



Overview

Higher temperatures in the central interior are resulting in rapid snowmelt and rising river levels in the upper Fraser River. The latest weather forecasts call for continued hot weather in the upper Fraser for today and Sunday (with daily maximum temperatures of 30+°C), with a continuation of warmer than normal weather into Monday.

It is extremely important for individuals to be prepared for emergencies. Assemble and keep an emergency kit ready that contains enough supplies to support you and your family for at least 72 hours.

Northeast Region

A Flood Warning was issued by the River Forecast Centre at 3:30 p.m. today for the upper Fraser River (McBride, Prince George, Quesnel and other locations along the Fraser River).

The water level of the Fraser River at South Fort George is forecast to exceed 9 meters as early as Monday/Tuesday and is expected to exceed 10 metres by Thursday.

Flooding will be occurring along the upper Fraser river and in some locations in Prince George, Quesnel and elsewhere.

The South Peace and Liard rivers are rising rapidly due to significant snowmelt. The Nechako is also experiencing high flow.

Northwest Region

The Bulkley River has begun to rise again. The High Streamflow Advisory issued May 26th is still in effect. River levels in the Skeena basin are rising steadily.

Central Region

The North Thompson River is rising due to significant snowmelt.

Lower Fraser River

The lower Fraser River is currently rising. It will continue to rise over the weekend and next week, as the snowmelt from the upper Fraser and Thompson River reaches the Lower Mainland. As a result of the changes in the weather forecasts, flow forecasts are now increased for the Fraser River system.

River Level Situation and Forecast:

Click [here](#) for latest detailed forecast and commentary.

Click [here](#) to view up-to-date information from the River Forecast Centre website.

Click [here](#) to view real-time B.C. river level monitoring station readings.

Weather Forecast:

Click [here](#) to view the Environment Canada Weather Office forecasts.

Public Health Advisories:

Click [here](#) to view public health information provided by the B.C. Ministry of Health.

Highway Conditions:

Closed in both directions 37 kilometers east of Terrace because of debris slide. Temporary openings for single lane alternating traffic scheduled for 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. daily until further notice.

For the most up-to-date information on this situation and others, visit www.drivebc.ca or call toll-free, 1-800-550-4997.

Provincial Response Activity:

Provincial regional emergency operation centres in Terrace, Prince George, Kamloops, Nelson, Surrey and Victoria are activated. Staffing is being increased in the Provincial centres at Prince George and Surrey in anticipation of high water flows.

In total, at all the provincial centres, approximately 80 provincial staff – people with emergency management experience and training are currently involved.

The province's logistical preparations includes sandbags, sandbag filling machines, and other flood fighting materials. 3.5 million sandbags have been distributed to local authorities.

Also, \$1.1 million has been spent on 9.5 kilometers of innovative flood protection technology – called gabion diking. This has been deployed to Mission, Kamloops, Prince George, and most recently, Quesnel.

Provincial government staff are monitoring river levels, and together with local government officials and First Nations bands are reviewing potential threats to the public, infrastructure and the environment.

A toll-free provincial flood information line is available daily from 12 noon to 8 p.m. The number is: 1-888-350-6070.

Local Authority Response Activity

Click [here](#) for municipality contact information.

Local Authority	EOC Status	Local State of Emergency	# on Evacuation Alert	# on Evacuation Order	Web Site URL
Fraser-Fort George Regional District	Activated	N			www.rdffg.bc.ca
Prince George	Activated	N			www.city.pg.bc.ca
Bulkley- Nechako Regional District	Activated	N			www.rdbn.bc.ca
Houston	Activated	N			www.houston.ca
Cariboo Regional District	Activated	N			www.carbioord.bc.ca
Quesnel	Activated	N			www.city.quesnel.bc.ca
Fraser Valley Regional District	Activated	N			www.fvrd.bc.ca
Village of McBride	Activated	N			http://mcbride.ca/
Peace River Regional District	Activated	N			http://www.peacriverrd.bc.ca/home.php
Central Coast Regional District	Activated	N			http://centralcoastbc.com/
First Nations community updates, go to: www.fness.bc.ca					

Public Information - Flood Preparedness and Response

The Provincial Flood Information Line

- 1-888-350-6070

On the web, visit: www.pep.bc.ca

Other Telephone Numbers

In an emergency,

- dial 9-1-1

For local non-emergency information,

- contact your local government authority. Find contact numbers in the blue pages of the telephone book

For public health information, contact your regional health authority,

- Northern Health Authority, 1-888-766-6358
- Fraser Health Authority, 1-877-935-5669

For agriculture sector information, contact the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands:

- 1-888-221-7141