

Waterfront Park Revitalization Project: Outdoor Event Space

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WBWAC – Project
Update & Engagement

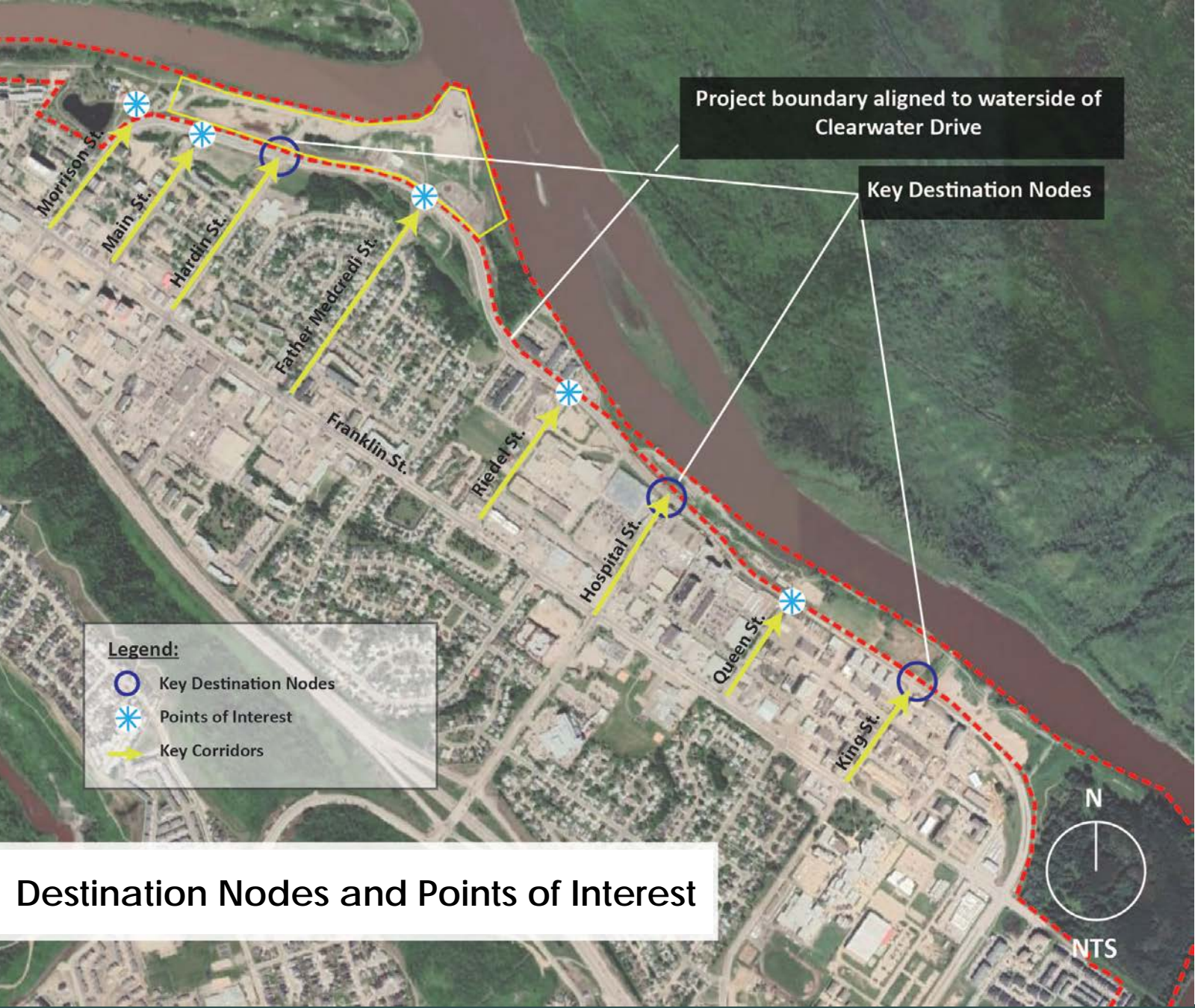


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Snye Point Outdoor Event Space

- ❑ To provide an event space to host year-round outdoor events of a variety of sizes;
- ❑ To create pedestrian connections along the waterfront;
- ❑ To integrate Indigenous stories and histories in collaboration with local First Nations and Métis rights holders;
- ❑ To Integrate contemporary public art



Connections to Downtown Revitalization

- Key destinations and points of interest
- Needs coordination with the Downtown Area Redevelopment Plan (DARP)
- Integrated wayfinding strategy
- Integrated public art

Destination Nodes and Points of Interest

Project Updates

- RFP Closed
- Consultant Selection
- Stakeholder and Rights Holder Engagement
- Online Survey
- Project Kickoff

Snye Point Outdoor Event Space Project Timeline

Project Phases	Date
Engagement Plan Draft & Final	November – December
Stakeholder & Rights holder Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none">Indigenous & Rural OrganizationsCommunity Stakeholder WorkshopLegislative Services	Early January (& ongoing) Early January Mid-January
Concept Design	January - February
Staff & Council Engagement	Late January
Public Engagement: Preliminary Design Concept	Mid-February
Final Detailed Design	Late February - March
Tendering	April - May
Construction	May - October

Phase 1 Engagement Questions

1. How do you or your organization currently use the site of the Snye Point Outdoor Event Space?
2. What opportunities do you see to improve the site?
3. Are there any challenges you would like to see addressed at the Snye Point Outdoor Event Space?
4. Is there anything else you would like to share with the team working on this project?

Emerging Themes from Engagement

Vision:

- Snye Point Outdoor Event Space as a Meeting Place
- Keep what works, Improve what doesn't

Amenities:

- Accessible washrooms
- Utilities – Electrical access, water, Wi-Fi, maybe lighting

- Garbage/recycling area/bins
- More seating
- Commemoration, Heritage & Culture
- Gazebo or covered area
- Public art
- Pathways
- Fire pit

Emerging Themes from Engagement

Site Concerns & Desired Characteristics:

- Alignments with sunrise/cardinal directions
- Keep green feel/connection to earth
- Open & flexible
- Concerns about wear/tear on turf
 - Paved event site or heavy-duty turf
 - Performance pad able to support 70,000lb
- Space to accommodate for SL-260 stage (or smaller)
- Flood concerns
- Improve drainage/grading – bottom of hill
- Improve accessibility & pathways
- Concerns with parking on Point
- Access to “Beach”/Connection to water
- Perimeter driveable trail for emergency/event access
- Gates: Areas that can be gated during ticketed events or events with alcohol

Round Table Discussion

- What is your vision for the Snye Point Outdoor Space?
- What opportunities do you see to improve the site?
- What would you like the team working on this project to know?

Photo Source: Fort McMurray Today

Next Steps

- Feedback from **Phase 1: Stakeholder & Rights holder Engagement** will inform the concept designs of the Snye Point Outdoor Event Space
- During **Phase 2: Concept Design** there will be meetings & interviews with staff and committees
- Feedback on preliminary design concepts in **Phase 3: Public Engagement**. Engagement activities in **Phase 3** include:
 - Public & Stakeholder survey
 - Online Public Open Houses
 - Stakeholder Interviews/Workshops
 - Rights holder Interviews/Workshops

Thank you for your time!



Project Background

- Top priority for RMWB Council
- Site of the 2022 Arctic Winter Games
- Project priorities:
 - Priority 1: Outdoor Event Space –**
Design and construction of a year-round outdoor event space to accommodate a variety of events throughout the year.
Complete Fall 2021
 - Priority 2: Waterfront Park –**
Development and future use of the site to be informed by stakeholder and Indigenous engagement.
Complete Fall 2023