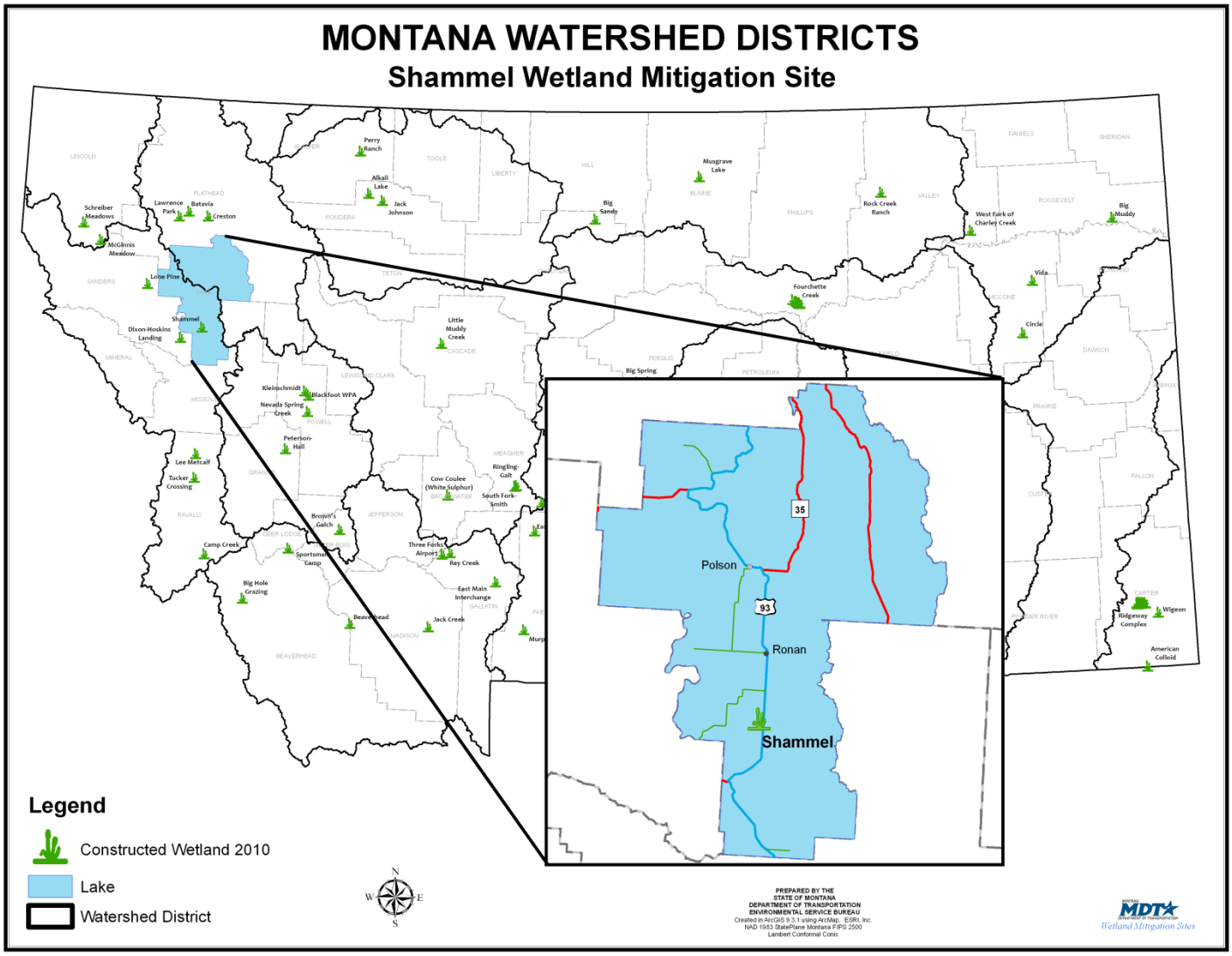
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Watershed # 3-Lower Clark Fork
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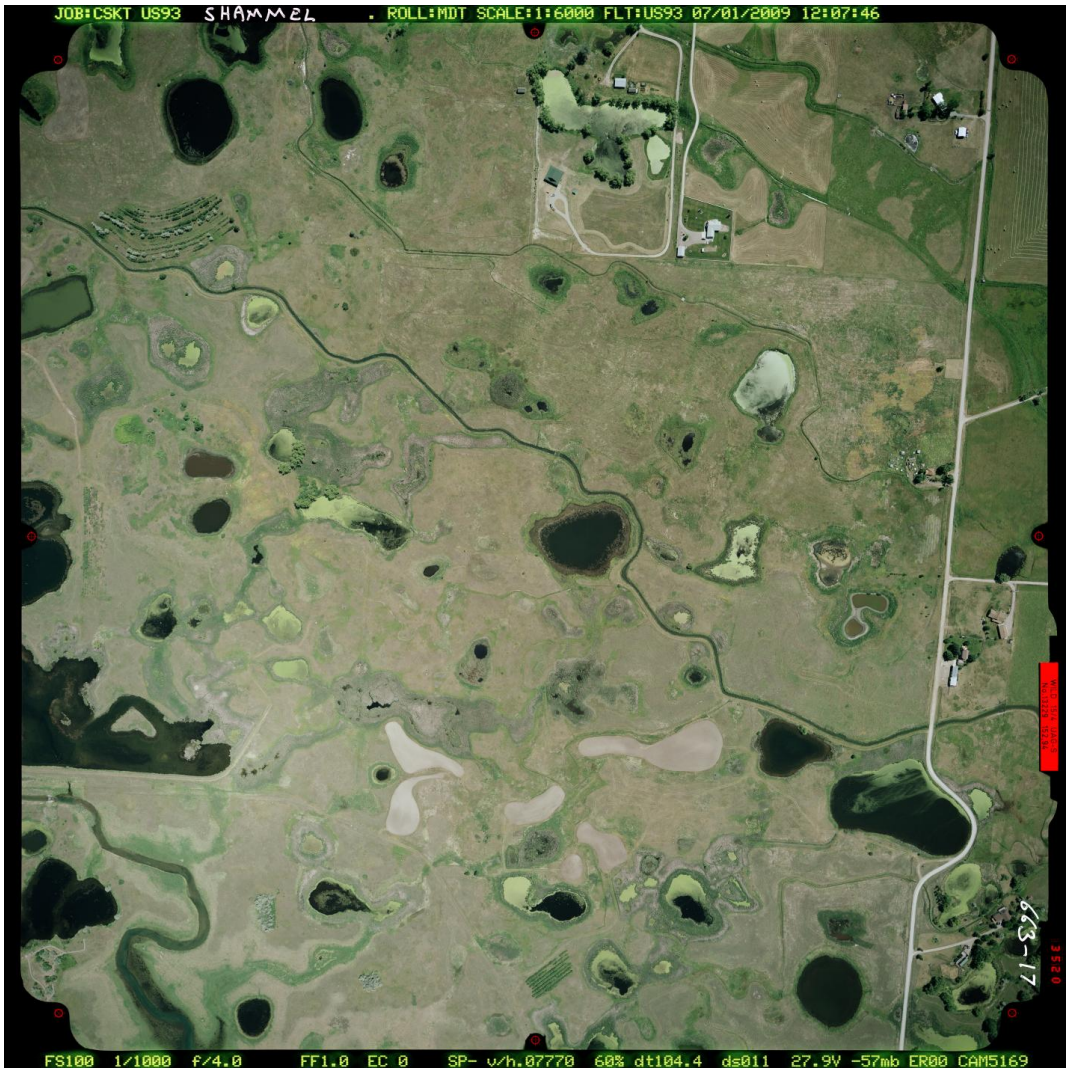


LAND OWNERSHIP: CONFEDERATED SALISH & KOOTENAI TRIBES (CSKT)

The Shammel wetland mitigation site was a cooperative project between the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) and the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) to restore wetlands adjacent to the Ninepipes National Wildlife Refuge and CSKT tribal natural resource lands. This project was to provide mitigation for a number of MDT projects within the reservation and Watershed # 3 – Lower Clark Fork River Basin. Under a Memorandum of Agreement between the CSKT and MDT, the CSKT developed 20 acres of wetland credits for MDT through the creation and restoration of drained and ditched inter-montane glacial potholes throughout the site, and restored the adjacent upland grassland areas to native ecosystems with tribally significant medicinal plants, grasses and herbs. In addition to the restoration of glacial potholes, the CSKT reintroduced Northern Leopard frogs (*Rana pipiens*) and other native amphibian species into the restored wetlands in an effort to re-establish breeding populations within the Flathead Nation. The project was completed in 1998, and is currently owned and managed by the CSKT Natural Resource Department.

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Aerial Photograph



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