

4.7 Parks, Open Space & Recreation

Introduction

Nakusp offers residents, visitors and outdoor enthusiasts a diverse range of recreational activities year-round, and a ten-minute drive in any direction will place the resident or visitor within reach of the natural wilderness. The Village enjoys a high caliber of active parks well-located within the community and Village facilities that are modern and carefully maintained.

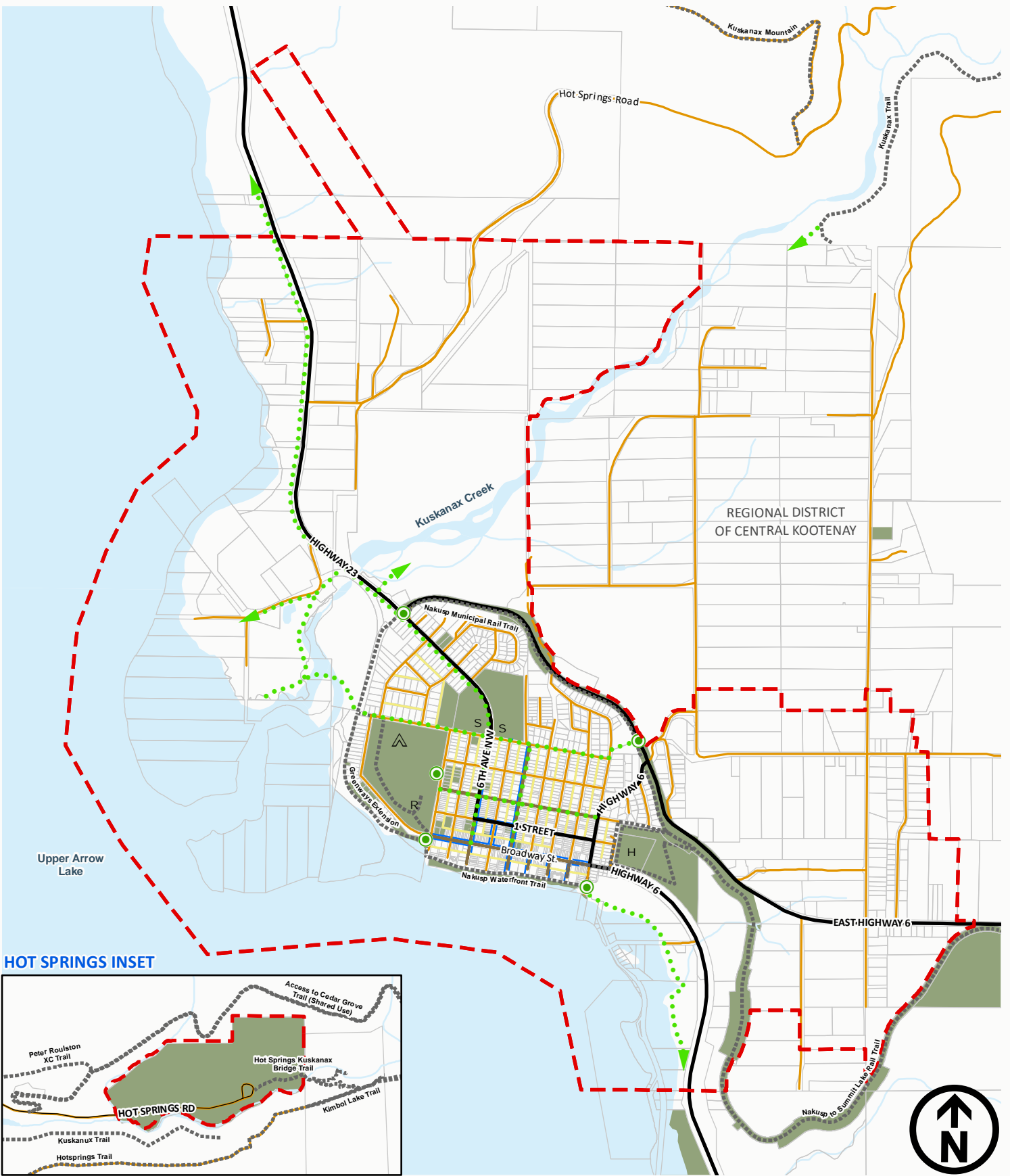
The Nakusp Recreation Park is a 37-acre downtown park in the Village Core includes tennis courts, a playground, a skate park, a soccer field, three baseball fields, and formal and informal gathering spaces. The Nakusp and Area Sports Complex and the Nakusp Municipal Campground are also situated within the Nakusp Recreation Park. Other parks, community-oriented facilities, and open spaces connected to the Nakusp Recreation Park include the public beach, the Waterfront Walkway, and the Wrap Around Nakusp Trail (a former CPR right-of-way) that connects to a regional Rails to Trails network in the Regional District of Central Kootenay. The Nakusp Hot Springs and area is another Village asset with hiking trails and areas for active and passive recreation.

The Village developed the Nakusp and Upper Arrow Lakes Trails Master Plan in July 2017 to establish a clear vision for the development and management of an all-season sustainable trail network to provide benefits across the region.

Strategy

Parks, open space and recreation facilities are critical to the health and wellness of residents and help complete a community. These diverse facilities are essential to meet the changing needs and lifestyle desires of residents and visitors of all ages and abilities. Nakusp will continue to develop a comprehensive network of formalized parks and linkages between them to meet the future needs of a changing and growing population. Nakusp will endeavour to provide safe, pleasant and convenient multi-purpose trails, paths or routes both motorized and non-motorized to accommodate a wide range of users to link community destinations.





Map 2.0 Trails and Mobility

NOTE: Some of the proposed open spaces and trails identified in this plan are located on privately owned lands. The Village of Nakusp will consult with landowners before undertaking any action regarding these parcels

Legend

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| ⚓ Campground | — Highway | — Road ROW | Existing Trail | □ Legal Parcel |
| H Hospital | — Major Road | — Lane | Potential Trail | ■ Park/Open Space/Public Facility |
| R Rec Park | — Minor Road | — Sidewalk | ● Potential Trail Node | ▭ Village of Nakusp Boundary |
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