

Monashee Provincial Park

Trail Conditions Report

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Monashee Provincial Park protects substantial stands of old growth cedar, spruce and hemlock. Lush green forests grace the valley bottoms and, in the spring, alpine meadows blossom with a colourful array of wildflowers. The park is also known for some of the oldest rock formations in western Canada. Mount Fosthall is the highest peak in the park and part of the snow capped peaks of the Monashee Range. Lucky visitors may get a glimpse of the rare mountain caribou, wolverine or the much more common mule deer, ground squirrels and pikas.

Caution: Updates of trail conditions will re-start next May 2009, until then use trails at your own caution and be prepared for adverse weather conditions in all areas of the Park!

Unpredictable weather may occur at this time of year. Be prepared for storms, poor visibility and unexpected overnight stay. Monashee Park is a user maintained park where garbage removal is not available. Please help by packing out all your garbage and any garbage left behind by others. If you utilize the shelters, clean the facilities prior to your departure. Please use the outhouses provided.

Dogs are prohibited in Monashee Park and will result in a fine and/or eviction. Fires are only allowed in designated fire rings at Spectrum Lake.

Spectrum Lake trails				
Trail Section	Distance (one way)	Time	Trail Information	Trail Condition
Parking Lot to Spectrum Lake	6 km	2 hr- Easy	This is the most common access. There are well maintained boardwalks and bridges across streams and wet areas. It passes through a mixed forest of Douglas fir lodgepole pine, birch, cedar and hemlock.	N/A
Spectrum Lake to Little Peter's	5 km	3-4 hrs- Difficult 800M Elevation gain	This is the most difficult section of trail in the park; it winds rapidly up out of spectrum Lake. The trail passes through rocky terrain in avalanche chutes. The climb allows for some great views of Spectrum lake and a cascading waterfall from Peter's Lake.	N/A Note: Rum Creek bridges removed
Little Peter's to Big Peter's	2 km	1 hr- Difficult	This is a continuation of Little Peter's trail to the camping area at the end of Peter's Lake. The bulk of the Elevation has been gained upon reaching Little Peters. The remainder of the trail follows rolling sub alpine terrain through patches of Engelmann spruce and sub-alpine fir forest.	N/A

Big Peter's Lake				
Trail Section	Distance (one way)	Time	Trail Information	Trail Condition
Big Peter's Lake to Margie Lake	5 km	1.5-2hr- easy	These routes are for experienced hikers and are not always well defined.	N/A
Big Peter's Lake to Fawn Lake	4 km	1.5-2hr- Moderate 300m elevation gain	These routes are for experienced hikers and are not always well defined.	N/A
Big Peter's Lake to Valley of the Moon	5.5 km	2-2.5hr- Moderate elevation gain	This route is for experienced hikers and is not always well defined	N/A
Big Peter's Lake to South Caribou Pass	3 km	1.5-2hr- difficult elevation gain	These routes are for experienced hikers and are not always well defined. Follow orange markers through lower forest and continue up drainage to saddle.	N/A
Big Peter's Lake to Mount Fosthall	5.2 km	3-4hr- difficult 1000M elevation gain	These routes are for experienced hikers and are not always well defined. Be prepared for inclement winter conditions at all times.	N/A