

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

June 8, 2007

BRITISH COLUMBIA FLOOD UPDATE

VICTORIA - The flood situation in British Columbia has not changed significantly overnight. The following information is current as of 7 a.m., June 8, 2007.

RIVER LEVELS

| <u>River Station</u> | <u>Gauge Reading</u> | <u>Change</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Fraser River at South Ft George | 9.847 @ 0200 hrs | Flat |
| Fraser River at Mission | 5.820 @ 0330 hrs | Flat |
| North Thompson at McLure | 4.653 @ 0400 hrs | Declining |
| Skeena at Usk | 13.056 @ 0200 hrs | Declining |

FORECAST

Over the past 12 hours, no precipitation was recorded in the Bulkley Valley or Skeena areas. In the Upper Fraser, light rain of 1-4mm fell in the McBride area. Today's forecast is for a slight warming trend and no significant rain.

The next system is expected to move through coastal areas on Saturday, with rain forecast for the south coast in the 25-35mm range. This front will be accompanied by high winds. The Skeena area is forecast to receive light rain, with 10-15mm in the Bulkley Valley.

Unsettled weather is forecast for Sunday and Monday as the system moves through. Freezing levels on the south coast are expected to drop to 4,000 ft. Expected showers could fall as snow above that level.

The following communities have issued declarations of state of local emergency, evacuation alert or evacuation order.

STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

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| City of Prince George | June 4, 2007 | Town of Smithers | June 5, 2007 |
| Kitimat Stikine RD | June 5, 2007 | Fraser Fort George RD – Electoral Area F | June 6, 2007 |
| Bulkley Nechako RD | June 5, 2007 | Fraser Fort George RD – Electoral Area H | June 7, 2007 |
| City of Terrace | June 5, 2007 | City of Golden | June 6, 2007 |
| Columbia Shuswap RD – Electoral Area A | June 6, 2007 | | |

EVACUATION ALERTS

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|---------------------|--------|-----------|-----------------------|--------|-----------|
| City of Terrace | June 5 | 10 homes | Kitimat Stikine RD | June 5 | 550 homes |
| Maple Ridge | June 5 | 159 homes | City of Prince George | June 5 | 70 homes |
| Township of Langley | June 5 | 400 homes | Fraser Fort George RD | June 5 | 60 homes |
| City of Chilliwack | June 5 | 40 homes | City of Hope | June 7 | 66 homes |
| City of Abbotsford | June 6 | 34 homes | Mt Currie | June 6 | 6 homes |

EVACUATION ORDER

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| City of Prince George | June 5, 2007 | 10 homes (Farrell Street) |
| Bulkley Nechako RD | June 5, 2007 | 25 homes (Ebenezer Flats) |
| Town of Smithers | June 5, 2007 | 7 home (Fall Fairground area) |
| Whispering Pines/Clinton First Nation | June 5, 2007 | 20 people (to Kamloops) |
| Shxwy'ow'amel reserve | June 5, 2007 | 4 people (to Hope) |
| Kitimat Stikine RD | June 6, 2007 | 50 homes (Braun's Island) |
| City of Golden | June 6, 2007 | 8 homes (Anderson Road) |
| Columbia Shuswap RD | June 6, 2007 | 8 homes (Anderson Road) |

More information will be available at the 3 p.m. briefing this afternoon at 2975 Jutland Road, Victoria, B.C. or by phone at 1 866 862-3908 Operator will ask which conference. Reply: "River Forecast Centre".

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Contact: Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre
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