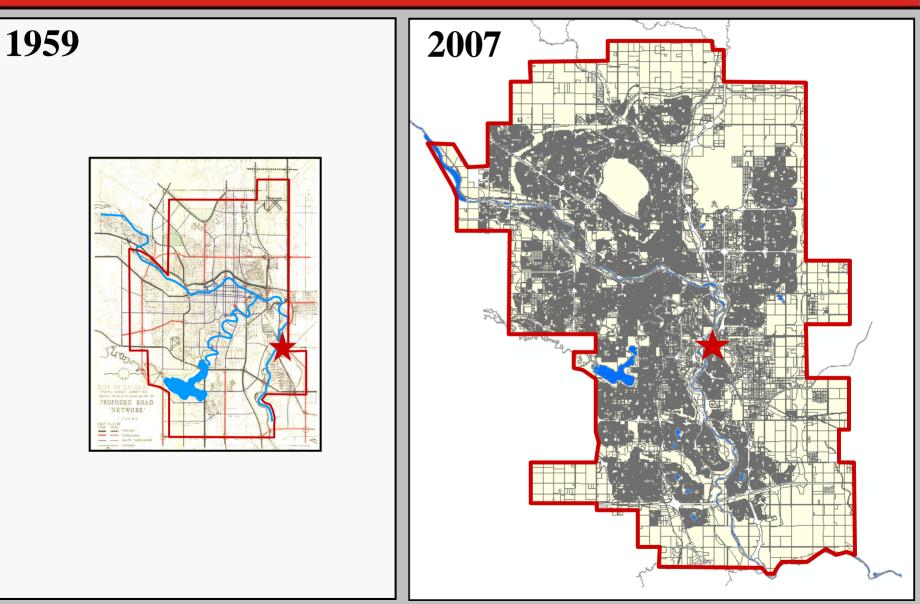


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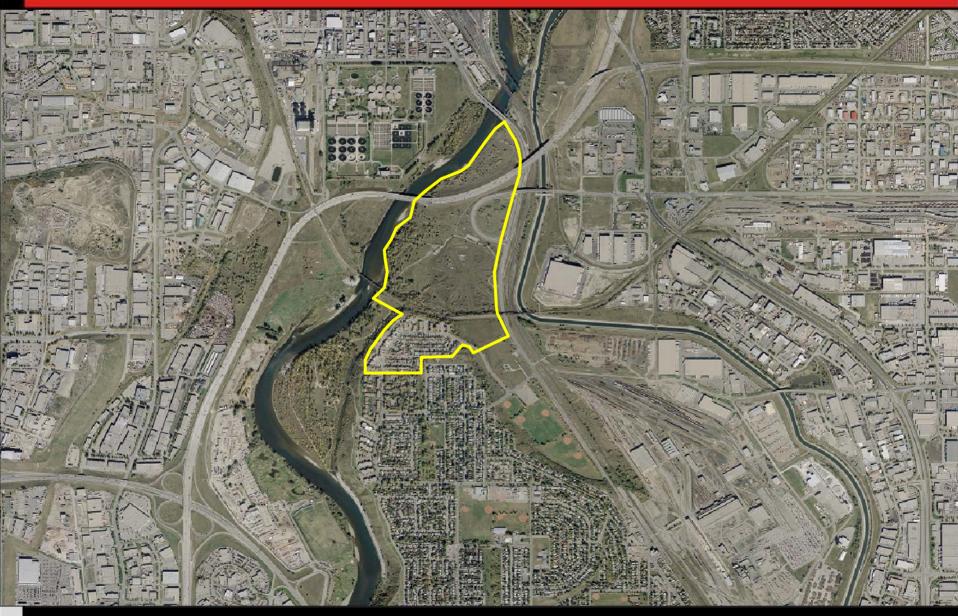
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Imperial Oil Refinery, facing south, circa 1960.





# Site History

#### 1924-1975 Imperial Oil Refinery Operations

- 1977 The City purchases main refinery site for Deerfoot Trail Construction
- 1980 Lynnview Ridge Phase IV subdivision development

# Site History

- 1989 Partial remediation of Beaver Dam Flats by AENV, Imperial, and The City
- 1997 Province obtains ownership of Deerfoot Trail and 100m ROW from the City
- 2001-2007 Imperial delineates and remediates Lynnview properties

# Site History

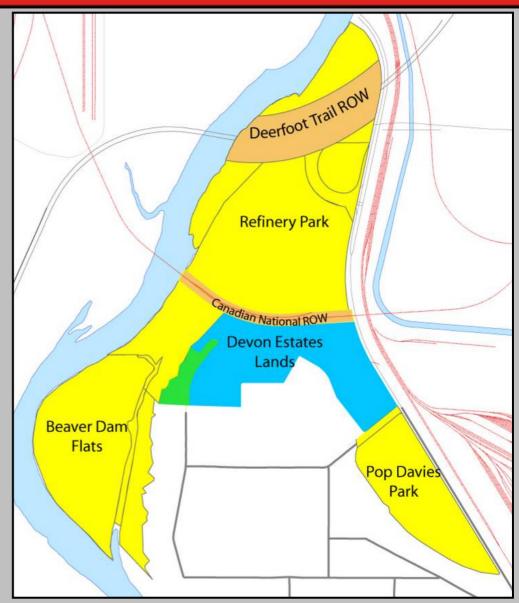
 2007 Imperial and The City successfully negotiate a Risk Management Agreement (RMA) and future ground lease for the site

 2007 Memorandum of Understanding between The City, Imperial, and Alberta Environment

#### Ownership Distribution

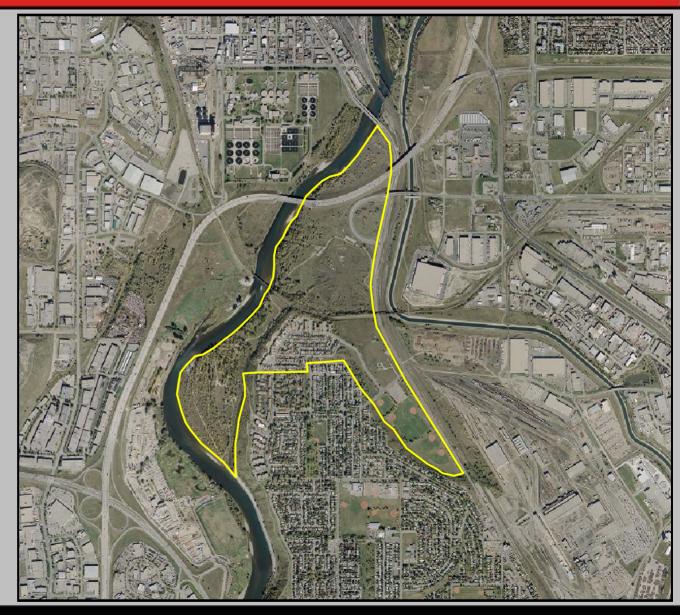
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# **The Agreement**

- Immediate priority is to perform site investigations and develop a Risk Management Plan:
  - protect the Bow River
  - recover liquid hydrocarbons
  - remove hot spots
  - place a protective soil cap
- Imperial will be the project manager
- Imperial will be responsible for first response for environmental emergencies

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# **The Agreements**

- Cost Sharing Allocation on \$22 million project (City Lands):
  - 60% Imperial
  - 40% City
- Imperial is 100% responsible for RMP costs on all Imperial lands
- Liability risks & emergency response cost-sharing parallel responsibility for project costs

# **The Agreements**

- The City will lease Imperial's lands for 99 years for \$1/year
- Leased lands will be redesignated, redeveloped, and operated by The City for community benefit including parks, trails, natural areas, and a public golf course
  - Land uses must support RMP provisions and operational needs
- Potential LRT expansion can be accommodated

# **The Agreements**

#### Steering Group

- **3 IOL members, 3 City members**
- Quarterly project review meetings
- Approves annual budget and workplan
- Can amend the RMP
- Requires unanimous decisions

### **The Agreements**

#### Dispute Resolution

- Escalating process
  - Senior manager review
  - Technical review
  - Mediation Arbitration
  - Expedited arbitration

#### Working Together Government Partners

- Municipal Government The City of Calgary
- Provincial Government Alberta Environment
- Federal Government Environment Canada;
  Fisheries and Oceans Canada

#### Working Together Stakeholder Involvement

- CN Rail owns a right-of-way which crosses the site and was used to service the refinery
- Millican Ogden Community Association
- Citizens of Calgary

#### **The Bigger Picture**

- Represents the first of many sites to be reinvigorated
- Triple bottom line drivers

#### **The Bigger Picture**

- The City considers economic, social, and environmental results of decisions
- Cooperation among interested parties contributes to successful projects
- Benefits to everyone

#### **Project Timeline**

#### Already Completed

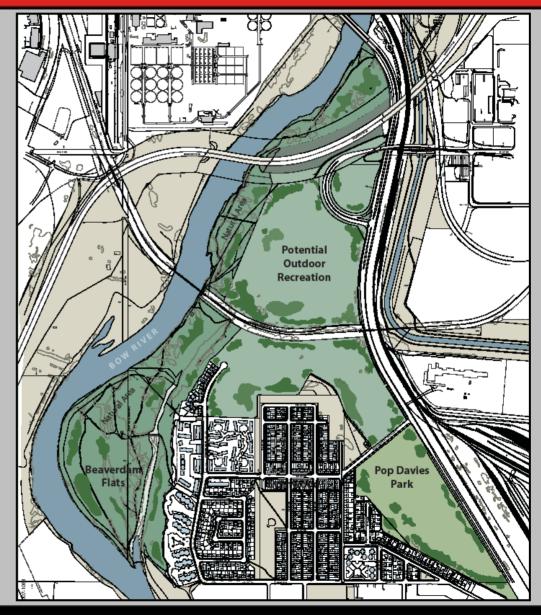
- Historical review and EM survey
- 2008
  - Site characterization & hydrogeological modelling
  - Land use re-designation process initiated

#### Spring 2009

- Approval of Risk Management Plan by AENV
- 2009
  - Site remediation fieldwork underway
  - 2011
    - Site redevelopment
- **Spring 2012** 
  - Community use

#### Land Use Conceptual Design

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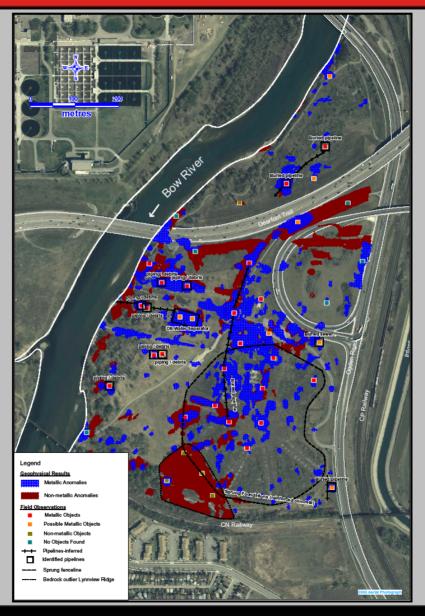
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