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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 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 published may not be complete and is for data Capability, administrative boundaries and the Ownership colour theme are for reference purposes only. (Legend revised June 2014)

Labels Projected To: January 1, 2016

MAP SYMBOLOGY

Forest Inventory Features:
- Forest Vegetation Polygons
- Silviculture Opening in Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (CVS)
- Research Installations

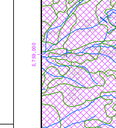
TRIM - Base Features:
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Air Parties
- Other Lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydroelectric - EBM
- Watercourses - EBM
- Waterbodies - EBM
- Wetlands - EBM
- Ocean - EBM

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 - Tantalis
- Municipal boundary (< 1:200,000 ha - 15 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary (> 1:200,000 ha) - no hatch)
- National Parks
- Fishcreations
- 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. Silviculture symbol and Opening Number
2. Polygon number and multi-layer stand indicator (L)
3. Species Composition
   - for the most important layer is described as Fd (Douglk Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock).
4. Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separator - Site Index / estimated SI
   - ex: stand is age class 2 (21-40 yrs), height class 1 (0.1-10.4m), crown closure class 1 (6-15%), SI 20m
5. Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forest/Productive Descriptor)
   - ex: a herb polygon with no distinction between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less that 2m.
6. Disturbance History & year - ex: Logged in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Opening Number

CC - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet 0078 - 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 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

C	CEDAR
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	CYPRESS
Yc	Yellow Cedar
F	DOUGLAS-FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
B	FIR (Balsam)
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (Alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hwk	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Jsc	Scopulorum Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pa	Black Pine
Pf	Limber Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plcx	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Py	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Pw	Silver Pine (coast)
Pw	Western White Pine
Pyb	Ponderosa Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sa	Alaska Spruce
Se	Englemann Spruce
Ss	Sitka Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sxl	Spruce hybrid
Sxw	Englemann x White
Sxs	Sitka x White
Sxs	Sitka x unknown hybrid
T	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

D	ALDER
Dr	Red Alder
E	APPLE
Ep	Pacific Crab Apple
A	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
At	Poplar
Ade	Balsam Poplar
Ac	Black Cottonwood
Ax	Hybrid Poplar
At	Trembling Aspen
B	BIRCH
Bp	White birch
E	BIRCH
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Exp	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Ey	Yellow (Gray) birch
K	CASCARA
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C	CHERRY
Cc	Bitter Cherry
Cp	Pin (Fire) Cherry
G	DOGWOOD
Gp	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Gg	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wg	Pacific Willow
Wa	Peachleaf Willow (Bankay's)
Wr	Scouler's Willow (Large Hazel)
Wy	Sitka Willow
Wl	Sitka Willow (tea-leaved)
	UNKNOWN - OTHER
X	UNKNOWN
Xh	unknown hardwood
Xc	unknown hardwood
Z	OTHER (tree-form not list)
Zc	other conifer
Zh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

	APPLE
Ua	ASPEN
	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ae	*Southern Cottonwood
	BIRCH
Ea	European Birch
Ek	Silver Birch (swamp)
Ev	Asian Birch
	CHERRY
Ys	Sweet Cherry
Yt	*Tree Cherry
Yp	*Pin/Choke Cherry
	FIR (Balsam)
Bb	*Nikkon Fir
Bp	Noble Fir
Bm	*Momi/Red Fir
Bc	*White Fir
	LARCH
Lk	*European Larch
Lj	*Siberian Larch
	MAPLE
Mr	*Red Maple
Mh	*Norway Maple
Mp	*Sycamore Maple
Mi	*Big
	*English Oak
	*White Oak
	OTHER EXOTICS
Dd	*Smooth Sumac
Dg	*Staghorn Sumac
Dv	*Coast Redwood
Ds	*Giant Sequoia
Dw	*Western Red Cedar
Dx	European Mountain Ash
Dm	Mountain Ash (southern)
Df	Common Pear
Dp	*Cherry Plum
Dg	*White Ash
Dl	*Shagbark Hickory
Dj	Tree-of-heaven
Dk	Japanese Walnut
	PINE
Pm	*Monterey Pine
Pr	*Red Pine
Pj	*Japanese White
	SPRUCE
Sn	*Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a. AGE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (years)
1	0 - 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 - 19.4
3	19.5 - 26.4
4	26.5 - 37.4
5	37.5 - 44.4
6	44.5 - 55.4
7	55.5 - 64.4
8	65.5 +

4c. CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

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

4d SITE INDEX

SI is as known to the nearest metre referenced at 50 years breast height age. SI is based on the age and height of the leading species. When an accurate SI cannot be obtained from ages and heights (stagnant, young, after a wildfire) the SI is estimated from adjacent stands or from Site Index Curves.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX

SI is estimated when suitable SI trees are not present, e.g. young stands (<50yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes it. Associated fields in the data base are Inventory Type Group and ESTIMated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

VEGETATED NON-TREE CATEGORIES (1st V and I records)

NON-TREED SHRUBS
- st SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or =1 but < metres.
- sl SHRUB LOW - shrub with average shrub height < two metres.

NON-TREED HERB
- he HERB - herb with no distinction between forbs and graminoids.
- hf HERB - FORBS - herb with forbs > 80% of the herb cover.
- hg HERB - GRAMINOIDS - herb with graminoids > 80% of the herb cover.

NON-TREED BRYOID
- by BRYOID - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
- bm BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverwrts, and hornwrts > 50% of the bryoid cover.
- bl BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (1st V and I records)

ro	ROCK	mu	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT
rr	BEACH	s	SAND
rl	BLOCKFIELD	la	LAKE BED
rs	SCREE	ri	RIVER BED
rc	SURFACE AREA	sl	POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS
rd	CUTBANK	mi	OPEN PIT MINE
rk	CLIFF/BLUFF/OUTCROP	wc	WORKING
rp	GLACIER		

mw MUDFLAT SEDIMENT - Water, Water categories (ie, ocean, lake, river) are labelled over 50 percent coverage.

rr	RUBBLE/WIND SPOILS	rm	RESERVOIR MARGIN
re	OCEAN	rw	RAILWAY SURFACE
rn	LAKE	rv	RIVER SEDIMENTS
rv	SNOW COVER	rz	SURFACE MINE
rr	RESERVOIR	ta	TALUS
rw	RIVER / STREAM	tl	TAILINGS
		u	URBAN

NON-FOREST / NON-PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTOR CODES (2nd / 3rd records)

A	ALPINE	MAD	MUD
AF	ALPINE FOREST-Species	NPBR	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CULTIVATED	NPBU	NON-PRODUCTIVE BURN
CL	CLAY BANK	NPF	NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST -Species
G	GRASS / HERB	NPL	NON-PRODUCTIVE-LOGGABLE
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OA	OPEN AWAITING
ICE	ICEFIELD	P	HAYFIELD
L	LAKE/WATER	R	ROCK
MUD	MUDFLAT	S	SWAMP

TIDE	TIDAL FLAT
URBAN	
NC	NON COMMERCIAL
NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
NP	NON PRODUCTIVE
NSR	NOT SATISFACTORILY RESTOCKED
NTA	NO TYPING AVAILABLE

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.

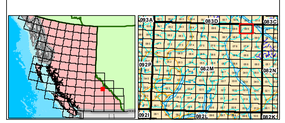
A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Wildfire	M	Mine Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non-Biological Injuries
D	Disease	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		
R	Site Rehabilitation		
T	Treatment Injuries		
U	Damage Unknown		
V	Problem Vegetation		

Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silviculture information is available on the BCGW utilizing either IMF or ArcMap. The MapView example is of thinned 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
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH



Overflow Labels