

## Wanham - Northwest Region Peace Operational Region

Provincial Grazing Reserves

General Grazing Reserve Information	
Area:	18,735 acres (7,581.8 hectares)
Year Established:	1960
Terrain:	Rolling landscape is dotted with small sloughs and patches of muskeg
Vegetation:	Aspen, willow, tame pasture
EcoRegion:	Dry mixedwood natural subregion
Nearby Municipalities:	40 km northeast of Rycroft
Water Bodies:	Nil

Livestock Management Information	
Responsible Association:	Wanham Grazing Association  Maintains all fence lines, dugouts, corral systems and the buildings at the headquarters.
Grazing Season:	Mid-May to Mid-October
Cattle:	Approximately 15,200 Animal Unit Months (AUMs)
Minimum number of Patrons:	50 patrons
Application:	Please contact 780 835-7307 for grazing allotment applications. Application deadline is January 31 <sup>st</sup> .

Veterans of the Second World War originally homesteaded most of the area northeast of Rycroft from 1948 to 1951. However, a combination of low rainfall and poor access caused most of them to abandon their homesteads. By 1960, the Alberta Government bought out the few remaining farmers and established the Wanham Provincial Grazing Reserve. It was possible to take cattle to the reserve immediately because large areas of homesteads were already cultivated and seeded to forage.

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: 780 835-7200

