Imagine the entire river valley linked and accessible to all as one of the largest metropolitan river valley parks in the world.



### Alberta's Capital Region River Valley Park March 14, 2017

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# **River Valley Alliance**

### Vision:

To create a continuous, world class metropolitan river valley park.

### Mission:

To preserve, protect and enhance the river valley becoming recognized as one of the largest and best river valley parks in the world.

### **Outcomes:**

- > Pride
- > Legacy

- > Attraction
- > Tourism
- > Quality of Life





## 2012 to 2017 Capital Project





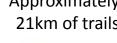
### 2012 to 2017 Capital Program Update



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**Boat Docks & Launches** 





### 2012 to 2017 Capital Program Update

Strathcona Nature Trail Extension





Riverside Trails



Lamoureux Trail

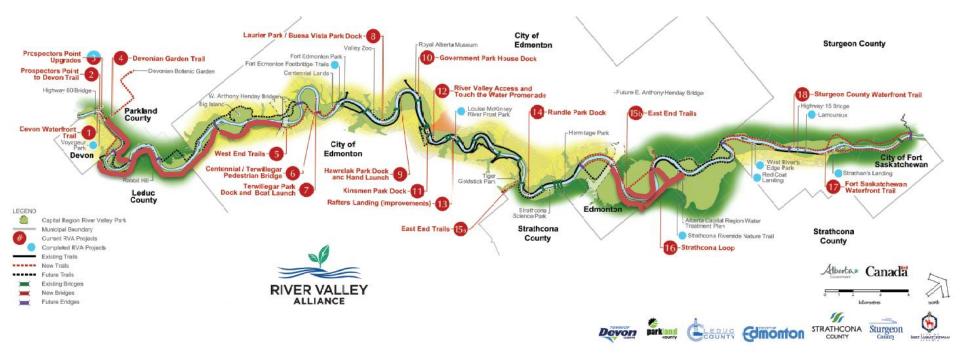


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West River's Edge

## Near Term Connectivity (2020)





### NEXT PHASE Capital Program In 2016 you were asked

- Do you support the Capital Projects listed?
  - You said…
- Will you support cost shared municipal funding (1/3)?
  - You said…
- Will your municipality support project management and maintenance of identified projects?
  - You said...





# **NEXT PHASE Capital Projects**

- Initial Trail Connectivity
   16 km of trails, 3 bridges
- Primary Trail Connectivity
  - 24 km of trails, 5 bridges
- Water Access Docks and Launches
  - Vehicle and hand launches (2)





# **Community Outreach Activities**

- Friends of the River Valley Alliance
- Events & Presentations
- River Day (spring)
- River Fest (fall)
- Do It Yourself Adventures
- Fort Edmonton Canoe Brigade





# **River Day 2017**

#### Spring Event Goals

- Celebrate National River Day promoting public awareness of the importance of preserving the heritage and health of Canada's rivers.
- Support Municipal Program Initiatives with \$1,000 grant
- Promote Vision for Capital Region River Valley Park
- Build support for continued public investment

# **River Fest 2017**

### Fall Event Goals

- Promote Capital Region River Valley Park
- Celebrate what the river valley means to us
- Build Relationships with stakeholders/ partners/ sponsors
- Promote the vision for the Park
- Build support for continued public investment in protection, preservation and enhancement initiatives

### 2017 Program - Sept 15-17

- Riverside Rendezvous
  (Upstream, Central, Downstream)
- End-to-End Xplore Challenges (DIY)
- Point-to-Point Adventures (DIY)
- Partner Programs
- Co-promoted programs/ services

### Title Sponsor relationship

#### Sponsor:

- Title sponsorship/brand recognition
- Executive profile/influence
- Input into programming (focus on water)

#### River Valley Alliance:

- Overall direction of the event
- Remains decision maker/owner of event
- Receives added resources (human and financial)

# Naming the Capital Region River Valley Park

### A name that will be:

- distinctive
- timeless
- memorable
- easily learned
- applicable to a broad range of ages and cultures
- relevant to Alberta





## Sustainable Funding Strategy

- Operating Funding *Thank you for municipal support! Requesting extension of provincial support*
- Capital Funding
- Fund Development Strategy



# Municipal Call to Action continues

- ✓ Protect, Preserve, and Enhance the CRRVP
- ✓ Support the NEXT PHASE Capital Program
- "Champion" the cause of the Capital Region River Valley Park to public and private funding decision makers and influencers.
- ✓ Continue support for Naming the Park
- ✓ Be "on board" for River Day (spring) and RiverFest (fall).

