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 / 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 contained on this map is subject to change. Please refer to the 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 in Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (SIYU)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- Ice Built Weather
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Airfields
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydroelectfacilities - ESM
- Watercourses - ESM
- Waterbodies - ESM
- Wetlands - ESM
- Ocean - 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 - 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
ex: the most important layer is described as Fd (Douglis Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock)
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separator Site Index / estimated SI
ex: a 60 year old stand, 20m tall, 50% crown closure, Site Index 25 would be shown as 6 5 4 25/
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
- opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet
ZERO - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRIMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
1, - 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

Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	CYPRESS
Ep	Engelmann Spruce
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jf	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Seaside Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plq	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pm	Mountain Pine (Alpine)
Pp	Shore Pine (coastal)
Pw	Western White Pine
Py	Ponderosa Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Ss	Sitka Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sx	Hybrid Spruce
Sxe	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxw	White x Unknown hybrid
YEW	
Yw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

D	DOGWOOD
Dr	Red Osier
E	ALDER
Ep	Paper Birch hybrid
Ew	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Ey	Paper Birch (white)
Ka	Alaska Birch
K	ASCARA
Kc	Cascara
Kk	Kinnikinnick
V	Willow
Vc	Choke Cherry
Vf	Fire Cherry
G	COTTONWOOD
Gb	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
Gh	Hybrid
Gm	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
M	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Og	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wb	Bebb's Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wa	Peachleaf Willow (Bentley's)
Wd	Pussy Willow (gray-leaved)
Wr	Red Willow
Wl	Sitka Willow (tall-leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

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

EXOTICS

A	ASPEN
At	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ax	Northern Cottonwood
B	BIRCH
Bp	European Birch
Bpu	European Birch
C	*Horse Bird
Y	CHERRY
Yt	Mazzard Cherry
Y	CYPRESS
Yn	Nootka False Cedar
F	FIR (Balsam)
Fa	Grand Fir
Fn	Noble Fir
Fr	*Shasta Red Fir
Fv	Veitch Fir
L	LARCH
Lk	*Dahurian Larch
Ls	*Siberian Larch
M	MAPLE
Mb	Box Elder
Mr	*Norway Maple
Ms	*Sycamore Maple
OA	OAK
Oq	*English Oak
Or	*White Oak
O	OTHER EXOTICS
Oa	*Tree of Heaven
Oc	*Giant Sequoia
Oe	*Monkey Puzzle
Ol	European Mountain Ash
Om	*Japanese Maple
Op	Common Pear
Or	Oregon Ash
Os	*Scots Pine
Ot	*Eucalyptus Hickory
Ou	Tree-of-Heaven
Ow	*Japanese Walnut
P	PINE
Pm	*Monterey Pine
Pn	*Austrian Pine
Pr	*Royal Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sn	*Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a. AGE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (years)
1	0-10
2	11-40
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 - 9.0
2	9.1 - 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	LIMITS (percentage)
1	0 - 5
2	6 - 15
3	16 - 25
4	26 - 35
5	36 - 45
6	46 - 55
7	56 - 65
8	66 - 75
9	76 - 85
0	86 - 100

4d SITE INDEX
All SI are shown to the nearest metre referenced at 50 years Breast Height Age. SI is based on the age and height of the dominant and co-dominant trees (the tallest trees for a given age and height), estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX
SI is estimated when suitable SI not present, e.g. young stands (<30yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes the estimated number. Site Index curves are found in Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 Vegetation records

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

NON-TREED SHRUB
- SH SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
- s 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 BRYOID
- b BRYOID - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
- bm BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverwort, and hornwort > 50% of the bryoid cover.
- bl BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES: (for V and I records)
- w WATER
- wa BEACH
- wb BOULDERFIELD
- wc RIVERBANK
- wu BURNED AREA
- wv SLIDE
- ws EXPOSED SOILS
- gl GLACIER
- gl GRAVEL PIT
- gp GRAVEL
- l LOG SORT
- n POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS
- pe PEAT EXPOSED
- rec RECREATION
- rd ROADFILL SEDIMENT
- rm ROBBELY MINE SPOILS
- s SNOW
- sn SNOW COVER
- t TAILINGS
- u UNKNOWN
- w WATER - OTHER

Note: Water categories (w, wc, w, n) not labelled over 80 percent coverage.

NON-FOREST / NON-PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTOR CODES (for I records)
- A ALPINE
- C CULTIVATED FOREST-Species
- C CULTIVATED
- CL CLAY BANK
- CR CROPLAND
- CP CROPLAND PIT
- ICE ICEFIELD
- M MARSH
- MUD MUDFLAT
- NP NON-PRODUCTIVE
- NPB NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
- NPBG NON-PRODUCTIVE BUSH
- NPF NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST Species
- O OPEN WATER
- OB OPEN BANGE
- P HAYFIELD
- R ROCK
- SAND SAND
- SL SALT MARSH
- URBAN URBAN
- NC NON-COMMERCIAL
- NCB NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
- NP NON PRODUCTIVE
- NSR NOT SATISFACTORILY RESTOCKED
- NTA NOT TYPING AVAILABLE

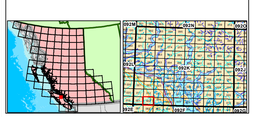
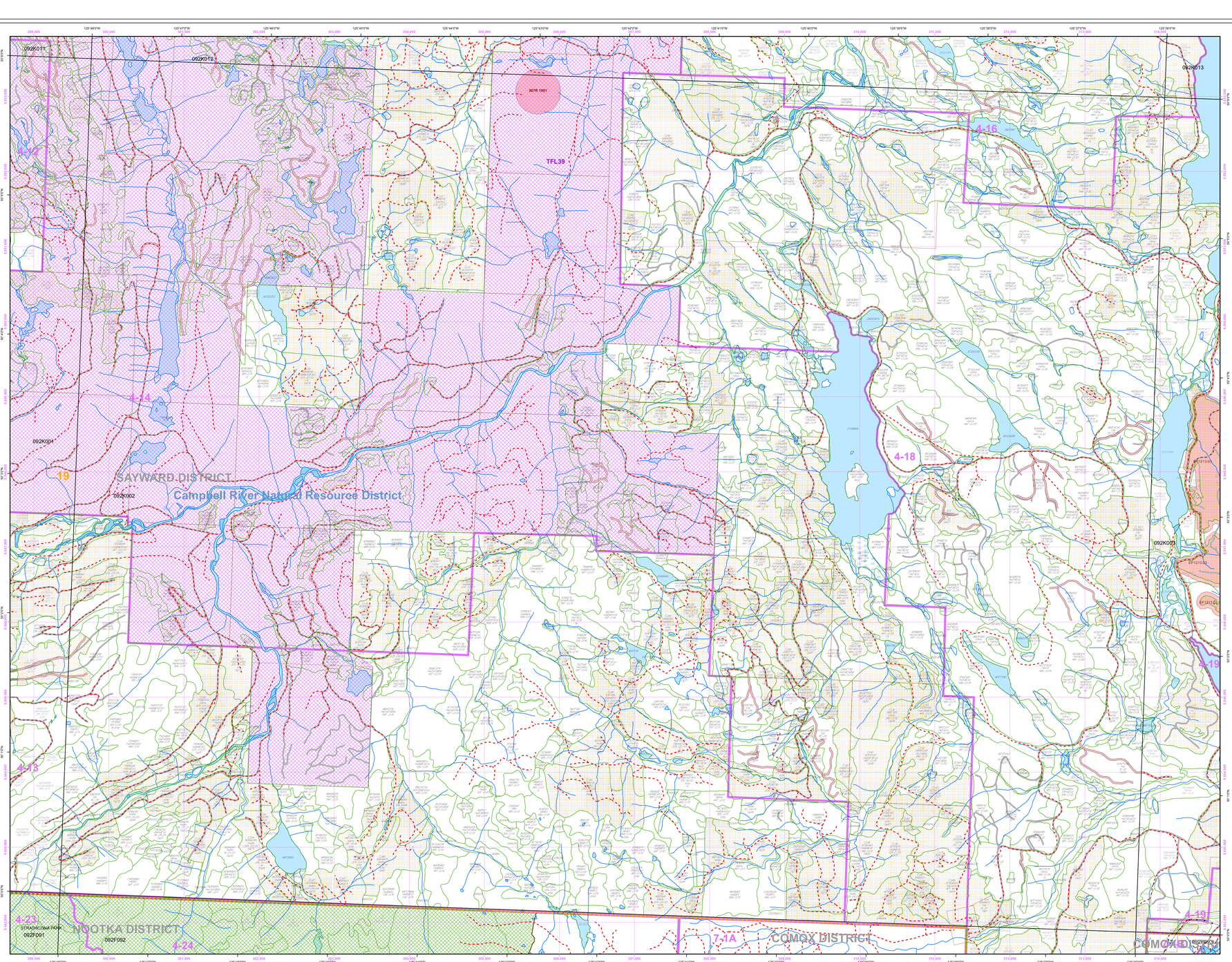
Line 6 - Disturbance History

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
- B Wildfire
- C Cone and Seed Insects
- D Diseases
- E Insects
- L Logging
- M Mite Damage
- N Non-Biological Injuries
- P Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
- 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 themed RESULTS data.

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application "Results" provides access to the following detailed information. Select the SILVICULTURE tab then click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for -

OPENING
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SILVICULTURE TREATMENT ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
STANDARDS UNIT
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH