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As promised at the last TSA meeting in Kamloops, the shapefiles for the natural barrier mapping for the Thompson Rivers District will be uploaded within the next few days to the FTP site, as well as the PDF maps. These maps should help your decision making in planning your harvesting operations, but please note that they do not replace the need to communicate directly with the range licencees that may be impacted. The methodology and explanation of the mapping is attached to this note. These maps will not remain static, and you may note some pasture boundaries already don't quite match up with the natural range barrier –pasture boundaries may have been edited after the natural range barrier mapping project was completed. They are a work in progress and adjustments will be made over time. Note also that unallocated range does not mean that there is no risk of impacting a natural barrier. An unallocated range may well act as a natural barrier and harvesting could open that area up to cattle use. Tenure information is on the range layer, which is being updated and tested and my understanding is that it will be available fairly soon on the LRDW.

We are hoping that this tool will help you in your decision making. Please bring any comments you may have on the product to myself, the range staff, or to our management team