

# Strathcona Provincial Park Master Plan Review

## Public Consultation on Horse Use

### Horse Use Discussion in the 1993 Master Plan and 2001 Master Plan Amendment

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##### 1. PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

- On a trial basis, two areas have been designated for horse riding and other areas will be reviewed. These locations have minimal conflict with other users and can withstand this type of use.



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##### 6.6.6 Horse Use

Historically, horses were ridden in the Forbidden Plateau area. As no trails were designated or constructed the consequent trail destruction resulted in a ban on horse use, and a legacy of very strong feelings (especially from hikers) against any reconsideration of horse use in the park. Recent public submissions have urged the provision of some horse riding opportunity in Strathcona in areas able to withstand the impact.

##### Objective:

To provide opportunities for horse use which have minimal impact on the environment or conflict with other users.

##### Actions:

- Permit horse use on the new logging road to the west of Gold Lake and on the section of the old logging road near Kunlin Lake which provides a connection between horse trails outside the park boundary.
- Study the potential of the Kunlin, Donner and Oshinow lakes areas to support horse use.
- Develop as necessary, and in cooperation with local riders and the B.C. Horse Council, management strategies to protect the environment.