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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador (the "Province"), through the Office of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, advocates for better use of climate change data available for the Province and consideration of how climate change will impact infrastructure with regard to both design and performance. The Province has been making, and continues to make, efforts towards maximizing the use of these Provincial datasets to inform better planning and decision-making, ultimately increasing the Province's resilience to the potential impacts of climate change.

Although climate change impact assessments have a view to better understanding future risk, a typical starting point for such an assessment is review of current conditions, capacities and loads. In the case of water resources infrastructure, quantification of existing loads, one aspect represented by streamflow, is a required first step. However, the locations for which streamflow estimates are required typically do not have measured streamflow data. In these cases, a number of alternate means of streamflow estimation are available including statistical approaches whereby regionalized relationships are developed. These regionalized relationships are a means to estimate streamflow magnitudes for ungauged and/or poorly gauged drainage basins and have been developed through a Regional Flood Frequency Analysis (RFFA).

The 2014 RFFA Update, like four (4) previous studies (1971, 1984, 1990, 1999), has derived a set of equations for estimating return period flood flows in ungauged watersheds in the Province.

This Users' Guide and Electronic Spreadsheet (disk in back cover) is a compendium report to the *Regional Flood Frequency Analysis for Newfoundland and Labrador - 2014 Update* (AMEC, 2014). This User's Guide has been designed to assist engineers and analysts in the application of the regional equations and use of the electronic spreadsheet. The electronic spreadsheet automates the application of the regional equations and provides some limited error checking with regard to applicability of the equations to a specific circumstance. It is always advisable to use several methods to estimate design floods and the previous flood frequency analyses (1999) can be used for validation of estimates.

The following table outlines the chronology of the RFFA updates in Newfoundland and Labrador:

Voor	Authors	Regions included in the	Regional Equations based on			
rear	Autions	Analysis	Gauged Watersheds	Regions		
2014		Newfoundland and Labrador	78 in Newfoundland	4 in Newfoundland		
			12 in Labrador	1 in Labrador		
1999	Rollings	Newfoundland	50	4		
1990	Beersing	Newfoundland	39	4		
1984	Panu et al	Newfoundland	21	2		
1971	Poulin	Newfoundland	17	1		

Table 1-1: Chronology of RFFA Updates in Newfoundland and Labrador

The advantages of calculation on an electronic spreadsheet includes: checking the sensitivity of the estimated flood flow changes in physiographic parameters, avoiding arithmetic and coefficient selection errors, quick calculation of peak flows and their confidence limits, and printing



of results.

The regression equations developed as part of the 2014 update to the Regional Flood Frequency Analysis for Newfoundland and Labrador may be used to estimate frequency flows for ungauged watersheds. The equations are not applicable for all ungauged watersheds, though, as all watersheds with regulated flows and significant urban development have been excluded from the regression equation development process and, therefore, these equations are recommended for use only for unregulated drainage areas with limited urbanization. Application of these equations is also not recommended for ungauged watersheds where the physiographic parameters are outside of the range of the parameters used in regression equation development for their corresponding region. Additional guidance in this regard has been provided in Section 4.2. IT MUST BE NOTED THAT THESE EQUATIONS HAVE LIMITATIONS.

The procedure for application of single station frequency analysis and regional flood frequency analysis for estimating flood flows should be considered as a guideline only. Specific circumstances will warrant professional judgment be used in the application of the regression equations.

A guideline for flood estimation using single station frequency analysis and regional flood frequency analysis is provided herein as well as worked examples. The final section of this report provides documentation on the Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel<sup>®</sup> spreadsheet RFFA2014.XLS. The RFFA2014 spreadsheet automates the calculation of return period flood flows based on equations developed for the 2014 Regional Flood Frequency Analysis update. The RFFA2014 spreadsheet is provided on disk in the back cover of this Guide. The spreadsheet was developed in Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel<sup>®</sup> 2007.

Please note, that this User's Guide should be read in conjunction with the main report for the 2014 RFFA Update, which fully documents the development of the regional flood frequency analysis regression equations. The following sections provide excerpts from the main report to provide context and some background for information purposes.



# 2.0 SINGLE STATION ANALYSIS

#### 2.1 General

Water Survey of Canada (WSC) streamflow gauges, located within the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, have been identified using the HYDAT database from Environment Canada. The locations of the streamflow gauging stations within the Newfoundland and Labrador have been illustrated on Figures 2-1 and 2-2, respectively.

Water Survey of Canada instantaneous maximum and extreme daily streamflow data for Newfoundland and Labrador have been obtained and screened for use in the analysis. Data summaries have been obtained for all available years to the end of 2012 from the HYDAT database published on April 15, 2014. The HYDAT database identified a total of 205 stations available in Newfoundland and Labrador, of which 111 measure instantaneous maximum, are not regulated, and have greater than 10 years of record, and as such, could support this analysis.

Statistical testing was applied to the available station data, to determine applicability to the RFFA methodology. In total, twenty-one (21) flow gauges were excluded from further analysis.

The data from ninety (90) gauges has been used for this RFFA update (ref. Table 2-1), representing 78 stations in Newfoundland and 12 in Labrador.

#### 2.2 Single Station Frequency Analysis

Single station frequency analysis has been conducted using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers statistical software package, HEC-SSP, to estimate flows with return periods of 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 years for each individual streamflow gauge.

HEC-SSP facilitates statistical analyses of hydrologic data. The current version of HEC-SSP can perform flood flow frequency analysis, a generalized frequency analysis on not only flow data but other hydrologic data as well, a volume frequency analysis on high and low flows, a duration analysis, a coincident frequency analysis, and a curve combination analysis. HEC-SSP version 2.0 (USACE, 2010) was used for this component of the analyses.

The theoretical probability distributions generally considered for single site frequency analysis are the Log-Normal (LN) and Three Parameter Log-Normal (3PLN) distributions; the Gumbel (EV-1) and Generalized Extreme Value (GEV). While all of these distributions have been historically recognized as possible flood frequency distributions in Newfoundland, streamflow estimates produced using these distributions typically lie within a narrow band. Further, the 3PLN distribution was selected for the single site frequency analysis completed for the 1999 RFFA update after careful consideration and statistical analysis of results. It would not be anticipated that streamflow data has changed in a manner that would suggest a change to the preferred probability distribution. Frequency analysis has been conducted on all 90 gauges in Newfoundland and Labrador and results have been presented in Table 2-2.



The 95% confidence intervals for flows with return period of 2, 20 and 100 years have also been estimated using the 3PLN distribution for each individual flow gauge (ref. Table 2-3). In general, the confidence interval (as represented by a percentage) increases with increasing return period as a reflection of the available station records (i.e., only six (6) stations have greater than 50 years of data). As such, there is a lower confidence in the 100 year flow estimate versus the 2 year flow estimate.



Figure 2-1: Locations of Streamflow Gauging Stations in Newfoundland



Figure 2-2: Locations of Streamflow Gauging Stations in Labrador



	Table 2-1: Streamflow Gauges Used in Further Analysis											
	Drainage Ar	ea <sup>2</sup> (km <sup>2</sup> )	Number of Years with	Number of Years with	Number of	Regression						
Station	From HYDAT	From GIS	Available Data	Missing Data	Gaps Filled	Correlation Coefficient						
02XA003	4540	4892.8	27	8	5	0.9952						
02XA004	2060	2017.3	12	5	3	0.9839						
02YA001	306	305.9	25	3	2	0.9832						
02YA002	33.6	32.8	24	3	2	0.9498						
02YC001	624	619.7	51	3	2	0.9943						
02YD001	237	263.1	19	1	0	-						
02YD002	200	197.7	31	2	1	0.9949						
02YE001	95.7	100.2	25	4	3	0.7454						
02YF001	611	636.9	14	1	0	-						
02YG001	627	632.3	24	3	2	0.8915						
02YG002	224	222.5	10	1	0	-						
02YH001	33.4	31.5	12	2	1	0 9638						
02Y,1001	640	617.9	40	5	0	-						
02¥ 1003	119	116.4	10	1	0							
0210000	470	476.5	40		2	0.9935						
0211002	362	365.6	45	0	0	0.3333						
0211003	520	659.6	22	2	1	0.9761						
0211004	112	111.5	11	2	2	0.9701						
0211007	20.4	20.5	26	3	2	0.9001						
021000	20.4	20.5	20	2	0	-						
0211001	2110	2101.1	03	2	0	-						
021L004	58.5	58.0	27	3	2	0.6741						
021L005	17	17.3	22	6	0	-						
021L008	4/1	4/2./	23	2	1	0.8208						
021L011	12.9	11.0	17	1	0	-						
02110001	974	964.6	40	3	1	0.8717						
0211003	93.2	96.4	30	3	2	0.8238						
0211004	238	242.5	23	0	0	-						
02YN002	469	480.5	31	1	0	-						
02YN004	276	277.6	12	1	0	-						
02YO006	1//	177.7	31	1	1	0.9766						
02YO007	88.3	86.8	7	6	5	0.8004						
02YO008	773	803.4	21	8	8	0.9476						
02YO010	61.6	61.5	5	8	7	0.8587						
02YO012	58.7	62.9	23	1	1	0.8404						
02YP001	63.8	62.8	13	3	2	0.8637						
02YQ001	4450	4447.3	63	1	0	-						
02YQ004	2200	2207.2	10	6	6	0.9401						
02YQ005	80.8	78.8	20	6	6	0.8494						
02YR001	275	266.0	49	5	5	0.9975						
02YR002	399	394.8	17	4	4	0.9787						
02YR003	554	581.2	30	2	2	0.9967						
02YS001	1290	1327.2	30	4	1	0.9502						
02YS003	36.7	38.6	41	5	3	0.7435						
02YS005	2000	2033.8	28	0	0	-						
02YS006	663	669.1	16	2	1	0.9984						
02ZA001	343	337.3	17	3	1	0.9462						
02ZA002	72	70.3	30	1	0	-						
02ZA003	139	127.8	14	2	1	0.8412						
02ZB001	205	204.3	49	2	1	0.7534						
02ZC002	230	251.8	26	5	3	0.6530						

	Table 2-1: Streamflow Gauges Used in Further Analysis											
Station	Drainage A From HYDAT	rea <sup>2</sup> (km <sup>2</sup> ) From GIS	Number of Years with Available Data	Number of Years with Missing Data	Number of Gaps Filled	Regression Correlation Coefficient						
02ZD002	1340	4588.3	31	10	4	0.8435						
02ZE001	2640	5920.9	16	6	5	0.9980						
02ZE004	99.5	99.9	24	0	0	-						
02ZF001	1170	1171.9	60	3	1	0.9904						
02ZG001	205	210.7	47	8	6	0.9895						
02ZG002	166	163.6	19	2	1	0.9956						
02ZG003	115	116.4	30	3	2	0.8094						
02ZG004	42.7	44.4	29	3	2	0.8346						
02ZH001	764	764.7	55	6	4	0.8745						
02ZH002	43.3	34.9	39	6	4	0.8569						
02ZJ001	67.4	68.5	32	5	4	0.8287						
02ZJ002	73.6	78.3	21	9	9	0.7394						
02ZJ003	106	99.5	23	4	4	0.7611						
02ZK001	301	295.7	59	6	4	0.8293						
02ZK003	37.2	37.1	28	2	1	0.6129						
02ZK004	104	104.7	29	1	0	-						
02ZK005	50.3	47.2	6	6	5	0.8487						
02ZL003	10.8	10.8	18	1	0	-						
02ZL004	28.9	29.8	27	3	0	-						
02ZL005	11.2	11.2	27	1	0	-						
02ZM006	3.63	3.7	42	18	0	_						
02ZM009	53.6	54.9	33	1	0	-						
02ZM010	16.6	17.7	15	1	0	-						
02ZM016	17.3	16.6	29	1	0	-						
02ZM017	15.3	7.1	15	1	1	0.5310						
02ZM018	10.7	12.1	26	3	2	0.5093						
02ZM019	5.55	5.4	14	0	0	-						
02ZM021	9.21	10.1	13	0	0	-						
02ZN001	53.3	90.3	28	3	2	0.6805						
02ZN002	15.5	15.7	17	11	10	0.7401						
03NE001	75.7	76.1	13	2	1	0.9960						
03NF001	7570	7557.6	22	12	11	0.9973						
03NG001	8930	8912.0	13	5	4	0.9993						
03OC003	15100	15776.1	14	13	3	0.9996						
03OD007	1750	894.8	12	3	2	0.9938						
03OE003	2330	2336.2	27	6	3	0.9998						
03OE010	71.4	70.7	18	1	0	-						
03OE011	n/a 781.5 13 2		2	1	0.9993							
03PB002	4480	4609.2 25		9	5	0.9996						
03QC002	2310	2318.3	31	4	4	0.9722						
NOTES:				1								
1.		Stations wi	th a drainage area < 50 km	<sup>2</sup> (ref. Section 4.1.1.5)								
2		Drainage A	rea based on GIS data	. ,								



Table	Table 2-2: Single Station Frequency Analysis Results – 3PLN Distribution (m <sup>3</sup> /s)											
Station	Q2	Q5	Q10	Q20	Q50	Q100	Q200					
02XA003	630.7	791.5	891.2	983.0	1097.6	1181.4	1263.6					
02XA004	334.4	432.3	494.5	552.5	626.0	680.3	734.1					
02YA001	31.6	40.9	46.8	52.3	59.2	64.4	69.5					
02YA002	13.9	20.0	24.1	28.3	33.8	38.0	42.3					
02YC001	178.4	238.2	277.1	314.0	361.3	396.8	432.3					
02YD001	98.9	129.4	149.0	167.3	190.6	207.9	225.2					
02YD002	39.8	48.4	53.6	58.3	64.1	68.3	72.3					
02YE001	43.4	55.3	62.7	69.6	78.2	84.6	90.9					
02YF001	271.5	338.2	379.4	417.2	464.3	498.5	532.1					
02YG001	293.4	359.9	400.4	437.3	482.9	515.9	548.1					
02YG002	46.1	65.2	78.1	90.7	107.4	120.1	133.1					
02YH001	5.2	7.7	9.5	11.2	13.6	15.4	17.3					
02YJ001	291.8	397.9	468.0	535.1	622.1	687.9	754.1					
02YJ003	29.1	36.7	41.4	45.8	51.3	55.3	59.2					
02YK002	117.6	143.9	159.9	174.5	192.5	205.5	218.2					
02YK003	61.9	84.3	99.1	113.2	131.5	145.3	159.3					
02YK004	91.2	111.8	124.3	135.7	149.8	160.1	170.0					
02YK007	23.1	29.7	33.9	37.8	42.8	46.4	50.0					
02YK008	9.2	13.7	16.9	20.1	24.4	27.7	31.2					
02YL001	577.1	699.7	773.8	840.9	923.4	982.9	1040.6					
02YL004	41.6	60.3	73.3	86.0	103.1	116.3	129.8					
02YL005	10.1	14.0	16.7	19.2	22.5	25.1	27.6					
02YL008	241.2	297.3	331.6	362.9	401.7	429.9	457.4					
02YL011	6.6	9.2	11.0	12.7	15.0	16.8	18.5					
02YM001	144.0	177.6	198.2	217.0	240.3	257.2	273.7					
02YM003	36.5	53.3	65.0	76.6	92.1	104.2	116.6					
02YM004	38.2	44.2	47.8	50.9	54.7	57.4	59.9					
02YN002	167.0	229.4	270.7	310.4	362.1	401.3	440.8					
02YN004	121.7	134.7	142.0	148.4	155.9	161.1	166.0					
02YO006	44.9	62.1	73.6	84.6	99.1	110.0	121.1					
02YO007	29.8	37.6	42.4	46.9	52.5	56.6	60.7					
02YO008	206.1	266.3	304.4	340.0	385.1	418.4	451.4					
02YO010	10.9	15.0	17.7	20.3	23.8	26.4	29.0					
02YO012	14.9	20.2	23.6	26.9	31.2	34.4	37.7					
02YP001	21.2	26.7	30.1	33.2	37.1	40.0	42.8					
02YQ001	573.1	729.8	828.1	919.2	1033.8	1118.0	1201.0					
02YQ004	619.6	858.3	1017.8	1171.5	1372.5	1525.4	1680.1					
02YQ005	36.9	53.6	65.1	76.5	91.7	103.5	115.6					
02YR001	28.7	37.7	43.5	48.9	55.8	61.0	66.1					
02YR002	67.2	85.6	97.2	107.9	121.3	131.2	141.0					
02YR003	58.5	77.0	88.9	100.1	114.4	125.1	135.7					
02YS001	169.9	207.8	231.0	252.0	277.9	296.7	315.0					
02YS003	13.9	18.7	21.8	24.9	28.7	31.7	34.6					
02YS005	214.8	285.3	330.9	374.1	429.4	470.7	512.1					
02YS006	115.4	165.4	199.6	233.1	277.7	312.0	347.1					
02ZA001	113.6	158.1	187.8	216.5	254.2	282.8	311.9					
02ZA002	51.0	74.7	91.2	107.5	129.4	146.4	163.9					
02ZA003	148.5	211.2	253.8	295.5	350.6	392.9	436.1					

Table	2-2: Single	Station Fre	quency Ana	alysis Resu	lts – 3PLN [	Distribution	(m³/s)
Station	Q2	Q5	Q10	Q20	Q50	Q100	Q200
02ZB001	338.5	502.8	618.3	733.4	888.9	1010.4	1136.1
02ZC002	349.8	470.4	549.1	624.0	720.6	793.1	865.9
02ZD002	867.2	1187.9	1400.2	1603.8	1868.7	2069.2	2271.4
02ZE001	282.0	356.7	403.4	446.6	500.6	540.3	579.3
02ZE004	40.2	52.1	59.7	66.8	75.7	82.3	88.9
02ZF001	196.8	267.7	314.4	359.1	417.0	460.7	504.7
02ZG001	60.1	88.6	108.5	128.3	154.9	175.6	197.0
02ZG002	46.9	65.7	78.5	90.8	107.0	119.4	132.1
02ZG003	65.6	92.6	110.8	128.6	152.0	169.9	188.1
02ZG004	37.0	53.9	65.6	77.2	92.7	104.7	117.0
02ZH001	225.7	331.6	405.4	478.6	577.0	653.5	732.4
02ZH002	31.5	45.7	55.4	65.0	77.8	87.7	97.8
02ZJ001	23.5	35.4	43.8	52.2	63.7	72.7	82.0
02ZJ002	14.5	20.1	23.9	27.5	32.3	35.9	39.6
02ZJ003	35.1	54.8	69.2	83.9	104.2	120.4	137.5
02ZK001	146.0	202.3	239.9	276.1	323.5	359.5	396.0
02ZK003	40.6	60.1	73.9	87.6	106.0	120.5	135.4
02ZK004	81.7	114.7	137.0	158.6	187.1	208.8	230.9
02ZK005	26.2	39.7	49.3	58.9	72.1	82.4	93.2
02ZL003	8.3	12.2	14.9	17.7	21.3	24.2	27.1
02ZL004	14.7	21.6	26.5	31.4	37.9	43.0	48.2
02ZL005	5.4	7.9	9.7	11.5	13.9	15.8	17.7
02ZM006	3.5	4.8	5.7	6.5	7.6	8.4	9.3
02ZM009	28.3	33.8	37.1	40.1	43.8	46.4	48.9
02ZM010	17.2	23.8	28.2	32.4	38.0	42.2	46.4
02ZM016	10.9	14.9	17.6	20.1	23.5	26.0	28.5
02ZM017	12.6	16.5	19.0	21.3	24.2	26.4	28.5
02ZM018	9.1	12.0	13.9	15.6	17.8	19.5	21.1
02ZM019	3.5	4.5	5.2	5.8	6.6	7.2	7.8
02ZM021	10.3	13.6	15.8	17.8	20.4	22.3	24.2
02ZN001	37.1	47.4	53.9	59.9	67.4	73.0	78.5
02ZN002	9.6	13.0	15.3	17.4	20.2	22.3	24.4
03NE001	18.9	23.1	25.7	28.1	31.0	33.1	35.2
03NF001	1128.4	1443.5	1641.9	1826.0	2058.2	2229.1	2397.9
03NG001	1092.3	1426.6	1640.2	1840.6	2095.5	2284.8	2472.9
03OC003	1099.0	1275.3	1378.5	1470.0	1580.2	1658.2	1733.0
03OD007	189.6	244.1	278.6	310.7	351.2	381.2	410.8
03OE003	232.5	295.5	335.0	371.6	417.5	451.3	484.5
03OE010	14.5	17.7	19.6	21.4	23.5	25.1	26.6
03OE011	116.2	151.4	173.8	194.8	221.5	241.4	261.0
03PB002	453.3	564.3	632.7	695.4	773.4	830.3	885.9
03QC002	523.4	644.5	718.6	786.2	869.9	930.6	989.8



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Station	Sample	2 Year				20 Year		100 Year		
Number	size	Lower Limit	Flow (m³/s)	Upper Limit	Lower Limit	Flow (m³/s)	Upper Limit	Lower Limit	Flow (m³/s)	Uppe Limit
02XA003	29	-8.1%	630.7	8.8%	-10.4%	983.0	16.8%	-12.7%	1181.4	22.1%
02XA004	14	-13.2%	334.4	15.2%	-15.8%	552.5	33.4%	-18.9%	680.3	45.5%
02YA001	27	-9.5%	31.6	10.5%	-12.1%	52.3	20.2%	-14.7%	64.4	26.8%
02YA002	26	-13.4%	13.9	15.5%	-17.0%	28.3	30.7%	-20.5%	38.0	41.19
02YC001	53	-7.6%	178.4	8.2%	-10.2%	314.0	14.7%	-12.4%	396.8	19.2%
02YD001	19	-11.8%	98.9	13.3%	-14.5%	167.3	27.4%	-17.5%	207.9	36.8%
02YD002	32	-6.7%	39.8	7.1%	-8.7%	58.3	13.4%	-10.6%	68.3	17.5%
02YE001	27	-8.9%	43.4	9.8%	-11.4%	69.6	18.9%	-13.8%	84.6	24.9%
02YF001	14	-11.4%	271.5	12.9%	-13.6%	417.2	28.0%	-16.4%	498.5	37.89
02YG001	26	-7.7%	293.4	8.4%	-9.9%	437.3	16.2%	-12.0%	515.9	21.3%
02YG002	10	-20.7%	46.1	26.1%	-23.4%	90.7	65.8%	-27.8%	120.1	94.2%
02YH001	13	-20.2%	5.2	25.4%	-23.7%	11.2	59.3%	-28.2%	15.4	83.5%
02YJ001	40	-9.3%	291.8	10.2%	-12.2%	535.1	19.0%	-14.9%	687.9	25.0%
02YJ003	11	-13.7%	29.1	15.9%	-15.8%	45.8	36.9%	-18.9%	55.3	50.8%
02YK002	39	-6.2%	117.6	6.7%	-8.2%	174.5	12.2%	-10.1%	205.5	15.9%
02YK003	11	-17.8%	61.9	21.6%	-20.4%	113.2	51.8%	-24.3%	145.3	72.6%
02YK004	23	-8.2%	91.2	8.9%	-10.4%	135.7	17.5%	-12.6%	160.1	23.2%
02YK007	13	-13.5%	23.1	15.6%	-15.9%	37.8	34.8%	-19.1%	46.4	47.6%
02YK008	25	-14.5%	9.2	17.0%	-18.4%	20.1	33.9%	-22.1%	27.7	45.6%
02YL001	83	-4.1%	577.1	4.3%	-5.6%	840.9	7.3%	-7.0%	982.9	9.4%
02YL004	29	-12.9%	41.6	14.8%	-16.5%	86.0	29.0%	-20.0%	116.3	38.7%
02YL005	22	-13.2%	10.1	15.2%	-16.5%	19.2	30.9%	-19.9%	25.1	41.5%
02YL008	24	-8.2%	241.2	9.0%	-10.5%	362.9	17.5%	-12.7%	429.9	23.19
02YL011	17	-15.5%	6.6	18.3%	-18.8%	12.7	39.3%	-22.6%	16.8	53.6%
02YM001	41	-6.3%	144.0	6.7%	-8.4%	217.0	12.3%	-10.2%	257.2	16.0%
02YM003	32	-12.6%	36.5	14.4%	-16.2%	76.6	27.7%	-19.6%	104.2	36.8%
02YM004	23	-6.0%	38.2	6.4%	-7.6%	50.9	12.4%	-9.3%	57.4	16.3%
02YN002	31	-10.8%	167.0	12.1%	-13.9%	310.4	23.1%	-16.8%	401.3	30.6%
02YN004	12	-5.9%	121.7	6.3%	-7.0%	148.4	13.7%	-8.5%	161.1	18.2%
02YO006	32	-10.8%	44.9	12.1%	-14.0%	84.6	23.2%	-17.0%	110.0	30.7%
02YO007	12	-13.1%	29.8	15.0%	-15.2%	46.9	34.0%	-18.3%	56.6	46.5%
02YO008	29	-9.1%	206.1	10.0%	-11.7%	340.0	19.2%	-14.2%	418.4	25.3%
02YO010	12	-17.6%	10.9	21.3%	-20.4%	20.3	49.8%	-24.4%	26.4	69.5%
02YO012	24	-11.7%	14.9	13.2%	-14.8%	26.9	26.3%	-17.8%	34.4	35.1%
02YP001	14	-11.9%	21.2	13.5%	-14.2%	33.2	29.3%	-17.1%	40.0	39.7%
02YQ001	63	-5.8%	573.1	6.2%	-7.9%	919.2	10.9%	-9.8%	1118.0	14.2%
02YQ004	16	-15.4%	619.6	18.2%	-18.6%	1171.5	39.3%	-22.3%	1525.4	53.8%
02YQ005	26	-13.7%	36.9	15.9%	-17.3%	76.5	31.5%	-20.9%	103.5	42.3%
02YR001	54	-7.1%	28.7	7.6%	-9.5%	48.9	13.6%	-11.6%	61.0	17.7%
02YR002	21	-10.1%	67.2	11.3%	-12.7%	107.9	22.6%	-15.3%	131.2	30.2%
02YR003	32	-9.3%	58.5	10.2%	-12.0%	100.1	19.4%	-14.6%	125.1	25.5%
02YS001	26	-7.6%	169.9	8.3%	-9.8%	252.0	15.9%	-11.9%	296.7	21.0%
02YS003	44	-8.6%	13.9	9.4%	-11.4%	24.9	17.2%	-13.8%	31.7	22.5%
02YS005	28	-10.2%	214.8	11.4%	-13.1%	374.1	22.0%	-15.8%	470.7	29.1%
02YS006	17	-16.3%	115.4	19.5%	-19.8%	233.1	42.0%	-23.7%	312.0	57.5%
02ZA001	18	-14.6%	113.6	17.2%	-17.9%	216.5	36.2%	-21.5%	282.8	49.2%
02ZA002	30	-13.0%	51.0	15.0%	-16.7%	107.5	29.1%	-20.1%	146.4	38.89
02ZA003	15	-17.0%	148.5	20.5%	-20.4%	295.5	45.5%	-24.4%	392.9	62.89
02ZB001	50	-10.5%	338.5	11.7%	-14.0%	733.4	21.5%	-17.0%	1010.4	28.2%
02ZC002	22	-12.0%	349.8	13.6%	-15.0%	624.0	27.4%	-18.1%	793.1	36.79
02ZD002	31	-10.9%	867.2	12.2%	-14.0%	1603.8	23.5%	-16.9%	2069.2	31.1%
02ZE001	16	-11.4%	282.0	12.8%	-13.8%	446.6	27.0%	-16.6%	540.3	36.49
02ZE004	24	-10.1%	40.2	11.2%	-12.8%	66.8	22.2%	-15.5%	82.3	29.4%
02ZF001	61	-7.5%	196.8	8.1%	-10.1%	359.1	14.4%	-12.4%	460.7	18.7%
02ZG001	53	-10.0%	60.1	11.1%	-13.4%	128.3	20.2%	-16.3%	175.6	26.5%
02ZG002	20	-14.2%	46.9	16.6%	-17.6%	90.8	34.3%	-21.2%	119.4	46.4%
02ZG003	32	-11.4%	65.6	12.9%	-14.8%	128.6	24.8%	-17.9%	169.9	32.9%
02ZG004	31	-12.7%	37.0	14.5%	-16.3%	77.2	28.0%	-19.7%	104.7	37.4%

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	Table 2-3: Ninety-five Percent (95%) Confidence Interva

Station	Sample	2 Year				20 Year		100 Year		
Number	size	Lower Limit	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	Upper Limit	Lower Limit	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	Upper Limit	Lower Limit	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	Uppe Limit
02ZH001	59	-9.4%	225.7	10.4%	-12.7%	478.6	18.7%	-15.5%	653.5	24.5%
02ZH002	42	-10.7%	31.5	12.0%	-14.1%	65.0	22.3%	-17.1%	87.7	29.4%
02ZJ001	36	-12.7%	23.5	14.5%	-16.5%	52.2	27.6%	-19.9%	72.7	36.7%
02ZJ002	30	-11.3%	14.5	12.7%	-14.5%	27.5	24.6%	-17.6%	35.9	32.69
02ZJ003	27	-15.8%	35.1	18.8%	-20.1%	83.9	37.7%	-24.1%	120.4	50.99
02ZK001	63	-7.8%	146.0	8.5%	-10.6%	276.1	15.0%	-12.9%	359.5	19.59
02ZK003	28	-13.9%	40.6	16.1%	-17.7%	87.6	31.7%	-21.3%	120.5	42.5%
02ZK004	29	-11.9%	81.7	13.5%	-15.2%	158.6	26.2%	-18.4%	208.8	34.89
02ZK005	11	-23.1%	26.2	30.0%	-26.4%	58.9	74.9%	-31.2%	82.4	107.9
02ZL003	18	-17.0%	8.3	20.4%	-20.7%	17.7	43.7%	-24.8%	24.2	60.09
02ZL004	27	-14.0%	14.7	16.2%	-17.7%	31.4	32.1%	-21.4%	43.0	43.19
02ZL005	27	-14.0%	5.4	16.2%	-17.7%	11.5	32.1%	-21.4%	15.8	43.19
02ZM006	42	-9.3%	3.5	10.3%	-12.3%	6.5	19.0%	-15.0%	8.4	25.0
02ZM009	33	-6.0%	28.3	6.4%	-7.9%	40.1	12.0%	-9.6%	46.4	15.6
02ZM010	15	-15.8%	17.2	18.8%	-18.9%	32.4	41.3%	-22.7%	42.2	56.79
02ZM016	29	-11.0%	10.9	12.3%	-14.1%	20.1	23.9%	-17.1%	26.0	31.79
02ZM017	15	-13.2%	12.6	15.2%	-15.8%	21.3	32.8%	-19.0%	26.4	44.5
02ZM018	26	-10.2%	9.1	11.4%	-13.0%	15.6	22.2%	-15.8%	19.5	29.4
02ZM019	14	-13.6%	3.5	15.8%	-16.3%	5.8	34.7%	-19.5%	7.2	47.4
02ZM021	13	-14.8%	10.3	17.4%	-17.5%	17.8	39.2%	-21.0%	22.3	53.9
02ZN001	30	-8.6%	37.1	9.4%	-11.1%	59.9	17.8%	-13.5%	73.0	23.5
02ZN002	27	-11.6%	9.6	12.4%	-13.9%	17.4	24.5%	-17.1%	22.3	32.3
03NE001	14	-10.6%	18.9	11.9%	-12.7%	28.1	25.7%	-15.3%	33.1	34.7
03NF001	31	-8.5%	1128.4	9.2%	-11.0%	1826.0	17.5%	-13.3%	2229.1	23.1
03NG001	13	-14.2%	1092.3	16.6%	-16.8%	1840.6	37.2%	-20.1%	2284.8	51.1
03OC003	14	-7.9%	1099.0	8.6%	-9.5%	1470.0	18.2%	-11.4%	1658.2	24.2
03OD007	14	-13.0%	189.6	15.0%	-15.5%	310.7	32.7%	-18.6%	381.2	44.6
03OE003	30	-8.4%	232.5	9.2%	-10.8%	371.6	17.4%	-13.2%	451.3	22.9
03OE010	18	-9.1%	14.5	10.0%	-11.2%	21.4	20.4%	-13.5%	25.1	27.1
03OE011	14	-13.6%	116.2	15.7%	-16.2%	194.8	34.5%	-19.4%	241.4	47.1
03PB002	25	-8.4%	453.3	9.2%	-10.7%	695.4	17.9%	-13.0%	830.3	23.6
03QC002	35	-6.8%	523.4	7.3%	-8.9%	786.2	13.5%	-10.8%	930.6	17.6
Media	an	-11.1%		12.3%	-14.0%		24.5%	-17.0%		32.4
# of station	s < 50%	0			0			0		
# of station	s < 40%	0			0			0		
# of station	s < 30%	0			0			1		
# of stations < 20%		3			8			23		
# of station	s < 10%	57			77			85		
# of station	s > 50%			0			4			15
# of station	s > 40%			0			9			31
# of station	s > 30%			0			31			52
# of station	s > 20%			7			60			77
# of station	s > 10%			63			89			89
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# 3.0 REGIONAL FLOOD FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

#### 3.1 General

The island of Newfoundland was divided into four hydrologically homogenous regions to support the 1999 RFFA. It was documented in the 1999 RFFA report that these divisions were based on previous studies, the availability of data, regional flood characteristics, regional precipitation characteristics, regional physiographic characteristics and the results of regression analysis on test regions. It was agreed with WRMD that the current study has used the same four hydrological regions in order to be consistent with the 1999 RFFA (ref. Figure 3-1). The analysis has been conducted using the available seventy-eight (78) gauges on the island of Newfoundland which passed all screening procedures.

The analysis for Labrador has been conducted, considering Labrador to be one single homogenous region, using the remaining twelve (12) streamflow gauges.



Figure 3-1: Hydrological Regions in Newfoundland

#### 3.2 Linear Multiple Regression Analysis

Linear multiple regression analysis, which is an extension of simple linear regression, correlates more than one independent variables (X) to a single dependent variable (Y). In this form of

regression equation, the predicted value of Y is a linear transformation of the X variables such that the sum of squared deviations of the observed and predicted Y is a minimum.

As component of the 1999 RFFA, regression equations were developed, in the form presented below, for each one of the four (4) hydrologically homogenous regions in Newfoundland:

$$Q_T = c \times (var1)^{a_1} \times (var2)^{a_2} \times (var3)^{a_3} \times ...$$
 [Eq. 4-1]

where  $Q_T$  is the estimated flow with a return period of T c and  $a_i$  (where i = 1, 2, 3,....) are constant values and var<sub>i</sub> (where i = 1, 2, 3, ...) are the selected physiographic parameters.

Further, in order to facilitate the estimation of these constant values using available statistical software packages, a  $log_{10}$  transformation of both sides of the equation was completed to facilitate the multiple linear regression in the equation form presented below:

$$\log_{10}(Q_T) = \log_{10}(c) + a_1 \times \log_{10} (var_1) + a_2 \times \log_{10} (var_2) + a_3 \times \log_{10} (var_3) + \dots$$
 [Eq. 4-2]

The same approach has been adopted for the current study in order to maintain consistency with the 1999 RFFA. Using this approach, multiple regression equations have been developed for each of the five regions of Newfoundland and Labrador (the latter as a single region). These regression equations correlate the estimated peak flows from the single station frequency analysis with return periods of 2 to 200 years to physiographic characteristics of the corresponding watersheds, as outlined in the following sections.

The 1999 RFFA identified three primary regression variables upon which the regression equations were founded. These variables are Drainage Area (DA), Lake Attenuation Factor (LAF) and the Lakes and Swamps Factor (LSF) and each is discussed in the main 2014 RFFA Update report. Procedures for estimation of regression and other watershed parameters has been outlined in Appendix A. Values for all variables used for regression equation development for all gauges in Newfoundland and Labrador have been summarized in Table 3-1. The full physiographic database is provided in Appendix B.

#### 3.2.1 Linear Multiple Regression Analysis Results

Linear multiple regression analysis has been conducted using the results from the single station frequency analysis.

Equations for the North-East (NE), North-West (NW) and South-East (SE) regions of Newfoundland and Labrador have been developed based on the DA and LAF variables in a manner consistent with the 1999 RFFA.

Similarly, equations for the South-West (SW) region of Newfoundland have been developed based on the DA and LSF variables, consistent with the 1999 RFFA. Hence, the LSF variable has been defined in Table 4-1 for only those stations located in the south-west region of Newfoundland.



Estimated constant coefficients for all return periods in each of the five regions<sup>1</sup>, as well as statistical parameters, namely, the regression correlation coefficient<sup>2</sup> (SMR) and the standard error of the estimate (SEE) for log to base 10 transformed data are presented in Tables 3-2 and 3-3.

The equations developed from the parameters provided in Tables 3-2 and 3-are presented in Tables 3-4 to 3-13. Both one parameter and two parameter equations have been provided for flexibility for situations when the LAF or LSF parameter cannot be estimated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Labrador plus the NW, NE, SW and SE regions of Newfoundland

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Also known as 'multiple R squared'

Table 3-1: Physiographic Parameters Used in 2014 RFFA											
Station ID	Region	Area (km²)	LAF	LSF <sup>1</sup>	Q2 (m³/s)	Q5 (m³/s)	Q10 (m³/s)	Q20 (m³/s)	Q50 (m³/s)	Q100 (m³/s)	Q200 (m³/s)
02YM001	NE	965	36		144	178	198	217	240	257	274
02YM003	NE	96	50		36	53	65	77	92	104	117
02YO006	NE	178	50		45	62	74	85	99	110	121
02YO008	NE	803	50		206	266	304	340	385	418	451
02YO012	NE	63	128		15	20	24	27	31	34	38
02YP001	NE	63	119		21	27	30	33	37	40	43
02YQ001	NE	4447	277		573	730	828	919	1034	1118	1201
02YQ005	NE	79	50		37	54	65	76	92	104	116
02YR001	NE	266	881		29	38	43	49	56	61	66
02YR002	NE	395	65		67	86	97	108	121	131	141
02YR003	NE	581	307		58	77	89	100	114	125	136
02YS001	NE	1327	138		170	208	231	252	278	297	315
02YS003	NE	39	50		14	19	22	25	29	32	35
02YS005	NE	2034	113		215	285	331	374	429	471	512
02ZH001	NE	765	17		226	332	405	479	577	653	732
02ZJ001	NE	69	89		24	35	44	52	64	73	82
02ZJ002	NE	78	435		14	20	24	28	32	36	40
02YG002	NE	222	299		46	65	78	91	107	120	133
02YO007	NE	87	50		30	38	42	47	53	57	61
02YO010	NE	62	601		11	15	18	20	24	26	29
02YQ004	NE	2207	50		620	858	1018	1172	1373	1525	1680
02YS006	NE	669	12		115	165	200	233	278	312	347
02ZJ003	NE	99	166		35	55	69	84	104	120	137
02YA001	NW	306	1053		32	41	47	52	59	64	69
02YC001	NW	620	175		178	238	277	314	361	397	432
02YD001	NW	263	50		99	129	149	167	191	208	225
02YD002	NW	198	484		40	48	54	58	64	68	72
02YE001	NW	100	134		43	55	63	70	78	85	91
02YF001	NW	637	50		271	338	379	417	464	499	532
02YG001	NW	632	18		293	360	400	437	483	516	548
02YK004	NW	660	666		91	112	124	136	150	160	170
02YK007	NW	112	132		23	30	34	38	43	46	50
02YK008	NW	20	50		9	14	17	20	24	28	31
02YL001	NW	2101	50		577	700	774	841	923	983	1041
02YL004	NW	58	50		42	60	73	86	103	116	130
02YL008	NW	473	50		241	297	332	363	402	430	457
02YM004	NW	243	225		38	44	48	51	55	57	60
02YN004	NW	278	50		122	135	142	148	156	161	166
02YA002	NW	33	652		14	20	24	28	34	38	42
02YH001	NW	31	545		5	8	9	11	14	15	17
02YK003	NW	366	688		62	84	99	113	132	145	159
02YL005	NW	17	50		10	14	17	19	23	25	28
02YL011	NW	12	700		7	9	11	13	15	17	19
02ZG001	SE	211	202		60	89	108	128	155	176	197
02ZG003	SE	116	43		66	93	111	129	152	170	188
02ZG004	SE	44	123		37	54	66	77	93	105	117
02ZH002	SE	35	21		32	46	55	65	78	88	98
02ZK001	SE	296	9		146	202	240	276	324	360	396

	Ta	ble 3-1:	Physio	graphi	c Param	eters U	sed in 2	014 RFF	A		
Station ID	Region	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	LAF	LSF <sup>1</sup>	Q2 (m³/s)	Q5 (m³/s)	Q10 (m³/s)	Q20 (m³/s)	Q50 (m³/s)	Q100 (m³/s)	Q200 (m <sup>3</sup> /s)
02ZL004	SE	30	50		15	22	27	31	38	43	48
02ZL005	SE	11	272		5	8	10	12	14	16	18
02ZM006	SE	4	265		3	5	6	7	8	8	9
02ZM009	SE	55	193		28	34	37	40	44	46	49
02ZM016	SE	17	148		11	15	18	20	23	26	28
02ZM017	SE	7	50		13	16	19	21	24	26	29
02ZM018	SE	12	21		9	12	14	16	18	19	21
02ZM021	SE	10	50		10	14	16	18	20	22	24
02ZN001	SE	90	132		37	47	54	60	67	73	79
02ZN002	SE	16	512		10	13	15	17	20	22	24
02ZG002	SE	164	588		47	66	78	91	107	119	132
02ZK005	SE	47	92		26	40	49	59	72	82	93
02ZL003	SE	11	319		8	12	15	18	21	24	27
02ZM010	SE	18	50		17	24	28	32	38	42	46
02ZM019	SE	5	105		3	5	5	6	7	7	8
02YJ001	SW	618	141	1.67	292	398	468	535	622	688	754
02YJ003	SW	116	290	1.95	29	37	41	46	51	55	59
02YK002	SW	476	274	1.92	118	144	160	174	192	206	218
02YN002	SW	480	371	1.91	167	229	271	310	362	401	441
02ZB001	SW	204	50	1.52	338	503	618	733	889	1010	1136
02ZC002	SW	252	38	1.30	350	470	549	624	721	793	866
02ZD002	SW	4588	50	1.51	867	1188	1400	1604	1869	2069	2271
02ZE001	SW	5921	619	1.92	282	357	403	447	501	540	579
02ZE004	SW	100	50	1.81	40	52	60	67	76	82	89
02ZF001	SW	1172	401	1.84	197	268	314	359	417	461	505
02ZK004	SW	105	116	1.67	82	115	137	159	187	209	231
02ZA001	SW	337	50	1.78	114	158	188	217	254	283	312
02ZA002	SW	70	50	1.39	51	75	91	108	129	146	164
02ZA003	SW	128	131	1.66	149	211	254	295	351	393	436
02ZK003	SW	37	50	1.24	41	60	74	88	106	120	135
02XA003	Labrador	4893	50		631	792	891	983	1098	1181	1264
02XA004	Labrador	2017	50		334	432	494	552	626	680	734
03NE001	Labrador	76	27		19	23	26	28	31	33	35
03NF001	Labrador	7558	50		1128	1444	1642	1826	2058	2229	2398
03NG001	Labrador	8912	50		1092	1427	1640	1841	2095	2285	2473
03OC003	Labrador	15776	90		1099	1275	1378	1470	1580	1658	1733
03OD007	Labrador	895	131		190	244	279	311	351	381	411
03OE003	Labrador	2336	106		233	296	335	372	418	451	485
03OE010	Labrador	71	18		15	18	20	21	24	25	27
03OE011	Labrador	782	226		116	151	174	195	222	241	261
03PB002	Labrador	4609	50		453	564	633	695	773	830	886
03QC002	Labrador	2318	50		523	645	719	786	870	931	990
NOTES:											
1. LSF	only comput	ed for SW	/ Region								





Table 3-2: Regression Coefficients for Newfoundland												
		NW Re	egion						NE R	egion		
Т	С	DA	LAF	SMR	SEE		Т	С	DA	LAF	SMR	SEE
Q2	3.959	0.883	-0.408	0.952	0.117		Q2	2.911	0.767	-0.285	0.964	0.102
Q5	6.496	0.842	-0.415	0.942	0.125		Q5	4.746	0.745	-0.302	0.954	0.112
Q10	8.416	0.820	-0.418	0.934	0.131		Q10	6.128	0.734	-0.310	0.947	0.119
Q20	10.421	0.803	-0.421	0.925	0.138		Q20	7.568	0.725	-0.317	0.940	0.126
Q50	13.256	0.783	-0.424	0.915	0.145		Q50	9.597	0.715	-0.325	0.931	0.134
Q100	15.563	0.770	-0.426	0.906	0.151		Q100	11.243	0.708	-0.330	0.925	0.140
Q200	18.024	0.757	-0.428	0.898	0.157		Q200	12.997	0.702	-0.335	0.918	0.145
Q2	0.611	0.875		0.778	0.241		Q2	0.836	0.755		0.902	0.161
Q5	0.974	0.834		0.751	0.248		Q5	1.271	0.733		0.882	0.173
Q10	1.242	0.812		0.734	0.253		Q10	1.582	0.722		0.870	0.181
Q20	1.519	0.795		0.718	0.257		Q20	1.895	0.712		0.858	0.187
Q50	1.905	0.775		0.699	0.262		Q50	2.322	0.702		0.844	0.195
Q100	2.216	0.761		0.686	0.266		Q100	2.658	0.695		0.834	0.200
Q200	2.544	0.749		0.673	0.270		Q200	3.009	0.688		0.824	0.205
n=15							N=17					
		SW Re	egion						SE R	egion		
т	С	DA	LSF	SMR	SEE		Т	С	DA	LAF	SMR	SEE
Q2	90.931	0.523	-4.825	0.887	0.164		Q2	3.820	0.715	-0.180	0.938	0.120
Q5	141.407	0.519	-5.060	0.871	0.179		Q5	5.135	0.721	-0.181	0.942	0.117
Q10	178.118	0.517	-5.183	0.863	0.188		Q10	5.993	0.725	-0.181	0.941	0.118
Q20	215.518	0.516	-5.284	0.855	0.195		Q20	6.809	0.728	-0.181	0.939	0.121
Q50	267.085	0.514	-5.399	0.846	0.204		Q50	7.861	0.731	-0.181	0.936	0.125
Q100	308.149	0.513	-5.475	0.840	0.210		Q100	8.651	0.733	-0.181	0.932	0.128
Q200	351.240	0.512	-5.544	0.835	0.215		Q200	9.443	0.735	-0.181	0.929	0.132
Q2	7.864	0.497		0.495	0.327		Q2	1.464	0.762		0.901	0.145
Q5	10.853	0.492		0.462	0.346		Q5	1.966	0.768		0.905	0.143
Q10	12.845	0.490		0.444	0.356		Q10	2.293	0.772		0.904	0.144

Table 3-3: Regression Coefficients for Labrador							
Т	С	DA	LAF	SMR	SEE		
Q2	0.581	0.845	-0.053	0.969	0.125		
Q5	0.685	0.843	-0.034	0.965	0.133		
Q10	0.746	0.842	-0.025	0.962	0.138		
Q20	0.800	0.842	-0.017	0.960	0.142		
Q50	0.866	0.841	-0.008	0.958	0.147		
Q100	0.914	0.840	-0.002	0.956	0.150		
Q200	0.959	0.840	0.004	0.954	0.153		
Q2	0.495	0.837		0.968	0.120		
Q5	0.617	0.838		0.965	0.127		
Q10	0.692	0.839		0.962	0.131		
Q20	0.761	0.839		0.960	0.135		
Q50	0.847	0.840		0.958	0.139		
Q100	0.909	0.840		0.956	0.142		
Q200	0.970	0.840		0.954	0.145		
n=12							

Q20

Q50 Q100

Q200

N=11

14.762

17.264

19.163

21.084

0.488

0.485

0.484

0.482

0.430

0.415

0.405

0.395

0.365

0.375

0.382

0.388

Q20

Q50

Q100

Q200

N=15

2.604

3.005

3.306

3.608

0.775

0.778

0.780

0.782

0.903

0.900

0.897

0.894

0.146

0.149

0.152

0.155



# North-West Region

Table 3-4: North-West Region of Newfoundland - One Parameter Equations				
One Parameter Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 0.611 x DA <sup>0.875</sup>	0.778	0.241		
$Q_5 = 0.974 \times DA^{0.834}$	0.751	0.248		
$Q_{10} = 1.242 \times DA^{0.812}$	0.734	0.253		
Q <sub>20</sub> = 1.519 x DA <sup>0.795</sup>	0.718	0.257		
Q <sub>50</sub> = 1.905 x DA <sup>0.775</sup>	0.699	0.262		
Q <sub>100</sub> = 2.216 x DA <sup>0.761</sup>	0.686	0.266		
Q <sub>200</sub> = 2.544 x DA <sup>0.749</sup>	0.673	0.270		

Table 3-5: North-West Region of Newfoundland - Two Parameters Equations				
Two Parameters Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 3.959 x DA <sup>0.883</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.408</sup>	0.952	0.117		
Q <sub>5</sub> = 6.496 x DA <sup>0.842</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.415</sup>	0.942	0.125		
$Q_{10} = 8.416 \text{ x DA}  {}^{0.820} \text{ x LAF}  {}^{-0.418}$	0.934	0.131		
$Q_{20} = 10.421 \text{ x DA}^{0.803} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.421}$	0.925	0.138		
$Q_{50}$ = 13.256 x DA <sup>0.783</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.424</sup>	0.915	0.145		
Q <sub>100</sub> = 15.563 x DA <sup>0.770</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.426</sup>	0.906	0.151		
Q <sub>200</sub> = 18.024 x DA <sup>0.757</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.428</sup>	0.898	0.157		

#### North-East Region

Table 3-6: North-East Region of Newfoundland - One Parameter Equations			
One Parameter Equations	SMR	SEE	
Q <sub>2</sub> = 0.836 x DA <sup>0.755</sup>	0.902	0.161	
Q <sub>5</sub> = 1.271 x DA <sup>0.733</sup>	0.882	0.173	
Q <sub>10</sub> = 1.582 x DA <sup>0.722</sup>	0.870	0.181	
Q <sub>20</sub> = 1.895 x DA <sup>0.712</sup>	0.858	0.187	
Q <sub>50</sub> = 2.322 x DA <sup>0.702</sup>	0.844	0.195	
Q <sub>100</sub> = 2.658 x DA <sup>0.695</sup>	0.834	0.200	
Q <sub>200</sub> = 3.009 x DA <sup>0.688</sup>	0.824	0.205	

Table 3-7: North-East Region of Newfoundland - Two Parameters Equations				
One Parameters Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 2.911 x DA <sup>0.767</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.285</sup>	0.964	0.102		
$Q_5 = 4.746 \text{ x DA}^{0.745} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.302}$	0.954	0.112		
$Q_{10} = 6.128 \text{ x DA}^{0.734} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.310}$	0.947	0.119		
$Q_{20}$ = 7.568 x DA <sup>0.725</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.317</sup>	0.940	0.126		
$Q_{50}$ = 9.597 x DA <sup>0.715</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.325</sup>	0.931	0.134		
Q <sub>100</sub> = 11.243 x DA <sup>0.708</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.330</sup>	0.925	0.140		
$Q_{200}$ = 12.997 x DA <sup>0.702</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.335</sup>	0.918	0.145		

# South-West Region

Table 3-8: South-West Region of Newfoundland - One Parameter Equations			
One Parameter Equations	SMR	SEE	
Q <sub>2</sub> = 7.864 x DA <sup>0.497</sup>	0.495	0.327	
Q <sub>5</sub> = 10.853 x DA <sup>0.492</sup>	0.462	0.346	
Q <sub>10</sub> = 12.845 x DA <sup>0.490</sup>	0.444	0.356	
Q <sub>20</sub> = 14.762 x DA <sup>0.488</sup>	0.430	0.365	
Q <sub>50</sub> = 17.264 x DA <sup>0.485</sup>	0.415	0.375	
Q <sub>100</sub> = 19.163 x DA <sup>0.484</sup>	0.405	0.382	
Q <sub>200</sub> = 21.084 x DA <sup>0.482</sup>	0.395	0.388	



Table 3-9: South-West Region of Newfoundland - Two Parameters Equations				
Two Parameters Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 90.931 x DA <sup>0.523</sup> x LSF <sup>-4.825</sup>	0.887	0.164		
$Q_5 = 141.407 \text{ x DA}^{0.519} \text{ x LSF}^{-5.060}$	0.871	0.179		
$Q_{10} = 178.118 \text{ x DA} \ ^{0.517} \text{ x } \text{ LSF}^{-5.183}$	0.863	0.188		
$Q_{20}$ = 215.518 x DA <sup>0.516</sup> x LSF <sup>-5.284</sup>	0.855	0.195		
Q <sub>50</sub> = 267.085 x DA <sup>0.514</sup> x LSF <sup>-5.399</sup>	0.846	0.204		
Q <sub>100</sub> = 308.149 x DA <sup>0.513</sup> x LSF <sup>-5.475</sup>	0.840	0.210		
Q <sub>200</sub> = 351.240 x DA <sup>0.512</sup> x LSF <sup>-5.544</sup>	0.835	0.215		

# South-East Region

Table 3-10: South-East Region of Newfoundland - One Parameter Equations				
One Parameter Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 1.464 x DA <sup>0.762</sup>	0.901	0.145		
Q <sub>5</sub> = 1.966 x DA <sup>0.768</sup>	0.905	0.143		
Q <sub>10</sub> = 2.293 x DA <sup>0.772</sup>	0.904	0.144		
Q <sub>20</sub> = 2.604x DA <sup>0.775</sup>	0.903	0.146		
Q <sub>50</sub> = 3.005 x DA <sup>0.778</sup>	0.900	0.149		
$Q_{100} = 3.306 \text{ x DA}^{0.780}$	0.897	0.152		
Q <sub>200</sub> = 3.608 x DA <sup>0.782</sup>	0.894	0.155		

Table 3-11: South-East Region of Newfoundland - Two Parameters Equations				
Two Parameters Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 3.820 x DA <sup>0.715</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.180</sup>	0.938	0.120		
Q <sub>5</sub> = 5.135 x DA <sup>0.721</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.181</sup>	0.942	0.117		
$Q_{10}$ = 5.993 x DA <sup>0.725</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.181</sup>	0.941	0.118		
$Q_{20} = 6.809 \text{ x DA}^{0.728} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.181}$	0.939	0.121		
$Q_{50}$ = 7.861 x DA <sup>0.731</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.181</sup>	0.936	0.125		
Q <sub>100</sub> = 8.651 x DA <sup>0.733</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.181</sup>	0.932	0.128		
$Q_{200}$ = 9.443 x DA <sup>0.735</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.181</sup>	0.929	0.132		

# Labrador

Table 3-12: Labrador - One Parameter Equations				
One Parameter Equations	SMR	SEE		
Q <sub>2</sub> = 0.495 x DA <sup>0.837</sup>	0.968	0.120		
Q <sub>5</sub> = 0.617 x DA <sup>0.838</sup>	0.965	0.127		
$Q_{10} = 0.692 \text{ x DA}^{0.839}$	0.962	0.131		
Q <sub>20</sub> = 0.761 x DA <sup>0.839</sup>	0.960	0.135		
Q <sub>50</sub> = 0.847 x DA <sup>0.840</sup>	0.958	0.139		
$Q_{100} = 0.909 \text{ x DA}^{0.840}$	0.956	0.142		
Q <sub>200</sub> = 0.970 x DA <sup>0.840</sup>	0.954	0.145		

Table 3-13: Labrador - Two Parameters Equations					
Two Parameters Equations	SMR	SEE			
Q <sub>2</sub> = 0.581 x DA <sup>0.845</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.053</sup>	0.969	0.125			
$Q_5 = 0.685 \text{ x DA}^{0.843} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.034}$	0.965	0.133			
$Q_{10} = 0.746 \text{ x DA}^{0.842} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.025}$	0.962	0.138			
$Q_{20} = 0.800 \text{ x DA}^{0.842} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.017}$	0.960	0.142			
$Q_{50} = 0.866 \text{ x DA}^{0.841} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.008}$	0.958	0.147			
$Q_{100} = 0.914 \text{ x DA}^{0.840} \text{ x LAF}^{-0.002}$	0.956	0.150			
Q <sub>200</sub> = 0.959 x DA <sup>0.840</sup> x LAF <sup>0.004</sup>	0.954	0.153			



# 4.0 **APPLICATIONS**

#### 4.1 General

Regional flood frequency analysis correlates a watershed's physiographic characteristics with different anticipated frequency flows and is one of the available methods for estimation of return period floods on ungauged watersheds. Other options available include the application of the regional flood index technique and deterministic hydrological modelling.

The regression equations presented herein may be used to estimate frequency flows for ungauged watersheds in Newfoundland and Labrador using either one physiographic parameter (Drainage Area) or two physiographic parameters (Drainage Area and Lake Attenuation Factor or Drainage Area and Lakes and Swamps Factor). For estimation of frequency flows in Labrador, it is recommended to use the equations with Drainage Area as the independent physiographic parameter.

The Regional Flood Index technique is another technique that may be used to estimate flows with higher return periods for watersheds with few years of available data.

#### 4.2 Allowable Range of Parameters

As mentioned above, the developed regression equations are not applicable to all ungauged watersheds. If an ungauged watershed has physiographic parameters outside of the range provided in Table 4-1, it is not recommended that the regression equations be used as the extrapolation of the results beyond the extremes of the parameters used in regression equation development may reduce the accuracy of estimations significantly.

The 1999 RFFA Users' Guide included the results of a sensitivity analysis of estimated peak flows based on potential errors in estimation of physiographic parameters. The following was noted:

- The anticipated error in peak flow ranged from 1.7% to 3.4% for all regions and return periods when the error in the abstraction of Drainage Area was 3%.
- A 3% error in the estimation of Lakes and Swamps Factor may result in an error as high as 18% in flood estimation for the South-west Region.
- The Lake Attenuation Factor was relatively insensitive to estimation error.

The sensitivity of a regression equation for a specific watershed can be easily assessed by varying the independent variable(s) in the spreadsheet.

	Table 4-1: Range of Physiographic Parameters Used for Regression Equation Development																	
Region	Statistics	DRAINAGE AREA (km²) HYDAT	DRAINAGE AREA (km²) GIS	WATERSHED PERIMETER (km)	FTREE	FSWAMP	FLAKE	FLSAR	FBAR'N	FACLS	LSF	LAF	LENGTH MAIN R (km)	ELEV DIFF (m)	SLOPE M1 (%)	SLOPE M2 (%)	DRAINAGE DENSITY (km/km²)	SHAPE FACTOR
	Maximum	2110	2101	416	0.94	0.24	0.22	0.36	0.50	1.00	1.95	1053	118.80	700	2.98	3.09	1.34	3.59
	2nd Highest	627	660	236	0.91	0.22	0.13	0.35	0.44	1.00	1.93	700	49.30	678	2.86	2.88	1.30	2.77
NW	Median	238	263	139	0.72	0.06	0.08	0.13	0.13	0.95	1.84	134	34.45	295	0.97	0.96	0.78	2.41
	2nd Lowest	17	17	26	0.35	0.01	0.02	0.08	0.00	0.46	1.39	18	10.10	130	0.57	0.32	0.34	1.87
	Minimum	13	12	24	0.33	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.08	1.06	5	8.20	88	0.23	0.14	0.19	1.73
	Maximum	4400	4447	785	0.91	0.48	0.20	0.66	0.40	1.00	1.92	881	133.80	372	1.65	1.11	1.24	3.37
	2nd Highest	2150	2207	533	0.88	0.30	0.18	0.38	0.23	1.00	1.89	601	128.80	360	1.28	1.03	1.11	3.36
NE	Median	267	266	158	0.75	0.12	0.09	0.20	0.02	0.89	1.77	89	42.25	207	0.57	0.44	0.68	2.61
	2nd Lowest	59	62	61	0.21	0.06	0.03	0.13	0.00	0.44	1.22	12	16.00	107	0.21	0.15	0.35	2.03
	Minimum	37	39	45	0.11	0.06	0.02	0.11	0.00	0.40	1.16	5	11.20	95	0.20	0.12	0.26	2.01
	Maximum	301	296	179	0.88	0.17	0.14	0.21	0.79	1.00	1.95	588	45.20	370	2.98	2.43	1.62	3.46
	2nd Highest	205	211	177	0.75	0.08	0.13	0.16	0.73	1.00	1.95	512	44.70	259	2.44	2.42	1.55	3.23
SE	Median	28	27	41	0.38	0.02	0.08	0.12	0.51	0.92	1.85	123	14.00	133	0.90	0.93	1.10	2.28
	2nd Lowest	6	5	16	0.16	0.00	0.04	0.07	0.04	0.50	1.40	21	7.00	64	0.37	0.34	0.96	1.70
	Minimum	4	4	11	0.09	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.39	1.36	9	2.60	23	0.22	0.23	0.55	1.62
	Maximum	2640	5921	1155	0.86	0.38	0.18	0.46	0.82	1.00	1.95	619	100.40	561	2.26	2.19	1.73	4.20
	2nd Highest	1340	4588	914	0.86	0.34	0.15	0.39	0.78	1.00	1.92	401	68.10	509	1.78	1.77	1.50	3.78
SW	Median	218	228	150	0.52	0.06	0.07	0.15	0.30	0.82	1.67	124	31.10	296	0.84	0.63	1.12	2.67
	2nd Lowest	72	70	66	0.08	0.01	0.04	0.06	0.01	0.34	1.30	50	16.60	122	0.29	0.30	0.36	2.15
	Minimum	37	37	43	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.05	0.01	0.34	1.24	38	14.60	109	0.12	0.08	0.15	1.98
	Maximum	15100	15776	1404	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	226	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4.12
	2nd Highest	8930	8912	1303	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	131	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.86
Labrador	Median	2330	2327	520	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	50	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.08
	2nd Lowest	76	76	83	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	27	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.75
	Minimum	71	71	68	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.17

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# 4.3 Estimating Flood Flows

As previously noted, the procedure for application of single station frequency analysis and regional flood frequency analysis for estimating flood flows should be considered as a guideline only. Specific circumstances will warrant professional judgment be used in the application of the regression equations. Some examples of these situations include:

- Too few data for single station frequency analysis
- Physiographic parameters near or out of range
- Partial urbanization
- Inter-basin transfers of water
- Regulation
- Diversion
- Water withdrawals
- Channelization
- Forestry operations

Single station frequency analysis and regional flood frequency analysis do not preclude other flood estimation techniques which can range from simple lumped event models to complex deterministic watershed simulation.

# 4.3.1 General Method for Applying the RFFA Regression Equations

The step-wise procedure for applying the RFFA regression equations is as follows:

1. Locate the site on a map where the flood flow estimate is required.

This can be completed using hardcopy maps, such as the 1:50,000 scale National Topographic Series (NTS) map or in a digital environment using a Geographic Information System (GIS) or computer aided drafting software such as AutoCAD<sup>®</sup>.

2. Delineate the watershed contributing flow to the point of interest.

This can be completed manually or digitally using auto-delineation tools. In either instance, the resultant watershed areas/delineation should be reviewed for consistency with the underlying topography.

3. Estimate the necessary physiographic parameters.

The full suite of possible parameters to be estimated includes:



Variable	Description	Units
DA	Watershed Drainage Area (GIS)	km <sup>2</sup>
PERIM	Watershed Perimeter	km
FTREE	Fraction of watershed occupied by forest	-
FSWAMP	Fraction of watershed occupied by wetlands/swamps	-
FLAKE	Fraction of watershed occupied by lakes	-
FLSAR	Fraction of watershed occupied by lakes and wetlands/swamps	-
FBAR*N	Fraction of watershed occupied by barrens	-
FACLS	Fraction of drainage area controlled by lakes and wetlands/swamps	-
LSF	Lakes and Swamps Factor	-
LAF	Lake Attenuation Factor	-
LENGTHMAINR	Length of the main river	km
ELEVDIFF	Elevation Difference	m
SLOPEM1	Slope of the main channel - Method 1	%
SLOPEM2	Slope of the main channel – Method 2	%
DRAIND	Drainage Density	km/km <sup>2</sup>
SHAPE	Shape Factor	-

Only DA, LAF and LSF are used in the regional regression equations. However, the other parameters are estimated as a means of comparison to other watersheds in the selected hydrological region. Details are provided in Appendix A. Estimation of some of the physiographic parameters can be complex. Users not familiar with estimation of the watershed parameters noted above should gain experience with watersheds with defined/known physiographic data (ref Table 3-1 and Appendices A and B).

For those watersheds where a LAF is estimated to be zero (0), a default value of 50 should be applied. The need for this transformation has been discussed in detail in the 2014 RFFA Update main report.

4. Check that the estimated physiographic parameters are in range.

The specific physiographic parameters for the watershed of interest should be in the range of the range of physiographic parameters used for regression equation development. This is of particular importance for DA, LAF and LSF since these parameters are used in the regional equations. Extremes of watershed physiography are provided in Table 4-1.

#### 5. Select the appropriate regression equation.

The appropriate regression equation will be based on the geographic region encompassing the specific location for which flood flow estimates are required, and the desired return period. The individual constants and coefficients are outlined in Table 3-2 for Newfoundland and Table 3-3 for Labrador. The same information is presented in equation form in Tables 3-4 to 3-11 for the various regions of Newfoundland and Tables 3-12 and 3-13 for Labrador.

6. Calculate the flood estimate using the equation selected in Step 5.

For cases, where the watershed is near the boundary of the region, calculation of the flood estimate based on another region may be warranted.



7. Calculate the upper and lower 95% confidence limits on the flood estimate.

The upper and lower 95% confidence limits may be calculated using the following method:

- a) multiply the SEE (ref. Tables 3-2 and 3-3 or Tables 3-4 to 3-13) by 1.96,
- b) add the result in step (a) to the log<sub>10</sub> of the flood estimate to obtain the upper limit,
- c) subtract the result from step (a) the log<sub>10</sub> of the flood estimate to obtain the lower limit
- d) determine the upper and lower limits by computing the inverse log of the results from steps (b) and (c).

#### 4.3.2 Single Station Frequency Analysis

If a streamflow gauging station is located on the same stream of interest, then the results of a single station frequency analysis may provide results that are more reliable.

Table 2-2 provides a listing the streamflow gauging stations for which single station frequency analysis has been completed as a component of the development of the RFFA regression equations.

If a streamflow gauging station coincides with the site where a flood flow estimate is required, then the results of the single station frequency analysis can be used without adjustment if the number of years of record available for analysis is equal to or greater than that specified in Table 4-2. The single station frequency analysis, completed for the 2014 RFFA update, utilized all flood data up to and including 2013. An update of the flood database and the single station frequency analysis, completed for the 2014 RFFA update if the number of floods available for single station frequency analysis is small.

Table 4-2: Minimum Number of Instantaneous Annual Peak FlowsRequired for Single Station Frequency Analysis						
Return Period	Number of Instantaneous Annual					
(yrs)	Peaks Flows Required					
2	10+					
20	14+					
100	18+					

Table 4-2 has been replicated from the Users' Guide developed for the 1999 RFFA update (Rollings, 1999). The suggested minimum numbers of instantaneous annual maximum peak flows, outlined in the Table, were derived as part of the 1999 RFFA Update from an analysis of the absolute percentage deviation between the single station frequency estimates and the regional flood frequency estimates (ref. Appendix B).



Adjustment of the single station frequency analysis flood flow estimates for differing physiography may also be necessary. In this case, for locations near a streamflow gauging station, the results of a single station frequency analysis may be used with adjustment if<sup>3</sup>:

- a) the number of floods upon which the single station frequency analysis is based is equal to or greater than that specified in Table 4-2, and,
- b) the drainage area associated with a streamflow gauging station is no more than 10 to 25% of the drainage area for the site where flood flow estimates are required.

The following equation<sup>1</sup> may be used to adjust the single station frequency analysis flood flow estimate to account for differing physiography at a location:

$$Q_{Ts} = Q_{Tfg} * Q_{Trs}$$
  
 $Q_{Trg}$ 

- where:  $Q_{Ts}$  is the flood of return period 'T' at the desired site 's'
  - Q<sub>Tfg</sub> is the flood of return period 'T' from the single station frequency analysis (f) for station 'g' from Table 2-2
    - Q<sub>Trs</sub> is the flood of return period 'T' from the regional flood frequency analysis (r) at site 's' (following Steps 1 7)
  - $Q_{Trg}$  is the flood of return period 'T' from the regional flood frequency analysis (r) at station 'g' (following Steps 1 7)

# 4.4 Examples

These examples have been abstracted from the Users' Guide for the 1999 RFFA update and updated to reflect the newly developed data from the 2014 RFFA update.

# 4.4.1 Southwest Brook at Lewisport (Example #1)

This example involves the estimation of the 20 year return period flow ( $Q_{20}$ ) at an existing bridge on Southwest Brook near the Town of Lewisporte. The bridge is located about 5.7 km upstream from where the Southwest Brook discharges into Lewisporte Harbour as indicated in Figure 4-1. Streamflow gauge 02YO012 is located near the outlet of Southwest Brook and has recorded streamflow data available for the period 1989 to 2012.

- 1. Figure 4-1 illustrates the location where the flood estimate is required. The watershed is located in the North-east (NE) region of Newfoundland.
- 2. The drainage divide was delineated on a 1:50,000 NTS map.
- 3. The parameters summarized in Table 4-3 were determined.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As defined in the 1999 RFFA Update





Figure 4-1: Example #1 - Southwest Brook near Lewisporte (source: Rollings, 1999)



Baramatar	Estimated					
Farameter	Value	Maximum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest	Median	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lowest	Minimum
DA	49.9	4447	2207	266	62	39
PERIM	59.0	785	533	158	61	45
LAF	222	881	601	89	12	5
LSF	1.44	1.92	1.89	1.77	1.22	1.16
FACLS	0.82	1	1	0.89	0.44	0.40
FLAKE	0.14	0.20	0.18	0.09	0.03	0.02
FSWAMP	0.07	0.48	0.30	0.12	0.06	0.06
FLSAR	0.21	0.66	0.38	0.20	0.13	0.11
FTREE	0.79	0.91	0.88	0.75	0.21	0.11
FBAR'N	0.00	0.40	0.23	0.02	0	0
SLOPEM2	0.48	1.11	1.03	0.44	0.15	0.12
DRAIND	0.66	1.24	1.11	0.68	0.35	0.26
SHAPE	2.34	3.37	3.36	2.61	2.03	2.01
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#### Table 4-3: Example #1 – Parameterization and Valid Ranges

NOTES:

1. The highlighted cells indicate the range applicable for the measured value of the parameters

2. Estimates of parameters SLOPEM1, LENGTHMAINR and ELEVDIFF were not computed for this example.

4. The physiographic parameters of the watershed were verified against the ranges of parameters of the watersheds, for those watersheds associated with gauging stations which were used in the development of the RFFA regression equations for NE region (ref. Tables 4-1 and 4-3).

As indicated in Table 4-3, DA, PERIM and FBAR'N were near the minimum of the ranges for those parameters. All other parameters were between the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest and 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest value of the parameter for the NE region.

5. The appropriate equation was selected from Table 3-7.

The two parameter regression equation was selected for use as an estimate of the LAF parameter was available for this watershed.

The following regression equation is applicable to the NE region for estimation of the  $Q_{20}$  flood flow:

Equation	SEE
Q <sub>20</sub> = 7.568 x DA <sup>0.725</sup> x LAF <sup>-0.317</sup>	0.126

6. The flood estimate was calculated using the regression equations identified in Step 5.

Equation	<b>Q</b> <sub>20</sub>
$Q_{20} = 7.568 \text{ x} (49.9)^{0.725} \text{ x} (222)^{-0.317}$	23.2 m <sup>3</sup> /s



7. The upper and lower confidence limits were calculated.

Following Step 7, the upper and lower confidence limits of the  $Q_{20}$  flood flow estimate were determined.

- The value of SEE for the  $Q_{20}$  estimate is identified in Step 5 as 0.126.
- Confidence limit offset = 1.96 x 0.126 = 0.247
- Log(Upper confidence limit) =  $Log(Q_{20}) + 0.247 = 1.366 + 0.247 = 1.613$
- Log(Lower confidence limit) = Log(Q<sub>20</sub>) 0.247 = 1.366 0.247 = 1.119
- Upper 95% confidence limit = 10<sup>1.613</sup> = 41.1 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Lower 95% confidence limit = 10<sup>1.119</sup> = 13.2 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- 8. As previously noted, the streamflow gauge at Southwest Brook near Lewisporte has been in operation since 1989. The location where the flood estimate is required is about 5.7 km upstream from the gauging station. The drainage area to the point of interest is 49.9 km<sup>2</sup>. The drainage area to the gauging station is 59.8 km<sup>2</sup>. The difference between the two locations is about 17%; within the range defined as valid for use of a nearby gauging data to support single station frequency analysis.
- 9. As previously noted, streamflow gauging station 02YO012 has been in operation since 1989 and presently has a period of record of 23 years (ref. Table 2-1). As such, the results of the single station frequency analysis can be used with adjustment as another means of estimation of Q<sub>20</sub> flood flows at the point of interest.

Based on the single station frequency analysis for station 02YO012, the  $Q_{20}$  flood flow has been estimated as 26.9 m<sup>3</sup>/s (ref. Table 2-2). The single station frequency analysis for this station was completed as a component of the 2014 RFFA update.

As noted previously, the flood flow adjustment for differing physiography between gauging location and point of interest location can be computed as follows:

$$Q_{Ts} = Q_{Tfg} \times \frac{Q_{Trs}}{Q_{Trg}}$$

where: Q<sub>Tfg</sub> 26.9 m<sup>3</sup>/s

 $\begin{array}{rcl} & & & \\ & & \\ \hline Q_{Trs} & 23.2 \text{ m}^{3}\!/\text{s} & \\ & & \\ \hline Q_{Trg} & & \\ Q_{20} = 7.568 \text{ x } \text{DA}^{0.725} \text{ x } \text{LAF}^{-0.317} & \\ & & \\ Q_{20} = 7.568 \text{ x } (59.8)^{0.725} \text{ x } (128)^{-0.317} & \\ & & \\ Q_{20} = 31.6 \text{ m}^{3}\!/\text{s} & \\ \hline Q_{Ts} & = 26.9 \text{ x } (23.2 \ / \ 31.6) & \\ & = 19.7 \text{ m}^{3}\!/\text{s} & \\ \end{array}$ 

If the computation of the LAF parameter could not be completed, two alternate adjustment methods are available, namely use of the one parameter regression equations and adjustment based on simple area adjustment.



#### One Parameter Regression Equations

Q <sub>20</sub> = 1.895 x (DA) <sup>0.712</sup>	One Paramet	er Regres	ssion Equation
Q <sub>20</sub> = 1.895 x (49.9) <sup>0.712</sup>	30.7 m³/s	$Q_{\text{Trs}}$	At point of interest
Q <sub>20</sub> = 1.895 x (59.8) <sup>0.712</sup>	34.9 m³/s	$Q_{Trg}$	At streamflow gauging station

As noted previously, the flood flow adjustment for differing physiography between gauging location and point of interest location can be computed as follows:

$$Q_{Ts} = Q_{Tfg} \times \frac{Q_{Trs}}{Q_{Trg}}$$

where:  $\begin{array}{ccc} Q_{Tfg} & 26.9 \text{ m}^{3}\text{/s} \\ \hline Q_{Trs} & 30.7 \text{ m}^{3}\text{/s} \\ \hline Q_{Trg} & 34.9 \text{ m}^{3}\text{/s} \\ \hline Q_{Ts} & = 26.9 \text{ x} (30.7 \text{ / } 34.9) = = 23.6 \text{ m}^{3}\text{/s} \end{array}$ 

Simple Area Adjustment

$$Q_{Ts} = Q_{Tfg} \times DA_{Trs}$$

where:	$Q_{Tfg}$	26.9 m <sup>3</sup> /s
	$DA_{Trs}$	49.9 ha
	$DA_{Trg}$	59.8 ha
	Q <sub>Ts</sub>	= 26.9 x (49.9 / 59.8) = = 22.4 m <sup>3</sup> /s

The assessment determined a variety of flood flow estimates based on the approaches used. It now falls to the analyst to use their best judgment for making a determination as to which estimate has the best foundation of supporting data.

For this example, the single station flood frequency estimate with adjustment (19.7 m<sup>3</sup>/s) might be considered as preferential over the regional flood frequency estimate (23.2 m<sup>3</sup>/s) given that the data record for streamflow gauging station 02YO012 meets the minimum criteria as outlined in Table 4-2. The alternate estimation methods yielded estimates of 23.6 m<sup>3</sup>/s and 22.4 m<sup>3</sup>/s for the one parameter regression equation and simple area adjustment methods respectively. Other criteria, as determined by the analyst, might also be employed to prioritize the estimates.

If the station record of streamflow at the gauging site had not not been sufficient (i.e. < 14 years as outlined in Table 4-2), single station flood frequency estimates might still be used to rectify the estimates computed using other approaches.

The  $Q_{20}$  flood flow estimate computed for this example from the 1999 RFFA update (Rollings, 1999) was 19.5 m<sup>3</sup>/s, which is comparable to the preferred estimate of 19.7 m<sup>3</sup>/s.



# 4.4.2 Rose Blanche Brook near Rose Blanche (Example #2)

This example involves the calculation of the 1:100 year flood flow estimate  $(Q_{100})$  at an existing bridge on Rose Blanche Brook near Rose Blanche.

- 1. Figure 4-2 illustrates the location where the flood estimate is required. The watershed is located in the south-west (SW) region of Newfoundland.
- 2. The drainage divide was delineated on a 1:50,000 NTS map.
- 3. The parameters summarized in Table 4-4 were determined.

Deremeter	Measured	Parameter Ranges						
Parameter	Value	Maximum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest	Median	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lowest	Minimum		
DA	83.9	5921	4588	228	70	37		
PERIM	67.2	1155	914	150	66	43		
LAF	50	619	401	124	50	38		
LSF	1.32	1.95	1.92	1.67	1.30	1.24		
FACLS	0.37	1.00	1.00	0.82	0.34	0.34		
FLAKE	0.04	0.18	0.15	0.07	0.04	0.02		
FSWAMP	0	0.38	0.34	0.06	0.01	0.01		
FLSAR	0.04	0.46	0.39	0.15	0.06	0.05		
FTREE	0.05	0.86	0.86	0.52	0.08	0.04		
FBAR'N	0.91	0.82	0.78	0.30	0.01	0.01		
SLOPEM2	1.99	2.19	1.77	0.63	0.30	0.08		
DRAIND	1.48	1.73	1.50	1.12	0.36	0.15		
SHAPE	2.05	4.20	3.78	2.67	2.15	1.98		

Table 4-4: Example #2 – Parameterization and Valid Ranges

NOTES:

1. The highlighted cells indicate the range applicable for the measured value of the parameters

- 2. The hatched cells indicate the measured value of the parameter is outside the parameter range limit
- 4. The physiographic parameters of the watershed were verified against the ranges of parameters of the watersheds, which were used in the development of the RFFA regression equations for SW region (ref. Tables 4-1 and 4-4).

As indicated in Table 4-4, many of the physiographic parameters are near to or outside the range of the range of physiographic parameters used for regression equation development. Based on this comparative assessment, the analyst will have to make a decision on the applicability of the regression equations to the watershed under consideration.





Figure 4-2: Example #2 - Rose Blanche Brook near Rose Blanche (source: Rollings, 1999)



5. The applicable regression equation was selected from Table 3-9.

The two parameter regression equation was selected for use as an estimate of the LSF parameter was available for this watershed.

The following regression equation is applicable to the SW region for estimation of the  $Q_{100}$  flood flow:

Equation	SEE
Q <sub>100</sub> = 308.149 x DA <sup>0.513</sup> x LSF <sup>-5.475</sup>	0.210

The following regression equation is applicable to the SW region for estimation of the  $Q_{100}$  "upper envelope curve" flood flow:

$$Q_{100} = 19.163 \text{ x DA}^{0.484}$$

6. The flood flow and upper envelope curve estimates were calculated using the regression equations identified in Step 5.

 $Q_{100} = 308.149 \text{ x} (83.9)^{0.513} \text{ x} (1.32)^{-5.475} = 653.9 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  $Q_{100-Upper} = 19.163 \text{ x} (83.9)^{0.484} = 163.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ 

The estimated flood flow appears unrealistic given that the "Upper Envelope Curve" estimate is meant to represent the largest floods in this region.

7. The upper and lower confidence limits were calculated.

The upper and lower confidence limits of the Q<sub>100-Upper</sub> flood flow estimate were determined.

- Q<sub>100</sub> as defined by Q<sub>100-Upper</sub> = 163.5 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Log(Q<sub>100</sub>) = 2.214
- The value of SEE for the Q<sub>100</sub> estimate is identified in Step 5 as 0.210.
- Confidence limit offset = 1.96 x 0.210 = 0.247
- Log(Upper confidence limit) = Log(Q<sub>100</sub>) + 0.247 = 2.214 + 0.247 = 2.461
- Log(Lower confidence limit) =  $Log(Q_{100}) 0.247 = 2.214 0.247 = 1.967$
- Upper 95% confidence limit = 10<sup>2.461</sup> = 288.7 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Lower 95% confidence limit =  $10^{1.967}$  = 92.6 m<sup>3</sup>/s

Since many of the physiographic parameters point to a higher Q<sub>100</sub> flood estimate, the upper 95% confidence limit estimate might be considered<sup>4</sup> the most appropriate, namely 288.7 m<sup>3</sup>/s.

The estimates for this example from the 1999 RFFA Update, outlined below, show a broader

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This decision would be made by the analyst



range of possible peak flow estimates.

- $Q_{100}$  from the two parameter regression equation = 864 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Upper Envelope Curve Q<sub>100</sub> estimate = 256 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Upper 95% confidence limit = 438 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Lower 95% confidence limit = 150 m<sup>3</sup>/s

The availability of additional years of streamflow data to support development of regression equations for the current RFFA update has reduced the range of the upper and lower 95% confidence limits to 196 m<sup>3</sup>/s (i.e. 288.7 – 92.6) from 288 m<sup>3</sup>/s (i.e. 438 – 150) as computed for the 1999 RFFA update.

The range of flood flow estimates for this example comparing the 1999 and 2014 RFFA updates clearly demonstrates:

- the importance of streamflow gauging particularly for the SW region where watershed response is highly variable
- the importance of understanding of the basis for flood flow estimates and the use of engineering judgment when using flood flow estimates for analysis and design.



# 5.0 ELECTRONIC SPREADSHEET

The electronic spreadsheet provides a convenient means of quick calculation of return period flows and their confidence limits using the regression equations developed as part of the 2014 RFFA update. In addition, the sensitivity of the flood estimates to errors in the physiographic parameters can be evaluated along with the effect of region selection. The results can also be printed.

It is assumed that the user is familiar with spreadsheet operations such as loading files, entering data and printing. The spreadsheet is provided in Microsoft Excel 2007 format.

A printout of the output for the Southwest Brook near Lewisport example (Example #1 – ref. Section 4.3.2.1) is provided as Figure 5-1. The following data were input:

- Watershed Name
- Region Number
- All available parameter values

The output is listed alongside "Results". "Estimate" represents the flood estimate, L95%L represents the lower 95% confidence limit of the estimate (assuming a normal distribution) and U95%L represents the upper limit.

Input is required for "Region #" and drainage area ("DA"). Optionally, the watershed name can be added for printout purposes. It is recommended that LAF be input for Regions 1, 2 and 3 (NW, NE and SE respectively) and that LSF be input for Region 4 (SW). Region 5 represents Labrador. All other parameters are not used in the calculation of the flood estimates. It is recommended, however, that all physiographic parameters be calculated to ensure (or not) that the watershed under consideration has physiographic parameters which are consistent with the selected region. Error checking within the spreadsheet will advise if the physiographic parameters are "near the range extremes" or if they are "out of range" under the "Remarks:" column. Only input cells will accept data.

Occasionally an "ERR" message will appear. This indicates that either the region was not specified as the number 1,2 3, 4 or 5 or if the drainage area was not specified.



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DA	49.9	km <sup>2</sup>	39.00	62.00	2207.00	4447.00	Parameter near extreme
PERIM	59	km	45.00	61.00	533.00	785.00	Parameter near extreme
LAF	222	(-)	5.00	12.00	601.00	881.00	
LSF	1.44	(-)	1.16	1.22	1.89	1.92	
FACLS	0.82	(-)	0.40	0.44	1.00	1.00	
FLAKE	0.14	(-)	0.02	0.03	0.18	0.20	
FSWAMP	0.07	(-)	0.06	0.06	0.30	0.48	
FLSAR	0.21	(-)	0.11	0.13	0.38	0.66	
FTREE	0.79	(-)	0.11	0.21	0.88	0.91	
FBAR'N	0	(-)	0.00	0.00	0.23	0.40	
SLOPEM2	0.48	(%)	0.12	0.15	1.03	1.11	
DRAIND	0.66	(km/km <sup>2</sup> )	0.26	0.35	1.11	1.24	
SHAPE	2.34	(-)	2.01	2.03	3.36	3.37	
Results:		Estimate	L95%L	U95%L			
DA+LAF or LSF	Q2 =	12.52	7.90	19.85			
	Q <sub>5</sub> =	17.09	10.31	28.34			
	Q10 =	20.25	11.83	34.64			
	Q20 =	23.24	13.16	41.05			
	Qen =	27.15	14.83	49.70			
	Que =	30.12	16.01	56.66			
	Q200 =	33.10	17.21	63.69			
Results:		Estimate	L95%L	U95%L			
DA only	Q2 =	16.01	7.74	33.10			
	Qe =	22.33	10.23	48.75			
	Q10 =	26.62	11.76	60.26			
	Q.n =	30.67	13.19	71.31			
	Qra =	36.14	14.99	87.12			
	Q =	40.25	16.32	99.25			
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	Q200 =	44.33	17.58	111.02			
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Figure 5-1: Electronic Spreadsheet Example #1 - Sample Printout



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# APPENDIX A

Physiographic Parameters Description and Estimation Procedures



# **APPENDIX A**

# **Physiographic Parameters: Description and Estimation Procedures**

Definitons and procedures for estimation of a number of physiographic parameters have been outlined below. These parameters support application of the RFFA equations in two ways, namely:

- 1. For direct use in the RFFA equations (parameters DA, LAF and LSF)
- 2. For comparison of watershed characteristics related to the selected point of interest to other watersheds in the selected hydrological region as a means of determining physiological similarlity.

The parameters are sumamrized in the Table below. Suggested procedures for estimation of these parameters is provided in the following sections.

Variable	Description	Units
DA	Watershed Drainage Area	km <sup>2</sup>
PERIM	Watershed Perimeter	km
FTREE	Fraction of watershed occupied by forest	-
FSWAMP	Fraction of watershed occupied by wetlands/swamps	-
FLAKE	Fraction of watershed occupied by lakes	-
FLSAR	Fraction of watershed occupied by lakes and wetlands/swamps	-
FBAR*N	Fraction of watershed occupied by barrens	-
FACLS	Fraction of drainage area controlled by lakes and wetlands/swamps	-
LSF	Lakes and Swamps Factor	-
LAF	Lake Attenuation Factor	-
LENGTHMAINR	Length of the main river	km
ELEVDIFF	Elevation Difference	m
SLOPEM1	Slope of the main channel - Method 1	%
SLOPEM2	Slope of the main channel – Method 2	%
DRAIND	Drainage Density	km/km <sup>2</sup>
SHAPE	Shape Factor	-



<u>Watershed Drainage Area (DA)</u> <u>Watershed Perimeter (PERIM)</u> <u>Fraction of watershed occupied by forest (FTREE)</u> <u>Fraction of watershed occupied by wetlands /swamps (FSWAMP)</u> <u>Fraction of watershed occupied by lakes (FLAKE)</u> <u>Fraction of watershed area occupied by lakes and wetlands/swamps (FLSAR)</u>

These parameters can be determined from hardcopy or digital mapping.

If using hardcopy maps, areas can be estimated using planimeter, a digitizer or transparent grid with 0.01 km<sup>2</sup> blocks.

Digital mapping within a GIS or CAD platform offers the opportunity to use the watershed boundary to support estimation of other parameters.

#### Fraction of watershed occupied by barrens (FBAR\*N)

This parameter can be estimated as the Drainage Area (DA) less the area of forests, lakes and swamps.

#### Fraction of drainage area controlled by lakes and wetlands/swamps (FACLS)

This parameter can be determined from hardcopy or digital mapping. A sub-basin can be considered to be controlled if a lake or wtland/swamp at the outlet of the sub-basin has a surface area greater than 1% of the sub-basin. The "Percentage of Basin Area Controlled by Lake and Swamp" has been previously defined by Poulin (1971) (ref. Figure A-1.

#### Lakes and Swamps Factor (LSF)

The Lakes and Swamps Factor is a combination of the fraction of watershed area occupied by lakes and swamps and the fraction of watershed area controlled by lakes and swamps and is computed using the following equation;

LSF = 
$$(1 + FACLS) - \frac{FLSAR}{(1 + FACLS)}$$

where: FACLS is the fraction of watershed area controlled by lakes and swamps FLSAR is the fraction of watershed area occupied by lakes and swamps

The description of the LSF variable provided in Section 4.2 of the 1999 RFFA report has been replicated below.

"The reasons for the transformation were: (1) When FLSAR and FACLS tend toward 0,  $log_{10}(LSF)$  tends towards 0 and at the limit drops out of the regression equation. (2) It is reasonable to assume that as FLSAR increases, the amount of water lost to infiltration decreases and to a slight



extent compensates for the attenuating effects of lakes and swamps. However, the effect is reduced if a larger percentage of the watershed area is controlled by lakes and swamps. The fraction of drainage area occupied by lakes and swamps (FLSAR) ranges from 0.05 to 0.36 (not including the extreme case of Pipers Hole River watershed where FLSAR is 0.66). During this study it was found that combining the term FLSAR with FALCS in the form given improved the predictive capability of the regression equations, especially on watersheds with higher FLSARs."

#### Lake Attenuation Factor (LAF)

The Lake Attenuation Factor represents the influences of lakes within a watershed in the context of the runoff response and is defined as follows:

$$\mathsf{LAF} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [ \left( 100 \times \frac{\mathsf{LAREAi}}{\mathsf{DA}} \right) \times \left( 100 \times \frac{\mathsf{CAREAi}}{\mathsf{DA}} \right) ]$$

where *n* is the number of lakes in the watershed with surface area greater than 1% of the watershed's drainage area *LAREAi* is the area of a lake *DA* is the contributing drainage area of the watershed *CAREAi* is the drainage area which is controlled by a lake

Values of LAF have been abstracted from the 1999 RFFA study documentation where available. For stations newly added for the current RFFA update, the LAF has been determined manually using available physiographic data.

If a watershed has no significant lakes the LAF value is zero (0). However, this is problematic in the determination of the regression equations as the  $\log_{10}(0) = -\infty$ . For the 1999 RFFA, the LAF value was defaulted to 50 for stations where the LAF value was calculated to be zero. This assumption has also been adopted for the current study in order to maintain consistency with the 1999 RFFA study.

The LAF is further defined in Figure A-2.

#### Length of the main river (LENGTHMAINR)

This parameter measures the length of the longest river in the watershed.

#### Elevation Difference (ELEVDIFF)

This parameter represents the difference in elevation between the outlet of the watershed and the highest elevation on the divide in then vicinity of the main channel.

#### <u>Slope of the main channel – Method 1 (SLOPEM1)</u>

This parameter is computed as LENGTHMAINR / ELEVDIFF.



#### Slope of the main channel – Method 2 (SLOPEM2)

This variation of the slope parameter represents the average slope of the curve that joins two points on the main river channel which are located at 10% and 85% of the LENGTHMAINR from the outlet. In effect, the sloep of the main river is calculated over only 75% of its overall length.

#### Drainage Density (DRAIND)

This parameter is computed as the total length of all streams in a watershed divided by the drainage area (DA).

#### Shape Factor (SHAPE)

The Shape factor characterizes the physical shape of a watershed and is computed as:

SHAPE = 0.28 x PERIM SQRT (DA)











Figure A-2: Lake Attenuation Factor (LAF) - Definition (source: Rollings, 1999)



# **APPENDIX B**

# Physiographic Parameters by Station

	Location	Hydrometric	Period of	LAT	ITUDE	LC	DNGITUDE	DRAINAGE	DRAINAGE AREA	WATERSHED	FTREE	FSWAMP	FLAKE	FLSAR FE	BAR'N FACLS	LSF	LAF	LENGTH E Main R I	DIFF	SLOPE M1	SLOPE M2	DRAINAGE DENSITY	SHAPE FACTOR	
ID # STATION NAME		Region	Record (Years)	DEG	MIN SEC	DEG MI	N SEC	(km <sup>2</sup> ) HYDAT	(km <sup>2</sup> ) GLS	(km)								(km)	<mark>(m)</mark>	(%)	(%)	(km <sup>-1</sup> )		Abbreviations:
02YA001 STE. GENEVIEVE RIVER NEAR FORESTER'S POINT	Newfoundland	NW	28	51 51	8 18	56 4	8 32	306	305.9	139.4	0.64	0.14	0.22	0.35	0 0.96	1.78	1053	38.9	88	0.23	0.14	0.54	2.23	ID # station identification number
02YC001 TORRENT RIVER AT BRISTOL'S POOL	Newfoundland	NW	54	50	36 27	57 9	6	624	619.7	208.6	0.33	0.04	0.13	0.16 0	0.5 0.99	1.91	175	48.3	479	0.99	1.01	0.76	2.35	MIN minutes
02YD001 BEAVER BROOK NEAR RODDICKTON 02YD002 NORTHEAST BROOK NEAR RODDICKTON	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NW	20 33	50 50	55 51 55 28	56 9 56 7	26	237 200	263.1 197.7	207.9	0.81	0.04	0.05	0.08 0	0.11 0.73	1.68	50 484	40.6 38.3	328 270	0.81	0.68	0.34	3.59	SEC seconds FTREE fraction of watershed occupied by forests
02YE001 GREAVETT BROOK ABOVE PORTLAND CREEK POND	Newfoundland	NW	29	50	10 44	57 3	5 39	95.7	100.2	85.4	0.49	0.06	0.06	0.12 (	0.39 0.88	1.82	134	24.5	700	2.86	3.09	0.75	2.39	FSWAMP fraction of watershed occupied by swamps
02YG001 MAIN RIVER AT PARADISE POOL	Newfoundland	NW	27	49	49 38	57 1	D 34	627	632.3	235.6	0.89	0.05	0.08	0.13 (	0.09 0.63	1.55	18.3	31.9	375	1.18	1.11	1.3	2.62	FLSAR fraction of watershed occupied by lakes and swamps
02YG002 MIDDLE ARM BROOK BELOW FLATWATER POND 02YH001 BOTTOM CREEK NEAR ROCKY HARBOUR	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	11	49	48 22 35 6	56 2	1 33 5 34	224	222.5	134.1 44.2	0.83	0.06	0.09	0.15 (	0.02 0.96	1.88	299 545	26.4	255	0.96	0.75	0.45	2.52	FBAR'N fraction of watershed occupied by barren area FACLS fraction of watershed controlled by lakes and swamps
02YJ001 HARRYS RIVER BELOW HIGHWAY BRIDGE	Newfoundland	SW	45	48	35 33	58 2	2 46	640	617.9	236.0	0.79	0.09	0.06	0.14 (	0.07 0.75	1.67	141	60	509	0.85	0.35	1.12	2.66	LSF lakes and swamps factor
02YJ003 PINCHGUT BROOK AT OUTLET OF PINCHGUT LAKE 02YK002 LEWASEECHJEECH BROOK AT LITTLE GRAND LAKE	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SW	12 57	48 48	48 21 37 19	58 1 57 5	56 5 59	119 470	116.4 476.5	82.8	0.86	0.05	0.05	0.1 0	0.04 1 0.29 1	1.95	290 274	16.6 54.9	164 561	0.99	0.78	0.63	2.15	LAF lake attenuation factor LENGTHMAINR length of main river channel
02YK003 SHEFFIELD RIVER AT SHEFFIELD LAKE	Newfoundland	NW	12	49	20 10	56 3	8 57 1 46	362	365.6	180.7	0.67	0.07	0.11	0.18 0	0.15 1	1.91	688	37	351	0.95	1.13	0.43	2.65	ELEVDIFF elevation difference between the outlet and watershed divide
02YK005 SHEFFIELD BROOK NEAR TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY	Newfoundland	NW	41	49	20 18	56 4	0 4	391	395.8	182.8	0.68	0.08	0.12	0.17 (	0.15 0.94	1.85	590	38.1	378	0.99	1.07	0.19	2.57	SLOPEM2 slope method 2
02YK007 GLIDE BROOK BELOW GLIDE LAKE 02YK008 BOOT BROOK AT TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NW	14 28	49	7 50	57 2	2 9	112 20.4	20.5	85.5	0.87	0.09	0.04	0.13	0 0.98	1.91	132 50	26.8	234 137	0.88	0.9	1.28	2.27	
02YL001 UPPER HUMBER RIVER NEAR REIDVILLE	Newfoundland	NW	85	49	15 35	57 2	2 37	2110	2101.1	416.3	0.74	0.06	0.05	0.11 (	0.15 0.75	1.68	50	118.8	678	0.57	0.46	0.79	2.54	
02YL004 SOUTH BROOK AT PASEDENA 02YL005 RATTLER BROOK NEAR MCIVERS	Newfoundland	NW	28	49	3 30	57 3	19	17	17.3	25.7	0.94	0.01	0.01	0.02 ( 0.1	0.05 0.08	1.06	5	8.2	244	2.98	2.88	1.34	1.73	Legend
02YL008 UPPER HUMBER RIVER ABOVE BLACK BROOK	Newfoundland	NW	25	49	37 6 48 24	57 1	8 40 7 2	471	472.7	215.0	0.58	0.01	0.07	0.08 0	0.34 0.99	1.95	50 700	48.5	393	0.81	0.64	0.57	2.77	Missing Data
02YM001 INDIAN BROOK AT INDIAN FALLS	Newfoundland	NE	43	40	31 43	56 7	45	974	964.6	313.3	0.79	0.07	0.09	0.16 (	0.05 0.88	1.8	36.4	65	290	0.45	0.41	0.45	2.82	
02YM003 SOUTH WEST BROOK NEAR BAIE VERTE 02YM004 INDIAN BROOK DIVERSION ABOVE BIRCHY LAKE	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	33 23	49 49	54 37 22 2	56 1 56 3	3 20 7 55	93.2 238	96.4 242.5	75.2	0.91	0.07	0.05	0.11	0 0.56	1.49	50 225	18.6	107	0.58	0.57	0.68	2.14 2.35	
02YN002 LLOYD'S RIVER BELOW KING GEORGE IV LAKE	Newfoundland	SW	32	48	14 23	57 5	D 41	469	480.5	227.2	0.23	0.06	0.12	0.18 (	0.63 1	1.91	371	57.3	166	0.29	0.3	1.37	2.90	
02YN003 STAR BROOK BELOW STAR LAKE	Newfoundland	NW	13	48	35 46 38 38	57 1	9 41	276	277.6	147.2	0.21	0.3	0.09	0.38	0.4 1	1.8	50	42.5	360	0.85	0.74	0.59	2.56	
02YO006 PETER'S RIVER NEAR BOTWOOD 02YO007 LEECH BROOK NEAR GRAND FALLS	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	32 13	49 48	6 14 57 42	55 24	4 48 0 42	177 88 3	177.7	129.7	0.83	0.13	0.03	0.16 0	0.02 0.97	1.89	50 50	42.7 23.1	190 272	0.45	0.45	0.8	2.72	
02Y0008 GREAT RATTLING BR. ABOVE TOTE R. CONFLUENCE	Newfoundland	NE	29	48	50 36	55 3	2 43	823	803.4	282.9	0.73	0.19	0.05	0.24 0	0.03 0.55	1.4	5	69	221	0.32	0.3	0.69	2.79	
02Y0010 JUNCTION BROOK NEAR BADGER 02Y0012 SOUTHWEST BROOK AT LEWISPORTE	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	13 24	48	59 34 13 58	56 1	4	61.6 58.7	61.5	64.7	0.81	0.09	0.1	0.19	0 0.89	1.79	601 128	18.2 22.7	187	0.59	0.62	0.77	2.31 3.16	
02YP001 SHOAL ARM BROOK NEAR BADGER BAY	Newfoundland	NE	16	49	22 18	55 4	9 44	63.8	62.8	61.4	0.88	0.07	0.06	0.13	0 0.79	1.72	119	20	113	0.56	0.53	0.88	2.17	
02YQ004 NORTHWEST GANDER RIVER NEAR GANDER LAKE	Newfoundland	NE	16	49 48	46 7	55 5	52	2150	2207.2	455.9	0.66	0.08	0.09	0.31 0	0.03 0.44	1.02	50	104.2	265	0.22	0.15	0.45	2.72	
02YQ005 SALMON RIVER NEAR GLENWOOD 02Y0006 SOUTHWEST GANDER RIVER BELOW LARSON FALLS	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	26	49 48	1 41 39 26	54 5	5 1	80.8 531	78.8 536.6	78.3	0.85	0.11	0.04	0.15	0 0.87	1.79	50 50	22.5	372 299	1.65	1.03	1.09	2.47	
02YR001 MIDDLE BROOK NEAR GAMBO	Newfoundland	NE	54	48	48 27	54 1	3 21	267	266	157.6	0.75	0.07	0.18	0.24 (	0.01 0.98	1.86	881	49.3	177	0.36	0.32	0.26	2.71	
02YR002 RAGGED HARBOUR RIVER NEAR MUSGRAVE HARBOUR 02YR003 INDIAN BAY BROOK NEAR NORTHWEST ARM	Newfoundland	NE	32	49 49	24 35 3 32	54 6	3 8	399 554	394.8 581.2	230.2	0.68	0.16	0.17	0.33	0 0.96	1.79	65.1 307	42 52.4	95 136	0.23	0.21	0.74	2.38	
02YS001 TERRA NOVA RIVER AT EIGHT MILE BRIDGE	Newfoundland	NE	34	48	27 30	54 2	2 21	1290	1327.2	438.8	0.55	0.21	0.09	0.3 (	0.15 0.92	1.76	138	105	207	0.2	0.12	0.73	3.37	
02YS005 TERRA NOVA RIVER AT GLOVERTOWN	Newfoundland	NE	28	48	40 46	54 1	55	2000	2033.8	532.5	0.61	0.23	0.13	0.36 (	0.03 0.93	1.74	113	128.8	274	0.21	0.16	0.35	3.31	
02YS006 NORTHWEST RIVER AT TERRA NOVA NATIONAL PARK 02ZA001 LITTLE BARACHOIS BROOK NEAR ST. GEORGE'S	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	18	48 48	24 49 27 44	54 12	2 2	663 343	669.1 337.3	310.4 219.8	0.6	0.02	0.07	0.09	0.3 0.83	1.78	12 50	65.5	463	0.72	0.68	1.04	3.36	
02ZA002 HIGHLANDS RIVER AT TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY	Newfoundland	SW	31	48	7 30	58 4	7 1	72	70.3	66.4	0.82	0.01	0.04	0.05 0	0.13 0.43	1.39	50	20.4	460	2.26	2.19	1.15	2.22	
02ZA003 LITTLE CODROT RIVER NEAR DOTLES 02ZB001 ISLE AUX MORTS RIVER BELOW HIGHWAY BRIDGE	Newfoundland	SW	51	47	49 19 37 48	59 1	35	205	204.3	154.7	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.13 (	0.78 0.6	1.66	50	33.3	450	1.76	1.40	0.72	3.03	
02ZC002 GRANDY BROOK BELOW TOP POND BROOK	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SW	31 41	47	51 22 45 36	57 44	4 59 5 2	230	251.8 4588 3	146.1 914 1	0.2	0.01	0.05	0.06 0	0.82 0.34	1.3	38.4	28.9	360	1.24	1.08	0.96	2.58	
02ZE001 SALMON RIVER AT LONG POND	Newfoundland	SW	22	47	57 40	55 5	5 50	2640	5920.9	1154.7	0.35	0.02	0.14	0.16	0.5 1	1.92	619	100.4	122	0.12	0.08	0.36	4.20	
02ZE004 CONNE RIVER AT OUTLET OF CONNE RIVER POND 02ZF001 BAY DE NORD RIVER AT BIG FALLS	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SW	63	48 47	10 8 45 49	55 2	9 58 6 25	99.7 1170	99.9 1171.9	92.5 391.4	0.6	0.34	0.05	0.39 0	0.01 1 0.44 0.96	1.81	50 401	18.7 68.1	109 282	0.58	0.59	0.61	3.20	
02ZG001 GARNISH RIVER NEAR GARNISH	Newfoundland	SE	55	47	13 59	55 2	0 48	205	210.7	179.3	0.26	0.01	0.09	0.1 (	0.63 0.96	1.91	202	44.7	370	0.83	0.6	0.55	3.46	
02ZG002 TIDES DROOK BELOW FRESHWATER FOND 02ZG003 SALMONIER RIVER NEAR LAMALINE	Newfoundland	SE	33	46	53 40	55 4	7 34	115	116.4	90.7	0.16	0.04	0.03	0.13 (	0.43 0.92	1.85	42.8	24.5	136	0.55	0.34	1.55	2.35	
02ZG004 RATTLE BROOK NEAR BOAT HARBOUR 02ZG005 LITTLE BARASWAY BROOK NEAR MOLLIERS	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SE	32 10	47	27 0 6 0	54 5 55 3	1 11 7 15	42.7	44.4 27.45	54.4 40.8	0.34	0.03	0.14	0.16 0	0.46 0.92 0.55 0.5	1.83	123 132	10 13	107 133	1.07	1.1	1.62	2.29	
02ZH001 PIPERS HOLE RIVER AT MOTHERS BROOK	Newfoundland	NE	61	47	57 48	54 1	7 4	764	764.7	258.2	0.11	0.48	0.18	0.66 0	0.23 0.91	1.57	17.4	50.9	207	0.41	0.38	0.71	2.61	
02ZH002 COME BY CHANCE RIVER NEAR GOODIES 02ZJ001 SOUTHERN BAY RIVER NEAR SOUTHERN BAY	Newfoundland	NE	37	47	23 50	53 5	0 26	67.4	68.5	63.6	0.4	0.02	0.00	0.16 (	0.03 0.86	1.07	89.3	16	128	0.65	0.59	1.11	2.20	
02ZJ002 SALMON COVE RIVER NEAR CHAMPNEYS 02ZJ003 SHOAL HARBOUR RIVER NEAR CLARENVILLE	Newfoundland Newfoundland	NE	30 27	48	24 45 13 13	53 11 54 3	B 6 59	73.6	78.3	66.0 85.1	0.74	0.06	0.13	0.19 0	0.07 0.82	1.72	435	18 25.1	137 250	0.76	0.55	1.11	2.09	
02ZK001 ROCKY RIVER NEAR COLINET	Newfoundland	SE	65	47	14 38	53 3	4 7	301	295.7	177.1	0.51	0.02	0.1	0.12 (	0.37 0.57	1.49	8.79	45.2	165	0.37	0.23	0.96	2.88	
02ZK002 NORTHEAST RIVER NEAR PLACENTIA 02ZK003 LITTLE BARACHOIS (BARASWAY) R NEAR PLACENTIA	Newfoundland	SW	34 30	47	10 26 11 53	53 51 54 2	20 19	37.2	92.85 37.1	43.0	0.48	0.16	0.15	0.31 0	0.24 0.81 0.01 0.34	1.64	278 50	26.9 14.6	200 228	0.74 1.56	0.57	1.11	2.61	
02ZK004 LITTLE SALMONIER RIVER NEAR NORTH HARBOUR	Newfoundland	SW	30 12	47 47	7 19	53 4	4 54	104 50 3	104.7	97.7 79.2	0.23	0.38	0.08	0.46 0	0.31 0.91	1.67	116 91.6	28.5	236 137	0.83	0.66	1.5	2.67	
02ZL003 SPOUT COVE BROOK NEAR SPOUT COVE	Newfoundland	SE	19	47	49 43	53 9	15	10.8	10.8	21.7	0.42	0.01	0.08	0.09 0	0.49 1	1.95	319	7	91	1.31	1.25	1.09	1.85	
UZZLUU4 SHEARSTOWN BROOK AT SHEARSTOWN 02ZL005 BIG BROOK AT LEAD COVE	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SE	30 28	47 48	35 59 3 34	53 1 53 5	5 29 56	28.9	29.8 11.2	49.7 25.4	0.7	0.03	0.04	0.04 0	0.27 0.39 0.51 1	1.36 1.95	50 272	13.4 8.7	122 211	0.91 2.43	1.03 2.43	1.14	2.55	
	Newfoundland	SE	60 34	47	38 5 51 47	52 5	D 12	3.9	3.7	11.1	0.75	0.17	0.04	0.21 0	0.04 1	1.89	265	2.6	64 133	2.44	2.42	1.04	1.62	
02ZM010 WATERFORD RIVER AT MOUNT PEARL	Newfoundland	SE	16	40	31 21	52 4	9 32	16.6	17.7	26.4	OC.U	0.01	v. 12	0.14 U		1.95	50	14.3	133	0.03	0.50	1.10	1.76	
02ZM016 SOUTH (MAHERS) RIVER NEAR HOLYROOD 02ZM017 LEARY BROOK AT ST JOHN'S	Newfoundland Newfoundland	SE	30 16	47	21 17 34 43	53 7	2 6 47	17.3	16.6 7.1	29.4	0.22	0.05	0.06	0.11 (	0.68 0.9	1.84	148 50	8.7	259	2.98	2.22	1.01	2.02	
02ZM018 VIRGINIA RIVER AT PLEASANTVILLE	Newfoundland	SE	29	47	35 20	52 4	1 27	10.7	12.1	25.2							21						2.03	
02ZM019 VIRGINIA RIVER AT CARTWRIGHT PLACE 02ZM021 SOUTH BROOK AT PEARL TOWN ROAD	Newfoundland	SE	14	47	36 6 30 24	52 4	2 6 6 24	9.21	5.4 10.1	20.6							50						2.49	
02ZN001 NORTHWEST BROOK AT NORTHWEST POND 02ZN002 ST. SHOTTS RIVER NEAR TREPASSEY	Newfoundland	SE	31	46	51 8	53 1	B 11	53.3	90.3 15.7	98.9	0.09	0	0.13	0.13 (	0.79 1	1.94	132	14.6	93 23	0.63	0.61	1.09	2.91	
02XA003 LITTLE MECATINA RIVER ADOVE LAC FOURMONT	Labrador	Labrador	35	52	14 47	61 1	9 1	4540	4092.0	1029.9	0.00	v	0.12	0.12	0 0.02	1.15	50	10.5	25	0.22	0.45	1.05	4.12	
UZXAUU4 KIVIERE JOIR NEAR PROVINCIAL BOUNDARY 03NE001 REID BROOK AT OUTLET OF REID POND	Labrador Labrador	Labrador Labrador	1/ 15	52 56	10 50 22 23	60 4 62 1	34 D 41	2060	2017.3 76.1	484.8							50 27						3.02 2.17	
03NF001 UGJOKTOK RIVER BELOW HARP LAKE	Labrador	Labrador	34	55 54	14 3 37 25	61 1	B 6	7570	7557.6	1181.8							50 50						3.81	
030C003 ATIKONAK RIVER ABOVE PANCHIA LAKE	Labrador	Labrador	27	52	58 6	64 4	D 42	15100	15776.1	1404.4							90						3.13	
03OD007 EAST METCHIN RIVER 03OE003 MINIPI RIVER BELOW MINIPI LAKE	Labrador Labrador	Labrador Labrador	15 33	53 52	26 5 37 45	63 14 61 1	4 2 1 8	1750 2330	894.8 2336.2	294.1 555.1							131 106						2.75	
03OE010 BIG POND BROOK BELOW BIG POND	Labrador	Labrador	19	53	31 46	60 1	8 36	71.4	70.7	82.8							18						2.76	
03PB002 NASKAUPI RIVER BELOW NASKAUPI LAKE	Labrador	Labrador	34	53 54	9 51 8 55	61 2	+ 31 6 37	4480	4609.2	531.8 709.8							50						2.93	
03QC002 ALEXIS RIVER NEAR PORT HOPE SIMPSON	Labrador	Labrador	35	52	39 55	56 53	2 16	2310	2318.3	475.6							50						2.77	
							Maximum	15100.00	15776.10	1404.41	0.94	0.48	0.22	0.66 0	0.82 1.00	1.95	1053.00	133.80 7	00.00	2.98	3.09	1.73	4.20	
							∠na Highest Median	188.50	197.70	1302.75	0.66	0.38	0.20	0.46 (	0.19 1.00	1.95	105.00	26.85 2	21.00	2.98 0.83	2.08 0.65	0.90	4.12 2.54	
							2nd Lowest Minimum	5.55	5.40 3.70	16.20 11.13	0.08	0.00	0.02	0.04 0	0.00 0.34	1.16	5.00 5.00	7.00 6	54.00 23.00	0.20	0.12	0.19	1.70	

