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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 - VRMS / 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 intended for display purposes only. 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 (SIYL)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Airframes
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Dry/Ineffectbarriers - 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 (= 1:250,000 ha) - (5 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary (= 1:250,000 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 Structure Number and Opening Number
2 Polygon Number and multi-layer stand indicator (LL)
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: 120 years old, 30 metres tall, 40% crown closure, 22 Site Index
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
0nnnn - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
5, - 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 4.6 dated January 2009.

NATIVE CONIFERS

Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	CYPRESS
Y	YELLOW
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Fir
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
B	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Sawtooth Juniper*
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal)
Plx	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pj	Jack Pine (Hudsonian)
Pp	Shore Pine (coastal)
Pw	Western White Pine
Pxj	Hybrid White Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sx	Sitka Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sxe	Spruce hybrid
Sxw	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxs	Sitka x Western hybrid
T	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

C	CHERRY
D	DOGWOOD
E	APPLE
Ep	Pacific Crab Apple
Et	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ac	Poplar
Act	Black Cottonwood
Ae	Aspen
Ah	Hybrid Poplars
Ax	Alder hybrid
Ay	ALDER
E	BIRCH
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Eap	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Ep	Paper Birch (white)
Er	Red Birch
K	CASCARA
Ke	Cascara
Kh	Hybrid Cascara
V	Other Cherry
Vv	Choke Cherry
Vu	Bitter Cherry
G	DOGWOOD
Gp	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Or	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wb	Bebb's Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Ww	Peachleaf Willow (Bambi's)
Wd	Pussy Willow (gray-leaved)
Wr	Red Willow
Wt	Sitka Willow (tree-leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

X	UNKNOWN
Xc	unknown conifer
Xh	unknown hardwood
Xl	other (usually tree or tall)
Xs	other shrub
Zh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

Ua	ALDER
Ab	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ba	Balsam Poplar/Cottonwood
Bp	Aspen
Ew	European Birch
Ep	Paper Birch (European)
Ey	*Yellow Birch
Yc	CHERRY
Yo	*Sweet Cherry
Yp	*Pin Cherry
Yx	CHERRY Cherry Cross
Fd	FIR (Balsam)
Bn	*Noble Fir
Bp	Noble Fir
Bm	*Amabis Red Fir
Bv	*Grand Fir
Lx	LARCH
Le	*Dahurian Larch
Lk	*European larch WATLF
Me	Box Elder
Mr	*Red Flowering Maple
Mt	*Sycamore Maple
Oa	OAK
Oq	*English Oak
Oc	*White Oak
Ox	OAK (Garry/Cvp)
Ob	*Korean Cedar
Oc	*Oriental Oak
Ow	*Chinese Oak
Ow	European Mountain Ash
Ow	Common Mountain Ash
Ol	Common Pear
Og	Oregon Ash
Oa	*Ash species
Oj	*Shagbarks Hickory
Oj	Tree-of-heaven
Oh	*Japanese Walnut
Ph	*Monterey Pine
Pn	*Scots Pine
Pp	*Ponderosa Pine
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 - 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
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, and is estimated from existing age and height, estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX
SI is estimated when suitable SI trees cannot present, e.g. young stands (<30yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes the estimated value. SI Source codes are found in Inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

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

SP	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.
W	HERB - FORBS - herb with forbs > 50% of the herb cover.
Hg	HERB - GRAMINOIDS - herb with gramnoids > 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, liverwork, and hornwork > 50% of the bryoid cover.
BL	BRYOID, LICHEN - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON VEGETATED CATEGORIES: (for I records)

bl	BARRENLAND	ra	RECENT ALLUVIAL FEE
bm	BEACH	lk	LAKE
br	BEDROCK	ls	LAKE
bs	BOGWOOD	l	LANDING
bu	BURNED AREA	lk	POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS
cb	CLIFF/BANK	m	MINE/GRAVEL PIT
ea	EXPOSED SOILS	mi	MOSAIC
gl	GLACIER		

ra	RECENT ALLUVIAL FEE	rr	RESERVOIR MARGIN
lk	LAKE	ro	RAILWAY SURFACE
ls	LAKE	rs	ROCK / RUBBLE
l	LANDING	rd	ROAD SURFACE
lk	POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS	sn	SNOW COVER
m	MINE/GRAVEL PIT	t	TALUS
mi	MOSAIC	w	WATERCOURSE
		ws	WASH / STREAM

Note: Water categories (ra, ls, rs, rr) not labelled over 50 percent coverage.

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

A	ALPINE	NP	NON-PRODUCTIVE
B	BURNED FOREST-Species	NPB	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CULTIVATED	NPBG	NON-PRODUCTIVE BG/BN
CL	CLAY BANK	NPF	NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST Species
D	DEBRIS FLOW	NPL	NON-PRODUCTIVE/LAKE
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OR	OPEN RANGE
L	LOGGED	P	PLANTED
M	MEADOW	R	ROCK
MUD	MUD FLAT	S	SWAMP

SAND	SAND		
U	URBAN		
V	VERNAL POOL		
NC	NON-COMMERCIAL		
NCBR	NON-COMMERCIAL BRUSH		
NF	NON-FORESTED		
NSR	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED		
NYA	NOT YARDING AVAILABLE		

Line 6 - Disturbance History

Disturbance type code preceeded by symbol, followed by earliest date
Find character of disturbance type designates category, refer to official code list for sub-category descriptions.

A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Wildfire	M	Mite Damage
C	Competing Seed Insects	N	Non-Biological Injuries
D	Diseases	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		
R	Site Rehabilitation		
T	Treatment Injuries		
U	Damage Unknown		
V	Probem 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 VIEWER can be used to view the silviculture information. Select the SILVICULTURE tab then click on "Display Silviculture Maps" to turn on display values for -

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