

# Advancing the Basin-Boundary Regional Food System



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# The Columbia Basin Rural Development Institute

Promote evidence-based decisions  
that lead to enhanced regional  
well-being through research and  
information provision

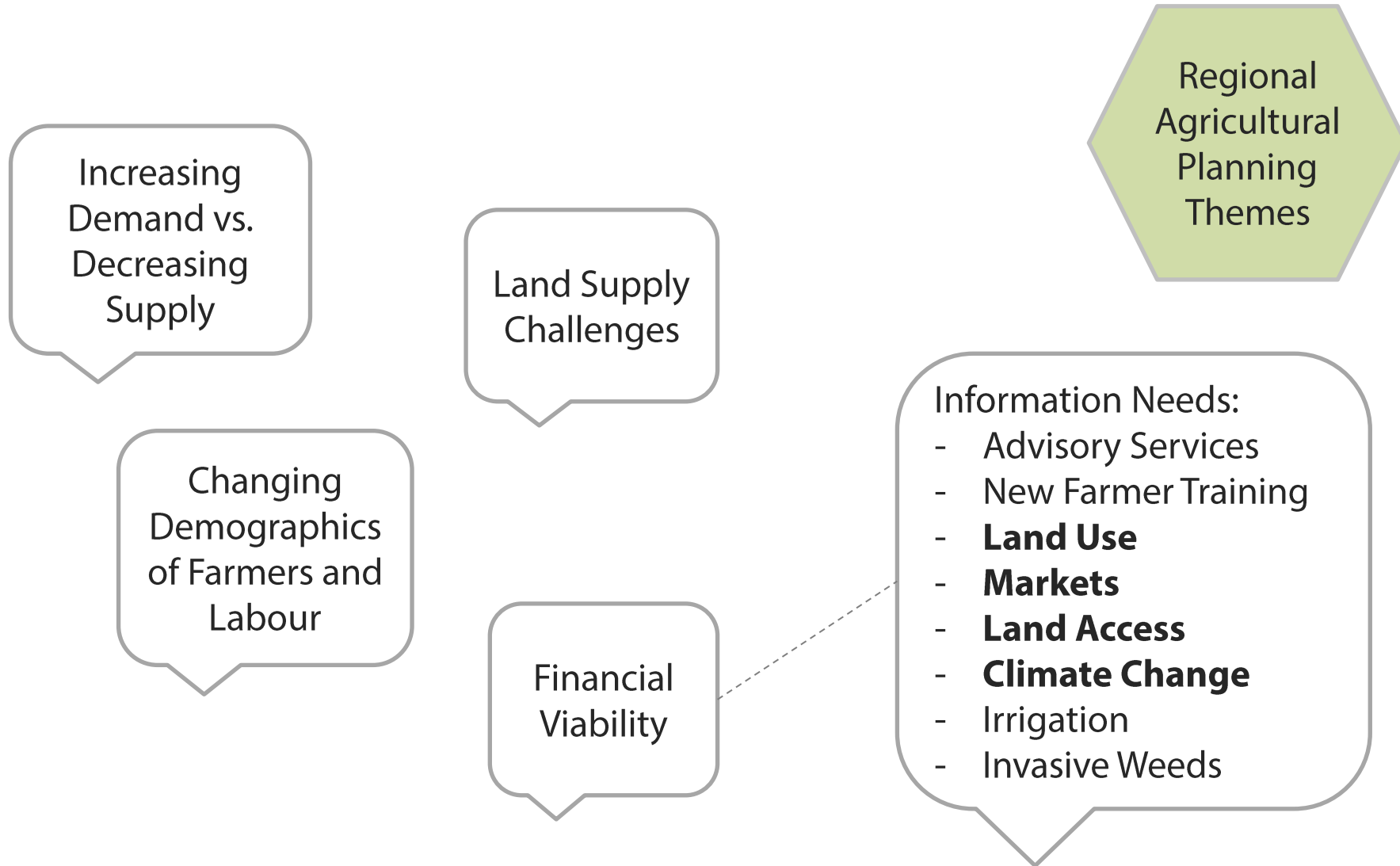


# The Regional Food Systems Project

*Identify opportunities to increase regional food production in ways that promote economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being.*



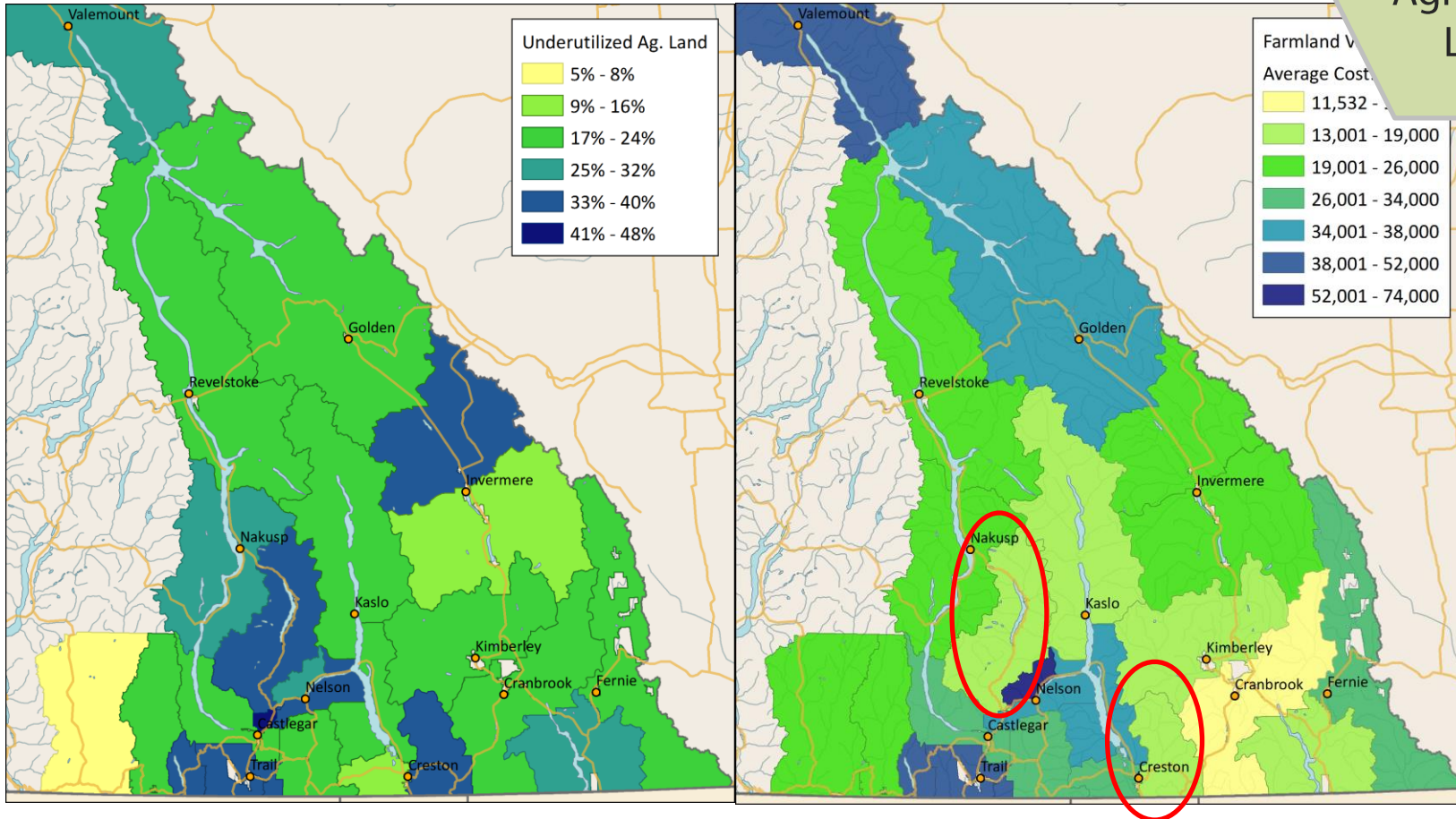
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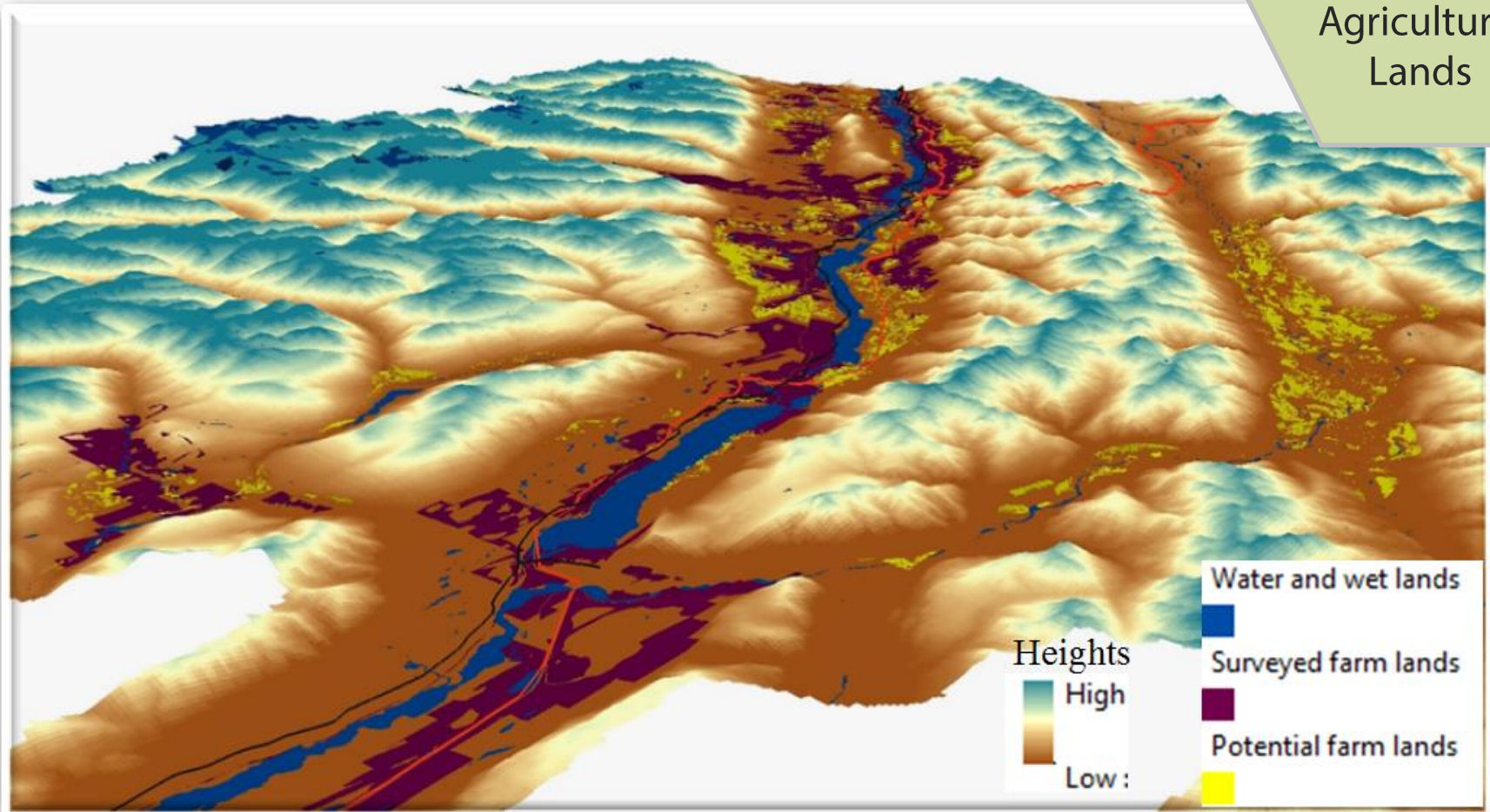
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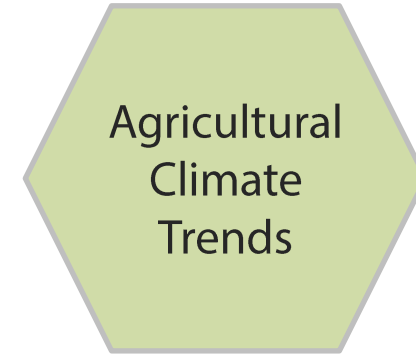
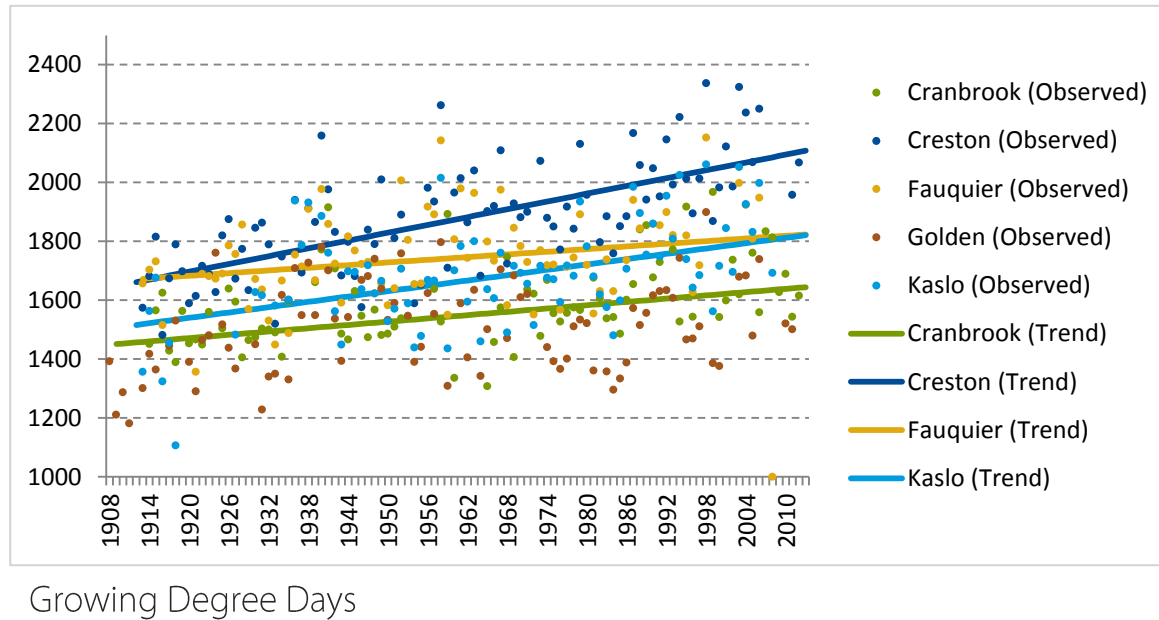
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# Remote Sensing Analysis

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- Longer Frost Free Period (long term only)
- More Growing Degree Days (long and medium)
- Lower climatic moisture deficit (long term only)
- Considerable moisture limitations remain



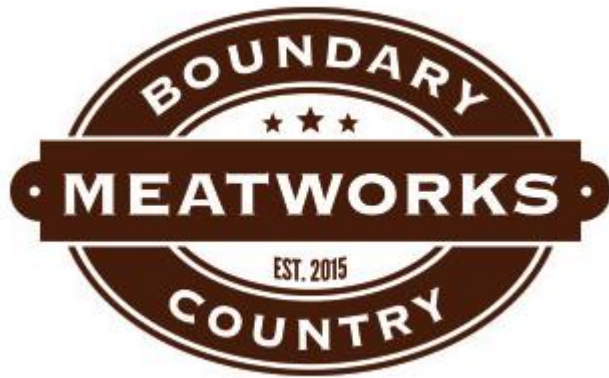
- Innovation required to close demand-supply gap
- Preferred solutions re-purpose or re-organize existing assets
- Examples exist within and outside the region



Innovative  
Solutions  
to Regional  
Challenges

# Processing Solutions

- Community abattoirs
- Accessible commercial kitchens



# Supply Solutions

- Shortened supply chains
  - CSAs
  - Farmers Markets
- Value-based supply chains
  - Food Hub



## KBFPFC

Our Purpose.... The purpose of the Kootenay and Boundary Food Producers' Co-operative is to increase agricultural production and consumer access to healthy local food in Southeastern British Columbia. This will be accomplished by: a. Developing services and infrastructure to streamline transactions between food producers and customers b. Building agricultural capacity and infrastructure c. Developing educational and marketing opportunities to increase farm viability in the region, and d. Such other activities as are necessary and desirable for these purposes. A volunteer group has been working for over 2 years through the background pieces of doing the research, a feasibility study, talking to potential members, running a pilot, and now business planning for the first full year...

## WHAT'S NEW

- [Interest in Locally Grown Food is Growing!](#)
- [We're Hiring - 2016 Coordinator](#)
- [Kootenay & Boundary Food Producers Co-op Thank you!](#)
- [Our Indiegogo Campaign is rolling](#)
- [We Need Your Help - Help us reach our target!](#)

## CONTRIBUTE HERE

We need your help to make our vision a reality. Please consider making a



# Land Access Solutions

- Cooperative and community farms
- Incubator farms
- Farmland access agreements
- Public farmland
- Farmland trusts

