

IMPORTANT FEATURES OF THE FOREST TYPES (ANSWER KEY)

TABLE # 1

ZONES	ELEVATION	CLIMATE	GROWING SEASON	SOIL MOISTURE	FIRE	COMMON TREES & SHRUBS	ADAPTATION	COMMON ANIMALS
DRY PP IDF	Low	Warm dry summers & cool winters, little rain or snow	Long growing season	Dry	5 – 20 yrs	Ponderosa Pine Interior Douglas-fir (trees do not form a thick stand)	Bark (thick for fire) Bark (thick for fire)	Deer Bull & rattler snake
PINE MS SBPS	Middle & Plateau	Short warm summers, cold winters	Shorter than Dry & Wet forest types	Dry	100 – 150 yrs	Lodgepole pine Browse species	Cones (needs fire to open)	Moose Mountain Pine Beetle
WET ICH	Low to middle	Warm dry summers & cool wet winters, more rain than Dry forests	Long growing season	Moist/Wet	150 – 250 yrs	Wester Red Cedar Hemlock Berry shrubs	Flexible branches (sheds snow)	Salamander Slugs
HIGH ELEVATION ESSF	Upper Elevation & Mountain Tops	Cool short summers, long cold & snowy winters	Cool & short	Wet	200 – 300 yrs	Engelmann Spruce Subalpine Fir	Narrow crown (sheds snow) Short needles & branches, narrow crown (sheds snow)	Cariboo Mountain goat Grizzly bear