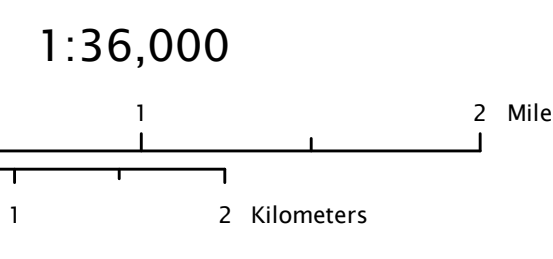


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Development and Purpose of A Channel Migration Zone

The boundaries on this map are intended to provide a basic screening tool to help guide management decisions on the Yellowstone River and ARE NOT intended to provide regulatory boundaries or override site-specific assessments. This map identifies a 100-year migration corridor for the Yellowstone River based on measured migration rates between 1950 and 2001. It includes the 2001 channel, historic channel locations since 1950, and an erosion buffer based on measured rates of lateral movement. Also identified are areas with relic channels prone to reactivation (Avulsion Potential Zone).

This map was revised in early 2009 to incorporate high resolution topographic data. For more information on CMZ map development, see companion report, "Yellowstone River Channel Migration Zone Mapping," prepared for Custer County Conservation District and Yellowstone River Conservation District Council, February 20, 2009.

For more information on the Yellowstone River Conservation District Council, see <http://dnrc.mt.gov/cardd/yellowstonerivercouncil>.

The corridor delineations presented on this map are intended to provide a basic screening tool to help guide and support management decisions within the Yellowstone River corridor. The expense of the project area requires that the results are broad-scale in nature, and therefore less precise than highly detailed site-specific analyses. The results are unequivocally not intended to replace or override site-specific assessments; conversely, they are intended to highlight areas that would warrant such assessments as necessary.