



**Explanation of Map Symbols**

MAP SYMBOLIZATION - each map unit may have up to six (6) separate types of symbols. The type and relative position of the symbols indicates the characteristic they represent.

**Explanation of Symbols**

(1) Feature (Vegetation) - a unit of alpine vegetation of very high significance

(2) Sub-Feature (Alpine Vegetation) - a unit of alpine vegetation of very high significance

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**(1) and (2) Recreation Features and Sub-Features**

FEATURE SYMBOL - a capital letter indicating the general recreation feature identified

SUB-FEATURE CATEGORY - a numeral immediately following the feature symbol that denotes the sub-category

Recreation Features	Sub-Features
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**(3) Feature Modifier**

FEATURE MODIFIER - a lower case letter following a recreation feature. Although these modifiers may express a recreation activity, they are not intended to be used in this context. They are used to describe further the physical character of that feature.

Feature Modifiers	Commonly Associated Features
a Angling	N - Small Surface Waters
b Angling	A - Aquatic Habitat
c Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
d Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
e Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
f Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
g Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
h Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
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k Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
l Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
m Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
n Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
o Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
p Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
q Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
r Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
s Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
t Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
u Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
v Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
w Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
x Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
y Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters
z Canoeing	N - Large Surface Waters

**(4) Feature Significance**

(4) FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE - each unit is given a symbol(s) indicating feature significance

Five classes or categories of feature significance are defined. Quality is the primary basis for assessing feature significance. This is related primarily to a feature's 'attractiveness' or ability to hold people's interest. Any one feature should be ranked on the basis of that kind of feature only. For example, a wildlife feature should be ranked only in relation to other wildlife features.

**VERY HIGH FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units in this class have a very high capability to attract recreational use. Features in this category would be of national significance. Examples include Takkanaw Falls Yoho National Park, Mt. Eliza (Rock Features), Fort Hood Hill (Historic Site), Cathedral Grove (Zonal Vegetation).

**HIGH FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units in this class have a high ability to attract recreational use. Features in this category would be of provincial significance. Examples include Shannon Falls, Hudson's Bay Mountain (Rock Feature), Sander (Historic Site), Black Tusk Meadows (Zonal Vegetation).

**MODERATE FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units in this class have a moderate ability to attract recreational use. Features in this category would be of regional significance. Examples include Niagara Falls (Goldstream Park), Columer Basalts, Garibaldi Area (Rock Feature), Estelle Mine, East Kootenays (Historic Site), Looming snow sheds Bulley Valley (Zonal Vegetation).

**LOW FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units in this class have a low ability to attract recreational use. Features in this category have a natural attractiveness that is common throughout the map area. Examples include intermittent falls, Coast Mountains, rock exposure along coastline of Eastern Vancouver Island, old farm building in the Okanagan, history unknown (Historic Site), Ponderosa Pine Burghess (Historic Site), Looming snow sheds Bulley Valley (Zonal Vegetation).

**VERY LOW FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units in this class have a very low ability to attract recreational use. There are no features in this category which stand out. There may, however, be some attraction for specialized recreational activities or they may merely provide open space.

**(5) Recreation Activity**

When a specific recreation activity is known to occur within a particular area the symbol (A) is used. In all cases, more detailed information will be given in an annotation description.

**(6) Feature Annotation**

Feature Annotation - numerical annotation which may accompany a feature or set of features on a given unit to indicate that additional information is available. Parentheses will be used to separate the annotation number from the other symbols.

**Shading Symbol**

**HIGH FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units which are considered to be of provincial outdoor recreation significance. Feature significance ++

**MODERATE FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units which are considered to be of regional outdoor recreation significance. Feature significance +

**LOW FEATURE SIGNIFICANCE**

Units which are considered to be of local outdoor recreation significance or which from an outdoor recreation point of view only provide open space. Feature significance -

**Notes**

Recreation Capability Inventory - 1976, Resource Analysis Branch, B. C. Ministry of Environment

Outdoor Recreation Resources of the Northeast Coal Study Area 1976 - 1977, Resource Analysis Branch, B. C. Ministry of Environment

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