

about 25,000 acres. It is high bench land, and the sides adjacent to the lakes being very abrupt. The height of the land is about 1300 feet above the lakes. It is owned by the ranchers of the district; probably one-sixth of this area is under cultivation. Owing to the number of ranches into which it is cut up, there are numerous fences, chiefly of the "A" type, but which are gradually being replaced by the barbed wire pattern.

Grande Prairie

is a very old farming settlement on the way to Kamloops from Okanagan Lake. It is 32 miles from Vernon City and about 16 miles Southeast of Ducks on the main line of the C. P. R. The valley of the Salmon River running West to East, widens out to form the Prairie, an area of flat land some thousand acres in extent, on which some good farms are placed. This is evidently the filled up or drained bed of a lake. The elevation is about 2000 feet and irrigation here again becomes necessary.

The road to Kamloops via Ducks turns North at the Prairie and passing Monte Lake at 2300 feet, descends to 1157 feet in sixteen miles, through a drift-blocked valley.

There is a road about twenty miles from Salmon Arm to Armstrong, which comes via Canoe and Deep Creeks.