FISH CREEK PROVINCIAL PARK

Brown Lowery Provincial Park

Located approximately 50 km southwest of Calgary, Brown-Lowery is a hidden gem. Access is via Highways #22X and #22 (or secondary highway #762), to Plummers Road which runs along the north side of the park.

Although small at only 278 ha (a section of land), Brown-Lowery offers wonderful views of the front ranges and a great variety of wildlife, trees, wildflowers and fungi along 12 kilometers of rustic trails.



History:

From 1896 to 1915 logging took place on various parts of the property and remnants of this activity including buildings and roads (now part of the parks' trail system) survive today. Home Oil acquired the land in 1943 and ran seismic surveys in the 1950s looking for oil and gas. Old seismic lines dominate the landscape and like the old logging roads now act as trails in the park.

The park is named for the founders of the Home Oil Company, James Lowery and Robert Brown. The company donated the land to the government of Alberta in 1969 for it to be kept in its natural state. It became a Provincial Recreation Area in 1974, and in 1992 was designated as Brown-Lowery Provincial Park.

Features of Interest:

From its valley bottoms to its highest lookouts Brown – Lowery offers visitors the opportunity to explore a variety of habitats. Here grasslands, mature forests and small creeks cover the rolling foothills landscape. The park is home to many species of wildlife including deer, moose, elk, black bears, lynx, cougar, squirrels, and birds. With a wide variety of plant communities and variable topography Brown – Lowery is a great spot for birders, wildflower enthusiasts and mushroom fanciers.



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Brown – Lowery is a DAY-USE ONLY, park with vault toilets, an information kiosk located in the parking area off Plummers Road and 12 kilometers of trails that wind through the park. Bring your cameras, field guides and binoculars and explore for an hour or an entire day.

Its Preservation and Protection are up to you!

This park is maintained by volunteers and users. Please carry out what you have carried in and leave the park better than how you found it.

To further help preserve this park, please remember these simple rules:

- Park only in designated areas.
- All pets must be leashed and under control at all times and owners are responsible to pick up after their pets. This is for the safety and enjoyment of all park users and the safety of the wildlife that live in the park.
- Please stay on designated trails and share the trails with other users.
- Please do not pick flowers, berries, mushrooms or other vegetation. Everything natural in the park is protected (living and non-living) to ensure the continued healthy function of the ecosystems that exist here.
- Coyotes, bears, cougars and elk frequent the area and at times may pose a hazard to people. Be sure to observe and follow all warning signs and public notices posted.



















