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 support the analytical functions of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations. The information 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 + Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot - (SYS)
- Research Installations

TRIM. Base Features:
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- 4x4 Ferries
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydrolke/Barriers - 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 (1:1000,000 for > 10 % hatch)
- Municipal boundary (1:1,000,000 for - 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 + Number of 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: stand is age class 2 (21-40 yrs), height class 1 (0.1-10.4m), crown closure class 5 (61-70%), SI 20m
5 Species Composition of the second layer (if present)
ex: a forb polygon with no distinction between forbs and graminoids, shrubs less than 2m.
6 Disturbance History & year - ex: Logged in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Opening Number

CUT - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet
2529 - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRIMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
A, 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 2009.

NATIVE CONIFERS

C	CEDAR
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	YELLOW CEDAR
Yc	Yellow Cedar
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
B	BALSAM FIR
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
Bl	Alpine Fir
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxm	Western x Mountain Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jf	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Jr	Common Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal)
Pp	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Pw	Shore Pine (coast)
Pwi	Shore Pine (interior)
Pw	Whitebark Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sx	Sitka Spruce
Sxe	Spruce hybrid
Sx	Spruce hybrid
Sxs	Sitka x Stone Pine
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxw	Sitka x Engelmann hybrid
YEW	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

A	ALDER
D	Red Alder
Ag	Grey Alder
Ar	Pacific Coh Apple
A	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
At	Aspen
Abl	Balsam Poplar
Abl	Black Cottonwood
Ac	Trembling Aspen
Ax	Trembling Aspen
B	BIRCH/ALDER
Bb	Birch
Bp	Mountain Paper Birch
Bxp	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Bg	Water Birch (wetter)
Bp	Paper Birch
K	CASCARA
Ka	Cascara
C	CHERRY
Cb	Bitter Cherry
Cc	Choke Cherry
Cv	Pin Cherry
D	DOGWOOD
Dw	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
E	MAPLE
Em	Broadleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Ep	Vine Maple
M	MISC
Mv	Cascara
W	WILLOW
Wa	Pacific Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wb	Peachleaf Willow (Bentley's)
Wr	Scouler's Willow (Bentley's)
Ws	Scouler's Willow
WP	Sitka Willow (tea-leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

ZZ	unknown conifer
ZW	unknown hardwood
ZX	ATYPIC (tea not ur tet)
Zc	other conifer
Zh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

Ua	APPLE
	Apple
Aa	BALSAM, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Aal	Northern Cottonwood
	BIRCH
Ek	European Birch
Ea	Sand Birch (poplar)
Ey	Yellow Birch
	CHERRY
Us	Sweet Cherry
	CYPRESS
Yo	Japanese Cedar
	FIR (Balsam)
Bc	Corkbark Fir
Bp	Noble Fir
Bpa	Pacific Silver Fir
Bm	White Fir
	LARCH
Ld	European Larch
Ld	Tamarack Larch
	MAPLE
Mb	Box Elder
Mr	Norway Maple
Ms	Sycamore Maple
	OAK
Qg	English Oak
Qr	Red Oak
	OTHER EXOTICS
Ch	Horsechestnut
Ob	Osage Orange
Ow	Cload Redwood
Oa	Green/White Ash
Ow	Siberian Elm (southern)
Of	Common Pear
Oc	Black Locust
Ot	White Ash
O	Wingbeam Hickory
Ol	Black Walnut
Ow	Japanese Walnut
	PINE
Pm	Monterey Pine
Pn	Red Pine
Pa	Austrian Pine
	SPRUCE
Sn	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	101-140
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)
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
A	86 - 100

4d SITE INDEX

SI is an estimate by 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. Site index estimates for young age and height, estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX

SI is estimated when a conifer cannot present, e.g. young stands (<30yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes the estimated value. The codes are for inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

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
si	SHRUB LOW - shrub with average shrub height < two metres

NON-TREED HERB

he	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

by	BRYOID - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
bm	BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverworts, or Fourworts > 50% of the bryoid cover.
bl	BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON VEGETATED CATEGORIES. (for V and I records)

ai	AIRPORT	gl	GRAVEL PIT
bl	BOULDERS	ic	ICE
bu	BUILDING	lk	LAKE
bs	BURNED AREA	lkx	LAKE SEDIMENTS
cl	CLAY BANK	m	MARSH
ex	EXPOSED SOILS	ri	RIVERS
gl	GLACIER		

mu	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT	rr	RESERVOIR MARSH
ot	OTHER - SPECIFY	rs	RIVERBAY SURFACE
pd	POND	rz	RIVERBAY SPOIL
pr	SNOW COVER	rz	ROAD SURFACE
rc	RIVER	s	TALUS
	RIVERS - ESTUARIA	w	URBAN

Note: Water categories (lk, rs, re, rr) to be labelled over 50 percent coverage.

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

A	ALPINE	NP	NON PRODUCTIVE
AF	ALPINE FOREST-Species	NPB	NON PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CUTOVER(S)	NPO	NON PRODUCTIVE SURF
CL	CLAY BANK	NPF	NON PRODUCTIVE FOREST -Species
G	GRASSLAND	NPT	NON PRODUCTIVE-TREE
GB	GRASS/ BUT	NSR	NATIVE RANGELAND
KP	KRUMMHOLZ	P	PASTURE
MT	MEADOW	R	ROCK
MOS	MOSS PLAT	SAN	SANITARY

SAND	SAND		
SF	SNOW FLAT		
U	URBAN		
NC	NON COMMERCIAL		
NCB	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH		
NOR	NOT ON RANGELAND		
NSR	NOT SUPPORTIVE TO RESTOCKED		
NTA	NOT TYPING AVAILABLE		

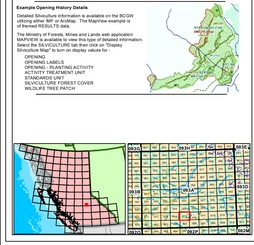
Line 6 - Disturbance History

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	Wildfire	M	Mine Damage
C	Cankers or Seed Insects	N	Non-Biological Injuries
D	Disease	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		
		R	Re-Forestation
		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 "MapView" can be used to view Silviculture information. Select the SILVICULTURE Sub-Item click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for -

OPENING
OPENING LABELS
ACTIVITY + PLANTING ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
STANDARDS UNIT
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH
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