Vegetation Map
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Province of 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 - VRMS / Ownership
Base Map Source: TRIM / Terrabc

This map is created from information derived 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 on this map is not to be used for navigation. Boundaries and administrative boundaries are the Ownership active theme are for reference purposes only. Legend revisions June 2014

Labels Projected To: January 1, 2015

MAP SYMBOLOGY

Forest Inventory Features:
- Forest Vegetation Polygons
- Immature Opening or Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (VRI)
- Research Installations

TRIM - Base Features:
- Cut Roads
- Forest Service Road Lines
- Forest Roads
- Rough Access
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Air Fields
- Other Area
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Mine Areas
- Misc Lines
- Major Lakes
- Hydrofeatures - ESM
- Watercourses - ESM
- Waterbodies - ESM
- Wetlands - ESM
- Ocean - ESM

Administrative Boundaries:
- MFLNRO Region boundary
- Resource District boundary - FADM
- INV Region Compartment - FADM
- Provincial Forest area - FADM
- Timber Supply Area Area - FADM
- Tree Farm Licences - FADM
- Land Entitlements
- Administrative boundary
- Survey Parcels - Terrabc
- Municipal boundary (1:1000,000 Nat. / 1m Metric)
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- National Parks
- Fire Notations
- 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. Structure symbol and Opening Number
2. Species Composition - each tree/shrub stand indicator (L)
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   ex. the most important layer is described as Fd (Douglas Fir) and the (Western Hemlock).
4. Age Class - each layer is described as 4 (41-60 yrs), 5 (61-80 yrs), 6 (81-100 yrs)
   ex. stand is age class 4 (51-60 yrs), 5 (61-80 yrs), crown closure class 1 (6-10%), SI 20m
5. Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forest/Productive Descriptor)
   ex. density class 4 (21-30%) is the transition between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less than 2m.
6. Disturbance History & year - ex Logged in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Cutting Number

cut#### - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet ####### - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRIMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
L - 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 ranked in their order of predominance. Major first Minors in brackets.
The following symbols are based on "TSA & TFL Ministry of Forests Tree Code List" version 4.0 dated January 2009.

NATIVE CONIFERS

CODE	NAME
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Ch	Hemlock
Y	Yellow Cedar
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fd	Fd (Inland)
Bg	Grand Fir
Bgi	Grand Fir (Inland)
Hw	HEMLOCK
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hwm	Western Hemlock
Hxm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Jc	Creeping Juniper
L	LARCH
Lt	Alpine Larch
Lw	Western Larch
Lt	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (Inland)
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (Coastal)
Pp	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pw	Western White Pine
S	SPRUCE
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sx	Hybrid White Spruce
Sxw	Hybrid White Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sxl	Hybrid Spruce
Sxl	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxl	Sitka x Engelmann hybrid
Yp	Pacific Yew

NATIVE HARDWOOD

CODE	NAME
A	ALDER
Ac	Red Alder
Ae	Sitka Alder
Ak	Pacific Crab Apple
Ac	CAROLINA POPLAR
Ac	Poplar
Act	Balsam Poplar
Ac	Black Cottonwood
Acm	Cottonwood
At	Trembling Aspen
Ep	Paper Birch
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Ew	Water Birch (Red Birch)
Ep	Paper Birch (white)
Ew	Water Birch
Ep	Paper Birch
E	Cascara
Ed	Dogwood
Vs	Bitter Cherry
Vv	Choke Cherry
Vp	Pin Cherry
D	DOGWOOD
Dn	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
Ow	Oregon Ash
W	WILLOW
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wa	Pacific Willow
Wa	Peachleaf Willow (Narrow)
Wb	Bebb's Willow (Broad)
Wr	Scouler's Willow
Wx	Hybrid Willow

UNKNOWN - OTHER

CODE	NAME
A	UNKNOWN
Ac	unknown conifer
Ah	unknown hardwood
Ach	UNKNOWN broadleaf
Ax	unknown shrub
Zx	other hardwood

EXOTICS

CODE	NAME
Act	Poplar
Act	BALSAM (COTTONWOOD) or POPLAR
Acm	*Southern Cottonwood
Ae	Alder
Ep	European Birch
Ew	Silver Birch (weeping)
Ep	Paper Birch
DOGWOOD	
Ys	Kwanzi Cherry
Yu	Ussurian Pear
Cy	Port Orford Cedar
Lk	Japanese Larch
MAPLE	
Mn	*Norway Maple
Mp	*Purple Maple
Mr	*Red Maple
Ms	*Sycamore Maple
Mt	Tatarian Maple
Ox	*English Oak
Or	*Red Oak
OTHER EXOTICS	
Ob	*Black Locust
Oc	*Horse Chestnut
Ol	*Laurel Redwood
Ow	*Mountain Ash (European Ash)
Ow	Siberian Elm (southern)
Ol	Common Pear
Ou	*Elm spp.
Ow	*White Ash
Ob	*Black Walnut
Ol	Tree of Heaven
Ow	*Japanese Walnut (Heart)
Ph	*Morning Fire
Pm	*Mock Orange
Pp	*Royal Fire
Sb	*Bitter Cherry
Sn	*Nanking Cherry

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	13.5 - 19.4
4	19.5 - 22.4
5	22.5 - 27.4
6	27.5 - 32.4
7	32.5 - 40.4
8	40.5 - 48.4
9	48.5 - 56.4
0	56.5 +

4c. CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (percentage)
0	0 - 5
1	6 - 10
2	11 - 15
3	16 - 20
4	21 - 25
5	26 - 30
6	31 - 40
7	41 - 50
8	51 - 60
9	61 - 70
0	71 - 80
	81 - 100

4d SITE INDEX

Site index refers to the mean tree height achieved at 50 years of age. Site index is used to describe the potential timber growing capacity of a site. Where available this information is derived from ages and heights estimated from aerial photos, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX

Site index is estimated when available SI trees are not present, e.g. recently logged areas. Site index is used to describe the potential timber growing capacity of a site. Where available this information is derived from ages and heights estimated from aerial photos, or replaces the SI. Site index is estimated from the data base and inventory Type Group and SI attributed source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation Inserts

VEGETATED NON-TREE CATEGORIES (1st V and 2nd non-tree)

NON-VEGETATED
- E Exposed Land
- R Rock / Talus
- S Snow / Ice

NON-TREE SHRUB
- SA SHRUB - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
- SS SHRUB - shrub with average shrub height < two metres.

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

NON-TREE SHRUB
- SF SHRUB - FORBS - shrub with no distinction between moose and rollers by cover.
- SFG SHRUB - MOOSE - mixed with browse, leaves & soft browse > 50% of the shrub cover.
- SFGG SHRUB - COVERS - shrub with browse > 50% of the shrub cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (1st V and 2nd non-tree)

A	AIRPORT	G	GRAVEL PIT
B	BEACH	I	ICE
C	BOUNDARY	L	LANDING
D	DUMP	M	MINE
E	SURFACE AREA	N	POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS
F	EXPOSED LAND	O	OTHER (specify)
K	EXPOSED ROCK	OW	WORKINGS
T	TOUCH		

AP	RIVERWASH	R	RESERVOIR MARGIN
AR	RIVERBED	RW	RAILWAY SURFACE
AT	RIVER TERRACE	S	SEEPAGE AREA
AW	RIVER MARGIN	SE	SEWAGE SURFACE
B	BOULDER	T	TALUS
C	CLIFF	TA	TAILINGS
CS	CUT SLOPE	U	URBAN
E	EROSION GULLY		
F	FILL SLOPE		
FP	FLOOD PLAIN		
G	GRAVEL BAR		
GP	GRAVEL PIT		
L	LANDING		
M	MORAINE		
MS	MUDBOIL WIND SPOILS		
O	OTHER		
OW	SNOW COVER		
P	PONDING		
PS	PIPE STRAW		

NON-FOREST / NON-PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTORS (2nd non-tree)

AF	ALPINE FOREST Species	MRB	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
BI	BRUSH - INVASIVE	MRG	NON-PRODUCTIVE GRASS
CL	CLAY BANK	MRS	NON-PRODUCTIVE SHRUB Species
D	GRAVEL BAR	MX	NOT FIRE AVAILABLE
DW	DEBRIS WASH	N	NOT SAMPLED
EE	EXPOSED SOIL	P	NON-PRODUCTIVE
ER	EROSION	R	ROCK
MAT	MATTED	S	SAND

SEM	SEMI-ARID	TEX	TIDAL FLAT
		UR	URBAN
NC	NON COMMERCIAL		
NF	NON FOREST (BRUSH)		
NP	NON PRODUCTIVE		
NPA	NOT PRODUCTIVE AFFORDED		
NPC	NOT PRODUCTIVE CLOSED		

Line 6 - Disturbance History

Disturbance type code preceeded by symbol, followed by 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	Wild Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non Biological Injuries
D	Disease	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		
		B	Site Rehabilitation
		T	Treatment Injuries
		U	Damage Unknown
		V	Problem Vegetation

Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silviculture information is available on the BCGW
Data Catalogue under RESULTS. The Mapview example is of the new 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 Options" to turn on display values for:

OPENING
OPENING LABELS
SILVICULTURE TREATMENT ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
STANDARDS UNIT
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDFIRE TREE PATCH