

Site Name:	Thorsby
Site Type:	Natural Area
Status:	Order-in-council (OC)
Subtype:	Conservation
PASite ID (Map Ref #):	56
O.C. No. (Land Ref. Manual):	454/71
Site # (Parks Website):	467
Reserved Area:	0.00 ha. (0.00 ac.)
Designated Area:	65.15 ha. (160.99 ac.)
Total Area:	65.15 ha. (160.99 ac.)
Additional Protected Areas:	none
Lat/Long Co-ordinates:	53.2905966064 N, -114.093091284 W
Natural Region:	Boreal
Natural Subregion(s):	Dry Mixedwood
2nd Natural Region:	
2nd Natural Subregion(s):	
IUCN Classification:	II
Operated By:	Parks Division
Info Phone:	403-340-7691
Steward(s) Aug2002:	Volunteer(s) 1
Steward(s) Aug2003:	Volunteer(s) 1
Steward(s) Dec2011:	yes
Petroleum & Natural Gas Surface Access Aug2002:	Conditional
Day Use Site(s):	Thorsby
Recreation Activities:	hunting

Access:

Notes: Thorsby Natural Area encompasses flats, floodplains and meander scars associated with Strawberry Creek. The north half of the site is fairly level with occasional depressions. Vegetation is mainly dense aspen forest with dense, diverse herb and shrub layers. Small stands of white spruce are found in ravine bottoms. The site is heavily used by moose and deer. This site lies in the Boreal Forest Natural Region, Dry Mixedwood Sub-region. The Dry Mixedwood Sub-region is the only Boreal Forest sub-region that does not have excellent representation within Alberta's parks and protected areas network. There are still significant shortfalls in the glacial lakebed, ground moraine, sandplain and sand dune natural history themes. Listed in "Other Natural Areas" (Alberta Parks web site, 2012).

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