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DECOMMISSION OF VHF DIRECTION FINDING

NAV CANADA, the country's provider of civil air navigation services, conducted an aeronautical study that examined the requirement for very high frequency (VHF) direction finding (VDF) equipment used to provide navigational assistance to pilots, served by some control towers and flight service stations (FSS).

The study concluded that due to the proliferation of global navigation satellite system (GNSS) positioning equipment, VDF is no longer required for the provision of navigational assistance. As a result, the use of the VDF equipment should be discontinued and reference to VDF removed from all aeronautical publications. Locations are described below.

Location	Airport Identifier
Brandon, MB	CYBR
Cranbrook, BC	CYXC
Deer Lake, NL	CYDF
Fort Nelson, BC	CYYE
Fort St. John, BC	CYXJ
Fredericton, NB	CYFC
Inuvik, NT	CYEV
Kenora, ON	CYQK
Kingston, ON	CYGK
Lethbridge, AB	CYQL
Muskoka, AB	CYQA
Norman Wells, NT	CYVQ
Oshawa, ON	CYOO
Penticton, BC	CYYF
Prince Albert, SK	CYPA
Rankin Inlet, NU	CYRT
Red Deer, AB	CYQF
Rouyn-Noranda, QC	CYUY
St. Catharines, ON	CYSN
St-Honoré, QC	CYRC
Sioux Lookout, ON	CYXL
Sudbury, ON	CYSB
Timmins, ON	CYTS
Val-d'Or, QC	CYVO
Wabash, NL	CYWK
Whitehorse, YK	CYXY
Williams Lake, BC	CYWL
Yellowknife, NT	CYZF

This change will take effect on 07 October 2021 at 0901Z Coordinated Universal Time (UTC). The appropriate aeronautical publications will be amended.

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