

# REGION 8

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### Major Regulation Changes for 2014 - 2016

1. Shortening of the spike-fork bull moose season by two weeks.
2. Removal of moose hunting closures in Granby and Gladstone Parks.
3. Replacement of mule deer buck season with 4 point buck season
4. New bow only season for 6 point elk.
5. Extended spring black bear seasons
6. Youth only grouse hunting opportunity
7. Simplification of the Garnet Fire Motor Vehicle Closed Areas.



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 page 26 for details

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### COMPULSORY INSPECTION CENTRES

Qualified Compulsory Inspectors will provide this service at the locations listed below. Please see the Ministry website or contact the regional office for more information. [www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wildlife/hunting/ci.html](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/wildlife/hunting/ci.html).

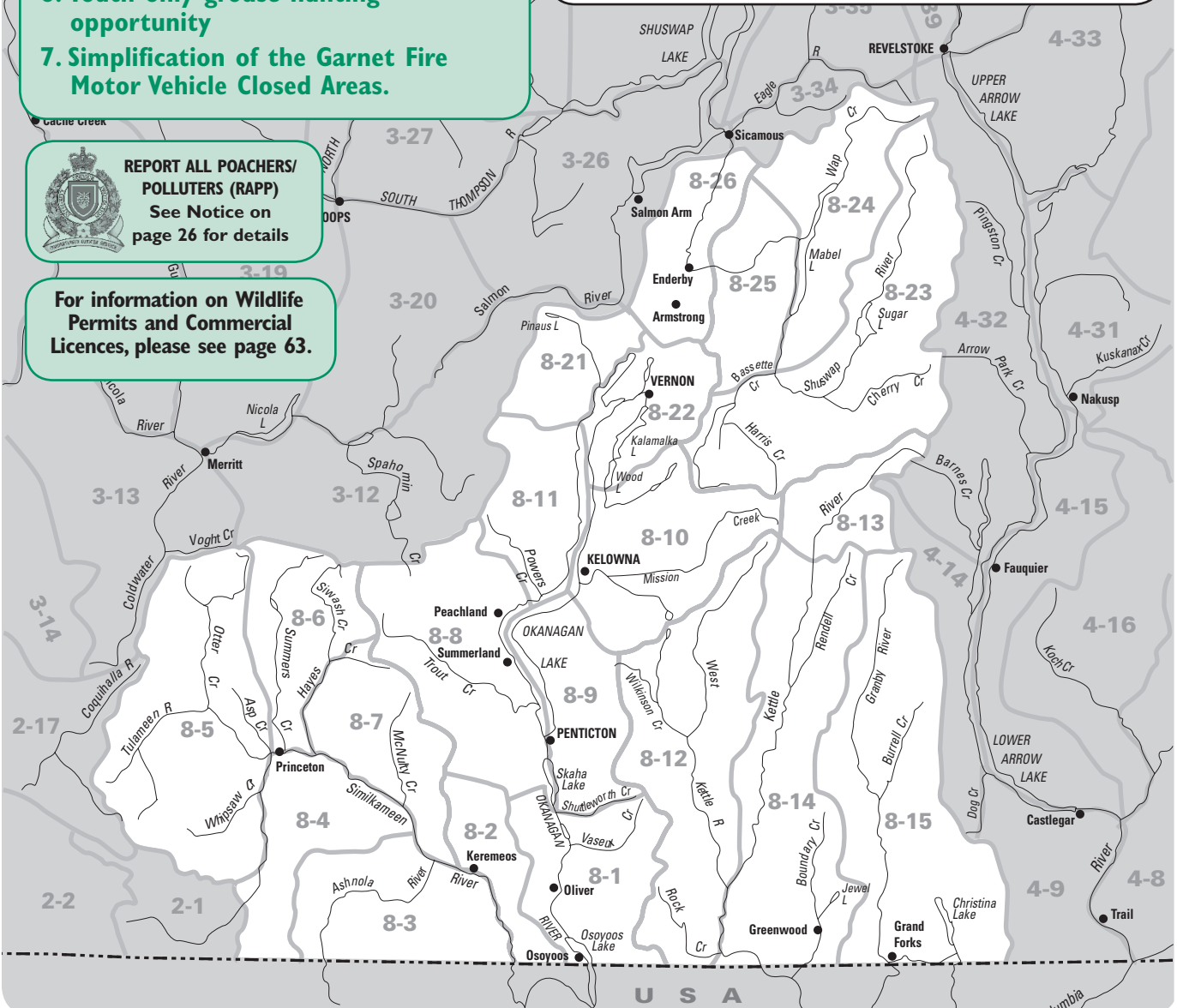
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**BAG LIMITS**

▶ **Deer:** The aggregate bag 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 LEH. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 2, only one of which may be a buck, and one of which may be antlerless.

▶ **Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse: blue, (dusky) 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.

★ The operation of all motor vehicles, excluding snowmobiles is prohibited in Region 8 above 1,700 metre elevation, except on existing roads and trails- See page 3 for definition of existing road or trail.

★ Crater Mountain Area (MU 8-3). See Map J21.

★ Placer Mountain to Border Lake area (MU 8-3, 8-4). See Map J21.

★ **Garnet Valley (MU 8-8). See Map J22.**

★ Osoyoos Oxbows except established roadways (MU 8-1). See Map J1.

★ Underdown Creek (MU 8-1). See Map J2.

▲ 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 J9.**

★ 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 J12.

★ 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 J12.

**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. 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.

**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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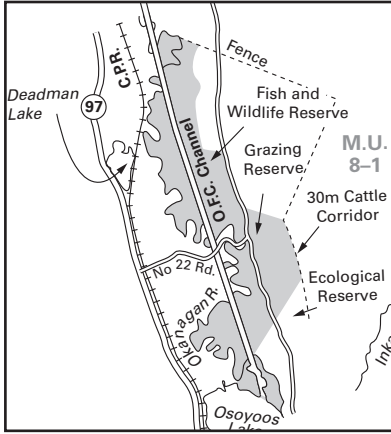
## OKANAGAN GENERAL OPEN SEASONS

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNIT	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
<b>MULE DEER (Black-tailed)</b>	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	★4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1
	8-12 to 8-15	★4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 10	1
	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 31	1
	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	★4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 10	1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 10	1
<b>Youth Season*</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Youth Season*</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 10	1
<b>Bow Only Season</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<b>Bow Only Season</b>	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 25 - Dec 10	1
* Restricted to hunters under the age of 18. ★ See Definitions section: Mule (Black-tailed) Deer. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
<b>WHITE-TAILED DEER</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 30	1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Antlerless	Oct 10 - Oct 31	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 1 - Nov 30	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	Dec 1 - Dec 20	2 (1)
* Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
<b>MOOSE</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	★Spike-fork Bulls	Nov 1 - Nov 15	1
★ See Definitions section: Moose. Antlers must accompany the species licence.				
<b>ELK</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
▲ See Definitions section: Elk. The antlers must accompany the species licence. Elk taken must be Compulsory Inspected. See Compulsory Reporting and Inspection section.				
<b>BLACK BEAR</b>	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 - June 30	*2
	▲ 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Aug 1 - Aug 31	*2
* The bag limit for black bears is two per licence year (Apr. 1 - Mar. 31). ▲ 8-1 to 8-26 is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners.				
<b>WOLF</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Apr 1 - June 15 Sept 10 - Mar 31	3
<b>COYOTE</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - June 30	NBL
<b>LYNX and BOBCAT</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Feb 28	1 (of each)
Compulsory reporting is required, see page 21 for details. Hunters are requested to avoid shooting lynx with collars.				
<b>COUGAR</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Feb 15	1
<b>Pursuit Only</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Mar 31	0
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. Excessive harvest of female cougars may result in season closures. Persons participating in the Pursuit Only season 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.				
<b>SKUNK, RACCOON</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		No Closed Season	NBL
<b>SNOWSHOE HARE</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Aug 1 - Apr 30	10 (daily)
<b>GROUSE: DUSKY (Blue), RUFFED, and SPRUCE</b>	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		Sept 1 - Sept 9	5 (15)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 1 - Dec 10	5 (15)
For Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possession limit is 15. * Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.				
<b>CHUKAR PARTRIDGE</b>	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9		Oct 1 - Nov 30	5 (15)
<b>GRAY (HUNGARIAN) PARTRIDGE</b>	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	3 (9)
<b>PHEASANT</b>	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)
<b>QUAIL</b>	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-15, 8-21, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	10 (30)
<b>TURKEY</b>	8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26	Bearded	Apr 15 - May 15	1 ▼
	8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26	Any Turkey	Oct 1 - Oct 15	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.				
<b>MOURNING DOVE</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Sept 30	5 (15)
<b>COOTS, COMMON SNIPE</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	10 each (30 each)
<b>DUCKS</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	8 (24)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 17.				
<b>GEESE: SNOW and ROSS'S</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	5 (15)
<b>GEESE: WHITE FRONTED</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	5 (15)
<b>GEESE: CANADA &amp; CACKLING</b>	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 20 - Nov 28	10 (30)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 20 - Jan 5	10 (30)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Feb 21 - Mar 10	10 (30)

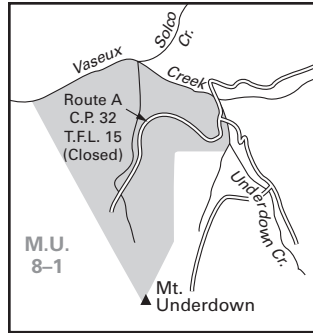
**WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS:** (Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 18. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.)

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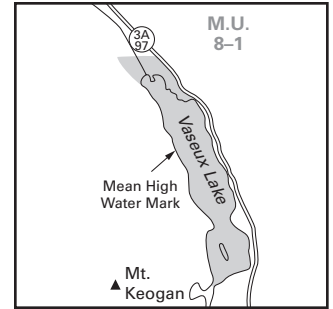
★ Daily bag and possession limits are same as general open seasons described above. See page 17 for more details.



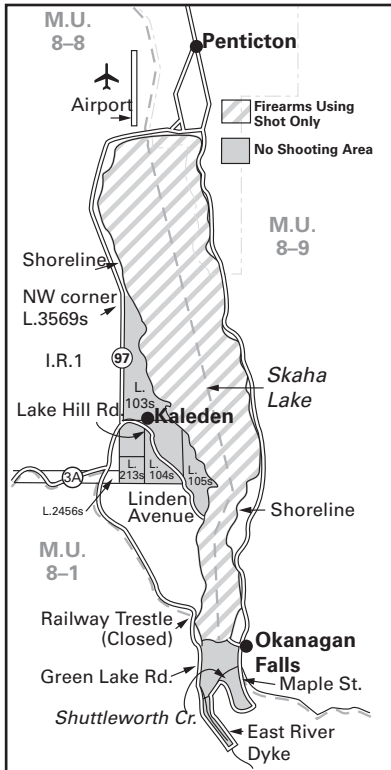
**Map J1** Osoyoos Oxbows Motor Vehicle Closed Area and No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-1). The operation of vehicles is restricted to established roadways shown as open lines. No shooting or hunting from Mar 1 - Sept 30, in the restricted area, including the roadways.



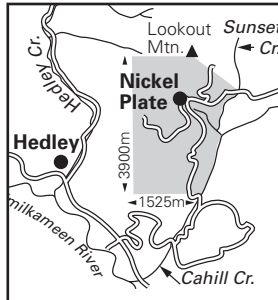
**Map J2** Underdown Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-1).



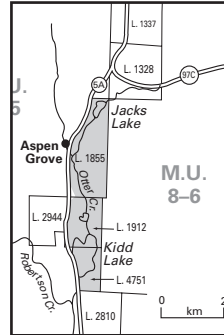
**Map J3** Vaseux Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary (situated in MU 8-1). No hunting allowed.



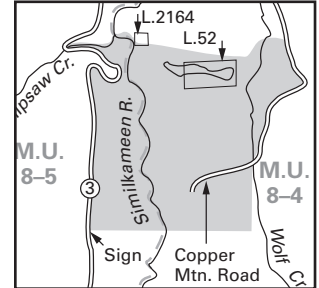
**Map J4** Kaleden, and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Firearms Using Shot Only Area (situated in MUs 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).



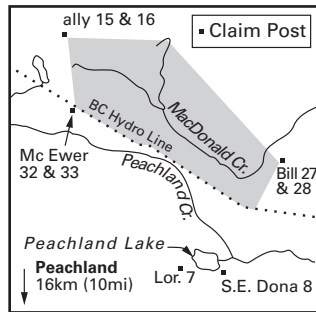
**Map J5** Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-7).



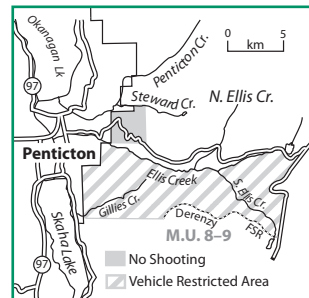
**Map J6** Willow Heights No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-6).



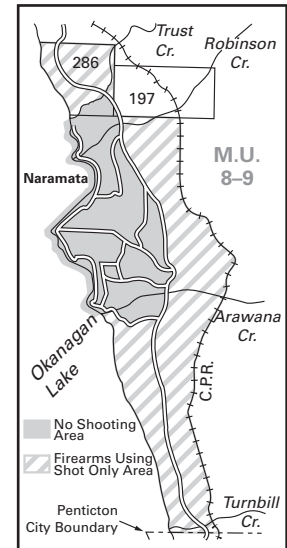
**Map J7** Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MUs 8-4, 8-5).



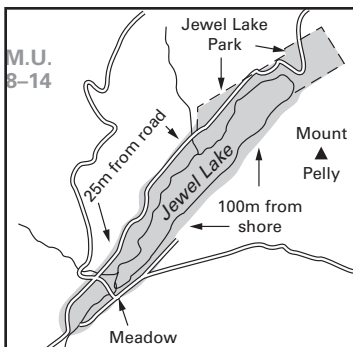
**Map J8** Brenda Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-8).



**Map J9** Garnet Fire (South Ellis) Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Area including the entire Derenzey FSR and Upper Carmi Road No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-9).



**Map J10** Naramata No Shooting Area and Firearms Using Shot Only Area (situated in MU 8-9).



**Map J11** Jewel Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-14).

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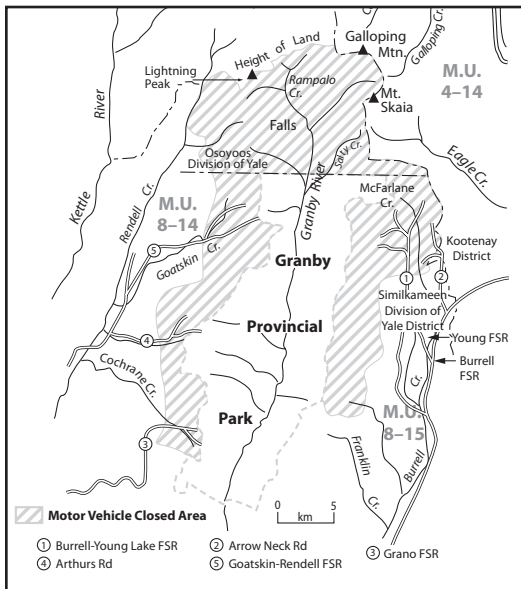
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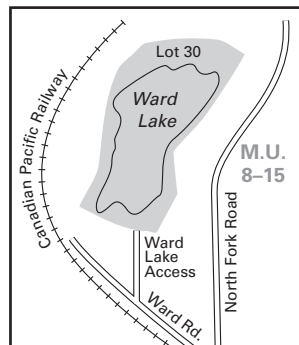
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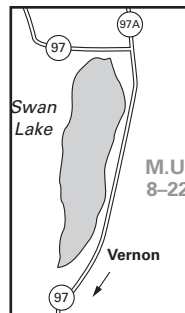
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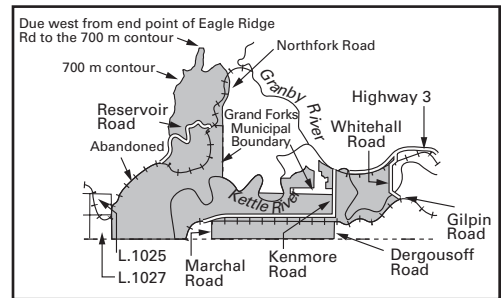
**Map J12** Galloping Hills Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15) and Granby Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MUs 8-14, 8-15).



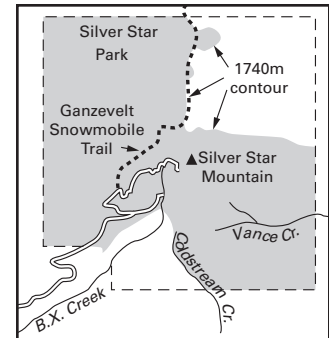
**Map J13** Ward Lake No Hunting, Shooting or Trapping Area (situated in MU 8-15).



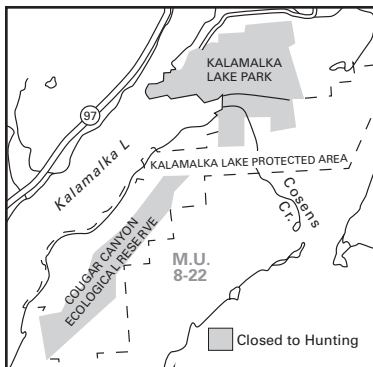
**Map J15** Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-22).



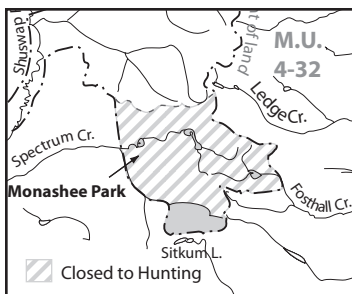
**Map J14** Grand Forks Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15). Discharge of rifles prohibited.



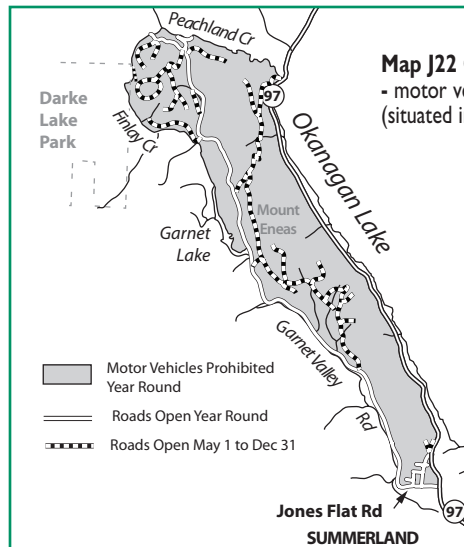
**Map J16** Silver Star Park No Hunting Area (situated in MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact Ministry offices in Vernon or Penticton for details.



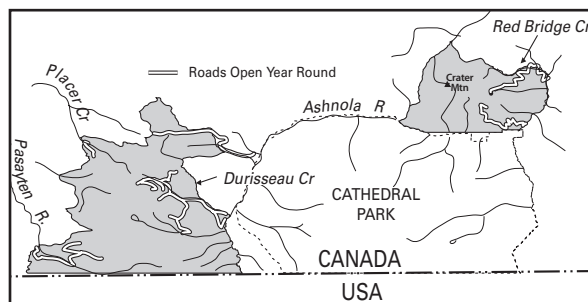
**Map J20** Kalamalka Lake Park and Protected Area. (MU 8-22).



**Map J19** Monashee Park addition (situated in MU 8-23).



**Map J22** Garnet Valley - motor vehicle closed area (situated in MU 8-8)



**Map J21** Placer Mountain and Crater Mountain motor vehicle closed areas (situated in MU 8-3, 8-4). Closed year round to the operation of motor vehicles, except; roads shown as white are open year round.