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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 / Tantalis

This map is created from information stored digitally in the BC Geographic Warehouse. The map has been structured to facilitate printing on standard 8.5" x 11" paper. Some features may be compressed, displaced, omitted or 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 (2YS)
- Research Installations

TRIM, Base Features:
- 3d Built Areas
- Forest Tenure Road Lines
- Paved Roads
- Rough Roads
- Trails/Cutlines
- Railways
- Ferry Routes
- Other lines
- Powerline
- Pipeline
- Buildings
- Misc Areas
- Misc Lines
- Water Lines
- Hydroline/Barriers - ESRI
- Watercourses - ESRI
- Waterbodies - ESRI
- Wetlands - ESRI
- Ocean - ESRI

Administrative Boundaries:
- BC Provincial Boundary
- BC-ARC Region boundary
- Resource District boundary - FADM
- tmr_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 (if > 5,000,000 ha) - (to 10 ha tolerance)
- Municipal boundary (if < 5,000,000 ha) - (to 4 ha tolerance)
- National Parks
- First Nations
- Provincial Parks
- Ecological Reserves
- Protected Areas
- Recreation Areas

Other:
- NTS/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: 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: a stand 61-80 years old, 22.5 - 25.4 metres high, 26 - 35% crown closure class 1 (5-15%), 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

nnnn - opening number valid for BCGS mapsheet ; zzzzz - 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 4.5 dated January 2009.

NATIVE CONIFERS

CODE	
C	CEDAR
Cw	Western Red Cedar
Y	CYPRESS
Ea	Alaska Yellow-cedar
F	DOUGLAS FIR
Fd	Douglas Fir
Fdc	Coastal Douglas Fv
Fdi	Interior Douglas Fv
H	HEMLOCK
Ha	Amabilis Fv
Hg	Grand Fv
Hm	Mountain Fv (alpine)
Hw	Western Hemlock
Hxw	Western x Western Hemlock hybrid
J	JUNIPER
Jr	Rocky Mtn. Juniper
Js	Common Juniper
L	LARCH
Lt	Tamarack
Lw	Alpine Larch
P	PINE
Pa	Whitebark Pine
Pj	Jack Pine
Pl	Lodgepole Pine
Plc	Lodgepole Pine (coastal)
Pli	Lodgepole Pine (interior)
Plx	Lodgepole x Jack Pine hybrid
Pw	Ponderosa Pine (pinus)
Pwi	Ponderosa Pine (interior)
Pw	Western White Pine
Py	Yellow Pine
S	SPRUCE
Sb	Black Spruce
Se	Engelmann Spruce
Sw	White Spruce
Sx	Hybrid Spruce
Sxe	Engelmann x White
Sxl	Sitka x White
Sxs	Sitka x unknown hybrid
T	YEW
Tw	Western Yew

NATIVE HARDWOODS

CODE	
D	ALDER
A	Alder
Ad	APPLE
Ep	Pacific Crabapple
At	ASPEN, COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Ac	Aspen
Act	Balsam Poplar
Acf	Black Cottonwood
Ax	Hybrid Aspen
At	Trembling Aspen
At	ARBUTUS
Ma	Arbutus
B	BIRCH
Bp	Alaska Paper Birch
Bpa	Alaska x Paper Birch hybrid
Bpc	Kenai White Birch
Bpk	Kenai Birch
Ai	CASCARA
Ai	Cascara
C	CHERRY
Cb	Bitter Cherry
Cc	Choke Cherry
Cp	Pin Cherry
Cv	Hybrid Cherry
Dp	Pacific Dogwood (western flowering)
Dw	Dogwood
Mb	Mountain Maple (broadleaf)
Mv	Vine Maple
O	OAK
Gb	Garry Oak
W	WILLOW
Wb	Bebb Willow
Wp	Pacific Willow
Wpg	Pacific Willow (Barclay's)
Ww	Pussy Willow (gray-leaved)
Wy	Scouler Willow
Ws	Sitka Willow (low-leaved)

UNKNOWN - OTHER

CODE	
X	UNKNOWN conifer
Xh	unknown hardwood
Xl	unknown tree (will not list)
Zz	other conifer
Zh	other hardwood

EXOTICS

CODE	
E	APPLE
Ep	Pear
Ex	HYBRID COTTONWOOD or POPLAR
Exm	Northern Cottonwood
Ey	BIRCH
Eyp	European Birch (common)
Ey	Yellow Birch
Eyp	Paper Birch
Ew	Sweet Cherry
Y	CYPRESS
Yc	Nootka Cypress Cedar
Yo	Hinoki Cypress
By	Noble Fir
Bg	Grand Fir
Bm	Noble Fir
L	LARCH
Lk	European Larch
Lj	Siberian Larch
M	MAPLE
Mb	Boxelder
Mr	Norway Maple
Mp	Sycamore Maple
O	OAK
Oq	English Oak
Qw	White Oak
O	OTHER EXOTICS
Ob	Black Walnut
Ch	Horse Chestnut
Cs	Cutleaf Redbeech
Cw	Common Hornbeam Ash
Cx	American Elm (southern)
Cy	Siberian Elm
Dg	Oregon Ash
Dv	Green Ash
U	Wingbeam Hickory
Q	Tree-of-heaven
Qa	Black Locust
P	PINE
Pn	Nonderosa Pine
Pm	Mugo Pine
Pp	Shore Pine
Sn	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 (metres)
1	0.1 - 10.4
2	10.5 - 16.4
3	16.5 - 22.4
4	22.5 - 37.4
5	37.5 - 48.4
6	48.5 - 59.4
7	59.5 - 70.4
8	70.5 +

4c. CROWN CLOSURE CLASS

CODE	CLOSURE (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

Site Index is the nearest metre achieved at 50 years breast height age. Site Index is usually estimated from Height Class 3 stands. Where Site Index is estimated from a stand of a different 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. Non-Forest, Non-Productive, Alpine, Rock, Water. Estimated SI values correspond to boundaries found in the data base as an Inventory Type Group and SI Estimated source code.

Line 5 - Vegetation records

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

NON-TREES SHRUB

d	SHRUB TALL - shrub with average shrub height > or = to two metres.
s	SHRUB LOW - shrub with average shrub height < two metres.

NON-TREES HERB

he	HERB
hg	HERB - GRASS - herb with no distinction between forbs and graminoids.
hg	HERB - GRAMINOID - herb with graminoids > 50% of the herb cover.

NON-TREES BRYOID

br	BRYOID - bryoid with no distinction between mosses and lichens by cover.
bm	BRYOID - MOSS - bryoid with mosses dominant - > 50% of the bryoid cover.
bl	BRYOID - LICHENS - bryoid with lichens > 50% of the bryoid cover.

NON VEGETATED

el	Exposed Land
w	Water - lake
s	Snow / Ice

NON-VEGETATED CATEGORIES (for V and I records)

ap	AIRPORT	gp	GRAVEL PIT
bu	BUILT-UP	la	LAKE
br	BUCKERFIELD	ri	LAKE AND
bk	BUSHROOK	li	LANDSLIP
cb	CLEARCUT AREA	ls	LANDSLIP AGE SEGMENTS
cp	CUTBLOCK	ms	MISCELLANEOUS
dl	DITCHES AND DIKES	mu	MUD FLAT
gl	GLACIER		

mp	MUDFLAT SEGMENT	rr	RESERVOIR MARGIN
ri	RIVER - STREAM	rs	RIVER SEGMENTS
rp	RIVER SEGMENTS	sa	SAND AREA
sl	SALT MARSH	sp	SETTLING SPACE
sn	SNOW COVER	tl	TALUS
ta	TAILINGS	ur	URBAN
wa	WASTE - STORAGE		

Note: Water categories (la, ri, ls, rr) not labelled over 80 percent coverage.

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

A	ALPINE	NP	NON-PRODUCTIVE
AF	ALPINE FOREST (Species	NPBR	NON-PRODUCTIVE BRUSH
C	CULTIVATED	NPBU	NON-PRODUCTIVE BURN
F	FOREST	NPFX	NON-PRODUCTIVE FOREST (Species
G	GRASS, BAR	NPL	NON-PRODUCTIVE LINEAR
GL	GRASS, LAND	O	OPEN
ICE	ICEFIELD	R	ROCK
M	MEADOW	R	ROCK
MZD	MEADOW	SWAMP	

SAND	SAND		
SF	SCRUB, FLAT		
URBAN			
NC	NON COMMERCIAL		
NCBR	NON COMMERCIAL BRUSH		
NPL	NON PRODUCTIVE		
NSR	NOT SUFFICIENTLY RESTOCKED		
NVL	NOT 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	Logging	S	Site Rehabilitation
B	Wildfire	T	Treatment Injuries
C	Cone and Seed Insects	U	Unknown Injuries
D	Diseases - Insects	V	Problem Vegetation
F	Cone and Seedling Fungal Pathogens		

Example Opening History Details

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

The Ministry of Forests, Mines and Lands web application, MAPVIEW, is available to view this type of detailed information. Refer to the "Help" section under the "Display Silviculture Map" to turn on display values for:

OPENING
OPENING LABELS
OPENING PLANTING ACTIVITY
ACTIVITY TREATMENT UNIT
SILVICULTURE
STANDARD UNIT FOREST COVER
WILDLIFE TREE PATCH

Overflow Labels