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Summary

This document presents publicly available data used to inform the assessment in Volume 3, Chapter 15: Hydrology and Flood Risk.

Qualifications

This document has been prepared by Jonathan Morley, a Principal Consultant, who has 12 years' experience of environmental impact assessment.

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1. Introduction

- 1.1.1 This appendix (appendix 15.2) presents the Environment Agency (EA) indicative Flood Zone information for the hydrology and flood risk study area for Thurrock Flexible Generation Plant (as defined in Volume 3, Chapter 15: Hydrology and Flood Risk).
- 1.1.2 EA Flood Zone mapping has been used to inform the baseline and impact assessment of flood risk associated with the Thurrock Flexible Generation Plant presented in Volume 3, Chapter 15: Hydrology and Flood Risk.
- 1.1.3 The EA indicative Flood Zones show the probability of river and sea flooding, and do not consider the presence of defences. They are shown on the EA's Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea)¹. Flood Zone definitions are:
 - Zone 1 Low Probability Land which has a less than 1 in 1,000 annual probability of river or sea flooding;
 - Zone 2 Medium Probability Land which has between a 1 in 100 and 1 in 1,000 annual probability of river flooding; or land having between a 1 in 200 and 1 in 1,000 annual probability of sea flooding;
 - Zone 3a High Probability Land which has a 1 in 100 or greater annual probability of river flooding; or Land having a 1 in 200 or greater annual probability of sea flooding; and
 - Zone 3b The Functional Floodplain which comprises land where water has to flow or be stored in times of flood. Local planning authorities should identify in their Strategic Flood Risk Assessments areas of functional floodplain and its boundaries accordingly, in agreement with the EA.
- 1.1.4 The majority of the hydrology and flood risk study area is categorised as Zone 2 and 3, as shown in Section 2 EA flood maps. Note that these maps shown an earlier iteration of the proposed development boundary but do include the entire area of the current application boundary, which is shown in Volume 2, Chapter 2: Project Description of the ES.
- 1.1.5 The EA flood maps show the location of main rivers, and ordinary watercourses, including Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) watercourses within the hydrology and flood risk study area. They are defined as:
 - Main rivers watercourses where the EA has permissive powers over their management; and

- Ordinary watercourses includes rivers, streams, ditches, drains which do not form part of a main river and are managed by Essex County Council, as Lead Local Flood Authority.
- 1.1.6 The main rivers are listed in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1: Main Rivers or IDB watercourses in the hydrology and flood risk study area.

Watercourse name	EA main river or LLFA watercourse
West Tilbury Drain	EA
Mardyke & Fobbing	EA
River Thames	EA

1.1.7 Section 3 presents the tidal breach model outputs extracted from the Thurrock Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (June 2018).

¹ http://environment.data.gov.uk/ds/catalogue/index.jsp#/catalogue

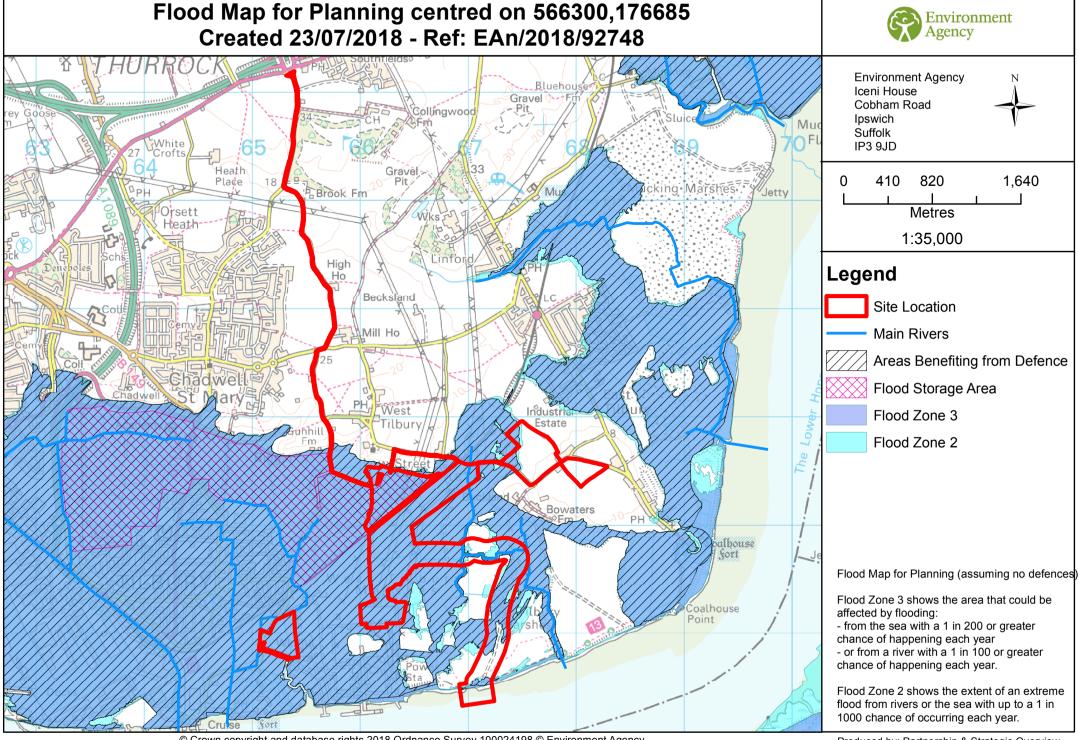




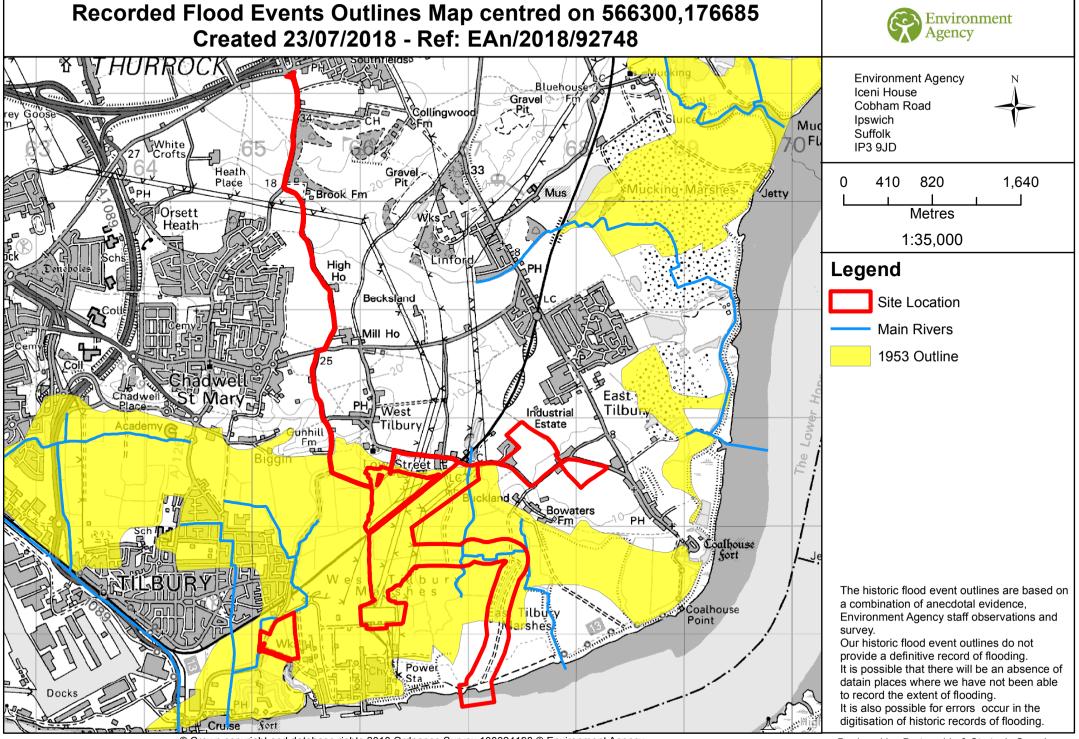
2. EA flood maps



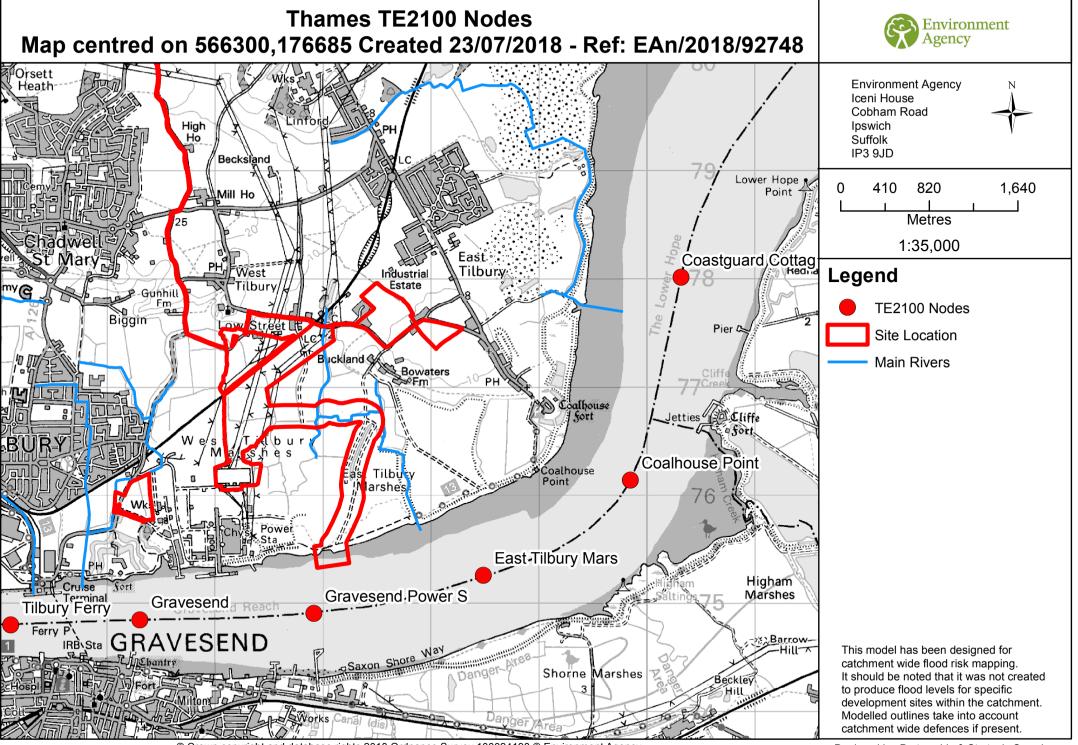




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3. Thurrock Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (June 2018)





