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 / Terrain

This map is created from information stored digitally in the BC Geographic Warehouse. The map has been structured to facilitate printing on standard 8.5" x 11" paper. Some features may not be displayed correctly. Some features may be portrayed may not be complete and up to date (cadastral, 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
- Structure Opening in Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (1970)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Gravel Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Airf arines
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydroline/Barriers - ESM
- Watercourses - ESM
- Waterbodies - ESM
- Wetlands - ESM
- Ocean - ESM

Administrative Boundaries:
- BC Provincial Boundary
- MFLNRO Region boundary
- Resource District boundary - FADM
- Mnr Region Compartment - FADM
- Provincial Forest area - FADM
- Timber Supply Area Block - FADM
- Tree Farm Licenses - FADM
- Land District boundary
- Administrative boundary
- Survey Parcels - Terrain
- Municipal boundary (if > 1,000,000 ha - 15 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary (if < 1,000,000 ha - no hatch)
- National Parks
- Provincial Parks
- Ecological Reserves
- Protected Areas
- Recreation Areas
- First Nations

Other:
- BCGS Mapsheet Grid (1:20,000)

VEGETATION LABEL DETAILS

Example of a Vegetation Label:

LINE DESCRIPTION
1 Structure symbol and Opening Number
2 Polygon Number and multi-layer stand indicator (L)
3 BC Tree Code List
ex: the most important layer is described as Fd (Douglas Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock).
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separator Site Index / estimated SI
5 Vegetation Cover Code (or Non-Forest/Productive Description) - separator Crown closure Class 1 (5-15%), SI 20m
6 Vegetated Density Code (or Non-Forest/Productive Description)
ex: a herb polygon with no distinction between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less that 2m.
8 Disturbance History & year - ex: Logged in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Oping 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 - lettr=ypred stand is 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

C	CEDAR
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	CYPRESS
Yc	Yellow Cypress
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fdv	Douglas Fir Variety
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Scopulorum Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lw	Western Larch
Lt	Tamarack
P	PINE
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal) hybrid
Pp	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Pw	Shore Pine (coast)
Pwi	Whitebark Pine (interior)
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pf	Limber Pine
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sx	Spruce hybrid
Sxe	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxs	Sitka x Engelmann hybrid
T	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

D	ALDER
Dr	Red Alder
E	APPLE
Ep	Pacific Crab Apple
Ew	Black Cottonwood or POPLAR
Ep	Poplar
At	Trembling Aspen
Act	Black Cottonwood
Ae	Trembling Aspen
B	ARBUTUS
Bm	Arbutus
K	BIRCH
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Ep	Alaska Paper Birch hybrid
Ew	Paper Birch (white)
Ka	CASCARA
Kc	CASCARA
R	CHERRY
Vb	Bitter Cherry
Vc	Choke Cherry
Vp	Pin Cherry
Vs	Sweet Cherry
Qg	Garry Oak (Oregon) (western flowering)
Qs	Oak
Mb	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
G	MAPLE
Qg	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wb	Bebb Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wpg	Pacific Willow (Barclay's)
Wd	Prairie Willow (gray-leaved)
Wr	Red Willow
Ws	Sitka Willow (low-leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

A	UNKNOWN
At	unknown conifer
Ah	unknown hardwood
Ax	unknown conifer/hdwd mix
Zc	other conifer
Zh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

X	APPLE
Xc	Crab Apple
Xh	ASPEN, CUTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Xd	Southern Cottonwood
Xe	Aspen
Xw	European Birch
Xb	Paper Birch (European)
Xy	Yellow Birch
Xc	CHERRY
Xs	Sweet Cherry
X	CYPRESS
Xc	Monterey Cedar
Xm	FIR (Balsam)
Xb	Balsam Fir
Xg	Grand Fir
Xw	White Fir
X	LARCH
Xl	European Larch
Xj	Siberian Larch
X	MAPLE
Xm	Norway Maple
Xp	Norway Maple
Xr	Red Maple
Xw	White Oak
X	OTHER EXOTICS
Xh	Horse Chestnut
Xc	Giant Sequoia
Xr	Coast Redwood
Xs	Dawn Redwood/Swamp Ash
Xa	Siberian Elm (southern)
Xo	Common Hackberry
Xg	Oregon Ash
Xa	Green Ash
Xv	Virogilian's Hickory
Xj	Tree-of-heaven
Xn	Japanese Walnut
X	PINE
Xm	Monterey Pine
Xp	Scots Pine
Xc	Oregon Pine
X	SPRUCE
Xn	Norway Spruce

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 - 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)
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 expected metric referenced at 50 years breast height age. SI is based on the age and height of the tallest trees in the polygon. Site index is usually estimated from age and height, estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX
SI is estimated when site index cannot cannot present, e.g. young stands (<30yrs). It is limited by a stand which always has a site index estimated. Site index is estimated by inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

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

NON-TREED SHRUB
- d SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
- e SHRUB LOW - shrubs 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 - GRAMINOID - herb with graminoids > 50% of the herb cover.

NON-TREED BRYOID
- bc BRYOIDS - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
- bm BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverwork, and hornworts > 50% of the bryoid cover.
- bl BRYOID - LICHEN - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for V and I records)

aa	AIRPORT	gp	GRAVEL PIT
ac	CLEARING	i	ICE
bl	BLOCKFIELD	la	LAKE-MUD
bs	BEDROCK	ll	LANDING
cr	CREVASSE/CREVICE	ls	LANDING SIDE SEGMENTS
cs	CUTBANK	oa	OPEN AIT MINE
cu	CUTBANK SCALE	op	OPEN PIT MINE
gl	GLACIER		

mu MUDFLAT SEGMENT
ow OPEN WATER SPOILS
oc OCEAN
oi OTHER
rc ROCK COVER
rs RESERVOIRS
sa SALTWATER

rm RESERVOIR MARGIN
rw RIVER SEGMENTS
rs ROAD SURFACE
sn SNOW
tm TAILINGS
wa WATER

Note: Three categories (la, ok, rk, rl) not labelled over 90 percent coverage.

NON-FOREST / NON-PRODUCTIVE DESCRIPTION CODES (for I records)

A	ALPINE	NP	NON PRODUCTIVE
CP	CULTIVATED FOREST- Species	NPB	NON PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CULTIVATED	NPL	NON PRODUCTIVE BURN
CL	CLAY BANK	NPF	NON PRODUCTIVE FOREST -Species
D	DUGOUT/POND	NPR	NON PRODUCTIVE RANGE
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OB	OPEN BANKS
L	LAKE/RIVER	OM	OPEN MARSH
M	MEADOW	R	ROCK
MU	MUDFLAT	S	SWAMP

SAND SAND
SNOW PERM SNOW
URBAN URBAN

NC NON COMMERCIAL
NCBR NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
NF NON FOREST
NSR NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED
NYA NOT FIRMLY ANTABLE

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.

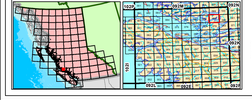
A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Burn	M	Mite Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non-Insect Injuries
D	Diseases	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
	Insects		
R	Site Rehabilitation		
T	Treatment Injuries		
U	Unknown		
V	Problem Vegetation		

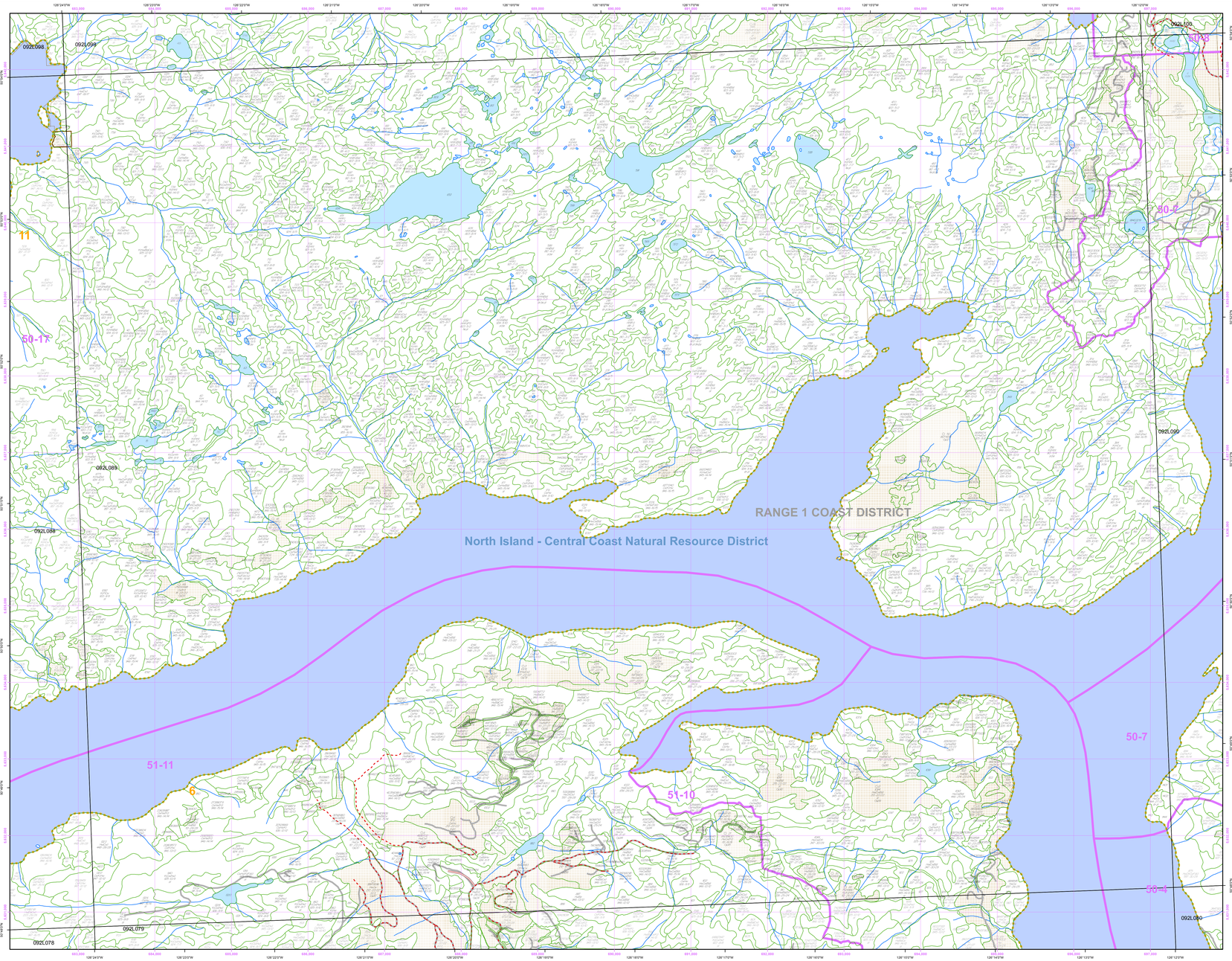
Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silvicolture 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. To view this data in MAPVIEW, select the layer "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