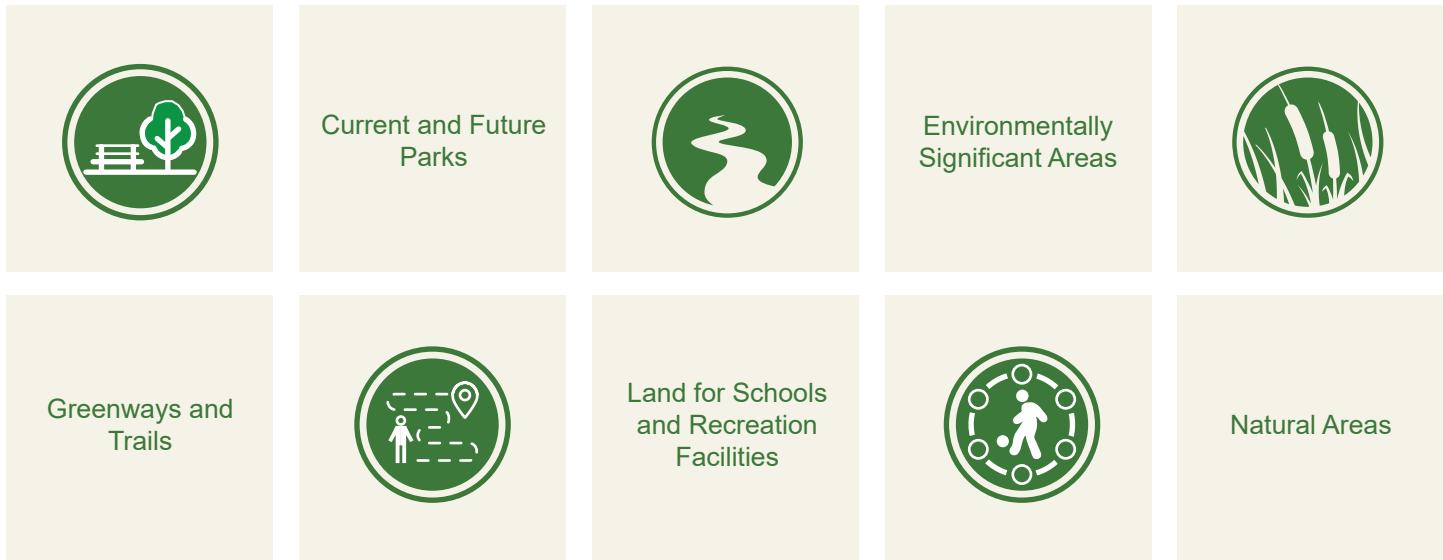




OPEN SPACE, PATHWAYS & RIVER ACCESS

Opportunities that provide Physical Open Space



Springbank ASP Objectives

- Provide regional and local active transportation network connecting parks, open space, and community focal points.
- Recognize and accommodate development of an active transportation network suitable for bicycles that provides connectivity to additional community focal points.
- Provide opportunities for passive recreation and alternative transportation nodes within industrial and commercial areas.
- Ensure that open space and parks have an ecological, social, cultural, recreational, and/or aesthetic function that operates in a safe and sustainable manner.
- Promote, conserve, and enhance an interconnected open space system, one that is geared to the needs of the identified business areas.

Communities need to have a wide range of accessible, connected, inviting open spaces. Additionally, pathways that connect to neighbouring municipalities are also important to provide for regional connections and opportunities.



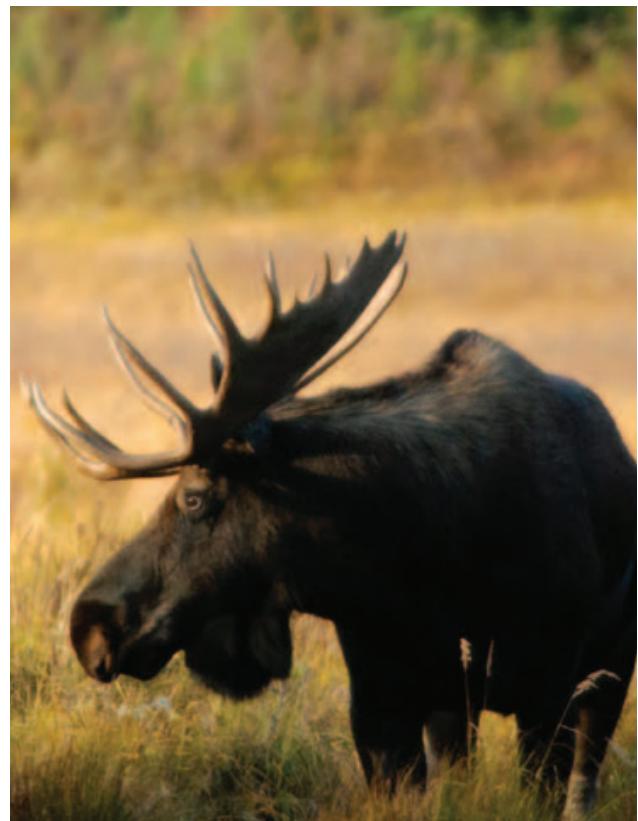
Open Space and Pathways

Open space in Springbank is a common resource that binds the community. The landscape, the land, the magnificent views, and access to natural areas are components of 'open space', and their maintenance is a high priority in the Plan area. The policies within the ASP seek to minimize disturbance to notable topographical, biophysical and heritage features in the Springbank landscape, and sensitively manages impacts on the water environment within the Bow and Elbow watersheds.



River Access

River access is a recognized recreational priority in the community. Direction from the Recreation Master Plan, the Parks and Open Space Master Plan, and the Active Transportation Plan are reflected in the ASP, with further policy direction incorporated along with requirements for local plan level development to ensure that river access is addressed at future subdivision and development approval stages.



Recreation and Parks Master Plan

Active Transportation Plan: South County

Parks & Open Space Master Plans