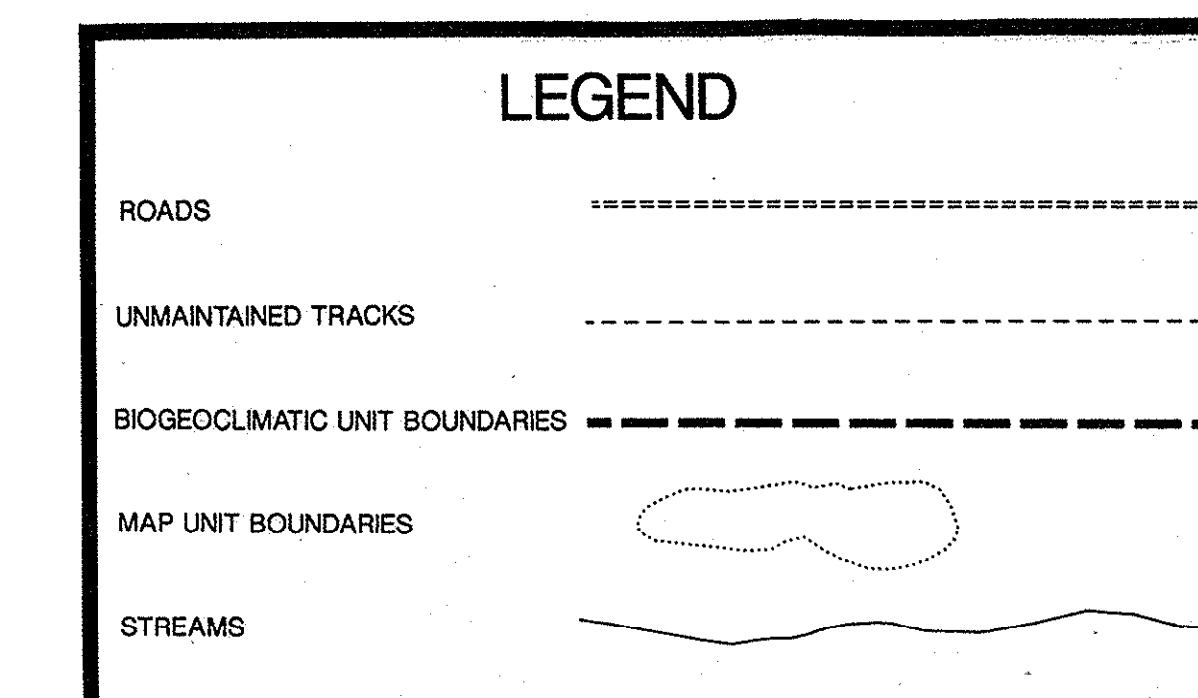


ECOSYSTEM LEGEND

| M + Symbol | Site Unit (Site extent) maximum extent region | Seral Association | Type Species | Typical Understory Vegetation* | Soils / Landforms |
|---------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| SS | Scrub Steppe (scrub, open forest, shrubland) | Climax | lodgepole pine, willow (scrub or shrub) | Amer. alder, salal, bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) with grasses developed on undisturbed soils or talus slopes. |
| DP | Dry Pine (scrub, shrubland) | Climax | lodgepole pine, (lodgepole pine, Douglas fir, white spruce, western larch) | Vaccinium membranaceum Abies sp., Salal, Bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) often with high cover, talus slopes or disturbed areas. Developed on disturbed or colluvial soils or talus. |
| DNU | Dry Pine (as above) | Mixed Wood | larchling, aspen, willow (larchling, shrubland) | Vaccinium membranaceum Abies sp., Salal, Bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | as above |
| DPD | Dry Pine (as above) | Aspen-Willow Woodland | larchling, aspen, willow (lodgepole pine, mixed wood) | Vaccinium membranaceum Abies sp., Salal, Bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | as above |
| HM1 | Huckleberry-Moss (as above) | Climax | salal, fir, huckleberry (lodgepole pine) | Vaccinium membranaceum Abies sp., Salal, Bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) with grasses developed on moist talus slopes. |
| HMC1 | Huckleberry-Moss (as above) | P. + Moss | lodgepole pine, (mixed wood) | Vaccinium membranaceum Abies sp., Salal, Bearberry, Dwarf Bramble (GCL), with grasses | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) with grasses developed on moist talus slopes. |
| HM2D | Huckleberry-Moss (as above) | Green Alder | salal, fir, huckleberry (lodgepole pine, green alder) | Abies sp., willow, salal lodgepole pine, (green alder) | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| HM3D | Huckleberry-Moss (as above) | Mixed Wood | lodgepole pine, salal, huckleberry interior spruce, (larchling, willow, taluswood) | Abies sp., willow, salal lodgepole pine, (green alder) | Dwarf Bramble (GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| HM4 | Huckleberry-Moss (as above) | Willow-Alder Woodland | willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Abies sp., willow, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Ivy, Bramble and Green Larch (GCL) with talus blocks or talus. |
| TO1 | Thimbleberry-Green (50-60% mixed + 10-20% talus pennsylvanica) | Climax | salal, fir, huckleberry (lodgepole pine) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| TO2 | Thimbleberry-Green (as above) | Mixed Wood | interior spruce, salal, fir, huckleberry, (larchling, willow, taluswood) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| TO3 | Thimbleberry-Green (as above) | Willow-Alder Woodland | willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| TO4 | Thimbleberry-Green (as above) | Thimbleberry Woodland | salal, fir, huckleberry (lodgepole pine) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| DC1 | Devil's Club (50-60% mixed + 10-20% talus pennsylvanica) | Climax | salal, fir, huckleberry (lodgepole pine) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| DC2 | Devil's Club (as above) | Alder-Bearberry Forest | salal, fir, huckleberry interior spruce | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |
| DC3 | Devil's Club (as above) | Thimbleberry Mixed | abent | as above (mixed dev.) | as above |
| OC | Ozarkwood-Corylus (50-60% mixed + 10-20% talus pennsylvanica) | Climax | cotoneaster, (lodgepole pine, interior spruce) | Abies sp., interior spruce, Salal, Bearberry, Salal larchling, taluswood, talus willow, (larchling, aspen, willow, taluswood) | Glossy Sundew and Dwarf Bramble (GCL-GCL) with grasses, talus slopes, talus blocks or talus. |

*Note: The above legend has been abridged from the legend presented in Ecosystems of the Smithers Community Forest (1991). The descriptions above are of ecosystems in the Sub-Southern Zone. Similar ecosystems in the TO and ESS zone can be distinguished as follows: IC1 stands with typically a mix of western hemlock in the upper elevations and Douglas-fir in the lower elevations; IC2 stands with Douglas-fir in the upper elevations and western hemlock in the lower elevations; TO stands with Douglas-fir in the upper elevations and western hemlock in the lower elevations; ESS stands with Douglas-fir in the upper elevations and western hemlock in the lower elevations.



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