

Pemberton Valley

Agricultural Land Use Inventory 2019

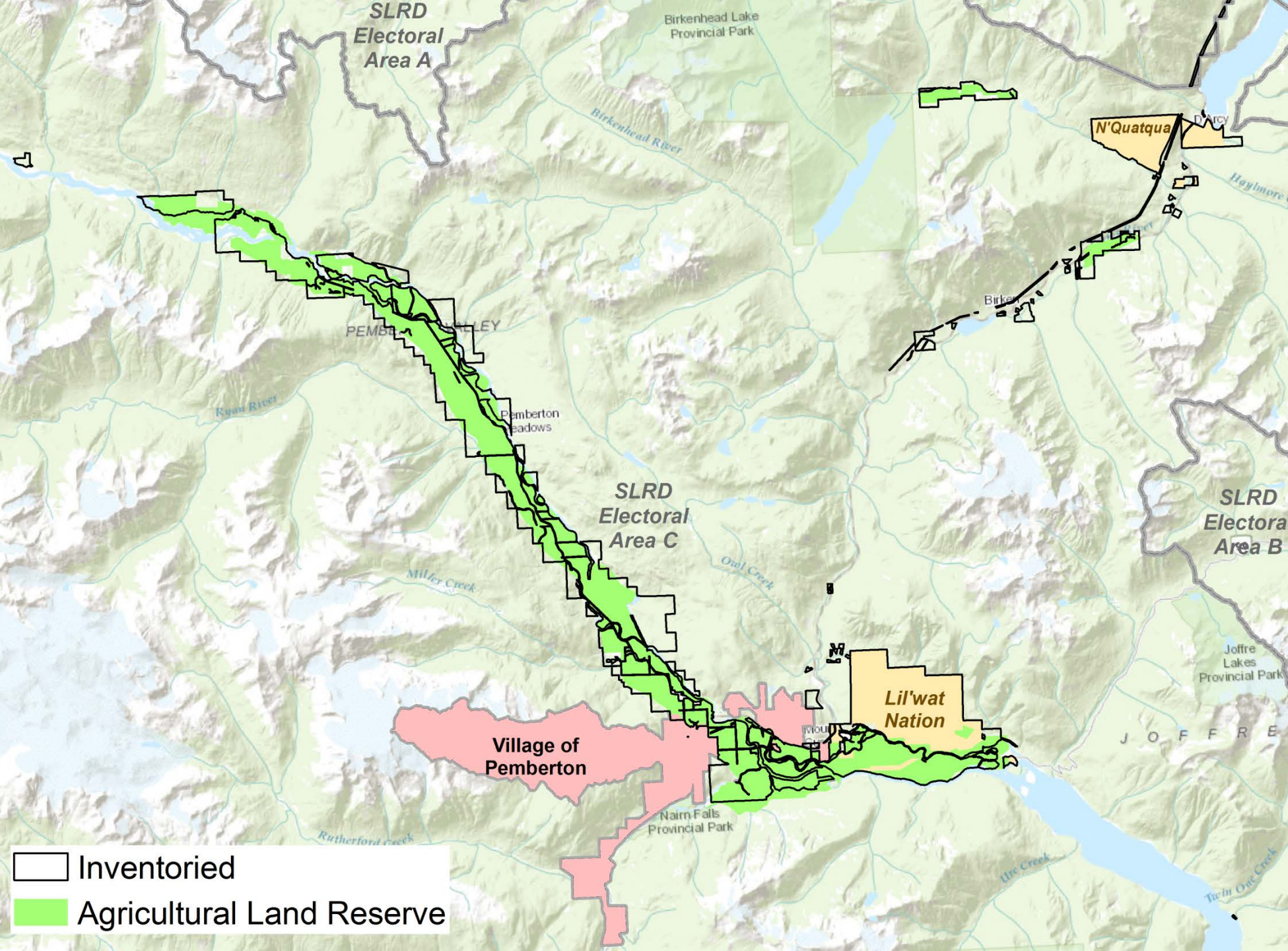
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ALUI's ARE

AN INVENTORY OF:

- Land Use
- Land Cover
- Agricultural Activities
 - Livestock
 - Value added
 - Storage, compost, waste
- Crop Production Practices
 - Wind machines
 - Propane cannons
- Irrigation Systems

ON PARCELS:

- In the ALR
- Outside ALR with Farming

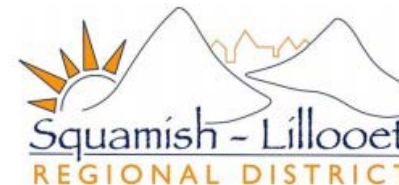


CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE	AGRICULTURAL LAND USE INVENTORY
Based on the “farm” unit	Based on the “parcel” unit
■ farms and farm operators ■ land tenure and land management ■ crops and livestock ■ financial measures	■ biophysical land cover ■ human land use ■ residential use footprints ■ crops, livestock, irrigation
Recurrence: every 5 years reveals long term trends	Recurrence: depends on need reveals changes since last snapshot
Source: Farm operator reporting	Source: entire ALR Ortho-photography & field surveys

IMPORTANCE OF ALUI

- Describes utilization of the ALR
- Informs policies and plans
- Provides baseline from which to measure performance of policies and plans
- Drives the Agriculture Water Demand Model

Pemberton Valley Agricultural Area Plan

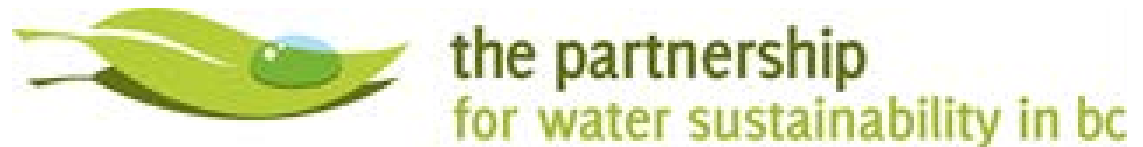


Pemberton Valley 2019 ALUI - partners

- \$5,000 + \$1,500 in-kind from SLRD
- \$5,000 Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC
- \$3,550 in-kind from BC Ministry of Agriculture
- \$5,550 in-kind from Partnership for Water Sustainability in BC



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ALUI METHODOLOGY

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Land Cover



ALUI METHODOLOGY



Windshield survey

SHARING RESULTS

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Welcome to the Agricultural Land Use Inventory Tool for the Pemberton Valley

This interactive mapping application provides easy access to summary results from an Agricultural Land Use Inventory conducted in the Pemberton Valley in 2019.

Use the tabs to explore agricultural themes. The information in each tab can be filtered by jurisdiction, and the maps are interactive.

What is an Agricultural Land Use Inventory (ALUI)?

An Agricultural Land Use Inventory is a system to collect detailed information about land use and land cover on agricultural lands. The data can be used to understand the type and extent of agricultural activities within a region.

What is the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)?

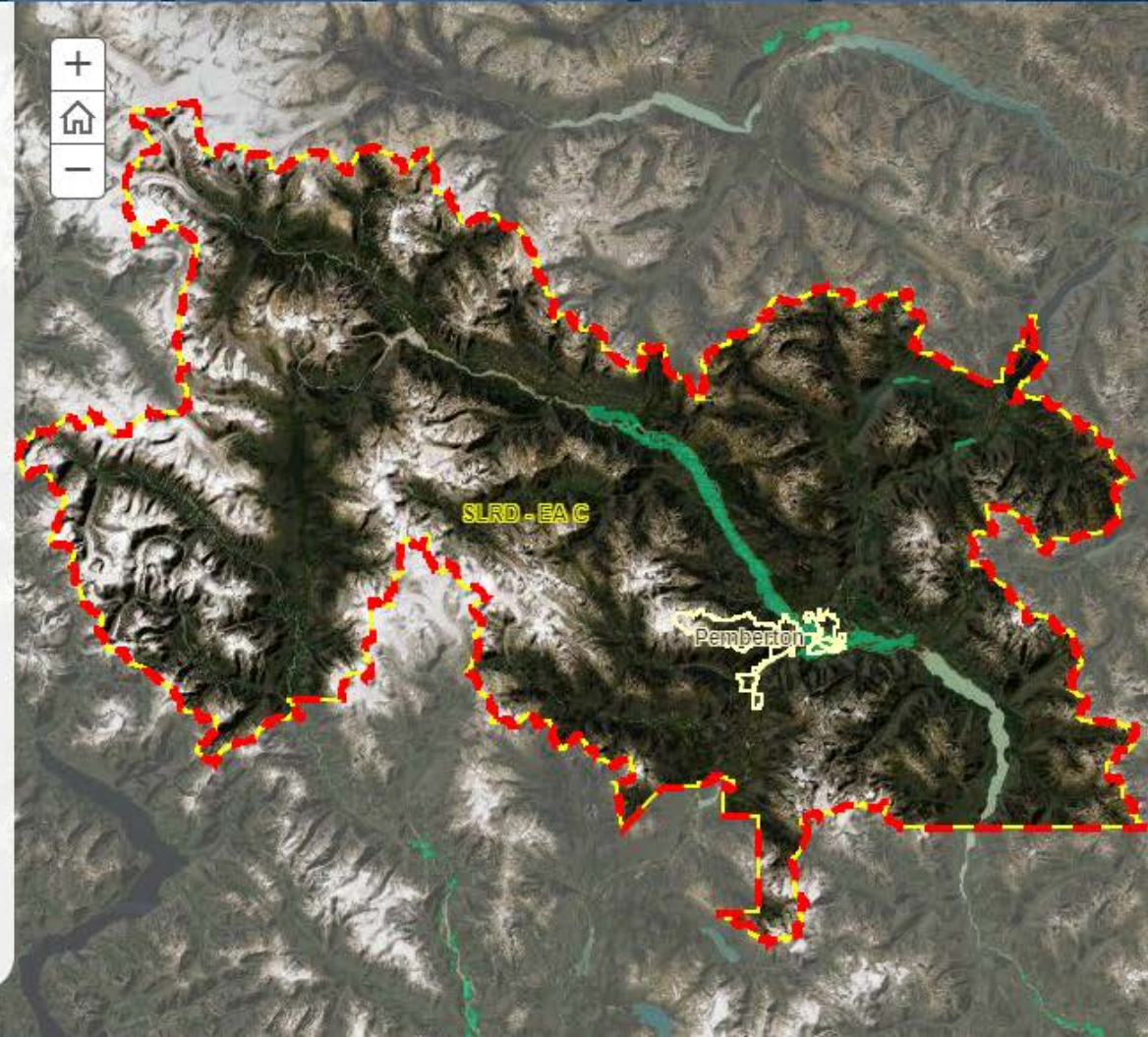
The ALR is a provincial zone in which agriculture is recognized as the priority use. Farming is encouraged and non-agricultural uses are controlled.

Data Collection

ALUI data is collected through visual interpretation of aerial imagery combined with a drive-by 'windshield survey'. The result is a snapshot in time of land cover and land use on legal parcels. In the Pemberton Valley, 2018 imagery was used as the basis of inventory.

Legal parcel boundaries, land use and land cover may have changed since the dataset was collected. Using this data to extrapolate farm management practices or environmental impacts from individual parcels is invalid.

Do you have feedback on the tool? Let us know. AgriServiceBC@gov.bc.ca.



- GIS data
- Web app
- Ag-in-brief

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ALR Parcel Availability

Use the selectors to filter the information shown on the right.
Filters can be used in any order.

1. Jurisdiction

All

2. Parcel Availability

- ☒ All
- ☐ Available but limited potential
- ☐ Available for farming
- ☐ Unavailable for farming
- ☐ Used for farming

3. Parcel Size Category (Ha)

< 1

1 - 2

2 - 4

4 - 8

8 - 16

16 - 32

32 - 64

64 - 128

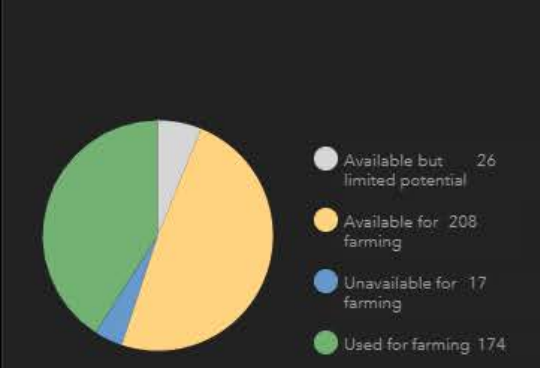
>= 128

4. Land Use

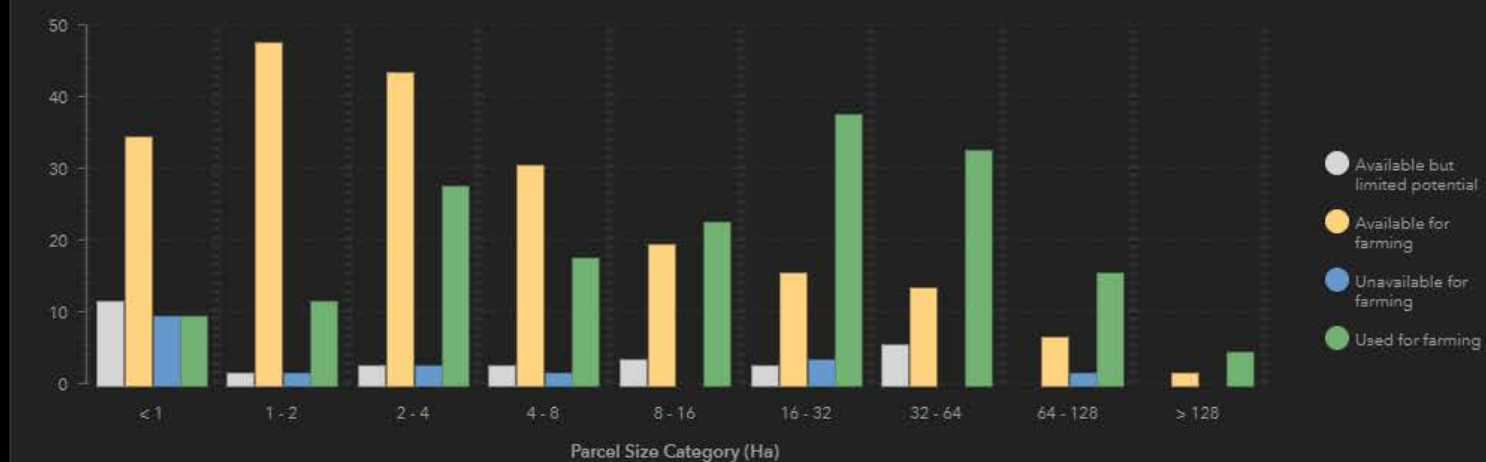
All



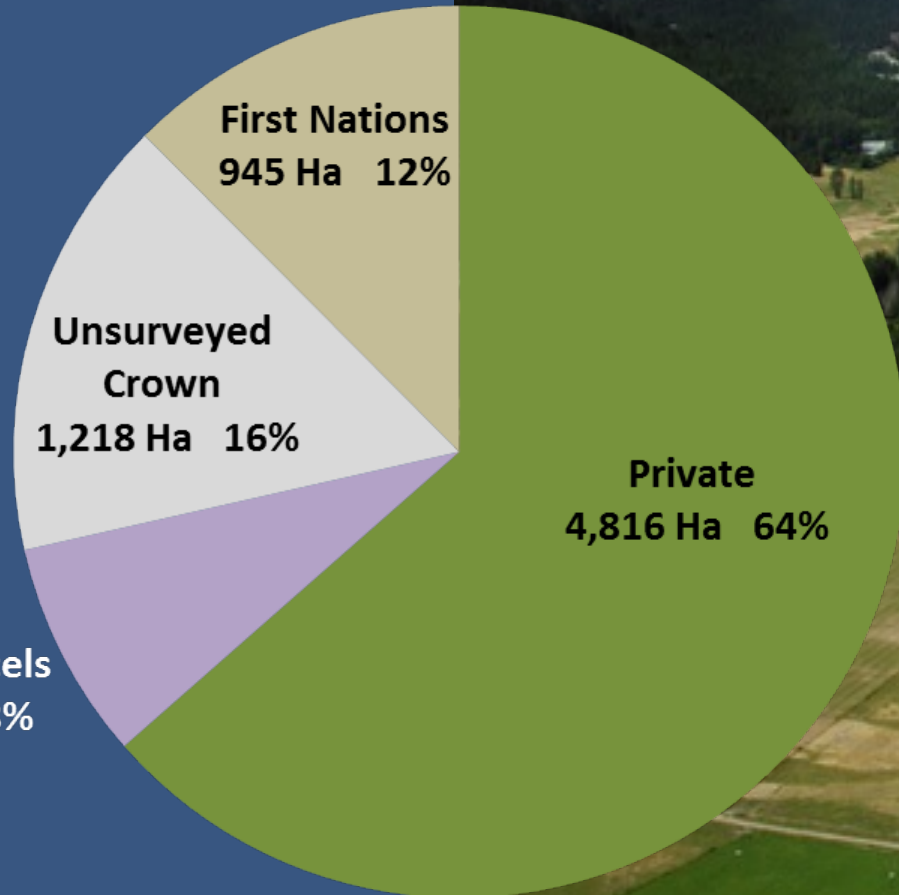
Parcel Availability (# of parcels)



Parcel Size Distribution (# of parcels)

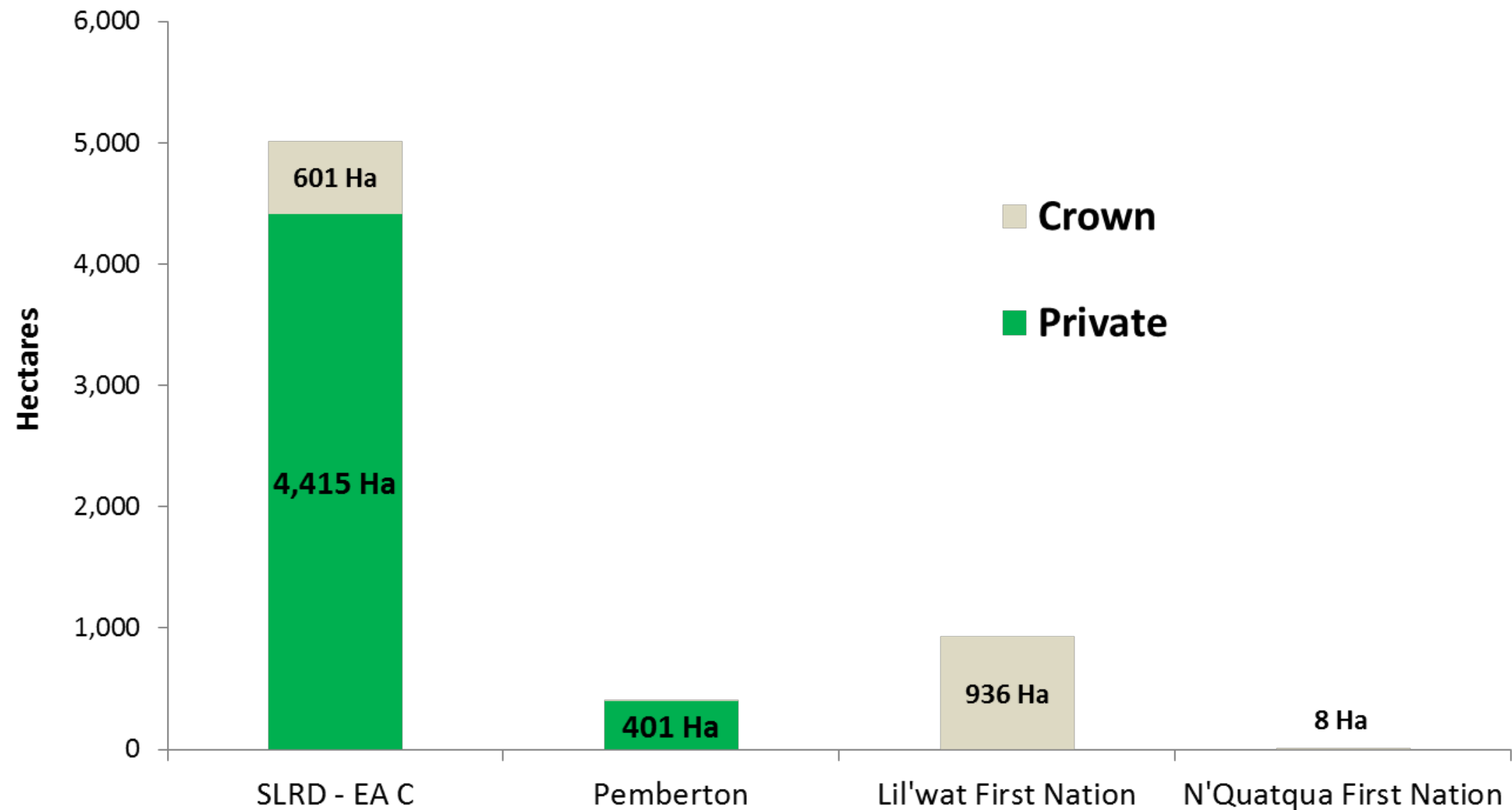


Agricultural Land Reserve

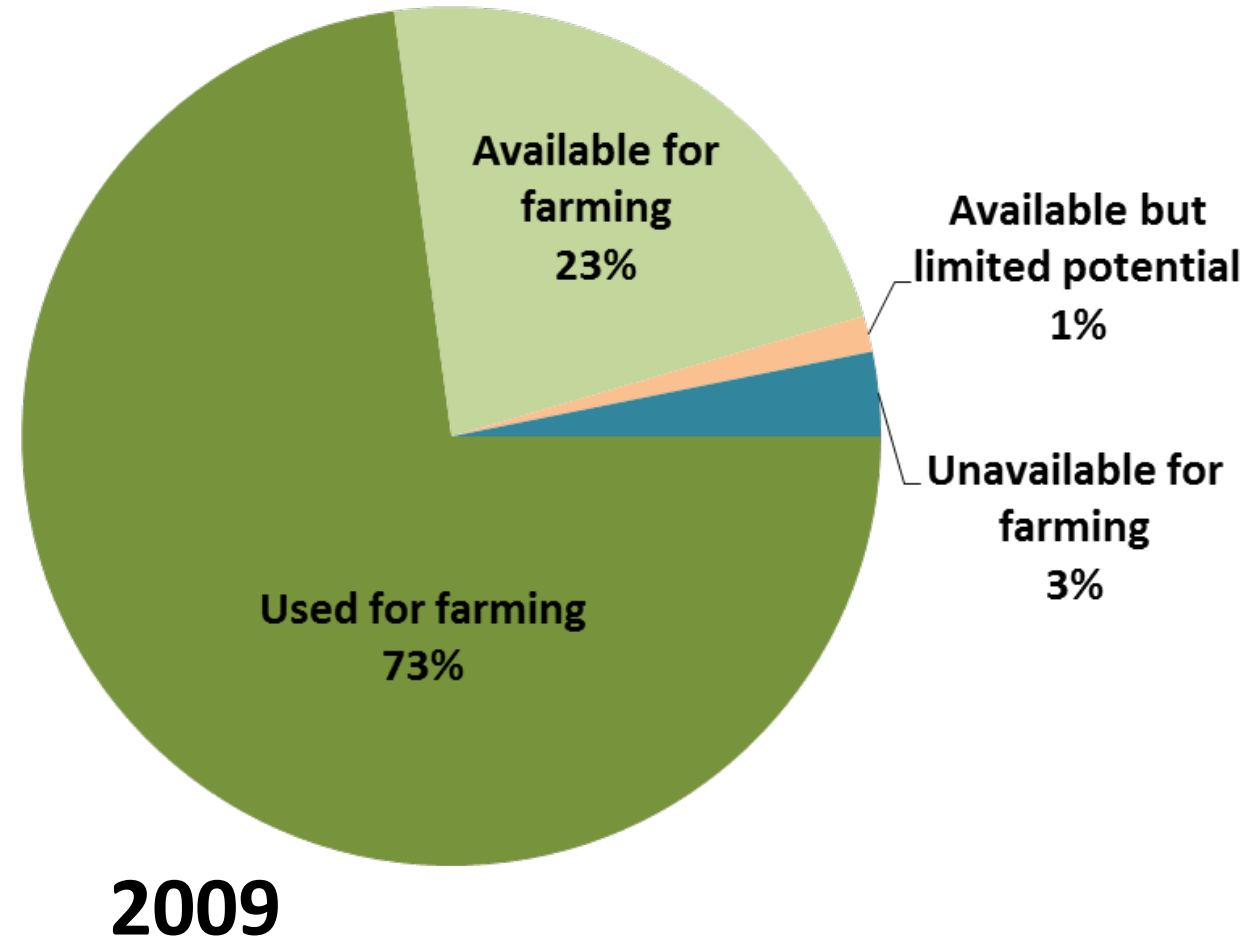
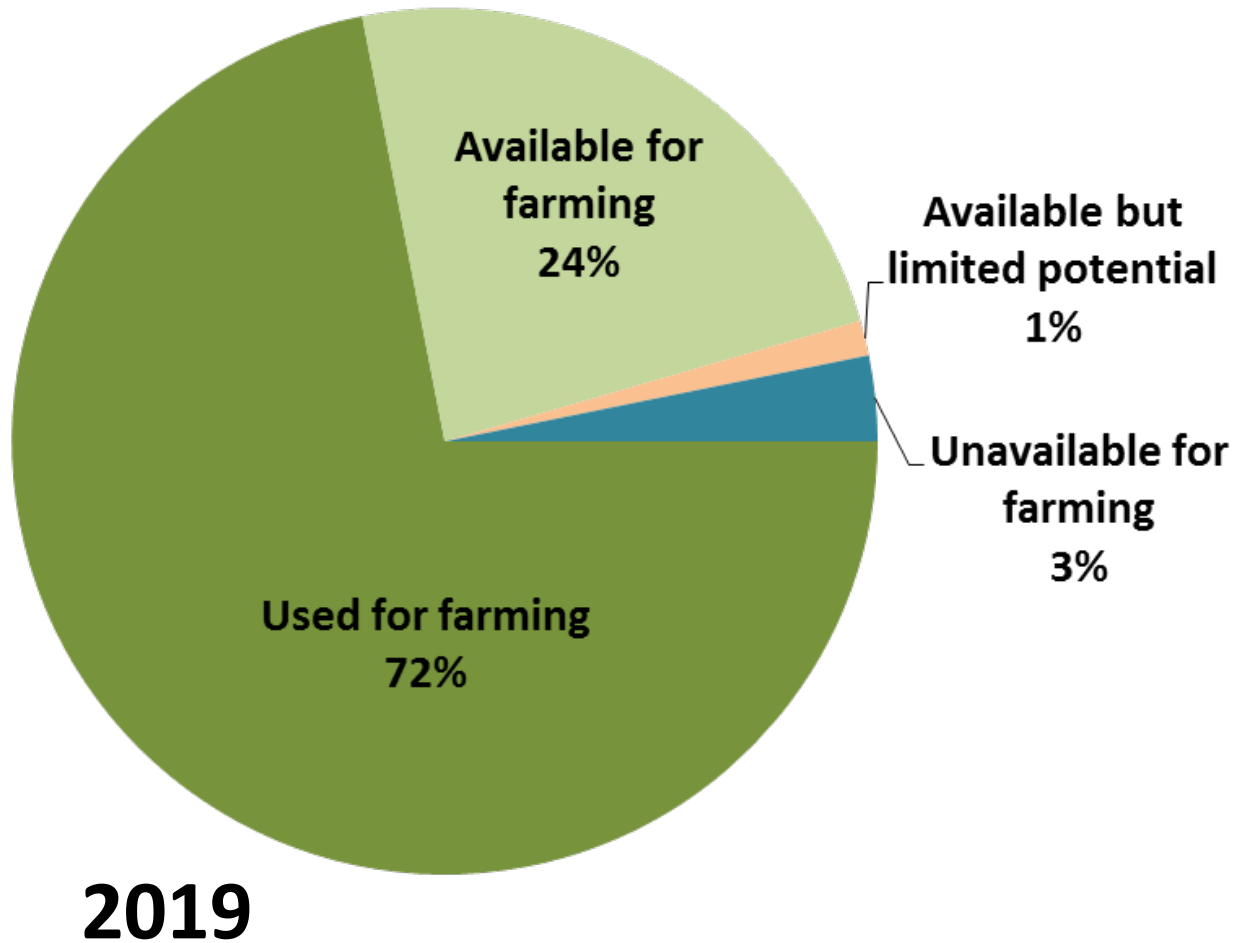


Crown parcels
601 Ha 8%

ALR - Ownership



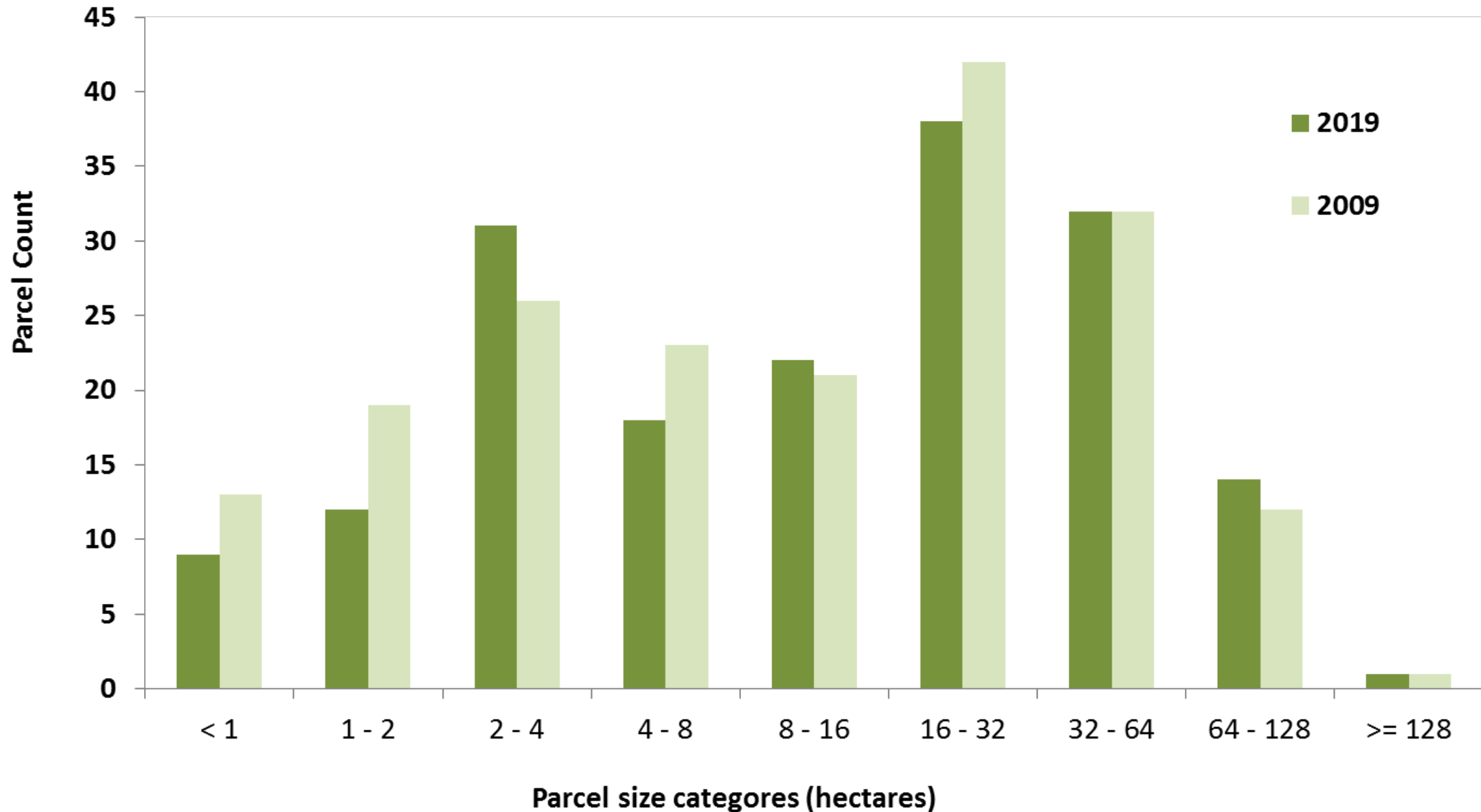
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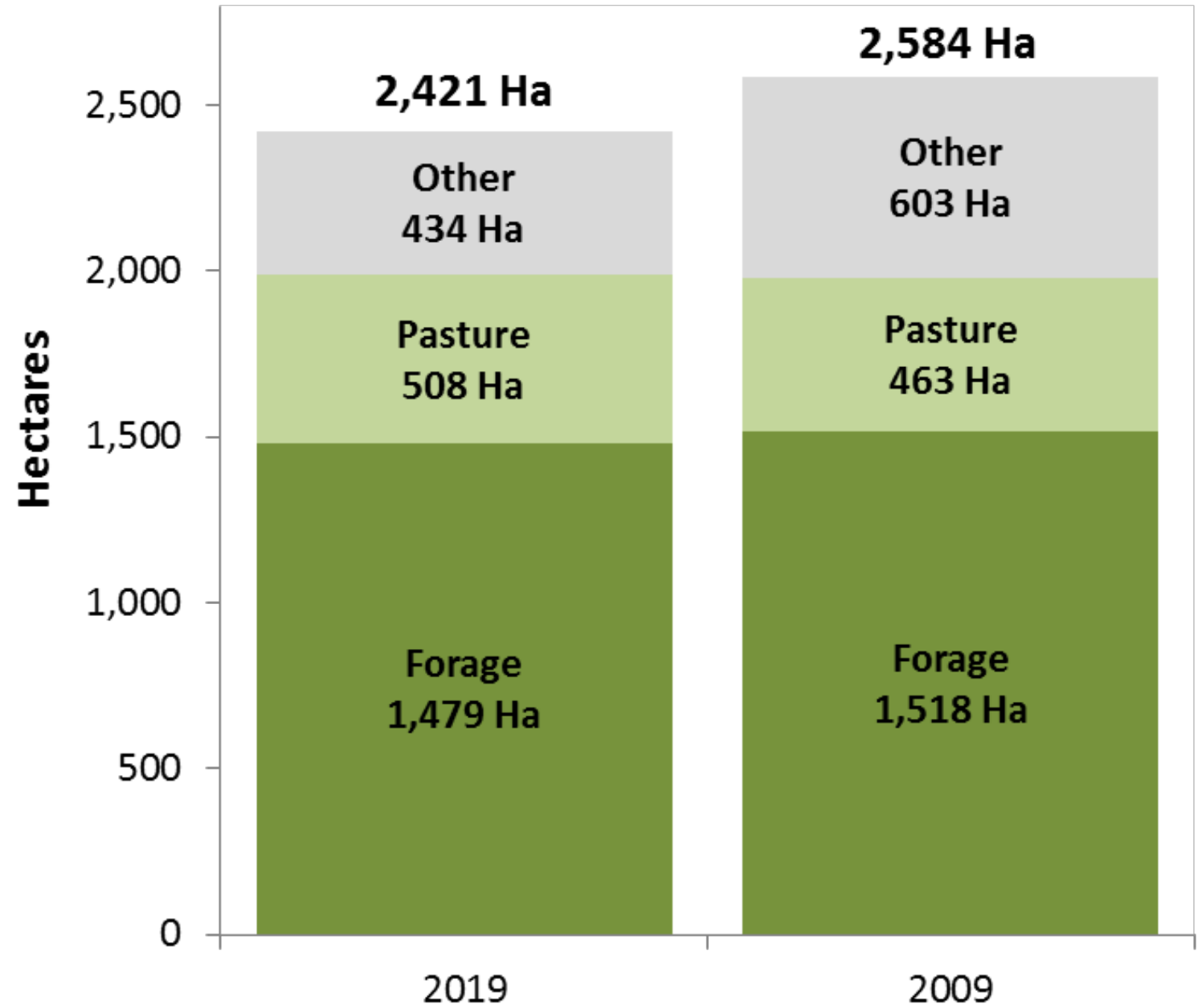
ALR – Private Parcels



ALR – Farmed Private Parcels



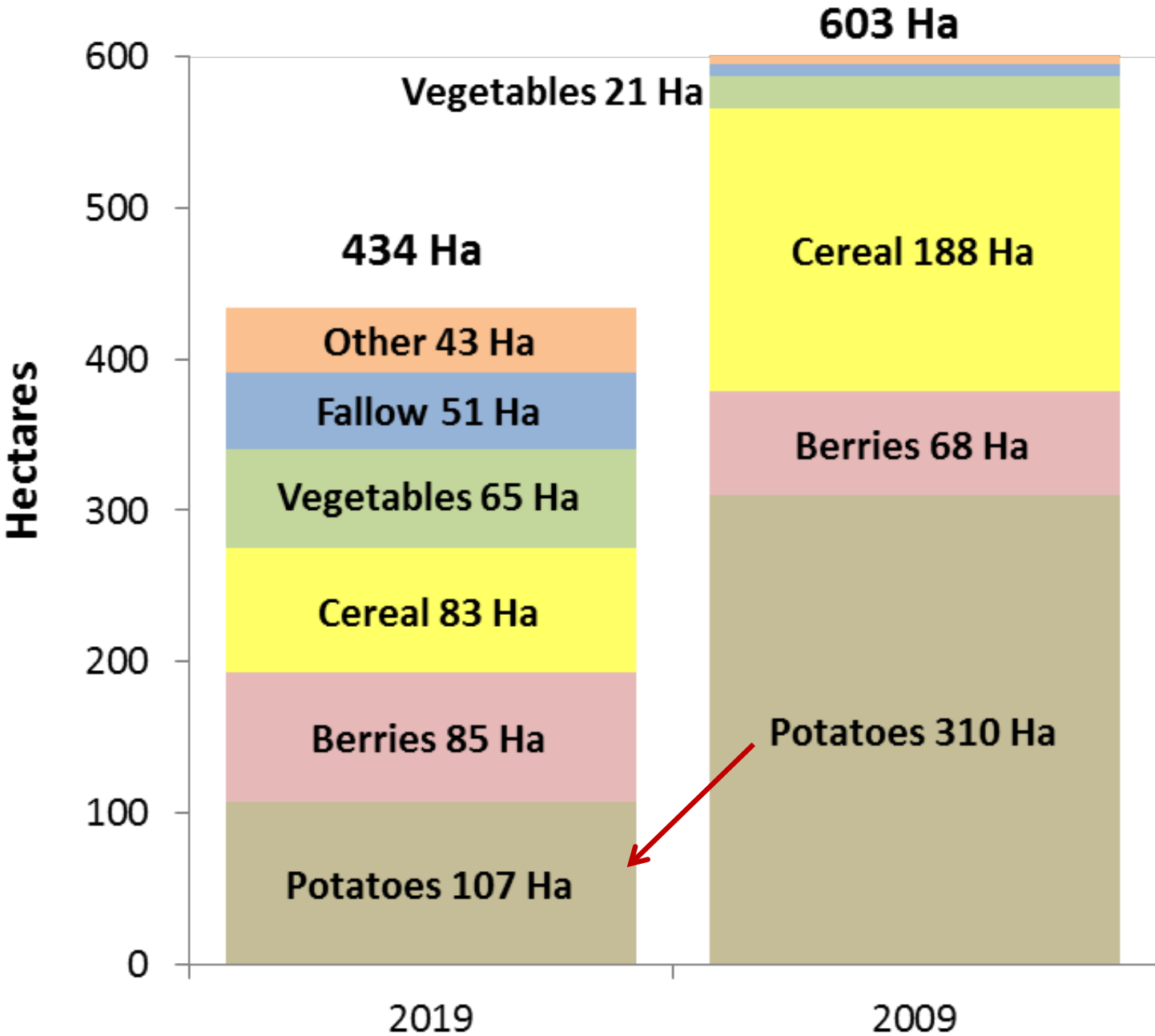
ALR – Cultivated Land



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Photo K Schoen



Livestock



Livestock	Scale of Operation	2019		2009		% increase since 2009
		Parcels	Animals	Parcels	Animals	
Dairy Dry cow	Very Large	7	550	-	-	new
Beef	Large scale	9	1,100	2	250	162%
Beef	Medium scale*	27	530	5	250	
Beef	Small scale	18	150	25	180	
Equine	All scales	63	321	69	297	8%
Other	Hobby	56	-	45	-	24%
TOTAL		180	2,651	146	977	171%

Agricultural Value Added



Helmer's Organics

Kuurne Farms

Miller Farms or the Beer Farmers

Pemberton Valley Farms

Riverlands

Blue House Organics

IceCap Organics

Laughing Crow Organics

Myrtle

North Arm Farm

Plenty Wild

Adventures on Horseback

Bandit Farms

Blackwater Creek Orchard

Copper Cayuse Outfitters

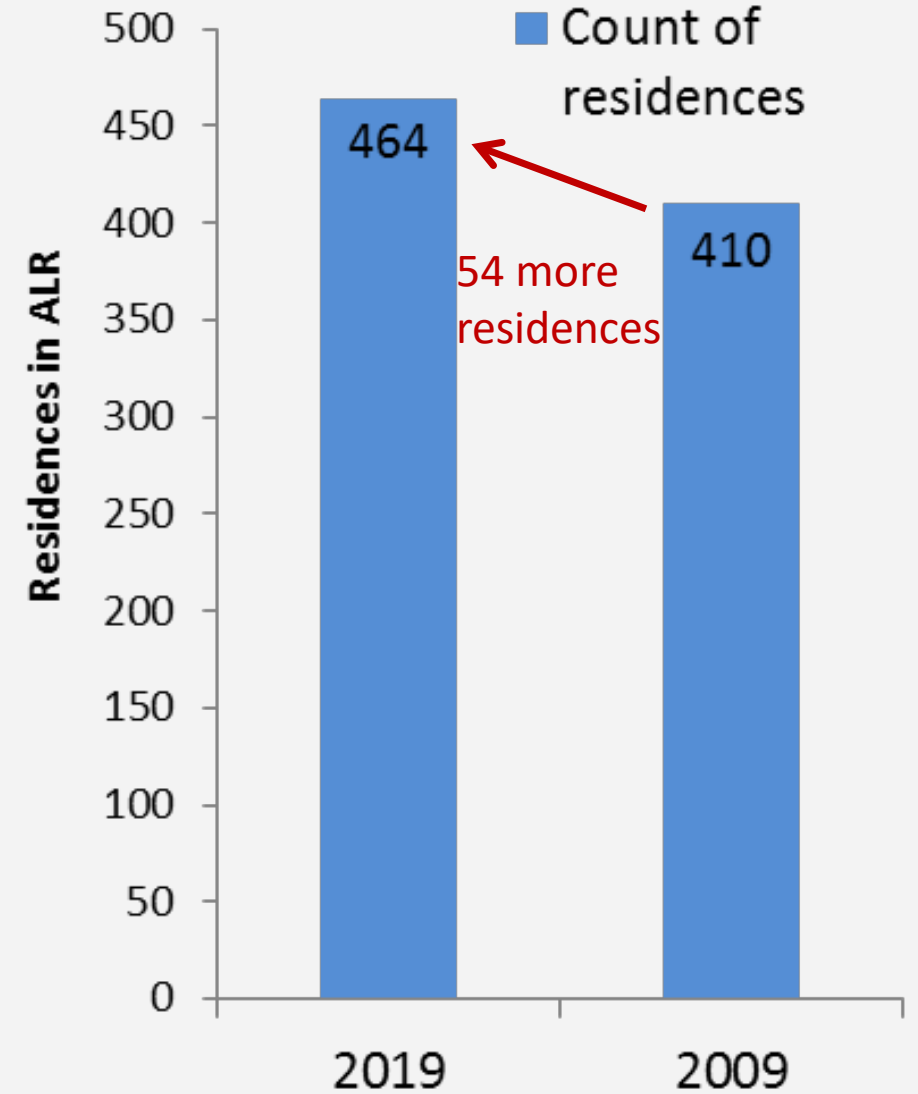
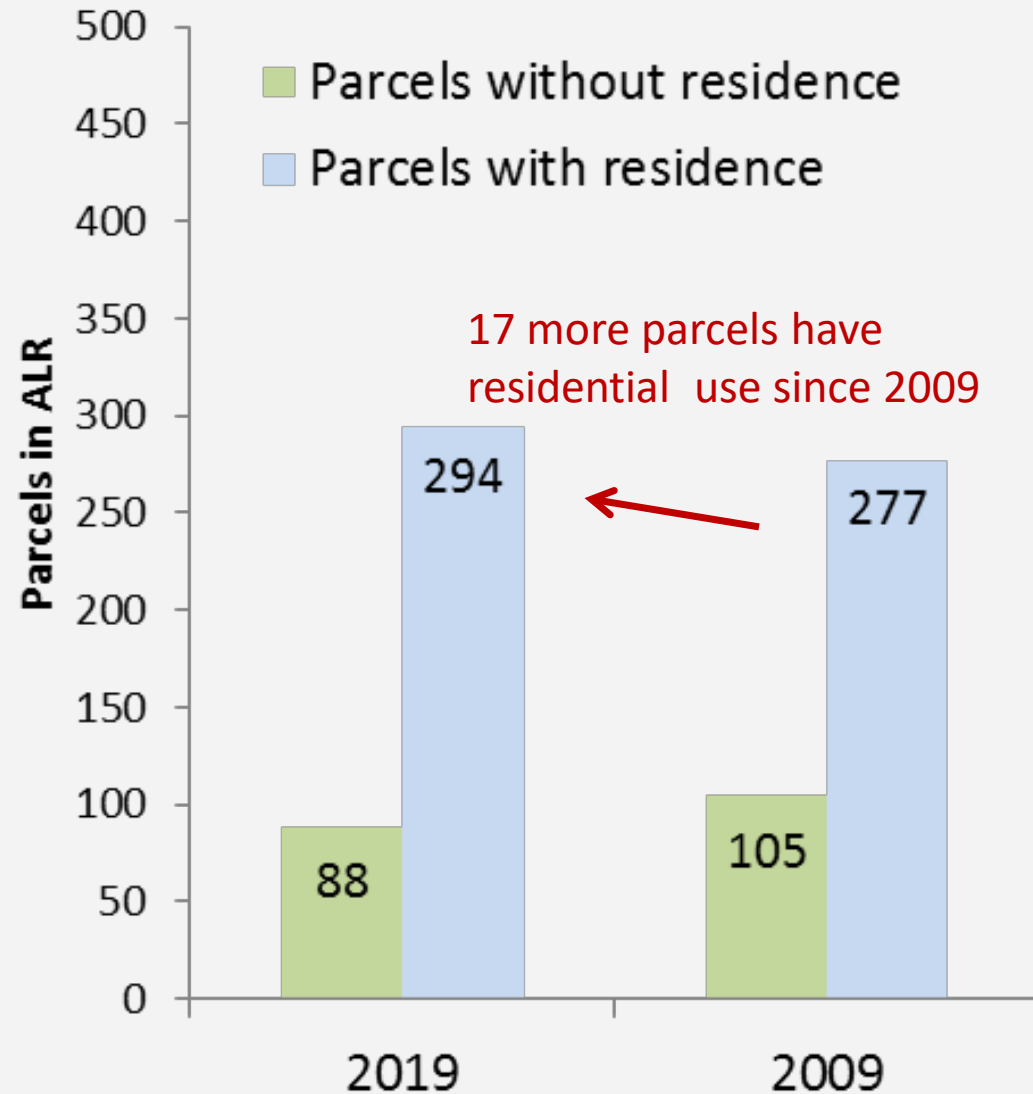
Dreamcatcher Meadows

Hawthorne Ranch

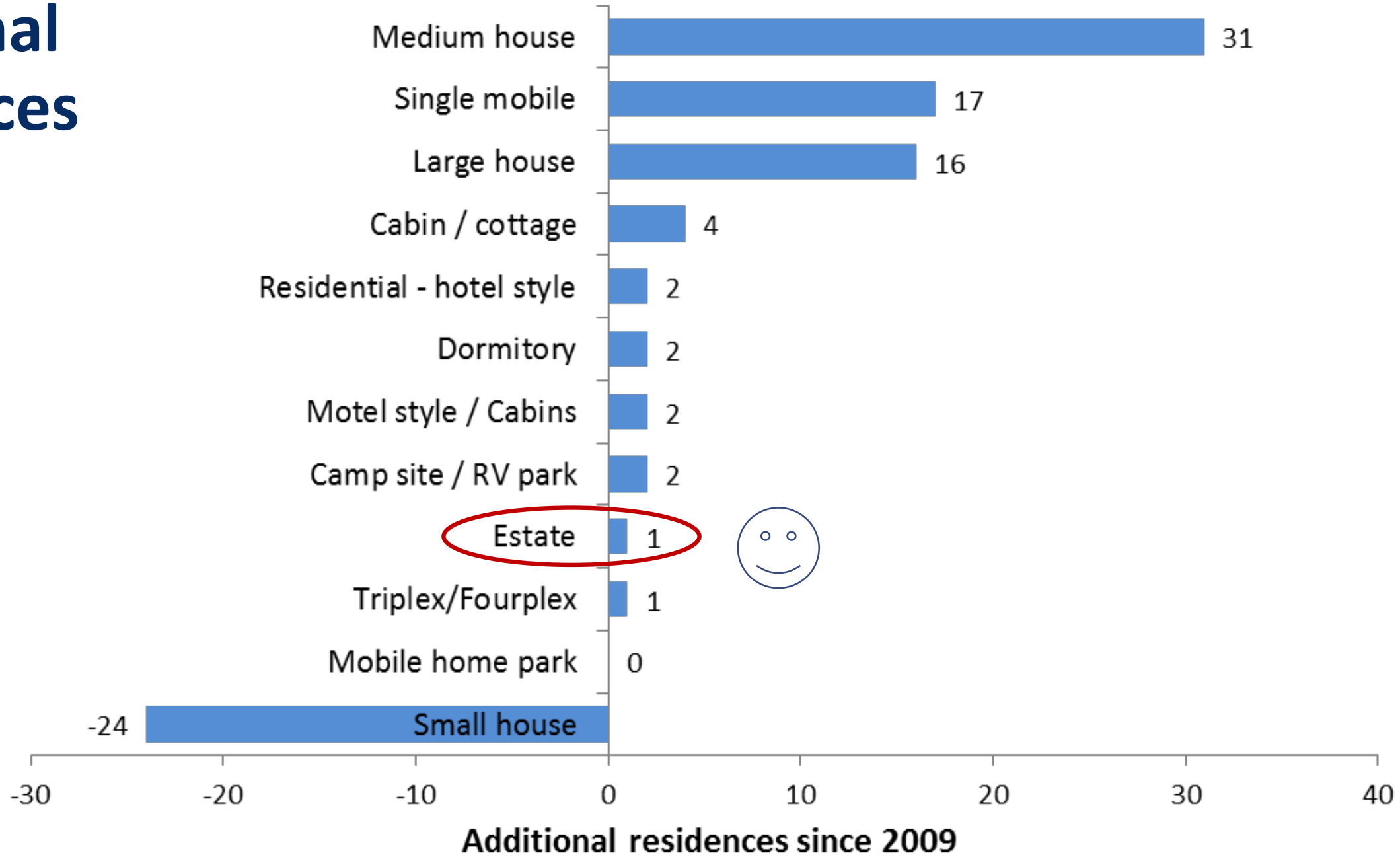
Pemberton Meadows Inn

Zalamwillow Farms

Residential in ALR



Additional Residences In ALR



- **Very minor loss of land in agricultural use since 2009 (22 parcels), but much of this is still available for farming**
- **Decline in potatoes, 107 Ha in 2019 down from 310 Ha in 2009**
- **Still no intensive livestock production or supply-managed commodity – but saw a significant increase in pastured cattle**
- **Residential use has increased, with 17 parcels gaining residential use; 54 new residences in total**

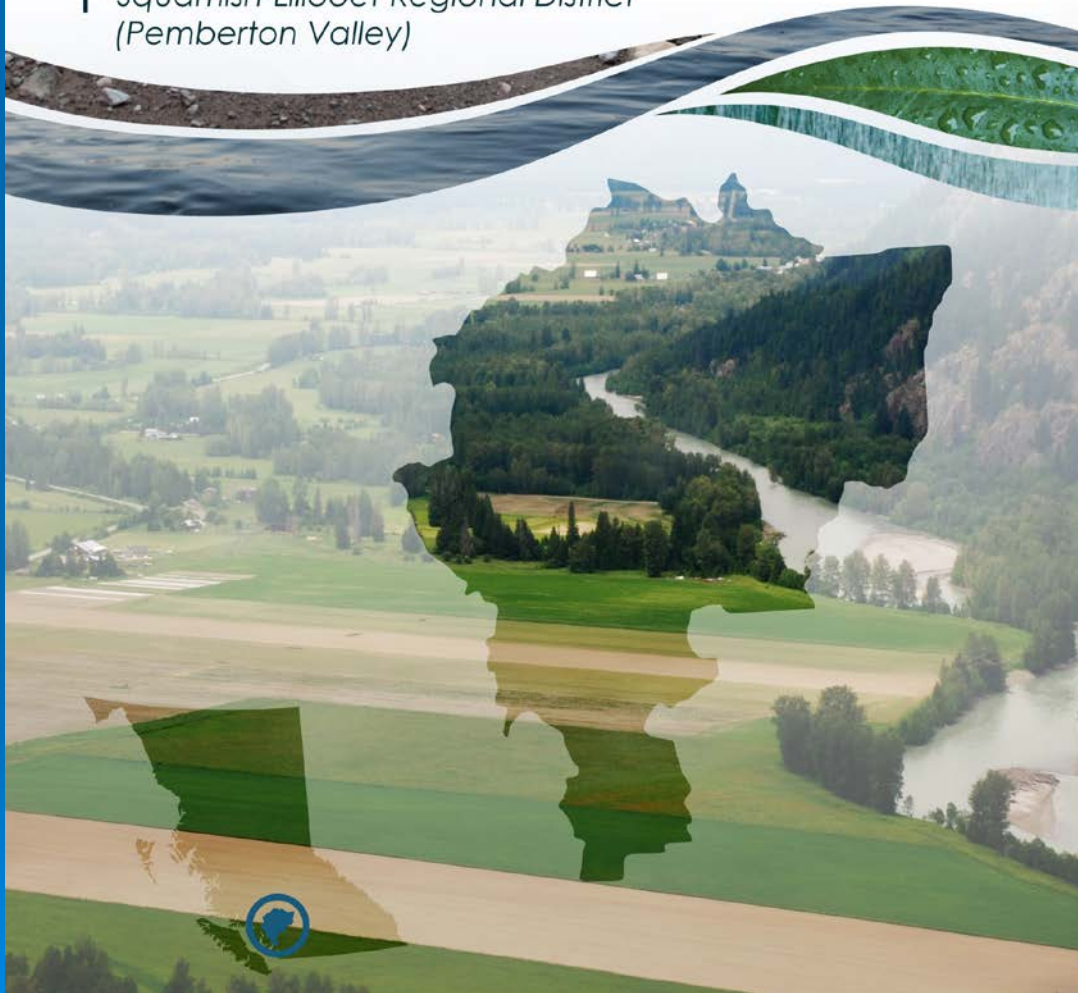
Thank you



QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

AGRICULTURE WATER DEMAND MODEL

*Squamish-Lillooet Regional District
(Pemberton Valley)*



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Overview

Agriculture Water Demand Model

- **Objective:** Reserve water for agriculture
 - *“How much water do you need?”*
- **Results:** Calculate current and future agriculture water requirements
 - Irrigation
 - Livestock
 - Frost protection
 - Flood Harvest

Food Self Reliance in BC

Food Group	BC Consumption Million Kg's	BC Production Million Kg's	% Self Reliance
Dairy	1,080	617	57%
Meat	467	298	64%
Vegetables (BC Grown)	764	331	43%
Fruit (grown in BC)	172	273	159%
Grain for Food	315	43	14%
Total – (Grown in BC)	2,798	1562	56%
Fruit (not able to grow in BC)	310		
Vegetables (not able to grow in BC)	1		
Sugar	136		
Total - BC	3,245	1562	48%

Climate Change

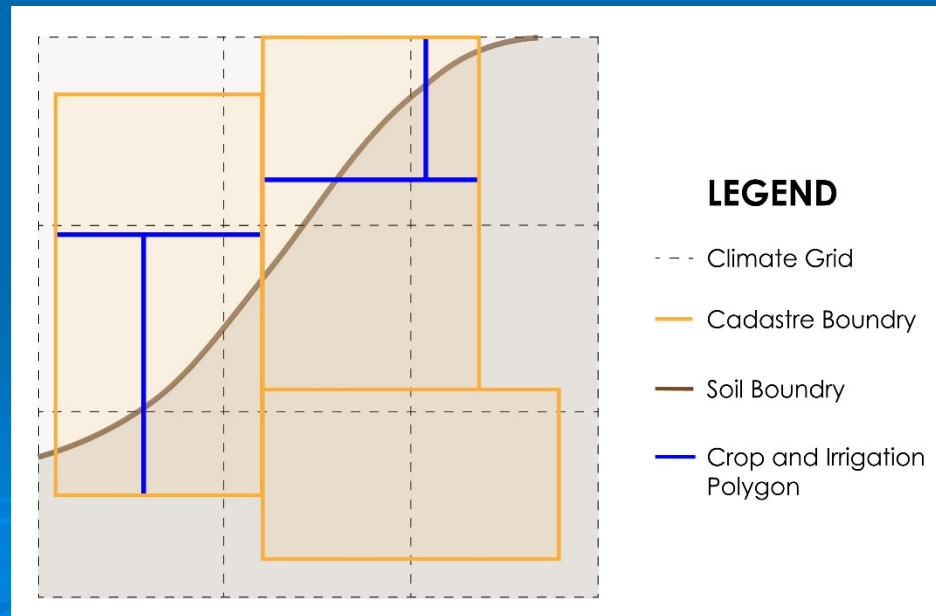
Changes in water supply and demand

- Summers will be drier
- Summers will be hotter requiring more water
- Less snow pack and more rainfall in winter – hydrology will change



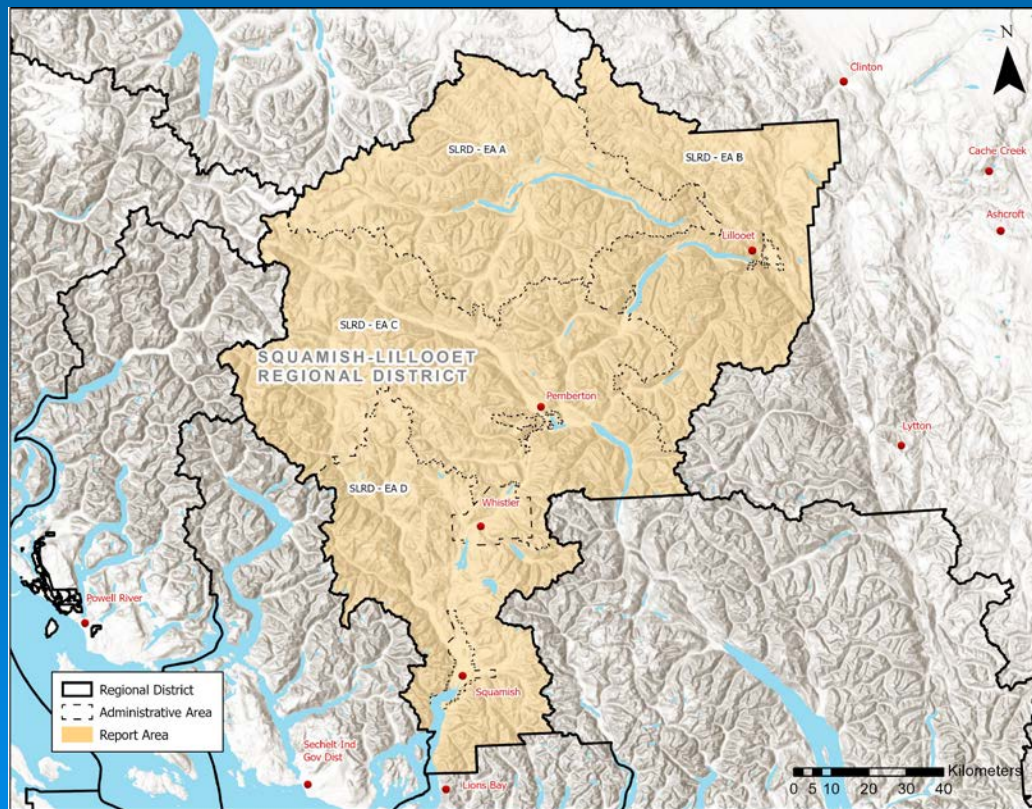
Data Input

- Crop (ALUI)
- Irrigation System (ALUI)
- Soil (Ministry of Environment)
- Climate (historical 1960 – 2010, future predictive to 2100)
- Algorithms to calculate water demands



Data Output (Results)

- Model calculates water demand by property.
- Model summarizes demand by crop, irrigation system, or soil.
- Reports can be generated for specific region, local government, electoral area.



Irrigation Demand with Climate Change - SLRD

Crop	Irrigated Area (ha)	Irrigation Demand (m ³)		
		Year 2003	Year 2053	% Increase
Forage	1,797	17,620,959	22,767,723	29%
Vegetable	193	1,113,905	1,507,155	35%
Cranberry	44	368,823	408,428	11%
Berry	35	127,890	195,523	53%
Other	29	216,383	281,246	30%
Total	2,098	19,447,960	25,160,075	29%

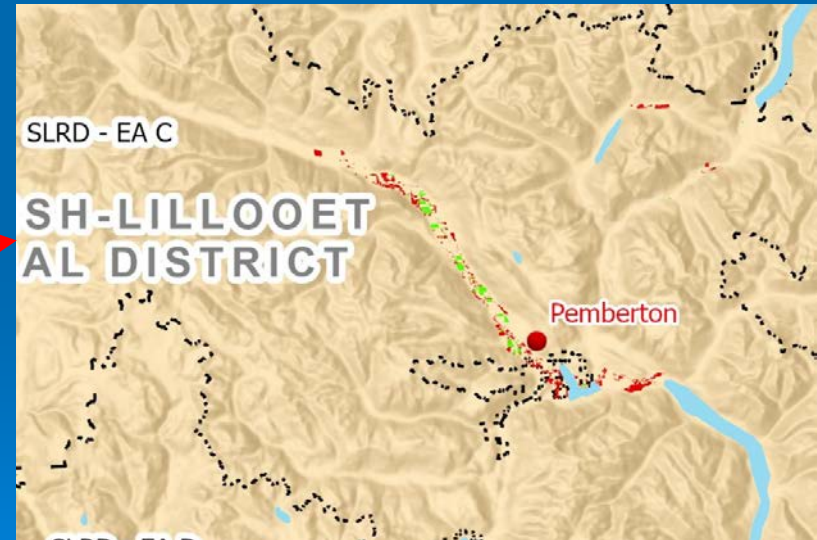
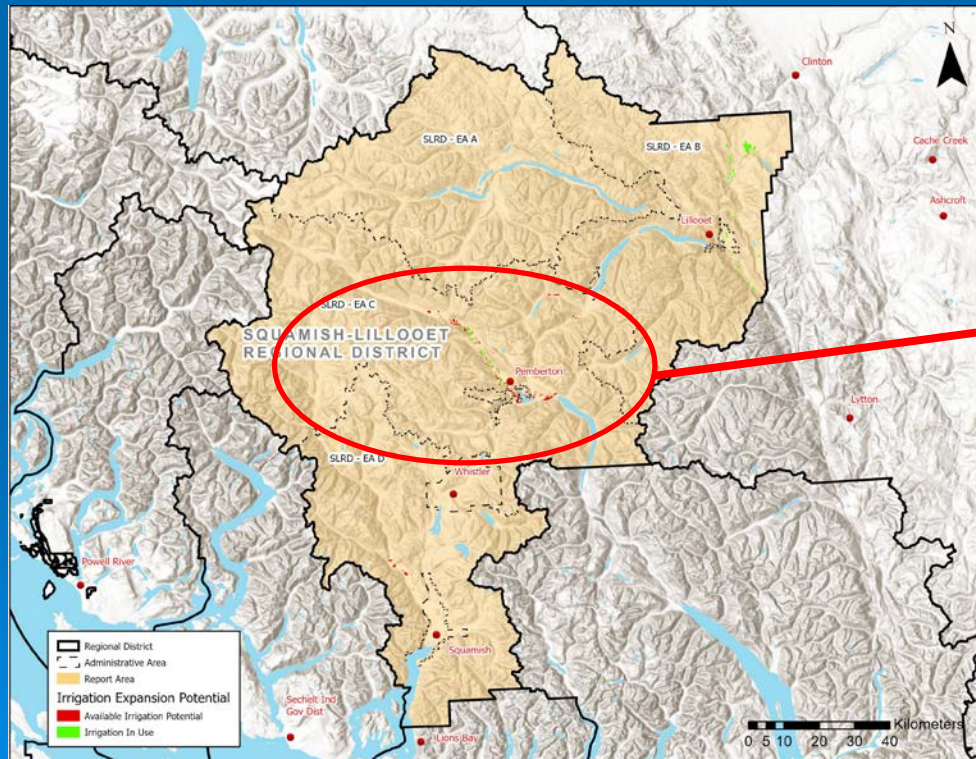
Irrigation Demand with Climate Change - Pemberton

Crop	Irrigated Area (ha)	Irrigation Demand (m ³)		
		Year 2003	Year 2053	% Increase
Forage	450	3,038,962	4,168,232	37%
Vegetable	175	1,011,452	1,381,075	37%
Cranberry	44	368,823	408,428	11%
Berry	35	127,113	194,093	53%
Other	12	94,028	124,603	33%
Total	716	4,640,378	6,276,431	35%

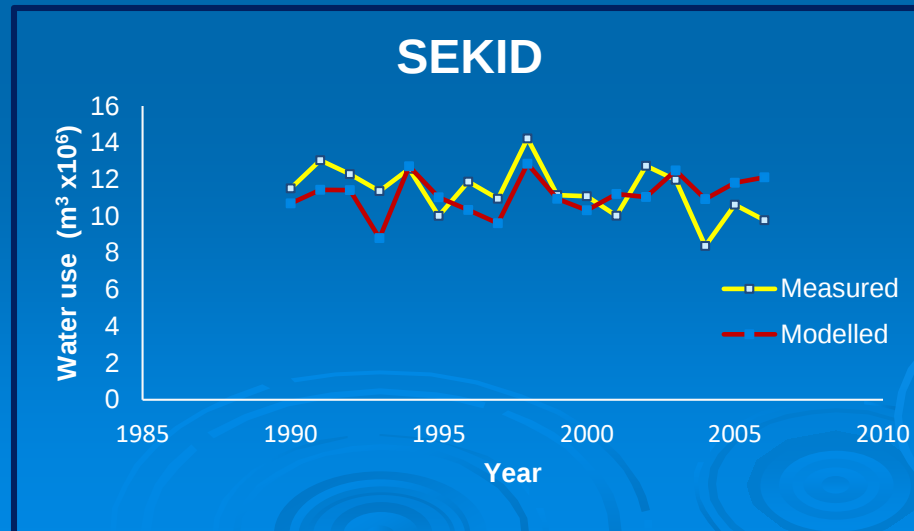
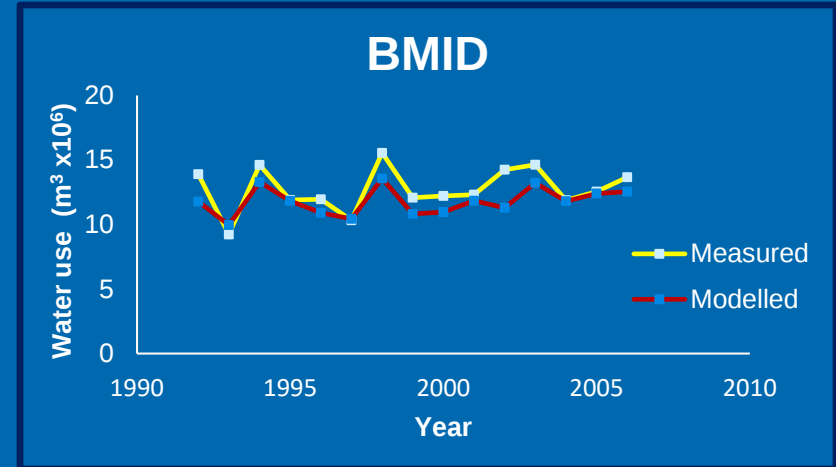
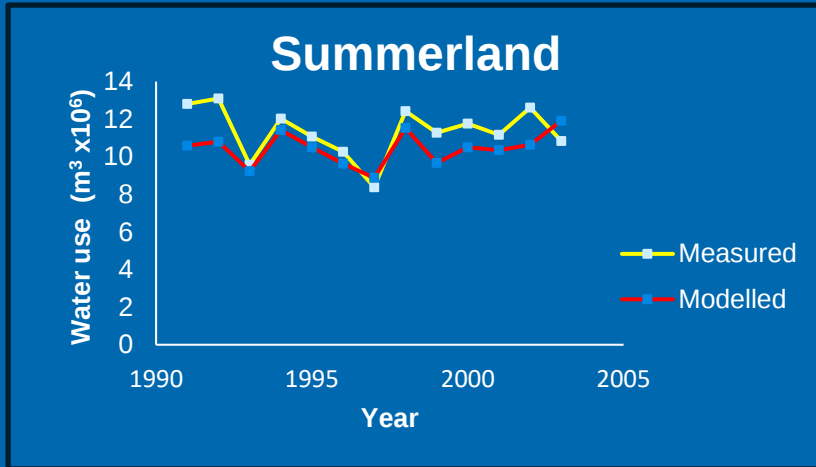
Future Expansion of Irrigated Area

Current Irrigated Area = 2,098 ha (SLRD) and 716 ha (Pemberton only)

Future Irrigated Area = 2,526 ha (SLRD) and 2,094 ha (Pemberton only)



Result Comparison



Applications of Agriculture Water Demand Model

- Water budget analysis – drought, allocation
- Agriculture land use planning
- Agriculture food strategy
- Dedicated Agriculture Water – Water Sustainability Plan (WSP) under Water Sustainability Act (WSA)

