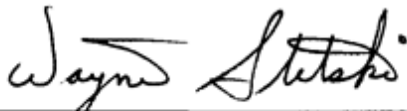


GROHMAN NARROWS PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

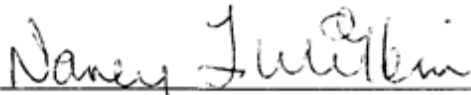
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GROHMAN NARROWS PROVINCIAL PARK Purpose Statement and Zoning Plan

Primary Role

The **primary** role Grohman Narrows Park is to protect the special natural habitat of several provincially significant blue-listed plant, animal and insect species.

Field observations have confirmed the presence of several species at risk associated with the small pond/wetland in the park. A small island included in the park also contains a stand of old growth black cottonwoods that provides habitat for many birds. Given the size of the park, the site is significant for its high level of at risk species in such a small area.

Secondary Role

The **secondary** role of Grohman Narrows Park is to maintain local community outdoor recreational and nature appreciation opportunities oriented to a scenic riverside orchard setting.

The small park is strategically located along the Kootenay River at a former orchard site within easy access of the City of Nelson. It is used by residents for walks and occasionally by school groups. The small pond/wetland has been used as an outdoor classroom for nature studies.

Known Management Issues	Response
<p>Invasive non-native plant species threaten native plant species and wildlife habitat. Noxious weed species include: spotted knapweed, Canada thistle, orange hawkweed, dalmatian toadflax, common tansy and common burdock. In addition, there are estimated 30 nuisance/introduced plant species located within the park.</p>	<p>Develop and implement control strategies to protect native plant species and important wildlife habitat.</p>
<p>Pond water levels must be maintained to protect habitat.</p>	<p>This could also affect the amount and structure of in-growth, threatening native (including listed) plant and wildlife species. Monitor 'land for sale' up-slope to ensure the development does not cut off water supply to pond ecosystem. Set up a BRIM to monitor in-growth.</p>

Known Management Issues	Response
Dogs are unleashed and their excrement not removed.	<p>Unleashed dogs threaten wildlife. Dog excrement is not only a public health hazard, but it also contains bacteria that threaten wildlife.</p> <p>Provide signing to educate visitors to the importance of lessening the impact of dogs on the natural environment. Enforcement should be considered if public education approach doesn't work.</p>

Zoning

Intensive Recreation (approximately 1 ha or 10% of the park)

Objective: To provide for a variety of readily accessible, facility-oriented outdoor recreation opportunities.

Natural Environment (approximately 9 ha or 90% of the park)

Objectives: To protect scenic values and to provide for recreation opportunities in a largely undisturbed natural environment.

Conservation

- Representation
- ecosection Minimal contribution to the protected area within the Southern Columbia Mountains ecosection (0.025%).
- biogeoclimatic subzone/variant Minimal contribution to ICHdw (0.31%) in the Southern Columbia Mountains ecosection.
- Special Feature Small, biologically rich site.
- Rare/Endangered Values Painted turtle (blue listed), great blue heron (blue listed) and Hall's willowherb (blue listed), twelve-spotted Skimmer dragonfly (blue listed).
- Scientific/Research Opportunities None identified.

Recreation

- Representation
backcountry Not applicable.
- destination Not applicable.
- travel corridor Highway 3A. Located 5 km from Nelson, a major tourist destination.
- local recreation Regional community day use. High amount of dog walkers from Nelson.

Kayaking from Nelson along the Kootenay River.

Day use parking available for 20 cars.
- Special Opportunities None identified.
- Education/Interpretation Opportunities School groups and nature study.

Signing for general public education.

Cultural Heritage

- Representation Not yet assessed.
- Special Feature None identified.

Other Management Considerations

- Other Designations None identified.

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| Relationship to other PAs | <input type="checkbox"/> | None identified. |
| Co-operative Management Arrangements | <input type="checkbox"/> | None identified. |
| Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> | None identified. |
| Vulnerability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Invasive weeds.
Pond water levels.
Uncontrolled dogs and illegal dumping. |
| Relationship to other Strategies | <input type="checkbox"/> | None identified. |

Area: 10.23 hectares




Date of establishment: May 21, 1981

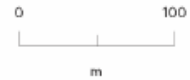
Zoning Map - Grohman Narrows Provincial Park



Projection: Albers Equal Areas
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-  Intensive Recreation
-  Natural Environment
-  Protected Area Boundary



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