



Date: April 15, 2024

### **Notice of Rescission of a Permission to Occupy Crown Land**

The Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship (the "Ministry") is responsible for the management of most Crown land in British Columbia, under the authority of the *Land Act* RSBC 1996 Ch. 245.

Access to Crown land may be had through the issuance of tenures under the *Land Act*, or through a permission granted by the Ministry to members of the public under the Permission Policy. The permission to use Crown land is a bare licence which may be limited or rescinded to a greater or lesser extent, from place to place, and from time to time.

**The Ministry is rescinding permission for any non-commercial group to be on Crown land for the purpose of hosting organized events (as described in Appendix 3 of the Permissions Policy), in the closure area of the Kootenay Boundary Region. For greater certainty, the area that is closed to organized events is outlined in the attached map.**

**The rescission is effective:**

- **between March 1, 2024 and November 1, 2024;**
- **between March 1, 2025 and November 1, 2025; and**
- **between March 1, 2026 and November 1, 2026.**

Due to habitat significance and access concerns in the area the Ministry wishes to limit organized events within the closure area for the following reasons:

- Potential for impacts to sensitive alpine ecosystems and habitat.
- High quality grizzly bear, sheep, and goat habitat.
- Important area for grizzly bear and ungulate migrations, including mule deer and elk.
- Species at Risk in the area: Montana Larkspur and Red Tail Chipmunk.
- Risk of spread of invasive species.
- Ensuring continuous access to stakeholders and First Nations.

Use and occupation of Crown land without lawful authority is contrary to the *Land Act* and is trespass. Persons found using or occupying the Closed Areas for the purpose stated above may face administrative remedies or trespass charges under s. 59 and 60 of the *Land Act*.

Any non-commercial group wanting to host an organized event within the rescinded area will require a Crown land tenure. For more information on applying for a Crown land tenure please see the following: [Crown Land Tenure Application - Authorization Guidance - Natural Resource Online Services \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www.gov.bc.ca/crown-land-tenure-application-authorization-guidance-natural-resource-online-services) or contact FrontCounter BC at (250) 426-1766.

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Attachments: Mapping of restriction area  
Cc: Mike Tyler, Compliance and Enforcement

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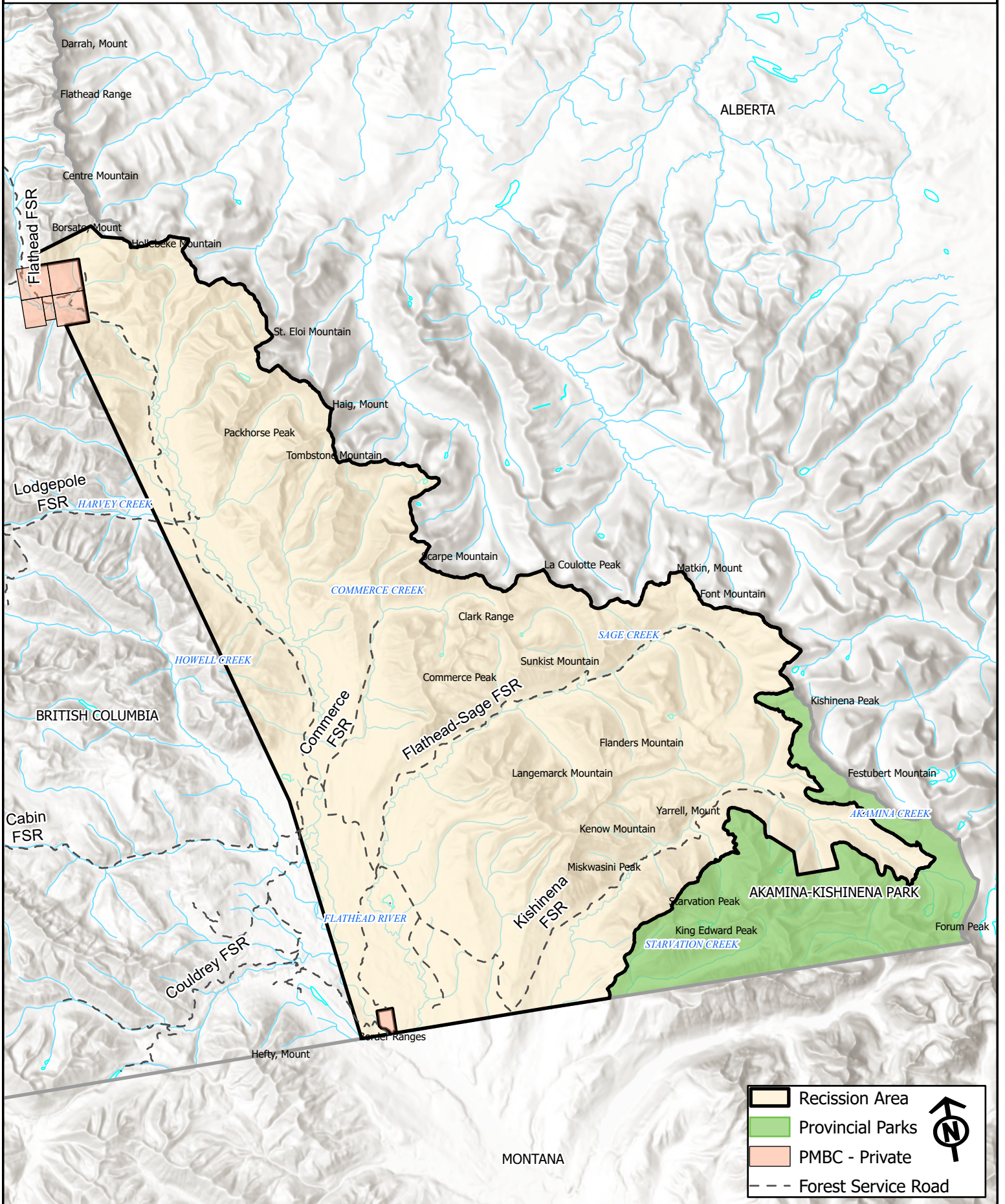
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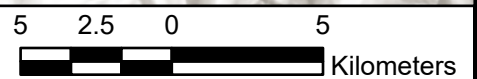
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Permission Policy Restriction Area  
 The area outlined in bold black designates the area of Crown land where the Permission Policy has been rescinded.



Scale: 1:250,000



- Rescission Area
- Provincial Parks
- PMBC - Private
- Forest Service Road