

# TOWN OF FORT SMITH

## TOURISM & RECREATION SERVICES

- 1 Roberta Bondar Observatory
- 2 Queen Elizabeth Park and Campground
- 3 Flat World Alpaca Farm
- 4 Kay Ferguson Park
- 5 Soccer Field
- 6 Herb Mercredi Park
- 7 Snowboard Park and Lookout
- 8 NWT Métis Cree and Chipewyan Program
- 9 Tennis Courts
- 10 Track & Field Grounds and Soccer Field
- 11 Northern Life Museum & Cultural Center
- 12 Recreation and Community Centre
- 12 Community Pool
- 12 Curling Club
- 12 Mary Kaeser Library
- 13 Centennial Arena
- 14 Fort Smith Mission Historic Park
- 15 Joan's Health & Fitness Club
- 16 Wood Buffalo National Park Office
- 16 Visitor Information Centre
- 17 Gateway Park (Trans Canada Trail)
- 18 Conibear Park
- 19 Harry Sudom Ball Park and Johnny Ayers Ball Park
- 20 Kid City Playground
- 21 Pelican Rapids Golf Club (Seasonal)

## COMMUNITY SERVICES & SCHOOLS

- 1 Joseph Burr Tyrrell Elementary School
- 2 Paul W. Kaeser Secondary School
- 3 Aurora College, Thebacha Campus
- 4 Fort Smith Animal Shelter
- 5 SRFN Business & Conference Centre
- 6 Fire Hall
- 7 Town Hall
- 8 Sunset Chalet
- 9 Northern Lights Special Care Home
- 10 Health Centre
- 11 Post Office
- 12 Service Canada
- 13 Royal Canadian Mounted Police

## PLACES TO EAT/LOUNGES

- 1 Tim Horton's
- 2 Chase's Pit Stop
- 3 Berro's Pizzeria
- 4 NSixty
- 5 The Hawkeye Hut (Seasonal/Inside Arena)
- 6 Kentucky Fried Chicken/Pizza Hut Quickstop
- 7 Royal Canadian Legion
- 8 Dirty O'Fergies
- 8 Pelican Restaurant
- 9 Desnéde Farmers Market (Seasonal)
- 10 Anna's Home Cooking
- 11 Pelican Rapids Golf Club (Seasonal)

## HOTELS/BED & BREAKFASTS

- 1 The Whooping Crane Guest House (872-3426)
- 2 Wood Buffalo Inn (872-3222)
- 3 Whispering Pines Cottages (872-2628)
- 4 Earl Jacobson Suite Rental (872-2284)
- 5 Pelican Rapids Inn (872-2789)
- 6 Whispering Pines Cottages (872-2628)
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## FUEL, AUTO REPAIR & VEHICLE RENTAL

- 1 Petro-Canada
- 2 JC's Auto Detailing
- 3 Chase's Pit Stop
- 4 N.U. Mechanical Car Wash
- 5 Fort Smith Métis Car Wash
- 6 Fort Smith Construction - Visa Truck Rentals Representative
- 6 Guy's Tire Repair
- 7 RDV Mechanical
- 8 TDC Contracting
- 9 Rapid Petroleum Products (Card lock/credit cards only)

## CHURCHES

- 1 Pentecostal Church
- 2 Saint Joseph Cathedral
- 3 Saint John's Anglican Church
- 4 Baptist Church

## ARTS & CRAFTS

- 1 Northern Life Museum & Cultural Center
- 2 Visitor Information Centre
- 3 Pelican Rapids Inn
- 4 Desnéde Farmers Market (Seasonal)
- 5 Joan's Health & Fitness Club

## RETAIL OUTLETS

- 1 Petro-Canada
- 2 Lou's Small Engines (Propane)
- 3 NSixty
- 4 Field's
- 5 Chase's Pit Stop
- 6 Northern Hound Supply
- 7 Liquor Store
- 8 Kaeser's Stores (Propane & NT Fishing Licences)
- 9 Wally's Drugs
- 10 Northern Store (Propane)
- 11 Home Hardware
- 12 TDC Contracting
- 13 Ace Building Supplies
- 14 Ink and Iron Beauty Salon
- 15 Roots and Ruminants (Seasonal)

## MISCELLANEOUS

- 1 Airport
- 2 Boat Launch
- 3 Recycling Depot
- 4 Cascade Graphics
- 5 Uncle Gabe's Friendship Centre
- 6 Kobaisy Dental Centre
- 7 Roaring Rapids Hall
- 8 Bank of Montreal
- 9 Rapids of the Drowned

## INDEPENDENT ARTISTS

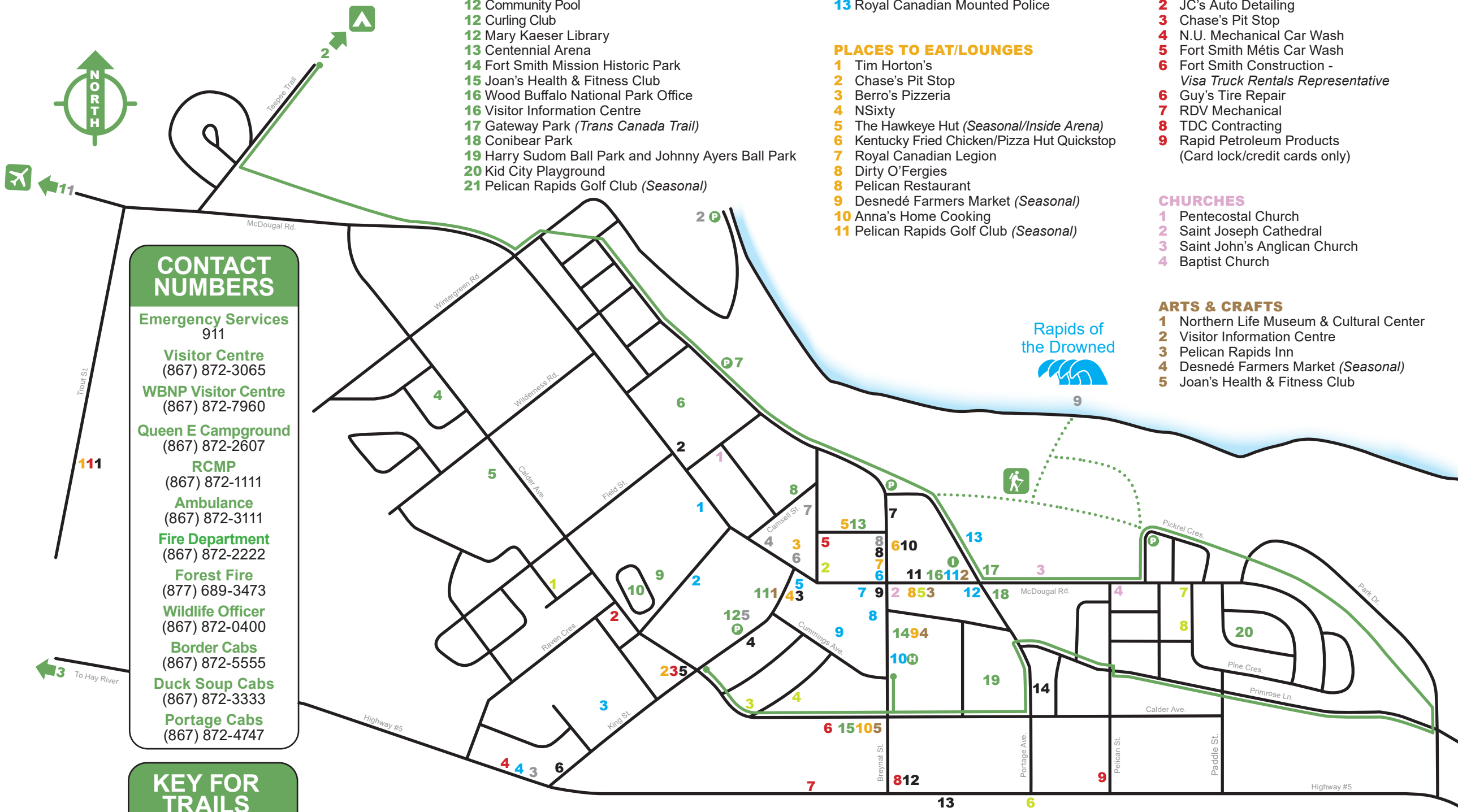
- Aurora Heat ([www.auroraheat.ca](http://www.auroraheat.ca))
- Pierre Chaillon, Photography (872-0718)
- Melanie Jewell - [melaniejewell@gmail.com](mailto:melaniejewell@gmail.com)
- Jon Labine, Metal & Wood Art (872-0708)
- Mike Labine, Stained Glass (872-3009)

## AIR CHARTERS & FLIGHT-SEEING

- Loon Air Inc. (872-2864)
- Northwestern Air Lease Ltd. (872-2216)
- Reliance Air Ltd. (872-4004)
- Thebacha Helicopters Ltd. (872-4354)

## OUTFITTERS & FISHING LODGES

- Andrew Lake Lodge (Fishing Lodge 872-5272)



## CONTACT NUMBERS

- Emergency Services**  
911
- Visitor Centre**  
(867) 872-3065
- WBNP Visitor Centre**  
(867) 872-7960
- Queen E Campground**  
(867) 872-2607
- RCMP**  
(867) 872-1111
- Ambulance**  
(867) 872-3111
- Fire Department**  
(867) 872-2222
- Forest Fire**  
(877) 689-3473
- Wildlife Officer**  
(867) 872-0400
- Border Cabs**  
(867) 872-5555
- Duck Soup Cabs**  
(867) 872-3333
- Portage Cabs**  
(867) 872-4747

## KEY FOR TRAILS

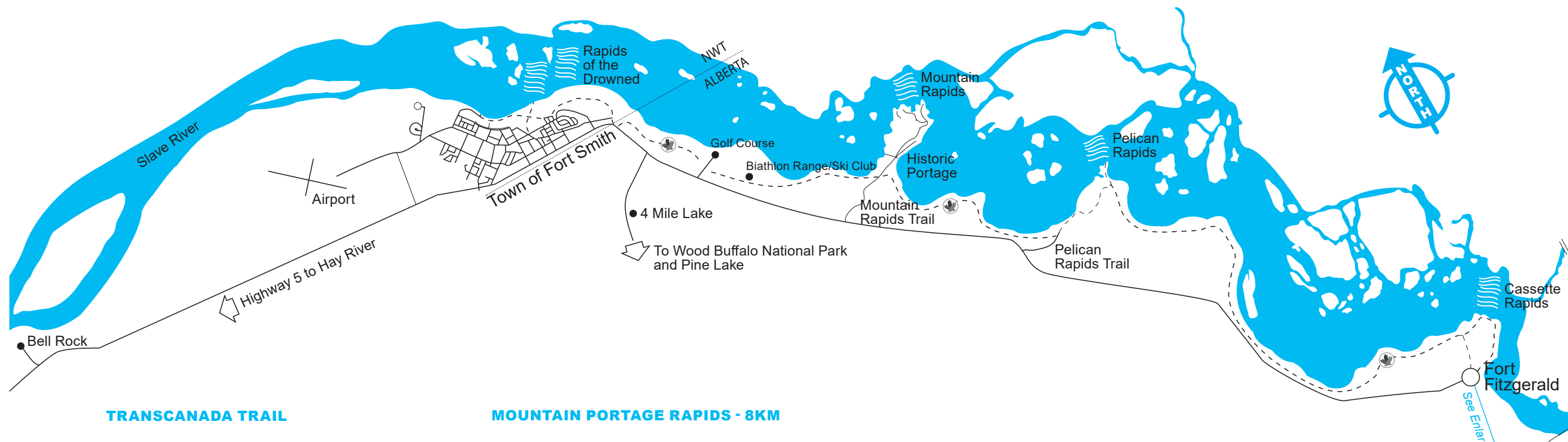
- Thebacha Trail
- ..... Walking Paths
- Driving/Roads

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To Fort Fitzgerald,  
Wood Buffalo National Park,  
4 Mile Lake Float Plane Base

# SLAVE RIVER RAPIDS CORRIDOR



DRIVING DISTANCES	
Rapids of the Drowned Below Town	
Golf Course	4km/2.5 miles
Mountain Rapids	8km/5 miles
Bell Rock	12km/7.5miles
Pelican Rapids	12km/7.5miles
Fort Fitzgerald	25km/15.5 miles
Salt River Day Use	27km/16.75 miles
Pine Lake	62km/38.5 miles
Peace Point	119km/74 miles
Hay River	265km/165 miles

## TRANSCANADA TRAIL

Whether you're looking for a place to hike, cycle, ride, cross country ski, snowmobile or paddle you can experience all of it along one of this area's many trail sections.

Scan the QR code below for more detailed information about hiking trails in the area:

Check out the All Trails app for detailed map directions to a number of hikes in the area:



## RAPIDS OF THE DROWNED - 1.3KM

You can access the trailhead from Pickerel Cr. where there is a small parking space for one or two vehicles. Or you can park along Marine Dr. just past the arena and access a steeper trail leading down to the river and Rapids of the Drowned.

- This short hike is located next to the downtown area of Fort Smith and is the best spot to see American White Pelicans up close!
- The hike leads you to an outcropping of rocks next to the rapids. A must-do hike while you are in Fort Smith.
- You can watch pelicans pluck fish from the churning water or throw a line in and try your own fishing luck. Walleye, northern pike and goldeye are the most common species at this point in the river.

## MOUNTAIN PORTAGE RAPIDS - 8KM

Drive south from Fort Smith towards Fort Fitzgerald for about 8 km, just past the golf course, and look for the Mountain Portage highway sign that instructs you to turn left. Drive for another 2 km along the dirt road until you reach a fork in 2 directions. The path on the left goes up, the right-hand path leads down. Park in the clearing right before the fork. On your left there should be a trailhead and large rock with an interpretive panel.

- Walk all the way down the trail on your left of the interpretive panel to explore the shoreline or take the forest path that branches off on the right-hand side of the trail.
- This trail will take you all the way to the "Third Beach".
- When you arrive at the site you will be able to see the secluded pelican nesting islands. If you brought your binoculars, you may be lucky enough to see a chick.
- This hike passes through the lands of the Smith's Landing First Nation, please treat the land and area respectfully.

## PELICAN RAPIDS (HALFWAY) - 12KM

Drive south from Fort Smith towards Fort Fitzgerald, past the Mountain Portage highway sign and look for a dirt and gravel road that leads to a large circular parking lot / area. It is approximately halfway between Fort Fitzgerald, AB and Fort Smith, NWT. Park your vehicle here and continue to the trail.

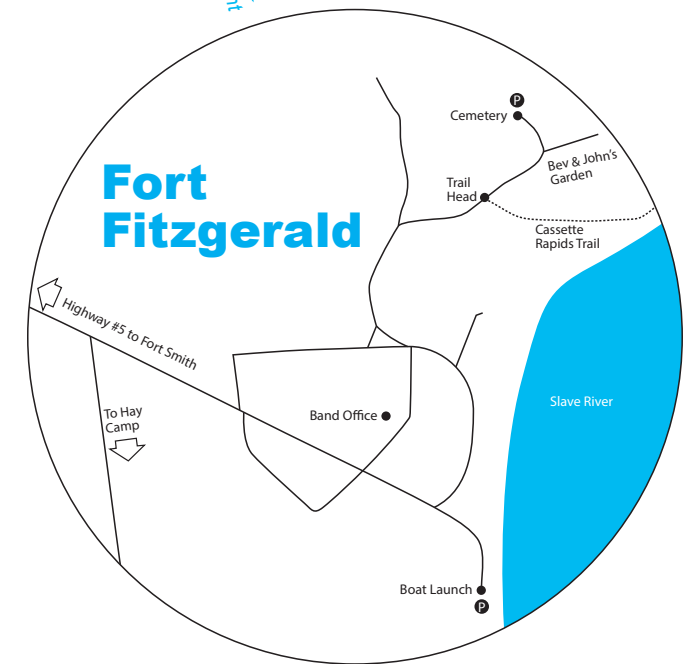
- Follow the old roadway/trail east for about a kilometer until it ends at the river.
- The path branches to the right, dips down to a muddy creek, with a foot bridge going over it, then climbs a large hill.
- The roar of the rapids will increase as you near the end of the trail.

- Soon you are on a shrub-covered bluff overlooking the river.
- Keep left down the hill and onto the peninsula of pink granite stretching way out into the tumultuous river.
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## CASSETTE RAPIDS - 24KM

Drive south from Fort Smith about 24 km. When you arrive at Fort Fitzgerald follow the road to the river then to the left as it winds back up the hill past a building on your left and three houses on your right and then branches to the right. A few hundred meters and you come to a road on the right with a sign to the rapids. You can leave your vehicle parked to the side or continue a short drive along the road to a parking lot area.

- On the road near the "Rapids" sign there is a path in the forest leading down with another sign that says "To the Rapids"
- Take this path to view Cassette Rapids. The woods are thick, but the path is easy to follow.
- Approximately seven minutes down the trail there's a lookout on the right, a gray shoulder of granite jutting out into the current of the Slave River.
- Another five minutes and you should be just above the first set of these rapids.
- You can continue to see more of the rapids and do the full loop by following the trail up a hill and through the woods for about 30 minutes before you reach the clearing from an old farm site.
- From there you follow a sandy road and then turn left back onto the trail to your vehicle.



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- This is a spectacular winter hike with stunning winter scenery of trees thickly covered with hoar-frost.

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