

**Table 5: Proposed Open Space System**

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	County-Wide Parks	Neighbourhood Park	Local Open Space	Greenways	Natural Areas
<b>Description</b>	An open space destination with County wide recreational appeal of both active and passive uses.	An open space destination within a neighbourhood (as identified in the MDP) for active and passive recreation and community gathering. Often achieved through community organized facilities on non-county land.	Contains a limited amount of primarily passive recreational facilities in close proximity (walking distance) to multi lot residential development(s).	The primary purpose of greenways is to accommodate trails, wildlife corridors or to serve as environmental buffer / screening.	Natural areas are intended to promote biodiversity, ecological conservation and preservation.
<b>Size</b>	Minimum 10 Hectares	Minimum 5 Ha	Maximum 1 Ha	As required to provide desired connections or environmental buffering.	As required to conserve natural features or promote ecological diversity
<b>Standard / Service Ratio</b>	Serves all County residents	Minimum 1 per neighbourhood. Serves neighbourhood residents within a 5-10km service radius	In association with multi-lot residential developments. Serves a 1-1.5km radius		
<b>Location Criteria</b>	Located on along a major roadway, preferably adjacent to a community facility	Along a roadway, preferably adjacent to community facility.	To best meet the needs of residents in which it is intended to serve.	Where possible connects parks and significant destinations	As appropriate to meet intent.
<b>Potential Amenities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year round active and passive recreation facilities for all age groups</li> <li>• On-Site Parking</li> <li>• Destination play and / or water play features</li> <li>• Manicured or natural Areas</li> <li>• Picnic and/ or bbq facilities</li> <li>• Dog off leash areas</li> <li>• Public Art</li> <li>• Trails</li> <li>• Washrooms, change rooms</li> <li>• Overnight camping</li> <li>• Lighting</li> <li>• Heritage, tourism or cultural elements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active and passive features and open areas for informal play for all age groups</li> <li>• Play structures</li> <li>• Active Sports</li> <li>• Parking (on or off site)</li> <li>• Manicured or natural Areas</li> <li>• Open areas for informal play</li> <li>• Picnic facilities</li> <li>• Dog off leash areas</li> <li>• Trails</li> <li>• Lighting</li> <li>• Heritage, tourism or cultural elements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passive recreation.</li> <li>• Minimal active recreation facilities</li> <li>• Play features</li> <li>• Open areas for informal play</li> <li>• Picnic areas</li> <li>• Benches and trash receptacles</li> <li>• May be non-contributing in terms of existing open space supply.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trail connection</li> <li>• Seating, rest stops, and waste receptacles</li> <li>• Access to public toilets and drinking water where in proximity to public facility</li> <li>• Parking</li> <li>• Signage and directional maps</li> <li>• Heritage, tourism or cultural elements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trails</li> <li>• Seating and waste receptacles</li> <li>• Picnic tables</li> <li>• Interpretive signage</li> <li>• Heritage, tourism or cultural elements</li> </ul>
<b>Maintenance Priority</b>	High priority for regular maintenance (snow clearing of major paths and parking lots)	Medium priority for maintenance. Periodic snow clearing of paths & parking lots	Low priority for maintenance. No snow removal	High level of snow clearing of major trails, moderate elsewhere	High priority for conservation
<b>Examples</b>	Cardiff Park	Manor Estates or Riviere Qui Barre future park development	Austin Acres R2 Parcel	Athabasca Trail	Sandy Lake Wilderness Area

The following map categorizes existing opens spaces based on their size, location and facilities in addition to growth potential.