

RECREATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT, UNLISTED WATERWAYS³
in alphabetical order by province or territory

Name of Waterway	Province/ Territory	Canadian Heritage River Status	Significance
Kicking Horse River	AB/BC	Yes	Heritage River; canoeing, whitewater.
Cowichan River	BC	Yes	Heritage River; paddling.
Alsek River	BC/YT	Yes	Heritage River; popular whitewater destination in the Yukon.
Liard River	BC/YT/NT	No	Along 60th parallel flowing between BC/YT/NT borders. Major paddling destination; native traffic; fishing and hunting; mining threat.
Bloodvein River	MB/ON	Yes	Heritage River; major whitewater rafting area, canoeing; hydro risk.
Churchill River	MB	Nominated	Wilderness river canoeing with some whitewater. At risk for hydro development that could impact flow levels.
Miramichi River	NB	No	World-renowned salmon fishing tourism.
Nashwaak River	NB	No	One of last remaining runs of “outer Bay of Fundy” Wild Atlantic Salmon (recently nominated to endangered species list by COSEWIC for SARA); canoeing and kayaking.
Restigouche River	NB	Yes	Heritage River; wild river; paddling and fishing.
Saint John	NB	Nominated	The Saint John is only listed in Schedule A from between the Atlantic (Bay of Fundy) to the first dam going upstream. There is plenty of navigation upstream of the dam, however, including on the head pond created by the dam.
St. Croix River	NB	Yes	Heritage River; International waterway, boundary between NB and Maine, St. Croix International Waterway Commission.

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Main River	NL	Yes	Heritage River; rough whitewater, extreme advanced skill.
Kazan River	NU	Yes	Heritage River; popular for canoe tripping.
Soper River	NU	Yes	Heritage River; whitewater rafting, especially during spring runoff (appears on Nunavut tourism site as an attraction).
Margaree River	NS	Yes	Heritage River, Canoe Kayak Nova Scotia identifies this as major paddling river. It is also an important salmon river.
Mountain River	NT	No	Large river; popular canoeing destination.
Nahanni River	NT	Yes	Heritage River; Nahanni National Park is named after this river; considered some of the best Northern wilderness canoeing in the world; very popular paddling destination in the Yukon.
Coppermine River	NT/NU	No	A very popular paddling destination (confirmed by Nunavut tourism).
Dubawnt River	NT/NU	No	A very popular paddling destination (identified by community members).
Thelon River	NT/NU	Yes	Heritage River; popular paddling destination (confirmed by Nunavut tourism).
Credit River	ON	No	At risk of Line 9 pipeline. Some canoeing and fishing. A historical salmon river. Very urban river running through the Greater Toronto Area.
Lake Temagami	ON	No	Large lake, 50km long; very important in the community. Popular for canoeing and fishing with a high volume of motor boats. Frequented by many with cottages on the islands. There are kids' canoe camps here as well.
Madawaska River	ON	No	Already quite a bit of hydro damage to the river. Concern over an inability of river to sustain minimum flows. This is an important canoeing and whitewater destination.

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Mattawa River	ON	Yes	Heritage River; part of it is Mattawa River Waterway Provincial Park (200m on either side of the park); major canoeing destination, part of historic fur trade route.
Missinaibi River	ON	Yes	Heritage River; a remote river that is a popular canoe/kayak destination. Train car coming back from Moosonee specifically for canoes.
Spanish River	ON	No	Very popular paddling river.
Boundary Waters	ON	Yes	Heritage River; partly in Quetico Provincial Park; series of 15-20 small lakes (including Pigeon River) along the border of Ontario and Minnesota, west of Thunder Bay; eventually turns into Rainy River (which is listed as protected through the new Act). Mostly canoeing, though also home to many cottagers with motor boats.
Hillsborough River	PE	Yes	Heritage River.
The Three Rivers	PE	Yes	Heritage River.
Dumoine River	QC	No	Favoured paddling destination Canada-wide; whitewater rafting.
Gatineau River	QC	No	Big white water section up near Maniwaki; hosts a whitewater festival in the summer; power dams in the area a threat to navigation.
Jacques Cartier River	QC	No	Partly in Jacques Cartier National Park, a provincial park close to Québec City. A popular peri-urban destination.
Rouge River	QC	No	Whitewater; there is a rafting company along the river. At risk of Line 9 pipeline development.
Sturgeon-Weir River	SK	No	Tributary connecting the Saskatchewan River with the Churchill River; many outfitters along it, a lot of First Nations activity as well.
Clearwater River	SK/AB	Yes	Heritage River; very popular whitewater rafting destination; bit of canoeing, on historic fur trade route; connects Arctic Watershed to the Churchill River.

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Churchill River	SK/MB	Nominated	Wilderness and canoeing, some whitewater; is a target for hydro development.
Bonnet Plume River	YT	Yes	Heritage River; major paddling area in the Peel Watershed. There is a threat of mining activity and concern that resulting tailings would leak into the watershed, as the area is prone to flash floods.
Snake River	YT	No	Major paddling area in the Peel Watershed, There is a threat of mining activity and concern that resulting tailings would leak into the watershed, as the area is prone to flash floods.
Tatshenshini River	YT	Yes	Heritage River; considered some of the best Northern wilderness canoeing in the world; major paddling area within the Peel Watershed. There is a threat of mining activity and concern that resulting tailings would leak into the watershed, as the area is prone to flash floods.
Wind River	YT	No	Major paddling area in the Peel Watershed. There is a threat of mining activity and concern that resulting tailings would leak into the watershed, as the area is prone to flash floods.