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LIMITED PARKS RE-OPENING

Medicine Hat – Receding water levels have allowed limited re-opening of several parks and trails that were affected by recent flooding.

Echo Dale Regional Park continues to offer a range of facilities and services. The only closed trail is along the South Saskatchewan River, east of the boat launch. Some hillside trails in the park experienced erosion during the heavy rainfalls. Trail users should exercise caution in these areas.

Strathcona Island Park is re-opened with access limited to Lovell M^cDonnell Baseball Diamond and playground areas. The water playground is re-opened.

Police Point Park is re-opened with access limited to the Interpretive Centre. Trails throughout the Park and especially around the perimeter, were damaged by flood waters and will remain closed until further notice.

The Devonian Trail, parallel to River Road SE, is re-opened to The Arena.

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