Spring) and male bison during rutting season (July/August).
- Dogs are best kept on leash and under control at all times.

For more information on the bison reintroduction visit [parksCanada.ca/banff-bison](https://www.parksCanada.ca/banff-bison)

Volunteer efforts

Volunteers play an important role in maintaining and enhancing the designated trail system on public land. They maintain existing bridges and trails and carry out bioengineering projects such as planting willows to stabilize stream banks. The efforts of these dedicated individuals provide recreational opportunities for users of the area. Learn more about volunteer opportunities in the area by connecting with your local Forestry and Parks office.

Agricultural public land

Recreational access to agricultural public land is managed under the Recreational Access Regulation. You must contact the leaseholder to discuss your travel plans and any access conditions before accessing agricultural public land. Learn more at: [Alberta.ca/AgriculturalPublicLand](https://www.alberta.ca/AgriculturalPublicLand)

Caving - **Wapiabi Cave is closed**

Wapiabi Cave is closed to prevent the spread of White-nose Syndrome to our local bat populations. Please ensure that you take the necessary steps to prevent the spread of this disease.

For more information on White-nose Syndrome, visit: [Alberta.ca](https://www.alberta.ca)

General rules in the PLUZ



- You must comply with all posted signs, notices, lawful orders, government publications and instructions of an officer.
- Pack out what you pack in. Take all garbage home or to an appropriate garbage disposal facility.
- Adhere to fire bans and restrictions
- Stay off private and leased land unless permitted.
- Do not enter closed areas or travel beyond locked gates.
- Do not deposit harmful materials such as sediment, pollution, gray water or sewage into any water or onto ice.
- Do not cut, remove or damage living trees or vegetation without a personal use forest products permit.
- Do not build ramps and permanent structures, or modify trails without authorization by the Government of Alberta.

Provincial trails

Many of the designated trails in public land use zones are now provincial trails designated under the Trails Act. Provincial trails have rules in place to improve the safety of trail users and prevent loss or damage to public land.

- Follow signs, notices and any instruction from Government of Alberta staff.
- Only participate in allowed activities.
- Motorized users, except snow vehicle users, must stay on the trail tread (the travel surface of the trail).
- Keep pets under control. Some provincial trails may prohibit pets or have leash requirements.
- Do not leave any vehicles, motorized or human powered (including bicycles, motor vehicles, camping units, etc.) unattended on the tread of a provincial trail.
- Do not discharge a firearm (recreational target shooting) within 400 m of a provincial trail, unless hunting as defined under Wildlife Act.

Learn more at [Alberta.ca/TrailRules](https://alberta.ca/TrailRules)

User etiquette

- Lead by example. Use the area in a safe and responsible manner.
- Share the trail. Motorized users should yield to non-motorized users, and all users should yield to equestrian/equine users. Motorized users should pull over to the side of the trail, turn off their machine and remove their helmet when horses are approaching.
- Travel is permitted beyond cattle guards and wire gates on the designated trail system. Leave gates as you found them, open or closed.
- Avoid travel through wetlands or sensitive areas whenever possible.
- Step over, rather than on, exposed roots to prevent damage to bark.
- Report unauthorized or illegal activities to 310-LAND.

Recreation opportunities and activity-specific rules and best practices

Camping

Camping is permitted in this PLUZ and on adjacent public land.

- Camping facilities must be temporary and portable. Campers can stay in the same spot for a maximum of 14 days and then must move their camping unit by 1 km for at least 72 hours.
- Camping is not permitted within 1 km of a public land recreation area, provincial park or provincial recreation area.
- Campers should choose a spot that has a durable surface and is at least 30 m (100 ft.) from water and at least 100 m from oil and gas facilities.
- Do not camp in areas that restrict access to trails.
- Campers should have their own potable water source for drinking and cooking.
- Keep your campsite clean. Pack it in, pack it out.
- It is important to keep a scent-free campsite that does not attract bears. Store all food, pet food, toiletries and garbage in a bearproof container, such as a vehicle, trailer, bearproof locker or bear hang that is at least 100 m (330 ft.) from your sleeping area. If tent camping, never take these items into your sleeping area.

Serviced Camping

There are established campgrounds that offer amenities and facilities for campers. Visitors to the area are strongly encouraged to use these established campgrounds to reduce the risk of environmental impact to the area. Find a campground at [Albertaparks.ca](https://albertaparks.ca)

Random Camping

Random camping areas are outside of designated campgrounds. They are often remote, with access from rural, gravel roads or motorized recreation trails, and offer no services. Random camping is first come, first served.

Campfires

- Campfires are allowed for cooking or warming, as long as there are no fire bans or restrictions in place.
- Use existing campfire pits if available.
- Campfires must be supervised at all times and extinguished until ashes are cool to the touch before leaving your site. Ensure you have a shovel and a container full of water on hand to extinguish your campfire.
- Only dead wood can be used for firewood. Do not cut live trees. Do not take firewood from designated campgrounds.

Motorized use

Off-highway vehicles (OHV) and snow vehicles are permitted on designated trails only. See the other side of this publication for seasonal restrictions. OHVs are not allowed on numbered highways unless otherwise specified (see Rules).

Rules

- Operation of an OHV on Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road) is allowed for portions of the road indicated as Shared Use Road only. You must adhere to the following rules of operation:
 - 50 km/hr max speed limit
 - Must be operated only during daylight hours
 - Must be equipped with a whip mast and a safety flag
 - Must travel in single file
 - Must travel as close to the edge of the roadway as possible
 - Must not stop on the roadway or highway shoulder
- Use designated trails and crossings.
- Keep wheels out of the water and off the bed and shore of waterbodies and wetlands unless using designated water crossing (bridge or ford). Crossing a watercourse anywhere other than a bridge or designated ford is considered off the designated trail.
- Do not wash your vehicle in a watercourse, waterbody or wetland.
- Operating any OHV or vehicle while impaired is against the law.
- All vehicles must be registered and insured. Riders must carry valid documents.
- All vehicles must have an affixed licence plate.
- All vehicles must have a working head light and taillight, and proper muffler with spark arrestor.
- Riders are required to wear a CSA approved helmet; some exceptions apply.
- Riders under 14 years of age must be directly supervised by an adult.

Best Practices

- Adjust your speed of travel to trail conditions.
- Ride on dry trails and avoid riding after heavy rainfall or snowmelt.
- Clean your machine before each trip and keep your machine free of debris to prevent the risk of spreading invasive species or starting a fire. Stop and inspect hot spots regularly to avoid build-up of mud or plant material. Avoiding riding or parking your OHV in vegetated areas.
- Be careful not to spin your tires to avoid causing damage to trail such as rutting or erosion.

To operate an OHV on Alberta public lands, visitors from out of province must:

- Carry proof of residency and valid insurance.
- Follow the registration and licence plate rules of their home jurisdiction.
- If you have been in Alberta for more than 30 days all Alberta requirements apply.
- Not following the rules may result in a fine or charges under provincial legislation.

Know before you go

As a public land user it is your responsibility to ensure you are adequately informed of closures, permitted uses, rules that apply to a trail or area and any activity-specific regulations. Access to a trail or area may be modified or closed by an officer in response to fires, fire hazard, flooding, wildlife or other environmental and safety concerns. Check for the most recent trail and area closures in effect before your trip at [Alberta.ca/public-land-closures](https://www.alberta.ca/public-land-closures)



Equestrian use

Horses are permitted unless otherwise indicated by signs.

Rules

- Do not tie horses to trees.
- Use provided facilities or your trailer. If tying to trailers, horses must not be able to reach the drip line of any tree.
- All sites must be cleaned of manure and excess feed before leaving.
- Use weed-free feed and hay. Pack out all remaining feed and dispose of it at home.
- Avoid grazing wherever possible.
- When accessing water, use hard ground surfaces and avoid soft ground conditions to prevent bank erosion.



Non-motorized use

Non-motorized use is permitted on designated trails, unless otherwise indicated by signs.

Hunting

Hunting is permitted, with the exception of protected areas. Alberta hunting regulations apply. Learn more at [MyWildAlberta.ca](https://www.mylifeinabear.com)

Fishing

Fishing is permitted. Alberta sportfishing regulations apply. Learn more at [MyWildAlberta.ca](https://www.mylifeinabear.com)

Safety

- Before heading out, check:
 - Weather conditions: weather.gc.ca
 - Snow conditions: [avalanche.ca/en/map](https://www.avalanche.ca/en/map)
 - Trail and area closures: [Alberta.ca/public-land-closures](https://www.alberta.ca/public-land-closures)
 - Fire hazards and bans: [AlbertaFireBans.ca](https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-fire-bans)
 - Road conditions: [511.alberta.ca](https://www.alberta.ca/511)
- Be prepared to change plans and/or turn around if trails are too icy, unstable, wet or soft.
- Tell someone where you are going, when you will be back, and to call the RCMP if you miss your check-in.
- Go prepared with extra clothing, first aid kit, food and water, bear spray, a map, fire starting materials including a waterproof lighter or matches, flashlight and/or headlamp with extra batteries.
- There may not be cell service in the area you are visiting. Carry a satellite communications device if you have one.

Avalanche safety

Public land is not controlled for avalanches; be prepared to properly manage avalanche-related risk. Always check hazards and terrain ratings before your trip. Learn more at [avalanche.ca](https://www.avalanche.ca)

Ice safety

Use caution before traveling on ice. Ice can vary and hazardous sections may exist at any time during the winter. Measure ice thickness in several locations. Do not walk on ice that is less than 10 cm (4 in.) thick and do not drive on ice that is less than 30 cm (12 in.) thick. Avoid travel on ice at night and never go onto ice alone.

Traplins

There are active traplines in this area from the beginning of October to the end of May. Traplines may have bait stations, baited traps, snares, and trails that are not designated for motorized use by the general public. Keep dogs on a leash to prevent them from being drawn to baited traps.

Wildlife

Wildlife Sanctuaries

A number of roads are designated road corridor wildlife sanctuaries. The following rules apply:

- No hunting is allowed within 365 m (400 yds.) of the centreline of the road.
- You are not allowed to possess a weapon in a wildlife sanctuary. If you are in possession of a weapon while travelling through the sanctuary, it must be unloaded and either dismantled, encased or completely enclosed.
- If you are crossing a road corridor wildlife sanctuary on horseback or on foot, all firearms must be unloaded, and you must be traveling in a direct route to leave the sanctuary.



bear print

Safety around wildlife

This area is important wildlife habitat and home to many species of wildlife including grizzly and black bears, cougars, coyotes and wolves. Motorized use is restricted to support wildlife populations and reduce the risk of human-wildlife encounters on designated trails.

Take precautions to reduce the risk of human-wildlife encounters:

- Carry bear spray year-round. Keep it within reach and know how to use it.
- Travel in groups and keep children close.
- Make noise to warn wildlife of your approach.
- Keep your dog on a leash at all times. Unleashed dogs may try to engage with wildlife and provoke a reaction.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Look for signs of wildlife activity including scat, fresh animal prints, tree markings and wildlife carcasses. Leave the area immediately if you see signs of recent activity.
- If you see wildlife, keep a respectful distance. Never approach wildlife for a close up picture.
- Never feed or intentionally attract/disturb wildlife.
- If camping:
 - Set up camp in open areas away from game trails, berry bushes, clover patches, streams and lakeshores.
 - Store all food, pet food and garbage in a bearproof container, such as a vehicle, trailer, bearproof locker or bear hang that is at least 100 m (330 ft.) from your sleeping area. This includes food, garbage, toiletries, and pet food. If tent camping, never take these items into your sleeping area.
- Learn more at bearsmart.alberta.ca
- If you encounter a bear:
 - Have bear spray within reach.
 - Pick up small children and keep pets on a leash.
 - Slowly back away while talking in a firm, low voice.
 - Do not make eye contact.
- If you encounter a cougar:
 - Have bear spray within reach.
 - Pick up small children and keep pets on a leash.
 - Do not turn your back to the animal.
 - Maintain eye contact.
 - Fight back if it attacks.



cougar print

You are in native trout country

Some of the rivers and streams in the area are critical habitat for Alberta's Bull trout, which is listed as threatened under the provincial Wildlife Act and the federal Species at Risk Act. Key threats limiting bull trout populations include water quality (sedimentation and phosphorus input), poaching, catch and release mortality, and barriers to fish passage associated with unsuitable watercourse crossings.

The things we do in and around native trout habitats impact native trout. You can support native trout by doing the following:

- Use designated trails and water crossings. Respect trail and area closures.
- Keep wheels of vehicles, off-highway vehicles, wagons and bicycles out of the water and out of wetlands. Do not wash your vehicle in natural water sources.
- When angling, know how to identify your catch and follow the regulations for the water you are fishing.

Public Lands Camping Pass

A Public Lands Camping Pass is required by each camper 18 years and older within the pass area. Passes cost \$20 per person for a 3-day pass, or \$30 per person for an annual pass and must be purchased before your trip. Campers must provide proof of payment to enforcement officers. Campers in provincial recreation area (PRA) campgrounds do not require a pass. Learn more at [Alberta.ca/CampingPass](https://www.alberta.ca/camping-pass)

Trail managers

The Alberta government can manage a designated trail or appoint a recreation partner as a trail manager, who is authorized under a Trail Agreement to maintain trails and trail infrastructure. The Alberta Off-Highway Vehicle Association, the Alberta Snowmobile Association and their affiliated clubs have been appointed as trail managers under the Trails Act. More trail managers are expected to be appointed in the future. Learn more at [Alberta.ca](https://www.alberta.ca)

Human waste

Human waste is an increasing concern in the area. If there is an outhouse available, use it. Washroom facilities may not be available, outside of designated campgrounds.

- For day trips or multi-day trips in the backcountry, dig a hole at least 15 cm deep and bury your waste with dirt or other organic matter. Select a site that is at least 70 m (230 ft.) from a water source and away from trails. Pack out any toilet paper and hygiene products.



Getting There

Use the map on the reverse side as a general guide to your destination. Key roads to and within the area are Highway 11, a paved provincial road; the gravelled Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road), Highway 752; and the Coal Camp Road west of Sundre. Other access points to the Bighorn Backcountry are along dry-weather roads and truck trails, which may not be passable by all vehicles or in inclement weather.

More information

Find more information about recreation on public land at:

- [Alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation](https://alberta.ca/OutdoorRecreation)
- [Alberta.ca/PLUZ](https://alberta.ca/PLUZ)
- open.alberta.ca/publications/albertas-public-land-trail-guide
- Public Lands Administration Regulation - open.alberta.ca/publications/2011_187

Numbers to know

For all emergencies, dial: 9-1-1

General information or report public safety incidents and illegal activity: 310-LAND (5263)

Contact the Rocky Mountain House Forestry and Parks office: (dial 310-0000 toll-free) 403-845-8250

Report wildfires: 310-FIRE (3473)

For information on fires, including hazards, forecasts and situation reports: FYI-FIRE

Report A Poacher, hunting and fishing violations: 1-800-642-3800

Energy and Environmental Response Line: 1-800-222-6514

Liability Disclaimer

This brochure is provided for information purposes and to advise you of the many rules relating to trail use and camping. Use of the trail system and camping areas are entirely at your own risk. The trails have not been classified by degree of difficulty and little or no maintenance is done on these trails; natural and man-made hazards may exist. The trail system can be difficult and physically challenging and conditions may change due to weather and other factors. For example, trails that may be easy to traverse under dry or frozen conditions may be hazardous and/or impassable under spring thaw or wet conditions. It is up to users of the trail system to learn the necessary skills for their safe enjoyment and to exercise caution in potentially hazardous areas.

This brochure is classified as a notice under the Public Lands Administration Regulation. The official statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the law. Clarification of the regulations may be obtained from your nearest Alberta Forestry and Parks office. Provincial statutes and regulations, in print or electronic format, are available through Alberta King's Printer: 780-427-4952 or visit alberta.ca/alberta-kings-printer

The following are the PLRAs (Public Land Recreation Areas) of the Bighorn Backcountry:

Type of Service	Blackstone Gap PLRA*	Hummingbird PLRA*	Cutoff Creek PLRA*	Crescent Falls PRA**	Eagle Creek PLRA*	Panther Corners PLRA*
Information Kiosk	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Toilets	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Garbage Removal	No	No	No	No	No	No
Fire Ring	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bear Pole	No	No	No	No	No	No
Day Use Parking	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Overnight Parking	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Overnight Camp Site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Equestrian Tie Facility	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manure Disposal Site	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
OHV Use Permitted	Yes	Yes	Yes	***	Yes	Yes

* Public Land Recreation Area (PLRA)

** Provincial Recreation Area (PRA)

*** OHV staging permitted from upper parking lot only

Recreational users

Non-motorized users are recreationalists that do not use motor vehicles such as hikers, cyclists or equestrian users. Some non-motorized trails may specify or restrict equestrian or equine use.

Equestrian and equine users are recreationalist who use horses and/or mules for trail riding, as a pack horse, or to pull a buggy/cart, covered wagon or sleigh.

Motorized users are recreational users of off-highway vehicles, snow vehicles or an on-highway vehicle that is a motorcycle (also known as dual sport).

Snow vehicles are motor vehicles designed and equipped to be driven on ice, snow or both.

Off-highway vehicles (OHV) are motor vehicles such as a quad, side-by-side, dirt bike or snowmobile used for cross-country travel on land, water, snow and ice.

Power bicycles are bicycles that are power-assisted, pedalled at all times with a power output rating of 500 W or less.



Bearproof lockers

Bearproof lockers are now located at many of our hike-in destinations. Store all scented items including food, canned and bottled items, candy, chewing gum, personal hygiene items, soaps and pet food in these lockers and leave no garbage or items behind when you vacate the area.



Site	Latitude	Longitude	Site	Latitude	Longitude
Allstones Lake	52.305492	-116.418453	Landslide Lake	52.087912	-116.553175
Allstones Lake	52.299778	-116.417669	Landslide Lake	52.088447	-116.559473
Pinto Lake	52.121865	-116.871472	Kinglet Lake	52.049176	-116.471813
Pinto Lake	52.129277	-116.867913	Entry Lake / Cline River Junction	52.151276	-116.558155
Michelle Lakes	52.072012	-116.749051	Cline River / Waterfalls Creek Junction	52.153355	-116.685993
Lake of the Falls	52.080581	-116.627244			
Lake of the Falls	52.086199	-116.626012			
Lake of the Falls	52.087155	-116.624605			

Do not leave garbage or any items behind in the lockers upon completion of your stay.



NOTE: Trail access may be amended, modified or closed by an Officer in response to fires, fire hazard, flooding, wildlife or other environmental and safety concerns. Ensure you have the most recent information on the area you are travelling to before you arrive and obey all posted signs and notices. Most wildlife have their young in May and June. If possible, avoid travel in the Bighorn Backcountry during this time.

Motorized vehicle restrictions do not apply to vehicles used for government resource management activities and emergency purposes. Permits may be issued to trappers for motorized vehicle use within the limits of registered trapping areas. The use of motorized vehicles to conduct industrial activity is permitted in some zones under a Public Lands disposition approved by Alberta Forestry and Parks.

What are Public Land Use Zones?

The following are the PLUZs of the Bighorn Backcountry:

	Blackstone/Wapiabi	Job/Cline	Kiska/Willson	Upper Clearwater/Ram	Panther Corners	Dormer\Sheep
Type of Use	Provides a year-round network of trails for non-motorized and equestrian use. No motorized recreation access permitted.	Provides non-motorized and equestrian use with some additional seasonal access trails for equestrian use. Provides motorized off-highway vehicle use on designated trails with seasonal access.	Provides a large network of trails for non-motorized and equestrian use, with additional seasonal access trails for equestrian use. Provides motorized off-highway vehicle use on designated trails, many with an additional seasonal access.	Provides year-round access for non-motorized and equestrian use. Provides motorized off-highway vehicle use on designated trails with seasonal access.	Provides a year-round network of trails for non-motorized and equestrian use. No motorized recreational access is permitted.	Provides year-round access for non-motorized and equestrian use. Provides motorized off-highway vehicle use on designated trails.
Boating (Motorized)	Not permitted	Not permitted	Permitted - only permitted on the North Saskatchewan River and Abraham Lake.	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
Camping (Primitive)	Permitted No cutting of live green trees; garbage must be removed; no permanent camp	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted structures to remain without authorization; limit your stay to maximum 14 days.	Permitted	Permitted
Helicopter Access	Permitted	Permitted No landing on, or within 200 m (656	Permitted	Permitted ft) of any lake without authorization.	Permitted	Permitted
Motorized Recreation Off-Highway Vehicle (OHVs)	Not permitted	Permitted - on designated trails within the timing restrictions (see map), unless otherwise posted.	Permitted - on designated trails within the timing restrictions (see map), unless otherwise posted.	Permitted - on designated trails within the timing restrictions (see map) unless otherwise posted.	Not permitted	Permitted - all existing trails open year-round, unless otherwise posted.
Motorized Recreation (On-Highway Vehicles)	Not permitted	Not permitted	Permitted - on highways and secondary roads, or where posted.	Not Permitted	Not permitted	Permitted - on highways, secondary roads, industrial roads where public access is not restricted, or where posted.
Recreational Equestrian Use	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores.	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores. Timing restrictions on the following trails: Allstones Creek, Waterfalls Creek, Landslide Lake and Lake of the Falls (see map).	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores. Timing restrictions on Allstones Creek trail (see map). Remaining existing trails available year-round, unless otherwise posted.	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores.	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores.	Permitted - equine tethered at least 100 m (328 ft) away from lakeshores.
Wagon Use	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted - wagon accessible trails	Permitted - wagon accessible trails	Permitted - wagon accessible trails	Permitted
Snow Vehicle Use	Not permitted	Permitted - allowed on designated trails and random sledding areas, within the timing restrictions, (see map) unless otherwise posted.	Permitted - on designated trails, within the timing restrictions, (see map) unless otherwise posted.	Permitted - on designated trails and random sledding areas, within the timing restrictions, unless otherwise posted (see map).	Not permitted	Permitted - all existing trails available for use, snow cover permitting and unless otherwise posted.

Legend



Backcountry Toilets



Gasoline



Gate



Horse Drawn Wagon



Information Kiosk



Interpretive Trail Pedestrian



Lookout Tower



Parking



Patrol Cabin



Sanitary Landfill Site



Staging Area



STARS Medical Evacuation Site

Forestry and Parks Sites

Off-highway vehicle, snow vehicle or equestrian access may be permitted.



Backcountry Campsite

- backcountry toilet and/or
- informal campsite



Parking/
Staging

Alberta Parks Sites

(Off-highway Vehicle, Snow Vehicle or Equestrian Access Not Permitted Unless Otherwise Posted)



Campground



Day Use Area

D1 to D17 Points on the map blowouts that
DA to DI correspond to signs located at
H1 to H10 trail intersections.
CC1 to CC9
T1 to T9

On-highway vehicle access is permitted on existing clearings/trails up to 75 m (246 ft) beyond Highway 11 and Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road) right-of-way unless otherwise posted.

 Bighorn Backcountry Public Land Use Zones Boundary



Ecological Reserves, Wilderness Areas, Natural Areas, Provincial Recreation Areas, Wildland Parks, Public Land Recreation Areas



National Parks



Lakes and Rivers



Creeks



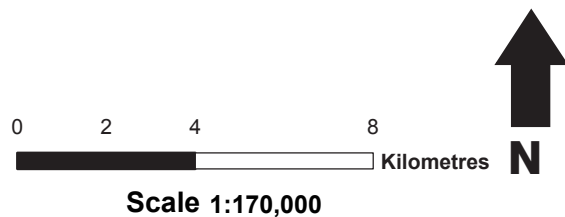
Glacier, Icefield



Wildlife Corridor - See current hunting regulations for details. PLUZ access regulations apply.



First Nations Reserve



Alberta Forestry and Parks - Clearwater Area
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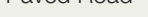




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Information as depicted is subject to change, therefore the Government of Alberta assumes no responsibility for discrepancies at time of use.



Trail Classification

Designated Trails and Roads

	Map symbol	Trail restriction	Vehicle description	What type of motorized vehicle am I driving?				
				Trucks, SUV, cars	Side by Side	Quad	Motorcycle	Snow Vehicle
Motorized trails		Open Year Round	Motorized vehicles, including snow vehicles and off-highway vehicles (OHV). OHVs require the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a curb weight of 590 kg (1,300 lb.) or less • tire pressure of 110 Kpa (16 psi) or less • a wheelbase of 1.85 m (72 in.) or less 	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
		OHV - Open Dec 1 - Feb 1 Snow Vehicle - Open Dec 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
		OHV - Open Jul 1 - Feb 1 Snow Vehicle - Open Jul 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
		OHV and snow vehicles open Jul 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
		OHV and snow vehicles open Dec 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
		Temporarily Closed to OHVs		X	X	X	X	X
		Random Sledding Areas		X	X	X	X	✓
Roads	Shared Use Road 	Operation of an OHV on Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road) and the Panther Road is only allowed for the portions indicated as Shared Use Road. See Rules.	Motorized vehicles insured and registered as on-highway or off-highway vehicles are permitted on portions of these roads.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Paved Road 							
	Gravel Road 							
Non-motorized trails		Non-motorized trails	Only non-motorized users are permitted on these trails.	Off-highway vehicles are not permitted on these trails.				
		Equestrian use Oct 1 - May 31						
		Unmaintained trails						

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Legend

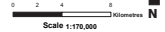
- Backcountry Toilets
- Gasoline
- Gate
- Horse Drawn Wagon
- Information Kiosk
- Interpretive Trail Pedestrian
- Lookout Tower
- Parking
- Patrol Cabin
- Sanitary Landfill Site
- Staging Area
- STARS Medical Evaluation Site

- Bighorn Backcountry Public Land Use Zones Boundary
- Ecological Reserves, Wilderness Areas, Natural Areas, Provincial Recreation Areas, Wildland Parks, Public Land Recreation Areas
- National Parks
- Lakes and Rivers
- Creeks
- Glacier, Icefield
- Wildlife Corridor - See current hunting regulations for details. PLUZ access regulations apply.
- First Nations Reserve

- Forestry and Parks Sites**
 Off-highway vehicle, snow vehicle or equestrian access may be permitted.
- Backcountry Campsite
 - Backcountry toilet and/or informal campsite
 - Parking
 - Staging

- Alberta Parks Sites**
 Off-highway vehicle, snow vehicle or equestrian access not permitted unless otherwise posted.
- Campground
 - Day Use Area

- D1 to D17 Points on the map blowouts that correspond to signs located at H1 to H10 trail intersections.
- CC1 to CC9
- T1 to T9



On-highway vehicle access is permitted on existing clearings/trails up to 75 m (246 ft) beyond Highway 11 and Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road) right-of-way unless otherwise posted.

Designated Trails and Roads

Map symbol	Trail restriction	Vehicle description	What type of motorized vehicle am I driving?				
			Trucks, SUVs	Side by Side	Quad	Motorcycle	Snow Vehicle
	Open Year Round	Motorized vehicles, including snow vehicles and off-highway vehicles (OHV).	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
	OHV - Open Dec 1 - Feb 1	OHVs require the following: • a curb weight of 600 kg (1,300 lb) or less • No pressure of 110 Kpa (1.6 psi) or less • a wheelbase of 1.85 m (72 in) or less	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
	OHV - Open Jul 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
	OHV and snow vehicles open Jul 1 - Apr 30		X	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Temporarily Closed to OHVs		X	X	X	X	X
	Random Road Closures		X	X	X	X	X
	Operation of an OHV on Highway 734 (Forestry Trunk Road) and the Panther Road is only allowed for the purposes indicated as Shared Use Road. See Rules.	Motorized vehicles allowed and registered as on-highway or off-highway vehicles are permitted on portions of these roads.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Paved Road						
	Gravel Road						
	Non-motorized trails	Only non-motorized uses are permitted on these trails.					
	Equestrian use Oct 1 - May 31						
	Unimproved trails						

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