

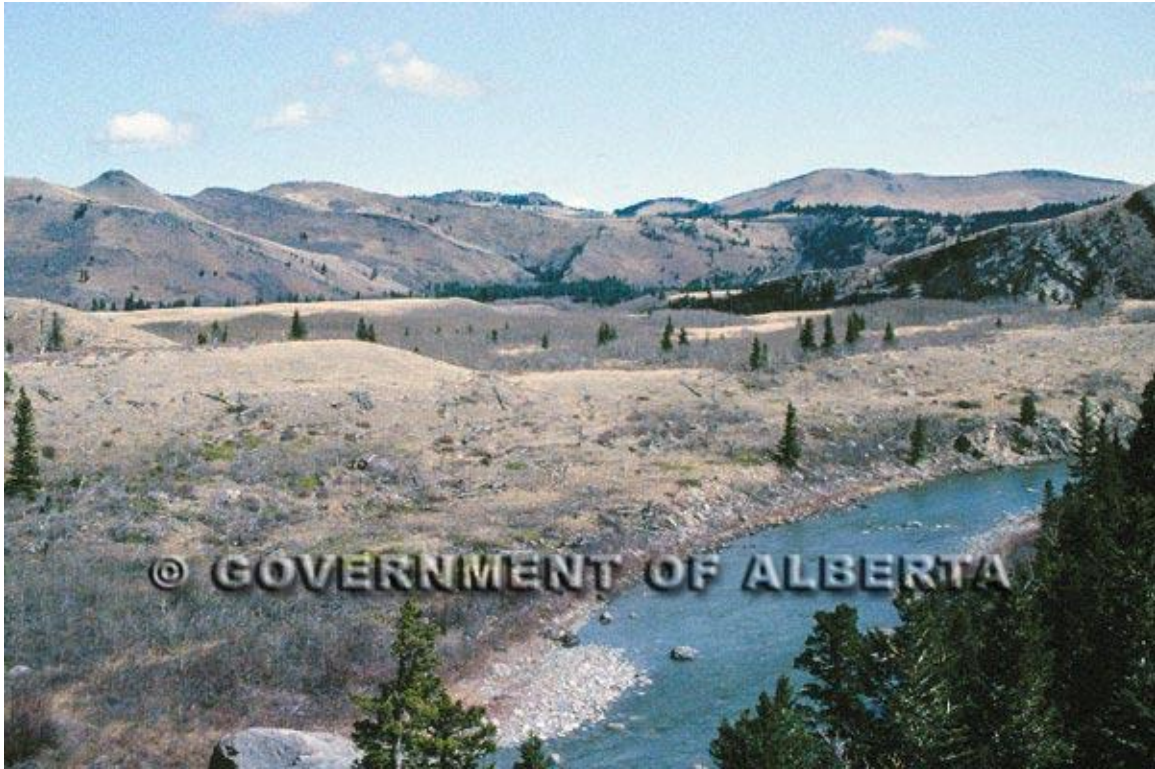
Site Name:	Black Creek
Site Type:	Heritage Rangeland
Status:	Order-in-council (OC)
Subtype:	
PA Site ID (Map Ref #):	584
O.C. No. (Land Ref. Manual):	139/2008
Site # (Parks Website):	430
Reserved Area:	0.00 ha. (0.00 ac.)
Designated Area:	7733.10 ha. (19108.49 ac.)
Total Area:	7733.10 ha. (19108.49 ac.)
Additional Protected Areas:	none
Lat/Long Co-ordinates:	49.9254162792 N, -114.2006261 W
Natural Region:	Rocky Mountain
Natural Subregion(s):	Montane
2nd Natural Region:	Grassland
2nd Natural Subregion(s):	Foothills Fescue
IUCN Classification:	VI
Operated By:	Parks Division
Info Phone:	403-382-4097
Steward(s) Aug2002:	no
Steward(s) Aug2003:	no
Steward(s) Dec2011:	no
Petroleum & Natural Gas	
Surface Access Aug2002:	no info
Day Use Site(s):	Black Creek
Recreation Activities:	none noted

Access:

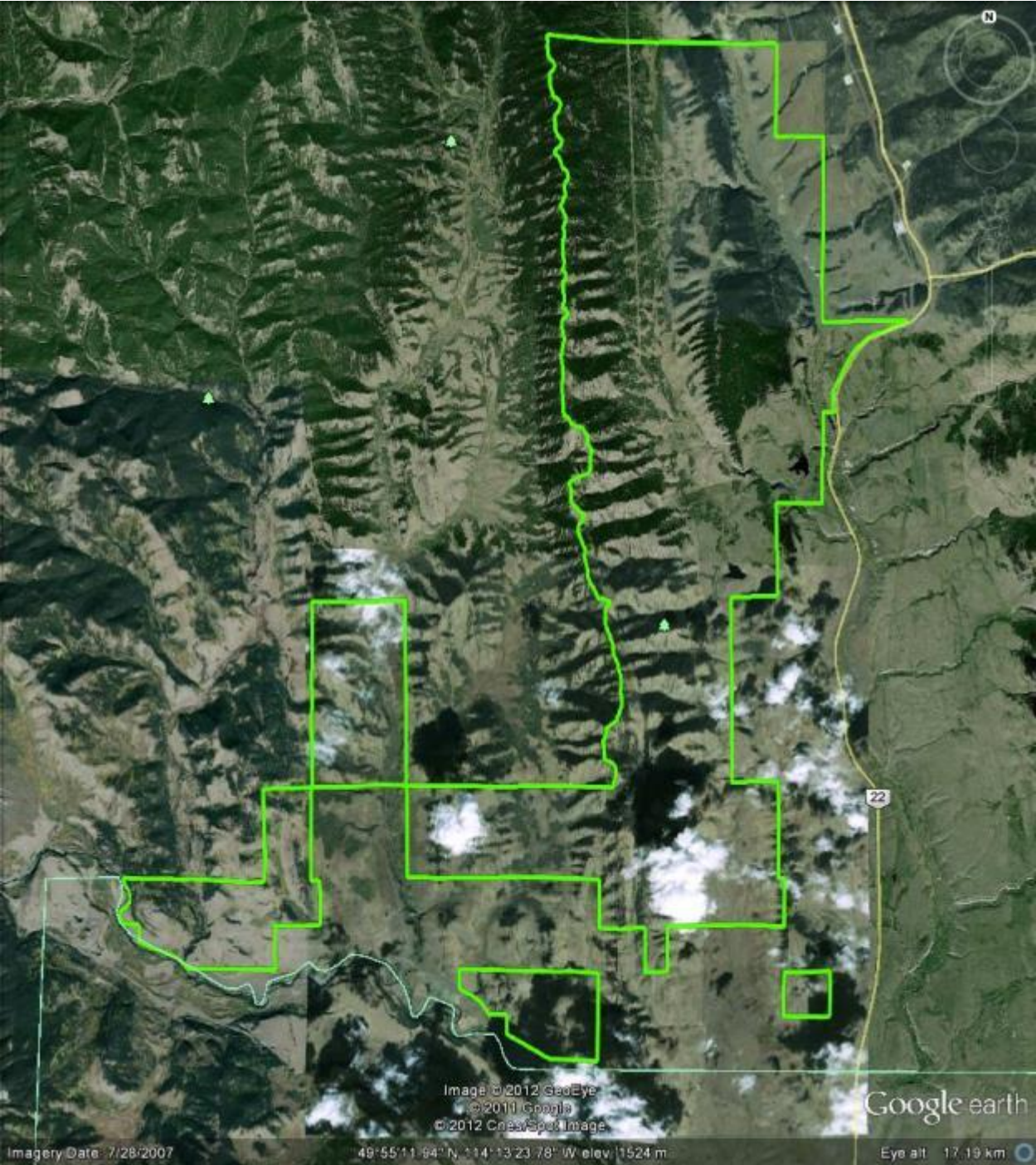
Notes: This site contains relatively undisturbed montane and sub-alpine habitat in the valley and ridges of the Whaleback area. The Whaleback is considered the last remaining area of "wilderness" montane in Alberta. A series of spine-like ridges, the landscape of the Whaleback alternates between open grasslands and forests of pine, spruce, fir and aspen. Limber pine that is more than 575 years old and 400 year-old Douglas fir have been recorded in the area. The snow free, chinook-swept grasslands are winter range for mule deer and Alberta's largest elk herd. Over 80 species of birds, including golden eagle, nest in the park and many rare plants have been recorded (Alberta Parks web site, 2012).

The management plan is available at http://www.albertaparks.ca/media/3331519/bcbc_final_web.pdf.

Images:



Photos from Alberta Parks website

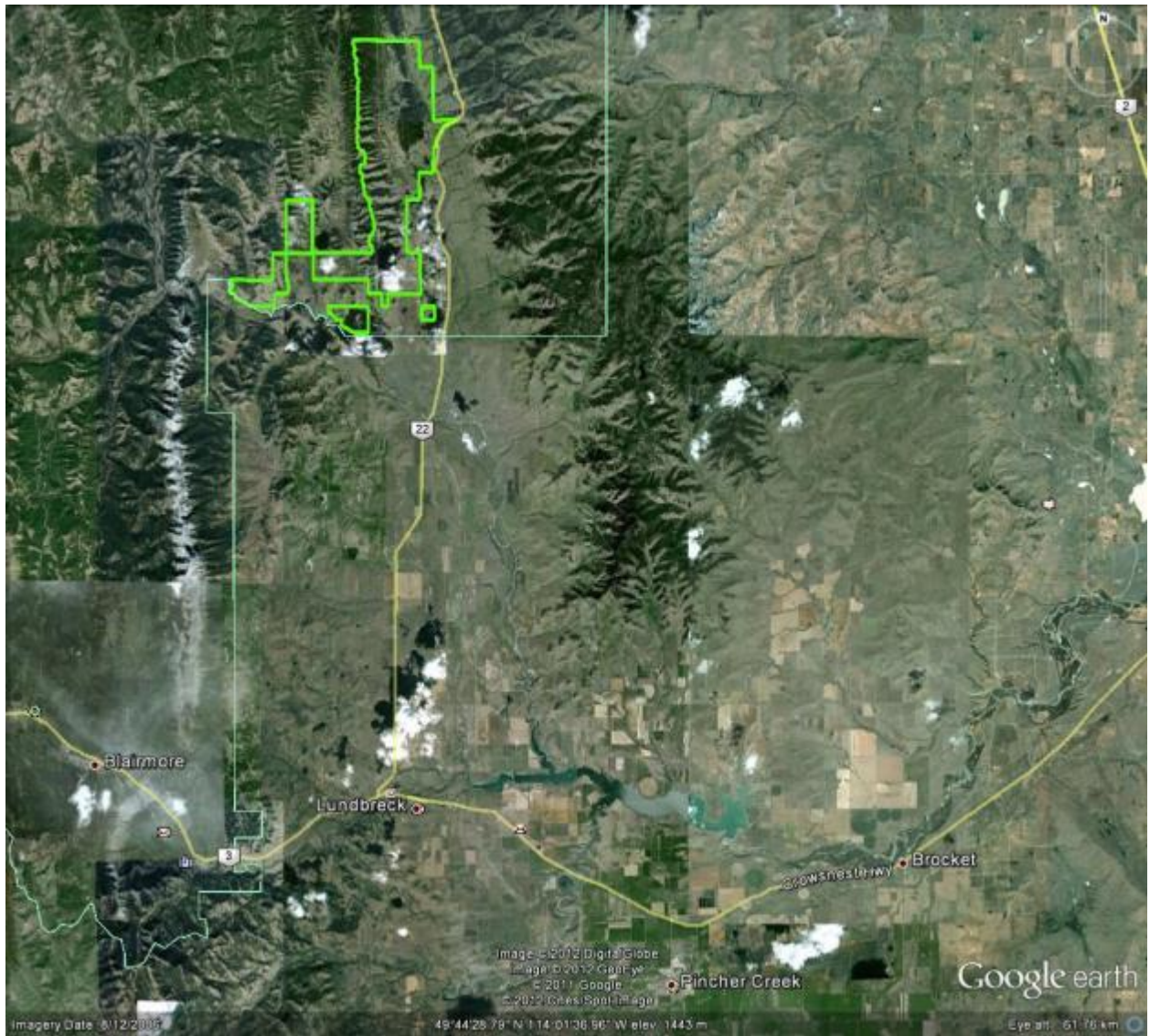


Imagery Date: 7/28/2007

49°55'11.94" N, 114°13'23.78" W elev: 1524 m

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Eye alt: 17.19 km



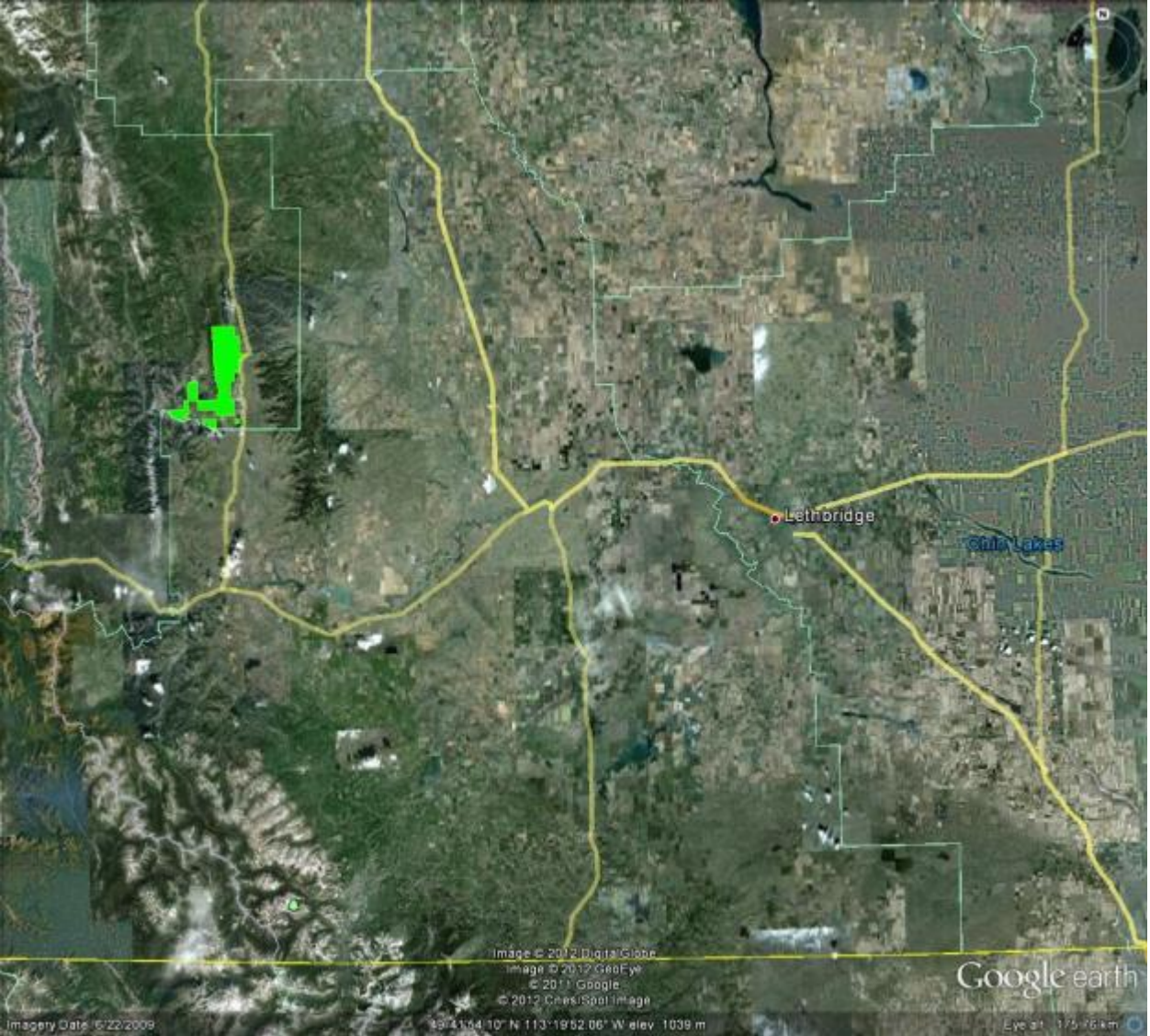


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49°43'54.10" N 113°19'52.06" W elev. 1039 m

Eye alt: 175.76 km