

6.4 MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS

The programming and maintenance of the Urban Park and the existing river valley and ravine system will be managed by the recently created River Valley Parks unit of the Operations Branch of Edmonton Parks and Recreation. Delivery of services in the river valley has been consolidated to ensure the river valley is managed holistically and consistently throughout the city.

Operating funding for the Urban Park extension of the river valley park system is available from a companion Operating and Maintenance Grant, funded by the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust fund. Eligible operating costs include those incurred on a regular basis, such as major maintenance and programming expenditures.

Funding eligibility is based on 3% of planning and design, and construction grant funds expended, and has been projected in Figure 18 (thousands of dollars). Funding will be determined by the Province for five year periods, commencing when the City applies. A detailed estimate and strategy will be prepared in early 1993 to determine how best to access the Operating and Maintenance funding.

Figure 18

ESTIMATED OPERATING GRANT ELIGIBILITY IN \$K

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
PLANNING & DESIGN	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9
CONSTRUCTION	72.7	145	227.2	266.4	333.9	376.5	397.5
TOTAL ELIGIBILITY	104.60	176.90	259.10	298.30	365.80	408.40	+450.00