

# REGION 7A

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## NOTICE! TO HUNTERS

For persons hunting in MUs 7-29 (north of Nation River), and 7-37 to 7-39: You are hunting in the traditional territory of the Tsay Keh Dene First Nation. Before your hunt, please contact the band office at [www.tsaykey.com](http://www.tsaykey.com) - click on Fish and Wildlife, [tkdfishandwildlife@gmail.com](mailto:tkdfishandwildlife@gmail.com), Prince George contact Derek Ingram 250-562-8882, or Tsay Keh Dene contact Luke Gleeson 250-993-2127 or check in at the Tsay Keh village band office at the north end of the Williston Reservoir to receive information pertinent to the safety and environmental concerns of the Tsay Keh people.

### Major Regulation Changes for 2014 - 2016

1. Amendments to hunter eligibility and season length for calf moose seasons.
2. Extension to spring black bear seasons



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 POLLUTERS (RAPP)**  
 Please see Notice on page 26 for details

For information on Wildlife Permits and Commercial Licences, please see page 63.

**REGIONAL BAG LIMITS**

- ▶ **Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer in Region 7A is one. The bag limit for white-tailed deer in Region 7A is two, only one of which may be a buck, and one of which may be antlerless.
- ▶ **Grouse:** The regional daily aggregate bag limit for grouse: blue (dusky), spruce (Franklin), ruffed) is 10. The regional daily bag limit for ptarmigan is 10.

**ACCESS MANAGEMENT AREAS**

- ▶ Approximately one million hectares of Crown Land has been closed to snowmobile use to support Mountain Caribou recovery in the Thompson, Kootenay, Cariboo, and Omineca regions. Snowmobile closure maps with boundaries, legal access trails, prohibited dates, and identified riding areas are no longer published in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Synopsis, they will be available online at [www.snowmobile.gov.bc.ca](http://www.snowmobile.gov.bc.ca).
- ▶ Vanderhoof Access Management Plan is available at [www.ilmb.gov.bc.ca/slrp/lmp/princegeorge/vanderhf/plan/project.html](http://www.ilmb.gov.bc.ca/slrp/lmp/princegeorge/vanderhf/plan/project.html)
- ▶ There are a number of restrictions and prohibitions in this Region. See definitions of "motor vehicle", "ATV" and "snowmobile" in Definitions section.
- ▶ Information signs may be posted at the points of closure for road and vehicle restrictions. These signs are for the benefit of hunters, but it is the hunters' 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 and regional maps):

★ **Motor Vehicle Closed Areas:** The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited in these areas.

▲ **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 for Hunting Closed Areas**

The operation of ATVs (including motorcycles) for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport firearms or equipment and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in these areas.

▼ **Snowmobiles for Hunting Closed Areas:**

The operation of snowmobiles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport firearms or equipment 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.

**MUs 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-39**

▼ from Mar. 31 to Nov. 30.

**MU 7-3 and 7-17**

▲ Morkill Forest Road above its crossing of Fraser River during the periods April 15 to June 15 and August 15 to November 30.

**MUs 7-7 to 7-15**

- ◆ 4:30 am to 8:00am from Aug. 15 - 31
- ◆ 5:30 am to 9:00am from Sept. 1 - 30
- ◆ 6:30 am to 10:00am from Oct. 1 to Nov. 15

**MU 7-18**

▼ access road to Kakwa Recreation Area due north of Buchanan Creek (MU 7-18)

**MUs 7-38, 7-39, 7-40**

- ◆ the entire area of MUs 7-38, 7-39
- ★ Finlay area (MUs 7-38, 7-39, 7-40) above 1450 m elevation. Authorized trappers exempt from restriction. Other commercial vehicles allowed, provided they

stay on existing mining and logging roads. Closure does not apply on the road surface of the Omineca Mining Road through Lawyers Pass from Aiken Lake to the south shore of the Toodoggone River, or, on the road to Johanson Lake.

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

- ▶ Hunters, while returning from hunting, are required to keep the antlers of a bull moose taken in the Omineca sub-region, and the species licence under which the moose was taken together and available for inspection by an officer of MoE.
- ▶ A few white moose have been noticed in MU 7-13. Hunters are requested not to shoot a white moose due to their uniqueness and viewing value to all people who enjoy wildlife.

**BC PARKS**

- ▶ Please refer to Site & Access Restrictions section for more information.
- ▶ Hunting is prohibited in some BC Parks (Parks, Protected Areas, Recreation Areas, and Conservancies) and is permitted in others during an open season and within specific time periods. Hunting is prohibited in Ecological Reserves. Before hunting in a BC Park, hunters must verify that hunting in that area during that time is permitted. For more information on hunting regulations within BC Parks please phone your regional Ministry office or visit the Fish, Wildlife and Habitat Management Branch website at [www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wildlife/hunting/regulations/](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wildlife/hunting/regulations/).

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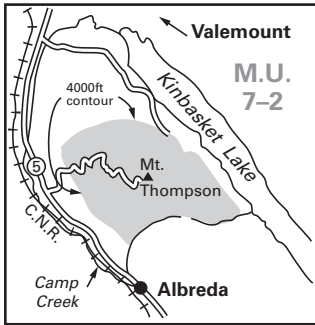
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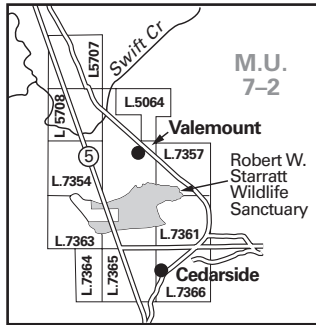
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## OMINECA GENERAL OPEN SEASONS

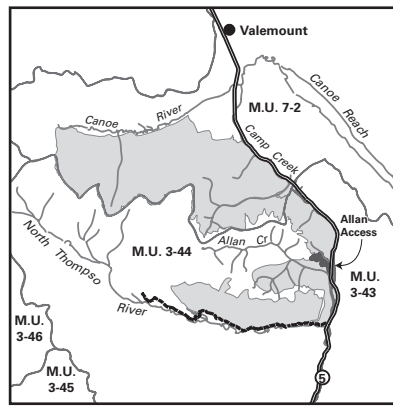
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNIT	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
<b>MULE DEER (Black-tailed)</b>	7-2 to 7-11, 7-15 to 7-18, 7-23, 7-26 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1
	7-12 to 7-14, 7-24, 7-25	★4 Point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1
	7-12 to 7-14, 7-24, 7-25	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 19	1
	7-12 to 7-14, 7-24, 7-25	★4 Point Bucks	Oct 20 - Nov 15	1
	7-2 to 7-11, 7-15, 7-26	★4 Point Bucks	Nov 21 - Nov 30	1
<b>Youth Only Season*</b>	7-2 to 7-11, 7-15 to 7-18, 7-23, 7-26 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Antlerless	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1
<b>Youth Only Season*</b>	7-12 to 7-14, 7-24, 7-25	Antlerless	Oct 1 - Oct 19	1
<b>Youth Bow Only Season*</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Antlerless	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Bow Only Season</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
★ See Definitions section: Mule (black-tailed) Deer. The antlers must accompany the species licence. * Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
<b>WHITE-TAILED DEER</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 30	1
	7-2 to 7-5, 7-7 to 7-10, 7-12, 7-13, 7-15, 7-17	Antlerless	Oct 10 - Oct 31	1
	7-2 to 7-5, 7-7 to 7-10, 7-12, 7-13, 7-15, 7-17	Either Sex	Nov 1 - Nov 30	1
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Youth Only Season*</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Youth Only Season*</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Bow Only Season</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
* Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
<b>MOOSE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38	★Spike-fork Bulls	Sept 10 - Nov 5	1
	7-16, 7-23	+Calves	Oct 1 - Oct 25	1
	7-37, 7-39 to 7-41	★Spike-fork Bulls	Aug 15 - Nov 5	1
	7-2 to 7-15, 7-17, 7-18, 7-24 to 7-30, 7-38	+Calves	Oct 10 - Oct 19	1
<b>Youth/Senior Only Season*</b>	7-2 to 7-15	★Spike-fork Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
★ See Definitions section: Moose. Note: for all bull moose taken in Region 7, the antlers must accompany the species licence. + Open only for calf moose. Lower jaw with incisor teeth must accompany species licence. * Restricted to hunters under the age of 18 and those 65 years of age or older.				
<b>ELK</b>	7-37, 7-41	★6 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 31	1
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38 to 7-40	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 9	1
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38 to 7-40	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Bow Only Season</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38 to 7-40	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
★ See Definitions section: Elk. Antlers must accompany the species licence.				
<b>BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP</b>	7-18	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Aug 15 - Sept 30	1
<b>THINHORN MTN SHEEP</b>	7-37, 7-39 to 7-41	Full Curl Thinhorn Rams	Aug 1 - Oct 15	1
Tatlatui Park in MU 7-39 closed to mountain sheep hunting.				
<b>MOUNTAIN GOAT</b>	7-3 to 7-5, 7-17, 7-18, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Oct 15	1
MUs 7-3, 7-4 (see Map G8). See special area maps. Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat when hunting.				
<b>CARIBOU</b>	*7-37 to 7-41	★5 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 15	1
* See special area maps. ★ See Definitions section: Caribou.				
<b>BLACK BEAR</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Nov 15	2
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Apr 1 - June 30	2
<b>WOLF</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 1 - June 15	NBL
<b>COUGAR</b>	7-2 to 7-8, 7-16 to 7-18, 7-23		Sept 10 - Mar 31	2
	7-9 to 7-15, 7-24, 7-25		Sept 10 - Mar 31	1
Hunters are reminded that all cougars must be compulsory inspected. Hunters may not hunt a cougar kitten or any cougar in its company. See Definitions section: cougar kitten.				
<b>COYOTE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Mar 31	NBL
<b>WOLVERINE</b>	7-3, 7-17, 7-18, 7-37 to 7-41		Oct 15 - Jan 15	1
<b>LYNX</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Nov 1 - Feb 15	1
<b>SNOWSHOE HARE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 1 - Apr 30	10 (daily)
<b>COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		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.				
<b>DUSKY (Blue) GROUSE</b>	7-2 to 7-7, 7-17, 7-18, 7-23, 7-27, 7-28, 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 15	10 (30)
The daily aggregate bag limit for Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse combined is 10; the aggregate possession limit for Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse combined is 30.				
<b>SPRUCE and RUFFED GROUSE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 15	10 (30)
The daily aggregate bag limit for Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse combined is 10; the aggregate possession limit for Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse combined is 30.				
<b>PTARMIGAN</b>	7-2 to 7-6, 7-17, 7-18, 7-23, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Feb 28	10 (30)
<b>2014 - 2015</b>			<b>2015 - 2016</b>	
<b>COOTS, COMMON SNIBE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 1 - Sept 12; Sept 15 - Nov 30	Sept 1 - Sept 11; Sept 14 - Nov 30	10 each (30 each)
<b>DUCKS</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 1 - Sept 12; Sept 15 - Nov 30	Sept 1 - Sept 11; Sept 14 - Nov 30	8 (24)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 17.				
<b>GEESE: SNOW and ROSS'S</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 1 - Sept 12; Sept 15 - Nov 30	Sept 1 - Sept 11; Sept 14 - Nov 30	5 (15)
<b>GEESE: WHITE-FRONTED</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 1 - Sept 12; Sept 15 - Nov 30	Sept 1 - Sept 11; Sept 14 - Nov 30	5 (15)
<b>GEESE: CANADA and CACKLING</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 1 - Sept 12; Sept 15 - Nov 30	Sept 1 - Sept 11; Sept 14 - Nov 30	10 (30)
<b>WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS:</b> (Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 18. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.)				
<b>DUCKS and GEESE</b>	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	Sept 13, 2014 - Sept 14, 2014	Sept 12, 2015 - Sept 13, 2015	★
★ Daily bag and possession limits are same as general open seasons described above. See page 17 for more details.				



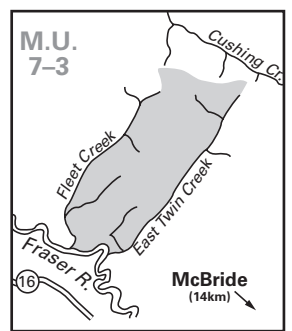
**Map G1** Mount Thompson Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-2).



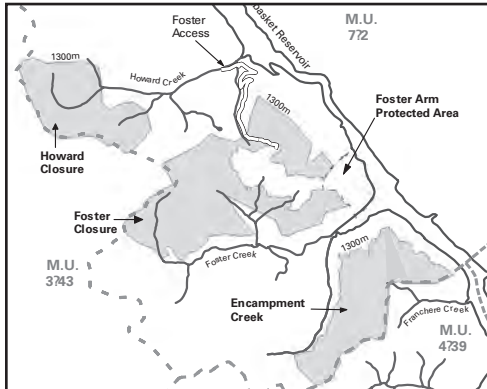
**Map G2** Robert W. Starratt Wildlife Sanctuary No Shooting, Hunting or Trapping Area (situated in MU 7-2).



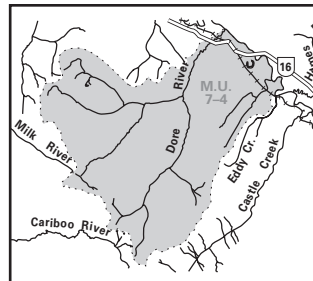
**Map G3** Canoe River - North Thompson Snowmobile Closed Area (situated in MUs 3-44, 7-2). Snowmobiles allowed on Allan Creek Access Trail Nov 1 to May 31.



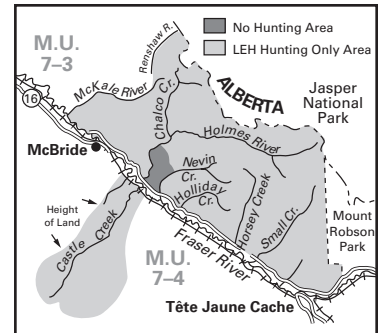
**Map G5** East Twin Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-3).



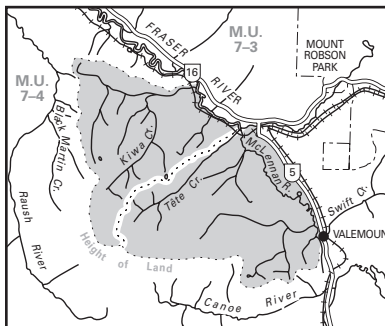
**Map G4** Howard, Foster, and Encampment Snowmobile Closed Areas (MU 7-2). Snowmobiles allowed on Foster Trail Dec 1 to May 31.



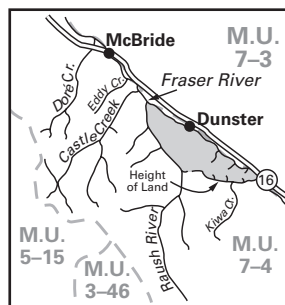
**Map G6** Dore River Mountain Goat closed area (situated in MU 7-4). Hunting of Mountain Goat is prohibited except for LEH permit holders.



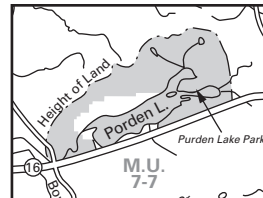
**Map G7** Holmes River and Castle Creek Mtn Goat closed areas (situated in MU 7-3, MU 7-4). Hunting of Mtn. Goat is prohibited except for LEH permit holders



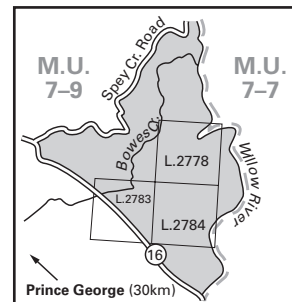
**Map G8** Kiwa Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-4). Hunting of Mountain Goat is prohibited except for LEH permit holders.



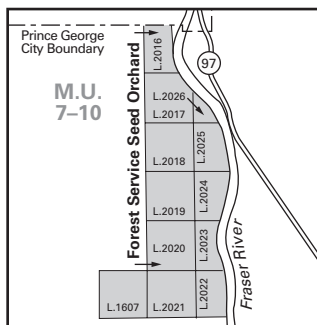
**Map G9** Dunster Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-4).



**Map G10** Purden Lake Park addition (situated in MU 7-7). Shaded area is open to hunting and the discharge of firearms, bows, crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season.



**Map G11** Tabor Mountain No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MUs 7-9).



**Map G12** Red Rock Seed Orchard No Shooting Area (situated in MU 7-10).

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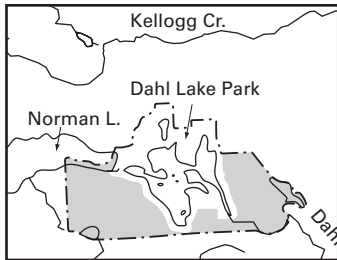
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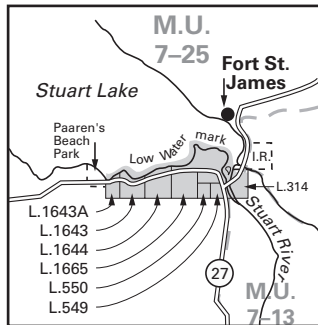
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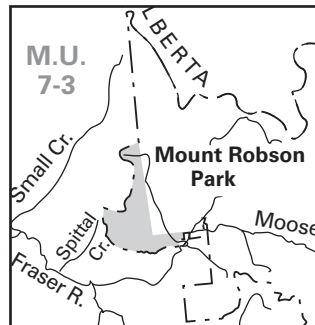




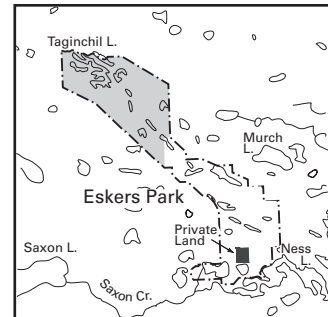
**Map G13** Dahl Lake Park addition (situated in MU 7-12). Shaded area is open to hunting and the discharge of firearms, bows, crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season.



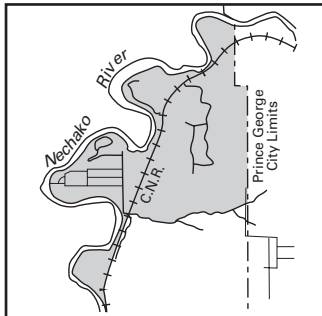
**Map G14** Paaren's Beach No Shooting Area (situated in MUs 7-13, 7-25).



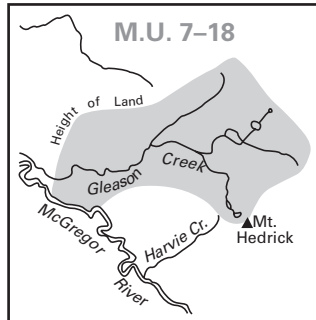
**Map G15** Mount Robson addition (situated in MU 7-3). Shaded area is open to hunting and the discharge of firearms, bows, crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season.



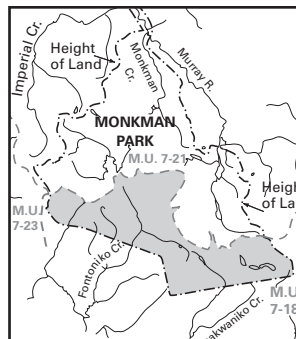
**Map G16** Eskers Park addition (situated in MU 7-15). Shaded area is open to hunting and the discharge of firearms, bows, crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season.



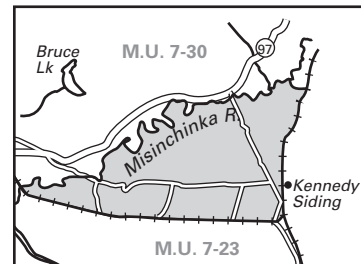
**Map G17** Miworth No Shooting Area (situated in MU 7-15).



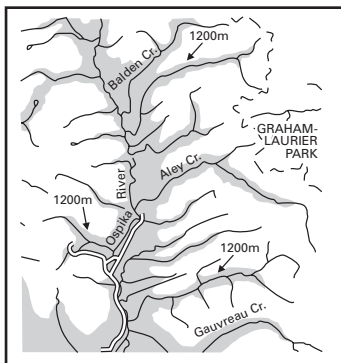
**Map G18** Gleason Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-18).



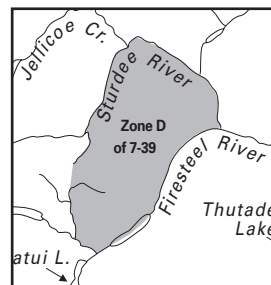
**Map G19** Monkman Lake Park area open to hunting (situated in MU 7-18).



**Map G20** Kennedy Siding No Shooting or Hunting Area (MU 7-23). Hunting and discharge of firearms is prohibited from Nov 6 to Mar 31.



**Map G21** Ospika River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situated in MU 7-37).



**Map G22** Hunting of caribou is prohibited in Zone D of MU 7-39 except for LEH permit holders.

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