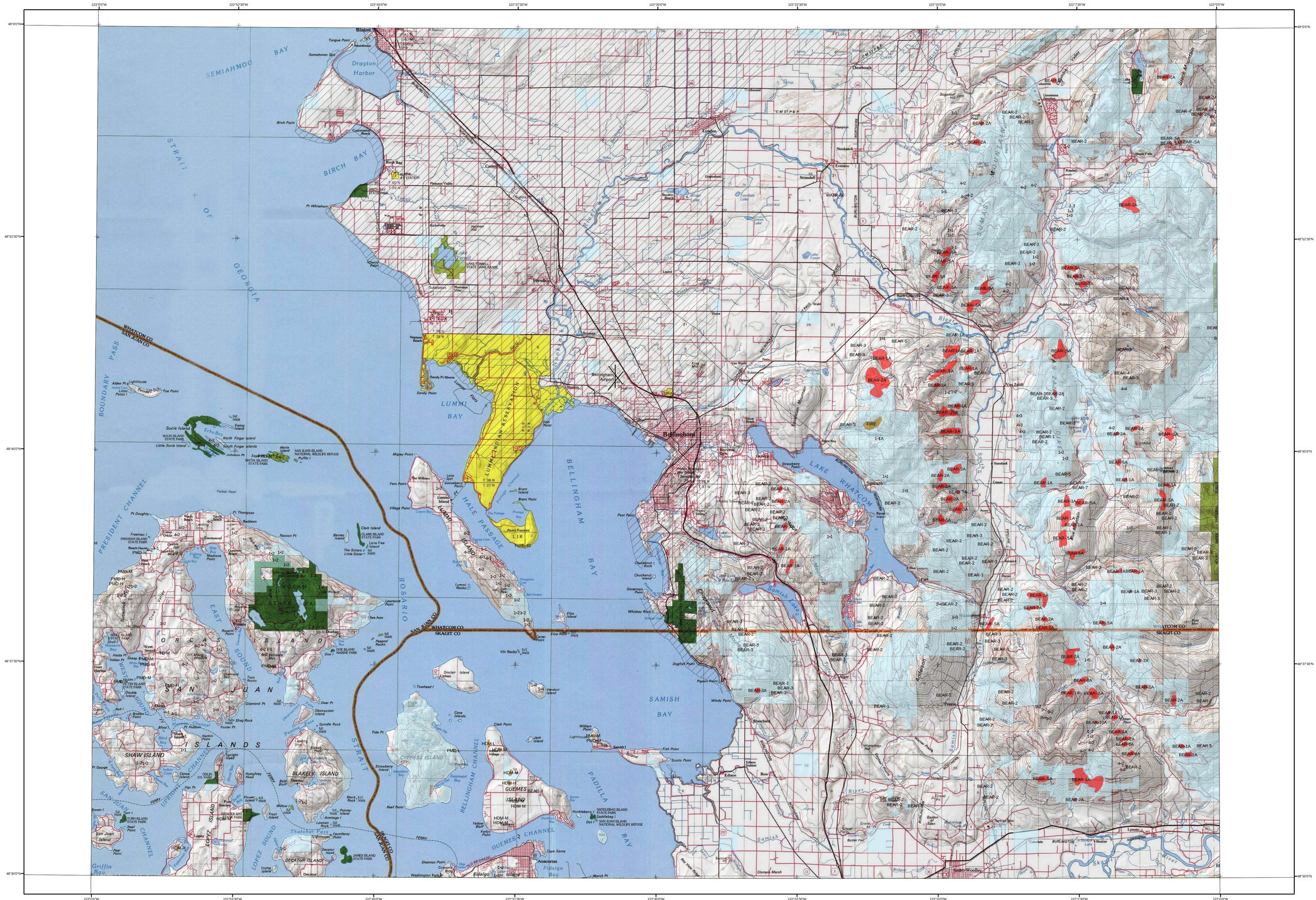
2015 Aerial Insect and Disease Survey
USGS 100K Quad: BELLINGHAM - E148122; 3A



Mortality Agents

Code	Damaging Agent	Primary Host
1	Douglas-fir beetle	Douglas-fir
4	Fir engraver	True firs
9	Silver fir beetle	Pacific silver fir
BEAR	Bear	Conifer

Defoliators

Code	Damaging Agent	Primary Host
TC	Tent caterpillar	Hardwoods

Other Damaging Agents

Code	Damaging Agent	Primary Host
FIRE	Fire	All species
HDM	Hardwood decline	Big-leaf maple
NF	Not flown	
PMD	Pacific madrone decline	Pacific madrone
WATR	Water damage	All species

NOTE: Only the damage agents present in this quad are listed in this legend. The cause of damage is described by an alpha numeric symbol on the map and is followed by the number of trees affected; number of trees per acre (example: 5A); or the intensity of damage (L- Light, M - Moderate, H - Heavy).

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0 0.5 1 2 3 4 Miles

Legend

- Defoliating Agents
- Mortality Agents
- Other Damage
- WDNR Managed Lands
  Source: Washington Dept. of Natural Resources
- Areas Not Flown During Overview Survey
- 2015 Large Fires
  Source: USGS GeoMAC - http://www.geomac.gov/

Vicinity Map

The basemap is an ESRI map service of TOPO! data (Copyright 2013 National Geographic) which is comprised of seamless, scanned images of USGS paper topographic maps. For more info on this map see http://goto.arcgisonline.com/maps/USA_Topo_Maps.

A data dictionary, digital copies of this map and geospatial insect and disease data are available at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r6/forest-grasslandhealth/insects-diseases/

How the Aerial Surveys Are Conducted

Data represented on this map are based on trees visibly affected by forest insects and diseases detected and recorded during aerial survey flights conducted by the USDA Forest Service, the Washington Department of Natural Resources and the Oregon Department of Forestry. Observers have just a few seconds to recognize the color difference between healthy and damaged trees of different species; diagnose causal agents correctly; estimate intensity; delineate the extent of damage; and precisely record this information on a georeferenced, digital map. Air turbulence, cloud shadows, distance from aircraft, haze, smoke and observer experience can all affect the quality of the survey. These data summaries provide an estimate of conditions on the ground and may differ from estimates derived by other methods.

The aerial survey provides information on the current status for many causal agents and is important when examining insect activity trends by comparing historical and current survey data over large areas.

Overview surveys are a 'snap shot' in time and therefore may not be timed to accurately capture the true extent or severity of a particular disturbance activity. Specially designed surveys with modified flight patterns and timing may be conducted to more accurately delineate the extent and severity of a particular disturbance agent. Special surveys, such as Swiss needle cast surveys, are conducted when resources are available to address situations of sufficient economic, political or environmental importance.

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