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 compiled from a variety of 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 (CFS)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- Ski Built Roads
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Gravel Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Airf ields
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydro/Aer/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 % halo)
- Municipal boundary (> 1,000,000 ha - no halo)
- 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: Pw Hw=2 Important layer is described as Fd (Douglas 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 (0-10.4m), crown closure class 1 (6-15%), SI 20m
5 Vegetated Density Class (or Non-Forest/Productive Descriptor)
ex: Sparsely vegetated, with trees, shrubs, herbs and graminoids, shrubs less that 2m.
6 Disturbance History ex: sw - suspect in 1978

Line 1 - History Record Opening Number

OOO - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet ##### - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer

VRIMS Polygon Number - ranging from one to nine digits
L - 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	CEDAR
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	YEW
Yc	Yellow Cypress
H	HEMLOCK
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
B	FIR (Balsam)
Bg	Grand Fir
Bl	Grand Fir
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
Bp	Pacific Fir
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxm	Western Hemlock Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Scopulorum Juniper
L	LARCH
La	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal)
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Pp	Ponderosa Pine (yellow)
Ppy	Shore Pine (coast)
Pw	Western White Pine
Pa	Whitebark Pine
S	SPRUCE
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sx	Engelmann Spruce
Ss	Sitka Spruce
Sxs	Spruce Hybrid
Sxw	Spruce Hybrid
Sxe	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Spruce Hybrid
Sxs	Sitka x unknown hybrid
Yew	YEW
Yw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

D	ALDER
Dr	Red Alder
Da	Sitka Alder
Dd	Pacific Crab Apple
A	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
At	Trembling Aspen
Act	Balsam Poplar
Ep	Black Cottonwood
Ax	Hybrid Poplars
Ae	Trembling Aspen
E	BROADLEAF
Ma	Arbutus
Ep	Paper Birch
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Epg	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Ew	Water Birch
Ew	Water Birch
K	CASCARA
G	DOGWOOD
C	CHERRY
Vb	Bitter Cherry
Vc	Choke Cherry
Vv	Pin Cherry
G	DOGWOOD
Dw	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Bigleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Or	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wb	Pacific Willow
Wa	Peachleaf Willow (Bendy's)
Wr	Pacific Willow (Northwood)
Wi	Scouler's Willow
Wr	Sitka Willow (low branch)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

X	UNKNOWN conifer
Xc	unknown coniferous
Xcd	unknown coniferous (dead)
Xcl	unknown shrub (cl or tall)
Xc	other conifer
Xh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

Ap	APPLE
Ax	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ab	*Southern Cottonwood
Ab	BIRCH
Ab	*European Birch
Ab	*Silver Birch (swamp)
Cr	CHERRY
Cr	*Mazzard Cherry
Cr	CHERRY
Ht	*Red Orchid Cedar
Ht	HEMLOCK
Bp	*Balsam Fir
Bp	*Noble Fir
Bp	*Grand Red Fir
Bp	*White Fir
Lt	LARCH
Lt	*European Larch
Lt	*Siberian Larch
Mp	MAPLE
Mn	*Norway Maple
Mn	*Norway Maple
Mp	*Sycamore Maple
Oa	OAK
Oa	*English Oak
Oa	*Red Oak
Ot	OTHER EXOTICS
Ot	*Crucifer Cedar
Ot	*Incense Cedar
Ot	*Coast Redwood
Ot	*Common Alder/Grey Alder
Ot	*Siberian Elm (southern)
Ot	Common Pear
Ot	*Black Locust
Ot	*White Ash
Ot	*Shagbark Hickory
Ot	*Black Walnut
Ot	Japanese Walnut
Pw	PINE
Pn	*Austrian/Ary Pine
Pn	*Scots Pine
Pn	*Ponderosa Pine
Sx	SPRUCE
Sx	*Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a AGE CLASS

CODE	LIMITS (years)
0	1-20
1	21-40
2	41-60
3	61-80
4	81-100
5	101-120
6	121-140
7	141-250
8	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. Site index is estimated for all trees on the leading species. When an accurate SI cannot be obtained from 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. immature stands. The SI is shown after the SI symbol and always precedes it. Recorded 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)

NON-TREES SHRUB
- st SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
- sl SHRUB LOW - shrub with average shrub height < two metres.

NON-TREES HERB
- h HERB - herb with no distinction between forbs and graminoids.
- f HERB - FORBS - herb with forbs > 50% of the herb cover.
- g HERB - GRAMINOIDS - herb with graminoids > 50% of the herb cover.

Non-Vegetated
- bs BRYOIDS - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
- bm BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses, liverwots, and hornwarts > 50% of the bryoid cover.
- bl BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for V and I records)

bl	BEDROCK	ds	DUNE SAND	mu	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT
be	BEACH	c	CLIFF	mv	RUBBLY MINE SPOILS
w	BLOCKFIELD	s	LAVA BED	o	OCEAN
r	ROCK OUTCROP	t	TALUS	r	RIVER
ta	SURFACE AREA	w	WATER (LAKE SEDIMENTS)	sn	SNOW COVER
sp	SPOIL	x	OPEN PIT MINE	ri	RIVER / STREAM
es	EXPOSED SOILS				
gr	GRAVEL				

Note: Water categories (a, as, w, ri) not labelled over 60 percent coverage.

mr	RESERVOIR MARGIN				
rw	RAILWAY SURFACE				
rd	ROAD SEDIMENTS				
ta	TAILINGS				
tp	TALUS				
u	URBAN				

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

AF	ALPINE FOREST	MPBD	NON PRODUCTIVE BRUSH	SAND	SAND
AT	ALPINE FOREST Species	MPBG	NON PRODUCTIVE BRUSH	TIDE	TIDAL FLAT
C	CULTIVATED	MPBG	NON PRODUCTIVE BURN	U	URBAN
CF	CULTIVATED FOREST	MPBT	NON PRODUCTIVE FOREST Species		
GL	GRAVEL BAR	NOA	NOTHING AVAILABLE	NC	NON COMMERCIAL
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OR	OPEN RANGE	NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH
M	MEADOW	R	ROCK OUTCROP	NCT	NON COMMERCIAL TREE
M	MEADOW	S	ROCK	NOS	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED
MUD	MUD FLAT	S	SWAMP	NTA	NO TYPING AVAILABLE

Line 6 - Disturbance History

Disturbance type code preceded 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	Mite 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	Protection Implantation		

Example Opening History Details

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

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hre/harvest/ has this type of detailed information. Select the SILVICULTURE tab then click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for -

OPENING
OPENING LABELS
OPENING / PLANTING ACTIVITY
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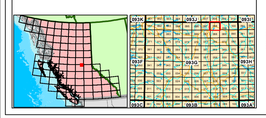
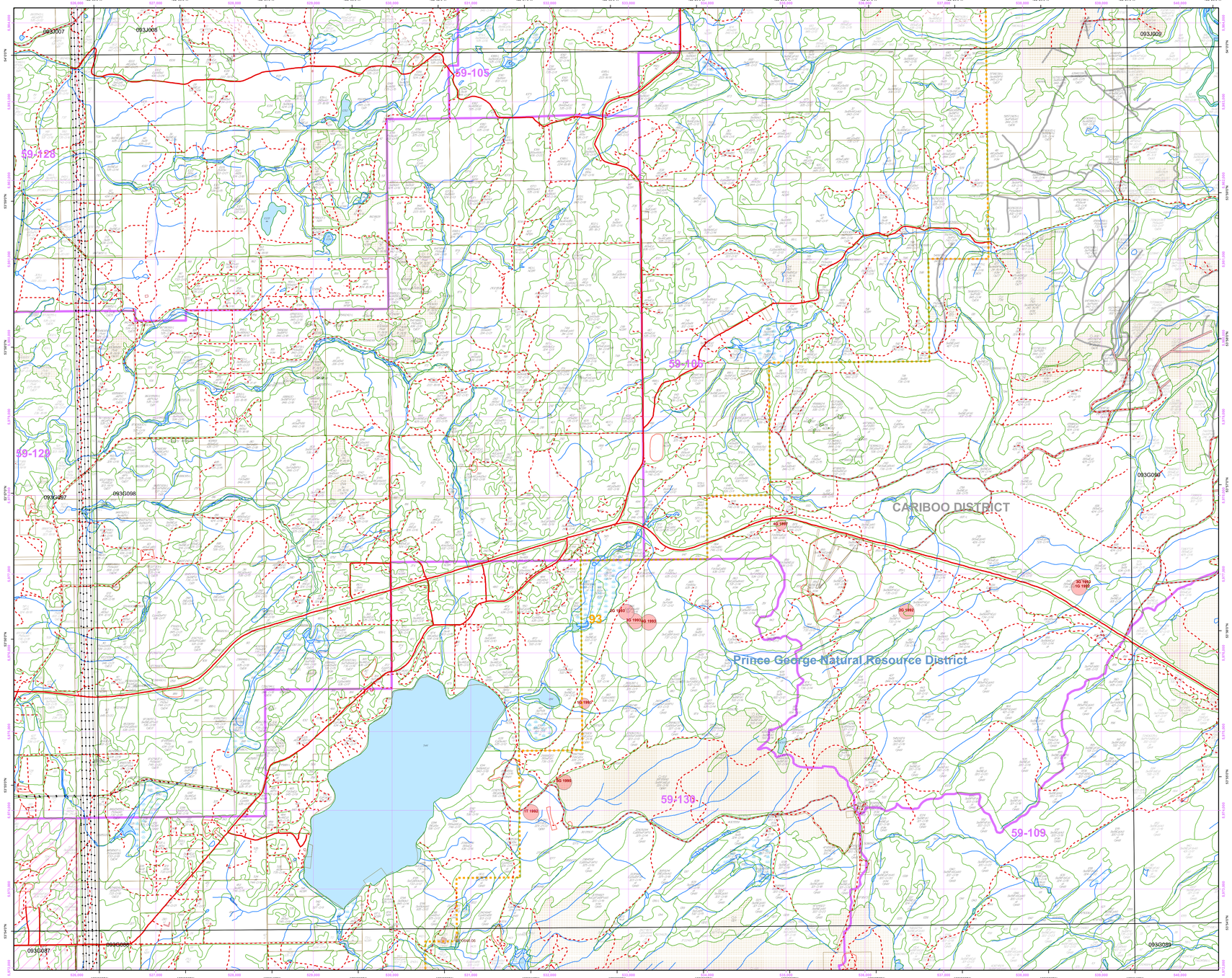
STANDARDS UNIT
SILVICULTURE FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH





Overflow Labels