

Form T1: Project Planning QA

Date	April – May 2009			
Project Name	Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands			
QA Contractors	Ecologist	Bioterrain specialist	GIS specialist	Other specialists
	K. Dunster	Sid Tsang	Gordon Butt (Madrone)	Anna Jeffries Peter Berst
Mappers	Tyler Innes (Madrone)	Wanda Miller (Madrone)	Corey Erwin (MOE)	
	Tania Tripp (Madrone)	Sonia Meili (Madrone)	Jo-Anne Stacey (MOE)	
	Jackie Churchill (Madrone)			

Materials checklist:

- ✓ List of background information
- ✓ Study area boundaries to be used
- ✓ List of project information including the total number of air photos, maps, area (ha), mapping team, contact information, etc
- ✓ Outline of the project plan and persons responsible for each role as outlined in the contract
- ✓ Project objectives as outlined in the contract

Project Planning QA Review Questions:

1. Study objectives are clearly defined and appropriate. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
IT Objectives include conservation evaluations, and SEI verifications
2. All relevant RISC standards are listed in the contract. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
Methods exceed RISC standards
3. The methods are appropriate for the stated objectives. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. The mapping team has all necessary qualifications. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Review of existing data sources adequately covers the information known to be available for the study area (i.e. research papers and reports). Any previous and/or related mapping, such as soils, forest cover, terrain or geology mapping has been identified. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
6. Project and study area boundaries are appropriate and have been outlined on maps at the scale specified in the contract. Boundaries from adjacent areas that have been previously mapped have been taken into account. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
SEI
7. The TEM survey intensity levels, including the ratio of plot types (i.e. FS882's, GIFs, and visuals), and Terrain Survey Intensity Levels are appropriate for the stated objectives. ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
**1,200 polygons based on 1:16,000 mapping scale and a study area of 12,000 hectares
 Level 4 survey intensity (15-24%) as per the Provincial TEM Standards.**
8. Other: ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
Stratified sampling strategy was designed to collect field data from as many types of ecosystems as possible

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Name QA Contractor(s)
Katherine Dunster

Signature



Acceptable?

✓Yes No

Review Date

15 April 2009

Form T3: Bioterrain and Ecosystem Pretyping QA

Submission #	<u>1</u>	Date of Submission	<u>13 May 2009</u>
Project Name	<u>Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands</u>		
QA Ecologist	<u>Katherine Dunster,</u>		
QA Bioterrain Sp	<u>Gordon Butt (Madrone), Sid Tsang (Tsang Geoscience Ltd)</u>		
Ecology Mapper(s)	<u>Tyler Innes; Tania Tripp; Jackie Churchill</u>		
Bioterrain Mapper(s)	<u>Wanda Miller; Sonia Meili</u>		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ An agreed upon, representative sample of air photos w/ preliminary terrain and ecosystem pretyping - this sample should represent the terrain and ecosystem diversity of the study area.
- ✓ Draft working legends and topographical sequences (site diagrams) for each subzone
- ✓ Small-scale map of study area w/ project boundary & flightlines clearly marked
- ✓ Topographic base maps at scale of mapping (TRIM or NTS)
- ✓ Forest cover maps relative to the study area
- ✓ Terrain/soil/geology maps used to develop the current mapping
- ✓ Relevant small scale BGC mapping
- ✓ A list indicating the areas mapped by each of the mappers (if more than one individual involved in the mapping)

Polygon Specific Comments:

All polygon specific comments and/or recommendations must be documented in a separate PDF or word file and included as part of the QA report. It is recommended that mapping corrections be numbered and/or indicated on the stereo-pair or on an overlay. Comments associated with each number can then be kept in a separate file.

Bioterrain and Ecosystem Pretyping QA Review Questions:

1. Is the level of detail being captured appropriate? (polygon size) ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
average 7 ha polygon size
2. Is the linework precise and accurate? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Does polygon delineation and terrain labels represent the bioterrain attributes in the landscape? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Does the polygon delineation and ecosystem labelling (if available) represent the variability of the ecosystems and structural stages found in the study area? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Does the mapping reflect the project objectives? (i.e. is ecosystem variation in the study area and features relevant to the needs of the client captured) ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
6. Are there additional attributes that should be captured to meet the project objectives (e.g. slope classes)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
Coastal Bluffs, Cliffs, Anthropogenic Units, SEI verification
7. Is the delineation of polygons consistent between mappers? Between airphotos? Between mapsheets? Over the study area? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____

Use of 3D Orthophoto improves consistency as can switch between bioterrain, ecosystem & SEI layers to check

8. Are the drainage classes consistent between mappers? Between airphotos? Between mapsheets? Yes No
Over the study area? Do the drainage classes reflect the slope position, material, vegetation?
Comments/Recommendations: _____
9. Are all codes and symbols used consistent with provincial mapping standards? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
10. Have areas of uncertainty been marked for field verification? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
11. Was more than one person involved in the mapping? Yes No
If yes, please list the areas mapped by each individual _____
N/A - all worked on same orthophoto
12. Record the number of air photos reviewed _____ Record the number of air photos typed _____
List the air photo numbers that were reviewed _____
N/A - Orthophoto
13. Record the number of mapsheets reviewed 6 Record the number of mapsheets typed 6
List the mapsheet numbers that were reviewed _____
92G033; 92G034; 92G043; 92G044; 92G053, 92G054 (Islands Trust Area only)
14. Other: Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

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Acceptable?
 Yes No

Review Date
13-15 May, 2009

Form T4: Fieldwork QA

Submission #	<u>1</u>	Date of Submission	<u>September 16, 2009</u>
Project Name	<u>Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands</u>		
QA Team	<u>Katherine Dunster, Corey Erwin (MOE), Sid Tsang (Tsang Geoscience Ltd)</u>		
Field crew(s)	<u>June: Tyler Innes, Jackie Churchill, Wanda Miller, and Sonia Meili</u> <u>August: Jackie Churchill, Tania Tripp, Kathy Dunster, and Sonia Meili</u>		
Fieldwork Dates	<u>June 22-23, Aug 10, Aug 17-18</u>		
Method of review	<u>Field inspections, field form reviews</u>		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ Field work details including the total number of full, ground and visual sites, dates of field work, field crews,
- ✓ Complete, edited field forms with field site locations marked on associated photos and/or maps
- ✓ Map showing field traverses (foot, helicopter, road) to show coverage of the study area.

Plot Specific Comments:

All plot specific comments and/or recommendations must be documented in a separate PDF or word file and included as part of the QA report.

Sampling Plan QA Review Questions:

1. Does the sampling address all the objectives of the project (additional interpretive products e.g., WHR)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: Conservation Evaluations
2. Does the sampling address bioterrain mapping needs (i.e. have all of the major terrain types been covered)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: Iterative process allowed selection of final field sites to complete bioterrain coverage on Bowen
3. Does the sampling plan adequately address the ecological variation in the study area (i.e., subzone, site series, parent materials, slope, aspect, etc...)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Is there adequate rationale for the number and distribution of sampling types (i.e. where and why FS882's, ground or visual inspections will be completed)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: Project restricted to private lands; some landowner permissions not attained; verification on Crown
5. Is the proposed timing of the sampling plan logical? Have all of the access issues been accounted for? Are there contingency plans in place? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: Late in season for coastal bluffs, spring ephemerals
6. Does the working legend account for all of the typical terrain types and environmental site conditions found in the study area? Are the ecological relationships outlined in the working legend logical? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____

Field work QA Review Questions:

General Mapping Questions

1. Have the DTEIF standards been followed? (see the QA guidelines for DTEIF) ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
2. Record the number of field sites visited/reviewed? _____
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Have the minimum data collection requirements for the Ecosystem Field Forms (FS882) been met {Table 6.5 of the TEM standard (RISC, 1998)}? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: Field forms completed as per standard
4. Ecosystem Field Forms (FS882) How many completed? 8 How many reviewed? 8

Comments/Recommendations: _____

5. Record the number of ecosystem field forms in agreement (i.e. acceptable) **8**
Record the number of ecosystem field forms in disagreement (i.e. not acceptable) **0**

6. Have the minimum data collection requirements for the Ground Inspection form been met {Table 6.6 of the TEM standard (RISC 1998)}? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Field forms completed as per standard

7. Ground Inspections Forms (GIF) How many completed? **34** How many reviewed? **34**

Comments/Recommendations: _____

8. Record the number of ground inspection forms in agreement (i.e. acceptable) **34**
Record the number of ground inspection forms in disagreement (i.e. not acceptable) **0**

9. Visual plots How many completed? **281** How many reviewed? **281**

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Field forms completed as per standard

Field work QA Review Questions:

Field visit questions

1. Is there consistency in site description and classification between field crews? (e.g., soil classification, SMR, SNR, site series, etc.) Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

2. Do the mappers know where they are on the photo (i.e., which polygon, where in the polygon)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

GPS checked to UTM coordinates on orthomaps to adjust plots away from polygon boundary lines

3. Is there adequate communication between specialists? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Teams work as a team, verifying as plot data was recorded; telephone communication between team working on other islands to verify queries

4. Did the terrain mapper refine the terrain criteria in the field? Were the questions raised during pretyping investigated in the field? Were adequate mapping notes being kept to facilitate correction of bioterrain linework and labels? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Notes scanned as pdfs, used to refine linework/interpretation

5. Did the mapping ecologist refine the working legend in the field? Were the questions raised during pretyping investigated in the field? Were adequate mapping notes being kept to facilitate correction of the linework and/or ecosystem labels? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Notes scanned as pdfs, used to refine linework/interpretation

6. Does the mapping ecologist(s) have a consistent, clear view of BGC zonation concepts relative to the selection of their sample site locations? Are they able to distinguish BGC subzone changes on the ground? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Some zonal sites are transitional between CWHxm and CWHdm, southwest end of Bowen transitional CWHxm to CDFmm

7. Have the definitions outlined in the DTEIF standard (RISC 1998) been correctly and consistently interpreted (i.e. structural stages, successional status, % cover, soil moisture regime, soil nutrient regime, etc...)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

8. Are the field ecologists interpretations of the sample site environmental conditions logical and consistent over the study area (i.e. are the site series / ecosystem unit designations logical and consistent)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

9. Was relevant data collected for all additional interpretations (e.g., field verification of erosion potential classes, polygon slope classes, wildlife habitat attributes, SEI, etc.)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

N/A

Other:

Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

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Acceptable?

Yes No

Review Date

September 30, 2009

Form T5: Ecosection and BGC Boundaries QA

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Project Name	<u>Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands</u>		
Reg. Ecologist	<u>Corey Erwin (MOE) Jo-Anne Stacey (MOE)</u>		
Prov. Ecologist	<u>Carmen Cadrin</u>		
Mapper(s)	<u>Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone) Sonia Meili (Madrone)</u>		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ Topographic maps/airphotos showing proposed BGC and ecosection linework changes and relevant lot locations
- ✓ All supporting field data

Ecosection and BGC Boundaries QA Review Questions:

1.	Is the placement of the modified BGC lines supported by the field data?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Comments/Recommendations:	<hr/>	
2.	Is the placement of BGC lines accurate and precise?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Comments/Recommendations:	<hr/>	
5.	Is the placement of ecosection lines in accordance with the BGC linework, as depicted on the small scale BGC mapping?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Comments/Recommendations:	<hr/>	
Other:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Comments/Recommendations:	<hr/>	
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Acceptable?
 Yes No

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Form T6: Site Series QA

Submission # 1 Date of Submission Sept 16, 2009
 Project Name Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands
 Reg. Ecologist Corey Erwin (MOE)
Jo-Anne Stacey (MOE)
Carmen Cadrin
 Prov. Ecologist _____
 Mapper(s) Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone)
Sonia Meili (Madrone)

Materials checklist:

- ✓ Completed plot forms and VENUS database for the entire study area
- ✓ Summary of proposed new ecosystem units (if any) – indicate relevant plot numbers and rationale.
- ✓ Plot location map with plots clearly marked
- ✓ Air photos with plot locations indicated (usually pin pricked and noted on the back of the photo)
- ✓ A map of the study area showing study area boundaries and flight lines
- ✓ Topographic base map at the scale of mapping (TRIM of NTS)
- ✓ Forest cover maps

Ecosystem Unit QA Review Questions:

Assess each proposed new ecosystem unit relative to the following criteria (questions # 1-5 below): **N/A**

1. Is the proposed new unit supported by the field data? **N/A** Yes No
 2. Given the scale of mapping, is the proposed unit mappable? **N/A** Yes No
 3. Can the proposed new unit be amalgamated with any existing units? **N/A** Yes No
 4. Is the proposed new mapcode unique within the given subzone (see provincial mapcodes list)? **N/A** Yes No
 5. Does the proposed new mapcode duplicate any of the sparsely vegetated, non-vegetated, anthropogenic or generic small scale map units (see provincial mapcodes list)? **N/A** Yes No

BGC subzone	Mapcode	Ecosystem Name	Acceptable?	Comments/Recommendations
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	N/A
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	N/A

6. Have all of the new ecosystem units, listed above, been approved by the regional ecologist? **N/A** Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
 7. Have all of the new mapcodes, listed above, been approved by the provincial ecologist? **N/A** Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
 8. Other: **N/A** Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____

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 Katherine Dunster

Signature

K. Dunster

Acceptable?

Yes No

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Form T7: Initial Ecosystem Mapping QA

Submission #	<u>1</u>	Date of Submission	<u>Sept 16, 2009</u>
Project Name	<u>Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands</u>		
QA Ecologist	<u>Katherine Dunster</u>		
Mapping Team	<u>Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone) Sonia Meili (Madrone)</u>		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ A sample of draft ecosystem maps with completed labels (ecosystem, BGC, ecoregion) map legends and linework. This can include a portion of a single mapsheet or a representative sample from different portions of the study area and should include representative samples of mapping from each mapper (if more than one mapper involved).
- ✓ Draft map legends, and expanded legend/report if available, listing all mapped units (including both ecosystem unit two-letter codes and associated site series numbers, along with ecosystem unit names, descriptions, site modifiers and structural stages)
- ✓ Typed air photos (including standard terrain labeling)
- ✓ A small scale map of study area w/ project boundary & flightlines clearly marked
- ✓ Topographic base map at scale of mapping (TRIM or NTS)
- ✓ Plot data for submitted area
- ✓ Applicable forest cover mapping
- ✓ Working legend

Polygon Specific Comments:

All polygon-specific comments and/or recommendations must be documented in a separate PDF or Word file and included as part of the QA report. It is recommended that mapping corrections be numbered and/or indicated on the stereo-pair or on an overlay. Comments associated with each number can then be documented in a separate file.

Initial Ecosystem Mapping QA Review Questions:

1. Does the coding of ecosystem units follow RISC standards? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
2. Is the format and content of the map legend to standard? Have all the required elements been included? Are all mapped ecosystem units listed in the legend? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Have ecosystem units been mapped consistently and accurately? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Is the photo interpretation of all ecosystem attributes consistent and accurate? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Is the ecosystem mapping consistent with respect to polygon size and the level of detail in the mapping? Have small but important features been pulled out in a consistent manner (e.g., wetlands)? Does the level of detail meet project objectives? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
6. Have the non-vegetated, sparsely vegetated and anthropogenic units been mapped consistently and correctly? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
7. Are ecosystem unit proportions (deciles) consistent with other polygons and with the terrain unit proportions, where applicable? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
8. Have site series and other non-correlated ecosystem units been mapped consistently over the entire study area, between adjacent polygons, across biogeoclimatic boundaries, between mappers and relative to the legend? ✓Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

9. Have site series and other non-correlated ecosystem units been correctly mapped relative to existing knowledge (MOF regional field guides, previous mapping, adjacent mapping), terrain attributes, field data, forest cover attributes, topography and site conditions? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

10. Have site modifiers been consistently and correctly mapped over the entire study are, within polygons, between adjacent polygons, across biogeoclimatic boundaries, and between ecosystem mappers? Have they been mapped alphabetically? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

11. Have site modifiers been consistently and correctly mapped relative to the terrain attributes, plot data, topography, site conditions and the assumed site modifiers? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

12. Have structural stages and structural stage modifiers been mapped consistently and correctly between polygons, over the study area, relative to the field data and relative to the forest cover maps or air photos? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

13. Was the entire project area submitted for review? Yes No
What percent of the study area was reviewed? **100%**
Comments/Recommendations: _____

14. Was more than one person involved in the mapping? Yes No
If yes, please list the areas mapped by each individual
See Madrone Final Report: Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands, Dossier 09.0096

15. Record the number of air photos reviewed N/A Record the number of air photos typed N/A
List the air photo numbers that were reviewed
Orthophoto used

16. Record the number of mapsheets reviewed 6 Record the number of mapsheets typed 6
List the mapsheet numbers that were reviewed
92G033; 92G034; 92G043; 92G044; 92G053, 92G054 (Islands Trust Area only)

17. Record the number polygons reviewed 2,017 Record the number of polygons typed 2,017
Record the number of polygons in agreement (i.e. acceptable)
Record the number of polygons in disagreement (i.e. not acceptable) 0

18. Other: Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

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Acceptable?
 Yes No

Review Date
September 30, 2009

Form T8: Final Bioterrain Mapping QA

Submission #	<u>1</u>	Date of Submission	<u>Sept 16, 2009</u>
Project Name	<u>Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands</u>		
QA Bioterrain Sp	<u>Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone)</u>		
Mapper (s)	<u>Sonia Meili (Madrone)</u>		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ Terrain map legend
- ✓ typed air photos (including standard terrain labeling)
- ✓ a small scale map of study area w/ project boundary & flightlines clearly marked
- ✓ topographic base map at scale of mapping (TRIM or NTS)
- ✓ plot data for submitted area
- ✓ additional mapping information/notes (subtypes, mapping conventions, peculiarities, mapping criteria, etc.)
- ✓ Non special data base (if available).

Polygon Specific Comments:

All polygon specific comments and/or recommendations must be documented in a separate PDF or word file and included as part of the QA report. It is recommended that mapping corrections be numbered and/or indicated on the stereo-pair or on an overlay. Comments associated with each number can then be kept in a separate file.

Final Bioterrain mapping QA Review Questions:

1. Record the number of air photos reviewed N/A Record the number of air photos typed _____
List the air photo numbers that were reviewed _____
Orthophoto used _____
1. Record the number of mapsheets reviewed 6 Record the number of mapsheets typed 6
List the mapsheet numbers that were reviewed _____
92G033; 92G034; 92G043; 92G044; 92G053, 92G054 (Islands Trust Area only) _____
1. Record the number polygons reviewed _____ Record the number of polygons typed _____
Record the number of polygons in agreement (i.e. acceptable) _____
Record the number of polygons in disagreement (i.e. not acceptable) _____
4. Was more than one person involved in the mapping? Yes No
If yes, please list the areas mapped by each individual _____
See Madrone Final Report: Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands, Dossier 09.0096 _____
1. Was the entire project area submitted for review? Yes No
What percent of the study area was reviewed? 36% _____
Comments/Recommendations: _____
Only Bowen Island reviewed _____
2. Were the field observations incorporated into the mapping (in the vicinity of the site and in similar polygons throughout the study area)? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Do the bioterrain labels reflect ecological splits? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Is the bioterrain mapping (air photo interpretation, labels and linework) adequately support TEM and any other deliverables? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Were the comments and recommendation from previous stages of review addresses? Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
6. Do the terrain labels follow Howes and Kenk 1997? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

7. Is the bioterrain mapping, drainage and any other terrain interpretations mapped consistently throughout the study area (between mappers and across mapsheets and flightlines)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

8. Is there consistency between the ecosystem mapping and the bioterrain mapping (e.g., site modifiers, drainage, percent rock)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

9. Has the bioterrain mapping been reassessed and updated in all areas where new polygons were created by the ecosystem mapper? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

9. Is the bioterrain mapping consistent with respect to polygon size and the level of detail in the mapping? Have small but important features been pulled out in a consistent manner (e.g., wetlands)? Does the level of detail meet project objectives? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

10. Is the format and content of the bioterrain map legend to RISC standard? Have all subtypes used in the mapping been included in the legend? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

11. Does the non-spatial database have any anomalies or errors (perform unique sorts and use the auto filter function)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

12. If a stand alone terrain map or terrain interpretive maps are produced, do they meet all RISC standards? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: N/A

13. Does the bioterrain mapping conform to all relevant RISC standards? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

14. Have all project objectives relating to bioterrain been met? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

Other: Yes No

Comments/Recommendations: _____

One misplaced bioterrain file from another project removed from Bowen Island data folder

QA Sign Off: (Please Print)
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Acceptable?
Yes No

Review Date
October 15, 2009

Form T9: Final Ecosystem Mapping QA

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QA Ecologist	Katherine Dunster		
Mapper(s)	Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone) Sonia Meili (Madrone)		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ A sample of draft ecosystem maps with completed labels (ecosystem, BGC, ecoregion) map legends and linework. This can include a portion of a single mapsheet or a representative sample from different portions of the study area and should include representative samples of mapping from each mapper (if more than one mapper involved)..
- ✓ Draft map legends, and expanded legend/report if available, listing all mapped units (including both ecosystem unit two-letter codes and associated site series numbers, along with ecosystem unit names, descriptions, site modifiers and structural stages)
- ✓ Typed air photos (including standard terrain labeling)
- ✓ A small scale map of study area w/ project boundary & flightlines clearly marked
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- ✓ Plot data for submitted area
- ✓ Applicable forest cover mapping
- ✓ Working legend

Polygon Specific Comments:

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Final Ecosystem Mapping QA Review Questions:

1. Does the coding of ecosystem units follow RISC standards? Yes
Comments/Recommendations: _____
2. Is the format and content of the map legend to standard? Have all the required elements been included? Are all mapped ecosystem units listed in the legend? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Have ecosystem units been mapped consistently and accurately? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Is the photo interpretation of all ecosystem attributes consistent and accurate? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Is the ecosystem mapping consistent with respect to polygon size and the level of detail in the mapping? Have small but important features been pulled out in a consistent manner (e.g., wetlands)? Does the level of detail meet project objectives? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
6. Have the non-vegetated, sparsely vegetated and anthropogenic units been mapped consistently and correctly? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____
7. Are ecosystem unit proportions (deciles) consistent with other polygons and with the terrain unit proportions, where applicable? ✓Yes No
Comments/Recommendations: _____

8. Have site series and other non-correlated ecosystem units been mapped consistently over the entire study area, between adjacent polygons, across biogeoclimatic boundaries, between mappers and relative to the legend? Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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9. Have site series and other non-correlated ecosystem units been correctly mapped relative to existing knowledge (MOF regional field guides, previous mapping, adjacent mapping), terrain attributes, field data, forest cover attributes, topography and site conditions? Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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10. Have site modifiers been consistently and correctly mapped over the entire study are, within polygons, between adjacent polygons, across biogeoclimatic boundaries, and between ecosystem mappers? Have they been mapped alphabetically? Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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11. Have site modifiers been consistently and correctly mapped relative to the terrain attributes, plot data, topography, site conditions and the assumed site modifiers? Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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12. Have structural stages and structural stage modifiers been mapped consistently and correctly between polygons, over the study area, relative to the field data and relative to the forest cover maps or air photos? Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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13. Was the entire project area submitted for review? Yes No
 What percent of the study area was reviewed? **100%**
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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14. Was more than one person involved in the mapping? Yes No
 If yes, please list the areas mapped by each individual _____
See Madrone Final Report: Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands, Dossier 09.0096
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15. Record the number of air photos reviewed N/A Record the number of air photos typed _____
 List the air photo numbers that were reviewed _____
 Orthophoto used _____
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16. Record the number of mapsheets reviewed 6 Record the number of mapsheets typed 6
 List the mapsheet numbers that were reviewed _____
92G033; 92G034; 92G043; 92G044; 92G053, 92G054 (Islands Trust Area only)
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17. Record the number polygons reviewed 2017 Record the number of polygons typed 2017
 Record the number of polygons in agreement (i.e. acceptable) 2017
 Record the number of polygons in disagreement (i.e. not acceptable) 0
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18. Other: Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
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QA Sign Off: (Please Print)
 Name QA Contractor(s)
 Katherine Dunster

Signature


Acceptable?
 Yes No

Review Date
 October 15, 2009

Form T10: Final Deliverables QA

Submission #	1	Date of Submission	September 16, 2009
Project Name	Islands Trust Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping (TEM) for Howe Sound Islands: Bowen, Gambier, Keats, Anvil and Other Associated Islands		
QA Ecologist	Katherine Dunster		
QA Bioterrain Specialist	Gordon Butt (Madrone); Sid Tsang (Tsang Geoscience Ltd)		
QA GIS specialist	N/A		
Mapping Team	Tyler Innes (Madrone); Tania Tripp (Madrone); Jackie Churchill (Madrone); Wanda Miller (Madrone) Sonia Meili (Madrone)		

Materials checklist:

- ✓ Final TEM spatial and non-spatial data in standard format, including spatial plot files
- ✓ Final map legend
- ✓ Final typed air photos
- ✓ Final expanded legend and report
- ✓ Final plot data (original or copies of plot cards)
- ✓ Final VENUS database for GIF and FS882 field plots (field data for visual plots can either be submitted in VENUS format or as a separate Excel file)

Final Deliverables QA Review Questions:

Data:

1. Does the spatial data meet the standards? See the QA guidelines for TEM Digital Datacapture in B.C. (RISC, 2000). ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
The final 1:10,000 product mapped a total of 2,017 forested, non-forested and anthropogenic polygons for the Howe Sound study area, covering 13,968 hectares.
2. Does the nonspatial data meet the standards? See the QA guidelines for TEM Digital Datacapture in B.C. (RISC, 2000). ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
3. Has all the required plot data been entered into VENUS? Does it pass validation (see the QA guidelines for DTEIF)? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
4. Have all the original (or copies) field plot cards been submitted? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
5. Have all of the airphotos been submitted? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: **Orthophoto**
10. Other Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____

Legends and Reports:

1. Has the final map legend been submitted? Does it meet the standards? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
2. Has the final expanded legend been submitted? Is it acceptable? ✓Yes No
 Comments/Recommendations: _____
Disclaimer to the maps in the expanded legend to make it more clear what the maps are actually depicting
3. Does the vegetation description for each ecosystem unit include a listing of the dominant and associate plant species for each of the potential structural stages? ✓Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

4. If a number of site modifiers have been mapped, have the compositional and/or structural differences been noted and if necessary, described in a separate vegetation table? Yes No

Comments / Recommendations:

5. Has the final report been submitted? Is it acceptable? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

6. Have the project objectives been clearly stated? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

7. Have all of the data sources and background information been identified, including any existing mapping or inventory that was used, field guides, personnel, etc...? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

8. Has the physiography of the area been described, including topography, bedrock geology, and geomorphological (including glacial) history? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

9. Has each surficial material been described, including a description of the most common textures, expressions, geomorphological processes, and drainages? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

10. Have the bioterrain and ecosystem mapping methods been described, including the use of different terrain and ecosystem attributes (i.e. surficial materials, textures, site modifiers, structural stages, etc...)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

11. Have the methods for field sampling been described, including the numbers and types of plots that were completed? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

12. Have the aspects of map reliability been discussed, including discussions regarding the limitations of photo interpretation (i.e. poor resolution and scale), limitations due to the survey intensity level, difficulties encountered during field sampling (i.e. access issues), and/or limitations in the classification (i.e. poorly classified subzones or ecosystem units)? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

13. If interpretative products have been created, have the methods of production (including any assumptions made), the results, and the recommendations been outlined? Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

14. Are the attributes listed in the expanded legend, report and map legend consistent with one another and with attributes found in the nonspatial database? A unique sort of the non-spatial data is recommended to ensure that all attributes mapped have been described. Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

15. Other Yes No

Comments/Recommendations:

QA Sign Off: (Please Print)
Name QA Contractor(s)
Katherine Dunster

Signature
K. Dunster

Acceptable?
Yes No

Review Date
November 2, 2009

Form T11: QA Summary and Sign-off

This section is intended to track project status relative to the final sign-off of each stage of review. The QA contractor(s) must provide a date and signature on this form once a particular review stage has been deemed complete and acceptable. Any additional comments not covered in the forms above should be included at this time. Also, please record the total number of submissions reviewed for each of QA stages in the space provided. Note this form must be submitted in electronic format as part of the QA report (see QA deliverables section).

1. Project Planning QA: The project planning stage has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	April 15, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the project planning stage.

2. Alpine and Parkland Boundaries QA: N/A

The alpine and parkland boundaries have been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Additional Comments/Recommendations: N/A		

N/A This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number of submissions received for the alpine and parkland boundaries review stage.

3. Bioterrain and Ecosystem Pretyping QA: The bioterrain and ecosystem pretyping has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	May 15, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the bioterrain and ecosystem pretyping stage.

Fieldwork QA: The fieldwork has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	September 30, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 3 of 3 submissions received for the fieldwork stage.

4. Ecosection and Biogeoclimatic boundaries QA: The Ecosection and Biogeoclimatic boundaries have been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	September 30, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the ecosection and BGC boundaries review stage.

5. Site Series and Ecosystem Unit QA: The site series and ecosystem units have been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	September 30, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

Additional Comments/Recommendations:	

- ✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 2 of 2 submissions received for the site series and ecosystem unit review stage.

6. **Initial Ecosystem Mapping QA:** The initial ecosystem mapping has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	September 30, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

- ✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the initial ecosystem mapping review stage.

7. **Final Bioterrain Mapping QA:** The final bioterrain mapping has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	October 15, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

- ✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the final ecosystem mapping review stage.

8. **Final Ecosystem Mapping QA:** The final ecosystem mapping has been completed to an acceptable standard.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	October 15, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		

- ✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the final bioterrain mapping review stage.

9. **Final Deliverables QA:** All of the final deliverables meet RISC standards.

Print Name QA Contractor(s)	Signature	Date
Katherine Dunster	<i>K. Dunster</i>	November 2, 2009
Additional Comments/Recommendations:		
Minor typos noted.		

- ✓ This represents the final signoff, and represents submission number 1 of 1 submissions received for the final deliverables review stage.