

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION**

Prior to undergoing urban development in the late 1990s and early 2000s, the Blackmud Creek area was in agricultural use. The plan for Blackmud Creek was intended to take advantage of existing natural features within the area and to create an attractive and affordable residential community. A natural area of mixed tree species is preserved in the Virginia Park Woodland, located in the northeastern portion of the neighbourhood, and provides habitat for local flora and fauna species.

Blackmud Creek is a predominantly low density residential community, with higher density housing and commercial land uses located at the edges of the neighbourhood along 111th Street and Ellerslie Road SW. Medium density row houses are located between the commercial area and apartments in the northwest, and the low density single-detached homes located towards the interior of Blackmud Creek. Interior roads consist of loops and cul-de-sacs which create small residential enclaves within the neighbourhood and reduce through-traffic.

This neighbourhood is named after Blackmud Creek, which borders the community along the south and east.