

BEC-Tree Species Description: BWBSwk3

Historically the forests of the Kledo variant of the Wet Cool Boreal White and Black Spruce Dry Cool biogeoclimatic unit (BWBSwk3) were dominated by older fire-origin forests. White spruce stands with a subalpine-fir understory were widespread on upland sites. Black spruce was common on poorer sites and in wetlands. Lodgepole pine dominated stands were common in areas with a recent fire history.

Age class distribution as a % of total forest area [Source: VRIMS 2008]

Stand age class	7-9 natural forest	7-9 harvested forest	4-6 natural forest	4-6 harvested forest	1-3 natural forest	1-3 harvested forest
% of total forest area	51	N/A	31	N/A	17	N/A

Tree species distribution in natural old/mature (age class 7-9) and natural immature (age class 4-6) as a % of the total natural old/mature and natural immature forest cover respectively [Source: VRIMS 2008]

Species	At	Sw/Sb	Pl	Bl
% of total natural old/mature (age class 7-9) forest cover	2	72	20	7
% of total natural immature (age class 4-6) forest cover	9	45	42	1

Very little harvesting has occurred in this biogeoclimatic unit.

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