



# Provincial Parks Endowment Funds

## Annual Report

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**2022/23**

**Natural Resources and Northern Development  
Parks and Trails**



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# Executive Summary 2022/23

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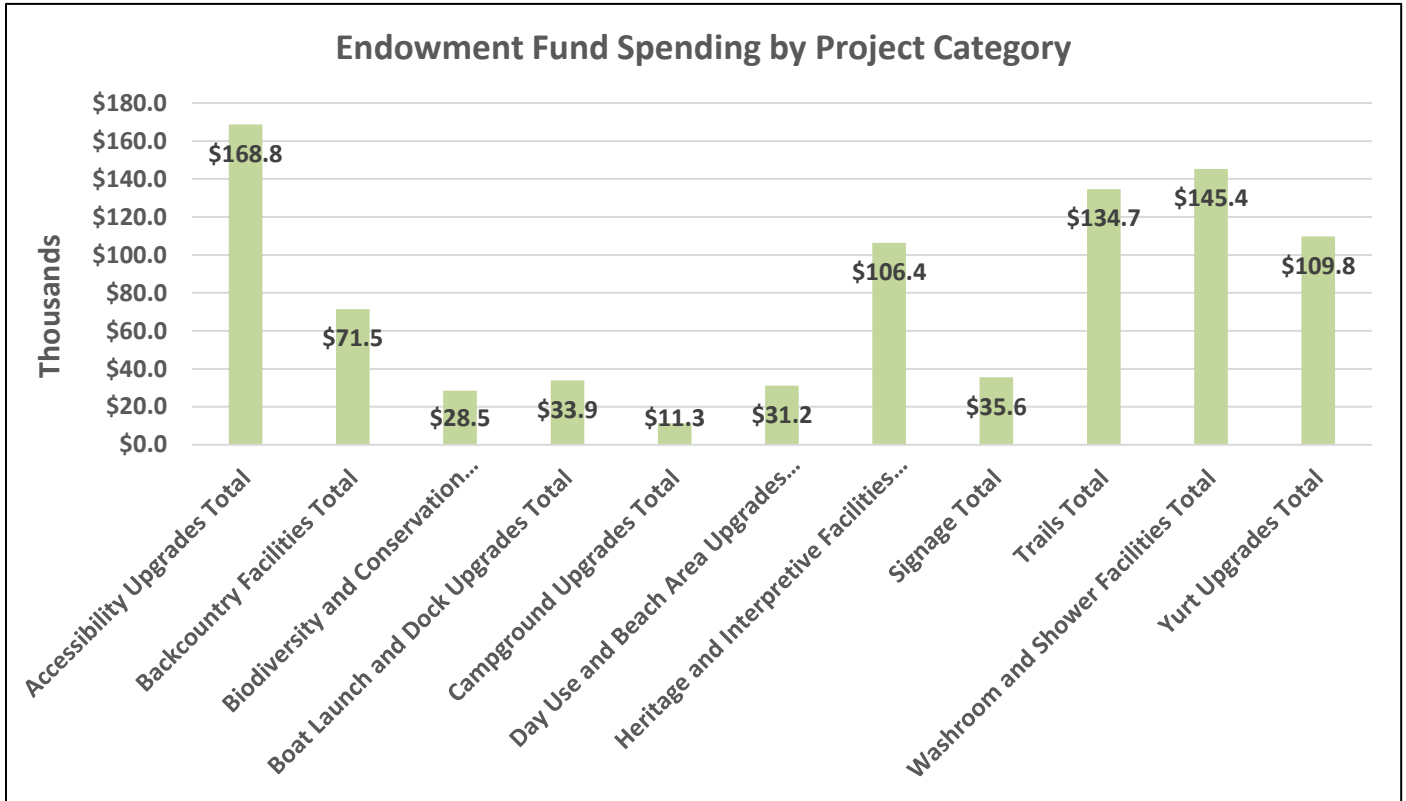
A total of 54 projects were completed using Provincial Park Endowment Funds (PPEF) in 2022/23, totalling \$872,338.00. The projects supported a wide variety of programs including improvements to trails, accessibility, and camping facilities, as well as biodiversity and prairie management, among others (see Projects Summary and Project Reports for further information).

The following table shows the projects and spending completed within each fund in 2022/23:

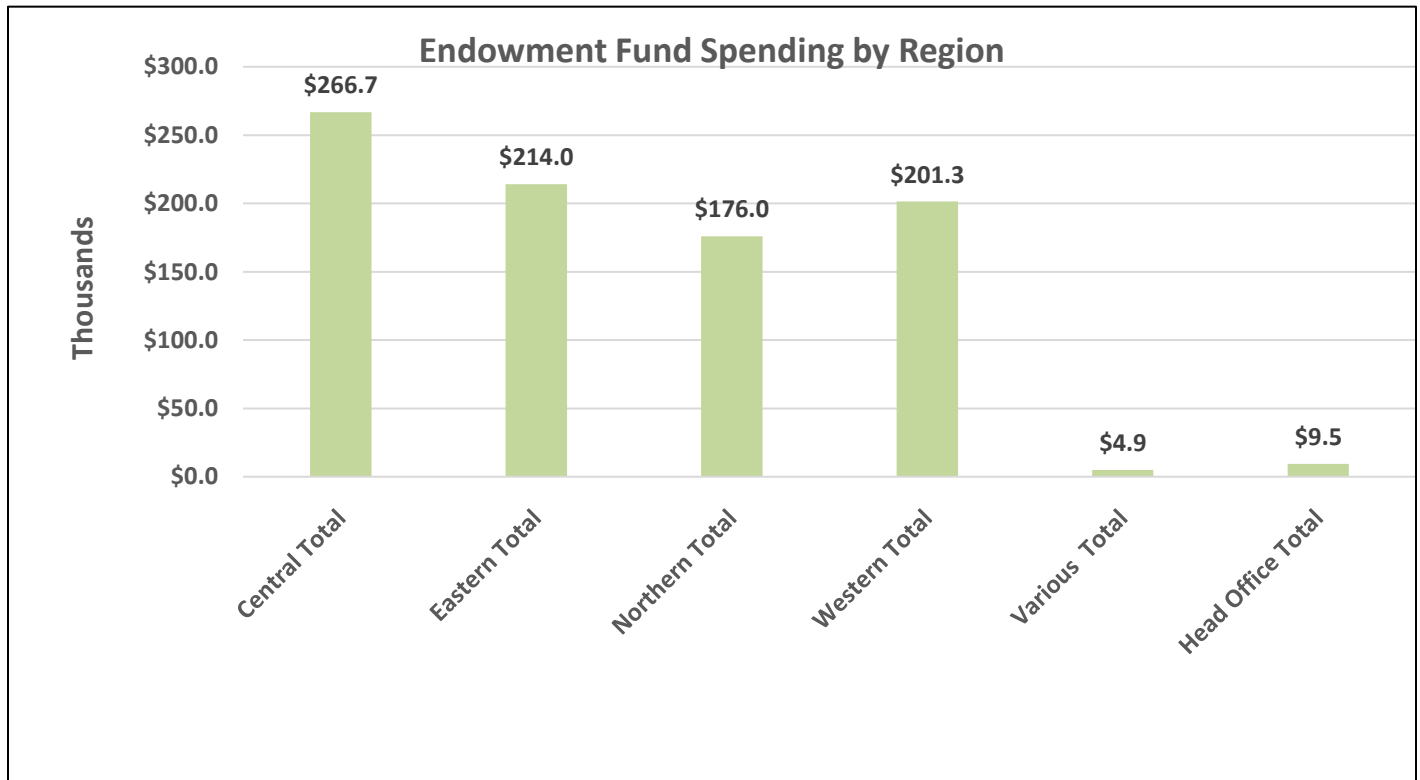
Endowment Fund	Summary
<b>Provincial Parks (General)</b>	
Total Spent	\$468,275.80
Number of Projects	33
Project Categories	Trails, Signage, Accessibility, Dock/Boat Launches, Yurts, Backcountry, Campground, Washroom/Shower Facilities, Bio-diversity and Conservation
<b>Birds Hill Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$67,246.80
Number of Projects	3
Project Categories	Signage, Accessibility
<b>Clearwater Lake Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$46,492.90
Number of Projects	3
Project Categories	Trails, Dock/Boat Launches, Washroom/Shower Facilities
<b>Hecla/Grindstone Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$117,818.20
Number of Projects	4
Project Categories	Trails, Signage, Heritage and Interpretive Facilities
<b>Paint Lake Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$26,920.50
Number of Projects	3
Project Categories	Trails, Accessibility
<b>Spruce Woods Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$90,936.90
Number of Projects	4
Project Categories	Signage, Yurts, Heritage and Interpretive Facilities, Bio-diversity and Conservation
<b>Whiteshell Provincial Park</b>	
Total Spent	\$54,646.90
Number of Projects	4
Project Categories	Trails, Accessibility
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$872,338.00</b>

\* Includes funds from the Cheryl D. Christenson Fund.

The following chart shows total expenditures across all project types:



The following chart shows total expenditures based on region:



# Background

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PPEF are a series of funds that were established in 2021 with an initial \$20M capital contribution from government to The Winnipeg Foundation to fund projects or initiatives that support the following goals:

- Enhancing ecological integrity, conserving biological diversity, and preserving sustainable wildlife and fish populations;
- Increasing public use by improving public safety, enhancing visitor accessibility, and enriching experiences for park visitors;
- Improving water quality through decreasing nutrients and other pollutants entering waterways; and
- Increasing resilience to climate change through implementing positive adaptive and mitigated strategies.

The PPEF portfolio is made up of the following funds:

- The Provincial Park Endowment Fund – General (Initial Capital Investment \$10M)
- The Provincial Park Endowment Incentive Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$4.5M)
- Birds Hill Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$1M)
- Hecla-Grindstone Provincial Park - Cheryle D. Christensen Endowment Fund\* (Initial Capital Investment \$1.58M)
- Hecla-Grindstone Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$0.5M)
- Clearwater Lake Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$1M)
- Paint Lake Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$1M)
- Spruce Woods Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$1M)
- Upper Fort Garry Heritage Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$0.1M)
- Whiteshell Provincial Park Endowment Fund (Initial Capital Investment \$1M)

*\*The Cheryle D. Christensen Fund was established through a private donation from the estate of Cheryle D. Christensen to support Hecla Grindstone Provincial Park (supplemented with \$500k from the Parks Endowment Incentive Fund).*

The funds generate up to \$1.1M in revenue annually to government and are managed by The Winnipeg Foundation on behalf of Manitoba. The endowment funds assist in offsetting the changing demands and increased costs of enhancing and sustaining provincial parks, including critical infrastructure, but are not designed to replace other provincial park funding.

Annual revenue produced by each fund may be used to support projects under the following categories:

- Campground Upgrades
- Accessibility Upgrades
- Day Use and Beach Area Upgrades
- Boat Launch and Dock Upgrades
- Washroom and Shower Facility Upgrades
- Yurt Upgrades
- Trails
- Backcountry Facilities
- Bio-diversity and Conservation Programs
- Signage
- Heritage and Interpretive Facilities

Work may include, but is not limited to:

- Development and maintenance of trails, boardwalks, and associated infrastructure;
- Public use facilities such as amphitheaters, shelters, day use sites, playground equipment, docks and launches;
- Park road maintenance;
- Habitat restoration and enhancement;
- Historical assets and cultural sites;
- Infrastructure to support programming;
- Modern machinery and operational equipment;
- Municipal servicing infrastructure;
- Campground enhancements; and
- Interpretive infrastructure to support programming.
- Maintenance projects that extend and/or enhance the infrastructure, facilities, or assets outlined above are eligible project costs.

Manitoba Parks - Operations and Development will manage project coordination, administration, delivery, and funds disbursement.

# Revenue

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The following table shows the revenue available in 2022/23, total expenditures and unspent revenue to be capitalized back into the funds to support fund growth:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Revenue (\$)</b> <i>(as of May 31, 2023)</i>	<b>Expenditures (\$)</b>	<b>Re-Capitalized (\$)</b>
Parks Endowment Fund (General)	557,984.88	468,275.80	89,709.08
Birds Hill Provincial Park Endowment Fund	94,268.00	67,246.80	27,021.20
Clearwater Lake Provincial Park Endowment Fund	94,268.00	46,492.90	47,775.10
Hecla/Grindstone Provincial Park Endowment Fund <sup>1</sup>	173,321.00	117,818.20	55,502.80
Paint Lake Provincial Park Endowment Fund	94,268.00	26,920.50	67,347.50
Spruce Woods Provincial Park Endowment Fund	94,268.00	90,936.90	3,331.10
Whiteshell Provincial Park Endowment Fund	94,268.00	54,646.90	39,621.10
Parks Endowment Incentive Fund <sup>2</sup>	213,127.00	-	213,127.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,420,514.88</b>	<b>\$872,338.00</b>	<b>\$548,176.88</b>

**Notes:**

1. The Hecla-Grindstone Provincial Park Fund includes funds from the Cheryle D. Christensen Fund.
2. The Provincial Park Endowment Incentive Fund revenue is designed to match gifts received and capitalize funds into the appropriate fund. It is re-capitalized if no gifts are received.

# 2022/23 Projects Summary

	Location	Project	Amount (\$)
<b>Provincial Parks General Fund</b>			
1	Central – Grand Beach	Accessible Site Upgrades	9,879.69
2	Central – Grand Beach	New Pit Privy – Main Boardwalk	21,181.55
3	Central – Grand Beach	Town site Washroom Upgrade	12,730.34
4	Central – Camp Morton	Yurt Upgrades	18,202.57
5	Central - Stephenfield	Yurt Upgrades	22,107.72
6	Eastern – St Malo	Accessible Campsites (Fire pit, Picnic Table, Hard Top, Signage)	7,900.84
7	Eastern – St Malo	Picnic Shelters (High Volume Day Use)	20,002.11
8	Eastern – Nopiming	Canoe Routes (Bird, Seagrim,Rabbit) (Garden Throne, Bear Box, Fire pit, Picnic Table, Signage)	29,998.05
9	Eastern – Nopiming	Parking Lot Improvements (Shoe Lake) Expansion and pit privy	19,892.08
10	Eastern – Nopiming	Parking Lot Improvements - Seagrim Lakes (Expansion and pit privy)	20,000.00
11	Eastern – Nopiming	Pit Privy – (Rabbit River Parking Lot)	9,925.48
12	Eastern – Nopiming	Building Access Upgrades	1,473.00
13	Eastern – Moose Lake	Boat Launch Upgrades (New pads)	3,391.86
14	Eastern – Moose Lake	Washroom Trail Development (new path to main road)	4,940.04
15	Eastern - Whiteshell	Trail Improvements - Wayfinding signage (Centennial)	2,660.00
16	Eastern - Whiteshell	Boardwalk and trailhead improvements (Bear Lake)	30,436.06
17	Eastern - Whiteshell	Pit Privy South Whiteshell - Hansons Creek Canoe Route staging Area	8,707.10
18	Northern – Grass River	Iskwasum Dock Upgrades - replaced main dock destroyed by flooding and installed a floating dock for the fluctuating waters.	31,015.39
19	Northern - Paint Lake	Northern sign replacement carry over from 2021-22	22,065.13
20	Northern - Wekusko	New accessible Pit Privy	13,587.85
21	Northern -Wekusko	Wekusko Beach Accessibility Improvements	24,685.31
22	Northern – Bakers Narrows	Sally's Beach Improvements (repaired retaining wall & added sand)	11,242.06
23	Western - Rivers	Pit Privy Upgrade in Bay 1	3,498.97
24	Western – Rivers	Seasonal Washroom Upgrade	5,543.64
25	Western - Rivers	Beach Washroom Upgrade	1,498.34
26	Western – Duck Mountain	Replaced High Use Pit Privy – Childs Lake	9,253.64
27	Western – Duck Mountain	Seasonal Campground Site Upgrades (Childs Lake)	11,282.34
28	Western – Turtle Mountain	Oskar Lake canoe route upgrades (replace portage docks)	1,638.17
29	Western - Asessippi	Pit Privy Replacements (group, day use, pensioners point, bay 4)	19,899.75
30	Western - Asessippi	Trans Canada Trail upgrade (install culvert/creek crossing)	9,881.31
31	Western - Asessippi	Trail Bridge Improvements	3,000.00
32	Western - Asessippi	Yurt Upgrades (Replace doors & skins)	44,894.09
33	Various	Bat Boxes	4,864.12
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>468,275.80</b>

<b>Birds Hill Fund</b>			
1	Central – Birds Hill	Burr Oak Parking Lot Improvements	54,748.50
2	Central – Birds Hill	Accessible Washroom Trail Upgrade – West Beach	7,499.10
3	Central – Birds Hill	Trail Signage Improvements (Directional Signage)	4,999.15
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67,246.80</b>
<b>Clearwater Lake Fund</b>			
1	Northern - Clearwater	Stairs added to Caves Trails	4,999.52
2	Northern - Clearwater	New Accessible Pit Privy/Change house at Campers Cove	39,525.09
3	Northern – Clearwater, Various	Kayak/Canoe Launch development (Bakers, Clearwater and Grass River)	1,968.30
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,492.90</b>
<b>Hecla/Grindstone Fund</b>			
1	Central – Hecla/Grindstone	Blue Streak II (landscaping)	5,500.00
2	Central – Hecla/Grindstone	Amphitheatre Upgrade / Construct New	47,446.72
3	Central – Hecla/Grindstone	Trail Signage Improvements	5,000.00
4	Central – Hecla/Grindstone	Marsh walking trail Upgrade/Fish House Museum	59,871.44
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>117,818.20</b>
<b>Paint Lake Fund</b>			
1	Northern – Paint Lake	Accessible pit privy Bay 4	14,120.34
2	Northern – Pisew Falls	Accessible Pit Privy	10,430.35
3	Northern – Pisew Falls	Kwasitchevan Falls hiking trail upgrades (Fire pits, trail maintenance, and garden thrones)	2,369.76
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,920.50</b>
<b>Spruce Woods Fund</b>			
1	Western – Spruce Woods	Visitor Center Siding Replacement (complete install in 2023-24)	53,440.30
2	Western – Spruce Woods	Yurt Upgrades (5 Yurts)	24,613.57
3	Western – Spruce Woods	New Interpretive panels, entrance kiosk and trail signs.	3,495.69
4	Western – Spruce Woods	Biodiversity Enhancement & Prairie Management	9,387.32
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90,936.90</b>
<b>Whiteshell Fund</b>			
1	Eastern - Whiteshell	Trail Improvements (Pine Point) Replace pit privies and signage	11,525.68
2	Eastern - Whiteshell	Parking Lot Improvements (Sturgeon Falls)	10,006.16
3	Eastern - Whiteshell	Accessible Campsites - South Whiteshell (Fire pit, Picnic Table, Hard Top, Signage)	19,325.83
4	Eastern - Whiteshell	Accessible Campsites - North Whiteshell (Fire pit, Picnic Table, Hard Top, Signage)	13,789.27
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>54,646.90</b>

**PROJECT REPORTS**

# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Accessibility Upgrades

**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**

Grand Beach Provincial Park  
St. Malo Provincial Park  
Nopiming Provincial Park  
Moose Lake Provincial Park  
Wekusko Falls Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Accessible Campsites  
Accessible Trail Upgrades  
Building Access Improvements  
Beach Access Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$48,879.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Washroom Shower Facilities

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

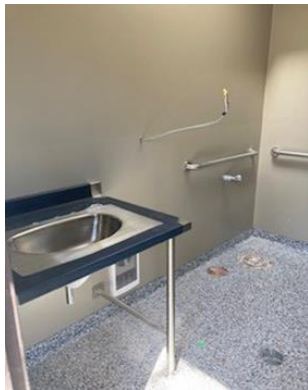
**Locations:**

- Grand Beach Provincial Park
- Whiteshell Provincial Park
- Nopiming Provincial Park
- Rivers Provincial Park
- Wekusko Falls Provincial Park
- Duck Mountain Provincial Park
- Asessippi Provincial Park

**Projects:**

- Efficiency and Modernization Improvements to Washroom Shower Facilities
- New Pit Privies
- Accessibility Improvements to Washroom Shower Facilities

**Total Investment:** \$105,828.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Trails

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**

Whiteshell Provincial Park  
Asessippi Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Trail and Boardwalk Improvements  
Trail Bridge Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$45,977.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Boat Launch and Dock Upgrades

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**

Grass River Provincial Park  
Moose Lake Provincial Park

**Projects:**

New Floating Docks  
General Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$34,407.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Yurt Upgrades

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**

Camp Morton Provincial Park  
Stephenfield Provincial Park  
Asessippi Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Yurt Skin Replacements  
General Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$85,205.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Backcountry Facilities

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**

Turtle Mountain Provincial Park  
Nopiming Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Backcountry Campsite Furnishings  
Parking and Access Improvements  
Portage Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$71,528.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Day Use and Beach Area Upgrades

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**  
St. Malo Provincial Park  
Bakers Narrows Provincial Park

**Projects:**  
New Picnic Shelters  
Retaining Wall and Access Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$31,244.00



# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Signage

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**  
Paint Lake Provincial Park

**Projects:**  
Entry Sign Replacement

**Total Investment:** \$22,065.00





# PARKS ENDOWMENT FUND - GENERAL

## PROJECT REPORTS

### Bio-Diversity and Conservation Programs

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**Funding:** Parks Endowment Fund (General)

**Locations:**  
Various Provincial Parks

**Projects:**  
Bat Boxes

**Total Investment:** \$4,864.00



# BIRDS HILL ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Accessibility, Trails, Washroom/Shower Upgrades

**Funding:** Birds Hill Endowment Fund

**Location:**

Birds Hill Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Burr Oak Trailhead Parking Improvements  
East Beach Washroom Access Upgrade  
Trail Signage Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$67,247.00



Birds Hill Provincial Park  
WINTER TRAIL DESIGNATIONS

**Only use trails designated for your activity!**

<b>Walking Trails</b>	<b>Ski Trails</b>	<b>Cycling (Fat Bike) Trails</b>
Bur Oak	Aspen	Oak Ridge
Cedar Bog	Bluestem	Lakeview
Duff Roblin Parkway	Chickadee	Sparrow
Lakeview	Esker	
Nimowin	Lime Kiln	<b>Snowmobile Trails</b>
Pine Ridge		Hazelnut
Prairie Winds	<b>Skate Ski/Skijoring</b>	Tamarack
Sparrow	Group Use 1 Road	<b>Horse Trails</b>
	Spruce	Bridle Path
		Carriageway

 Respect all trail users.  
Keep dogs on leash and pick up after your pet.



# CLEARWATER LAKE ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Trails, Boat Launch, Washroom/Shower Upgrades

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**Funding:** Clearwater Lake Endowment Fund

**Location:**

Clearwater Lake Provincial Park

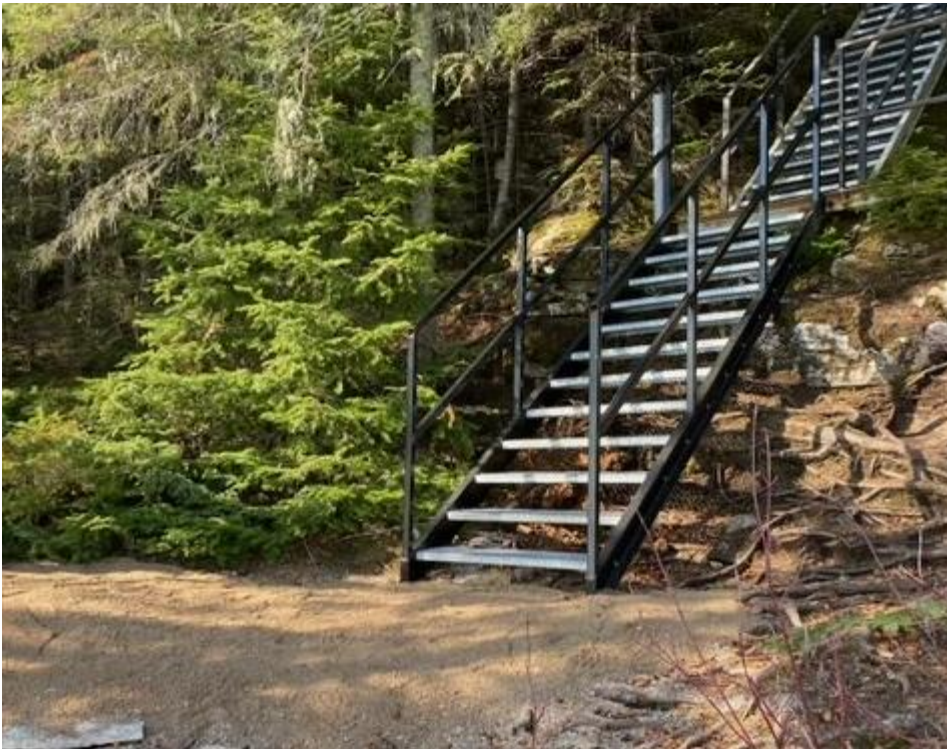
**Projects:**

Caves Trail Stair Upgrades

New Accessible Pit Privy/Change House at Campers Cove

Kayak/Canoe Launch Upgrades at Bakers Narrows, Grass River and Clearwater Lake

**Total Investment:** \$46,423.00



# HECLA/GRINDSTONE ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Signage, Trails, Heritage and Interpretive Facility Upgrades

**Funding:** Hecla/Grindstone Endowment Fund

**Locations:**  
Hecla/Grindstone Provincial Park

**Projects:**  
Blue Streak II Landscaping  
Marsh Trail Boardwalk Upgrade  
Trail Signage  
Amphitheatre Upgrade  
Fish House Museum Upgrade

**Total Investment:** \$117,818.00



# PAINT LAKE ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Trails and Washroom/Shower Upgrades

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**Funding:** Paint Lake Endowment Fund

**Locations:**  
Paint Lake Provincial Park

**Projects:**  
New Accessible Pit Privies  
Kwasitchewan Trail and Backcountry Upgrades

**Total Investment:** \$26,921.00



# SPRUCE WOODS ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Yurts, Signage, Heritage and Interpretive Facility Upgrades, Bio-Diversity and Conservation Programs

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**Funding:** Spruce Woods Endowment Fund

**Location:**

Spruce Woods Provincial Park

**Projects:**

Visitor Centre Siding Upgrade  
Interpretive Signage Upgrade  
Bio-Diversity and Prairie Management Program  
Yurt Upgrade

**Total Investment:** \$90,937.00



# WHITESHELL ENDOWMENT FUND

## PROJECTS REPORT

### Trails and Accessible Campsite Upgrades

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**Funding:** Whiteshell Endowment Fund

**Location:**  
Whiteshell Provincial Park

**Projects:**  
Sturgeon Falls Trailhead Parking Upgrade  
Pine Point Trailhead Pit Privy and Signage Upgrade  
New Accessible Campsites

**Total Investment:** \$54,647.00

