

# REGION 3

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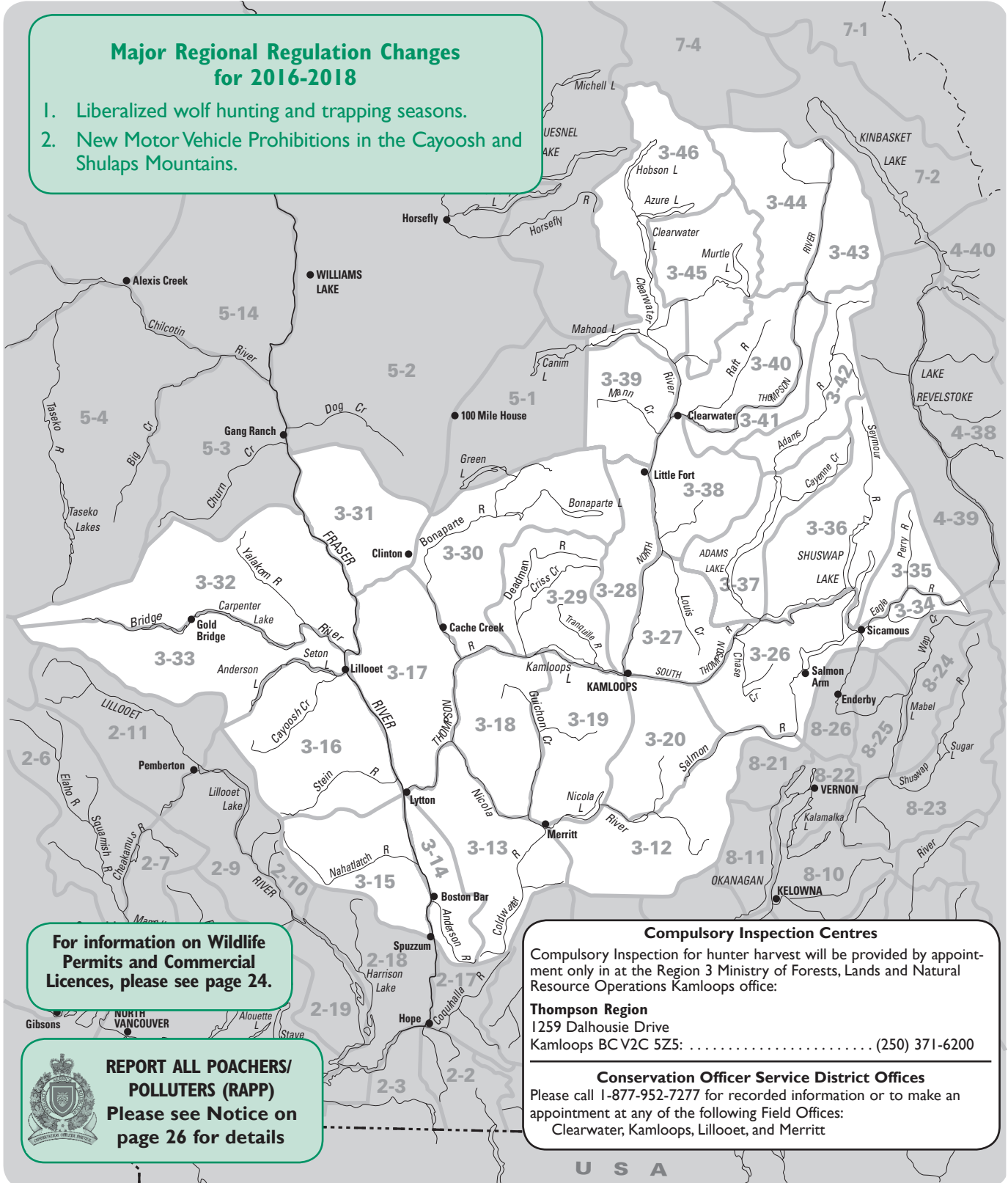
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## Major Regional Regulation Changes for 2016-2018

1. Liberalized wolf hunting and trapping seasons.
2. New Motor Vehicle Prohibitions in the Cayoosh and Shulaps Mountains.


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

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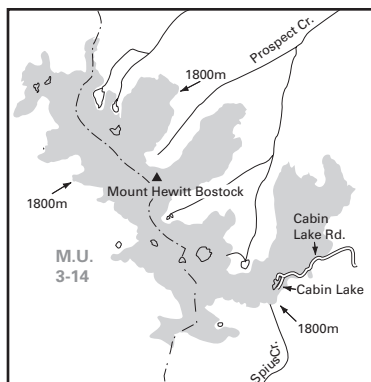
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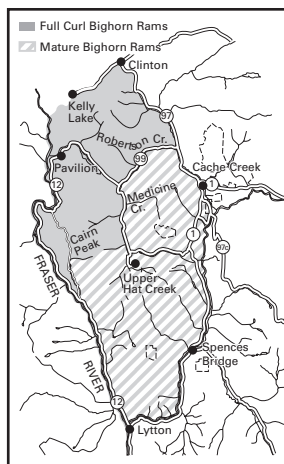


## THOMPSON GENERAL OPEN SEASONS

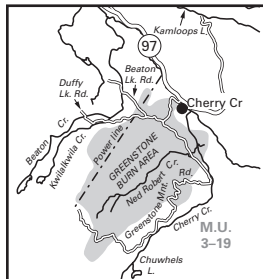
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNIT	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-tailed)	3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33	▲4 Point Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	▲4 Point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1
	3-46	▲4 Point Bucks	Sept 20 - Sept 30	1
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 31	1
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	▲4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Dec 10	1
	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Youth Only Season*	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Bow Only Season	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
▲ See Definitions section: Mule Deer. The antlers must accompany the species licence. * Season restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 10 - Dec 10	2
	3-46	Bucks	Sept 20 - Dec 10	2
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	Antlerless	Oct 10 - Oct 31	2
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	Either Sex	Nov 1 - Nov 30	2
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
Youth Only Season*	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
Bow Only Season	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
* Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
MOOSE	3-34 to 3-44, 3-46	※Spike-fork Bulls	Sept 20 - Oct 31	1
	3-15 to 3-17, 3-31 to 3-33	※Spike-fork Bulls	Oct 15 - Nov 15	1
	3-12 to 3-14, 3-18 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-30	※Spike-fork Bulls	Nov 1 - Nov 15	1
* See Definitions section: Moose. Antlers must accompany the species licence				
BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	3-17※, 3-31, 3-32+	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
	3-17※	▲Mature Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
※ A portion of 3-17 only. See Map C2. + A portion of MU 3-32 is closed to Mountain Sheep hunting. See map C20. ▲ See Definitions section: Mountain Sheep. Compulsory Inspection required.				
BLACK BEAR	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Nov 30	2
	3-46		Sept 20 - Nov 30	2
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46		Apr 1 - June 30	2
WOLF	3-12 to 3-16, 3-18 to 3-20		Sept 10 - June 15	3
	3-17, 3-26 to 3-44		No closed season	NBL
COYOTE	3-17, 3-31, 3-32		Sept 1 - June 30	NBL
	3-12 to 3-16, 3-18 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-30, 3-33 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Mar 31	NBL
COUGAR	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-33		Nov 15 - Mar 31	2
	3-34 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Mar 31	2
Hunters may not hunt a cougar kitten or any cougar in its company. See Definitions section: cougar kitten. Compulsory Inspection required.				
BOBCAT	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Nov 15 - Feb 15	1
LYNX	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Nov 15 - Feb 15	1
RACCOON	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		No Closed Season	NBL
SNOWSHOE HARE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Aug 1 - Apr 30	10 (daily)
COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		No Closed Season	NBL
The open season for Columbian Ground Squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.				
GROUSE: DUSKY (Blue), RUFFED & SPRUCE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5 each (15 each)
	3-46		Sept 20 - Nov 30	5 each (15 each)
For Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.				
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	*3-30, 3-31		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5 (10)
* Restricted to portions of MU 3-30 see Map C21				
PTARMIGAN	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5 (15)
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Nov 30	5 (15)
GRAY PARTRIDGE (Hungarian)	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Nov 30	3 (9)
PHEASANT	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Cocks	Oct 1 - Nov 30	2 (6)
MOURNING DOVES	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Sept 30	5 (15)
BAND-TAILED PIGEONS	3-13 to 3-17		Sept 15 - Sept 30	5 (15)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 23	10 each (30 each)
DUCKS	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 23	8 (24)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 17.				
GEESE: SNOW, ROSS'S and WHITE-FRONTED	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 23	5 (15)
GEESE: CANADA and CACKLING	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Sept 20	10 (30)
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Dec 23	10 (30)
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Mar 1 - Mar 10	10 (30)
WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS: (Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 18. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.)				
DUCKS and GEESE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	Sept 3, 2016 - Sept 4, 2016	Sept 2, 2017 - Sept 3, 2017	★
★ Daily bag and possession limits are same as general open seasons described above. See page 17 for more details.				



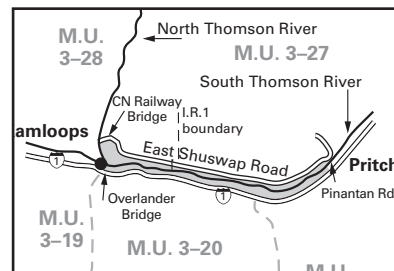
**Map C1** Stoyoma Mountain Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MUs 3-13, 3-14) above 1800 m elevation from May 1 - Nov 30, except on Cabin Lake Rd.



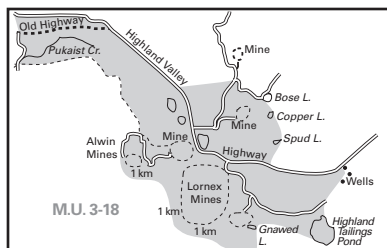
**Map C2** Full Curl bighorn and Mature bighorn sheep hunting areas (situated in MU 3-17).



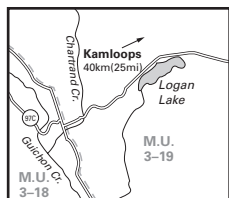
**Map C3** Greenstone Mt. Burn Motor Vehicle for Hunting Closed Area (situated in MU 3-19). Roads shown as open lines are open year round.



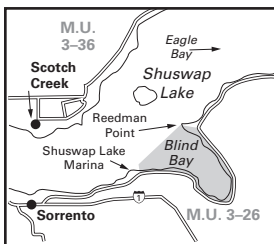
**Map C4** Kamloops - No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MUs 3-19, 3-20, 3-26, 3-27 and 3-28).



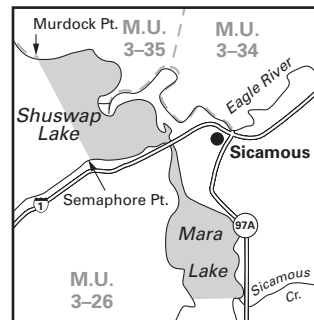
**Map C5** Highland Valley - No Shooting Area (situated in MU 3-18).



**Map C7** Logan Lake - No Shooting Area (situated in MU 3-19).



**Map C6** Blind Bay - No Shooting Area (situated in MU 3-26).



**Map C8** Sicamous - No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 3-26).



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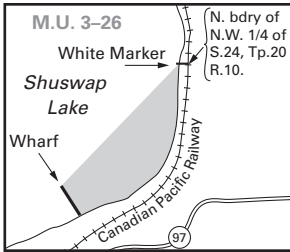


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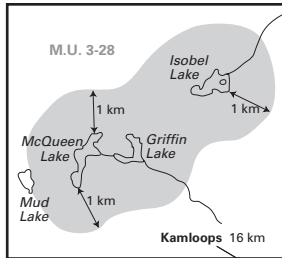
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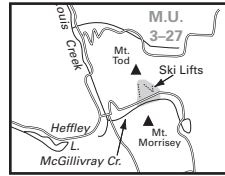




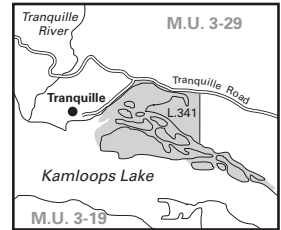
**Map C9** Salmon Arm - No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 3-26).



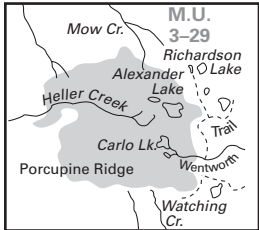
**Map C10** McQueen Lake - No Shooting Area (situated in MU 3-28).



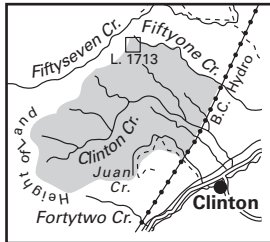
**Map C11** Sun Peaks - No Shooting or Hunting Area 400m from existing Ski Lifts (situated in MU 3-27).



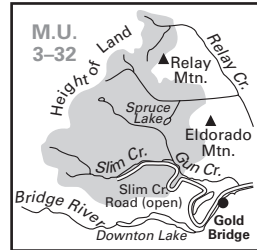
**Map C12** Tranquille Wildlife Management Area - No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in Lac du Bois Grasslands Provincial Park in MU 3-29)



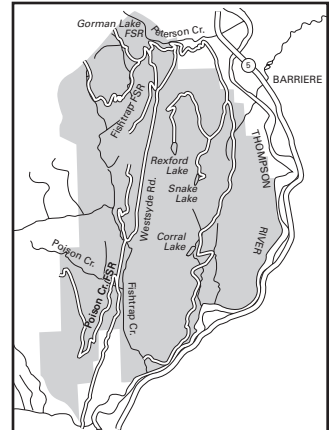
**Map C13** Porcupine Meadows Park (formerly Porcupine Ridge AMA) Closed to motor vehicles. Snowmobiles allowed from Dec 15 to April 15.



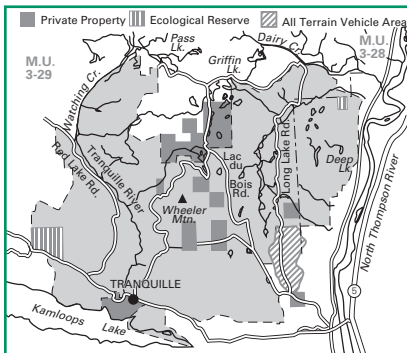
**Map C14** Clinton Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 3-31).



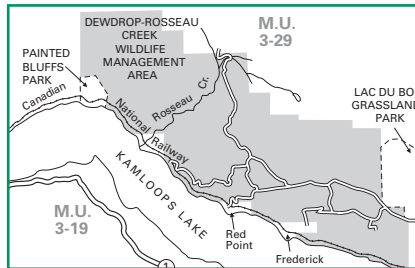
**Map C15** Spruce Lake Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in Spruce Lake Protected Area in MU 3-32). Closed from June 1 to Nov 30. Roads shown as open lines are open year-round.



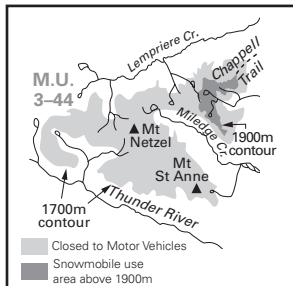
**Map C17** Skull Mountain Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 3-28). Roads shown as open lines are open year-round. All other roads closed to motor vehicles from Sept. 1 to Dec. 10.



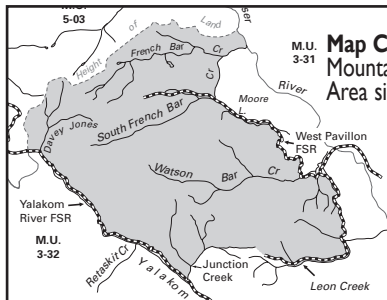
**Map C16** Lac du Bois Grasslands Park (situated in MUs 3-28, 3-29). Vehicle access restricted to high-lighted roads except as posted.



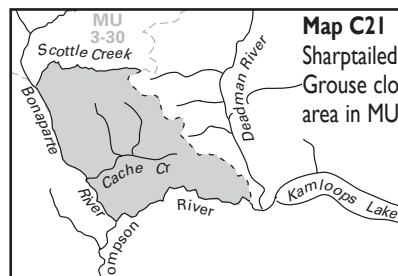
**Map C18** Dewdrop/Roseau Motor Vehicle Closed Area (MU 3-29). Roads shown as open lines are open year-round.



**Map C19** Milege, Chappell & Lempriere Creeks Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 3-44). Snowmobile use allowed in area shown (above 1900 m contour) from Dec 1 to May 31.



**Map C20** Camelsfoot - Mountain Sheep Closed Area situated in MU 3-32.



**Map C21** Sharptailed Grouse closed area in MU 3-30.



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