

Strathcona Trail and Area Conditions

Spring conditions are in effect. Visitors to the backcountry during the spring/early summer should be aware that heavy snow, thin ice and other spring hazards may exist anywhere. Visitors should not venture into terrain they are not prepared for.

Visitors are reminded that fires are not permitted anywhere or at any time (all seasons) within Strathcona Park except in authorized and provided BC Parks steel fire rings. This regulation is in effect at all times of the year. No open fires are allowed in any backcountry areas.

Reminder: New backcountry camping fees are now in effect. Adults (19 years & over) are \$10 per person/night, Youth (13-18 years) are \$5 per person/night, and Children 12 years and under- no charge. Backcountry fees are in effect from June 15th to September 30th in core fee zones along the Bedwell Lakes Trail, Elk River Trail and Forbidden Plateau areas.

Trail updates are appreciated from all visitors to the park – To provide trail information please contact :

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Buttle Lake Area

Marine Locations:

Trail Area:	Latest Condition:	Last Updated:
Boat Launches	Free of snow	May 22, 2012
Marine Sites	Free of snow	May 22, 2012

Nature Walks and Short Trails:

Trail Area:	Latest Condition:	Last Updated:
Karst Creek	Free of snow	May22, 2012
Lady Falls, Elk River Viewpoint, Crest Crags, Lupin Falls, Wild Ginger, Shepherd Creek, Lower Myra Falls,	All areas free of snow The creek is very high due to snow melt; great care is needed at the falls	May 22 2012
Auger Point	Free of snow	May 22, 2012

Buttle Lake Area Trails:

Trail Area:	Latest Condition:	Last Updated:
Elk River	High risk area after descent to river due to deep snow. Avalanche risk, under-flooding, windfalls and washouts	May 22, 2012

	also exist.	
Crest Mountain	Clear of snow until about 850m. Trail has not been cleared of windfall so exercise caution.	May 22, 2012
King's Peak	Road to trailhead is clear of snow and accessible. The snow appears to be at about 500m. The trail has not yet been cleared of windfall, so exercise caution.	May 22, 2012
Bedwell Lakes	Access road is extremely rough. Trailhead is not accessible due to snow on access road. Trail is covered in snow.	May 22, 2012
Price Creek/Cream Lake	Covered in snow	May 22, 2012
Upper Myra Falls	Still some snow patches. Trail has not yet been assessed for hazards.	May 22, 2012
Arnica Lake/Phillips Ridge	Snow covered from about 850m.	May 22, 2012
Tennent Lake/Mount Myra	Snow covered from about 500m. Trail not assessed for hazards and avalanche danger is still present.	May 22, 2012
Flower Ridge	Snow covered from about 700m. Trail not assessed for hazards.	May 22, 2012
Marble Meadows	Covered in snow	May 22, 2012

Forbidden Plateau Area Trails

Trail Area:	Latest Condition:	Last Updated:
Paradise Meadows Trailhead	Trail is covered in snow	May 3, 2012
Helen Mackenzie/ Battleship Loop, Helen Mackenzie to Kwai Lake via Croteau Lake, Cruickshank Canyon Lookout, Helen Mackenzie to Circlet Lk, Amphitheatre Lake, Moat Lake, Mount Albert Edward,	Covered in snow	May 3, 2012

Wood Mountain Traverse		
Mt. Beecher Trail	Covered in snow	May 3, 2012

Other Trails and Areas

Trail Area:	Latest Condition:	Last Updated:
Della Falls & Love Lake Trail	4 km of icy slush at northwest end of the lake 1 – 1.5m of snow covering the majority of the trail Dock buried in snow	April 30, 2012
Oshinow Lake	Not inspected yet.	May 3, 2012
Kunlin/Donner Lakes	Not inspected yet. Travel by vehicle is not recommended to Donner Lake. Road to Kunlin Lake is becoming overgrown – watch for deep water bars and small road failures. Windfall likely.	May 3, 2012
Gold Lake	Not inspected yet. High probability of windfall.	May 3, 2012