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To: Resources Inventory Committee

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**Re: Addendum to the BC Land Cover Classification Scheme, Version 1.2, March 30, 2001**

The following changes have been made to the 2001 version of the BC Land Cover Classification Scheme:

1. Level 5 – a number of existing non-vegetated feature codes were changed so that they matched the Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) codes. Additionally, the code for Rubble, Talus and Blockfield that was used in the VRI has been split into two codes. The table below indicates the required changes.

Old Code	New Code	Feature	Description
SC	PN	Snow Cover	Unchanged.
MS	MZ	Rubbly Mine Spoils	Unchanged.
RP	RZ	Road Surface	Unchanged.
MO	MN	Moraine	Unchanged.
TS	TZ	Tailings	Unchanged.
RR	RN	Railway Surface	Unchanged.
BP	UR	Urban (note that name is also being changed)	Buildings and associated developments such as roads and parking areas which form an almost continuous covering of the landscape.
PM	MI	Open Pit Mine	Unchanged.
SW	OC	Ocean (note name change)	Unchanged.
RT	TA	Talus	Rock fragments of any size accumulated on or at the foot of slopes as a result of successive rock falls. This is a type of colluvium.
No Old Code existed, place this in the Rock/Rubble subclass.	BI	Blockfield	Blocks of rock derived from the underlying bedrock by weathering and / or frost heaving. These have not undergone any significant down slope movement as they occur on level or gently sloping areas.