

# **District Placement Descriptions**

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For more information on all the parks mentioned, visit: albertaparks.ca

If you received a verbal offer to become a seasonal Park Ranger. The Park Ranger Team Lead may email you a more detailed district information document. This will give you a more detailed overview of district operations for the season.

# Northern Alberta

#### **Grande Prairie District**

- Location: The Grande Prairie district makes up the central part of the North region with key park locations including: Saskatoon Island, Musreau Lake, Two Lakes, Moonshine Lake, Young's Point, Dunvegan and Williamson.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Saskatoon Island and Young's Point Provincial Parks. Staff accommodations are available.

#### Peace River District

- Location: The Peace River district is the most remote part of the North region with key park locations including: Queen Elizabeth, Figure Eight, Twin Lakes and Notikewin.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Queen Elizabeth Provincial Park. Staff accommodations are available.

#### Slave Lake District

• Location: The Slave Lake district makes up the eastern part of the North region with key park locations including: Lesser Slave Lake (Marten River Campground),

Hilliard's Bay and Winagami Lake. Provincial Recreation Areas at Fawcett Lake, Chain Lake and Lawerence Lake.

 Notes: Positions will be based out of Lesser Slave Lake (Marten River) and Hilliard's Bay Provincial Parks and Winagami Provincial Park. Staff accommodations are available at all locations.

#### Lakeland District

- Location: The Lakeland District is located in the Lac La Biche area of the North Region with key park locations including: Sir Winston Churchill Provincial Park and Beaver Lake Provincial Recreation Area. Two signature sites which are designated as a dark sky preserve includes Lakeland Provincial Park and Lakeland Provincial Recreation Area, the largest in the protected areas system. While the focus will be on front country camping locations and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the large district to complete tasks at Poacher's Landing Provincial Recreation Area and the various campgrounds within Lakeland Provincial Recreation Area (Touchwood, Pinehurst, Ironwood and Seibert). Special assignments in remote parks, on trails, and backcountry locations within the district are also an expectation of the position.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Lakeland District Office. Staff accommodations may be available.

# Fort McMurray District

- Location: The Fort McMurray District is located in the North Region with key Provincial Park locations including: Gregoire Lake, Crow Lake, Hangingstone, Maqua, Engstrom and Anzac group use areas. While the focus will be on front country camping locations and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the district to complete special projects and inspections.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Gregoire Lake Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

#### Athabasca District

• Location: The Athabasca District is located in the North Region. This district has two distinct operational units: Long Lake and Cross Lake. Long Lake consists of

Long Lake Provincial Park and North Buck Lake Provincial Recreation Area. The Cross Lake unit includes Cross Lake Provincial Park, Calling Lake Provincial Park, Lawrence Lake Provincial Recreation Area and Chain Lakes Provincial Recreation Area. While the focus will be on front country camping locations and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the district to complete special projects and inspections.

 Notes: Positions will be based out of Long Lake Provincial Park and Cross Lake Provincial Park office. Staff accommodations may be available.

#### Cold Lake District

- Location: The Cold Lake District is part of the North Region based out of the City of Cold Lake. This district is logistically spread out and has four distinct operating units. They are: Cold Lake includes Cold Lake Provincial Park and English Bay Provincial Recreation Area; Whitney Lakes Provincial Park includes campgrounds at Whitney Lake and Ross Lake as well as several day use areas; Moose Lake -which includes Moose Lake Provincial Park and Franchere Bay Provincial Recreation Area; and Garner Lake Provincial Park,
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Cold Lake Provincial Park, Moose Lake Provincial Park, Whitney Lakes Provincial Park and Garner Lake Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

# **Central Alberta**

#### **Hinton District**

- Location: The Hinton District is located in Alberta's Northern Rockies with key
  provincial park locations including William A. Switzer, Pierre Grey's Lakes, and
  Sulphur Gates Provincial Park. The focus will be on front country camping
  locations and day use areas; however, the position will also travel throughout the
  large district to complete special projects in any of the other 20 parks and protected
  areas in the District (i.e., Sundance Provincial Park, Rock Lake Provincial Park,
  Rock Lake Solomon Wildland Provincial Park and Whitehorse Wildland Provincial
  Park).
- Notes: Positions will be based out of William A. Switzer Provincial Park and Pierre Grey Lakes Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available for both locations.

## **Spruce Grove District**

- Location: The Spruce Grove District is located in the Yellowhead Management Area with key Provincial Park locations including: Wabamun Lake, Carson Pegasus, Pembina River, Lois Hole Centennial, Fort Assiniboine Sandhills Wildlands, Big Island and more. While the focus will be on front country camping locations and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the district to complete special projects and inspections.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Carson Pegasus Provincial Park and the Spruce Grove office. Staff accommodations are available.

### Camrose District

- Location: The Camrose District is located in the Parkland Management Area (East Central Alberta) and encompasses key Park locations including Miquelon Lake Provincial Park and Cooking Lake/Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area (PRA). While the focus will be on front country camping, backcountry area trails and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the district to complete special projects and inspections in Strathcona Science Provincial Park, Redwater PRA, Bruderheim PRA, Coal Lake North PRA, and more.
- Notes: Positions will be based out of Miquelon Lake Provincial Park (campground, day use and trails) and Cooking Lake/Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area (day use only, extensive backcountry trail system). Staff accommodations are available.

## Wainwright District

- Location: The Wainwright District is located in the Parkland Management Area
  with key Provincial Park locations including: Vermillion, Dillberry Lake, Big Knife,
  Midland, Dry Island Buffalo Jump/Tolman and more. While the focus will be on
  front country camping, backcountry natural areas and day use areas, the position
  will also travel throughout the district to complete special projects and inspections.
- Notes: Positions will be based out of Dillberry Lake Provincial Park, the Stettler
  area and possibly Drumheller. Staff accommodations are available in Dillberry
  Lake and Midland (Drumheller). The Stettler and Drumheller-based positions
  involve extensive travel and driving times due to the required coverage of a large
  geographical area. Comfort with driving for long distances is required.

## Rocky Mountain House District

- Location: The Rocky Mountain House District is located in West Central Alberta
  with key provincial park locations including: Crimson Lake, Fish Lake, Ram Falls,
  Crescent Falls, Kootenay Plains Ecological Reserve and more. While the focus will
  be on front country camping locations, day use areas and high use trails, the
  position will also travel throughout the large district to numerous campgrounds to
  collect camping fees. Special projects may also occur in remote parks, trails and
  backcountry locations.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Crimson Lake Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

#### Red Deer District

- Location: The Red Deer District is located in Central Region with key provincial
  park locations including: Pigeon Lake, Aspen Beach, Gleniffer Reservoir, Red
  Lodge and more. While the focus will be on front country camping locations and
  day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the large district to numerous
  campgrounds to collect camping fees and provide customer service.
- Notes: Positions will be based out of Pigeon Lake, and Aspen Beach Provincial Parks. Staff accommodations may be available.

# **Kananaskis Country**

- **Location:** Kananaskis Country is located west of Calgary. Staff are based out of Canmore. Staff working in Kananaskis Country can expect to be engaged in a variety of front county and backcountry work throughout the region.
- Notes: Positions will be based out of Canmore and deployed on daily assignments that encompass sites anywhere within Kananaskis Country. Staff accommodations may be available.

# Southern Alberta

## **Dinosaur District**

Location: The Dinosaur District is located in southern Alberta with key provincial
park locations including: Dinosaur, Tillebrook, and Kinbrook Island Provincial Park
which is located on Lake Newell. While the focus will be on front country camping
locations and day use areas, the position will also travel throughout the district to
complete special projects in remote areas, trails, and backcountry locations.

**Notes:** Positions will be based out of Dinosaur Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

Southeast Alberta - Cypress Hills & Writing-on-Stone District

Location: The Cypress Hills District is located 65km South of Medicine Hat and covers approximately 200 sq km of provincial park. The district includes: Red Rock Coulee, Bullshead Reservoir Provincial Recreation Area (PRA), Michelle Reservoir PRA and Milk River Natural Area. The focal point is the Elkwater town site with 300 cottages, 14 campgrounds, front and back country comfort camping. The diversity of accommodations and recreational activities provides a unique user experience.

Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park is located in southern Alberta near the international border with Montana, USA. The site was recently named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2019, and the team of permanent and seasonal staff collaborate to provide high quality visitor experiences and services for the public while monitoring and protecting the sensitive cultural and natural values of the site.

• **Notes:** Cypress Hills positions will be based out of Cypress Hills Provincial Park Visitor Centre. Staff accommodations may be available.

Writing-on-Stone positions will be based out of Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

- **Location:** Castle, Pincher Creek and Lethbridge District parks are located in SW Alberta. Castle District includes the new Castle Provincial Park and Castle Wildland Provincial Park which protect over 105,000 hectares of montane and rocky mountain landscapes containing more than 200 rare species. Castle Provincial Park is made up of four established campgrounds (two with comfort cabins). Reservable and first-come first-serve camping opportunities are available. Since 2022, seven rustic camping areas and an equestrian campground has been in full operation. The Castle Parks encompass stunning lakes, rivers, meadow and mountain ridges and an incredible backcountry and front country trail system. The area offers facilities for OHV users, hikers, mountain bikers, fishers, campers, kayakers and equestrians. Pincher Creek District Park Rangers will provide coverage for 12 Provincial Parks and Provincial Recreation Areas (PRAs) including Beauvais Lake Provincial Park and Chinook PRA with the farthest south being Waterton Reservoir and north to Chain Lakes Provincial Park. Lethbridge Park Ranger's support 10 Provincial Parks and Provincial Recreation Areas with some of the largest campgrounds in SW Alberta, including Wyndham Caresland and St. Mary Reservoir, as well as isolated gems such as Police Outpost Provincial Park.
- Notes: Castle and Pincher Creek District positions will be based out of Castleview Administration Office, at the Oldman Dam Provincial Recreation Area and Beauvais Lake Provincial Park (near Pincher Creek, Alberta). Staff accommodations are available for rent at Beauvais Lake Provincial Park. Lethbridge District Park Ranger's are based out of the Administration Building in Lethbridge and support campgrounds from Police Outpost in the south, to Little Bow Provincial Park near Calgary.