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Vegetation Map
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BRITISH COLUMBIA
Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations

Scale 1:20,000

0 0.25 0.5 0.75 1 Kilometers
0 0.25 0.5 Miles

Vegetation Data Source : MFLNRO - VRIMS / Ownership
Base Map Source: TRIM / Terrain

This map is a created from information stored digitally in the BC Geographic Warehouse. The map has been structured to support the analytical functions of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations. The information contained in this map is not to be used for navigation. It may not delineate exactly where boundaries and the Ownership colour theme are for reference purposes only. (Legend revisions June 2014)

Labels Projected To: January 1, 2016

MAP SYMBOLOGY

Forest Inventory Feature:
- Forest Vegetation Polygons
- Silviculture Opening or Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (1970)
- Research Installations

TRIM - Base Features:
- Air Earth Route
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Air Fields
- Other Vrds
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Rock/Unvegetated - ESM
- Watercourses - ESM
- Waterbodies - ESM
- Wetlands - ESM
- Glacier - ESM

Administrative Boundaries:
- BC Provincial Boundary
- MFLNRO Region boundary
- Resource District boundary - FADM
- INV Region Compartment - FADM
- Provincial Forest area - FADM
- Timber Supply Area Block - FADM
- Tree Farm Licenses - FADM
- Land District boundary
- Administrative boundary
- Survey Parcels - Terrabc
- Municipal boundary (> 1,000,000 ha) - 75 % hatch
- Municipal boundary (< 1,000,000 ha) - no hatch
- National Parks
- Park Reserve
- Provincial Parks
- Ecological Reserves
- Protected Areas
- Recreation Areas

Other:
- BCGS Mapsheet Grid (1:20,000)

VEGETATION LABEL DETAILS

Example of a Vegetation Label:

LINE DESCRIPTION
1 Polygon Number and Opening Number
2 Polygon Number and multi-layer stand indicator (L)
3 Species Composition
ex this most important layer is described as Fd (Douglas Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock)
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separator Site Index / estimated SI
5 Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forested Descriptor) - separator crown closure class 1 (6-15%), SI 20m
6 Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forested Productive Descriptor)
ex a herb polygon with no distinction between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less that 2m
7 Disturbance History - ex= Logged in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Opening Number

opening number is used for BCGS mapsheet — 0XXX# - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRIMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
5 Multi-layered stand: a separate description of each layer is available in the data base, i.e. 1,2)

Line 3 - BC Tree Code List

"Species Composition" Species are labeled in their order of predominance. Major first Minor in brackets.
The following codes are based on "The B.C. Ministry of Forests Tree Code List" version 4.5 dated January 2009.

NATIVE CONIFERS

Ba	Balsam
Bg	Western Red Cedar
Ep	Pacific Silver Fir
Hi	Yellow Cedar
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdp	Douglas Fir Prostrate
F	Fir (Balsam)
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bl	Alpine Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (Alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxh	Xanthan x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	Juniper (Savin)
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Sealskin Juniper
Lw	Larch
La	Alpine Larch
L	Larch (Tamarack)
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pl	Jack Pine
Pf	Limber Pine
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plq	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coast)
Pla	Shore Pine (scrub)
Pw	Western White Pine
Pyc	Ponderosa Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sx	Hybrid Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sxw	White x Engelmann hybrid
Sxl	Spruce x White
Sxl	Sitka x unknown hybrid
Ss	Sitka Spruce
Yc	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

A	ALDER
Ac	Alder
Ad	Red Alder
At	Sitka Alder
AC	BALSAM OR POPLAR
Act	BALSAM, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ep	Poplar
Act	Balsam Poplar
Ae	Trembling Aspen
Ac	Lanci Balsam
At	Trembling Aspen
Ep	Poplar
Ew	Willow
B	BIRCH
Ba	Alaska Paper Birch
Bxa	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Bp	Paper Birch (white)
Bg	Gray Birch
C	CASCARA
Ky	Cascara
D	DOGWOOD
Dp	Pacific Dogwood
Dr	Creeping Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Broadleaf Maple (bigleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Or	Oregon Oak
W	WILLOW
Bb	Bebb's Willow
Bl	Black Willow
Bxl	Hybrid Willow (Bebb's)
Bw	Pussy Willow (grey-leaved)
Sx	Scouler's Willow
Wil	Willow (false-Sitka leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

Xc	unknown conifer
Xh	unknown hardwood
Xh	unknown broadleaf
Xh	unknown (false-broadleaf tall)
Xs	other shrubs
Xh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

Ai	AILANTHUS
Ac	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ae	European Aspen
Bp	Norway Spruce
Bs	Silver Birch (exotic)
Cp	Cherry (exotic)
Cw	Cherry (wild)
Vs	Sweet Cherry
Vv	Pin Cherry
Yc	Yew (Cultivar)
Fd	FIR (Balsam)
Bf	Grand Fir
Bx	Noble Fir
Bm	Shasta Red Fir
Bn	White Fir
L	LARCH
Lk	Siberian Larch
Lyl	Subalpine Larch (alpine)
Mr	Red Mulberry
Mt	Tartarian Maple
Mo	Norway Maple
Oa	English Oak
Or	Red Oak
X	OTHER EXOTICS
Oc	Ucraine Cedar
Ol	Lombardy Poplar
Ot	Tulip Poplar
Oc	European Mountain Ash
Ow	Western Mountain Ash
Ot	Common Pear
Oy	Oregon Ash
Ow	Black Ash
Oh	Honeylocke Hickory
Oj	Tree-of-heaven
Ow	Black Walnut
Pop	Poplar
Pt	Trembling Aspen
Ps	Sitka Alder
Pb	Paper Birch
Sn	Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a. AGE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (years)
1	1-20
2	21-40
3	41-60
4	61-80
5	81-100
6	101-120
7	121-140
8	141-250
9	251 +

4b. HEIGHT CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (metres)
1	0.1 - 10.4
2	10.5 - 13.4
3	18.5 - 28.4
4	28.5 - 37.4
5	37.5 - 46.4
6	46.5 - 55.4
7	55.5 - 64.4
8	65.5 +

4c. CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (percentage)
0	0 - 5
1	6 - 15
2	16 - 25
3	26 - 35
4	36 - 45
5	46 - 55
6	56 - 65
7	66 - 75
8	76 - 85
9	86 - 100

4d SITE INDEX

All SI values in the overall make reference at 50 years.
SI is given in feet for the age and height of tree leading species. When an accurate SI cannot be obtained from age and height measurements see the estimated SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX

SI is estimated when site index cannot be determined in a conventional manner. Estimated SI values are derived from site index curves. The estimated SI provides it. Associated fields in the data base are Inventory Type Group and Estimated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

VEGETATED NON-TREE CATEGORIES (for X and I records)

NON-TREED SHRUB
- S SHRUB TALL — shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
- W SHRUB LOW — shrub with average shrub height < two metres.

NON-TREED HERBS
- H HERB — herb with no distinction between forbs and graminoids.
- HF HERB - FORBS — herb with forbs > 50% of the herb cover.
- HG HERB - GRAMINOIDS — herb with graminoids > 50% of the herb cover.

NON-TREED MOSS
- M MOSS — moss with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
- MF MOSS - LICHEN — moss with lichens making up > 50% of the moss cover.

NON VEGETATED
- R Rubble Land
- T Talus Slope
- V Snow / Ice

NON VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for X and I records)

AP	AIRPORT	GL	GRAVEL PIT
B	BEACH	L	LAKE
BG	BEDROCKED	LA	LAGOON
C	BIOMICS	LG	LANDING
BL	BURNED AREA	O	POND or LAKE SEGMENTS
CL	CLEARING	R	ROCK OUTCROP
E	EXPOSED SOILS	RC	RIVER or STREAM
G	GLACIER		

Mu	MUD/FLAT SEDIMENT	RR	RESERVOIR MARGIN
RI	RUBBLY WIND SPOILS	RI	RAILWAY SURFACE
S	SAND	RS	ROAD SURFACE
W	OTHER	RU	MUD SURFACE
SC	SNOW COVER	S	TALUS
SI	SNOW ICE	SL	SLUMPING
WR	RIVER or TIDEWAY	U	URBAN

Note: these categories (ie, xc, xi, xl) could be used over 50 percent coverage.

NON-VEGETATED NON-PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTOR CODES (for I records)

AF	ALPINE FOREST (Species	NPBR	NON PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
BE	BEACH	NPBU	NON PRODUCTIVE BURN
CL	CLAY BANK	NPDS	NON PRODUCTIVE DESERT (Species
D	GRAVEL BAR	NPA	NOT TYPE AVAILABLE
DU	DUNE (SAND)	NPL	NON PRODUCTIVE
ICE	ICEFIELD	R	ROCK/SLIDE
M	MEADOW	S	ROCK
PC	PERENNIAL	S	SWAMP

SAND	SAND	R	Re-Habilitation
TIDEFLAT	TIDAL FLAT	T	Treatment/ Injuries
URBAN	URBAN	TH	Tree Improvement
		V	Problem Vegetation
NC	NON COMMERCIAL		
NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH		
NP	NON PRODUCTIVE		
NSR	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED		
NFA	NOT SUFFICIENTLY ABLE		

Line 6 - Disturbance History

Disturbance type code is recorded by symbol, followed by a earliest date
First character of disturbance type designates category, refer to official code list for sub-category descriptions.

A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Wildfire	M	Mtx Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non-Harvest Injuries
D	Diseases	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		

Example Opening History Details

Detailed opening information is available on the BCGW utilizing either SIF or ArcMap. The MapView example is of Inmemed RESULTS data.

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application MAPVIEW is available to view this type of detailed information. Select the SILVICULTURE tab then click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for :-

OPENING
OPENING LABELS
OPENING - PLANTING ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
STANDARDS UNIT
NON-FOREST/NON-FOREST COVER
NON-FOREST/NON-FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH

Overflow Labels

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