

Overview of Off-Highway Vehicle Use in SSRP

Excerpt from South Saskatchewan Regional Plan 2014 – 2024: Appendix K (page 158)

Green Area (vacant public land)	Generally, off-highway vehicle use is a permitted activity however crossing any naturally occurring body of water or naturally occurring watercourse can only occur at a bridge or designated crossing.
Public Land Use Zone	Off-highway vehicle use is not permitted except where specified by signs/notices posted (i.e. designated trails). There may be restrictions around size/type of conveyance as well as timing of use. Generally, crossing naturally occurring bodies of water or naturally occurring watercourses can only occur at bridges or designated crossings (as above).
Conservation Areas and Provincial Parks and Recreation Areas	<p>Where it is permitted use, off-highway vehicle use will be managed to designated off-highway vehicle trails and areas. Off-highway vehicle use is permitted only on existing off-highway vehicle trails and areas where a management plan, trails plan, regulation, sign, notice or trail marker designates such use.</p> <p>In new or expanded areas where off-highway vehicle use is permitted and designation of trails or areas has not yet occurred, use of existing off-highway vehicle trails and area can continue in the interim until the earliest of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a trail plan or management plan is developed which identifies where off-highway vehicle use will be permitted; or • off-highway vehicle use is otherwise restricted by regulation. <p>No new trails or routes or access may be developed without a management plan, trail plan, or regulation.</p> <p>Off-highway vehicle use shall not occur in the beds and shores of permanent water bodies.</p> <p>Off-highway vehicle use shall not occur on power line rights-of-way, utility corridors, or industrial facility areas (e.g., well-sites), unless specifically authorized to do so (see Appendix K – Overview of Off-Highway Vehicle Uses in SSRP).</p> <p>In area designated as Heritage Rangelands, grazing lease holders are permitted to use off-highway vehicles in connection with the exercise of holders’ rights under the grazing lease.</p>

Outdoor Recreation on Public Land

There are many outdoor recreational opportunities offered on Crown land including camping, hiking, hunting, sportfishing, motorized and non-motorized recreation. Albertans are encouraged to enjoy outdoor recreational activities on public land in a safe manner that respects the environment and other users. Maps and other information are available on the Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development and the Provincial Parks websites. Additionally there are signs and outreach staff to provide further guidance.

To view the entire plan, please visit:

- [South Saskatchewan Regional Plan](#)