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## U.S. product puts fire effects knowledge at your fingertips

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**A**ccess to the Fire Effects Information System (FEIS) was granted to users in Canada and this technology transfer note provides information about what is available in the system and how to gain access to it through your PC's modem.

FEIS presents easy-to-understand summaries of technical information on, as of January 1993, about 615 plant species, 34 wildlife species, and 1 ecosystem for the United States. Of these totals, 422 plant species and 28 wildlife species occur in Canada. Unfortunately, the one currently listed ecosystem does not occur in Canada. The breakdown of plant species in Canada consists of 70 trees, 127 shrubs, 128 grasses, sedges, and rushes, 86 forbs, ferns, and fern allies, 2 cacti, 9 mosses, liverworts and lichens.

FEIS can help to:

- plan a prescribed fire to accomplish a desired plant response;
- rehabilitate land;
- prepare fire management prescriptions for park, wilderness, and natural areas;
- plan silvicultural, range, or wildlife habitat

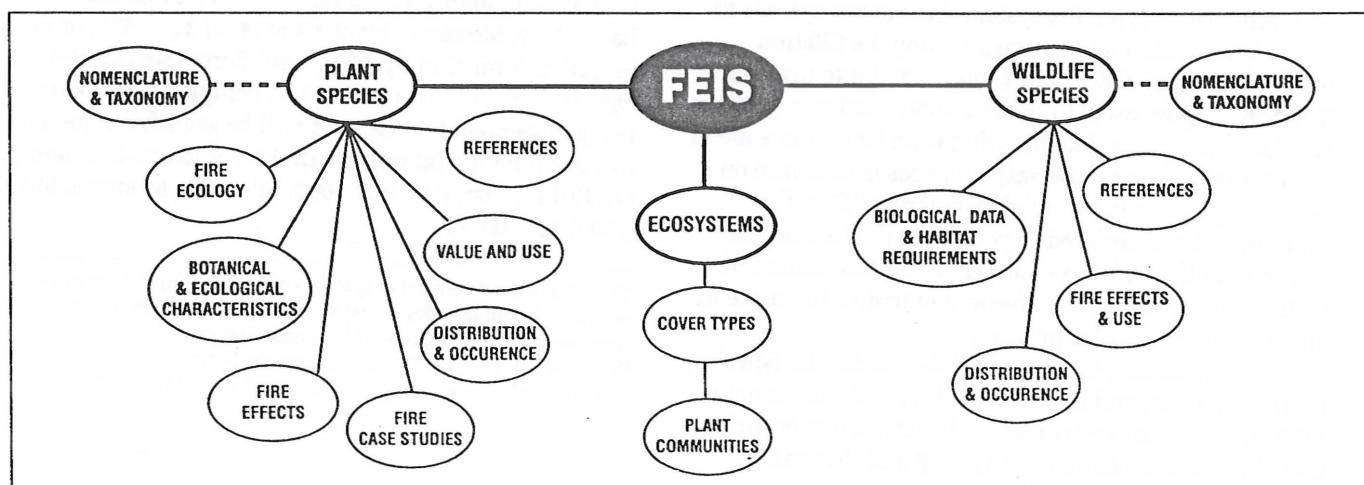
improvement projects;

- prepare a vegetation management plan;
- write an environmental impact statement; and
- prepare a recovery plan for threatened and endangered plants and animals.

FEIS is a "new generation" user-friendly and menu-driven knowledge management tool developed using techniques from the expanding computer field of artificial intelligence, and has a knowledge base which can be accessed through its query program.

### Development and implementation in the U.S.

The FEIS was developed by the fire effects researchers at the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Intermountain Research Station's Fire Sciences Laboratory in Missoula, Montana. The system's software and program were developed in cooperation with the University of Montana. Additional knowledge base development has been supported by a number of U.S. federal agencies. This additional support has allowed more species to be entered than would have been possible otherwise.



Structure of the Fire Effects Information System.

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## **Accessing and using FEIS**

The Fire Effects Information Center (FEIC) is located on a computer operated by the USFS Intermountain Region (R-4) in Ogden, Utah. A PC with modem is required to access the system from Canada. Operating hours are 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Mountain Standard Time, Monday to Friday, and 24 hours Saturday and Sunday.

Two main emulation packages are available to access the system. The Data General D400 emulation is available on communications packages such as SOFTTERM, SMARTERM, and CEO Connect. The VT100 emulation is also supported, which is an option in communication packages such as PROCOM and CROSSTALK<sup>1</sup>.

The protocol for both packages is 8 bits, 1 stop bit, no parity. FEIS can handle auto baud rates up to 9600 for asynchronous communications using Xon/Xoff flow control. If the D400 emulation package is used then the following username and password must be entered after you have successfully made connection to the Forest Service computer:

Username: FIRESYS

Password: FIRESYS

If the VT100 emulation package is used then key in:

Username: FIRESYSVT

Password: FIRESYS

Once you have set up the emulation package with the correct protocol then dial up the FEIS using your communication package. The number for users is (801) 625-5474, which is the FEIC located in Ogden, Utah.

After the system username and password are entered, then the system asks for your own username. Enter your first initial, a period, and your last name without spaces, e.g. "B.HAWKES". Case of the letters is not important.

## **Using the menu system to access FEIS**

After signing on, the system gives menu options to obtain information on fire effects, using the Citation Retrieval System (CRS), and ways to mail it to the user. Submenus allow users to select among plant and wildlife species (from a complete list which can be sent to a file or by entering a specific species), and ecosystems. Info on a selected species can be saved by entering "S" at the prompt, and can be faxed to you or scrolled across the screen after the user has enabled the capture feature of their communication software and entered a file name to allow retrieval later for printing.

The attached plant and wildlife species list (species, common names, and codes) provides quick access to the FEIS information, and contains all species that occur in Canada according to Scoggan (1978)<sup>2</sup> and that will be available in the system by the end of 1993.

The CRS is a database which contains formal references to all literature used in the development of FEIS. References listed in specific species information provide only the author(s) and year of the publication but can be accessed by keyword, author, or citation reference number searches. The CRS assists in preparing a bibliography which then can be viewed or mailed (from CRS or the main menu). The bibliography presently contains over 19,000 titles and can be searched using any of over 100 subject matter keywords. Searches can be done using geographic keywords for forest and range ecosystems, National Park System unit, National Forest and National Grassland, U.S. State, Canadian Province, and country.

A few options require special key sequences on the VT100 emulation package:

Exit/Cancel - hit F1 key then the number 1 twice

Next screen - hit F1 key then the numbers 0 and 4

Previous screen - hit F1 key then the numbers 0 and 3

New line - hit the enter or return key

Additional keys should not be required for obtaining most information from FEIS.

## **Future expansion and maintenance of FEIS**

A number of different U.S. agencies are sponsoring the input of another 150 species. There are no present species that are being sponsored by Canadian agencies. Maintenance of the knowledge base is planned to start in 1994. This means that all species will be periodically reviewed and updated on a systematic basis.

## **Further information**

For general questions about application of FEIS, contact Dave Anderson, Program Manager, Boise Interagency Fire Center at (208) 389-2676. For computer questions, contact Cam Johnston, Intermountain Fire Sciences Laboratory, Missoula, Montana at (406) 329-4810, or Frank Berrett, Information Systems Staff, Forest Service R-4, Ogden, Utah at (801) 625-5693. A complete user manual is being developed for FEIS and will be available sometime in 1993 from the Intermountain Fire Sciences Laboratory, c/o Bill Fischer, P.O. Box 8089, Missoula, Montana, 59807 ((406) 329-4805).

<sup>1</sup>Mention in the document of specific commercial products or services does not constitute endorsement of such by Forestry Canada, the Government of Canada, or the U.S. Forest Service.

<sup>2</sup>Scoggan, H.J. 1978-79. The flora of Canada. National Museum of Natural Sciences, Publications in Botany No. 7 (Vol. 1-4), Ottawa, 1711p.

# CANADIAN SPECIES LIST FOR THE FIRE EFFECTS INFORMATION SYSTEM (FEIS)

## ANIMALS

*Accipiter gentilis* (northern goshawk) ACGE  
*Aix sponsa* (wood duck) AISP  
*Alces alces* (moose) ALAL  
*Ambystoma macrodactylum* ssp. *krausei* (Northern Long-toed Salamander) AMMA  
*Anas acuta* (pintail) ANAC  
*Anas crecca* (green-winged teal) ANCR  
*Anas discors* (blue-winged teal) ANDI  
*Anas platyrhynchos* (mallard) ANPL  
*Anas rubripes* (black duck) ANRU  
*Anas strepera* (gadwall) ANST  
*Anser albifrons* (greater white-fronted goose) ANAL  
*Aquila chrysaetos* (golden eagle) AQCH  
*Asio flammeus* (short-eared owl) ASFL  
*Antilocapra americana* (pronghorn) ANAM  
*Aphelocoma coerulescens* (scrub jay) APCO  
*Athene cunicularia* (Burrowing owl) ATCU  
*Aythya valisineria* (canvasback) AYVA  
*Bison bison* (bison) BIBI  
*Bonasa umbellus* (ruffed grouse) BOUM  
*Brachyrhynchus marmoratus* (Marbled murrelet) BRMA  
*Branta canadensis* (Canada goose) BRCA  
*Buteo jamaicensis* (red-tailed hawk) BUJA  
*Buteo regalis* (ferruginous hawk) BURE  
*Buteo swainsoni* (Swainson's hawk) BUSW  
*Canis latrans* (coyote) CALA  
*Canis lupus* (grey wolf) CALU  
*Castor canadensis* (beaver) CACA  
*Centrocercus urophasianus* (Sage grouse) CEUR  
*Cervus elaphus* (elk) CEEL  
*Chen caerulescens* (snow goose) CHCA  
*Circus cyaneus* (northern harrier) CICY  
*Clethrionomys rutilis* (red-backed vole) CLRU  
*Colinus virginianus* (northern bobwhite) COVI  
*Cygnus buccinator* (Trumpeter swan) CYBU  
*Cygnus columbianus* (tundra swan) CYCO  
*Dendroica kirtlandii* (Kirtland's warbler) DEKI  
*Falco peregrinus* (peregrine falcon) FAPE  
*Falco mexicanus* (prairie falcon) FAME  
*Falco sparverius* (American Kestral) FASP  
*Felis concolor* (mountain lion) FECO  
*Felis lynx* (lynx) FELY  
*Grus americana* (whooping crane) GRAM  
*Grus canadensis* (sandhill crane) GRCA  
*Haliaeetus leucocephalus* (bald eagle) HALE  
*Lutra canadensis* (river otter) LUCA  
*Lynx rufus* (bobcat) LYRU  
*Martes americana* (marten) MAAM  
*Meleagris gallopavo* (wild turkey) MEGA  
*Neotoma cinerea* (bushy-tailed woodrat) NECI  
*Odocoileus hemionus* (mule deer) ODHE  
*Odocoileus virginiana* (white-tailed deer) ODVI  
*Ondatra zibethica* (muskrat) ONZI  
*Oreamnos americanus* (mountain goat) ORAM  
*Ovis canadensis* (bighorn sheep) OVCA  
*Pandion haliaetus* (osprey) PAHA  
*Perognathus parvus* (Great Basin pocket mouse) PEPA  
*Phasianus colchicus* (ring-necked pheasant) PHCO  
*Procyon lotor* (raccoon) PRLO

*Rangifer tarandus* (woodland caribou) RATA  
*Sciurus niger* (fox squirrel) SCNI  
*Scolopax minor* (American woodcock) SCMI  
*Scophiopus intermontanus* (Great Basin Spadefoot toad) SCIN  
*Strix occidentalis* (spotted owl) STOC  
*Tympanuchus cupido* (greater prairie chicken) TYCU  
*Tympanuchus phasianellus* (sharp-tailed grouse) TYPH  
*Ursus americanus* (black bear) URAM  
*Ursus arctos* (grizzly bear) URAR  
*Zenaidura macroura* (mourning dove) ZEMA

## TREES

*Abies amabilis* (Pacific silver fir) ABIAMA  
*Abies balsamea* (balsam fir) ABIBAL  
*Abies grandis* (grand fir) ABIGRA  
*Abies lasiocarpa* (subalpine fir) ABILAS  
*Acer circinatum* (vine maple) ACECR  
*Acer glabrum* (Rocky Mountain maple) ACEGLE  
*Acer macrophyllum* (bigleaf maple) ACEMAC  
*Acer negundo* (boxelder) ACENEG  
*Acer pensylvanicum* (striped maple) ACEPEN  
*Alnus incana* (thinleaf alder) ALNINC  
*Alnus incana* spp. *tenuifolia* (thinleaf alder) ALNINCT  
*Alnus rhombifolia* (white alder) ALNRHO  
*Alnus rubra* (red alder) ALNRUB  
*Alnus rugosa* (speckled alder) ALNRUG  
*Alnus viridis* spp. *sinuata* (Sitka alder) ALNVIRS  
*Arbutus menziesii* (Pacific madrone) ARBMEN  
*Asimina triloba* (pawpaw) ASITRI  
*Betula alleghaniensis* (yellow birch) BETALL  
*Betula occidentalis* (water birch) BETOCC  
*Betula papyrifera* (white birch) BETPAP  
*Betula populifolia* (gray birch) BETPOP  
*Carpinus caroliniana* (American hornbeam) CARCAR  
*Carya cordiformis* (bitternut hickory) CARCOR  
*Carya glabra* (pignut hickory) CARGLA  
*Carya ovata* (shagbark hickory) CAROVA  
*Celtis occidentalis* (hackberry) CELOC  
*Celtis reticulata* (netleaf hackberry) CELREC  
*Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* (Alaska-cedar) CHANOO  
*Cornus florida* (flowering dogwood) CORFLO  
*Cornus nuttallii* (Pacific dogwood) CORNUT  
*Cornus racemosa* (gray dogwood) CORRAC  
*Cornus sericea* (red-osier dogwood) CORSER  
*Corylus cornuta* var. *californica* (California hazelnut) CORCORG  
*Crataegus douglasii* (Douglas hawthorn) CRADOU  
*Elaeagnus angustifolia* (Russian Olive) ELAANG  
*Fagus grandifolia* (American beech) FAGGRA  
*Fraxinus americana* (white ash) FRAAME  
*Fraxinus pennsylvanica* (green ash) FRAPEN  
*Gleditsia triacanthos* (honeylocust) GLETRI  
*Hamamelis virginiana* (witch hazel) HAMVIR  
*Ilex opaca* (American holly) ILEOPA  
*Juglans cinerea* (butternut) JUGCIN  
*Juglans nigra* (black walnut) JUGNIG  
*Juniperus communis* (common juniper) JUNCOM  
*Juniperus occidentalis* (western juniper) JUNOCC  
*Juniperus scopulorum* (Rocky Mountain juniper) JUNSCO  
*Juniperus virginiana* (eastern redcedar) JUNVIR  
*Larix laricina* (eastern larch) LARLAR

*Larix lyallii* (alpine larch) LARLYA  
*Larix occidentalis* (western larch) LAROCC  
*Liriodendron tulipifera* (tulip tree) LIRTUL  
*Morus rubra* (red mulberry) MORRUB  
*Myrica cerifera* (southern bayberry) MYRCER  
*Nyssa sylvatica* (black tupelo) NYSSYL  
*Ostrya virginiana* (eastern hop-hornbeam) OSTVIR  
*Picea engelmannii* (Englemann spruce) PICENG  
*Picea glauca* (white spruce) PICGLA  
*Picea mariana* (black spruce) PICMAR  
*Picea rubens* (red spruce) PICRUB  
*Picea sitchensis* (Sitka spruce) PICSIT  
*Pinus albicaulis* (whitebark pine) PINALB  
*Pinus banksiana* (jack pine) PINBAN  
*Pinus contorta* var. *contorta* (shore pine) PINCONC  
*Pinus contorta* var. *latifolia* (lodgepole pine) PINCON  
*Pinus flexilis* (limber pine) PINFLE  
*Pinus monticola* (western white pine) PINMOT  
*Pinus ponderosa* (ponderosa pine) PINPON  
*Pinus resinosa* (red pine) PINRES  
*Pinus rigida* (pitch pine) PINRIG  
*Pinus strobus* (eastern white pine) PINSTR  
*Pinus sylvestris* (Scotch pine) PINSYL  
*Platanus occidentalis* (sycamore) PLAOC  
*Populus angustifolia* (narrowleaf cottonwood) POPANG  
*Populus balsamifera* (balsam poplar) POPBAL  
*Populus deltoides* (eastern cottonwood) POPDEL  
*Populus fremontii* (Fremont cottonwood) POPFRE  
*Populus tremuloides* (trembling aspen) POPTRE  
*Populus trichocarpa* (black cottonwood) POPTRI  
*Prunus americana* (American plum) PRUAME  
*Prunus pensylvanica* (pin cherry) PRUPEN  
*Prunus serotina* (black cherry) PRUSER  
*Prunus virginiana* (chokecherry) PRUVIR  
*Pseudotsuga menziesii* var. *glauca* (interior Douglas-fir) PSEMENG  
*Pseudotsuga menziesii* var. *menziesii* (coastal Douglas-fir) PSEMENM  
*Quercus alba* (white oak) QUEALB  
*Quercus bicolor* (swamp white oak) QUEBIC  
*Quercus garryana* (Oregon white oak) QUEGAR  
*Quercus macrocarpa* (bur oak) QUEMAC  
*Quercus muehlenbergii* (chinkapin oak) QUEMUE  
*Quercus palustris* (pin oak) QUEPAL  
*Quercus prinus* (chestnut oak) QUEPRI  
*Quercus rubra* (northern red oak) QUERUB  
*Quercus velutina* (black oak) QUEVEL  
*Rhamnus purshiana* (cascara) RHAPUR  
*Rhododendron macrophyllum* (Pacific rhododendron) RHOMAC  
*Rhus copallina* (flameleaf sumac) RHUCOP  
*Rhus glabra* (smooth sumac) RHUGLA  
*Rhus typhina* (staghorn sumac) RHUTYP  
*Robina pseudoacacia* (black locust) ROBPSE  
*Salix alaxensis* (flatleaf willow) SALALA  
*Salix amygdaloidea* (peachleaf willow) SALAMY  
*Salix arbusculoides* (little-tree willow) SALARB  
*Salix bebbiana* (Bebb's willow) SALBEB  
*Salix exigua* (sandbar willow) SALEXI  
*Salix geyeriana* (Geyer's willow) SALGEY  
*Salix glauca* (grayleaf willow) SALGLA  
*Salix lasiandra* (Pacific willow) SALLAS  
*Salix lutea* (yellow willow) SALLUT  
*Salix nigra* (black willow) SALNIG  
*Salix scouleriana* (Scouler's willow) SALSCO  
*Sambucus cerulea* (blue elderberry) SAMCER  
*Sambucus racemosa* (red or black elderberry) SAMRAC  
*Sassafrass albidum* (sassafrass) SASALB  
*Sorbus americana* (American mountain-ash) SORAME  
*Taxus brevifolia* (western yew) TAXBRE

*Taxus canadensis* (Canada (American) yew) TAXCAN  
*Thuja occidentalis* (northern white cedar) THUOCC  
*Thuja plicata* (western red cedar) THUPLI  
*Tilia americana* (American basswood) TILAME  
*Tsuga canadensis* (eastern hemlock) TSUCAN  
*Tsuga heterophylla* (western hemlock) TSUHET  
*Tsuga mertensiana* (mountain hemlock) TSUMER  
*Ulmus americana* (American elm) ULMAME  
*Ulmus rubra* (slippery elm) ULMRUB  
*Vaccinium arboreum* (tree sparkleberry) VACARB

## SHRUBS

*Alnus viridis* ssp. *crispa* (American green alder) ALNVIRC  
*Amelanchier alnifolia* (Saskatoon berry) AMEALN  
*Amelanchier arborea* (downy serviceberry) AMEARB  
*Arctostaphylos columbiana* (hairy manzanita) ARCCOL  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* (bearberry) ARCUVA  
*Artemisia bigelowii* (Bigelow sagebrush) ARTBIG  
*Artemisia campestris* (western sagebrush) ARTCAM  
*Artemisia cana* (silver sagebrush) ARTCAN  
*Artemisia cana* ssp. *bolanderi* (Bolander silver sagebrush) ARTCANB  
*Artemisia cana* ssp. *viscidula* (mountain silver sagebrush) ARTCANV  
*Artemisia frigida* (fringed sagebrush) ARTFRI  
*Artemisia longiloba* (alkali sagebrush) ARTLON  
*Artemisia ludoviciana* (Louisiana sagewort) ARTLUD  
*Artemisia norvegica* (boreal sagewort) ARTNOR  
*Artemisia tridentata* (basin big sagebrush) ARTTRI  
*Artemisia t. ssp. *vaseyana** (mountain big sagebrush) ARTTRIV  
*Artemisia tripartita* ssp. *tripartita* (tall threetip sagebrush) ARTTRIT  
*Atriplex canescens* (fourwing saltbush) ATRCAN  
*Atriplex nuttallii* (Nuttall's saltbrush) ATRNUT  
*Berberis nervosa* (see *Mahonia nervosa*) MAHNER) BERNER  
*Betula glandulosa* (bog birch) BETGLA  
*Ceanothus sanguineus* (redstem ceanothus) CEASAN  
*Ceanothus velutinus* (snowbrush ceanothus) CEAVEL  
*Chrysothamnus nauseosus* (rubber rabbit-brush) CHRNAU  
*Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus* (low rabbit-brush) CHRVIS  
*Clethra alnifolia* (poor man's soap) CLEALN  
*Corylus americana* (American hazelnut) CORAME  
*Corylus cornuta* (bleaked hazelnut) CORCOR  
*Diervilla lonicera* (dwarf bush-honeysuckle) DIELON  
*Empetrum nigrum* (crowberry) EMPNIG  
*Gaultheria shallon* (salal) GAUSHA  
*Gaylussacia dumosa* (dwarf huckleberry) GAYDUM  
*Holodiscus discolor* (ocean-spray) HOLDIS  
*Ilex glabra* (bitter gallberry) ILEGLA  
*Juniperus horizontalis* (creeping juniper) JUNHOR  
*Kalmia angustifolia* (sheep laurel) KALANG  
*Lonicera utahensis* (Utah honeysuckle) LONUTA  
*Mahonia nervosa* (dwarf Oregon grape) MAHVER  
*Mahonia repens* (Oregon grape) MAHREP  
*Menziesia ferruginea* (menziesia, false azalea) MENFER  
*Mitchella repens* (partridgeberry) MITREP  
*Pachistima myrsinoides* (pachistima) PACMYR  
*Philadelphus lewisi* (mock-orange) PHILEW  
*Physocarpus malvaceus* (ninebark) PHYMAL  
*Purshia tridentata* (antelope bitterbrush) PURTRI  
*Rhus aromatica* (fragrant sumac) RHUARO  
*Rhus trilobata* (skunkbush sumac) RHUTRI  
*Ribes americanum* (American black currant) RIBAME  
*Ribes aureum* (golden currant) RIBAUR  
*Ribes cereum* (wax currant) RIBCER  
*Ribes lacustre* (swamp currant) RIBLAC  
*Ribes montigenum* (gooseberry currant) RIBMON  
*Ribes odoratum* (buffalo currant) RIBODO  
*Ribes setosum* (bristly gooseberry) RIBSET

*Rosa acicularis* (prickly rose) ROSACI  
*Rosa gymnocarpa* (baldhip rose) ROSGYM  
*Rosa multiflora* (multiflora rose) ROSMUL  
*Rosa woodsii* (Wood's rose) ROSWOO  
*Rubus chamaemorus* (cloudberry) RUBCHA  
*Rubus ideaus* (red raspberry) RUBIDE  
*Rubus laciniatus* (evergreen blackberry) RUBLAC  
*Rubus parviflorus* (thimbleberry) RUBPAR  
*Rubus spectabilis* (salmonberry) RUBSPE  
*Rubus strigosus* (red raspberry) RUBSTR  
*Rubus ursinus* (trailing blackberry) RUBURS  
*Salix barrattiana* (Barratt's willow) SALBAR  
*Salix brachycarpa* (barren-ground willow) SALBRA  
*Salix drummondiana* (Drummond's willow) SALDRU  
*Salix fuscescens* (Alaska bog willow) SALFUS  
*Salix hastata* (Halberd's willow) SALHAS  
*Salix lanata* ssp. *richardsonii* (Richardson's willow) SALLANR  
*Salix lemmontii* (Lemmons willow) SALLEM  
*Salix monticola* (mountain willow) SALMON  
*Salix myrtillifolia* (blueberry willow) SALMYR  
*Salix planifolia* ssp. *planifolia* (planeleaf willow) SALPLAP  
*Salix planifolia* ssp. *pulchra* (diamondleaf willow) SALPLNP  
*Salix rigida* var. *watsonii* (see *Salix lutea* SALLUT) SALRIGW  
*Salix serissima* (fall willow) SALSER  
*Sarcobatus vermiculatus* (black greasewood) SARVER  
*Shepherdia canadensis* (russet buffaloberry, soapberry) SHECAN  
*Symporicarpos albus* (common snowberry) SYMALB  
*Symporicarpos mollis* (creeping snowberry) SYMMOL  
*Tetradymia canescens* (gray horsebrush) TETCAN  
*Toxicodendron diversilobum* (poison oak) TOXDEV  
*Vaccinium alaskensis* (*alaskaense*) (Alaska blueberry) VACALA  
*Vaccinium angustifolium* (low sweet blueberry) VACANG  
*Vaccinium caespitosum* (dwarf huckleberry) VACCAE  
*Vaccinium corybosum* (highbush blueberry) VACCOR  
*Vaccinium globulare* (globe huckleberry) VACGLO  
*Vaccinium membranaceum* (black huckleberry) VACMEM  
*Vaccinium myrsinites* (ground blueberry) VACMYS  
*Vaccinium myrtilloides* (velvetleaf blueberry) VACMYT  
*Vaccinium myrtillus* (dwarf blueberry) VACMYR  
*Vaccinium occidentale* (western huckleberry) VACOCC  
*Vaccinium ovalifolium* (ovalleaf huckleberry) VACOVL  
*Vaccinium ovatum* (evergreen huckleberry) VACOVA  
*Vaccinium oxycoccus* (bog cranberry) VACOXY  
*Vaccinium pallidum* (hillside blueberry) VACPAL  
*Vaccinium parvifolium* (red huckleberry) VACPAR  
*Vaccinium scoparium* (grouse whortleberry) VACSCO  
*Vaccinium uliginosum* (bog blueberry) VACULI  
*Vaccinium vacillans* (hillside blueberry) VACVAC  
*Vaccinium vitis-idaea* (mountain cranberry) VACVIT  
*Viburnum edule* (highbush cranberry) VIBEDU  
*Yucca glauca* (soapweed yucca) YUGGLA

#### FERNS AND FERN ALLIES

*Athyrium filix-femina* (lady fern) ATHFIL  
*Botrychium matricariaefolium* (camomile grape-fern) BOTMAT  
*Comptonia peregrina* (sweetfern) COMPER  
*Cystopteris montana* (mountain bladder-fern) CYSMON  
*Dryopteris cristata* (Buckler fern) DRYCRI  
*Equisetum arvense* (common horsetail) EQUARV  
*Equisetum sylvaticum* (wood horsetail) EQUSYL  
*Gymnocarpium dryopteris* (oakfern) GYMDRY  
*Lycopodium alpinum* (alpine clubmoss) LYCALP  
*Lycopodium annotinum* (stiff clubmoss) LYCCANN  
*Lycopodium obscurum* (ground pine) LYCOBS  
*Osmunda cinnamomea* (cinnamon fern) OSMCIN  
*Polystichum munitum* (western swordfern) POLMUN

*Pteridium aquilinum* (bracken fern) PTEAQU  
*Selaginella densa* (little clubmoss) SELDEN  
*Thelypteris noveboracensis* (New York fern) THENOV  
*Thelypteris phegopteris* (northern beech-fern) THEPHE  
*Woodwardia virginica* (chain-fern) WOOVIR

#### FORBS

*Achillea millefolium* (western yarrow) ACHMIL  
*Actaea rubra* (red baneberry) ACTRUB  
*Amaranthus retroflexus* (rough pigweed) AMARET  
*Ambrosia psilostachya* (western ragweed) AMBPSI  
*Amorpha canescens* (leadplant) AMOCAN  
*Aquilegia canadensis* (wild columbine) AQUCAN  
*Aralia nudicaulis* (wild sarsaparilla) ARANUD  
*Artemisia dracunculus* (tarragon) ARTDRA  
*Asarum caudatum* (wild ginger) ASACAU  
*Asclepias incarnata* (swamp milkweed) ASCINC  
*Aster laevis* (smooth aster) ASTLAE  
*Balsamorhiza sagittata* (arrowleaf balsamroot) BALSAG  
*Camassia quamash* (camas) CAMQUA  
*Castilleja occidentalis* (western paintbrush) CASOCC  
*Castilleja sessiflora* (Indian paintbrush) CASSES  
*Centaurea diffusa* (diffuse knapweed) CENDIF  
*Centaurea maculosa* (spotted knapweed) CENMAC  
*Centaurea solstitialis* (yellow starthistle) CENSOL  
*Cephalanthus occidentalis* (buttonbush) CEPOCC  
*Ceratoides lanata* (winterfat) CERLAT  
*Chamaedaphne calyculata* (leatherleaf) CHACAL  
*Cirsium arvense* (Canada thistle) CIRARV  
*Cirsium vulgare* (bull thistle) CIRVUL  
*Clintonia uniflora* (queencup beadlily) CLIUNI  
*Convolvulus arvensis* (field bindweed) CONARV  
*Coptis groenlandica* (goldthread) COPGRO  
*Cornus canadensis* (bunchberry) CORCAN  
*Corydalis sempervirens* (pink corydalis) CORSEM  
*Cypripedium passerinum* (spotted lady's slipper) CYPPAS  
*Dalea purpurea* (purple prairie clover) DALPUR  
*Delphinium burkei* (meadow larkspur) DELBUR  
*Descurainia pinnata* (pinnate tansymustard) DESPIN  
*Descurainia sophia* (flixweed tansymustard) DESSOP  
*Draba fladnizensis* (arctic draba) DRAFLA  
*Echinacea angustifolia* (black sampson) ECHANG  
*Epilobium angustifolium* (fireweed) EPIANG  
*Epipactis gigantea* (giant helleborine) EPIGIG  
*Erigeron lanatus* (woolly daisy) ERILAN  
*Erodium cicutarium* (cutleaf filaree) EROCIC  
*Erythronium grandiflorum* (glacier lily) ERYGRA  
*Euphorbia esula* (leafy spurge) EUPESU  
*Euphrasia arctica* (northern eyebright) EUPARC  
*Eurotia lanata* (see *Ceratoides lanata* CERLAT) EURLAN  
*Gentiana glauca* (glaucous gentian) GENGLA  
*Gentiana propinqua* (four-parted gentian) GENPRO  
*Geranium maculatum* (wild geranium) GERMAC  
*Goodyera repens* (northern rattlesnake plantain) GOOREP  
*Grindelia squarrosa* (curlycup gumweed) GRISQU  
*Gutierrezia sarothrae* (broom snakeweed) GUTSAR  
*Hedysarum alpinum* (Alpine sweetvetch) HEDALP  
*Hedysarum americanum* (American sweetvetch) HEDAME  
*Helianthus maximiliani* (Maximilian sunflower) HELMAX  
*Hepatica acutiloba* (sharp-lobed hepatica) HEPACU  
*Lathyrus bijugatus* (pinewoods sweetpea) LATBIJ  
*Ledum groenlandicum* (bog Labrador tea) LEDGRO  
*Leptodactylon pungens* (prickly phlox) LEPPUN  
*Lewisia rediviva* (bitterroot) LEWRED  
*Liatris punctata* (blazing star) LIAPUN  
*Linnaea borealis* (northern twinflower) LINBOR

*Lupinus caudatus* (tailcup lupine) LUPCAU  
*Lupinus sericeus* (blue-bonnet) LUPSER  
*Lythrum salicaria* (purple loosestrife) LYTSAL  
*Maianthemum canadense* (wild lily-of-the-valley) MAICAN  
*Medicago sativa* (alfalfa) MEDSAT  
*Melilotus alba* (white sweetclover) MELALB  
*Melilotus officinalis* (yellow sweetclover) MELOFF  
*Oplopanax horridus* (devil's club) OPLHOR  
*Osmorhiza claytoni* (sweet cicely) OSMCLA  
*Oxalis montana* (common wood sorrel) OXAMON  
*Oxytropis campestris* (crazyweed) OXYCAM  
*Oxytropis podocarpa* (stalked-pod crazyweed) OXYPOD  
*Oxytropis sericea* (whitepoint locoweed) OXYPOD  
*Papaver pygmaeum* (alpine glacier poppy) PAPPYG  
*Parthenocissus quinquefolia* (Virginia creeper) PARQUI  
*Phlox hoodii* (Hood's phlox) PHLHOO  
*Pinguicula vulgaris* (common butterwort) PINVUL  
*Polygonum* spp. (smartweed) POLSPP  
*Potentilla fruticosa* (shrubby cinquefoil) POTFRU  
*Potentilla glandulosa* (sticky cinquefoil) POTGLA  
*Potentilla hippiana* (horse cinquefoil) POTHIP  
*Ratibida columnifera* (upright prairie coneflower) RATCOL  
*Ranunculus gelidus* (arctic buttercup) RANGEL  
*Ranunculus glaberrimus* (sagebrush buttercup) RANGLA  
*Ranunculus pedatifidus* (birdfoot buttercup) RANPED  
*Rudbeckia hirta* (black-eyed Susan) RUDHIR  
*Salsola kali* (Russian thistle) SALKAL  
*Sarracenia purpurea* (pitcher-plant) SARPUR  
*Sisymbrium altissimum* (tumblemustard) SISALT  
*Sisymbrium linifolium* (flaxleaf plainmustard) SISLIN  
*Smilacina stellata* (starry Solomon's seal) SMISTE  
*Solidago canadensis* (Canada goldenrod) SOLCAN  
*Solidago missouriensis* (prairie goldenrod) SOLMIS  
*Sphaeralcea coccinea* (scarlet globemallow) SPHCOC  
*Spiraea betulifolia* (white spiraea) SPIBET  
*Symporicarpus oreophilus* (mountain snowberry) SYMORE  
*Taraxacum officinale* (dandelion) TAROFF  
*Thalictrum dioicum* (early meadowrue) THADIO  
*Toffeldia pusilla* (little false asphodel) TOFPUS  
*Toxicodendron radicans* (eastern poison ivy) TOXRAD  
*Toxicodendron rydbergii* (western poison ivy) TOXRYD  
*Utricularia intermedia* (mountain bladderwort) UTRINT  
*Vicia americana* (American vetch) VICAME  
*Viola renifolia* (kidney-leaved violet) VIOREN  
*Xanthium strumarium* (common cocklebur) XANSTR  
*Zigadenus paniculatus* (panicked deathcamas) ZIGPAN  
*Zigadenus venenosus* (death camas) ZIGVEN

#### GRASSES, SEDGES & RUSHES

*Agropyron cristatum* (fairway wheatgrass) AGRCRI  
*Agropyron dasystachyum* (see *Elymus lanceolatus* ELYLAN) AGRDAS  
*Agropyron desertorum* (standard wheatgrass) AGRDES  
*Agropyron elmeri* (see *Elymus lanceolatus* ELYLAN) AGRELM  
*Agropyron inerme* (see *Pseudoroegneria spicata* PSESPI) AGRINE  
*Agropyron pectiniforme* (see *Agropyron cristatum* AGRCRI) AGRPEC  
*Agropyron riparium* (see *Elymus lanceolatus* ELYLAN) AGRRIP  
*Agropyron smithii* (see *Pascopyron smithii* PASSMI) AGRSMI  
*Agropyron spicatum* (see *Pseudoroegneria spicata* PSESPI) AGRSPI  
*Agrostis alba* (reddtop) AGRALB  
*Agrostis scabra* (tickleggrass) AGRSCA  
*Andropogon gerardii* var. *gerardii* (big bluestem) ANDGERG  
*Andropogon gerardii* var. *paucipilus* (sand bluestem) ANDGERP  
*Andropogon hallii* (see *A. g. var. paucipilus* ANDGERP) ANDHAL  
*Andropogon scoparius* (see *S. scoparium* (SCHSCO) ANDSCO  
*Arctagrostis latifolia* (polar grass) ARCLAT  
*Aristida longiseta* (see *Aristida purpurea* ARIPUR) ARILON

*Aristida purpurea* (red three-awn) ARIPUR  
*Bouteloua curtipendula* (side-oats grama) BOUCUR  
*Bouteloua gracilis* (blue grama) BOUGRA  
*Bouteloua hirsuta* (hairy grama) BOUHIR  
*Bromus carinatus* (California brome) BROCAR  
*Bromus inermis* (smooth brome) BROINE  
*Bromus japonicus* (Japanese brome) BROJAP  
*Bromus marginatus* (mountain brome) BROMAR  
*Bromus mollis* (soft chess) BROMOL  
*Bromus pumpellianus* (Pumpelly brome) BROPUM  
*Bromus rubens* (red brome) BRORUB  
*Bromus tectorum* (cheatgrass) BROTEC  
*Bromus vulgaris* (Columbia brome) BROVUL  
*Buchloe dactyloides* (buffalograss) BUCDAC  
*Calamagrostis canadensis* (bluejoint reedgrass) CALCAN  
*Calamagrostis montanensis* (plains reedgrass) CALMON  
*Calamagrostis purpurascens* (purple pinegrass) CALPUR  
*Calamagrostis rubescens* (pinegrass) CALRUB  
*Calamovilfa longifolia* (prairie sandreed) CALLON  
*Carex aquatilis* (water sedge) CARAQU  
*Carex bigelowii* (Bigelow sedge) CARBIG  
*Carex capitata* (Capitate sedge) CARCAP  
*Carex concinna* (low northern sedge) CARCON  
*Carex eleusinoides* (goose-grass sedge) CARELE  
*Carex filifolia* (threadleaf sedge) CARFIL  
*Carex garberi* (Garber sedge) CARGAR  
*Carex geyeri* (elk sedge) CARGEY  
*Carex heliophila* (sun sedge) CARHEL  
*Carex lenticularis* (Kellogg's sedge) CARLEN  
*Carex livida* (pale sedge) CARLIV  
*Carex pensylvanica* (yellow sedge) CARPEN  
*Carex petricosa* (rock sedge) CARPET  
*Carex rhizans* (rope-root sedge) CARRHO  
*Carex rossii* (Ross' sedge) CARROS  
*Carex rostrata* (beaked sedge) CARROT  
*Carex saxatilis* (russet sedge) CARSAX  
*Carex vaginata* (sheathed sedge) CARVAG  
*Critisetum jubatum* (foxtail barley) CRIJUB  
*Cynodon dactylon* (Bermuda grass) CYNDAC  
*Dactylis glomerata* (orchardgrass) DACGLO  
*Danthonia intermedia* (timber oatgrass) DANINT  
*Danthonia spicata* (poverty oatgrass) DANSPI  
*Danthonia unispicata* (onespike danthonia) DANUNI  
*Deschampsia cespitosa* (caesitosa) (tufted hairgrass) DESCES  
*Distichlis spicata* var. *stricata* (inland saltgrass) DISSPIS  
*Distichlis stricta* (see *Distichlis spicata* var. *stricata* DISSPIS) DISSIPI  
*Eleocharis macrostachya* (common spikerush) ELEMAC  
*Eleocharis palustris* (see *Eleocharis macrostachya* ELEMAC) ELEPAL  
*Elymus ambiguus* (see *Leymus ambiguus* LEYAMB) ELYAMB  
*Elymus canadensis* (Canada wildrye) ELYCAN  
*Elymus cinereus* (see *Leymus cinerus* LAYCIN) ELYCIN  
*Elymus elymoides* (bottlebrush squirreltail) ELYELY  
*Elymus glaucus* (blue wildrye) ELYGLA  
*Elymus innovatus* (see *Leymus innovatus* LEYINN) ELYINN  
*Elymus junceus* (see *Psathyrostachys juncea* PSAJUN) ELYJUN  
*Elymus lanceolatus* (thickspike wheatgrass) ELYLAN  
*Elymus virescens* (see *Elymus glaucus* ELYGLA) ELYVIR  
*Eriophorum vaginatum* (sheathed cottonseed) ERIVAG  
*Eriophorum virgatum* (green-kneeded cottongrass) ERIVIR  
*Fallagia paradoxa* (Apach plume) FALPAR  
*Festuca arundinacea* (tall fescue) FESARU  
*Festuca idahoensis* (Idaho fescue) FESIDA  
*Festuca microstachys* (see *Vulpis microstachys* VULMIC) FESMIC  
*Festuca megalura* (see *Vulpia myuros* VULMYU) FESMEG  
*Festuca octoflora* (see *Vulpia octoflora* VULOCT) FESOCT  
*Festuca ovina* var. *vivipara* (viviparous sheep fescue) FESOVIV  
*Festuca rubra* (red fescue) FESRUB

*Festuca scabrella* (rough fescue) FESSCA  
*Hierochloe odorata* (sweetgrass) HIEODO  
*Hordeum jubatum* (foxtail barley) HORJUB  
*Juncus balticus* (Baltic rush) JUNBAL  
*Juncus castaneus* (chestnut rush) JUNCAS  
*Juncus triglumis* (three-flowered rush) JUNTRI  
*Kobresia simpliciuscula* (simple kobresia) KOBSIM  
*Koeleria cristata* (prairie junegrass) KOECRI  
*Leymus ambiguus* (Colorado wildrye) LEYAMB  
*Leymus cinereus* (basin wildrye) LEYCIN  
*Leymus innovatus* (boreal wildrye) LEYINN  
*Lolium multiflorum* (Italian ryegrass) LOLMUL  
*Lolium perenne* (perennial ryegrass) LOLPER  
*Muhlenbergia cuspidata* (plains muhly) MUHCUS  
*Muhlenbergia racemosa* (green muhly) MUHRAC  
*Muhlenbergia richardsonis* (mat muhly) MUHRIC  
*Oryzopsis hymenoides* (Indian ricegrass) ORYHYM  
*Panicum virgatum* (switchgrass) PANVIR  
*Pascopyrum smithii* (western wheatgrass) PASSMI  
*Phalaris arundinacea* (reed canarygrass) PHAARU  
*Phleum pratense* (common timothy grass) PHLPRA  
*Phragmites australis* (common reed) PHRAUS  
*Poa ampla* (see *Poa secunda*) POAAMP  
*Poa arida* (plains bluegrass) POAARI  
*Poa canbyi* (see *Poa secunda*) POACAN  
*Poa compressa* (Canada bluegrass) POACOM  
*Poa cusickii* (Cusick bluegrass) POACUS  
*Poa fendleriana* (Fendler bluegrass) POAFEN  
*Poa juncifolia* (see *Poa secunda*) POASEC  
*Poa nevadensis* (See *Poa secunda*) POASEC  
*Poa pratense* (Kentucky bluegrass) POAPRA  
*Poa sandbergii* (see *Poa secunda*) POASAN  
*Poa secunda* (Sandberg bluegrass) POASEC  
*Psathyrostachys juncea* (Russian wildrye) PSAJUN  
*Pseudoroegneria spicata* (bluebunch wheatgrass) PSESP1  
*Schizachyrium scoparium* (little bluestem) SCHSCO  
*Scirpus americanus* (Olney threesquare) SCIAME  
*Scirpus hudsonius* (Hudson's Bay bulrush) SCIHUD  
*Scirpus robustus* (saltmarsh bulrush) SCIROB

*Scirpus subterminalis* (water bulrush) SCISUB  
*Scirpus validus* (great bulrush) SCIVAL  
*Sitanion hystrix* (see *Elymus elymoides*) ELYELY  
*Sorghastrum nutans* (Indiangrass) SORNUT  
*Spartina alterniflora* (smooth cordgrass) SPAALT  
*Spartina patens* (saltmeadow cordgrass) SPAPAT  
*Spartina pectinata* (prairie cordgrass) SPAPEC  
*Sporobolus airoides* (alkali sacaton) SPOAIR  
*Sporobolus asper* (rough dropseed) SPOASP  
*Sporobolus cryptandrus* (sand dropseed) SPOCRY  
*Sporobolus heterolepis* (prairie dropseed) SPOHET  
*Stipa columbiana* (Columbia needlegrass) STICOL  
*Stipa comata* (needle-and-thread grass) STICOM  
*Stipa richardsonii* (Richardson needlegrass) STIRIC  
*Stipa spartea* (porcupine grass) STISPA  
*Stipa viridula* (green needlegrass) STIVIR  
*Typha angustifolia* (narrowleaf cattail) TYPANG  
*Typha latifolia* (common cattail) TYPLAT  
*Vulpia microstachys* (small fescue) VULMIC  
*Vulpia myuros* (foxtail fescue) VULMYR  
*Vulpia octoflora* (sixweeks fescue) VULOCT  
*Xerophyllum tenax* (beargrass) XERTEN

#### MOSSES, LIVERWORTS & LICHENS

*Ceratodon purpureus* (fire moss) CERPUR  
*Cetraria islandica* (caribou lichen) CETISL  
*Cladonia (Cladina) alpestris* (see *Cladonia* spp.) CLASPP  
*Cladonia (Cladina) arbuscula* (see *Cladonia* spp.) CLAARB  
*Cladonia (Cladina) rangiferina* (see *Cladonia* spp.) CLARAN  
*Cladonia* spp. (reindeer lichens) CLASPP  
*Hylocomium splendens* (mountain fern moss) HYLSPL  
*Marchantia polymorpha* (liverwort) MARPOL  
*Peltigera aphosa* (freckled lichen) PELAPT

#### MISCELLANEOUS (CACTI)

*Opuntia humifusa* (prickly pear cactus) OPUHUM  
*Opuntia polyacantha* (plains prickly pear cactus) OPUPOL