



## 2022 Seasonal Park Ranger Competition

# District Placement Descriptions

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## Northern Alberta

### Grande Prairie District

- **Location:** The Grande Prairie district makes up the central part of the NW region with key park locations including: Saskatoon Island, Musreau Lake, Two Lakes, Moonshine Lake, Dunvegan, Young's Point and Williamson.
- **Term:** May to September.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, collect revenue, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relay key information. The position may also include special projects such as signage and monitoring visitor use of trails and other locations.
- **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 NW region with key park locations including: Queen Elizabeth, Figure Eight, Twin Lakes and Notikewin.
- **Term:** May to September.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, collect revenue, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relay key information. The position may also include special projects such as signage and monitoring visitor use of trails and other locations.

- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Queen Elizabeth Provincial Park. Staff accommodations are available.

### Slave Lake/ High Prairie District

- **Location:** The Slave Lake district makes up the eastern part of the NW region with key park locations including: Lesser Slave Lake, Hilliard's Bay and Winagami Lake.
- **Term:** May to September.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relay key information. The position may also include special projects such as signage and monitoring visitor use of trails and other locations.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Lesser Slave Lake and Hilliard's Bay Provincial Parks. Staff accommodations are available.

### Lakeland/ Lac La Biche District

- **Location:** The Lakeland District is located in the Lac La Biche area of the North Region. Two signature sites are Sir Winston Churchill Provincial Park, and Lakeland, which includes the largest provincial recreation area 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 in the Lakeland District Provincial Recreation Areas including Pinehurst, Touchwood, Ironwood, Siebert and Poacher's Landing. Special assignments in remote parks, on trails, and backcountry locations within the district are also an expectation of the position.
- **Term:** April to September/October, based on available funding.
- **Role:** Park Rangers will monitor site conditions, respond to visitor needs, and provide information services while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position also monitors visitor conduct, encouraging compliance, and supporting issue resolution. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage. Experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential.
- **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.
- **Term:** April to September/October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.
- **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.
- **Term:** April to September/October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park Operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.
- **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,
- **Term:** April to September/October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park Operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.
- **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, Rock Lake, Whitehorse Wildland, Wildhorse Lake, Willmore Wilderness 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 complete special projects in remote parks, trails, and backcountry locations.
- **Term:** May to September/October.
- **Role:** Park Rangers will monitor site conditions, respond to visitor needs, and provide information services while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position also monitors visitor conduct, encouraging compliance, and supporting issue resolution. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as

maintaining park trails and signage. Experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential.

- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of William A. Switzer Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.

### 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 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.
- **Term:** May to September/October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Carson Pegasus Provincial Park and the Spruce Grove office. Staff accommodations may be 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.
- **Term:** May to September/October with possibility for extension into winter season.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution with day visitors and overnight campers (Miquelon Lake only). This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key

information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position also assists with wildlife management including support in wildlife/human conflict, dealing with firearms discharge permits and knowing the hunting regulations & guidelines (at Cooking Lake Blackfoot PRA in particular). This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.

- **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.
- **Term:** May to September/October with possibility for extension into winter season.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park Operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage.
- **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.

- **Term:** May to September.
- **Role:** Park Rangers will monitor site conditions, respond to visitor needs, and provide information services while roving campgrounds, day use areas and trails. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity, public safety and emergency response, and Parks conservation. The position will also collect campground fees, oversee permit conditions and conduct site inspections/ inventories. In addition to routine work listed above, the position may also perform tasks such as trail maintenance, boundary fencing and park signage upkeep on a project basis. Comfort completing physically demanding work and experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential. Strong knowledge of Park and Public Land legislation and regulations is considered an asset.
- **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.
- **Term:** May to September.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity, public safety and emergency response, and Parks conservation. The position will also collect campground fees, oversee permit conditions and conduct site inspections/inventories. In addition to routine work listed above, the position may also perform tasks such as trail maintenance, invasive species education and monitoring, and park signage upkeep on a project basis.
- **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 country and backcountry work throughout the region.
- **Term:** Mid-May to end of October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor conduct, communicate compliance expectations, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park Operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information including mitigating human wildlife conflict, and promoting public safety and environmental stewardship. Officers will play a key role in public education regarding the Kananaskis Conservation Pass and may be tasked with supporting compliance checks. Candidates placed in this District may also be called upon to assist with the regional bear aversion program, habitat management, trail maintenance, traffic control, resource management, boundary fencing and signage installation. Comfort completing physically demanding work and experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential. Strong knowledge of Park and Public Land legislation and regulations is considered an asset.
- **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.
- **Term:** April 1 to October 30.
- **Role:** Park Rangers will monitor severe weather, flash floods, site conditions, respond to visitor needs, manage access within the Natural Preserve, assist with permits and work closely with paleontologists and other researchers. This service-focused position also provides information to the public, while monitoring visitor conduct, encouraging compliance, and supporting issue resolution. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position is also



responsible for wildlife management (i.e. rattlesnake handling & pest control), and perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage. Experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential.

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

### Cypress Hills 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 role in the Park for successful applicants.
- **Term:** April to October.
- **Role:** Park Rangers will focus on visitor experience enhancement, monitor site conditions, respond to visitor needs, and provide information services while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position also monitors visitor conduct, encouraging compliance, and supporting issue resolution. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position will also perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails, signage and light facility maintenance that enhances the visitor experience. Environmental and Ecological components of the role are assigned as they arise such as problem wildlife management. Experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Cypress Hills Provincial Park Visitor Centre. Staff accommodations are be available.

### Southwest Alberta – Castle, Pincher Creek & Lethbridge Districts

- **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. In 2022, seven rustic camping areas and a new equestrian campground will be 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 (PRRO) will provide education and revenue support 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 PRRO'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.

- **Term:** May to September/October.
- **Role:** Park Rangers (PRRO) focus on visitor experience education and compliance. PRRO staff will gain a tremendous amount of experience teaching visitors about wildlife and fire safety, invasive species, cattle grazing and camping rules and regulations. PRRO staff will implement fire restriction and ban information, respond to public safety situations, install and recommend signage, support information distribution throughout the area, as well monitor and support construction and reclamation closures. They will also support revenue collection, trail work and maintenance tasks throughout the area as part of a team of staff working to provide high quality visitor experience in all aspects of the parks program. Lethbridge PRRO's monitor Facility Operators and work with other partners to ensure campgrounds are operated efficiently and to Alberta Parks standards. Environmental and ecological components of the role are assigned as they arise such as problem wildlife management. Experience working in remote outdoor settings in all kinds of weather is essential for all three districts.
- **Notes:** Castle and Pincher Creek District PRRO positions will be based out of Castlevue Administration Office, at the Oldman Dam Provincial Recreation Area and Beauvais Lake Provincial Park (near Pincher Creek, Alberta). Staff accommodations are be available for rent at Beauvais Lake Provincial Park. Lethbridge District PRRO'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.

### Writing-on-Stone District

- **Location:** 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. While the focus of the position will be on park operations in facility areas, the position will also travel to remote areas of the park to support resource management and monitoring, minor maintenance, and trail work projects.

- **Term:** Mid-April to mid-October.
- **Role:** With a focus on visitor management, Park Rangers will monitor visitor use, encourage compliance, and support issue resolution while roving campgrounds and day use areas. This service-focused position will assist in resource and facility monitoring and managing visitor capacity by providing information to users and other Park operations staff, reporting on visitor statistics and interactions with the public. As well, they will assist in public engagement and relaying key information. Their knowledge of safety related legislation and procedures equips them to support initial emergency response for the public and workers. This position is also responsible for wildlife management (i.e. rattlesnake handling & pest control), and perform special maintenance projects such as maintaining park trails and signage. Experience working in remote outdoor settings is essential.
- **Notes:** Positions will be based out of Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park. Staff accommodations may be available.