

General Notes:

1. The associated report should be read and understood prior to use of the floodplain maps: Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd. (NHC) 2025. Old Crow Flood Mapping. NHC project 1008777.
2. Flood extents were delineated for the following flood scenarios: 5%, 1%, and 0.5% AEP (1 in 20, 1 in 100, and 1 in 200 year events). The inundation extents for each AEP represent results for ice jam flood events.
3. Flood levels were calculated using a 1D numerical flow model developed by NHC within HEC-RAS software.
4. All elevations are referenced to Canadian Geodetic Vertical Datum 2013 (CGVD2013). Water surface elevations do not include freeboard.

A generalized minimum setback of 30m from the top of bank is recommended for planning of infrastructure and development. This setback is in general agreement with published guidelines (APEGBC, 2017; FLNRORD, 2018) and appears appropriate based on the preliminary screening assessment completed in this study. Land within the setback area should be designated as unsuitable for further development; where exemptions to the setback are applied for, potential geomorphic hazards should be further assessed, understood, and mitigated (if and where applicable). For further information on areas of erosion vulnerability, see Appendix C of the associated project report.

Data Sources:

1. The digital elevation model (DEM) used to develop the flood mapping and terrain contours was pre- and post-processed using Esri ArcGIS Pro software. The data sources for the DEM are listed below.
 - a. LiDAR flown by McElhanney, acquired September 10, 2019.
 - b. The study area outside the LiDAR boundary was supplemented using high resolution digital elevation model (HRDEM) data from Natural Resources Canada.
2. River channel bathymetry on Porcupine and Old Crow Rivers was surveyed by Underhill Geomatics in June 2024.
3. Mapping background - Orthophotos from McElhanney, acquired September 10, 2019 and Esri World Imagery where needed. Inset map and Index backgrounds - Esri World Topo.

Use and Limitations of Floodplain Maps:

1. The maps depict the flooding conditions at the time of surveys. Future changes to the river channels, floodplain, and future climate change will render the maps obsolete. The information on the maps should be reviewed after 5 years have elapsed since publication or after any extreme flood occurrence.
2. Flood inundation mapping delineates flood inundation areas, showing the extent of one or more flood scenarios under existing conditions. Flood inundation mapping is typically used for near real-time emergency response planning and operations.
3. Underlying hydraulic analysis assumes channel and shoreline geometry is stationary. Erosion, deposition, degradation, and aggradation are expected to occur and may alter actual observed flood levels and extents. Roads, bridges, new dikes, and future developments on the floodplain can restrict water flow and increase local water levels. Obstructions, such as log-jams, blockages, local storm water inlets, groundwater, other land drainage or tributary flows beyond those indicated were not modelled and may cause flood levels to exceed those indicated on the maps. Additionally, flooding may occur outside of the designated boundaries caused by ponding from rainwater or snowmelt on the floodplain, groundwater seepage, or local drainage courses.
4. The flood extents for modelled scenarios have not been established on the ground by legal survey. The accuracy of the flood boundaries is limited by the LiDAR base mapping and orthophotography.
5. Isolated areas of inundation smaller than 100m² and some manually flagged areas larger than 100m² were removed from the maps. Holes in the inundation extents with areas less than 100m² were also removed.
6. The flood maps do not represent hazards due to erosion, avulsion, or channel migration. An overview assessment of geomorphic hazards can be found in Appendix C of the associated project report.
7. Industry best practices were followed to generate the flood maps. However, actual flood levels and extents may vary from those shown. Residual flood risk beyond that mapped exists for flood events more extreme than the design events. Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd. and the Yukon Government do not assume any liability for such variations.

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Coordinate System: NAD 1983 CSRS YUKON ALBERS
Units: METRES; Vertical Datum: CGVD2013 (CGG2013a)

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