



THE TRANS CANADA TRAIL IN ALBERTA: COMPLETED SECTIONS

Athabasca Landing

Waugh to Tawatinaw

LOCATION: Westlock County - Waugh to Tawatinaw

LENGTH: 37 km (23 miles)

SURFACE: Natural with some corduroy, gravel and dirt

WIDTH: Wide enough to accommodate two horse-riders or skiers at all times

PERMITTED USES: Hiking, Walking, Cycling, Horse Riding, Dog Sledding Cross Country Skiing.

TRAIL OPERATOR: Landing Trails Committee

TYPE OF TRAIL: The trail route uses existing pathways, consisting of a combination of road allowances, open countryside, wooded areas, bush land, footbridges, gravel roads, secondary roads and railway beds. Between Perryvale and Meanook, with the exception of a few short link sections, the trail closely follows the Old Landing Trail. Trail use is permitted year-round, but be prepared for some boggy sections in the spring.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE: The Trail follows an important early trading and settlement corridor, the historic Athabasca Landing Trail, which was the first overland route between Edmonton and the southern loop of the Athabasca River. By the end of 1880, Athabasca Landing had become the central point of transfer for all furs being moved along the Athabasca, Peace and Mackenzie River systems, and the central distribution point for all goods being shipped to the north. Missionaries soon followed the fur traders, the first being the Anglicans (1884), and subsequently the Roman Catholics and Methodists. By 1893 the North West Mounted Police arrived and in 1898 some 600 gold rush prospectors traveled along the Landing Trail journeying north to the gold fields in the Klondike. Within a few short years after the federal government declared the route a public right-of-way, homesteaders settled along the trail

TERRAIN: At present the trail largely consists of a sand track winding through marginal agricultural land. A trail will likely pass through several areas that are not accessible to vehicles. The route will be easy to traverse in all seasons.

ACCESS: The trail is accessible in the municipalities of Waugh and Tawatinaw and several points along the trail.



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Athabasca to Perryvale



SIGNAGE: Trailheads are located in Athabasca, Colinton and Perryvale, with Trans Canada Trail signage in place. A Trans Canada Trail Pavilion is located at the Athabasca trailhead

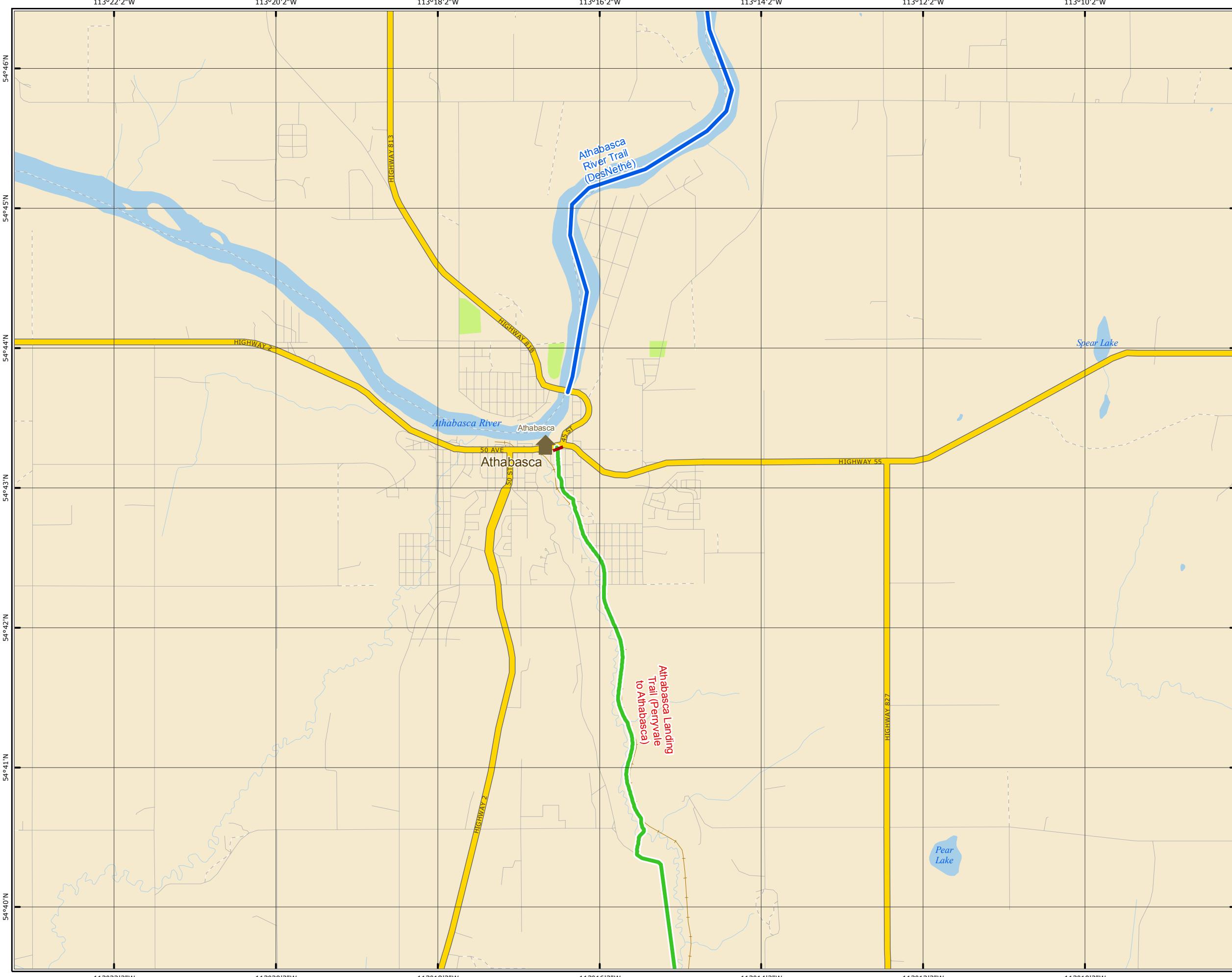
FACILITIES: Washrooms and/or shelters will be available at all three trailheads. (Construction will be done over the next year.) Camping is available at the Athabasca Municipal campground. There is a general store in Perryvale and several stores and cafes located in Colinton and Athabasca

POINTS OF INTEREST: Following the route of the historic Athabasca Landing Trail, the trail passes through beautiful, open, rolling countryside and crosses close to the shore of a small, pretty, un-named lake, eventually skirting around the hamlet of Meanook to the southwest side of Colinton. In doing so it climbs over a steep escarpment between the northern river basin (draining into the Beaufort Sea and the prairie river basin draining into Lake Winnipeg and thence into Hudson Bay). Crossing the line of the Old Landing Trail it winds its way through a wooded area emerging onto the eastern bank of the Tawatinaw Creek. After crossing a footbridge (not yet constructed) the trail reaches the southern shore of the Athabasca River, adjacent to the town of Athabasca campground



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Athabasca Landing Trail/Athabasca River Trail



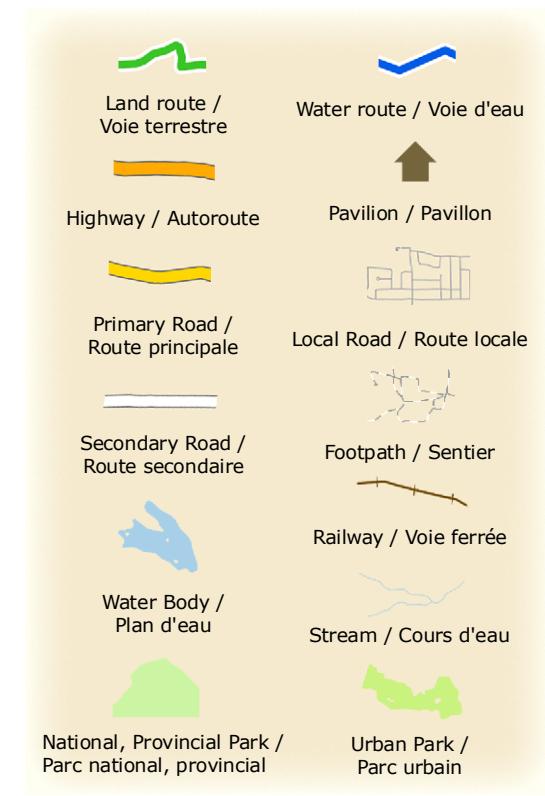
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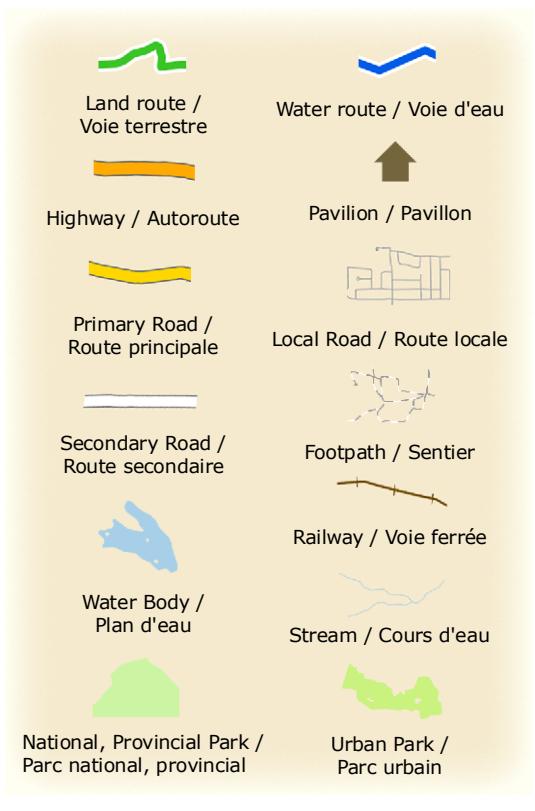
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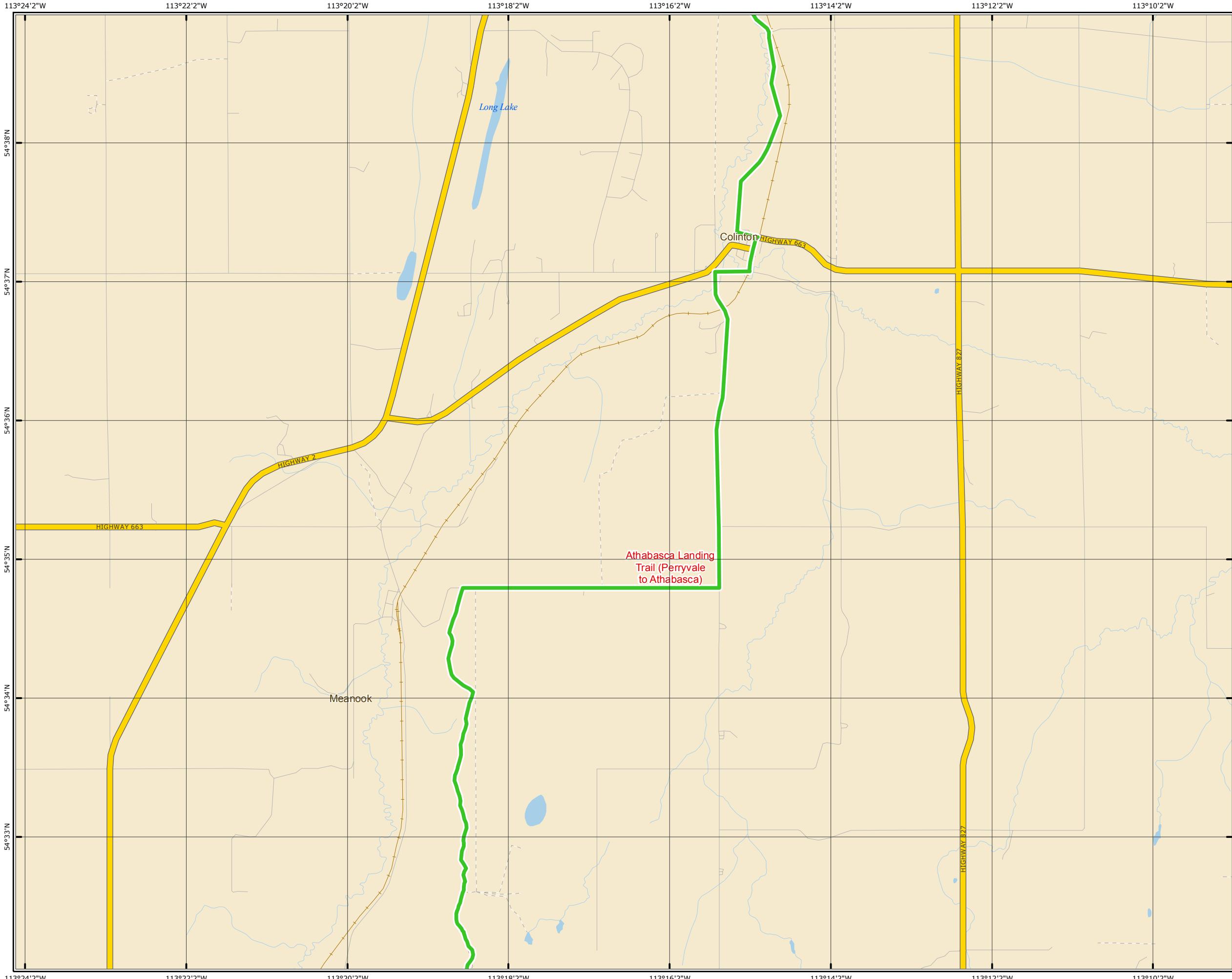
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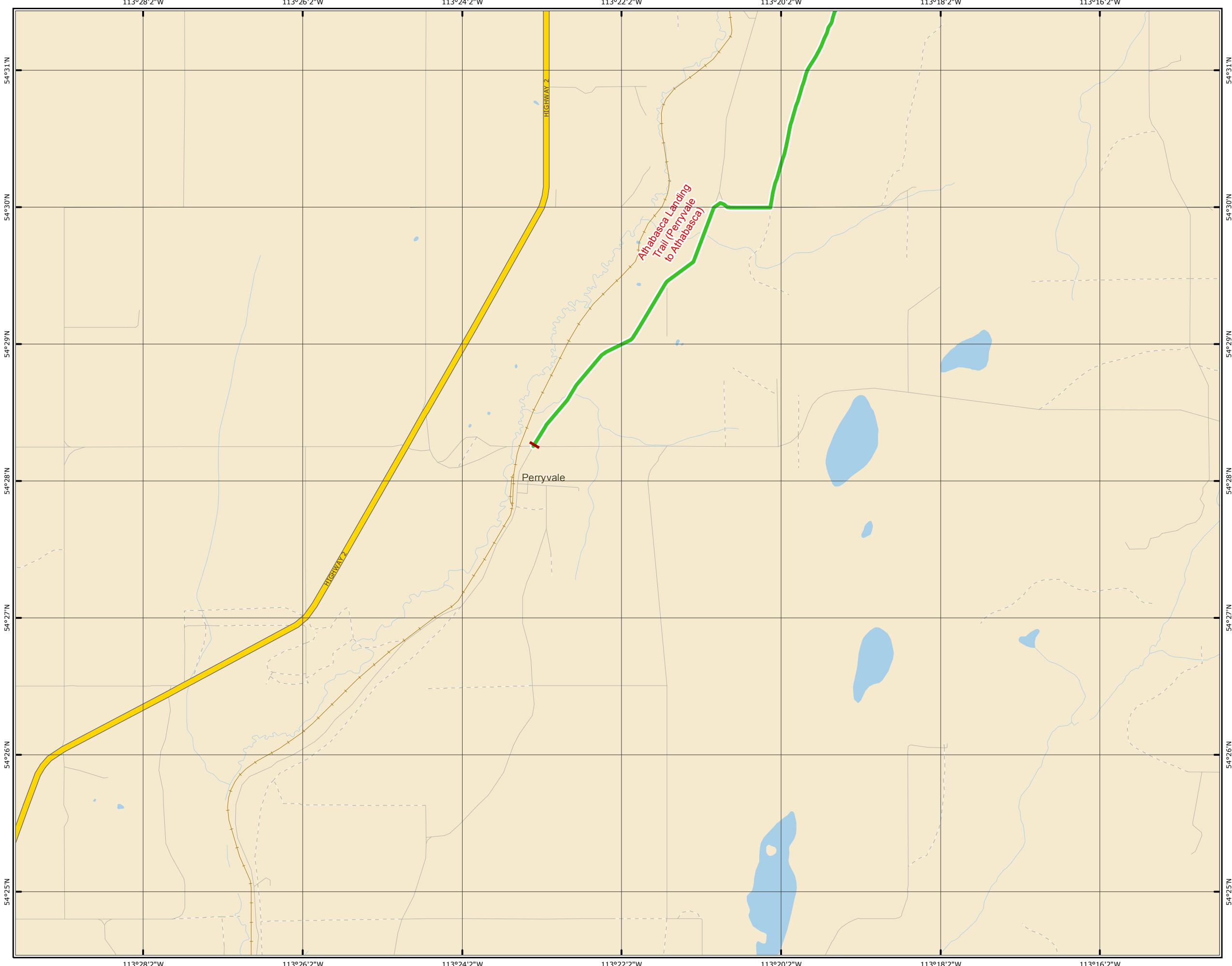


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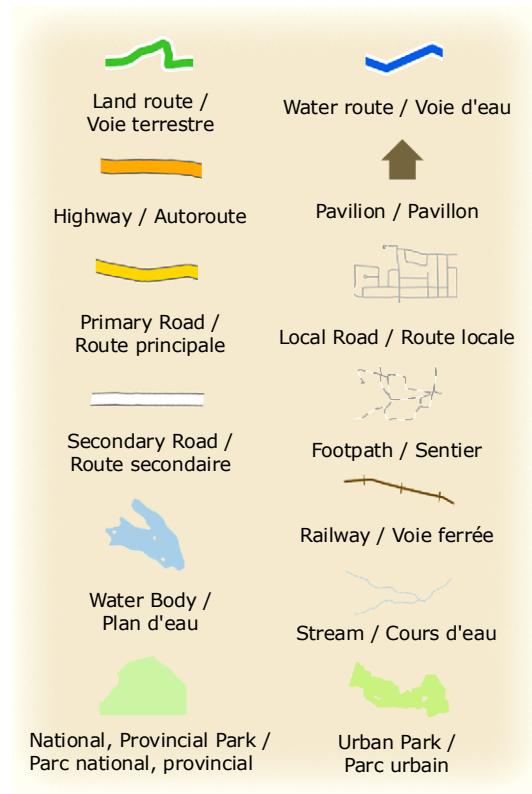
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