

5. Sakwatamau Trail.—A prolongation of the Sakwatamau trail in a north-westerly direction, to the head of the Goose river, twenty-five miles.

6. Freeman Trail.—A prolongation of Freeman trail from Freeman lake in a westerly direction until connection with Sakwatamau trail, twenty-five miles.

7. Atikkamek Lake Trail.—From the fork of the Goose river in a southerly direction, passing by Atikkamek lake to connection with Sakwatamau trail, somewhere in Township 64, Range 17, Section 20; twenty-two miles.

8. Atikkamek River Trail.—A prolongation of the Atikkamek River trail to Atikkamek lake, ten miles.

The work of opening these trail extensions would be, mainly, the winter task of the ranger who would be supposed to live on the reserve.

LOOKOUT STATIONS.

There are many places where lookouts could be advantageously established. Among these the most important are:—

1. Central Hill.—Situating in Township 56, Range 18, Section 19. It is a rounded elevation, the highest point of the high range lying between the Athabaska and the McLeod rivers. It overlooks an immense area, east, southeast, south, southwest and west. Many far-reaching views can be obtained from many other spots on that range, particularly from the 'Side-hill,' at a few steps only from the road and the stopping place. It would take only twenty minutes for the ranger, passing by, to climb that hill and have a good look on all the country lying south, from the east to the southwest. But there is no doubt that the Central Hill, if not quite so handy, offers the most strategic view.

2. Nose Hill. Three miles from the Athabaska Crossing in the upper end of Township 57, Range 21.—This point overlooks miles of country up and down the valley of the Athabaska river, up the Baptiste river, north and northwest to the height of land separating the waters of the Little Smoky river from those of the Baptiste river. Plenty of feed for horses can be found at the foot of the hill. This would require the building of a couple of miles of trail, which is not to be considered.

3. Muddy Ridge. On the Grande Prairie road, about two and a half miles north-west of Round lake.—A lookout here will give an excellent view over the valley of the Little Smoky river from Tony creek to the 18th Base Line, over the land drained by the Iosegun river and the upper part of the Goose, also west, south and south-west over the south branch of the Waskahigan river and the head of Tony creek.

4. Thunder Hill. One mile west-southwest of the junction of the West Prairie river trail with the 18th Base Line trail, at the southwest corner of Township 69, Range 17, west of the 5th meridian.—This point overlooks the valley of West Prairie river, and the upper valley and the north branch of the Goose river.

5. Another strategic view can be obtained from the northeast corner of the Shiningbank range, one mile only from the trail leading from Whitecourt to Shiningbank lake, in the northeast corner of Section 35, Township 57, Range 14. From this point a good view can be obtained of the entire valley of the McLeod river, the valley of the Athabaska river from the Canadian Northern Railway crossing, at the mouth of Pass creek, to the entrance of the Freeman river; the valley of Two creek, Sakwatamau river and Christmas creek, to the summit of the Swan Hills.

There is no timber available here to put up any kind of building, but, as is also the case at the 'Side-hill,' one can obtain a view of the country from the ground. Feed for horses is abundant on the east slope of the hill.

On the Central Hill, Nose Hill, Muddy Ridge and Thunder Hill, small towers of twenty-five to forty feet high should be built.

Many other points could be given, but these five are believed to be of the first importance for the beginning. They command the largest and the most important part of the proposed reserve.