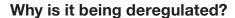
Deregulation fact sheet

Eyrie Gap Provincial Recreation Area

Eyrie Gap Provincial Recreation Area (PRA) is a former recreation site that has been closed to the public since 2013, with all facilities removed and the site reclaimed. It was closed due to low levels of use. The decision to deregulate Eyrie Gap PRA was made through the approved South Saskatchewan Regional Plan, which underwent public, stakeholder and Indigenous consultation.

Location: Eyrie Gap PRA is located southwest of Diamond Valley in Kananaskis and was accessible from Highway 541 near the Highwood Junction.

Size: 3.4 hectares or about three soccer fields.



Deregulation is the final administrative step of the former permanent closure and decommissioning of this site.

Deregulation means that Eyrie Gap's provincial recreation area designation has been rescinded, and it will no longer be managed under the *Provincial Parks Act*. These lands will be managed as public land under the *Public Lands Act* as part of the surrounding Kananaskis Public Land Use Zone (PLUZ). This designation provides better tools to support self-directed, rustic recreation and random camping.

How will recreation be supported in this area?

The former Eyrie Gap site will now enable public recreation as part of the <u>Kananaskis PLUZ</u>. This PLUZ provides a network of trails for hiking, equestrian use and cross-country skiing. Random camping is permitted, and the Kananaskis Conservation Pass is in effect for this area.





