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 2 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 in Vegetation
- Permanent Sample Plot (VRI)
- Research Installations

TRIM: Base Features:
- 4x Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Airf/Helips
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydro/Ice-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 (≥ 1,000,000 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 Polygon Number and Opening Number
2 Polygon Number and multi-layer stand indicator (L)
3 Species Composition
ex. the most important layer is described as Fd (Dougla Fir) and Hw (Western Hemlock).
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure Class Code - separated by '/' Site Index / estimated SI
ex. a 61-80 year old layer, 20-25 m tall, 26-35% crown closure class 4 (6-15%), SI 20m
5 Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forest/Productive Description)
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

0001 - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet

0038 - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer :

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

C	ALDER
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	Yellow Cedar
Yc	Yellow Cedar
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Ba	Balsam
Ba	Amabilis Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
H	HEMLOCK
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hwm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Juniper, Min. Juniper
Jsc	Sealskin Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pa	Jack Pine
Pf	Limber Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (contorta)
Pli	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pp	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Ppl	Ponderosa Pine
Pw	Whitepark Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sitka Spruce
Sw	Spruce (white)
Sx	Spruce hybrid
Sxe	Engelmann x White
Sxs	Sitka x White
Sxx	Sitka x unknown hybrid
T	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

AL	ALDER
Dr	Red Alder
Sa	Sitka Alder
Up	Pacific Crab Apple
A	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPULAR
At	Aspen
Act	Balsam Poplar
Ahf	Black Cottonwood
Ax	Poplar hybrid
At	Trembling Aspen
R	ARBUTUS
Rm	Arbutus
E	BIRCH
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Ekl	Alaska Paper Birch hybrid
Ep	Paper Birch (white)
Ew	Water Birch
Ey	Yellow Birch
V	CASCARA
V	CHERRY
Vm	Choke Cherry
Vp	Pin Cherry
Vu	Bitter Cherry
Vv	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
Mb	MAPLE
Mb	Broadleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
G	OAK
Gg	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wp	Pacific Willow
Ww	Peachleaf Willow (Bantzly's)
Wr	Scouler's Willow (Mackenzie)
Wy	Scouler's Willow
Wt	Sitka Willow (tea-leaved)

UNKNOWN / OTHER

X	UNKNOWN
Xh	unknown hardwood
Xn	unknown hardwood
Z	OTHER (tree not on list)
Zh	other hardwood
Zn	other hardwood

EXOTICS

Lla	APPLE
	Apple
Ad	POPLAR, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ad	*Simonii
	BIRCH
Ek	*European Birch
Ek	Silver Birch (swamp)
Ep	*White Birch
Ew	Cherry
Vs	Sweet Cherry
	CYPRESS
Yo	*Japanese Cedar
	FIR (Balsam)
Bb	*Balsam Fir
Bc	*Corkbark Fir
Bm	*Shasta Red Fir
Bc	*White Fir
	LARCH
Lk	*Dahurian Larch
Ld	*Siberian Larch
	MAPLE
Mb	Box Elder
Mr	*Norway Maple
Mb	*Japanese Maple
Qa	OAK
Qe	*English Oak
Qr	*Red Oak
	OTHER EXOTICS
Ox	*Incense Cedar
Ob	*Western Redcedar
Ot	*Coast Redwood
Ol	*European Mountain Ash
Oa	*Showy Mountain Ash
Of	Common Pear
Oc	*Crabapple
Oh	*White Ash
Oi	*Shagbark Hickory
Oj	*Black Walnut
Oy	Japanese Walnut
	PINE
Pm	*Monterey Pine
Pn	*Red Pine
Ps	*Scots 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	101-120
7	121-140
8	141-250
9	251 +

4b. HEIGHT CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (metres)
1	0.1 - 1.9
2	2.0 - 10.4
3	10.5 - 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 (percentages)
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

Site index is the height in the nearest metre referenced at 50 years (breast height age, 1.3 m) based on the age and height of the leading species. When an accurate SI cannot be obtained from site and height, estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX

Estimated site index is used when no site index values are present, e.g. young stands (<50yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes it. Associated fields in the data base are Inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 Vegetation records

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

s	SHRUB -
sa	SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
sl	SHRUB LOW - shrub with average shrub height < two metres.
	NON-TREE 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-TREE BRYOID
b	BRYOID - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
bm	BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverworts, and hornworts > 50% of the bryoid cover.
bl	BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for 'N' and I records)

ap	AIRPORT	gp	GRAVEL PIT	mu	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT
b	BEACH	l	LAKE	mv	MUSKEG / MINE SPOILS
bl	BLOCKFIELD	la	LAVA BED	o	OCEAN
br	BEDROCK	li	LANDING	or	OTHER
bs	BARE SOIL/GRAVEL	ls	LAKE/POND SEDIMENTS	oc	OTHER COVER
c	CUTBANK	mi	OPEN PIT MINE	r	RESERVOIR
es	EXPOSED SOILS	mr	MORAINE	s	RIVER / STREAM
gl	GLACIER		River Water categories (ie, ns, w, n) not labelled over 50 percent coverage.		

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

AF	AGRICULTURE FIELD	NPBC	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH	SAND	SAND
AF	ALPINE FOREST Species	NPBS	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH	TIDE	TIDAL FLAT
C	CULTIVATED	NPBU	NON PRODUCTIVE BURN	U	URBAN
F	FOREST	NPF	NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST Species		
G	GRAVEL BAR	NT	NO TYPING AVAILABLE	NC	NON COMMERCIAL
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OR	OPEN RANGE	NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
L	LAKE	R	ROCK	NCBU	NON COMMERCIAL
M	MEADOW	ROC	ROCK	NSR	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED
MUD	MUDFLAT	S	SWAMP	NTA	NO 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.

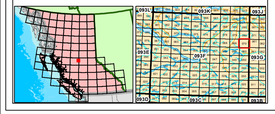
A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Wildfire	M	Mist Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	N	Non-Biological Injuries
D	Disease	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
I	Insects		
R	Site Rehabilitation		
T	Treatment Injuries		
U	Damage Unknown		
V	Problem Vegetation		

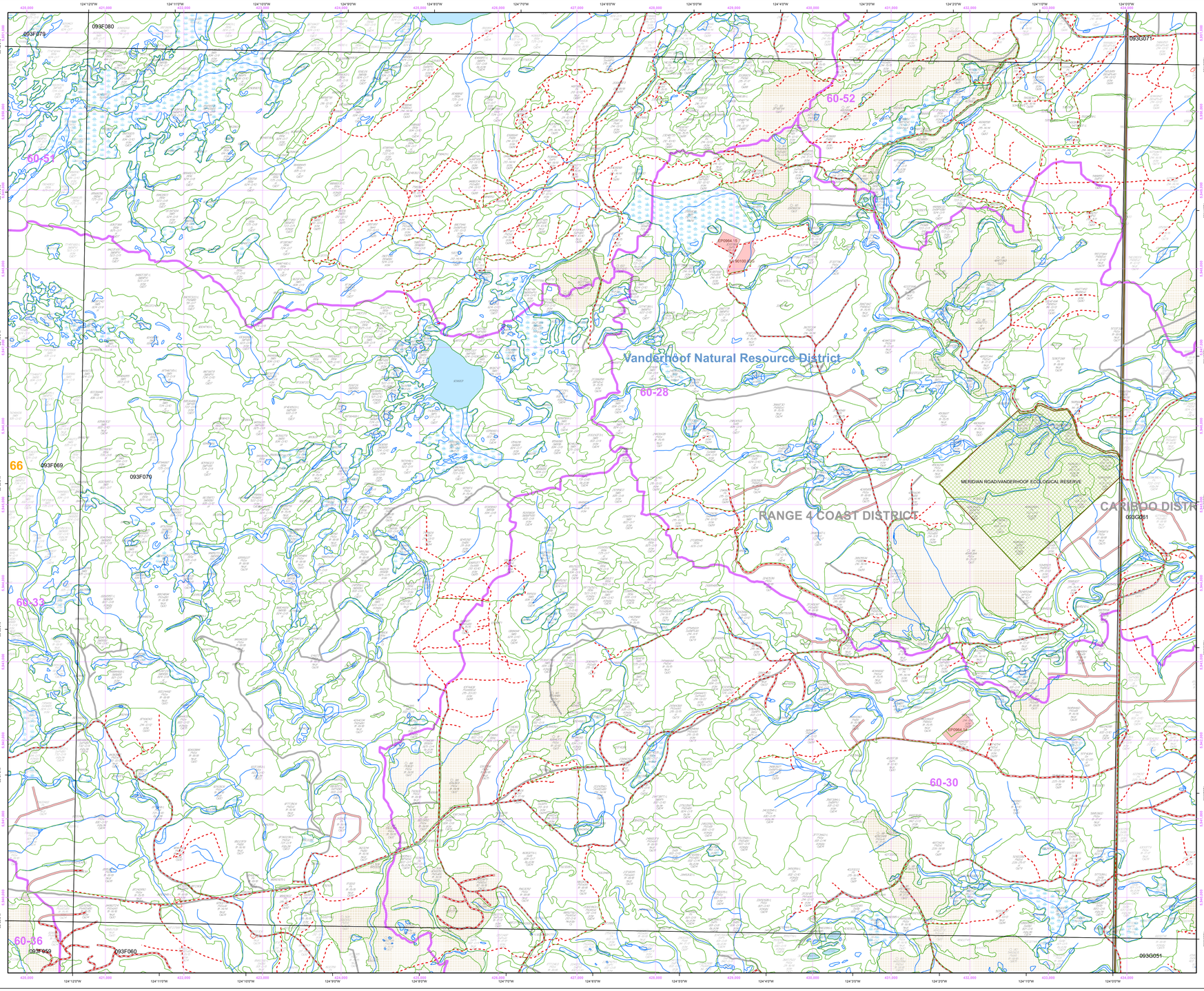
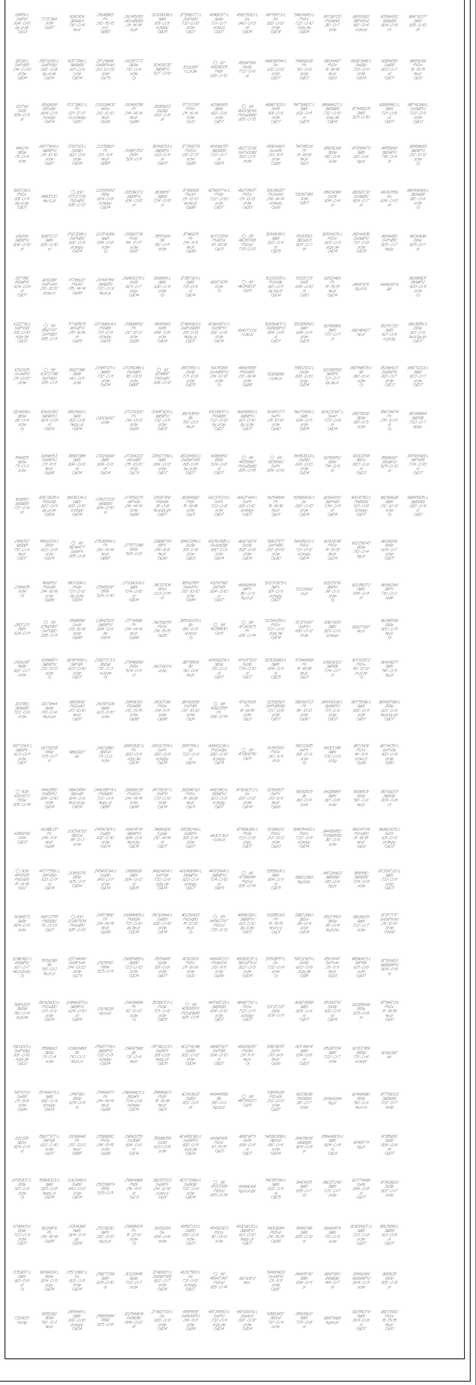
Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silviculture information is available on the BCGW utilizing either IMP or ArcMap. The MapView example is of themed RESULTS data.

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application MAPVIEW is available to view this type of detailed information. Select the SILVICULTURE tab then click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for -

OPENING ID
OPENING LABELS
OPENING - PLANTING ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
STANDARDS UNIT
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH





Overflow Labels