

REGIONAL BAG LIMITS

- ▶ **Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is 2, one of which may be antlerless but only available under LEH. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 1.
- ▶ **Wolf:** The bag limit for wolf is 3.
- ▶ **Bobcat:** The bag limit for bobcat is 1.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

▶ **A new Limited Entry Hunting (LEH) season for bull caribou in MU 5-12 is being considered; check the 2007/2008 LEH Synopsis for any changes.**

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

▶ In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all caribou taken in Region 5 must be Compulsory Inspected. All moose taken in Region 5 must be Compulsory Reported. See page 21 for requirements.

FIREARMS RESTRICTED AREAS

▶ No Shooting Areas: note the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined in the No Hunting or Shooting Areas section on p. 13.

- **No Shooting Areas** The discharge of firearms is prohibited in the following areas:
 - 100 Mile House No Shooting Area (MU 5-2)- see Map E1.
 - Rose Lake No Shooting Area (MU 5-2)- see Map E2.
 - Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area (MU 5-2)- see Map E4.
 - Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (Alkali Lake)(MU 5-2) - no hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms - see Map E5.
 - Williams Lake and Williams Lake River No Shooting Area (MU 5-2)- see Map E3.
 - Nekite River Spawning Channel (MU 5-7)- Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 100 m of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans spawning channel.
 - Snootli Creek Park (MU 5-8)
 - Ocean Falls No Shooting Area (MU 5-9)- see Map E19.

- Stum Lake (MU 5-13) - Between Mar. 1 and Aug. 31, hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within the Stum (Pelican) Lake Park. The area includes all of Stum Lake below the high water mark and all of the islands.
- Wells No Shooting Area (MU 5-15)- see Map E26.
- ⓐ **Quarter Mile Single Projectile (Firearm) Closed Areas** The discharge of a firearm using a single projectile within 400 metres (1/4 mile) on either side of the road allowance is prohibited in the following areas. Use of firearms using shot permitted:
 - ⓐ Robertson Road and any side roads (MU 5-2) from its intersection with Hwy 97 at D.L. 61 (Cariboo Land District) north to its intersection with Hwy 97 at the village of McLeese Lake
 - ⓐ Tatlayoko Road (MU 5-5) - either side of the mid-line south from Eagle Lake Road to its end.
 - ⓐ Horn-Bluff Lakes Road (MU 5-5) - see Map E13.
 - ⓐ Hwy 20 - Between Bella Coola and the westerly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park (MU 5-8) - see Map E17.
 - ⓐ West Fraser Road (MU 5-13)- south from the City of Quesnel limits to the intersection of this road and Grouse Road (located just north west of Rudy Johnson Bridge), see Map E21.
 - ⓐ Tibbles Road - see Map E18.
 - ⓐ West Fraser Road (MU 5-14) - see description under MU 5-13. See Map E21.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT AREAS

▶ Information signs are posted at the points of closure for most road and vehicle restrictions. These signs are for the benefit of hunters, but it is the hunter's responsibility to recognize closures whether a sign is in place or not.

▶ **Symbol Key:** Use the following symbols to determine what type of motor vehicle prohibition is in place in the following regional MUs (see also Site and Access Restrictions section, pages 11-12):

★ **Motor Vehicle Closed Areas**

The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited year round in these areas unless otherwise indicated.

▲ **Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Areas**

The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport equipment, firearms and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting or to transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited in these areas.

✕ **ATVs and Snowmobile Closed Areas**

The operation of snowmobiles and ATVs (including motorcycles) is prohibited year round in these areas unless otherwise indicated.

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- Access to the Mount Polley mine site is prohibited under the *Mines and Trespass Acts*.
- ▲ Moffat Lake-Spokin FSR (Project #7968-05) and any side roads.
- ★ Knife Creek Vehicle Restricted Area - see Map E6.

MU 5-3

- From 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- ▲ Gaspard-West Churn Forest Service (3200) Road - restricted south of the junction of this road and Stobart Creek (bridge).
- ▲ Gaspard-Chum Creek Forest Service (2800) Road (including any side roads) - restricted south of Kilometre 35 of this Road.
- ★ Chum Creek Protected Area - motor vehicles prohibited except on designated roads. Access for commercial purposes other than hunting is allowed. Snowmobiles allowed Dec. 1 to May 1 - see Map E7.
- ✕ Gaspard-Chum Creek except for commercial activities other than hunting; and snowmobiles allowed Dec. 1 to May 1 - see Map E8.
- ★ Red Mountain & French Mountain - motor vehicles prohibited above the 1920 m elevation.

MU 5-4

- From 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- ▲ Groundhog FSR and any side roads, southerly from the 15.5 km point.
- ▲ Rocky Lake-5800 FSR and any side roads, westerly from the intersection of Rocky Lake-5800 FSR and Groundhog Creek.
- ▲ Battlement Ridge Mining Road - entire road, Sept. 1 to Oct. 31 only.

■ Taseko-Chillo ATV and Snowmobile Restricted Area. See Map E9.

MU 5-5

- From 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- ▲ Valleau Creek - see Map E12.
- ★ Potato Mountain - Snowmobiles allowed Dec. 1 to Mar. 31, except in Ts'il'os Park. See Map E11.

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MU 5-6

- From 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

MU 5-8

- ▲ Nusatsum-Noeick Forest Service Road and any side roads - southerly and westerly from Kilometre 15 to South Bentinck Arm.

MU 5-12

- ▲ Upper Dean River Main Haul Road northerly from its intersection with Far Creek.
- ▲ Clusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Service Road and any side roads - restriction is northwesterly from the junction of this road and the Clusko River.
- ▲ Michelle-Baezaeko Forest Service Road and any side roads - westerly from Kilometre 66 of this road (66 km past the junction with the Nazko Road).
- ▲ "P" (or Punky) Road (Riverside Forest Products) and any side roads - restricted north from Kilometre 57 of this road (this road runs north of Hwy 20 from Chilanko Forks).
- ▲ Beef Trail Road.
- ★ Corkscrew Road - except for industrial forestry purposes.
- MU 5-12 (entire management unit) from Sept. 1 to Dec. 5.

MU 5-13

- ▲ Michelle-Baezaeko Forest Service Road and any side roads - see description under MU 5-12.
- MU 5-13 (entire management unit) from Sept. 1 to Dec. 5.

MU 5-14

- From 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- ★ Junction - Roads open as shown on Map E20. Commercial vehicles allowed.
- ▲ Doc English - access is restricted to designated roads; portions of this area are private land and for safety reasons, hunters are requested not to hunt in these areas - see Map E22.

MU 5-15

- ★ Eureka Peak - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose. Snowmobiles allowed Dec. 1 to April 30 - see Map E23
- ▲ Spanish No-Name Lake Forest Service Road - northerly and easterly from the No-Name Lake Forest Service Recreational Site.
- ▲ Crooked Lake Forest Service Road and any side roads from its point of commencement to its termination.

PROVINCIAL PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND PROTECTED AREAS

▶ Please refer to Site and Access Restrictions section for more information.

▶ Parks, Recreation Areas and Protected Areas marked with an asterisk (*) are exempt from the No Hunting No Shooting Restriction within 400m of the centerline of park roads.

▶ In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 1 to June 30 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Big Creek Park***(MU 5-3, 5-4)
- Cariboo Mountains Park ***(MU 5-15)
- Cariboo River Park ***(MU 5-15)
- Churn Creek Protected Area***
See Map E7(MU 5-3)
- Fiordand Recreation Area**(MU 5-9)
- Flat Lake Park***(MU 5-2)
- Hakai Recreation Area**(MU 5-8)
- Homathko River-Tatlayo ko Protected Area ***(MU 5-5, 2-15)
- Itcha Ilgachuz Park***(MU 5-12)
- Junction Sheep Range Park *** . .(MU 5-14)
- Kluskoil Lake Park***(MU 5-13)
- Moose Valley Park ***(MU 5-2)
- Nazko Lake Park***(MU 5-13)
- Nuntsi Park ***(MU 5-4)
- Schoolhouse Lake Park***(MU 5-2)
- Ts'il'os Park***(MU 5-4, 5-5)

Tweedsmuir Park
That portion in MUs 5-10, 5-11
See Maps E16, E17

White Pelican Park(MU 5-13, 5-14)

▶ The following Parks and Recreation Areas are open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season.

Bowron Lake Park

Those portions in MUs 5-15, 7-5, 7-6
▶ Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows.

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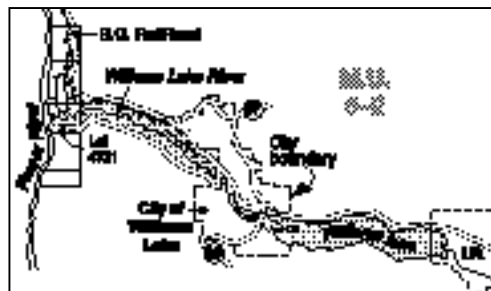
SPECIES ▼	MANAGEMENT UNITS ▼	CLASS ▼	SEASON DATES ▼	BAG LIMIT ▼
MULE DEER (Black-tailed)	5-4, 5-5, 5-6, 5-15	.★4 Point Bucks	.Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1*
	5-1 to 5-15	.Bucks	.Sept 10 - Nov 20	.1*
	5-1 to 5-15	.★4 Point Bucks	.Nov 21 - Nov 30	.1*
Bow Only Season	5-1 to 5-3, 5-7 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-14	.Bucks	.Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1*
Bow Only Season	5-1 to 5-6, 5-13 and 5-14	.Bucks	.Dec 1 - Dec 10	.1*
Bow Only Season	5-8, 5-11▲	.Bucks	.Dec 1 - Dec 24	.1*
★ See Definitions section: Mule (Black-tailed) Deer. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
* The bag limit for mule deer is two; however no more than one buck may be taken in each of the seasons listed above. Please take note of the regional bag limit for deer on p. 58.				
▲ A portion of 5-11 only. See Map E16.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	5-1 to 5-5, 5-12 to 5-14	.Bucks	.Sept 10 - Nov 30	.1
Bow Only Season	5-1, 5-2, 5-13, 5-14	.Bucks	.Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1
Bow Only Season	5-1, 5-2, 5-13, 5-14	.Bucks	.Dec 1 - Dec 10	.1
BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	5-2, 5-3, 5-4★	.Full Curl Bighorn Rams	.Sept 10 - Oct 20	.1
★ See Map E10				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	5-5 to 5-9, 5-11, 5-15		.Sept 1 - Oct 31	.1
<i>Mountain goat populations are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat.</i>				
<i>See Maps E11, E15, E24, E25. See LEH Synopsis for LEH goat only areas in MUs 5-5 & 5-6.</i>				
CARIBOU	5-12	.★5 point Bulls	.Sept 1 - Oct 15	.1
★ See Definitions section: Caribou. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
BLACK BEAR	5-1 to 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15		.Sept 1 - Nov 30	.2
	5-1 to 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15		.Apr 1/2007 - June 30/2007	.2
	5-11		.Sept 10 - Nov 30	.2
	5-11		.Apr 1/2007 - May 31/2007	.2
WOLF	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Aug 1 - Mar 31/2007	.3
	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Apr 1/2007 - June 15/2007	.3
	5-10, 5-11		.Sept 1 - Mar 31/2007	.3
COYOTE	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 1 - Mar 31/2007	.NBL
LYNX	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Nov 15 - Feb 15/2007	.1
COUGAR	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Sept 10 - April 30/2007	.2
	5-11		.Nov 15 - Mar 31/2007	.2
<i>Hunters may not hunt a cougar kitten or any cougar in its company. See Definitions section: cougar kitten.</i>				
BOBCAT	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Dec 1 - Dec 31	.1
SNOWSHOE HARE	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Aug 1 - Apr 30/2007	.10 (daily)
COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.No Closed Season	.NBL
<i>The open season for Columbian Ground Squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.</i>				
GROUSE, BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 10 - Nov 30	.10 (30)
<i>For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.</i>				
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	5-2 to 5-6, 5-12 to 5-14		.Sept 10 - Nov 30	.5 (10)
<i>See closed areas in MUs 5-3 and 5-14, Maps E8 and E27.</i>				
PTARMIGAN	5-3 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-12, 5-15		.Sept 1 - Nov 1	.5 (15)
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	5-3		.Sept 10 - Nov 20	.5 (15)
RAVEN	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Mar 1/2007 - Mar 31/2007	.5
	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		.Apr 1/2007 - May 31/2007	.5
<i>Hunting of raven is limited to private land only.</i>				
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 15 - Dec 25	.10 (20)
DUCKS	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 15 - Dec 25	.8 (16)
<i>Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Harlequins and 2 Goldeneye are in effect - see pages 16 & 17.</i>				
SNOW GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, ROSS'S GEESE & CANADA GEESE	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 15 - Dec 25	.5 (10)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see pages 16 & 17.</i>				
WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS:				
DUCKS	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 9 - Sept 10	.8 (16)
SNOW GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE				
ROSS'S GEESE & CANADA GEESE	5-1 to 5-15		.Sept 9 - Sept 10	.5 (10)
<i>Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.</i>				



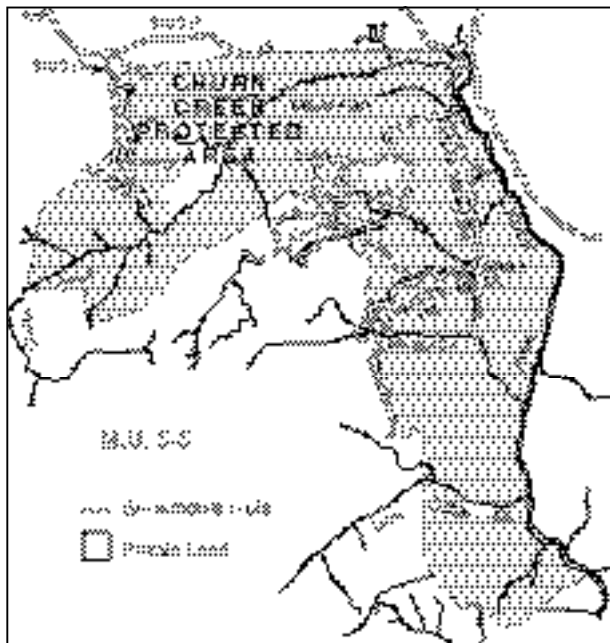
Map E1 100 Mile House No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-2).



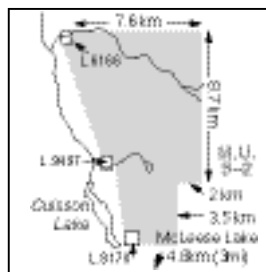
Map E2 Rose Lake No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-2).



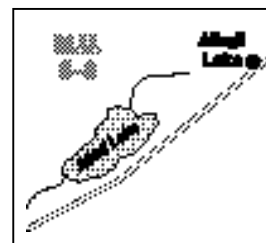
Map E3 Williams Lake and Williams Lake River No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-2).



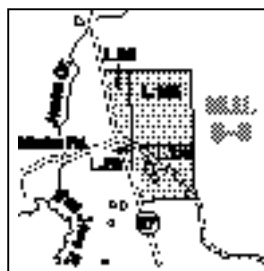
Map E7 Churn Creek Protected Area (situated in MU 5-3). Motor vehicles prohibited except on designated roads.



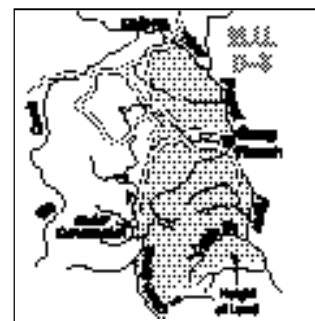
Map E4 Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-2).



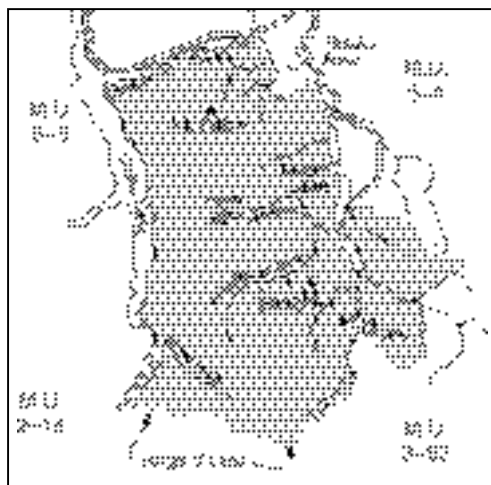
Map E5 Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (situated in MU 5-2). No Shooting, Hunting or Trapping Area.



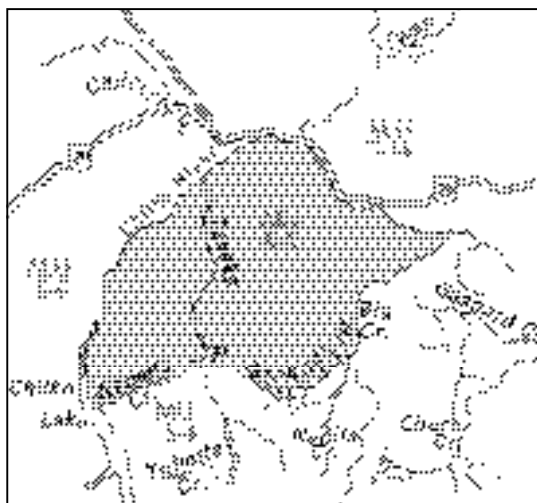
Map E6 Knife Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 5-2). Road shown as dashed line is open.



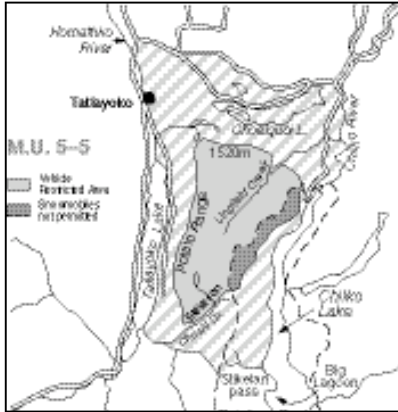
Map E8 Gaspard - Churn Creek ATV and Snowmobile Closed Area and sharp-tailed grouse closed area (situated in MU 5-3).



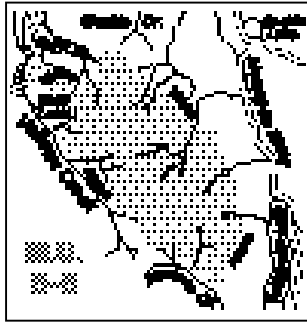
Map E9 Taseko-Chilko Lake ATVs and Snowmobiles for Hunting Closed Area (situated in MU 5-4).



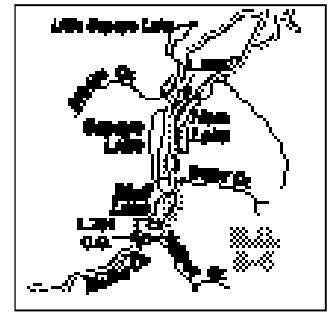
Map E10 Open area for Bighorn Sheep hunting in MU 5-4. The remainder of MU 5-4 is closed to Bighorn Sheep hunting.



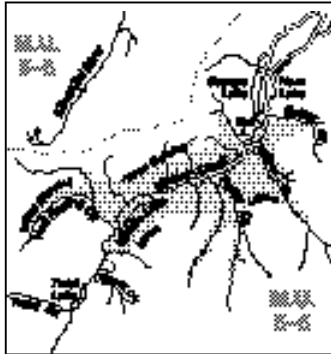
Map E11 Potato Mountain Goat Closed Area and Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 5-5). Vehicle restriction includes all areas above 1520 m elevation in this area, year round. Snowmobiles allowed Dec 1 to Mar 31 except in Ts'il'os Park.



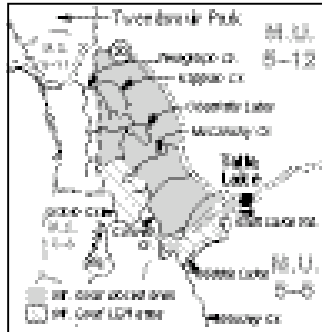
Map E12 Valleau Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 5-5).



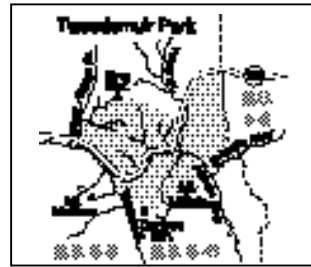
Map E13 Horn-Bluff Lakes Quarter Mile Single Projectile Closed Area (situated in MU 5-5).



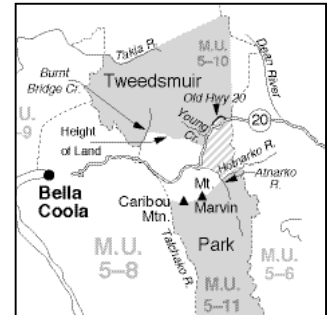
Map E14 Bluff-Middle Lake Moose Closed Area (situated in MU 5-5).



Map E15 Perkins Peak - Kappen Mtn Mountain Goat Closed Area. Jobin-McClinchy & Cherry Creek Mtn. Goat LEH Areas (situated in MUs 5-5, 5-6).

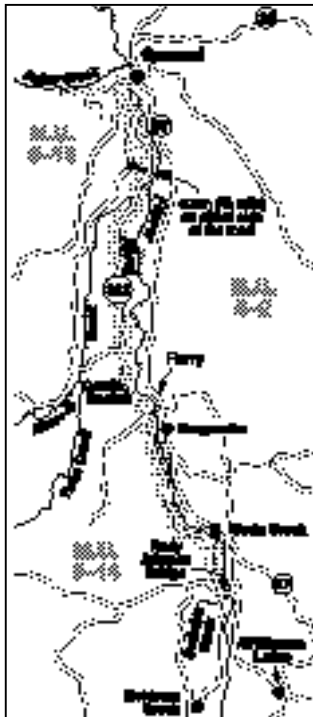


Map E16 Tweedsmuir Park Bow Only Area. The bow and arrow only season for mule (black-tailed) deer bucks is Dec 1- Dec 24 (situated in MU 5-11). See Map E17 for Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas.

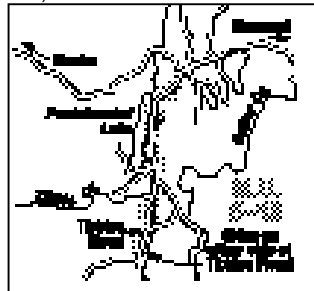


Map E17 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situated in MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2). Hatched areas shows LEH Bull Moose hunting area. See Map F1a on page 68 for more details.

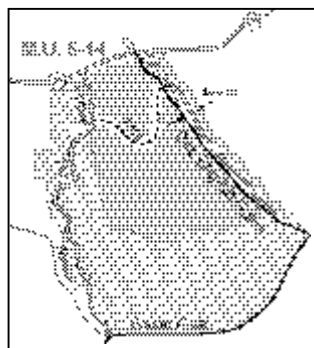
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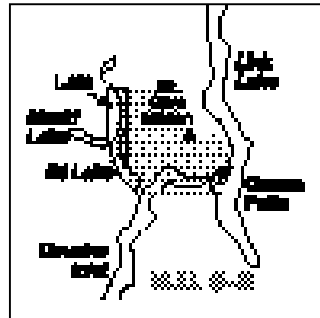
Map E21 West Fraser Road Quarter Mile Single Projectile Closed Area (situated in MUs 5-13, 5-14).



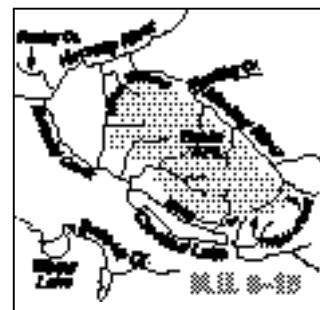
Map E18 Tibbles Road Quarter Mile Single Projectile Closed Area (situated in MU 5-13).



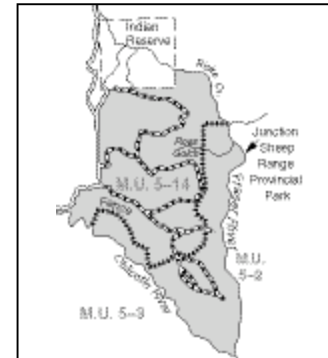
Map E22 Doc English Gulch Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Area (situated in MU 5-14). Trails highlighted in white are open. Portions of hatched area are private land & for safety reasons, hunters are requested not to hunt in these areas.



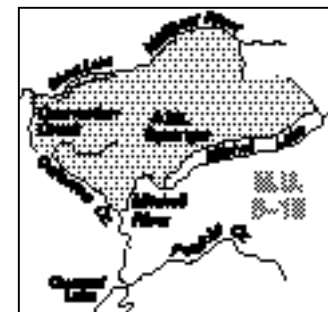
Map E19 Ocean Falls No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-9).



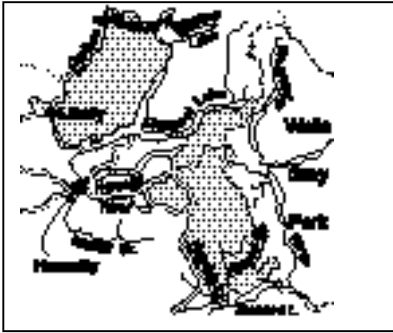
Map E23 Eureka Peak Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 5-15). Check the LEH Synopsis for areas open to Limited Entry Hunting. Snowmobiles allowed Dec 1 - Apr 30.



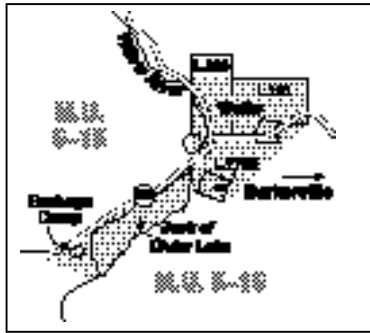
Map E20 Junction Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 5-14), except commercial vehicles allowed. Road shown as dashed lines are open April 1 to Nov 30.



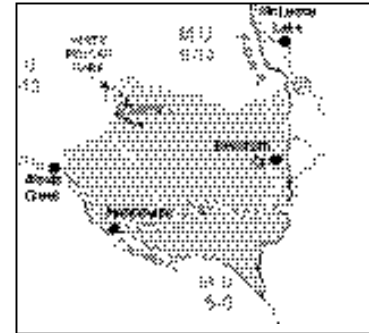
Map E24 Mt. Spranger Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 5-15).



Map E25 Goose Range and Eureka-Deception Mountain Goat Closed Areas (situated in MU 5-15). See LEH Synopsis for area open to LEH.



Map E26 Wells No Shooting Area (situated in MU 5-15).



Map E27 Sharp-tailed Grouse Closed Area (situated in MU 5-14).

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INVASIVE PLANTS (WEEDS) THREATEN BC HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

It's hard to imagine that the spread of non-native plants could threaten or limit hunting opportunities in areas of British Columbia. But this is already happening in a couple of ways. First, invasive plants are limiting the health and productivity of wildlife populations. Second, managers are being left with no choice but to close areas to access by hunters in order to slow the spread of these weeds into critical wildlife habitats.

How do these plants hurt wildlife?

The spread of weeds affects wildlife's food sources, habitat, condition/health, and behaviour.

Food is the basis of a healthy wildlife population. It is estimated that invasive plants have resulted in up to a 50% loss in livestock forage in BC. This can lower the carrying capacity of the land and needlessly suppress wildlife populations.

Habitat for game birds and waterfowl are particularly impacted by the spread of weeds. Weeds affect nesting, cover, and foraging areas. Without adequate habitat, populations will decline.

The condition/health of wildlife affects their growth, reproduction, and disease resistance. Some invasive plants produce poisonous chemicals toxic to wildlife, and others have barbs, thorns, and spurs that can damage wildlife externally or internally if accidentally ingested.

Finally, wildlife will eventually change its behaviour to avoid areas in which weeds have impacted their food, habitat, or condition/health.

The end result is that weeds can result in fewer, less-healthy animals, found in fewer places.

What's a Weed?

Dandelions growing in the lawn are what most people probably think of when they think of weeds - undesirable plants. In the wild, weeds are plants that do not naturally occur in a given area. They out-compete native plants and spread very quickly. Weeds can do extremely well for two reasons:

1. Once established, they are hard to remove: these plants often grow quickly, produce much seed, have no natural pests (bugs, disease, etc), have large root systems, and are often unpalatable to native wildlife.
2. They take advantage of any opportunity: most of the threatening weeds produce long-living seed, are equipped with barbs that latch onto anything passing by, and can grow anywhere there is a bit of disturbed or exposed soil. This means they are just as happy to sit and wait for the right conditions, or to pick up and go with an unsuspecting carrier and try their luck elsewhere.

Humans are one of the primary transporters of weeds into pristine areas. This happens because weeds thrive in the disturbed landscapes in which humans spend much of their time. Our clothes, animals, and equipment all offer surfaces on which seeds can catch a lift. In the interest of preserving critical habitats, resource managers are forced to close relatively pristine areas to hunting in the interest of the long term health of wildlife populations.

If we want to maximize the wildlife resource and maintain hunting access, we have to learn how to limit the spread of these undesirable plants. Here is how you can start:

- Learn to recognize the most threatening invasive plants in your region- start at www.weedsbc.ca or www.bcgrasslands.org
- Check and clean your clothing, animals, and equipment often, particularly before and after trips,
- Avoid traveling off of road surfaces, through infested areas, causing new disturbed soils, or removing native plants,
- Use ONLY weed-free hay for pack animals before and during trips, and
- Involve your community and clubs in combating invasive plants.