

- (ii) All interpretative components shall be cost effective and designed to be low maintenance and vandal proof.
- (iii) The brochure should provide a comprehensive treatment of the natural resources and features of the park.
- (iv) An interpretative plan shall be prepared following approval of the management plan. The plan will address the location and development of an interpretive trail.
- (v) An interpretative and information kiosk shall be located at the south end of the main portion of the park.

### 3.9 PARK OPERATION/MAINTENANCE

#### 3.9.1 Drainage

##### Objectives:

- (i) To improve the drainage system within the park.
- (ii) To consider the needs of the mosquito abatement program when defining any actions regarding drainage.
- (iii) To ensure that any changes to the drainage system are done in a manner that minimize the impact on the natural resources and character of the park.

##### Policies:

- (i) The CRD Parks Department will cooperate with the Municipality of Central Saanich in preparing a drainage plan for the park. The purpose of this plan is to identify ways of improving the drainage system for purposes of alleviating flooding of private lands and controlling mosquito breeding sites.
- (ii) No new drainage ditches shall be constructed east of the existing north/south ditch.
- (iii) The Regional Parks Department will keep all ditches in the park clear of debris. This will be included in the annual maintenance program.
- (iv) The main east/west ditch and floodgate are not within the park and therefore are the responsibility of the Municipality of Central Saanich.
- (v) The Municipality of Central Saanich shall be permitted to enter park property for the purpose of maintaining the main east - west ditch and floodgate.

### 3.9.2 Mosquito Abatement Program

#### Objectives:

- (i) To cooperate with the Municipality of Central Saanich to help alleviate mosquito breeding sites in the park.

#### Policies:

- (i) The use of pesticides shall be prohibited in the park.
- (ii) The use of physical and biological control methods shall be permitted.
- (iii) The Regional District may cost-share with the Municipality of Central Saanich the cost of the mosquito abatement program. These costs will be addressed in the drainage plan and when requests from the municipality are presented to the Regional Parks Committee.

### 3.9.3 Fire Management and Protection

#### Objectives:

- (i) To minimize the risk of forest and grass fire in the park.
- (ii) To provide an access route into the park for fire fighting equipment.

#### Policies:

- (i) No person shall be permitted to light or keep lit any fire in the park except in designated areas or where authorized by the Park Administrator in writing or permit (By-law 1573, section 18).
- (ii) No person shall be permitted to throw or place upon the ground any lighted match, cigar, cigarette or other burning substance in the park (By-law 1573, section 19).
- (iii) Fire prevention information will provided on signs, kiosks and in brochures. This information will highlight the measures that must be taken to prevent forest fires and what actions should be taken if the public spot a fire.
- (iv) Keys to all gates will provided to the Central Saanich Fire Department.
- (v) Access for fire fighting equipment will permitted on the park service road (see map 13). The surface of this road will be upgraded and maintained for fire fighting equipment.