Supplementary Information:

## Carbon emission from Western Siberian inland waters

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**Supplementary Figure 1.** Daily net ecosystem exchange (NEE) rate across Western Siberia for the first day of each month in 2016. Data for all days can be found in the data repository.



**Supplementary Figure 2.** Quantified C emission rates for the Ob' main channel (**A**) and for river network (**B**). The side panels represent color-coded density plots of the respective C emission rates across latitudes (vertical dimension) and longitudes (horizontal dimension).



**Supplementary Figure 3.** Quantified C emission rates for permafrost-affected lakes. The side panels represent color-coded density plots of the respective C emission rates across latitudes (vertical dimension) and longitudes (horizontal dimension). Note that we removed 1 outlier to visually improve the graph. The data on lakes in the permafrost-free zone is not shown on the figure since it has been derived from Sabrekov et al. 2017<sup>1</sup>.



**Supplementary Figure 4.** Frequency distribution of estimated C emission rate for the Ob' main channel using Monte Carlo approach. The red line indicates the median of quantified C emission rate, whereas the blue line indicates the median of estimated C emission rate using Monte Carlo simulation.

**Supplementary Table 1.** Parameters of mean  $\pm$  s.d. of different variables across permafrost zones of Western Siberia. Dash stands for not applicable, since the data for permafrost-free lakes were derived from Sabrekov et al. 2017<sup>1</sup>.

	Permafrost zone				
	Permafrost-free	Isolated	Sporadic	Discontinuous	Continuous
Ob' main channel					
CO <sub>2</sub> emission rate (g C m <sup>-2 (water)</sup> d	<sup>1</sup> ) $1.31 \pm 0.89$	$5.39\pm0.67$	$5.41\pm0.69$	$3.82 \ \pm 1.14$	$3.82 \pm 1.13$
C yield (g C m <sup>-2 (land)</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	0.02	0.59	0.11	0.15	0.008
Rivers > 90 m wide					
CO <sub>2</sub> emission rate (g C m <sup>-2 (water)</sup> d	<sup>1</sup> ) $4.59 \pm 3.70$	$7.45\pm5.70$	$11.06 \pm 14.39$	$5.88 \pm 7.69$	$2.58 \pm 1.72$
C yield (g C m <sup>-2 (land)</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	3.52	2.78	6.57	4.89	2.26
Lakes > 0.01 km <sup>2</sup> area					
C emission rate (g C m <sup>-2 (water)</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )	-	$1.11 \pm 1.36$	$0.77 \pm 1.38$	$2.76\pm3.67$	$2.83\pm3.13$
C yield (g C m <sup>-2 (land)</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	3.79	8.95	7.58	34.2	20.4
Land area (km <sup>2</sup> )	2,278,980	343,473	360,404	357,125	303,307

**Supplementary Table 2.** Monthly net ecosystem exchange (NEE) of Western Siberia. The mean and s.d. represent a mean and 1 s.d. of NEE rate aggregated per month across entire Western Siberia (across 71,280 of 9 x 9 km cells covering the region), whereas the monthly NEE values are reported as a sum of products' sum of each 71,280 individual cells' NEE rates and respective cells' resolution. The NEE data was extracted from NASA SMAP L4 Global Daily 9 km EASE-Grid Carbon Net Ecosystem Exchange, Version 4 product (https://nsidc.org/data/SPL4CMDL)<sup>2</sup>.

Month	NEE			
	$Mean (g C m^{-2 (land)} d^{-1})$	s.d. (g C m <sup>-2 (land)</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )	Total (Tg C month <sup>-1</sup> )	
January	0.54	0.001	61.56	
February	0.59	0.006	62.84	
March	0.64	0.016	73.26	
April	0.61	0.056	67.72	
May	-0.17	0.077	-20.17	
June	-1.28	0.087	-140.60	
July	-1.88	0.112	-213.38	
August	-0.74	0.123	-198.18	
September	-0.23	0.049	-26.06	
October	0.26	0.023	30.32	
November	0.44	0.004	48.77	
December	0.48	0.002	55.30	

**Supplementary Table 3.** Annual flow-weighted DOC and DIC export by the Ob', Pur and Taz river basins. DOC flux for Ob' is based on Kaiser et al. 2017<sup>3</sup> while DIC flux for Ob' is derived from Tank et al. 2012 (mean for the period of 2003-2009). DOC fluxes for Pur and Taz are based on Pokrovsky et al. 2015<sup>4,5</sup> (mean over the period of 2013-2014), whereas DIC fluxes for these rivers are derived from Gordeev et al. 1996<sup>6</sup> (both are quantified based on discharge data from 1971-1980).

River	DOC flux	DIC flux	C flux
	Tg C yr <sup>-1</sup>	Tg C yr <sup>-1</sup>	Pg C yr <sup>-1</sup>
Ob'	3.91	5.9	0.0098
Pur	0.23	0.17	0.0004
Taz	0.28	0.58	0.0008

	Dependent variable			
	Ice-free season length, days			
Predictor variable	(1)	(2)		
River latitude, °N	-6.53*** (0.07)			
Lake latitude, °N		-6.31*** (0.08)		
Intercept	578.71*** (4.63)	536.47*** (5.27)		
Observations	116	228		
R <sup>2</sup>	0.99	0.96		
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.99	0.96		
Residual Std. Error	2.22 (df = 114)	2.36 (df = 226)		
F Statistics	7,899.51*** (df = 1;114)	6,012.09*** (df = 1;226)		
Note:		***p<0.01		

**Supplementary Table 4.** Parameters of linear regression between ice-free season length and latitude.

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