# 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 / Tantalis

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 represented on this map is a combination of Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping, 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
- Silviculture Opening # Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (SITE)
- Research Installations

**TRIM, Base Features :**
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Gough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Air/Ferries
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydrofeatures - ESRI
- Watercourses - 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 - Tantalis
- Municipal boundary (< 1,000,000 ha - 15 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary (> 1,000,000 ha) - 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 :
a. Species in the uppermost layer is described as Fd (Douglis Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock),
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separated by / 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 1979

**Line 1 - History Record Opening Number**

xxxx - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet  zzzz - 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. L2)

**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**

| | |
|---|---|
| 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) |
| Bg | Grand Fir |
| Bl | Subalpine Fir (alpine) |
| Bp | Pacific Fir |
| Hm | Mountain Hemlock |
| Hw | Western Hemlock |
| H | HEMLOCK (Western Hemlock hybrid |
| J | JUNIPER |
| Jr | Rocky Mtn. Juniper |
| Js | Scopulorum Juniper |
| L | LARCH |
| La | Alpine Larch |
| Lt | Tamarack |
| Lw | Western Larch |
| P | PINE |
| Pa | Alpine Pine |
| Pf | Limber Pine |
| Pl | Lodgepole Pine |
| Plc | Lodgepole Pine (interior) |
| Plcu | Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid |
| Py | Ponderosa Pine (yellow) |
| Pyi | Ponderosa Pine (interior) |
| Pw | Western White Pine |
| Pxj | Whitebark x Limber Pine |
| S | SPRUCE |
| Se | Englemann Spruce |
| Sx | Englemann Spruce hybrid |
| Ss | Sitka Spruce |
| Sxs | Spruce hybrid |
| Sxw | Englemann x White |
| Sw | White Spruce |
| Sxs | Sitka x unknown hybrid |
| Y | YEW |
| Yw | Western Yew |

**NATIVE HARDWOODS**

| | |
|---|---|
| A | ALDER |
| At | Red Alder |
| U | APPLE |
| Ua | Pacific Crab Apple |
| X | ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR |
| Act | Aspen |
| Ac | Balsam Poplar |
| Act | Black Cottonwood |
| Ax | hybrid Poplars |
| Ae | Trembling Aspen |
| E | ARBUTUS |
| Ep | Arbutus |
| Ew | ASH |
| Ew | Alaska Paper Birch |
| Ewp | Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid |
| Ep | Paper Birch (white) |
| Ew | Water Birch |
| K | CASCARA |
| Kc | Cascara |
| V | CHERRY |
| Vs | Bitter Cherry |
| Vm | Choke Cherry |
| Vp | Pin Cherry |
| G | DOGWOOD |
| Gp | Pacific Dogwood (western flowering) |
| M | MAPLE |
| Mb | Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf) |
| Mv | Vine Maple |
| O | OAK |
| Qg | Garry Oak |
| W | WILLOW |
| Wp | Pacific Willow |
| Wa | Peachleaf Willow (Bantzley's) |
| Wal | Peachleaf x Pacific Willow hybrid |
| Wr | Scouler's Willow |
| Ws | Sitka Willow (tea-leaved) |

**UNKNOWN - OTHER**

| | |
|---|---|
| X | UNKNOWN |
| Xc | unknown conifer |
| Xh | unknown hardwood |
| Z | OTHER (tree not on list) |
| Zc | other conifer |
| Zh | other hardwood |

**EXOTICS**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ea | ASH |
| Aet | ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR |
| Ae | Aspen (Quaking) |
| Ep | European Birch |
| Ewp | Alaska x Paper Birch |
| Ep | Paper Birch |
| Av | CHERRY |
| Vs | Mazzard Cherry |
| Y | CYPRESS |
| Yp | Port Orford Cedar |
| Yj | Japanese |
| Bs | "Subalpine" Fir |
| Bgr | Noble Fir |
| Bpg | Grand x Noble Fir |
| Bw | "White" Fir |
| L | LARCH |
| Lsl | Siberian Larch |
| Ls | "Siberian Larch |
| M | MAPLE |
| Mn | Norway Maple |
| Mr | "Sycamore Maple |
| O | OAK |
| Qw | "English Oak |
| Qw | "White Oak |
| Q | OTHER CONIFERS |
| Qs | "Holmes' Garry |
| Qc | "Giant Sequoia |
| Qr | "Coast Redwood |
| Qe | European Mountain Ash |
| Qs | Siberian Elm (southern) |
| Qf | Common Pear |
| Qa | "Black Ash |
| Qa | "White Ash |
| O | "Wingbeack Hickory |
| Qj | "Japanese Oak |
| Qa | Japanese Walnut |
| PXE | |
| Pm | "Shorebery Pine |
| Pn | "Nut Pine |
| Px | "Bugge Pine |
| Pp | "Pine |
| Sn | "Norway Spruce |

**Line 4**

**4a AGE CLASS**

| CODE | AGE (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 | HEIGHT (metres) |
|---|---|
| 1 | 0.1 - 10.4 |
| 2 | 10.5 - 19.4 |
| 3 | 19.5 - 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 | CLOSURE (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**

Site Index is the average height of the tallest trees present in a stand, usually the dominant species, at the reference age of 50 years. Stand 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, estimated SI values are used. Estimated SI values are either +/- estimate by the MF, or estimated from Site Index Curves.

**4e ESTIMATED SITE INDEX**

Site Index Curves (SIC) are used for those areas where ground sampling has not been carried out. Each SIC is identified by a species code and a curve number. Associated with each SIC is a site index value. Where more than one species is present, the species which is dominant (usually the species which occupies the largest area) is identified by a species code followed by a number which always precedes it