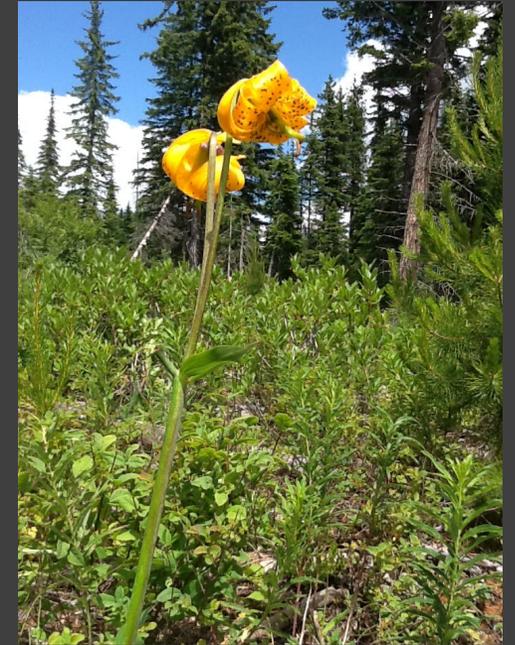


FIRST NATIONS LAND MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CENTRE, Community Considerations

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Presentation Overview

- Ntityix Resources – who are we?
- What does our community want from the forests we steward?
- Translating values in to practice
- Getting to “There”

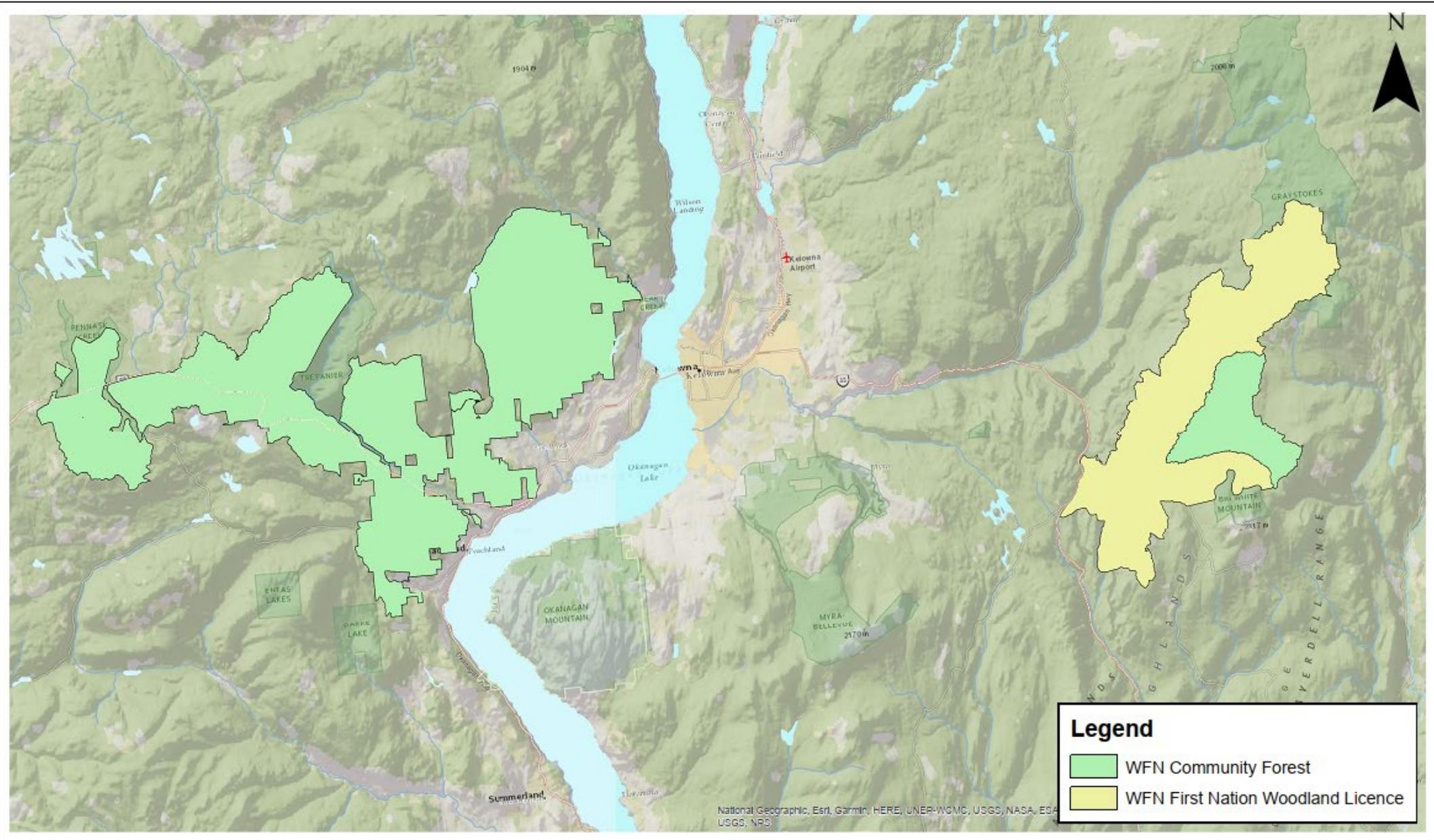


Ntityix Resources...who are we?

- Westbank First Nation owned
- Mandated to steward the forests tenures held by WFN
- Combined AAC of 85,000m³ (CFA and RFL)
- WFN member contractors
- 95% in-house forest management services
- Putting community values first



WFN Forest Tenures



Legend

-  WFN Community Forest
-  WFN First Nation Woodland Licence



National Geographic, Esri, Garmin, HERE, UNEP-WCMC, USGS, NASA, ESA, USGS, NRS

Translating values into practice

- Seven Generation Stewardship plan
- Contractor awareness
- Monitoring effectiveness
- Fire
- Community engagement





Seven Generation Plan

- Built on 10 Sylix Principles
 - Community goals
- Land “zoning” Sylix principles
 - Stewardship practices
- Decisions made today....imagine the consequences of those decisions 7 generations from now



Old Forest Stewardship Zone:

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 - To retain, protect or enhance values associated with old forests (water, habitat, medicines, recreation)
 - Old forests in the right places
 - To maintain, old forests need to be managed with locally developed values
 - Small gap openings
 - Wildfire mitigation
 - Section or diameter limit harvest methods



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Forest Operations Stewardship Zone:

- To steward for multiple values including timber production
- BEC specific silviculture systems
- In-block retention
- Incremental silviculture
- Landscape level fuel breaks



Forest Zoning - Upper West Kettle

Legend

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Seral Stage

- Early
- Mid
- Meadow
- Old
- Rock
- Wetlands





Fire

- Catastrophic wildfires
- Re-introducing fire to the ecosystem
- Thoughtful approach
- Around communities and at the landscape level

In Closing:

- Value-based community-driven approach to forest stewardship
- Blending of Indigenous knowledge and values with western science
- Long-term multi-generational approach to land stewardship decisions
- A good plan is never done, it evolves with the community and other, sometimes uncontrollable, circumstances

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