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Hawke Ranch

Fort Steele, BC

PROPERTY DETAILS

Listing Number: 23093

Price: \$6,999,000

LOCATION

3261, 3441, 3445 & 3551 Wardner Fort Steele Road - Fort Steele, BC

Notable Drive Times

- Fort Steele 15 minutes
- Cranbrook, BC 25 minutes
- Calgary, AB 3 hours 50 minutes
- Lethbridge, AB 3 hours
- Spokane, USA 4 hours

DIRECTIONS

4 km south of Norbury Lake Provincial Park on Wardner Fort Steele Road.

SIZE

504.92 acres over 4 titles

- (3441, 3445, 3551) Plan NEPX40 Sublot 6, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District, Except Plan 7690 153.67 acres
- (3261) Lot B, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - 107.98 acres
- Plan NEPX40 Sublot 5, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - 160 acres
- Lot C, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - 83.27 acres

DESCRIPTION

Hawke Ranch is now for sale for the first time. Established in 1976, this family owned and operated ranch is located in BC's most picturesque geographic setting at the south end of the Hughes Range in the Canadian Rockies; more affectionately known as "the Steeples."

The operation is set over 4 very scenic titles totaling 505 acres plus over 20,000 acres of range land with 763 AUMs. Of the 505 acres, there are approximately 300 acres of highly productive/irrigated hay land with virtually endless water from early spring to late fall via multiple water licence on Norbury Creek and a highly productive irrigation well (500 GPM). Within the irrigated land is a small 6-7 acre plot that is leased to Bayer for canola seed production, they are very keen to carry on with the lease with a new owner if desired. Payment is in the range of \$20,000 for access to land and water.

The hillside overlooking the ranch has approx. 120+ acres of forest land offering good grazing. Approximately 45 to 50 acres of the 120 has been selectively logged opening up with some good grass growth, the rest is fully timbered, and all offers amazing views back towards the Steeples.

Norbury Creek runs for approximately 1.4 km through the ranch in behind the houses creating an amazingly lush corridor, excellent fishing, freshwater mussels, and a beautiful swimming hole to enjoy and of course reliable water for irrigation. Out the west end of the ranch there is seamless grazing on one of the ranges, heading east across Wardner Fort Steele Road and on both sides of the Bull River is additional range land extending to and





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On the property you will find 3 family homes (see below for home lay outs and more details). There is also a well-maintained and upgraded mobile (rented), 5 hay sheds, multiple bays/ machine sheds, garages, and other functional ranch outbuildings. This is the ideal set up for an extended family to work the ranch, plenty of housing for a ranch manager, or if set up as a guest ranch staff/quest housing, or more simply good rentals. The zoning allows further development if desired. Two of the titles have no dwellings and could have a new home plus a guest house, one title could have a home built and designate the current home a secondary dwelling or vice versa while one title is maxed out for residential dwellings unless set up as a guest ranch where you are allowed 10 cabins per title. Access to all titles is either by road or for one of the titles an easement allowing for the sale of all titles independently if desired down the road.

Buyer to verify their intended use with the RDEK and ALR.

This is for sure a trophy ranch property in one of BC's most desired geographic locations.

Herd

Price does not include the herd but is available for market rates. The herd is comprised of Simental Red Angus cross. Hawke Ranch does not keep any Charolais cross calves for replacements. All calves are red and have been for years; maintaining all tan colored calves. Price includes no less than 200 cows of which 12 are pure bred Charolais who are bred to pure bred Charolais bulls. The herd that is being sold with the ranch also has 8 Charolais bulls and 1 Heifer bull.

Red Angus and Simmental are two breeds of cattle that are commonly crossed to create a hybrid calf that displays desirable traits from both breeds. When a Red Angus bull is bred to a Simmental cow, the resulting calf is known as a Red Angus x Simmental cross or "Red SimmAngus."

Red Angus cattle are known for their exceptional meat quality and marbling, as well as their docile temperament and adaptability to various climates. Simmental cattle, on the other hand, are known for their large size and impressive growth rates, as well as their meat quality and maternal characteristics.

When Red Angus and Simmental are crossed, their offspring typically display a range of desirable traits such as:

- · Good growth rates
- · Excellent carcass quality
- High meat yield
- · Calving ease for heifers
- · Good maternal characteristics
- Adaptability to various environments



Overall, Red Angus x Simmental cross calves are a popular choice among cattle producers who are looking to improve the quality and profitability of their herds.

Bayer Lease

Bayer leases approximately 6-7 acres of land for canola seed production. The owner supplies water and the land and Bayer does all the maintenance, pays for seed, pays to seed back to grass, etc. Net lease paid to seller is \$20,000+.

Equipment

Price does not include the equipment (except the wheel lines are included). An equipment list can be provided to qualified buyers as all equipment is available for purchase.

HOUSE LAY OUTS

3261 Wardner Fort Steele Road

Main Floor

- Kitchen with pantry 10'10" x 11'
- Dining 8' x 12'
- Living 12'10" x 22'
- Laundry 10'6" x 7'
- Half bath
- Foyer front 4' x 9'
- Foyer side 4' x 6'

Upper Floor

- Bedroom 10'5" x 10'5"
- Bedroom 9'10" x 13'10"
- · Master with en-suite bath
- Office 8' x 10'
- Full bathroom

Basement

- Recreation Room 14'10" x 24'6"
- Bedroom 10'3" x 11'4"
- Utility room 10' x 9'
- Cold Room 6'6" x 10'



Hobby Room - 6'6" x 10'

Attached Double Garage

3441 Wardner Fort Steele Rd

Main Floor

- Kitchen 13' x 21'
- Dining 9'10" x 14'10" (open to dining room)
- Living -13' x 21'
- Half bath
- Mudroom
- Pantry
- Foyer 7' x 9'
- Bedroom 9' x 12'
- Master bedroom with en-suite and 2 walk in closets - 12'10" x 16'
- Full bathroom
- Bedroom 9'9" x 13'3"

Lower Floor (Walk out)

- Rec room 17' x 32' with wood stove
- Bedroom 13'8" x 11'8"
- Bedroom 11'5" x 14'5"
- Full bathroom
- Utility 10' x 9'
- Storage 17'6" x 6"
- Gym/den 12'3" x 16'7"

Attached Double Garage



3445 Wardner Fort Steele Road

Lower Floor

- Office 9' x 9'9"
- Rec room 20' x 17'
- Craft room 16' x 10'3"
- Cold room 16' x 5'
- Bathroom

<u>Upper Floor</u>

- Kitchen 16' x 18'
- Living 16' x 23'6"
- Master bedroom with en-suite 12' x 18'6"
- Bedroom 10' x 14'
- Bedroom 10'3" x 11'9"
- Full bathroom

Attached Double Garage

3551 Wardner Fort Steele Rd (Mobile)

- Kitchen
- Living
- · Master with en-suite
- Bedroom
- Full bathroom
- Laundry

AREA DATA

The property is located in the East Kootenays, along Wardner Fort Steele Road, a picturesque drive along the base of the Rocky Mountains. As you leave Fort Steele and drive south towards the property you will find lots of very scenic and productive ranch land, and of course spectacular mountain vistas. Just before you reach the property you pass Norbury Lake Provincial Park where the creek supplying water to the ranch flows from. The ranch sits at 830 metres in elevation. Most of the agricultural land in the area is for hay and cattle grazing, although more recently a few have started growing veggies commercially.

Cranbrook

Cranbrook is the largest city in the Kootenays serving a local population of 25,000 and servicing a much larger population as a regional centre. The city is a 25-minute drive south of the ranch. In Cranbrook you will find all the amenities you would ever need from big box stores to boutique shops to professional services. Here you can most major franchises as well as being the location of the East Kootenay Regional Hospital an International airport with daily flights to Calgary and Vancouver and seasonal international flight options.

South East Kootenays

On the broader scale, the property is located in the southeast Kootenay district, in the broad Kootenay River Valley between the Purcell and Rocky Mountain ranges. It is approx. an hour north of the United States and the borders of Montana, Idaho and Washington. The area is recognized as the 'warmer side of the Rockies' with a nice dry climate and is noted as having the most sunshine hours in all of BC.

RECREATION

Branching out from the property, the East Kootenay region is unique in the number of recreational activities that can be enjoyed year-round. There are great fly-fishing opportunities, kayaking the St. Mary's or Kootenay River, or exploring backcountry Crown land and mountaineering (excellent climbing gym in Kimberley). Kimberley Alpine Ski Resort with over 1,800 acres of terrain, 80 named runs and glades, plenty of sunshine and dry snow is one of BC's finest is 15 minutes away. The Kimberley Nordic Club trail network consists of a multiple variety of cross-country tracks including a trail illuminated for night skiing. The Kimberley Nature Park is one of the largest municipal parks in Canada, offering 800 ha/1,800 acres of parkland filled with hiking, biking, Nordic/ cross-country skiing and snowshoeing trails. The



Columbia Valley boasts additional ski destinations such as Fairmont Hot Springs. Panorama Resort and Fernie is a little further away (approximately 1.25 hours).

There are also an abundance of championship golf courses are located within 15 to 20 minutes of the property: Trickle Creek Golf Resort, Wildstone, Bootleg Gap Golf Club, Wildstone, Kimberley Golf Club among others.

HISTORY

In the fall of 1863 gold was discovered near today's Fort Steele, at Stud Horse Creek, a tributary of the Kootenay River. Soon after the word of this discovery got out a rush of placer mining activity ensued and Fort Steele was founded in 1864-15 minutes away. The original town name was "Galbraith's Ferry" named after the ferry set up by the city's founder over the Kootenay River. The town was renamed Fort Steele in 1888, after legendary Canadian lawman Sam Steele of the Northwest Mounted Police. By the late 1890s, Fort Steele was growing rapidly and becoming the heart of the East Kootenays and the Canadian Pacific Railway showed interest in Fort Steele deciding that a station was to be built. But as the document stating the railway was to go though Fort Steele was on its way to be approved, a gentleman named Colonel James Baker had other ideas. Baker, a member of the British Columbia legislature, owned a small logging camp named Joseph's Prairie. Baker bribed and blackmailed his fellow Members and convinced them to bypass Fort Steele and bring the railway through Joseph's Prairie. This was finalized after the document stating the railway was to go through Fort Steele was "lost" in the mail. After the railway was completed, Baker renamed the town to Cranbrook. He later sold the people of Fort Steele land in this new community and its population quickly dropped as they moved the few miles to Cranbrook. After Fort Steele was abandoned the site slowly started to decay. In the



mid-1960s, BC parliament resolved to preserve many historic sites. In 1967 Fort Steele was designated a historic site and restoration began. In 1969 Fort Steele opened to the public as Fort Steele Heritage Town, in 1971 Queen Elizabeth and the Royal Family visited. Since then millions of tourist have visited the site and Fort Steele has become one of British Columbia's premier western history themed tourist attractions.

MAP REFERENCE

49°30'27.90"N and 115°27'56.13"W

BOUNDARIES

Please see mapping section (all boundaries sketched on pictures are approximate).

SERVICES

- Drilled irrigation well estimated a 500 gpm
- Multiple water licences on Norbury Creek for irrigation
- Drilled well domestic
- Multiple Sandpoint wells domestic
- BC Hydro power throughout ranch
- · Cell service
- Internet
- Multiple propane furnaces
- Wood stoves



IMPROVEMENTS

2,400 ft² (4 bedroom) house (1995)

- · Attached double garage
- 3 bay carport
- Multiple shed
- Fenced garden

2,900 ft² (3 bedroom) house (1996)

· Attached double garage

3,200 ft² (5 bedroom) house (2003)

Attached double car garage

Upgraded (2 bedroom) mobile home

5 hay sheds

Corrals, pens, loading chutes

Multiple machine sheds

TAXES

Total \$4,865.55 (2022)

- Plan NEPX40 Sublot 6, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District, Except Plan 7690
 - \$3.113.18
- Lot B, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - \$1290.53
- Plan NEPX40 Sublot 5, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - \$59.71
- Lot C, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District - \$136.23
- Manufactured Home Reg.# 101298, BAY # 1 - \$265.90

ZONING

RR-60 - Rural Resource

Permitted Uses

Single Family Home, Guest Ranch, Kennel, Duplex, Forest Management, Grading / Washing / Screening / Extracting Sad and Gravel, Farm Operation, Equestrian Centre, Sawmill, Airport, Wild Land, Trap and Skeet, Rural Retreat.

Accessory Uses

Secondary Dwelling for farm hand, B&B, Secondary Suite, Cabin, Lodge, Accessory Buildings, Vet Clinic.

Property is also in the ALR

LEGAL

Plan NEPX40 Sublot 6, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District, Except Plan 7690 PID 016-327-543

Lot B, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District PID 011-906-693

Plan NEPX40 Sublot 5, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District PID 016-327-551

Lot C, Plan NEP 18005, District Lot 313, Kootenay Land District PID 011-906-723

Range Permits

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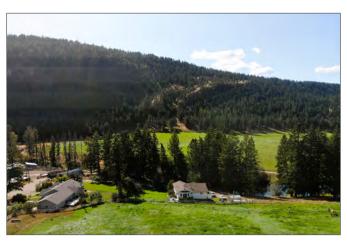


































































































































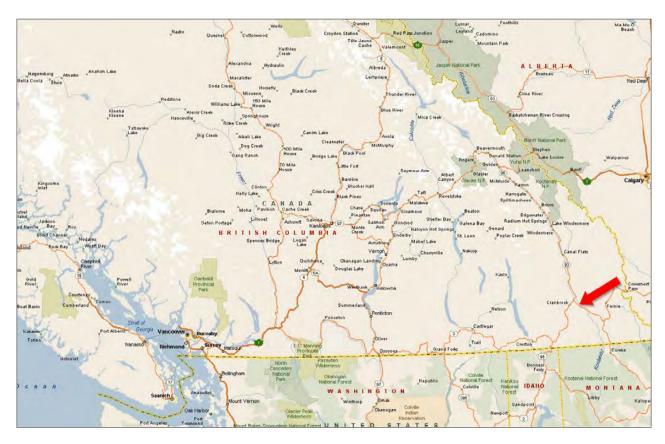


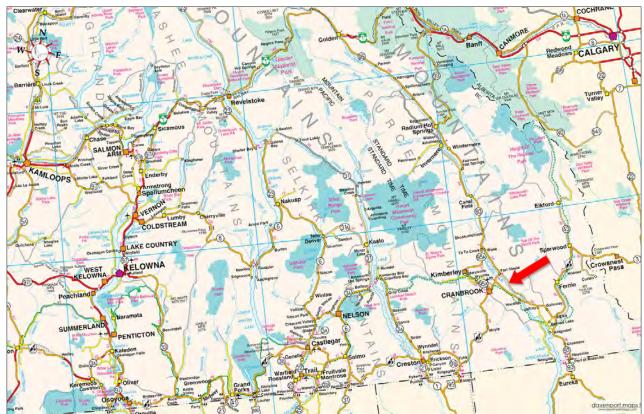




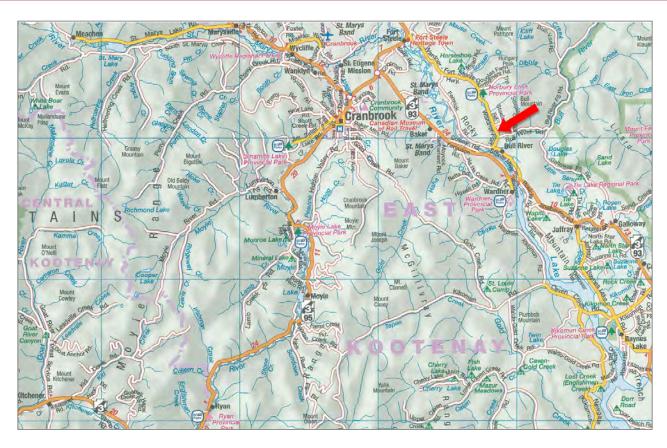


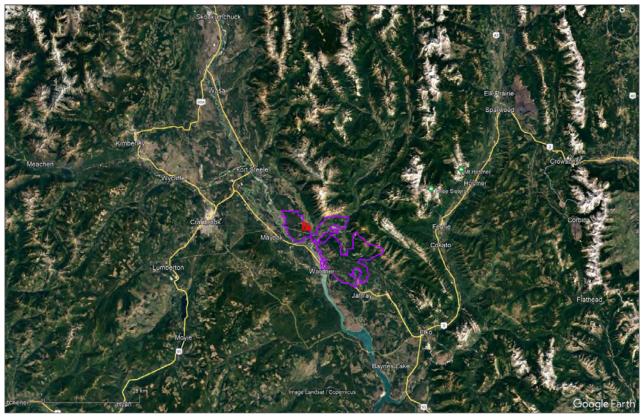




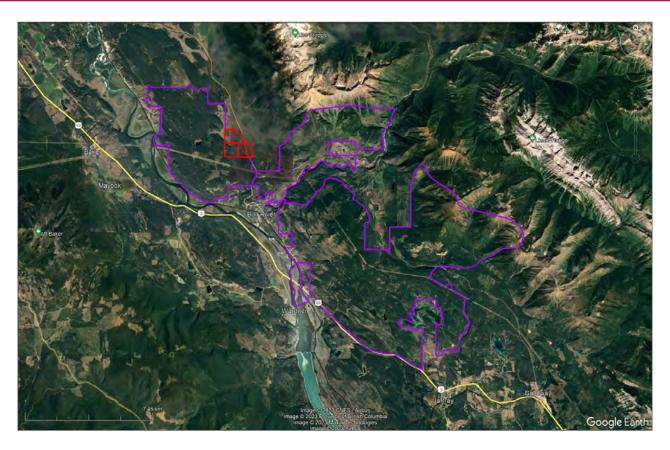






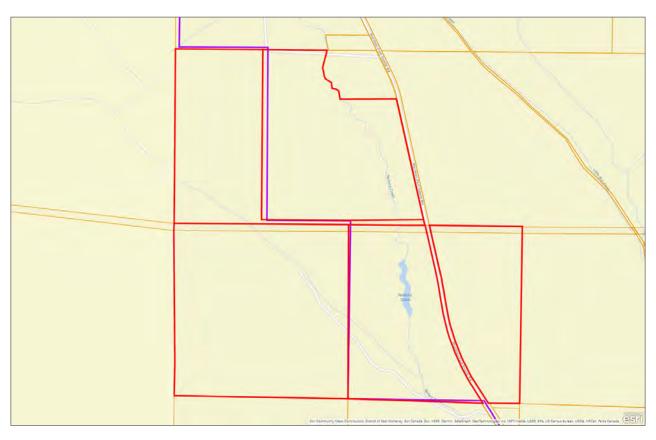


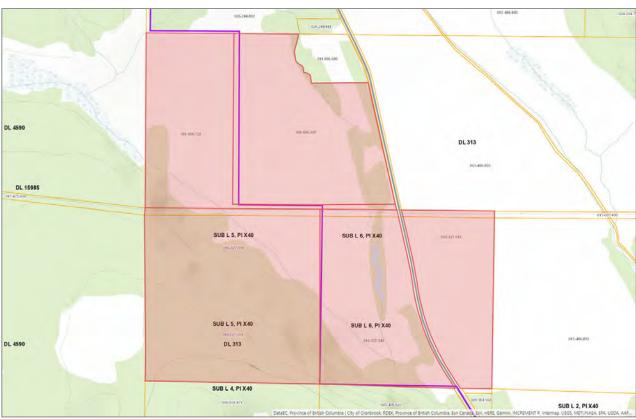
















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