

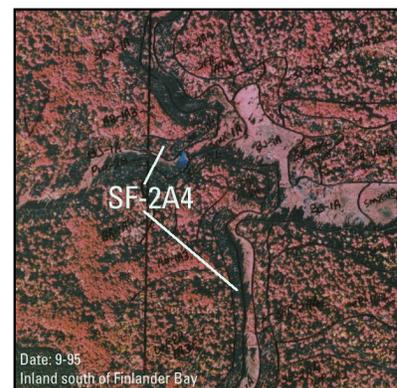
SF - Spruce-Fir Mountain Maple Forest



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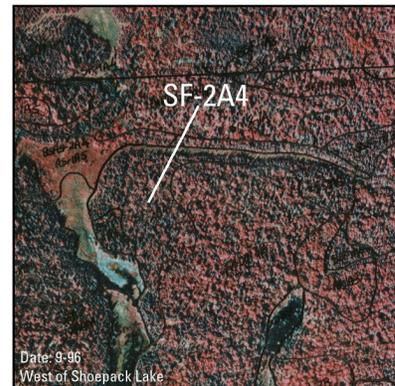
The Spruce-Fir/Mountain Maple Forest Map Unit (SF) represents the [Spruce-Fir / Mountain Maple Forest Association](#). The [Balsam Fir - Paper Birch Forest Association](#) is very rare and most likely is mapped with SF where it exists. The Spruce-Fir / Mountain Maple Forest Association most commonly occurs on gentle to moderate slopes above wetlands and lakeshores. Aspects are variable. Soils are generally well drained sandy loams. The canopy can be fairly open (40-70%) and composed predominantly of white spruce and balsam fir with lesser amounts of black spruce.

SF-2A4 appears as dark blue with a fine nubby texture. The canopy is open and evenly dispersed. The tree height falls between 5-12 meters. The photo was taken in September 1995.

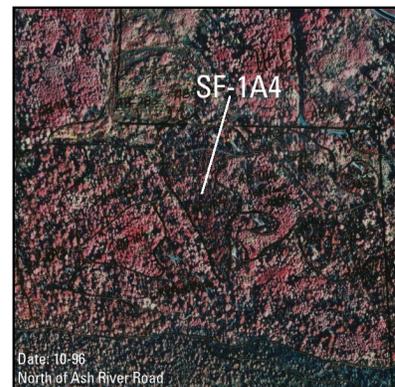


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SF-2A4 appears as dark blue and gray with speckles of red and a medium rough texture. The dark blue and gray is mostly fir with some spruce and the red is scattered aspen. The once established aspen has declined due to blowdown. The canopy is open and evenly dispersed. The tree height falls between 5-12 meters. The photo was taken in September 1996.



SF-1A4 appears as dark red with a fine texture. The canopy is continuous and evenly dispersed. The tree height falls within the 5-12 meter range. The photo was taken in October 1996.



SF-2D5 appears rusty-red and fine textured. The canopy is open and regularly alternating. Because of recent logging, the trees are short (<0.5 meters). When the coverage pattern is regularly alternating for the SF Map Unit, regardless of height, this is indication of silvaculture, a practice that is occasional outside the park. The photo was taken in October 1996.



Area Report for SF Map Unit

Polygons: 1,167

Hectares: 1,958

Acres: 4,838

Average size: 2 hectares, 4 acres

Accuracy Assessment Results for SF Map Unit

The Spruce-Fir/Mountain Maple Forest Map Unit was assessed at 92% producers' accuracy (confidence interval 80-103%) and 79% users' accuracy (confidence interval 64-93%). Producers' accuracy is considered adequate as mapped. Errors in users' accuracy were primarily associated with Map Units BSF and SFA.