

# **Fawn River Provincial Park Interim Management Statement**



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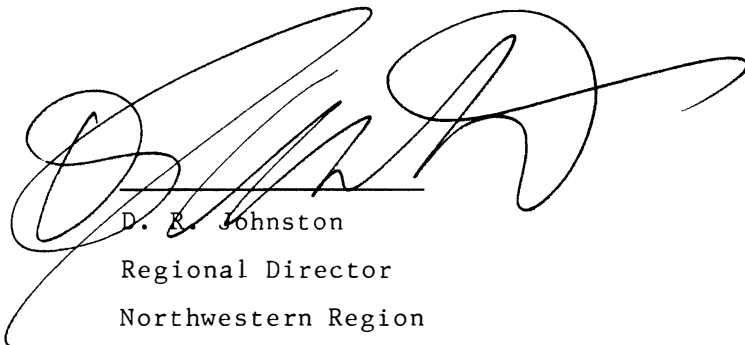
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**REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL STATEMENT**

This Interim Management Statement will provide interim direction for the management of the Fawn River Provincial park until a comprehensive Park Management Plan is prepared.

This statement will provide the basis for the subsequent preparation of the Park Management Plan.

I am pleased to approve this Interim Management Statement for the Fawn River Provincial Park.



D. R. Johnston  
Regional Director  
Northwestern Region

## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Interim Management Statement is to identify:

- i) park values which are to be protected;
- ii) resource management prescriptions necessary to protect these values; and
- iii) restrictions on use of natural resources within the park.

This Interim Management Statement is not intended to replace a Park Management Plan. Rather it is intended to guide the use of natural resources and related activities within the park until such time as a Park Management Plan is prepared.





## Management Guidelines

### I Land Tenure

No alienated forms of land tenure presently exist within the park and none will be considered pending the completion of the park management plan.

### II Land Acquisition/Disposition

There are no patented lands within the park area at this time. The disposition of land within the park will not occur pending the completion of the park management plan.

### III Existing/Proposed Development

There is no existing development within the park area and none will be permitted pending the completion of the park management plan.

### IV Recreation Activities

Existing recreational activities include fishing, hunting, canoeing, camping and snowmobiling.

#### Guideline

The above recreational activities will be permitted to continue and will be further addressed during the development of the park management plan. Sport hunting will be permitted to continue on an interim basis by regulation under the Game and Fish Act, and will be further addressed during the preparation of the park management plan. The Fawn River Provincial Park will be considered to be a non-operating park until such time as a management plan is completed for the waterway. In the interim, normal park fees will not apply. Non-residents of Canada are subject to the conditions of the Crown land camping program and the camping permit requirement.

### V Commercial Activities

Portions of three Status Indian operated traplines occur within the park area.

### Commercial Activities (cont'd.)

At the present time, no commercial tourist outpost camps or boat caches are located within the park. The Angling Lake Indian Band has however, expressed an interest in establishing outpost camps within this area. The development of new commercial tourism activities will be further addressed during the preparation of the park management plan.

### Guidelines

Commercial trapping within the park is undertaken only by Status Indian trappers. Such trapping activity will be permitted to continue. No new traplines will be permitted and the transfer of traplines must be approved by the Ministry of Natural Resources. Transfers of traplines from Status Indian people to other than Status Indian people will not be permitted. Only Status Indian trapper helpers are permitted to assist Status Indian trappers. Existing trapline cabins will be permitted to continue in their present locations. No additional cabins or the relocation of existing cabins will be considered pending the completion of the park management plan.

Other forms of commercial activities such as mineral exploration/extraction, hydro development and aggregate extraction will not be permitted.

## VI Native Interests

The park lies within the Treaty #9 area. It borders the Angling Lake Indian Reserve and is located in close proximity to the Big Trout Lake Indian Reserve. Status Indians enjoying treaty rights to carry on traditional natural resource harvesting activities will be permitted to carry on those activities in accordance with the terms of their treaty within the Fawn River Waterway Park. Accordingly, such Status Indians will be permitted to carry on those activities in certain circumstances. The details of those circumstances will be the subject of further discussion and review.

## VII Natural Resources

Very little is presently known about the natural resources within the park. The Fawn River did not receive a reconnaissance earth and life science inventory during the West Patricia Land Use Planning Exercise.

Natural or man-caused fires within the park will be managed according to the Regional Fire Management Policy.

VIII Cultural Resources

The Fawn River did not receive a cultural inventory West Patricia Land Use Planning Exercise. As such, very little is presently known about the cultural resources within the park. Should cultural sites of significant importance become identified, appropriate action will be taken to protect these sites.

IX Client Services

Information on the Fawn River Provincial Waterway Park is minimal at this time. It may be appropriate to produce an information brochure on the natural and cultural values some time in the future.

X Research

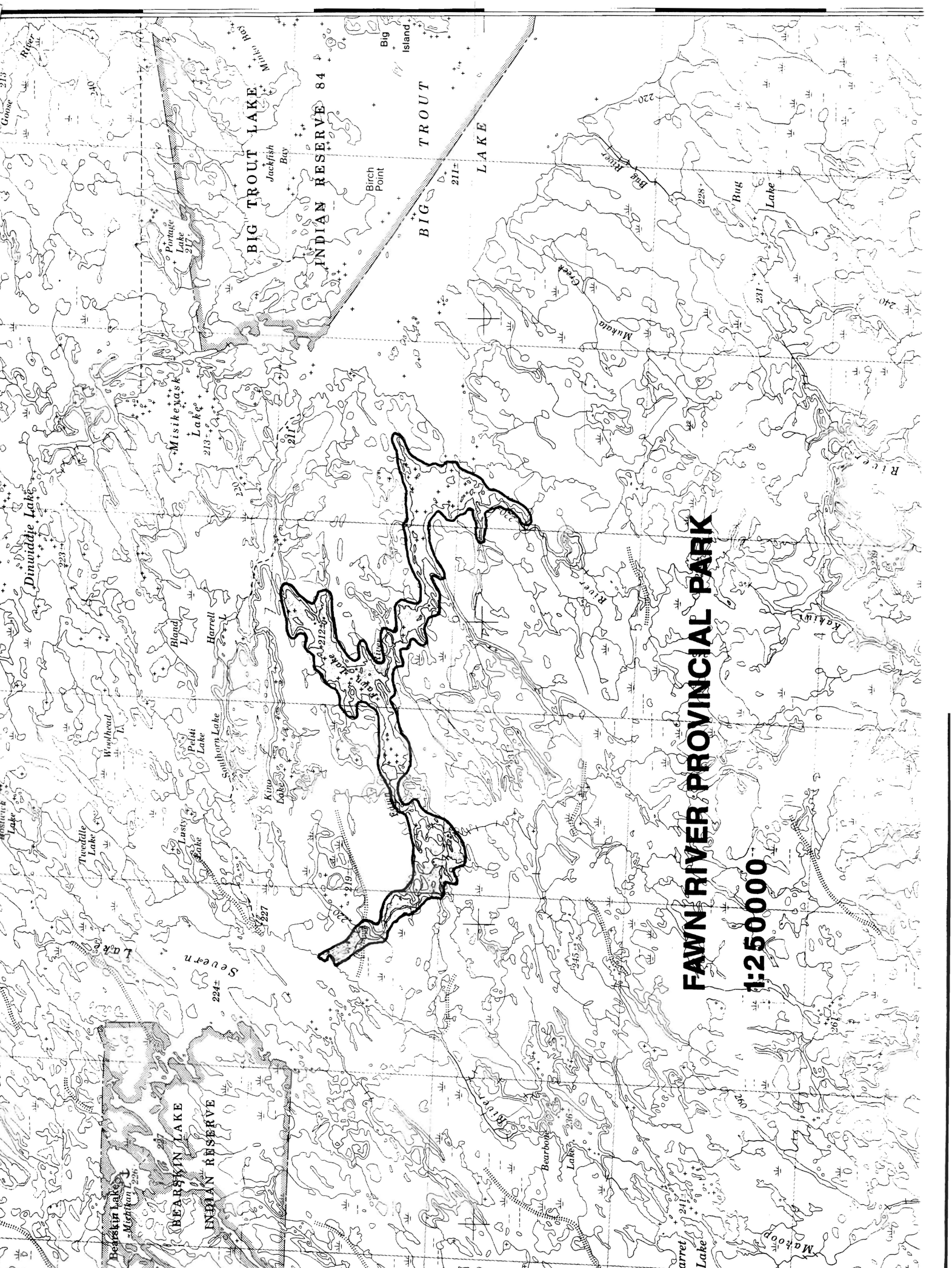
More detailed earth and life science, historical/archaeological, and recreational inventories will be required prior to the initiation of the park management plan. Other research activities which enhance our scientific knowledge of the park will be encouraged.

XI Marketing

A marketing strategy for this waterway class provincial park will be addressed during the preparation of the park management plan.

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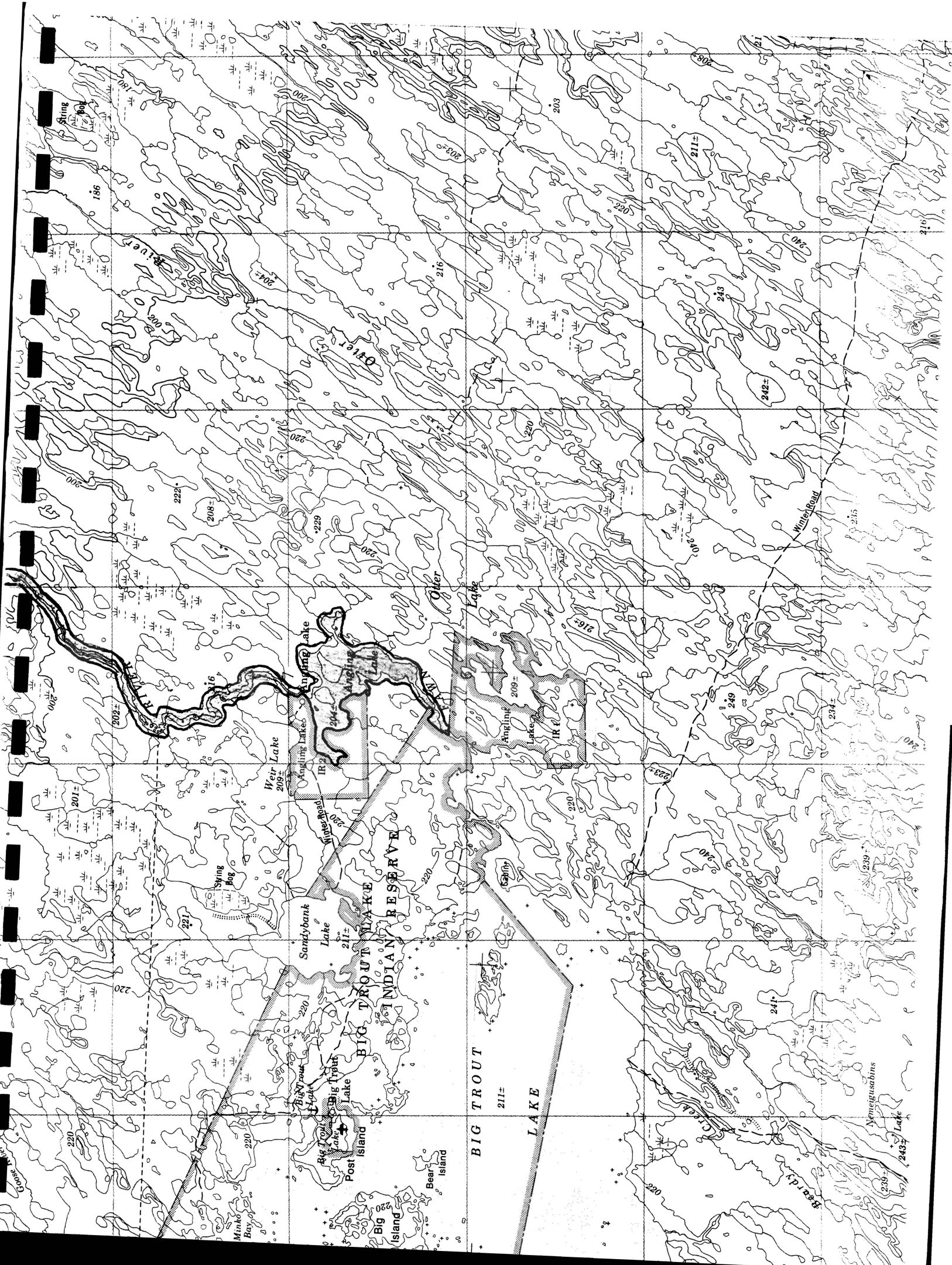
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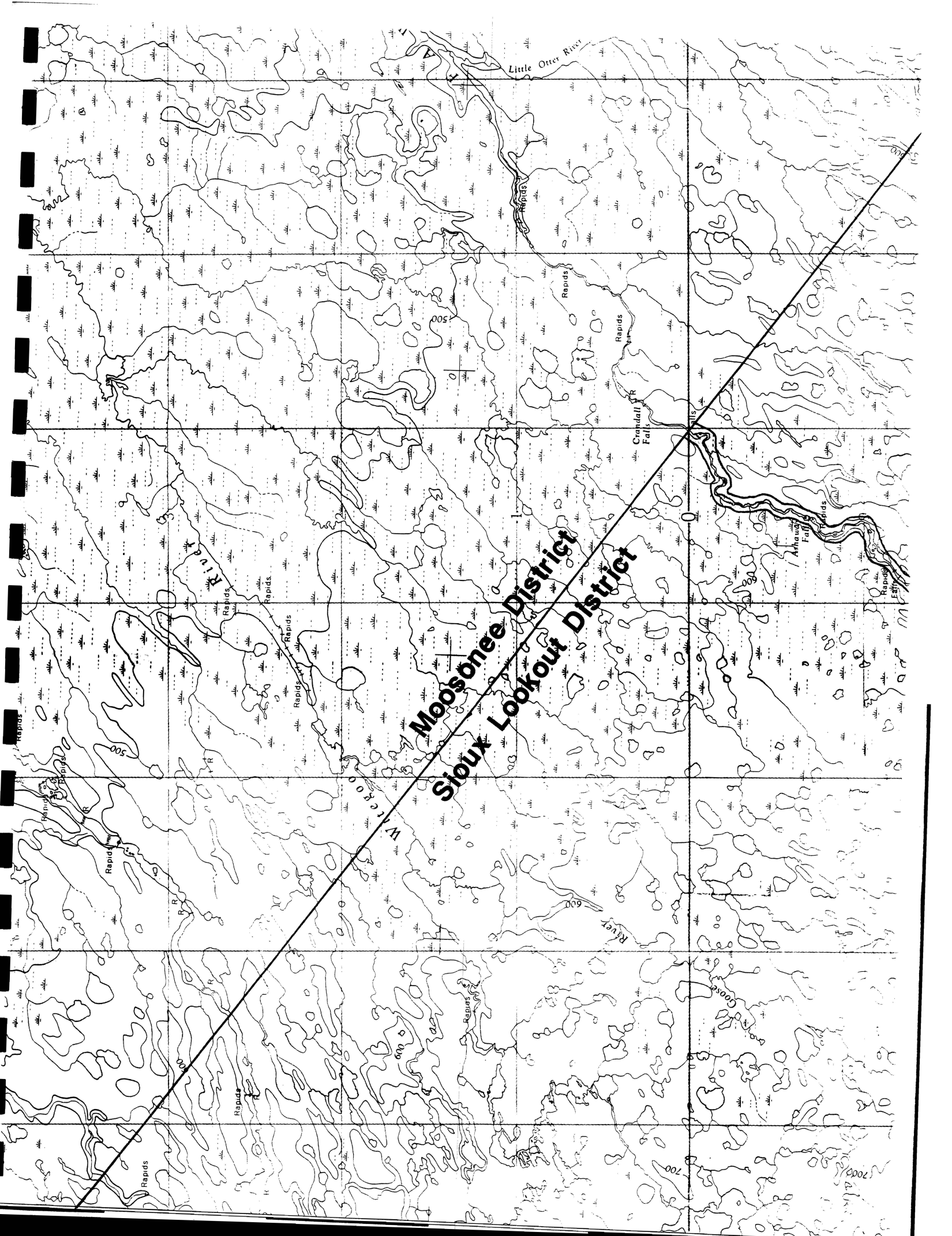
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Grandall Falls

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Sioux Lookout District

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