



The Pioneer Graveyard located east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road and was used from the gold rush period to 1990. There you can find the graves of Kenneth McLaren and Fritz Miller, who made the historic gold strike on Pine Creek in the winter of 1898.

D Atlin Pioneer Cemetery

Take part in around the town and surrounding area.

C Atlin Museum

Check out the Museum, located in the community's original schoolhouse and ask about other places to explore and activities to take part in around the town and surrounding area.

B Globe Theatre

Constructed in 1917 and recently renovated. Check locally for performances and movie nights.

A MV Tarahne



Located on shores of Atlin Lake the Tarahne was originally built in 1917 and then lengthened in the 1927. The Tarahne was used primarily to transport people and supplies from Scotia Bay (terminus of the Taku Tram operated by the White Pass and Yukon) to Atlin. It was also engaged as a cruise boat for tourists throughout the 1920's and 30's, with Lewellyn Glacier as a popular destination.

The town of Atlin has a number of historic sites and buildings including:

Points of Interest in the Town of Atlin



Mining Properties

The Atlin area has a number of mining properties and many of the mining remains are on private property and may be dangerous. Stay out of old shafts and do not vandalize any of the areas. Enjoy what you see, take only pictures and leave any artifacts for others to 'discover'. **Obey posted signs on mining properties.**

Other Activities

Check at the Visitor Information Centre / Museum for information on other activities that you can enjoy while in the Atlin area including:

- Gold panning on the public claim on Pine Creek
- Tarahne Park, where there is a play ground, a basket ball loop and a base ball diamond
- Bird watching, especially in the spring and fall in the Lagoon at the end of First Street and in the smaller lakes all summer long
- Wildlife viewing along the road or on wilderness adventure
- Hiking on the many trails and on open mountain ridges
- Mountain biking on old un-maintained roads and mining roads
- Motor boating, kayaking and canoeing on pristine lakes around Atlin
- White water kayaking
- Fishing from shore or with a boat on the lakes in the area
- Ice fishing
- Cross country skiing on the lakes and on maintained trails
- Glacier flights – boat charters – guided tours – heli-skiing

General Information About Recreation Sites

Recreation sites are rustic and usually small (less than 10 vehicle units) and in the Atlin area, all are free. They are generally located near lakes or rivers, blending in with the natural surroundings. These sites were formerly known as B.C. Forest Service Recreation Sites and are now the responsibility of the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, Recreation Sites and Trails Branch.

Access to these sites is often on logging roads and they commonly include basic amenities such as picnic tables pit toilets, fire rings, a level camping area and where appropriate, boat launch ramps. The sites are maintained on a regular basis (weekly / bi-weekly) during the summer season. There are no garbage facilities so please take your garbage with you when you leave.



Tips For Recreating in Bear Country

Bears feel threatened if surprised - hike in a group and make loud noises. Whistle, talk, sing, or carry noise makers such as bells or a can containing stones. In dense bush and near rushing water, don't depend on your noisemaker being heard. Use extra caution and watch for evidence of bears. Most bears will leave if they are aware of your group's presence. Stay in the open as much as possible. Keep children close at hand on trails. Be especially alert when traveling into the wind, a bear may not get your scent and be warned of your presence.

When camping, be camper smart and keep a clean camp. Bears usually avoid people, but they can be attracted to human food and garbage. Store all food and garbage properly and take all your garbage with you when you leave.

For additional information on how you can stay safe in bear country, pick up a free booklet (in English, French and German) available at any Yukon Visitor Information Centre or download from www.env.gov.yk.ca/environment-you/bearsafety.php

Trail Etiquette

Please keep to the designated trails. Shortcutting on switchbacks damages the plants and soils which keep rain and snow melt from eroding the trail. Do not cut down live trees. Take only photographs, leave only footprints.

Safety Tips

Before leaving on a hike, let a responsible individual know where you are going and when you will be returning. Always contact that individual when you return. Never hike alone. Always take a map, compass, GPS, food and emergency gear.

Boating Safety

Always wear approved floating devices when on any water.
Atlin Lake: This huge lake offers exceptional boating, but strong winds can come up very quickly and turn the lake into wild waters with waves up to 1.5m in matter of minutes, creating a hazardous situation. Caution should be exercised at all the times. Watch for reefs. A recommended rule of thumb is no further out than 30 m off the shoreline.

Weather Warning

Be prepared for fast, changeable weather conditions, especially in alpine areas and on Atlin Lake (it can snow in summer at higher elevations).



Access: Located 16 km south of Carcross, Yukon, along the South Klondike Highway.
Site Description: 29 campsites, a picnic shelter, playground, walking trails and historic site nearby and a beach. **A Yukon fishing license is required.**
Check current catch limits and restrictions.

G Conrad

Access: Located approximately 66 km north of Atlin along Highway 7.
Site description: A small 10 unit campsite. Good fishing, canoeing and boating opportunities are available. **A Yukon fishing license is required.**
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The Yukon government maintains 2 small campgrounds along the Atlin Highway, just north of the British Columbia - Yukon boundary and a third site on the South Klondike Highway.
Note: There is a \$12 per night fee per accommodation unit at all Yukon Government campgrounds.

Yukon Government Campgrounds

Access: Access to the wilderness camping areas and trails is by water or air craft. Visitors cannot access the park by road. We recommended filling out a travel plan (available at the Visitor Information Centre or RCMP) and leaving it with the RCMP.
Site Descriptions: There are seven wilderness camping areas with basic toilet facilities, all of which are located on Atlin Lake. You are asked to use no trace camping techniques while visiting the park.

17 Atlin Provincial Park and Recreation Area

Access: Located 62 km's south of Carcross YT along the South Klondike Hwy.
Trail Description: The Log Cabin Ski Trail system has 26 km of groomed trails.

16 Log Cabin Ski Trails

Access: Located approximately 4.5 km's east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road. Turn right at the new cemetery and follow it until you reach the trailhead.

Trail Description: This 1.2 km trail follows along the bluff above Pine Creek and leads to a viewpoint overlooking the Pine Creek Falls. Good views from the trail overlooking Pine Creek and old powerhouse below the bluffs.

13 Monarch Mountain Trail

Access: Located approximately 3.7 km south of Atlin along the Warm Bay Road (1.2 km south of the Pine Creek campground) where there is a parking area. The trail head is just across the road.

12 Crocus Trail

Trail description: This 3 km mountain trail (one way) will take an average of 4 hours for the return trip (elevation gain about 762m).

14 Beach Trail

Just below the half way point there is a log rest bench where you have a great view over Atlin Lake and surrounding area.

15 Shortest Railway Trail

Access: Access to Scotia Bay on the West Side of Atlin Lake is by boat or air only. Ask locally about charters.
Trail description: An easy 4 km walk leads you along the abandoned rail line, the Taku Tram, that once connected Taku City on Tagish Lake to Scotia Bay on Atlin Lake. Some artifacts from the time of the railway remain.

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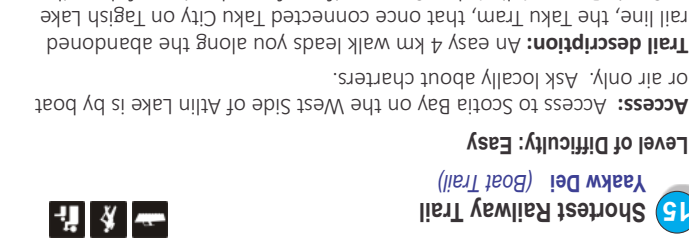
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Recreation and Tourism Opportunities in the Atlin area

Recreation Sites and Trails B.C., B.C. Parks, Yukon Government and the community of Atlin offer a range of excellent summer recreational and tourism opportunities throughout the Atlin area.

Enjoy endless opportunities for hiking or mountain biking on historic gold mining roads and wilderness trails. Whitewater enthusiasts can conquer Pine Creek or Atlin River, and fishing could reward you with a trout, pike or grayling. Set up camp at one of our cozy recreation sites, explore Atlin Provincial Park or enjoy a guided walking tour through the town of Atlin showcasing the many fascinating historic buildings and artifacts that remain from the gold rush days.

Most of the following recreational and tourism opportunities are within easy driving distance of Atlin and are 2WD accessible unless otherwise noted. The remaining areas are water access only and are indicated as such in the access description. There are 2 developed and maintained boat launches in Atlin. All distances noted are one way.



McDonald Lake

Photo courtesy of Manu Keegenhoff

1 McDonald Lake Recreation Site Taasleiyi Aayi (Lake belonging to Pike Fish)

Access: Located approximately 20.6 km north of Atlin. Turn off Highway 7 approximately 10.4 km north of Atlin and follow the Ruffner Mine road for 7.2 km to the bridge on maintained road. After the bridge there is another 3km to the camp site on a non maintained gravel road.

Site description: A small 4 unit campsite with good fishing, canoeing and boating opportunities. **Note: This site has an undeveloped boat launch - for small boats only.**

2 Como Lake Recreation Site Wéinaa Aak'w (Alkali on the bottom of a small lake)

Access: Located approximately 4.5 km north of Atlin along Highway 7.

Site description: This recreation site is used for day use activities only. Good fishing, stocked rainbow trout, canoeing and boating opportunities on the lake. Local gathering place.



Como Lake Recreation Site

Photo courtesy of Carl Johansen, RSTBC

3 Surprise Lake Recreation Site Kooosawu Aa (Narrow Lake)

Access: Located approximately 20 km east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road.

Site description: A small 4 unit campsite. Good fishing and fly-fishing for graylings. Great boating opportunities.

Note: The site has an undeveloped boat launch.

4 Palmer Lake Recreation Site Yóolihashk'i Áa (Floating Lake)

Access: Located approximately 19 km south of Atlin along Warm Bay Road.

Site Description: A small 2 unit campsite. Good pike fishing (from shore), canoeing and kayaking opportunities on Palmer Lake.



Palmer Lake Recreation Site

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5 Warm Bay Recreation Site Yat'aayi Héen Geeyi (Warm Water Bay)

Access: Located approximately 24 km south of Atlin along Warm Bay Road.

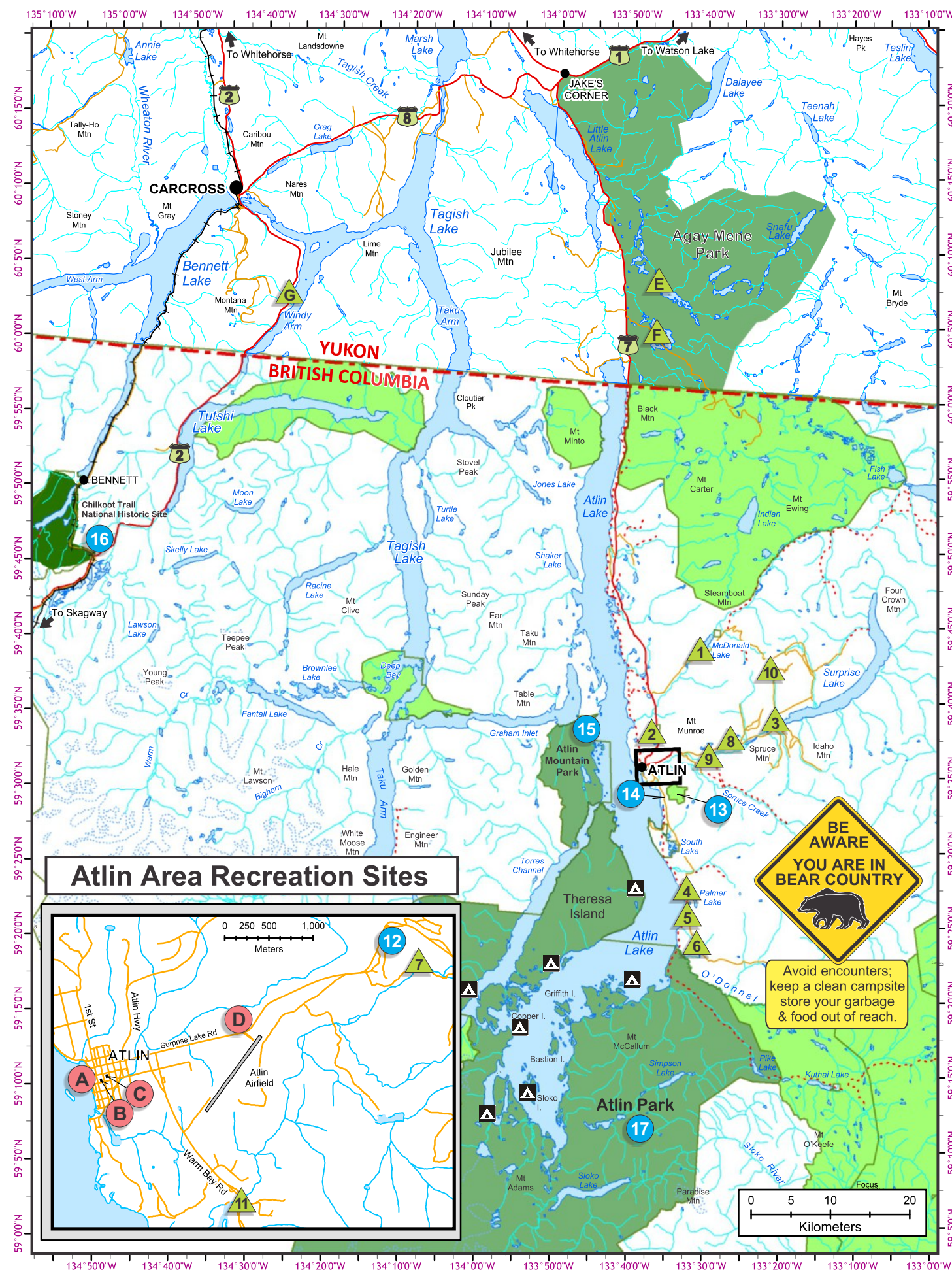
Site Description: A 5 unit campsite located at Warm Bay along Atlin Lake which is nestled in a pine/spruce forest.

Note: This site has an undeveloped boat launch.

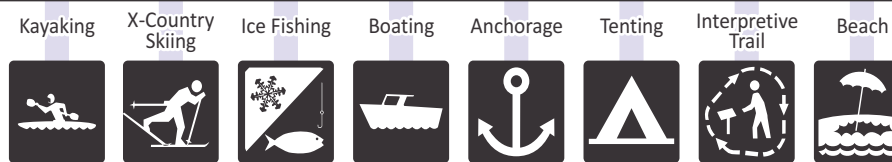


Warm Bay Recreation Site

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	Picnicking	Camping	Canoeing	Fishing	Boat Launch	Swimming	Hiking	Viewpoint	kilometers from Atlin	# camp sites
1 McDonald Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			20.6	4
2 Como Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			4.5	
3 Surprise Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			20	4
4 Palmer Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			19	2
5 Warm Bay	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			24	5
6 The Grotto	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			27	2
7 Powerhouse							☑		4.5	
8 Discovery							☑		8.5	
9 Dredge and Flume							☑		10.5	
10 Boulder Dam							☑	☑	25.5	
11 Pine Creek	☑	☑							2.5	14
12 Crocus							☑	☑	4.5	
13 Monarch Mountain							☑	☑	3.7	
14 Beach							☑	☑	3.7	
15 Shortest Railway					☑		☑	☑	7	
16 Log Cabin Ski			☑						207.5	
17 Atlin Prov Park		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	40	7
E Snafu Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			72	10
F Tarfu Lake	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			66	10
G Conrad	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑		161.5	29



6 The Grotto Recreation Site Túchkana Héeni (It is coming out of the ground)

Access: Located approximately 27 km south of Atlin along Warm Bay Road

Site Description: A small 2 unit campsite located adjacent to a natural spring known as the Grotto. Fresh wild watercress grows abundantly in the creek.

7 Powerhouse

Access: Located approximately 3.5 km's east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road. Turn right at that point and follow the road for approximately 1 km.

Site Description: A short trail leads to the old powerhouse that was used to provide electricity to the gold dredges on Pine and Spruce Creek in the early 1900's. An interpretive panel gives a short history of the powerhouse and dredging operations.

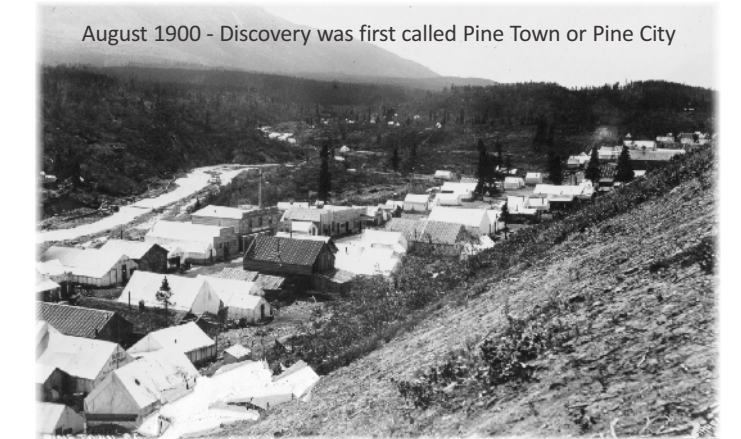
Note: Please stay out of buildings. Hidden hazards exist.

8 Discovery

Access: Located approximately 8.5 km's east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road.

Site Description: Only a few structures remain from this once thriving community of 7000, as many of the towns buildings, like the Moose Hall, Jules Eggert Jewellery Store and the Discovery City Jail, were moved to Atlin as Discovery slowly died. Interpretive panels outside the last remaining structure tell the story of the community.

Note: Please stay out of building and building remains. Hidden hazards exist.



Pine Town BC

Photo courtesy of Atlin Historical Society

9 Dredge and Flume

Access: Follow the Surprise Lake Road approximately 5.5 km's and turn right onto the Spruce Creek Road. Follow the Spruce Creek Road for approximately 2 km's then turn left. After another km turn right and follow the old road for 2 more km's. **Note: High clearance vehicle recommended.**

Site Description: A short trail leads to the remains of a pressure box and a floating dipper dredge. An interpretive panel gives a description of the dredge and pressure box.

Note: Please stay out of dredge and pressure box. Hidden hazards exist.



Dredge and Flume

Photo courtesy of Carl Johansen, RSTBC

10 Boulder Dam

Access: Located approximately 21.5 km's east of Atlin along the Surprise Lake Road. Turn left just before Boulder Creek and head up the road for another 4 km's. **Note: High clearance 4WD vehicle recommended.**

Site Description: A short trail leads to the old wood dam used for hydraulic mining in the early 1900's, an interpretive panel describes the history of the dam and hydrolic mining along Boulder Creek.

Note: Please stay off of dam structure. Hidden hazards exist.



Dredge and Flume

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11 Pine Creek Campsite Kooosawu Héen

Access: Located approximately 2.5 km south of Atlin along the Warm Bay Road, just after the Pine Creek bridge.

Site Description: There are 14 campsites nestled in a spruce-pine forest. Firewood is usually supplied. This site is maintained by the Atlin Board of Trade and there is a small fee for overnight camping.

Note: No drinking water is available on site.