

Mission Statement

“To foster and provide opportunities for promotion, designation and development of a trail network.”



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CARTS (Central Alberta Regional Trails Society) is a not-for-profit society, completely run by volunteers and member municipalities, that exists to provide information and support regarding recreational trail designation and development in Central Alberta.

While not a trail development group, CARTS supports local trail development groups by providing guidance and support throughout their development process.

CARTS is committed to an inclusive public participation process in determining trail designation and their development. This includes seeking endorsement from local municipalities, agencies and trail development groups.



Trails in Central Alberta

Several communities in Central Alberta have developed trail systems and more are

being planned. Many will be part of or linked to the Trans Canada Trail, now known as The Great Trail.

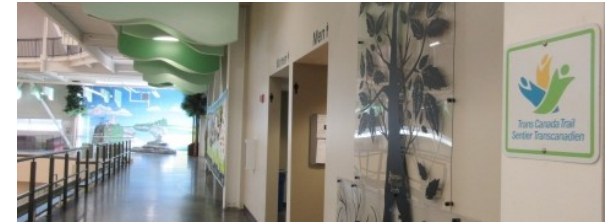


Communities that have sections of Trans Canada Trail including Red Deer, Blackfalds, Lacombe, Ponoka, Penhold, Innisfail, Red Deer County, Lacombe County and Ponoka County.

The largest and best known trail system is in the City of Red Deer, much of which is in Waskasoo Park.

Other extensive trail networks have been developed in Innisfail, Blackfalds, Lacombe, Ponoka and Sylvan Lake.

The Counties of Red Deer, Lacombe and Ponoka are in the planning stages to create several rural trail linkages throughout their respective counties.



The Benefits of Trails

1. Quality accessible, safe and low cost recreation opportunities so members of our communities may experience the benefits of recreation and active living.
2. Sense of belonging and pride in our communities, reducing crime and vandalism, increasing community involvement and stewardship.
3. Environmental awareness, the preservation of natural green spaces and special areas for future generations.
4. Opportunities for economic diversification and development.
5. Cultural heritage and promotion of cultural harmony.



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