



Prepare Your Property for Spring Breakup

Property owners should protect their property from flooding to reduce the likelihood of damages to their and neighbouring properties. This includes reducing environmental contamination caused by fuel spills.

The Town of Hay River Zoning and Building Bylaw specifies building construction requirements for properties in defined flood zones. Other activities to consider include:

- Move equipment, vehicles and belongings stored outside;
- Elevate supplies and equipment stored in garages and sheds;
- Install barriers to protect low lying assets;
- Prepare and check sump and/or other pumps;
- Install / inspect backflow valves;
- Pump out sewer tanks ahead following any evacuation alerts;
- Install weather protection sealant around the base of low-level doors and windows;
- Do not store your important documents in the basement;
- Remove toxic substances such as pesticides and insecticides from the flood area to prevent pollution;
- Take special precautions to safeguard electrical or propane heating.

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