

## BATTLEFORDS

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- 1. Stop I
  - i) A view of the Eagle Hills Escarpment
  - ii) Drumlin on the horizon above Town Hall in Battleford
  - iii) Flood Plain of the North Saskatchewan River
  - (iv) Former site of Government House
- 2. Crossing the Bridges watch for:
  - i) Abandoned channels
  - ii) Sandbars and braided river an indication of the river slowing down
  - iii) undercutting of the river bank
  - iv) plant succession on the river deposits
  - v) greatest water flow on the outside of a meander.
- 3. Delta Area Road
  - i) earth dike which is used as a road, partly follows a natural levee
  - ii) river undercutting the dike (levee)

- iii) Sod Farm growing turf
- iv) lagoon
- v) Battlefords' Care Center
- Cairn site of rival Hudson Bay Co. and the North West co. trading posts.
- Stop II A 15 minute walk to the confluence of the Battle and the North Saskatchewan Rivers.
- 6. Stop III Man-made dam
  - i) irrigation set-up
  - ii) Sod Farm growing turf
  - iii) old garden produce storage areas
  - iv) note the size of the delta forming the flood plain
- 7. Stop IV Kramer Campground
  i) a short walk to the Indian burial
  site resulting from the Riel Rebellion
  of 1885.
- 8. Stop V Colonel Otter Historic Site i) rifle pits from the Riel Rebellion
- 9. Stop VI The Springs
  - i) observe the spring emergence
  - ii) observe the slumping on the hillside
  - iii) observe the soil texture
  - iv) historic gathering of the Plains Cree, Blackfoot and the Assiniboine. Indian legend tells of the three great Indian Nations constantly seeking dominance over the Battlefords area.

- 10. Telegraph Flats
  - i) The old town site and settlement of Battleford
  - ii) first newspaper in the NorthWest Territories
  - iii) Former site of Government House
  - iv) Dominion Lands Building (oldest brick building in Saskatchewan)
- 11. Saline or Alkaline Lakes
- 12. Drumlin
  - i) on the north side of the lake
  - ii) vegetation and wildlife on the lake
  - iii) glacial spillway
- 13. Glacial Spillway
  - i) extent of the old river valley
  - ii) knob and kettle topography
- 14. Wildlife Federation Fresh water project
- 15. Stop VII Sand Dunes
  - i) A 10 minute walk to see the Barchan
  - ii) note the prevailing wind direction
  - iii) note the type of vegetation
- 16. Point Bars
  - i) meanders in the Battle River
  - ii) flood plain
- 17. Stop VIII Speers Forest
  - i) is a Boreal outlier not attached to the Boreal Forest - it is the southern most example of this in the area

- ii) the forest stand donated by Mrs. Speers to Battlefords and Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation
- 18. Stop IX Ducks Unlimitedi) over 72 species of birds arecommon to this location and severalmore migratory
  - ii) Battlefords Wildlife Federation Nature Centre.
- 19. Stop X King Hill Lookout overlooks the North Saskatchewan River Valley where many of the Geolog Stops can be viewed from a distance
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