

BENDOR RANGE COMPLEX WILDFIRE UPDATE

The Bendor Range Incident Management Team currently has command of five wildfires located in the Lillooet Fire Zone.

This Community Bulletin covers the following wildfires:

🔥 **Stein Mountain (K71634)**
Ponderosa Creek (K71705)

Key Statistics

Total Fire Size	1,992ha
Firefighters Deployed	43
Aircraft Assigned	15
Heavy Equipment Assigned	2

Weather Overview

Today, periods of cloud and sun throughout with a slight (20%) chance of showers lingering closer to the mountains. Temperature 21-24C.

Outlook indicates an upper ridge gradually rebuilds over the region into the weekend, with warmer and drier conditions returning. Winds expected to remain light from the south-west, with occasional gustiness. No rainfall predicted.



Fire behaviour yesterday on the Stein Mountain (K71634) wildfire captured during an aerial reconnaissance flight.

Stein Mountain (K71634)

The Stein Mountain (K71634) wildfire was initially detected on Wednesday July 12, starting as a result of lightning activity in the area. The current fire size has been revised up to 490 hectares and remains Out of Control.

This wildfire is burning to the west of Texas Creek/Spencer Road.

Current favourable fire weather conditions and rainfall are aiding in moderating previously active fire behaviour. Firefighters - working cooperatively with Lytton First Nation - are establishing fuel free hand guards to tie into the fires edge to the north and south of the current fire perimeter. Fire mitigation crews and BC Hydro are commencing work in the area to establish fuel-free areas around important and critical assets as a precaution.

Structure protection has been established at a number locations throughout the immediate area, with this work continuing with and in support of Lytton First Nation.

Evacuation Orders and Alerts - issued by the Thompson-Nicola Regional District and Lytton First Nation - remain in place. For more information, visit tnrd.ca/services/emergency-services/evacuation-orders-alerts and lfn.band/news

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Ponderosa Creek (K71705)

Ponderosa Creek (K71705) wildfire - formally known as the 'Lean-to Creek' wildfire - is burning within the Stein Valley Nlaka'pamux Heritage Provincial Park. It continues to burn Out of Control with an estimated size of 1,502 hectares.

Favourable weather conditions - including rainfall - over the past 48 hours has assisted with moderating fire behavior.

The Bendor Range Complex Incident Management Team will continue undertake aerial reconnaissance to monitor any fire progression and inform appropriate firefighting strategies moving forward.

Lytton First Nation acknowledges and recognizes that there are registered archeological sites. We are working to mitigate and protect our archeology sites to preserve for future generations.

There are no Evacuation Orders or Evacuation Alerts current for this wildfire.

The Stein Valley Trail has been closed - in conjunction with the Lytton First Nation and Provincial Government employees through the Stein Management Board - for public safety, however the Stein Valley Nlaka'pamux Heritage Provincial Park remains open.



Fire behaviour yesterday on the Ponderosa Creek (K71705) wildfire captured during an aerial reconnaissance flight.

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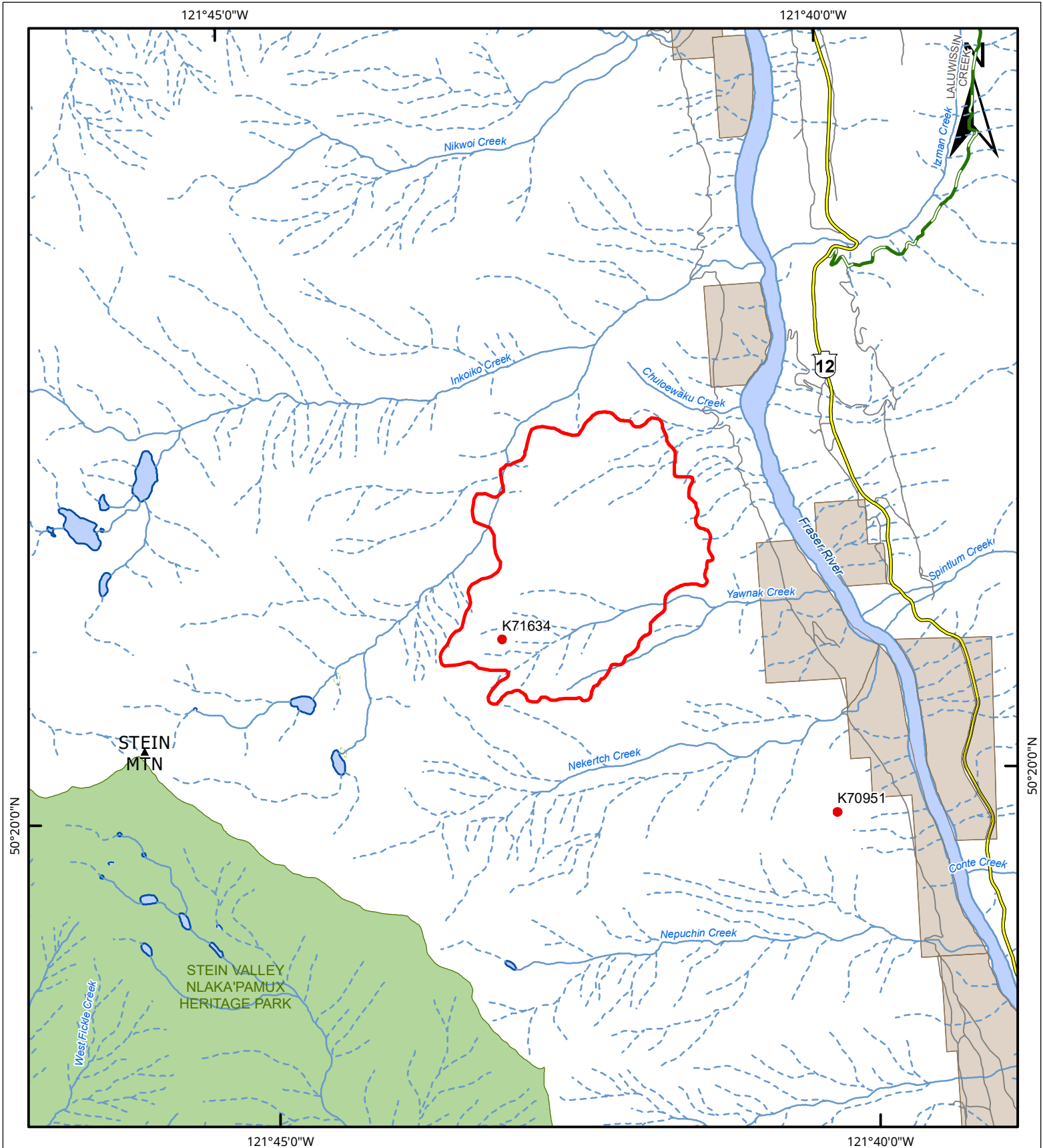
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Stein Mountain

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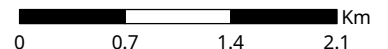
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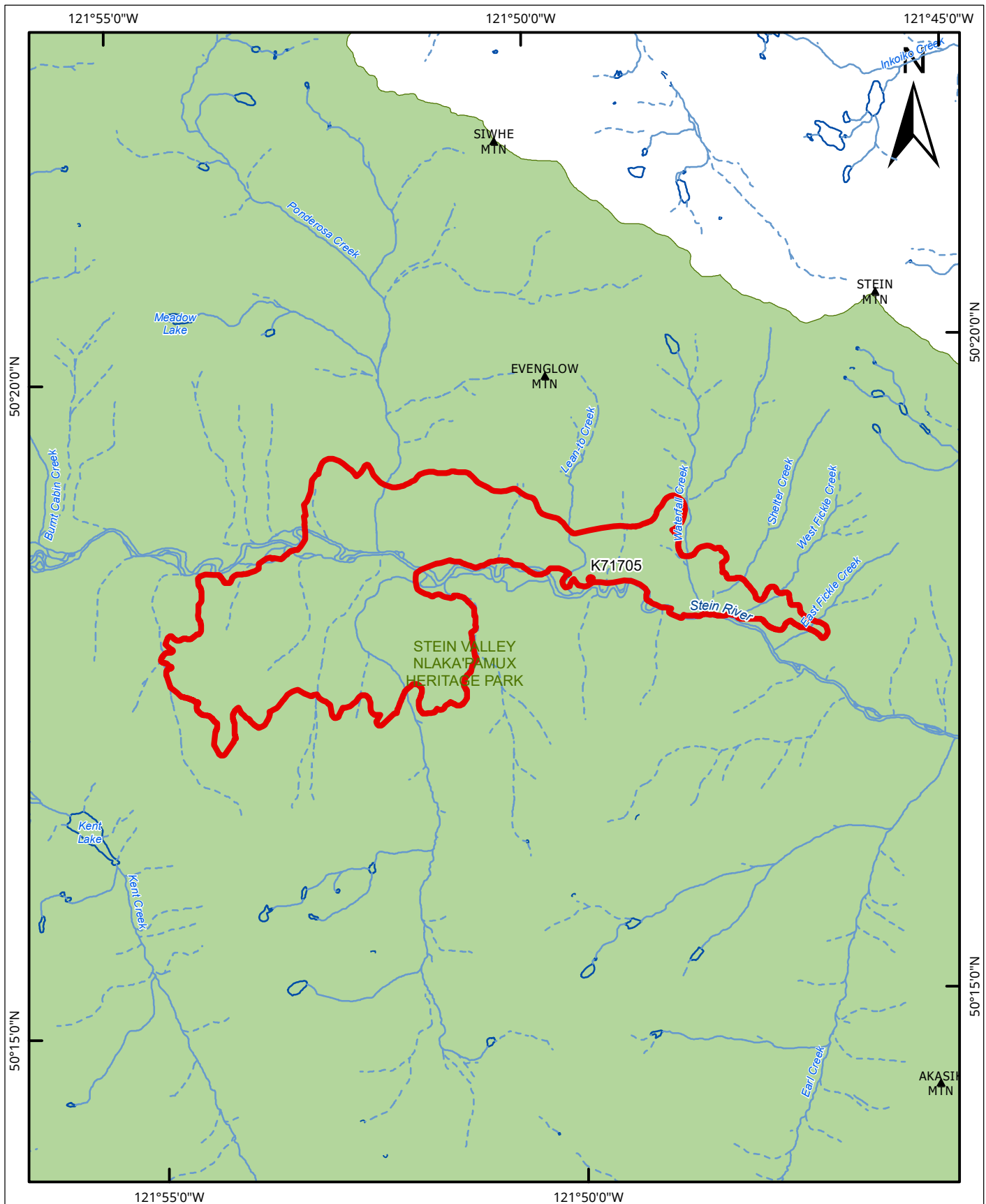
Perimeter Date: 2023-08-08
Hectares: 489.2 HA

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Ponderosa Creek

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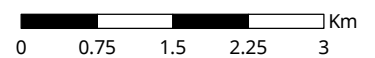
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Perimeter Date: 2023-08-08
Hectares: 1502.3 HA

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