

The District of Mackenzie:
The sky's the limit



[An introduction to Mackenzie]

- Location, History, Economy, Demographics, the Community, Recreation Opportunities



Location



- 190 km North of Prince George
- 29 km off Highway 97 on Highway 39

[Location]

- On the South end of Williston Lake
 - Largest man-made reservoir in North America
- Omineca Mountains to the west
- Rocky Mountains to the east
- Within the Rocky Mountain Trench

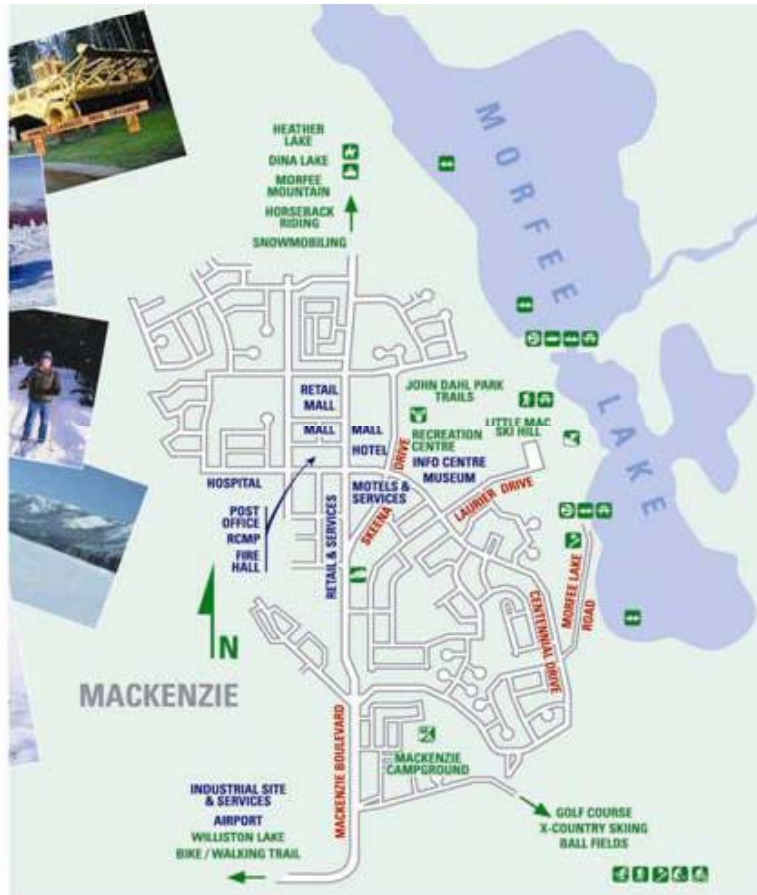


[History]

- McLeod Lake Indian Band
- In 1793, Alexander Mackenzie traveled through the area
- In 1871 the gold rush arrived in the region



History



- The District of Mackenzie was incorporated in 1966
 - Planned community
- 1968 the WAC Bennett Dam was completed, creating Williston Lake and new opportunities for forestry in the area



[Economy]

- Current economy largely forestry dependent
- Major industry
 - Pulp and Paper
 - Wood lands offices
 - Sawmills
 - Finger jointed studs



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[New Developments]

- Further developing tourism sector
- Mackenzie Green Energy
 - Co-generation plant in Environmental Assessment stage
- Mt. Milligan, Terrane Metals
 - Gold and copper mine
 - Working on their Environmental Assessment Application



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[Demographics]

- Population of around 4500 in 2006
- Mackenzie is a young community
 - 2001 Statistics showed 75% of the population is under the age of 44



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[Community Services]



- Health:
 - 5 bed Hospital
 - Health Care Centre
- Education:
 - Two elementary schools
 - High school
 - College of New Caledonia Campus
- Average price for a home is \$110 000

[Community Services]

- Recreation centre with pool, hockey rink, curling rink, weight room
- Bowling alley, tennis courts, ball diamonds
- John Dahl Regional park



[Community Services]



- Library
- Arts Centre
- 61 Active Clubs & Organizations
 - Sports and Recreation
 - Service clubs
 - Arts



[Outdoor Recreation - Winter]



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- Snowmobiling
 - October - May



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Outdoor Recreation - Winter

- Skiing
 - Downhill
 - In town
 - Powder King
 - Cross Country
 - Lit trails



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[Outdoor Recreation - Summer]

- Boating
- Beaches
 - Morfee Lake



[Outdoor Recreation - Summer]

- Trails Network
 - Hiking
 - Biking
- Hunting and Fishing
- ATV
- Golf



[Mackenzie]



Opportunity awaits...