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 display on a standard plotter at a scale of 1:20,000. Forest cover polygons, roads, streams, lakes, and cutblocks displayed 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 (2010)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- Cut Block Access
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Forest Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Ferry Routes
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydro/Net/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 (1:1,000,000 to 1:8 ¼ hatch)
- Municipal boundary (1:1,000,000 to ~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
4 Age, Height, Crown Closure (dominant 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 (1.1-10.4m), crown closure class 1 (5-15%), SI 20m
5 Species Composition #2 (not mapped) - same as line 3 description
ex. a leading species 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
none - opening number has not been assigned

Line 2 - Polygon No. / Multi-layer
VRIMS Polygon No. 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 3

Species Composition: Species are labelled 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	YEW
Yew	Yellow Cedar
H	HEMLOCK
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fir
B	FIR (Balsam)
Bg	Grand Fir (Balsam)
Bl	Subalpine Fir (alpine)
Bp	Pacific Fir
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hm	Mountain Hemlock
Hmm	Mountain x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Sabeckii Juniper
L	LARCH
Lw	Alpine Larch
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Western Larch
P	PINE
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodge Pole
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal)
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Pxj	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pw	White Pine (soft)
Pa	Whole Pine (hard)
Pf	Limber Pine (Foxtail)
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pp	Ponderosa
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sxl	White Spruce
Sxw	Engelmann x White
Sxe	White x Sitka
Sxs	Sitka x Lutz hybrid
Y	YEW
Yew	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

A	ASPEN
Dr	Red Alder
Ep	ELM
Up	Pacific Cold Apple
At	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ac	Aspen
Act	Black Cottonwood
Ax	hybrid Poplars
Ae	Trembling Aspen
Ab	ASH/OTHER
Pa	Arbutus
Ep	Elm
Ea	Alaska Paper Birch
Eap	Alaska Paper Birch hybrid
Ew	Paper Birch (white)
Ey	Yellow Birch
F	ASH/OTHER
Fc	Cascara
Fd	Dogwood
Vp	Bitter Cherry
Vv	Choke Cherry
Vm	Mountain Ash
Vw	DOGWOOD
Vf	Red-osier dogwood (western flowering)
M	MAPLE
Mb	Broadleaf Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
Q	OAK
Qg	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wa	Pacific Willow
Wp	Peachl Willow
Wb	Scouler's Willow (Barclay's)
Wsp	Pussy Willow (grey-leaved)
Ws	Scouler's Willow
Wy	Sitka Willow (sp. unknown)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

X	UNKNOWN
X	UNKNOWN conifer
X	unknown hardwood
Z	OTHER (tree not on list)
Zz	other trees
Zx	other shrubs/vines

EXOTICS

Ep	ELM
Up	Siberian Elm
At	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Act	* Southern Cottonwood
Ae	* European Birch
Ab	* Gray Birch (Europe)
Ap	* White Birch
Pc	CHERRY
Pcp	* Pin Cherry
Y	CYPRESS
Yo	* Port Orford Cedar
Yn	* Nootka Cedar
Yt	* Western Yew
Jh	* Oriental Juniper
Jhh	* Grayia Red Fir
Jc	* Chinese Juniper
L	LARCH
Lk	* Dahurian Larch
Ls	* Siberian Larch
M	MAPLE
Mr	Box Elder
Mp	* Norway Maple
Mpl	* Sycamore Maple
Q	OAK
Qe	* English Oak
Qr	* Red Oak
O	OTHER EXOTICS
Oc	* Incense Cedar
Ol	* Monterey Cedar
Ob	* Giant Redwood
Oh	* Western Hemlock Ash
Os	* Siberian Elm (southern)
Ow	* Giant Sequoia
Ot	* Umbrella Pine
Oa	* White Ash
Ob	* Common Alder
Oc	* Tree-of-Heaven
Oj	* Japanese Walnut
Ok	* Kentucky Coffee
Ot	* Monterey Pine
Ow	* Black Walnut
Py	* Sugar Pine
Ps	* Douglas Fir
Ot	* Norway Spruce

Line 4

4a) AGE CLASS

CODE	AGE CLASS (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	HEIGHT CLASS (metres)
1	1.1 - 10.4
2	10.5 - 19.4
3	19.5 - 27.4
4	27.5 - 37.4
5	37.5 - 48.4
6	48.5 - 64.4
7	64.5 +

4c) CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

CODE	CLASS (percentage)
1	5 - 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 layer. Site Index is estimated for age classes 1 to 3 from age and height, estimated SI is shown after, or replaces the SI.

4e. ESTIMATED SITE INDEX
SI is estimated when available SI trees cannot present, e.g. young stands (<30yrs). It is denoted by a slash which always precedes the estimated site index value. SI values are inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

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

sp	SHRUB - SPARSE	shrub with average shrub height 1 or < than metres
sc	SHRUB - LOW	shrub with average shrub height 1 < two metres
sm	SHRUB - MEDIUM	
hf	HERB - FORBS	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 BRYOIDS

by	BRYOIDS
bm	BRYOID - MOSS
bl	BRYOID - LICHENS

bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
bryoid with mosses > 50% of the bryoid cover.
bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for V and I records)

ap	AIRPORT	gr	GRAVEL PIT	mu	MUDFLAT SEDIMENT
bl	BOULDERS	la	LAVA	os	OSSIBLY MINE SPOILS
bu	BUCKWHEAT	lb	LAVA BED	oc	OCEAN
bu	BURNED	lf	LAVA FLOW	ri	RIVER
bu	BURNED AREA	ls	POND or LAKE SEDIMENTS	sn	SNOW COVER
cu	CUTBANK	ns	OPEN FIT MINE	re	RESERVOIR
ds	DISTURBED SOILS	ot	OTHER	wa	WATER - OPEN AREAS

Note: Water categories 6a, 6b, or 6c must exceed one (1) ha percent coverage.

rm	RESERVOIR MARGIN
ra	RAILWAY SURFACE
rv	RIVER SEDIMENTS
ro	ROADS
tl	TALUS
tl	TAILINGS
ur	URBAN

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

AF	ALPINE FOREST Species	NPBS	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CULTIVATED	NPBS	NON PRODUCTIVE BURN
F	FORESTED	NPBS	NON PRODUCTIVE Shrub Species
G	GRAVEL BAR	NTA	NOT TYPING AVAILABLE
GR	GRAVEL PIT	OR	OPEN RANGE
M	MEADOW	R	ROCK/RUBBLE
M	MEADOW	S	SNOW
MG	MEADOW GRAMINOID	SWAMP	

SAND	SAND		
SL	SHALLOW LAKE		
U	URBAN		
NC	NON-COMMERCIAL		
NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH		
NF	NON FORESTED		
NSR	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED		
NTA	NO TYPING AVAILABLE		

Line 6 - Disturbance History

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

A	Animal Damage	L	Logging
B	Burn	O	Other Damage
C	Cone and Seed Insects	R	Non Biological Injuries
D	Diseases	P	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens
	Insects		

S	Site Rehabilitation
T	Top Damage
U	Damage Unknown
V	Problem Vegetation

Example Opening History Details

Detailed Silviculture information is available on the BCGW utilizing either IMF or ArcMap. The Map/View example is of Harvest RESULTS data.

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hts/ has more information.
Select the SILVICULTURE tab from click on "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for -
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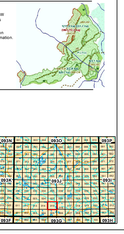
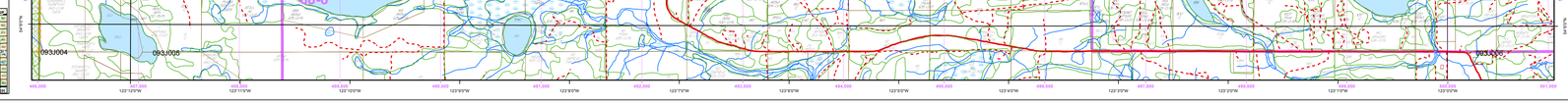
STANDARDS UNIT
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH





Overflow Labels