

<b>Site Name:</b>	<b>Kleskun Hill</b>
<b>Site Type:</b>	<b>Natural Area</b>
<b>Status:</b>	Order-in-council (OC)
<b>Subtype:</b>	Conservation
<b>PASite ID (Map Ref #):</b>	7
<b>O.C. No. (Land Ref. Manual):</b>	597/87
<b>Site # (Parks Website):</b>	497
<b>Reserved Area:</b>	0.00 ha. (0.00 ac.)
<b>Designated Area:</b>	61.54 ha. (152.07 ac.)
<b>Total Area:</b>	61.54 ha. (152.07 ac.)
<b>Additional Protected Areas:</b>	none
<b>Lat/Long Co-ordinates:</b>	55.2615850795 N, -118.506489246 W
<b>Natural Region:</b>	Parkland
<b>Natural Subregion(s):</b>	Peace River Parkland
<b>2nd Natural Region:</b>	
<b>2nd Natural Subregion(s):</b>	
<b>IUCN Classification:</b>	III
<b>Operated By:</b>	Grande Prairie Co. (campgrnd)/ Parks Division
<b>Info Phone:</b>	780-512-0722; 780-538-5350
<b>Steward(s) Aug2002:</b>	Volunteer(s) 1
<b>Steward(s) Aug2003:</b>	Volunteer(s) 1
<b>Steward(s) Dec2011:</b>	yes
<b>Petroleum &amp; Natural Gas Surface Access Aug2002:</b>	No Surface Access
<b>Day Use Site(s):</b>	Kleskun Hill Campground
<b>Recreation Activities:</b>	camping, hiking - front country, wildlife viewing

**Access:**

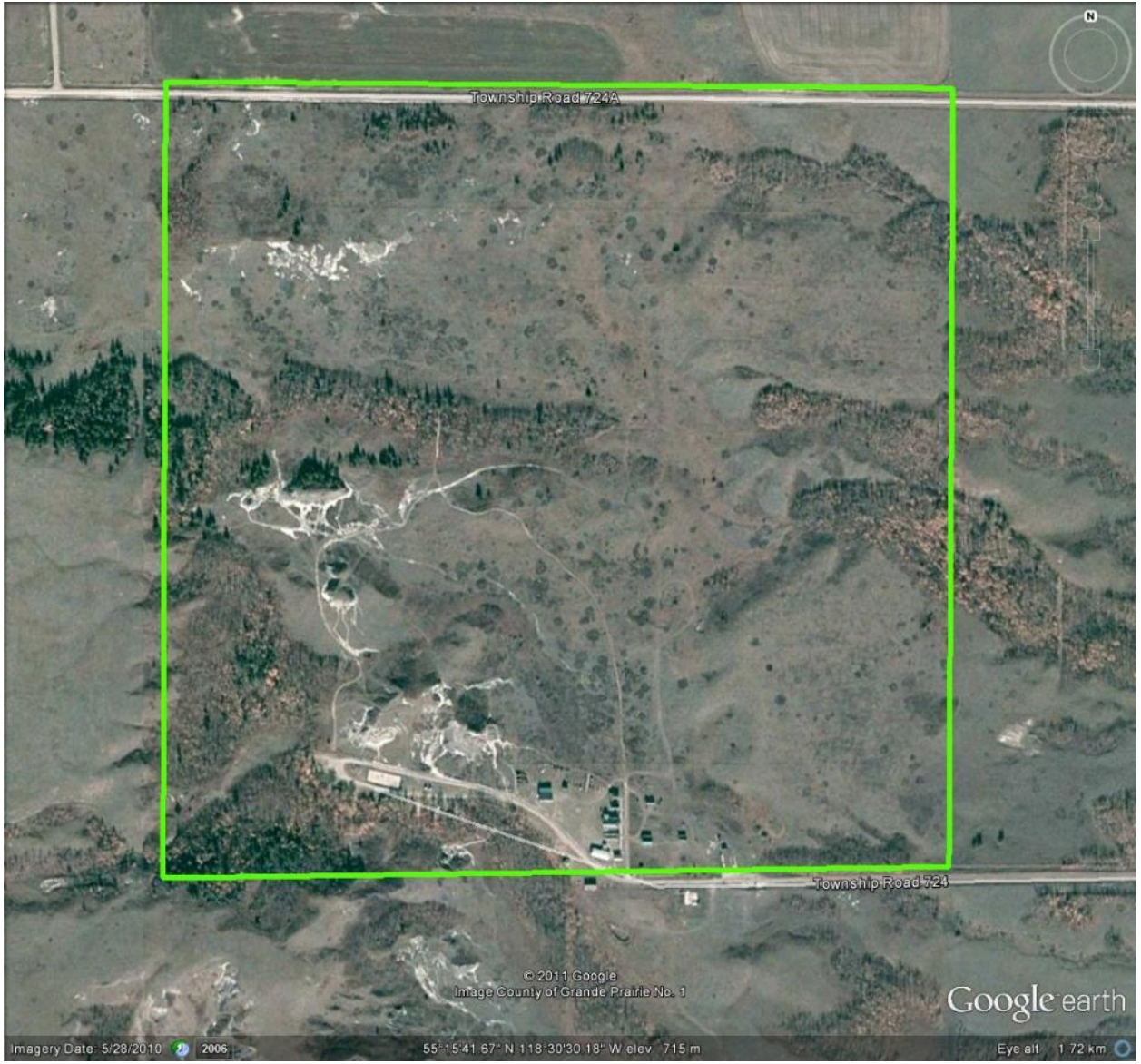
**Notes:** The Kleskun Hills rise 100 metres above the plains surrounding Grande Prairie and contain the most extensive and diverse areas of native upland prairie vegetation remaining in the Peace region. The layers of clay, sandstone and coal exposed here, in Alberta's northernmost badlands, date back to the age of the dinosaurs. The site has a mixture of grassland and parkland plants and animals including western meadowlarks, upland sandpipers, vesper sparrows, prickly pear cactus and a diversity of wildflowers. The area is covered mainly by dry grassland and contains plant species that are either rare or at the northern limit of their range (e.g. prickly pear cactus).

This site lies in the Parkland Natural Region, Peace River Parkland Sub-region. Of the seven level 1 natural history themes that make up the Peace River Parkland, none are fully represented in the parks and protected areas network. As yet there is no representation of the wetland themes. In total, about 30% of the preservation targets for this sub-region have been achieved. Kleskun Hill Campground has 9 units at \$15.00/unit/night. See the Alberta Parks website for more information (Alberta Parks web site, 2012).

Images:



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Imagery Date: 5/28/2010 2006 55° 15' 41.67" N 118° 30' 30.18" W elev. 715 m Eye alt 1.72 km



