# Part 9 <br> Vegetative Surface Cover 

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CULTIVATED CROPLAND - Land that has been plowed or otherwise cultivated for crop production.

## ATTRIBUTE/ATTRIBUTE VALUE LIST

| Cultivation Type | The distinctive cultivation practice. |
| :---: | :--- |
| Cranberry Bog | Plantings of cranberries in flooded fields. |
| Orchard/Grove | Planting of evenly spaced trees that bear fruit or nuts |
| Vines/Bushes | Planting of grapevines, or other cultivated climbing plants, <br> such as berry vines and hops, usually supported and arranged <br> evenly in rows |

## DELINEATION

The limit of CULTIVATED CROPLAND is the extent of the area under production. When CULTIVATED CROPLAND is a planting of trees, the edge is defined as the center line of the bounding row. When CULTIVATED CROPLAND is a planting of cranberries, the edge is defined by the outermost ditch or embankment surrounding the planting.

## REPRESENTATION RULES

Feature Object Representation, Composition, and Relationship Table

| RELATIONSHIPS | INSTANCES <br> (CARDINALITY) | WITH OBJECT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Representation Conditions

| KIND OF FEATURE <br> OBJECT | AREA | SHORTEST | LONGEST |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 1-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 2-dimensional | $>0$ |  |  |

Special Conditions:

## CULTIVATED CROPLAND

## DATA EXTRACTION

## Capture Conditions

If CULTIVATED CROPLAND is $\geq 0.1$ " along the shortest axis, Then capture.

Attribute Information
Source Interpretation Guidelines
All
The minimum size for non-linear clearings within CULTIVATED CROPLAND is $0.1^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis.

Do not capture CULTIVATED CROPLAND for linear clearings that are $\geq 0.05^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis, whether there is another linear feature or not.

Do not capture CULTIVATED CROPLAND for linear clearings, if the clearings are $\geq 0.02^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis and $<0.05^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis and do not coincide with another linear feature that meets capture conditions.

Where CULTIVATED CROPLAND has an intricate outline, the outline should be generalized.
Do not capture nurseries or Christmas tree farms as CULTIVATED CROPLAND. See TREES (Vegetative Surface Cover theme) and/or RESERVATION (Boundaries theme).

Do not capture CULTIVATED CROPLAND if the area meets capture conditions for BUILT-UP AREA.

Rice fields are not captured.
Graphic
Revision - General
Revision - Standard

Revision - Limited

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DATA EXTRACTION OR PRODUCT GENERATION at 1:24,000 scale
Inclusion Conditions
All required
Generalization

PRODUCT GENERATION at 1:24,000 scale
Symbolization

Symbol\#: CULTIVATED_CROPLAND_A001
Dimension: 2

## Attribute

Cultivation Type

Value
Cranberry Bog

Symbol Specs
Area Perimeter
Color: Blue
Lineweight: 0.004"

Type Specs
Label:
Color: Black
Style: UL CAPS or C/lc
Size: 7-10
Spacing: 0-1
Symbol\#: CULTIVATED_CROPLAND_A002 Dimension: 2

| Attribute | Value | Symbol Specs | Type Specs |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cultivation Type | Orchard/Grove | Area Fill | N/A |
|  |  | Color: Green |  |
|  |  | Screen: 40\%, 120-line at $75^{\circ}$ |  |
|  |  | Pattern: USGS 26A |  |
|  |  | Symbol Orientation |  |
|  |  | Orientation: parallel |  |
|  |  | to south projection line |  |


|  | Symbol\#: CULTIVATED_CROPLAND_A003 Dimension: 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  |  |


| Attribute | Value | Symbol Specs | Type Specs |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cultivation Type | Vines/Bushes | Area Fill | N/A |
|  |  | Color: Green |  |
|  |  | Screen: $40 \%$, 120-line |  |
|  |  | at $75^{\circ}$ |  |
|  |  | Pattern: USGS 7A |  |
|  |  | Symbol Orientation |  |
|  |  | Orientation: parallel |  |
|  |  | to south projection |  |

Conflict Detection and Resolution
Conflict detection and resolution rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.

If edge of CULTIVATED CROPLAND is < 0.025 " from RAILWAY, ROAD, or STREAM/RIVER, Then extend CULTIVATED CROPLAND symbol to the edge of the other feature symbol.

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$\underline{\text { Names and Labels }}$
Selection and placement rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.

Selection
TBD
Placement
TBD
EXAMPLES
Albany West, GA (Orchards)
Atsion, NJ (Cranberry bogs)
Indian Mills, NJ (Cranberry bogs)
Napa, CA (Orchards and vineyards)
Selah, WA (Orchards)
Yountville, CA (Orchards and vineyards)

SHRUBLAND - Area covered with plants that have persistent woody stems and a relatively low growth habit, and that generally produce several basal shoots instead of a single shoot.

## ATTRIBUTE/ATTRIBUTE VALUE LIST

N/A

## DELINEATION

The limit of SHRUBLAND is the extent of the area covered with the low growing shrubs.

## REPRESENTATION RULES

Feature Object Representation, Composition, and Relationship Table

| RELATIONSHIPS | INSTANCES <br> (CARDINALITY) | WITH OBJECT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Representation Conditions

| KIND OF FEATURE <br> OBJECT | AREA | SHORTEST | LONGEST |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 1-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 2-dimensional | $>0$ |  |  |

Special Conditions:

## DATA EXTRACTION

Capture Conditions
If SHRUBLAND is $\geq 0.1^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis, and has a crown density $\geq 20 \%$, Then capture.

Attribute Information

N/A

Source Interpretation Guidelines
All

Do not capture immature or stunted trees as SHRUBLAND. See TREES. Examples of SHRUBLAND are cactus, mesquite, sagebrush, and thick brush found in wet and mountainous areas.

The minimum size for non-linear clearings within SHRUBLAND is $0.1^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis.
Do not capture SHRUBLAND for linear clearings that are $\geq 0.05^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis, whether there is another linear feature or not.

Do not capture SHRUBLAND for linear clearings if the clearings are $\geq 0.02^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis and $<0.05$ " along the shortest axis, and do not coincide with another linear feature that meets capture conditions.

Where SHRUBLAND has an intricate outline, the outline should be generalized.

Do not capture SHRUBLAND if the area meets capture conditions for BUILT-UP AREA.

Graphic

Revision - General

Revision - Standard

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DATA EXTRACTION OR PRODUCT GENERATION at 1:24,000 scale
Inclusion Conditions
All required

## Generalization

PRODUCT GENERATION at $1: 24,000$ scale
Symbolization

Symbol\#: SHRUBLAND_A001 Dimension: 2

## Attribute

N/A
Value
N/A

Symbol Specs
Area Fill
Color: Green
Screen: 40\%, 120-line at $75^{\circ}$
Pattern: USGS 20A

Conflict Detection and Resolution
Conflict detection and resolution rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.

If edge of SHRUBLAND is $<0.025^{\prime \prime}$ from RAILWAY, ROAD, or STREAM/RIVER, Then extend SHRUBLAND symbol to the edge of the other feature symbol.

Names and Labels
Selection and placement rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.

Selection
TBD

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Placement
TBD

## EXAMPLES

Anacacho, TX
Annaville, TX
Art, TX

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TREE

TREE - A woody perennial plant having a self supporting main stem or trunk and a definite crown.

## ATTRIBUTE/ATTRIBUTE VALUE LIST

Name
Proper name, specific term, or expression
(Alphanumeric)
Length Value: 99

## DELINEATION

The limit of TREE is the extent of the crown.

## REPRESENTATION RULES

Feature Object Representation, Composition, and Relationship Table

| RELATIONSHIPS | INSTANCES <br> (CARDINALITY) | WITH OBJECT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Representation Conditions

| KIND OF FEATURE <br> OBJECT | AREA | SHORTEST | LONGEST |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0-dimensional |  | $>0$ |  |
| 1-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 2-dimensional |  |  |  |

Special Conditions:

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TREE

## DATA EXTRACTION

## Capture Conditions

If TREE is named and is of unique cultural and historical significance, Then capture.

Attribute Information

## Source Interpretation Guidelines

All

Fallen trees are collected as TREE if capture conditions are met.

Graphic

Revision - General

Revision - Standard

Revision - Limited

Do not revise. Delete existing features.

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DATA EXTRACTION OR PRODUCT GENERATION at 1:24,000 scale
Inclusion Conditions
All required
Generalization

PRODUCT GENERATION at $1: 24,000$ scale
Symbolization

Symbol\#: TREE_P001
Dimension: 0

- NAM


## Attribute

Name
Value
(Alphanumeric)

Symbol Specs
Circle
Color: Black
Lineweight: 0.003"
Diameter: 0.04"
Dot
Color: Black
Diameter: 0.006"
Positioning: centered in circle

Symbol Orientation
Origin: center of symbol

## Type Specs

Name:
Color: Black
Style: UL C/lc
Size: 7
Spacing: 0

## Conflict Detection and Resolution

Conflict detection and resolution rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.
$\underline{\text { Names and Labels }}$
Selection and placement rules are being developed. Additions and modifications to the rule set will continue until all features are completed.

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TREE

Selection
TBD
Placement
TBD

## EXAMPLES

Mariposa Grove, CA (Tunnel TREE, Grizzly Giant)
Ackerson Mountain, CA (Tunnel TREE)
General Grant Grove, CA (General Grant Tree, Hart Tree, Fallen Goliath)
Giant Forest, CA (General Sherman Tree, Tunnel log)
Lodgepole, CA (Tharps Log)
15' Oregon Caves, OR (Big Tree)
Big Butte Springs, OR (Doug Ingram Tree)
Sweeney Pass, CA (Carrizo Palms)
Butler Butte, OR (World's Tallest Sugarpine)
Austin West, TX (Treaty Oak - historical)
Inferno Cone, ID (Lava TREES, TREE molds, both shown with located object symbols)

TREES - An extensive area of land covered with woody perennial plants having a self-supporting main stem or trunk, a definite crown and usually reaching a mature height of more than 6 feet.

## ATTRIBUTE/ATTRIBUTE VALUE LIST

Crown Density

## Scattered Trees

Unspecified

Woodland
$\geq 50 \%$

Vegetation Characteristics

Mangrove
Unspecified

Percentage of area covered by tree crowns
$\geq 25 \%$ and $<50 \%$

The value is not known and is not required

Distinctive properties of the vegetation
Tropical trees with aerial roots found only in coastal areas
The value is not known and is not required

## DELINEATION

The limit of TREES is the extent of the treed area. The limit is the center of the outermost trees, not the edge of their crowns.

## REPRESENTATION RULES

Feature Object Representation, Composition, and Relationship Table

| RELATIONSHIPS | INSTANCES <br> (CARDINALITY) | WITH OBJECT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Representation Conditions

| KIND OF FEATURE <br> OBJECT | AREA | SHORTEST | LONGEST |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 1-dimensional |  |  |  |
| 2-dimensional | $>0$ |  |  |

Special Conditions:

## DATA EXTRACTION

## Capture Conditions

If TREES is $\geq 0.1^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis and has a crown density $\geq 25 \%$, Or
If TREES has a crown density $\geq 25 \%$ and forms a shelter belt (windbreak) $\geq 0.02^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis,
Or
If TREES has a crown density $\geq 25 \%$, is $\geq 0.02^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis, and is in an arid or semi-arid region,
Then capture.
Attribute Information
If Crown Density $=$ Scattered Trees or Woodland, Then Vegetation Characteristics = Unspecified.

If Vegetation Characteristics $=$ Mangrove, Then Crown Density = Unspecified.

## Source Interpretation Guidelines

All

TREES, except mangrove, can coincide with LAKE/POND and/or SWAMP/MARSH.

Forested areas that have been clear-cut, and which are expected to be reforested are captured as TREES.

The minimum size for non-linear clearings within TREES is $0.1^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis.
Do not capture TREES for linear clearings that are $\geq 0.05$ " along the shortest axis, whether there is another linear feature or not.

Do not capture TREES for linear clearings if the clearings are $\geq 0.02^{\prime \prime}$ along the shortest axis and < 0.05 " along the shortest axis, and do not coincide with another linear feature that meets capture conditions.

Where TREES has an intricate outline, the outline should be generalized.
Do not capture TREES if the area meets capture conditions for BUILT-UP AREA.

Crown density can be estimated by comparing the diameter of the crowns to the distance between crowns. For example, if the average open space distance between crowns is equal to the average crown diameter, the crown density is $20 \%$. If the average open space distance between crowns is $1 / 2$

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the average crown diameter, the density is $35 \%$.

Graphic

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Inclusion Conditions
All required
Generalization

PRODUCT GENERATION at $1: 24,000$ scale
Symbolization

Symbol\#: TREES_A001
Dimension: 2

## Attribute

Crown Density
Vegetation
Characteristics

## Value

Unspecified
Mangrove

Symbol Specs
Area Fill
Color: Blue
Pattern: USGS 25
Symbol Orientation
Orientation: parallel to south projection line

Background Fill
Color: Green
Screen: $40 \%$, 120-line at $75^{\circ}$
,

Type Specs
N/A


Attribute
Crown Density
Vegetation
Characteristics

Value
Scattered Trees
Unspecified

Symbol Specs
Area Fill
Color: Green
Pattern: AP 44
Symbol Orientation
Orientation: parallel
to south projection line

Type Specs
N/A

| Attribute | $\underline{\text { Value }}$ | $\underline{\text { Symbol Specs }}$ | Type Specs |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Crown Density | Woodland | Area Fill | N/A |
| Vegetation | Unspecified | Color: Green <br> Screen: $40 \%, 120$-line <br> at $75^{\circ}$ |  |

## Conflict Detection and Resolution

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If edge of TREES is $<0.025^{\prime \prime}$ from RAILWAY, ROAD, or STREAM/RIVER,
Then extend TREES symbol to the edge of the other feature symbol.
Names and Labels
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Selection
TBD
Placement
TBD

## EXAMPLES

Cocodrie Lake, FL (Submerged TREES)
Columbia, LA
Sanibel, FL (Mangrove, unspecified TREES)

