

These M.U. boundaries are approximate only. For a more precise definition consult the BC Recreational Atlas, 6th edition.

Compulsory Reporting & Inspection Centres

Compulsory Inspection for hunter harvest is no longer available at MoE regional offices. Compulsory Inspectors will provide this service at the locations listed below. Please see the MoE website at <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wild/hunting.ci.htm> or contact the regional office for more information.

MoE Regional Office, Penticton:(250) 490-8200
 CI location: Summerland, Grand Forks, Vernon

Conservation Officer Service District Offices

Please call one of the numbers below for recorded information or to make an appointment:

Grand Forks:(250) 442-4350
 Kelowna:(250) 861-7670
 Penticton:(250) 490-8203
 Princeton:(250) 295-6343
 Vernon:(250) 558-1776

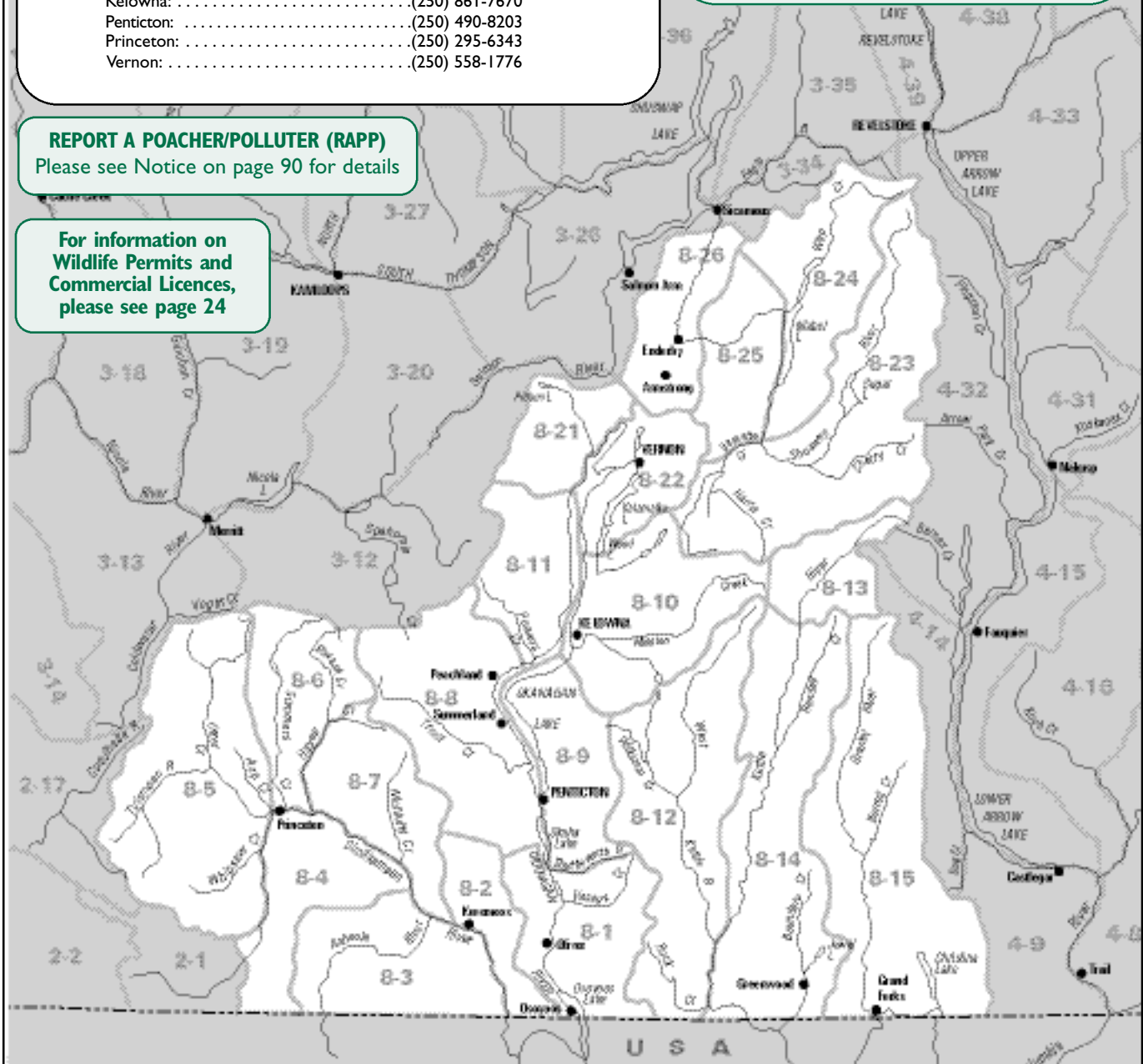
Major Regulation Changes for 2006-2007

1. Reduction of Brenda Mines No Shooting Area (MU 8-8). See new Map I-8.
2. The south boundary of MU 8-5 changed to follow the boundary of Manning Park.
3. New youth only mule deer season.
4. Cougar bag limit reduced to one.
5. Cougar hunting season shortened to Dec 1 - Feb 15.

REPORT A POACHER/POLLUTER (RAPP)

Please see Notice on page 90 for details

For information on
 Wildlife Permits and
 Commercial Licences,
 please see page 24



BAG LIMITS

▶ **Deer:** The combined limit for deer is 2. Both deer may be antlerless, but only one antlerless deer of each species may be taken. The bag limit for mule deer is 1. Antlerless mule deer are available only through Limited Entry Hunting. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 2, with only one of each sex allowed. Antlerless white-tailed deer are available only through Limited Entry Hunting or the late bow only season.

▶ **Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is 5.

▶ **Turkey:** The regional aggregate bag limit for turkey is 2. Only 1 turkey may be taken during each open season.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT AREAS

▶ Information signs are posted at the points of closure for the benefit of hunters, but it is the hunter's responsibility to recognize the 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 areas (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.

★ **Osoyoos Oxbows** except established roadways (MU 8-1). See Map I-1.

★ **Underdown Creek** (MU 8-1). See Map I-2.

▲ **Lawless - Jacobson Lake FSR** (MU 8-5) south of the point where it crosses Vuich Creek.

★ **Skaha Lake Eastside** (MU 8-9) - in that portion east of Skaha Lake described as Lot A & Lot B of Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 27801, SDYD, & Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 1189, SDYD.

▲ **Garnet Fire area** (MU 8-9). See Map I-9.

★ **Granby** (MUs 8-14, 8-15). The area is closed 600 m north of the 5 km mark of Burrell-Young Lake FSR, 300 m north of 2 km mark on Arrow Neck FSR, east of the 22 km mark of Grano FSR, east of the 8 km mark on Arthurs Rd, and 500 m east of the 10 km mark on the Goatskin-Rendall FSR. Snowmobiles allowed Nov. 1 to May 31. See Map I-12.

★ **Galloping Hills** (MU 8-15) from June 1 to October 31 except for the primary roads leading to Lightning Peak and Mt. Scaia. See Map I-12.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

▶ In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all elk taken in Region 8 must be Compulsory Inspected within 30 days of the date of kill and all moose taken in Region 8 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 21 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

▶ White-tailed jackrabbit, Nuttall's cottontail, badger and other species are protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited).

▶ No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 13. Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Hwy 97C are No Shooting and No Hunting Closures.

PROVINCIAL PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND PROTECTED AREAS

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

▶ 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 April 15 during the lawful game hunting season:

Cathedral Protected Area(MU 8-3)

Cathedral Park(MU 8-3)
is open to the discharge of firearms from August 25 to April 15. The core area of Cathedral Park is closed to the discharge of firearms. When authorized by a Park Officer, hunters are permitted to carry unloaded firearms or bows only when in transit to an open area outside the Core Area.

Darke Lake Park(MU 8-8)

Eneas Lake Park(MU 8-8)

Fintry Protected Area(MU 8-11)

Gladstone Park
that portion in MU 8-15 only(MU 8-15)

Granby Park(MU 8-15)

Graystokes Park
.....(MUs 8-10, 8-12, 8-13, 8-14, 8-23)

Keremeos Columns Park(MU 8-2)

Nickel Plate Park(MU 8-7)

Okanagan Mountain Park(MU 8-9)

Silver Star Park(MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26)
See Map I-19 No Hunting Area.

▶ 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 during the lawful game hunting season:

Anarchist Protected Area(MU 8-1)

Brent Mountain Protected Area (MU 8-8)

Browne Lake Park(MU 8-10)

Cascade Recreation Area(MU 8-5)

Enderby Cliffs Protected Area .(MU 8-26)

Greenbush Lake Protected Area(MU 8-23)

Kalamalka Lake Protected Area
See new Map I-18(MU 8-22)

Kingfisher Creek Park(MU 8-25)

Monashee Park-addition only
See Map I20(MU 8-23)

Mount Griffin Park(MUs 8-24, 3-34)

Myra-Bellevue Protected Area .(MUs 8-10)

Myra-Bellevue Park(MUs 8-10, 8-12)

Shuswap River Islands Park(MU 8-25)

Skokumchuck Rapids Park ... (MU 8-25)

Snowy Protected Area(MU 8-3)

South Okanagan Grasslands Protected Area(MU 8-1, 8-2)

Trepanier Park(MUs 8-8, 3-12)

Upper Violet Creek Park .(MUs 8-26, 3-26)

Vaseux Protected Area(MU 8-1)

White Lake Grasslands Protected Area
.....(MU 8-1)

Wrinkly Face Park(MU 8-10)

▶ Parks and Recreation Areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows.

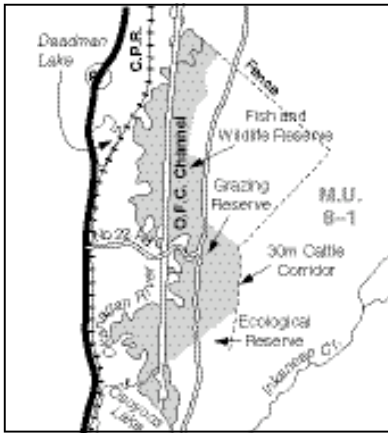
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Hunting in Parks

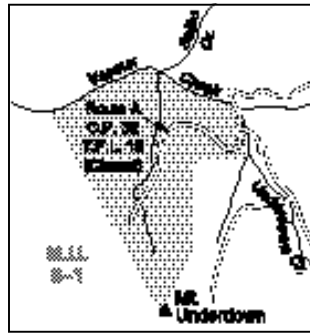
If the season during which you want to hunt takes place within a provincial park, certain park regulations may apply (specifically with regards to access). Please contact the BC Parks office in the area in which you want to hunt to determine if any special conditions apply.

OKANAGAN GENERAL OPEN SEASONS

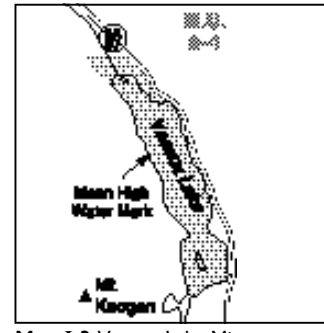
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-tailed)	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	★4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 20	.1
	8-12 to 8-15	★4point Bucks	Oct 21 - Oct 31	.1
	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	★4point Bucks	Oct 21 - Nov 10	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1
Youth Season*				
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 25 - Dec 10	.1
★ See Definitions section: Mule (Black-tailed) Deer. The antlers must accompany the species licence. *Restricted to hunters under the age of 19.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	8-3 to 8-7	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 15	.1
	8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 24	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Either Sex	Nov 25 - Dec 10	.2 (1)
*Restricted to hunters under the age of 19.				
MOOSE	8-1 to *8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	★Spike-fork Bulls	Sept 20 - Oct 31	.1
*Granby Park (MU 8-15) and Gladstone Park (MU 8-15, 4-14) are closed to moose hunting. See special area maps I-15 and I-16.				
★See Definitions section: Moose. Antlers must accompany the species licence.				
Successful hunters who kill a bull moose in Region 8 are required to submit a Compulsory Report. See Compulsory Reporting & Inspection section.				
ELK	8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 20	.1
	8-4 to 8-7	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 25 - Oct 20	.1
▲See Definitions section: Elk. The antlers must accompany the species licence. Elk taken must be Compulsory Inspected. See Compulsory Reporting and Inspection section.				
BLACK BEAR	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Nov 30	.2
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Apr 1/2007 - June 15/2007	.2
	*8-1 to 8-26		Aug 1 - Aug 31	.2
The bag limit for black bears is two per licence year (Apr. 1 - Mar. 31). *Hunting is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners.				
SKUNK, RACCOON	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		No Closed Season	.NBL
COYOTE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - June 30/2007	.NBL
LYNX and BOBCAT	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Feb 28/2007	.1 (of each)
COUGAR	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 1 - Feb 15/2007	.1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Mar 31/2007	
Hunters may not hunt a cougar kitten or any cougar in its company. See Definitions section: Cougar kitten. Hunters are requested to select a male cougar, see page 90.				
Persons participating in the Pursuit Only season are reminded that they must have a hunting licence, they may not carry a firearm, and it is an offence to kill a cougar during a Pursuit Only season.				
SNOWSHOE HARE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Aug 1 - Apr 30/2007	.10 (daily)
GROUSE BLUE, RUFFED, and SPRUCE (FRANKLIN)	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - Nov 30	.5 (15)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 1 - Dec 10	.5 (15)
For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possession limit is 15.				
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9		Oct 1 - Nov 30	.5 (15)
GRAY (HUNGARIAN) PARTRIDGE	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	.3 (9)
PHEASANT	8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Cocks	Oct 1 - Nov 30	.2 (6)
QUAIL	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-15, 8-21, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	.10 (30)
TURKEY	8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26	Bearded	Apr 15/2007 - May 15/2007	.1 ▼
	8-1, 8-9	Any Turkey	Oct 1 - Nov 30	.1 ▼
▼The aggregate regional bag limit is 2 and only one turkey may be taken during each open season.				
MOURNING DOVE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Sept 30	.5 (10)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	.10 (20)
DUCKS	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	.8 (16)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see pages 16 & 17.				
WHITE FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS'S GEESE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	.5 (10)
	The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see pages 16 & 17.			
CANADA GEESE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 20 - Nov 28	.5 (10)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 20 - Jan 5/2007	.5 (10)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Feb 21/2007 - Mar 10/2007	.5 (10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see pages 16 & 17.				
WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS: (Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.)				
DUCKS	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 2 - Sept 3	.8 (16)
WHITE FRONTED GEESE, CANADA GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS'S GEESE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 2 - Sept 3	.5 (10)



Map I-1 Osoyoos Oxbows Motor Vehicle Closed Area and No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-1). The operation of vehicles is restricted to established roadways as open lines. No shooting or hunting from Mar 1 - Sept 30, in the restricted area, including the roadways.



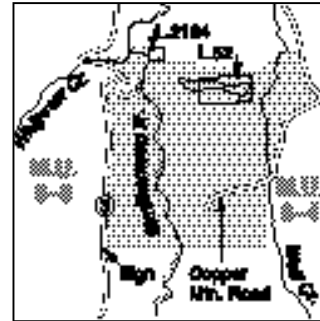
Map I-2 Underdown Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-1).



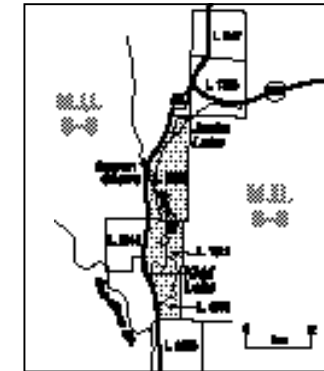
Map I-3 Vaseux Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary (situated in MU 8-1). No hunting allowed.



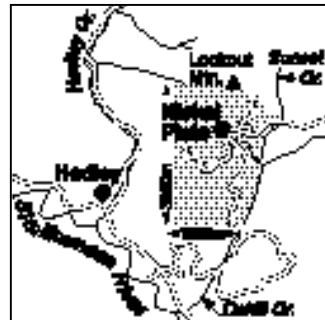
Map I-4 Kaleden, Penticton and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Firearms Using Shot Only Area (situated in MUs 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).



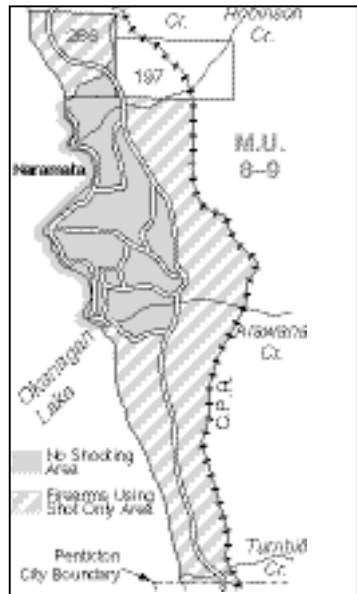
Map I-5 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MUs 8-4, 8-5).



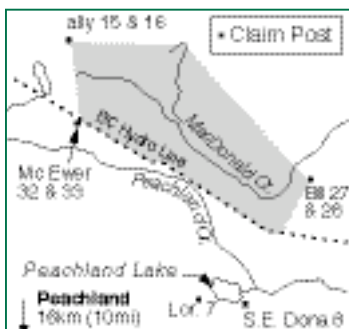
Map I-6 Willow Heights No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-6).



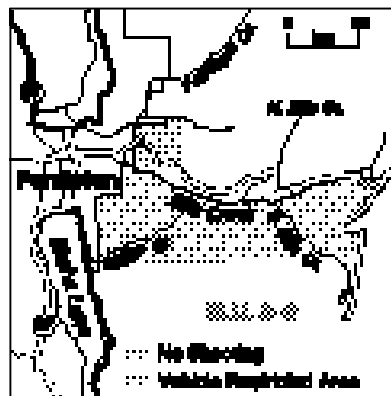
Map I-7 Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-7).



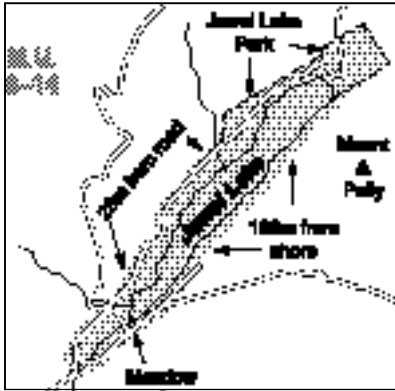
Map I-10 Naramata No Shooting Area and Firearms Using Shot Only Area (situated in MU 8-9).



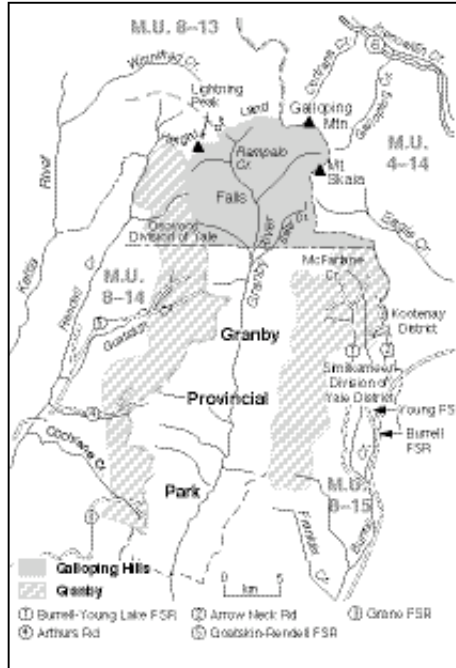
Map I-8 Brenda Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-8).



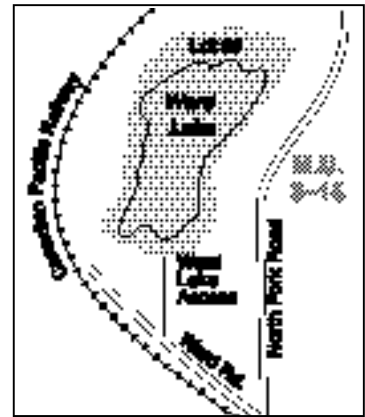
Map I-9 Garnet Fire Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Area and Upper Carmi Road No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-9).



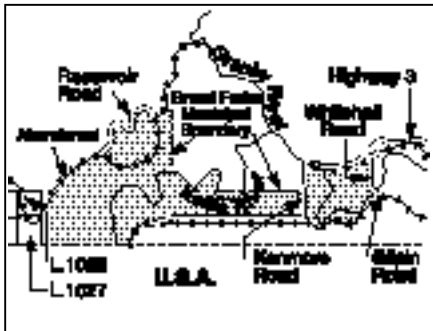
Map I-11 Jewel Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-14).



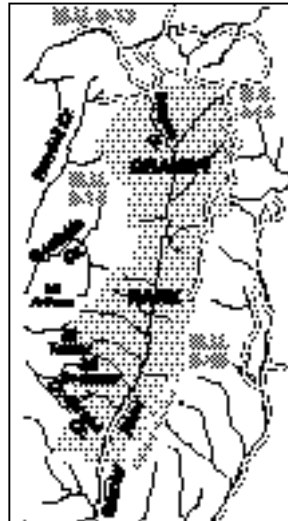
Map I-12 Galloping Hills Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15) and Granby Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MUs 8-14, 8-15).



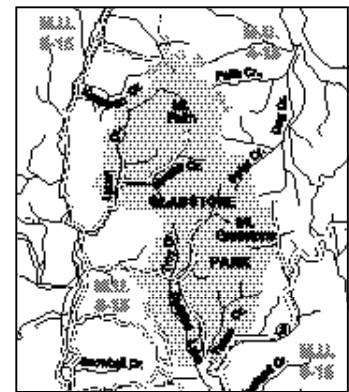
Map I-13 Ward Lake No Hunting, Shooting or Trapping Area (situated in MU 8-15).



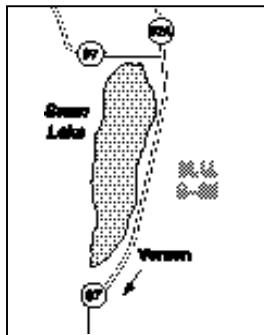
Map I-14 Grand Forks Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15). Discharge of rifles prohibited.



Map I-15 Granby Park Moose Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15).



Map I-16 Gladstone Park Moose Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15).



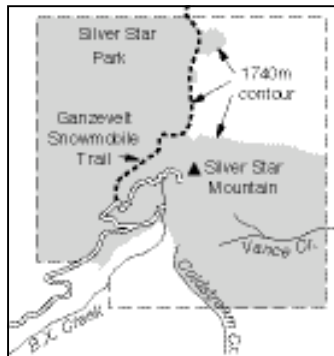
Map I-17 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-22).



Map I-20 Monashee Park addition (situated in MU 8-23).



I-18 Kalamalka Lake Park and Protected Area (MU 8-22)



Map I-19 Silver Star Park No Hunting Area (situated in MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact MoE offices in Vernon or Penticton for details.

ADVERTISING

NOTICE TO COUGAR HUNTERS

Cougar populations are sensitive to the overharvest of female cats. Hunters can help to ensure long term harvest opportunities by selecting male cougars. The gender of a treed cougar can be identified by looking for evidence of the sex organs.

Male Cougars

Look for 3 spots below the base of their tail:

- the anus is directly below the tail and is often hidden by the base of the tail
- approximately 4 inches (10cm) below the anus is the opening to the penis sheath. This appears as a conspicuous black spot of hair, about 1 inch (2.5cm) in diameter.
- in between the anus and penis sheath is the scrotum. The scrotum is covered with light to dark brown hair.



Photo: K. Logan

Female Cougars

Have only 2 spots below base of their tail:

- the anus directly below the tail and is often hidden by the base of the tail
- the vulva is directly below the anus and is also usually hidden by the base of the tail
- the rest of the area behind the hind legs is covered by white hair



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**For more information on how to select a male cougar, please see our website at:
<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wildlhuntinglarchive.htm>**

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REPORT ALL POACHERS AND POLLUTERS

The Conservation Officer Service, Ministry of Environment has established a partnership with the Provincial Emergency Program Call Centre to operate a toll-free hotline that allows you to report known or suspected poachers and polluters.

The RAPP program is simple, safe and effective. It is based on the principle that someone other than the criminal has information that can solve the crime.

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What you can do:

1. Familiarize yourself with current regulations.
2. Note down relevant details of suspicious activities, such as: time, date, location, descriptions of violators and/or vehicles. Photographs are useful.
3. Report any fish, wildlife or environmental offences as soon as possible to the Provincial Emergency Program Call Centre.

Report All Poachers and Polluters (RAPP) operates in cooperation with the B.C. Wildlife Federation. The B.C.W.F. pays rewards up to \$2000 for information leading to charges being laid against persons doing wanton damage to wildlife, wildlife habitat or the property of companies or individuals who allow hunters and anglers access to property they control.