

Site Name:	Otauwau
Site Type:	Natural Area
Status:	Order-in-council (OC)
Subtype:	Education
PASite ID (Map Ref #):	478
O.C. No. (Land Ref. Manual):	786/87
Site # (Parks Website):	498
Reserved Area:	0.00 ha. (0.00 ac.)
Designated Area:	255.83 ha. (632.16 ac.)
Total Area:	255.83 ha. (632.16 ac.)
Additional Protected Areas:	none
Lat/Long Co-ordinates:	55.1775711728 N, -114.348151531 W
Natural Region:	Boreal
Natural Subregion(s):	Central Mixedwood
2nd Natural Region:	
2nd Natural Subregion(s):	
IUCN Classification:	II
Operated By:	Parks Division
Info Phone:	780-538-5350
Steward(s) Aug2002:	Available
Steward(s) Aug2003:	Available
Steward(s) Dec2011:	no
Petroleum & Natural Gas Surface Access Aug2002:	Conditional
Day Use Site(s):	Otauwau
Recreation Activities:	none noted

Access:

Notes: Otauwau Natural Area (2.56 km²) is part of a group of natural areas [including Hondo (3.89 km²) and Saulteaux (2.58 km²)] that is used for research and study by the University of Alberta; collectively these sites represent a diversity of forest communities within easy access of Highway 2. The terrain is undulating to gently undulating with depressional areas. Vegetation includes lowland black spruce fens and upland mature white spruce forests.

This site is in the Boreal Forest Natural Region, Central Mixedwood Sub-region. There is excellent representation of all 11 of the level 1 natural history themes that define the environmental diversity of the Central Mixedwood Sub-region. All 48 level 2 themes are similarly well represented within the parks and protected areas network (Alberta Parks web site, 2012).

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