

**NWS Flood Stages for North Platte River at North Platte<sup>1</sup>****Flood Categories (in feet)**

Major Flood Stage:	7
Moderate Flood Stage:	6.5
Flood Stage:	6
Action Stage:	5.5

**Definition of Flood Impacts (Before July 2020 Chokepoint Test)**

- 10.8 Flood waters will reach the low steel of Highway 30 bridge located 1 mile east of North Platte.
- 10 Flood waters will reach the low steel of Highway 83 bridge near North Platte. Flood waters will also reach the low steel of railroad bridge located 2 miles downstream of Highway 83 bridge.
- 9 Major and widespread flooding along the south bank of the North Platte River. Major and widespread flooding of Rivers Edge Golf Course, properties near west 18th street, Cody Park and residential properties to the north of East 16th Street may occur without proper protection.
- 8.5 Widespread flooding along the south bank of the North Platte River begins. A dike built along the south bank of the river will protect Rivers Edge Golf Course, properties near west 18th street, Cody Park and residential properties to the north of East 16th Street. Homes and outbuildings north of Darlene Road and Vieyra Drive may be flooded without proper protection.
- 8 Without proper protection, widespread flooding will continue at Cody Park as flood waters from the boat ramp cross the paved access road along the northwest edge of the park and flood portions of the park.
- 7.5 Flooding worsens in low lying areas along the south bank of the North Platte River west of Highway 83. Homes and outbuildings north of Darlene Road and Vieyra Drive begin to flood.
- 7.2 Major and widespread flooding along the north bank of the North Platte River from Highway 83 to approximately 4 miles west of Highway 83 south of North River Road. Flooding occurs on North Washboard Road to the north and south of North River Road. Major and widespread flooding to residences and outbuildings along and south of North River Road with access to properties significantly impaired. Widespread flooding worsens along the north side of Cody Park.
- 7 Major and widespread flooding occurs along the north bank of the North Platte River from Highway 83 to about 4 miles west of Highway 83 south of North River Road. Water encroaches into some residences and outbuildings in this area with access to properties significantly impaired. Major and widespread flooding occurs along the south bank from the Nebraska Game and Parks Recreational Vehicle Campground Site to Cody Park in North Platte.
- 6.5 Moderate and more widespread flooding of low lying and agricultural land begins along the north bank of the North Platte River from Highway 83 to approximately 4 miles west of Highway 83 south of North River Road. Water encroachment into some residences property begins along and south of North River Road. Water encroachment into low lying areas of Cody Park worsens.
- 6 Minor flood stage. Minor flooding of low lying and agricultural land begins along the north bank of the North Platte River from Highway 83 to approximately 4 miles west of Highway 83 south of North River Road. Minor water intrusions into low lying areas of Cody Park in North Platte begins. People should be cautioned against being in the water along the banks of the river especially near Cody Park.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=lbfgage=nptn1>

- 5.7 Minor overflows of low lying and agricultural land begins along the north bank of the North Platte River from Highway 83 to approximately 4 miles west of Highway 83 south of North River Road. People should be cautioned against being in the water along the banks of the river especially near Cody Park.

Definition of Flood Impacts (After July 2020 Chokepoint Test)

- 10 Flood waters will reach the low steel of the Highway 83 bridge near North Platte. Flood waters will also reach the low steel of the railroad bridge located two miles downstream of the Highway 83 bridge.
- 9 Major and widespread flooding along both banks of the North Platte River. Major and widespread flooding of Rivers Edge Golf Course, properties near west 18th street, Cody Park and residential properties to the north of East 16th Street may occur without proper protection.
- 8 Without proper protection, widespread flooding will continue at Cody Park as flood waters from the boat ramp cross the paved access road along the northwest edge of the park and flood portions of the park.
- 7.5 River flooding along the North Platte River and groundwater flooding will worsen. Widespread flooding of agricultural land is expected. Homes and access to homes will continue to be impaired.
- 7.2 Major and widespread flooding along the north bank of the North Platte River south of North River Road and west of Highway 83. Flooding on North Washboard Road to the north and south of North River Road. Widespread flooding to residences and outbuildings along and south of North River Road with access to properties significantly impaired. Widespread flooding worsens south side of the river, including Cody Park and areas between the Rivers Edge Golf Course and Buffalo Bill Campground.
- 7 Major and widespread flooding along the south bank of the North Platte River. Without protection, water may begin to encroach on residences and outbuildings along the north bank of the river, west of Highway 83 and south of North River Road. Access to properties may become impaired. Major and widespread flooding along the south bank from the Buffalo Bill Campground to Cody Park in North Platte.
- 6.8 Without protection, water may reach homes along the south side of the North Platte River. Flooding of outbuildings and structures worsen, with a few structures surrounded by water a few feet deep. Flooding may begin on the north side of the river, south of North River Road and south of Hall School Road. Groundwater levels will rise, with groundwater flooding impacting a few locations.
- 6.5 Moderate and more widespread flooding of agricultural land begins along the south bank of the North Platte River. Water encroachment into a few outbuildings and structures begins on the south side of the river between the Golf Course and Buffalo Bill Campground. Homes with crawl spaces and cellars will experience flooding. Septic issues in rural areas and water encroachment into low lying areas of Cody Park worsens.
- 6.25 Minor flooding continues along the south side of the river. Homes in rural areas may begin to experience septic issues, with flooding of crawl spaces and cellars possible. Water begins to back up normally dry channels, flooding agricultural land. At this level on the north side of the river, water will begin to flow along North River Road upstream from the substation. Groundwater levels will begin to rise and some minor ponding of water may begin behind the stockyards and in other low areas.
- 6 Minor flood stage. Minor flooding begins in low lying and agricultural areas along the south bank of the North Platte River. Flooding of yards between the golf course and Buffalo Bill Campground are possible. Minor water intrusions into low lying areas of Cody Park in North Platte begins. People should use caution in the water and along the banks of the river, especially near Cody Park.