



BC Wine Appellation Task Group

Proposed British Columbia Appellation Thompson Valley

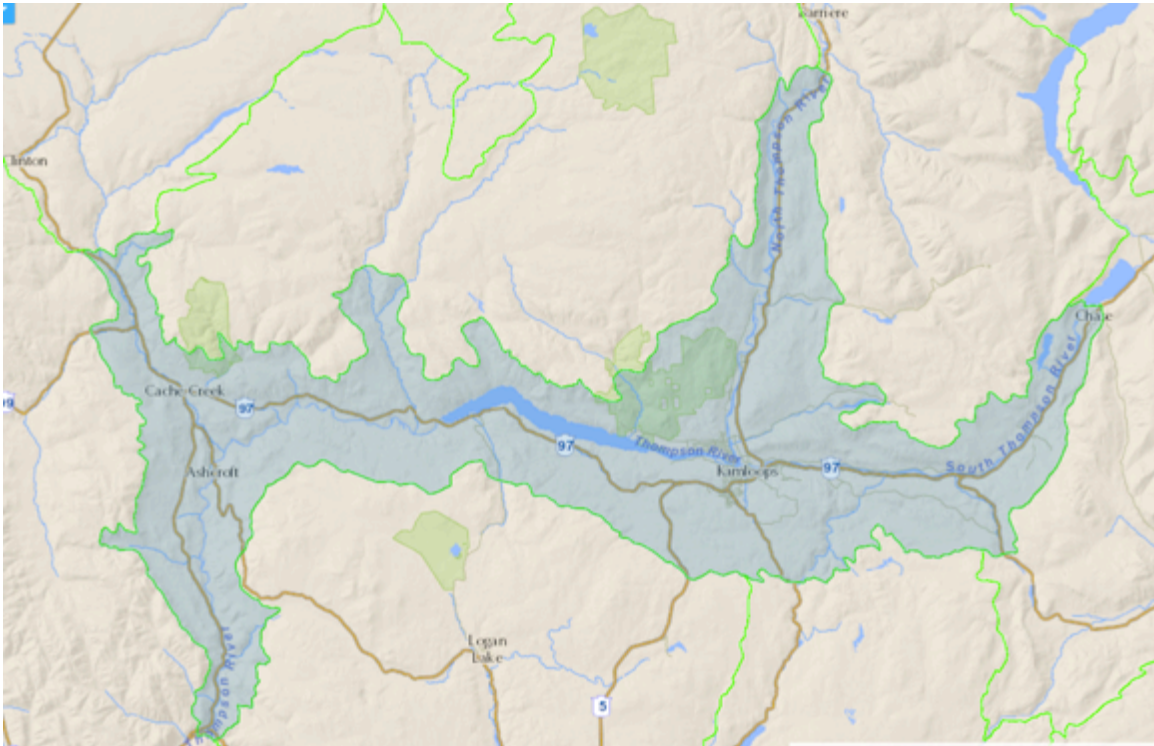


Fig. 1 – Thompson Valley

Comments by Scott Smith (PARC)

This map (Fig. 1) of what the province has defined as the Thompson Basin eco-section. It captures the lowland along the Thompson River that might serve well as defining an Appellation for this part of the province. The upland boundary is defined by watersheds that drain directly into the Thompson River. The valley is cut off at Chase (logical break into the Shuswap Lake appellation) to the east and start of the Fraser Canyon to the west.



Proposed British Columbia Appellation Lillooet-Lytton

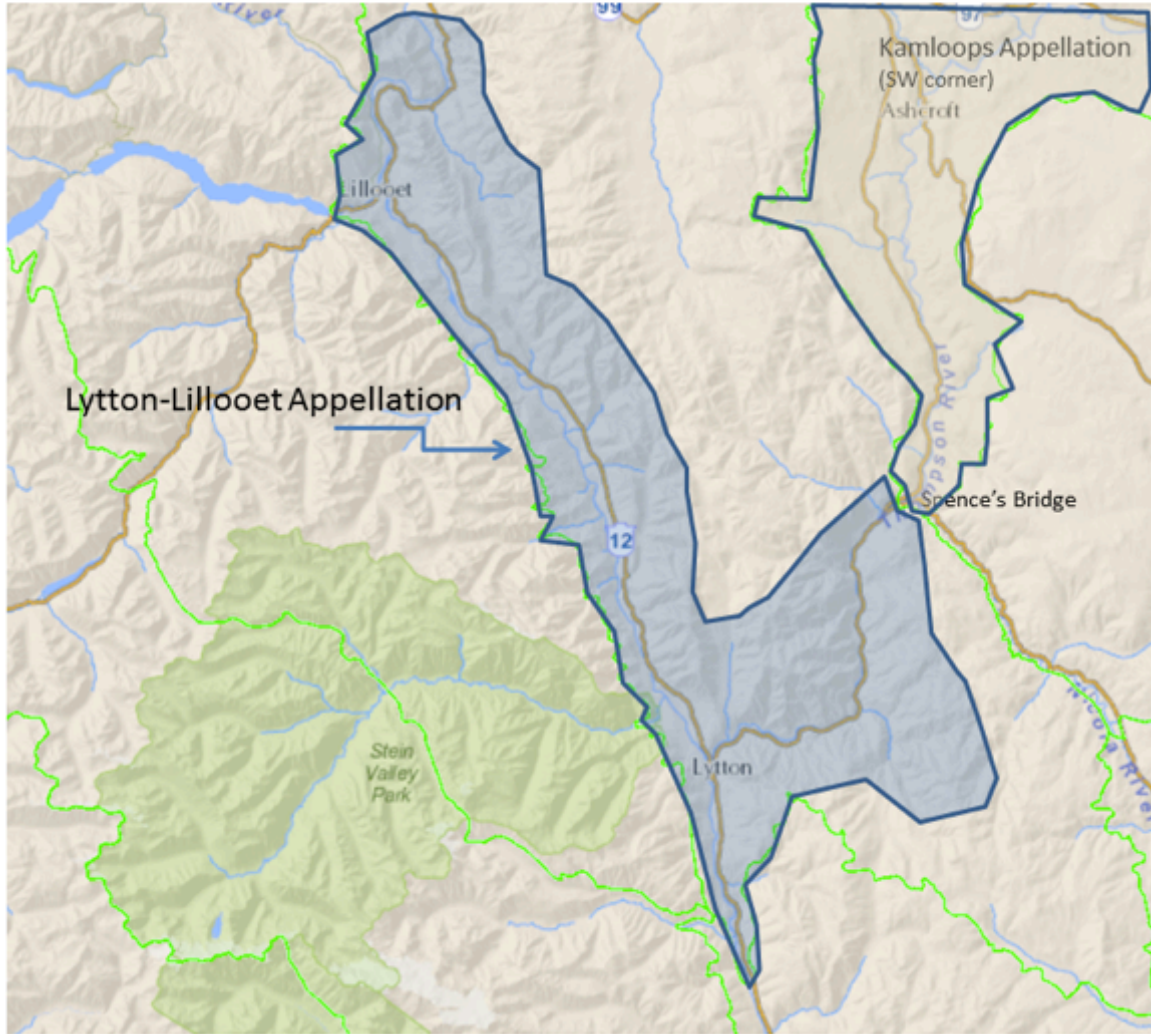


Fig. 2 –Lillooet-Lytton

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Following the same principle used for delineating the Thompson Basin as the Kamloops appellation, I used the height of land along the Fraser River and lower Thompson River to mark out the LL appellation. It would butt up against the Kamloops app at Spence's Bridge (end point of the Thompson Basin eco-section) to the east, junction of the Bridge River with the Fraser north of Lillooet and a point in the Fraser Canyon where interior transforms into coastal climate (also a break in the eco-section mapping). Lines are rough, just for concept.



Proposed British Columbia Appellation – Shuswap

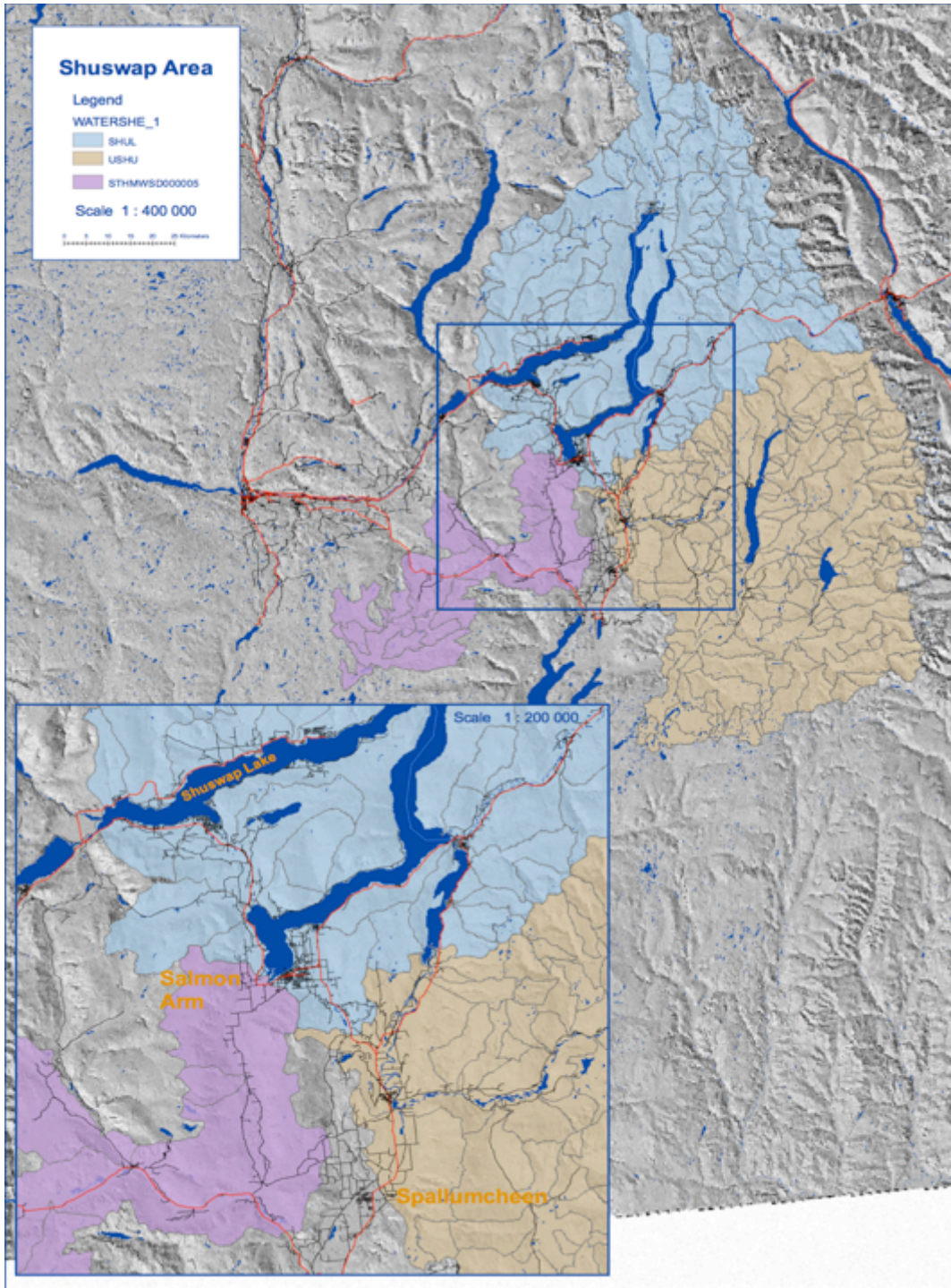


Fig. 3 – Shuswap



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The blue shaded area is the watershed of Shuswap Lake proper (code is SHUL) and so extends eastward and northward to the height of land in the Columbia Mountains (i.e. the divide into the Columbia River).

The yellow shaded area is the watershed feeding into Mara Lake through the Shuswap River and Mabel Lake called the Upper Shuswap (code USHU). This area includes the valley from Spallumcheen to Enderby and Sicamous. Larch Hills winery would fall into this.

The purple shaded area is the watershed of the Salmon River that in the BC Watershed Atlas is a part of the South Thompson (code STHM). We extracted the sub-watershed that flows into Salmon Arm and this of course then includes the entire Salmon valley including Ovino winery.

All three of these watersheds ultimately flow into the Shuswap Lake complex and together would form the boundaries of the Geographic Indication. For the purposes of the application to the BCWA, we can make reference to these government-defined watershed groups.

Interesting to note that there is a finger of the Okanagan watershed that pokes up into the upland between Enderby and the Salmon Valley but you did not indicate any of your wineries as falling into that area (un-shaded on the map).



Proposed British Columbia Appellation – Kootenays

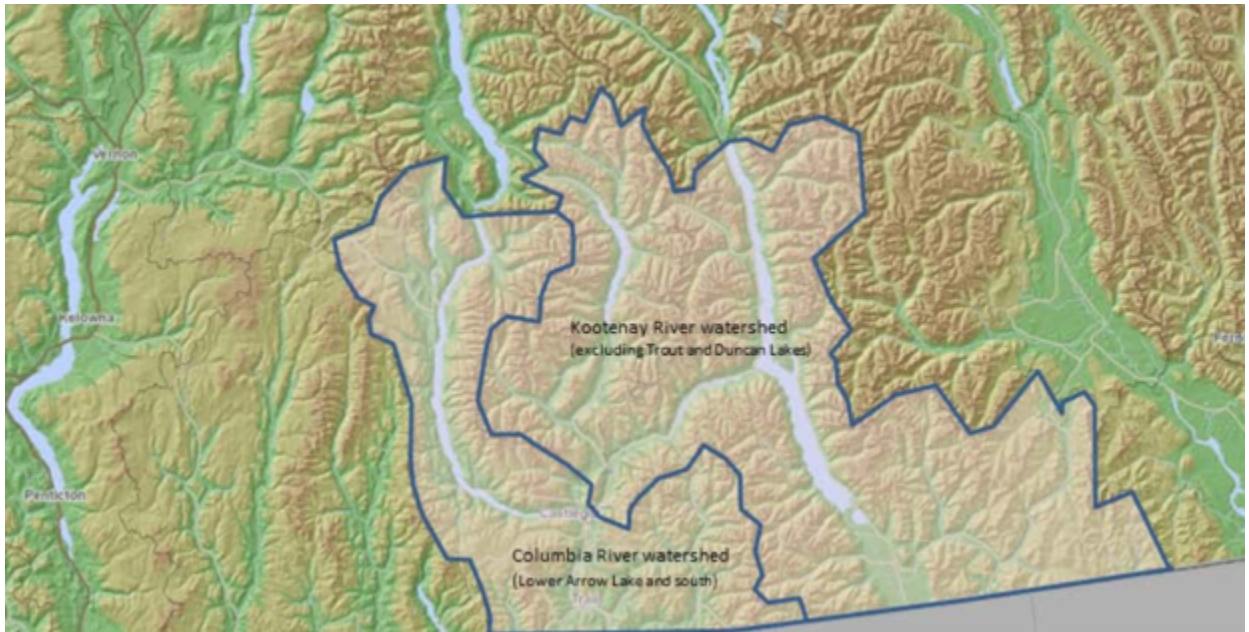


Fig. 4 – West Kootenays

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I have used the BC watersheds mapping to come up with this depiction of a possible Kootenay appellation(s). We can further slice and dice this in any number of ways. The region can be expanded to include the Grand Forks area by adding sub-basins of the Kettle River watershed.