## Central BC Nature Viewing Region

## **Robson Valley Area**

**Mount Robson Provincial Park** 

Several provincial parks and protected areas protecting a large area on the western slope of the Continental Divide.

Ge	og	ra	ph	ical

**Rocky Mountains** 

Description

Area/ Trail Length

Park areas totalling over 250,000 ha.

Seasons to Visit

Year-round; campgrounds open May through September, alpine areas only

accessible June to October depending on snow conditions.

Habitat

Viewing

Lakeshore, marsh, Interior cedar-hemlock and Englemann spruce-subalpine fir forests, alpine meadows and tundra, rocky basins and outwash plains. glaciers.

**Highlights** 

Mount Robson at 3951 metres is the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies,

and rises 3100 metres from the visitor centre on Highway 16.

Kinney Lake is a moderately strenuous day hike through interior rainforest to a post-glacial lake with a large glacial outwash plain at the head.

Berg Lake trail continues from Kinney Lake as a very strenuous, but very popular, multi-day hike to a high basin with glaciers and post-glacial features. Reservations are required.

Moose Lake and Yellowhead Lake are good for viewing waterbirds and other wildlife.

Salmon can be seen spawning in autumn at Overlander Falls and Rearguard Falls on the Fraser River; Rearguard Falls is the furthest upstream point reached by the salmon.

Visitor centre with viewing platform, interpretive displays and information.

Other **Features**  Two camparounds in core area of park near visitor centre and another at Yellowhead Lake.

Mount Fitzwilliam trail is an overnight hike to an alpine basin; Yellowhead Mountain trail is a rough scramble to a viewpoint north of Yellowhead Lake. Both of these trails are very strenuous hikes in lightly travelled remote areas.

Main Access

Park core area with visitor centre and Kinney/Berg Lake trailhead is on the north side of Highway 16, approximately 17 km east of the junction of Highways 5 and 16 or 88 km west of Jasper, Alberta.

Secondary Accesses

**Cautions** Be aware of bears and cougars.

Most trails are very strenuous and you need to be in good condition and

equipped for backcountry life. Even on day hikes, good boots, water, food and

survival gear are necessary.

There is no mobile phone service in this area.

Jurisdiction BC Parks

Regulations Camping and fires in designated sites only. Dogs on leash and not allowed on

Berg Lake trail.

**Facilities** Picnic tables and flush toilets at visitor centre; picnic tables and pit toilets at

Yellowhead Lake. Restaurant and fuel at visitor centre. Limited services in Tete-Jaune Cache near Highway 5/16 junction, all services in Valemount, 37

km west, or in Jasper.

Other Canoeing and kayaking at Yellowhead Lake; cross-country skiing,

Recreational snowshoeing.

**Activities** 

Other The Berg Lake trail is part of the North Boundary trail is an extended wilderness

**Connections** backpacking trip through the northern section of Jasper National Park; 10-14

days to complete.

**History** 

**FMI** Park operator Quartz Contracting

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