Vegetation Map
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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 / Terrtels

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 displayed on this map is not to be used for determining administrative 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 Features:
- Forest Vegetation Polygons
- Inclusion Opening or Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (VRI)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- Ab Built Roads
- Forest Service Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railway
- Air/Fields
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Point/Northern Rivers - ESRI
- Water/Islands - ESRI
- Waterbodies - ESRI
- Wetlands - ESRI
- Ocean - ESRI

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 - Terrtels
- Municipal boundary = 1:200,000 fea - 15 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary = 1:200,000 fea - no hatch)
- National Parks
- First Nations
- 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
ex. the most important layer is described as Fd (Douglis Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock).
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separater. Site Index / estimated SI
ex. 80 years old, 22 metres high, 41 - 60% crown closure, crown closure class 4 (6-10%), SI 20m
5 Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forest/Productive Descriptor)
ex. a herb polygon with no distinction between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less than 2m.
6 Disturbance History & year - ex: Logged in 1979

Line 1 - History Record Opening Number

opening number valid for RESULTS mapsheet 0XXX - 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 4.0 dated January 2006

NATIVE CONIFERS

Cw	Western Red Cedar
Yc	Yellow Cedar
Fd	DOUGLAS FIR
Bg	Grand Fir
Cw	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdc	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fir	Fir (Balsam)
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
Bal	Subalpine Fir
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hwm	Mountain Hemlock Hemlock hybrid
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Lw	LARCH
Lw	Western Larch
Jr	Rocky Mt. Juniper
Jd	Oregon Juniper
Lt	Tamarack
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
Pl	Pine
Pl	Pine
Pl	Lodge Pole
Pli	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plx	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pw	Western White Pine
Pa	Whitebark Pine (noble)
Pf	Limber Pine (foxtail)
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pw	Pine
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sxw	Engelmann x White
Sx	Spruce Hybrid
Sxl	Sitka x Lutz hybrid
Y	YEW
Yw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

D	ALDER
Dr	Red Alder
E	ARBUTUS
At	Pacific Madrone
A	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPULAR
Ac	Aspen
Ep	Eastern Poplar
Act	Black Cottonwood
Ax	Poplar hybrid
Ac	Trembling Aspen
Pa	Paper Birch
Pa	Arbutus
Ep	Poplar
Ew	Alaska Paper Birch
Ewl	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Ep	Eastern Poplar
Ew	Paper Birch
Ep	Poplar
Kc	Cascara
Kc	Cascara
Cb	Bitter Cherry
Cc	Choke Cherry
Cc	Choke Cherry
Dg	DOGWOOD
Dw	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Broadleaf Maple (bigleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
Q	OAK
Qg	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wb	Bebb's Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wbb	Bebb's x Beaked Willow (Bebb's)
Wpb	Pacific x Beaked Willow (Bebb's)
Wb	Scouler's Willow
Wx	Willow (species leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

A	UNKNOWN
Ax	unknown broadleaf
An	unknown hardwood
Z	OTHER (does not on list)
Zz	Other Species
Zh	Other Hardwood

EXOTICS

AP	APPLE
Ux	HYBRID, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ax	Northern Cottonwood
AB	BIRCH
Ba	European Birch
Bpe	Betula Pendula (europe)
Bp	Yellow Birch
Bp	Birch
Cb	Sweet Cherry
Cb	Sweet Cherry
Ys	Port Orford Cedar
Ys	Port Orford Cedar
Bl	Balsam Fir
Bp	Noble Fir
Bpg	Grand x Noble Fir
Bn	Nikko Fir
Bn	Nikko Fir
Lx	Tamarack Larch
Lx	European Larch
MAPLE	
Me	Box Elder
Mn	Norway Maple
Mp	Sycamore Maple
OAK	
Qk	English Oak
Qr	Red Oak
OTHER EXOTICS	
Ow	Incense Cedar
Ow	Western Red Cedar
Ch	Coast Redwood
Ow	European Mountain Ash
Ow	Japanese Mountain Ash
Cp	Common Pear
Ch	Chestnut
Ow	White Ash
Ow	Black Locust Hickory
Ow	Tree of Heaven
Ow	Japanese Walnut
Ow	Elm
Ow	Monterey Pine
Pa	Austrian Pine
Pa	Ponge Pine
Pa	Pine
Ow	Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a. AGE CLASS

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

4A SITE INDEX
an SI is an answer to the nearest metre referenced at 50 years breast height age. SI is based on the age and height of the tallest trees in the polygon. Where trees are younger than breast height age at height, estimate SI to nearest site or decade line SI.

4b. HEIGHT CLASS

CODE	HEIGHT CLASS (metres)
1	0.5 - 10.4
2	10.5 - 19.4
3	19.5 - 26.4
4	26.5 - 37.4
5	37.5 - 48.4
6	48.5 - 59.4
7	59.5 - 64.4
8	65.5 +

4c. CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

CODE	CLOSURE (percentage)
0	0 - 5
1	6 - 15
2	16 - 25
3	26 - 30
4	36 - 45
5	46 - 50
6	56 - 65
7	66 - 75
8	76 - 85
9	86 - 100

4c ESTIMATED SITE INDEX
SI is estimated when variable SI does exist but is not present, e.g. young (BH/H=1/3 rule). The estimated SI is what it would almost always be if measured at 50 years. Estimated SI is also used for Non-Forest Type Group and SI estimated inverse curve.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

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

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

NON-TREED HERB
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 MIXED
M MIXED - mixed with no distinction between shrubs and herbs by cover.
MH MIXED - WOOD - mixed with shrubs, herbs, and bryophytes > 50% of the mixed cover.
MB MIXED - LICHENS - mixed with lichens > 50% of the mixed cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for V and I records)

W	WATER	R	ROCK
W	WATER	B	LAKE
W	WATER	S	STREAM
W	WATER	L	LANDING
W	WATER	SG	SEDIMENTS
G	GRAVEL PIT	GRA	GRAVEL
E	EXPOSED SOILS	As	MORAINE

Note: Water categories W, B, S, L, SG, As, G, E, R

As	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT
Ap	PUDDLE MINE SPOILS
Ad	DEBRIS
A	OTHER
Ac	ANTHROPOGENIC
Ar	RECREATION
Ar	ROCK / STREAM

Note: Water categories W, B, S, L, SG, As, G, E, R cannot overlap

rb	RESERVOIR BARREN
rp	RAILWAY SURFACE
rr	ROAD SURFACE
rs	ROAD SURFACE
t	TALUS
u	URBAN

NON FOREST / NON PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTOR CODES (for F records)

CP	CLIFFS /
CPF	CLUSTERED FOREST Species
CL	CLAY BANK
CLP	CLAY PLAIN
GRAVEL PIT	
ICE	ICEFIELD
MUD	MUD FLAT
MUSKEG	

NPL	NON-PRODUCTIVE
NPBR	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
NPD	NON-PRODUCTIVE DECIDUOUS
NPF	NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST Species
OPA	OPEN AVAILABLE
OPN	OPEN NAKED
P	WATFILD
R	ROCK
S	SWAMP

SAND	SAND
SF	SNOW FLAT
U	URBAN

NC	NON COMMERCIAL
NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
NP	NON PRODUCTIVE
NPRE	NON PRODUCTIVE RESTOCKED
NTA	NOT 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	Blowdown	M	Mite Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non-Forest Human Induces
D	Diseases	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
Insects			
R	Site Rehabilitation		
T	Treatment Injuries		
W	Weather Damage		
X	Problem Unknown		

Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silviculture information is available on the BCGW utilizing either MIF or ArcMap. The MapView example is of themed RESULTS data.

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hts/ has 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
SILVICULTURE
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH

Overflow Labels