



Overview

A **High Streamflow Advisory** means that river levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly, but that no major flooding is expected. Minor flooding in low-lying areas is possible.

A **Flood Watch** means that river levels are rising and will approach or may exceed bankfull. Flooding of areas adjacent to affected rivers may occur.

A **Flood Warning** means that river levels have exceeded bankfull or will exceed bankfull imminently, and that flooding of areas adjacent to the rivers affected will result.

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 on June 2 at 3:30 p.m. for the upper Fraser River (McBride, Prince George, Quesnel and other locations along the Fraser River).

The Fraser River at Prince George is now expected to reach well above flood stage this week.

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

Northwest Region

A Flood Warning is in effect for the Nass River. The Nass River has been rising rapidly over the past 24 hours. Flooding is likely to occur along unprotected sections of the Nass valley and will become more extensive over the next 48-72 hours. The Nass will continue to rise today and tomorrow.

The Nass Valley is forecast to receive moderate rainfall over the next 48-72 hours.

A Flood Warning was issued for the Skeena River today. Flooding is occurring along unprotected sections of the Skeena valley, and flooding is anticipated near Terrace and in other communities along the Skeena.

The Skeena River watershed is forecast to receive significant rainfall, beginning today and lasting through to Wednesday.

A Flood Warning was issued for the Bulkley River on June 3. The Bulkley River from Houston downstream to Hazelton is forecast to continue rising over the next few days, peaking possibly Wed-Fri (June 6-8). Flooding is anticipated to occur in areas unprotected by dikes.

Central Region

A High Streamflow Advisory is in effect for the North Thompson River (Birch Island, Clearwater, McLure).

Heavy rain is forecasted to begin late Monday and extend into Tuesday and Wednesday.

The North Thompson River will continue rising until mid to late next week. It is forecast to peak Thursday-Friday (June 7-8).

Flooding may occur along low-lying sections of the river upstream of Kamloops in areas without protection of standard dikes. No flooding is forecast for the City of Kamloops. This situation is strongly contingent upon the rainfall forecast for the next few days. Actual flows will vary depending upon the amount of rainfall received in the watershed.

Southeast Region

A High Streamflow Advisory issued June 3 for the Slocan River. The Slocan has been rising slowly for the past five days as a result of recent hot weather and snowmelt in the basin.

Southwest Region (Lower Fraser River)

A High Streamflow Advisory for the lower Fraser River, encompassing the areas between Hope and the ocean was issued on June 2. Flooding is anticipated to occur in areas unprotected by dikes.

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:

Highway 16 is closed in both directions 37 kilometers east of Terrace because of a debris slide. Clearing is continuing. Temporary openings scheduled for 7 am to 9 am, 2 pm to 3 pm, and 8 pm to 10 pm 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:

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

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.

The Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre in Victoria is activated.

Provincial regional emergency operation centres in Terrace, Prince George, Kamloops, Nelson and Surrey 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. Ministry of Forests firefighting crews will be used for sandbagging operations in support of local governments.

\$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 Quesnel.

An Agriculture Notice -- Livestock Relocation Phase 2 and 3 was issued June 2 by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Ministry of Agriculture and Lands.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands has an emergency operations centre in Abbotsford. It is providing flood awareness information and guidance on managing livestock in preparation for flooding.

For more information on the relocation of cattle and emergency preparedness planning, dairy farmers are asked to call the BC Milk Producers Flood Line at 1-877-859-6140 or click [here](#). For more general information on agricultural emergency preparedness, farmers are asked to contact the MEOC in Abbotsford toll free at 1-888-221-7141

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
Village of McBride	Activated	N			http://mcbride.ca/
Bulkley- Nechako Regional District	Activated	N			www.rdbn.bc.ca
Houston	Activated	N			www.houston.ca
Cariboo Regional District	Activated	N			http://www.cariboord.bc.ca/
Quesnel	Activated	N			www.city.quesnel.bc.ca
Fraser Valley Regional District	Activated	N			www.fvrd.bc.ca
Mission	Activated	N			http://www.city.mission.bc.ca
Peace River Regional District	Activated	N			http://www.peaceriverrd.bc.ca/home.php
(Greater Vancouver area)					
Maple Ridge	Activated	N			www.mapleridge.ca/
Central Coast Regional District	Activated	N			http://centralcoastbc.com/
Thompson- Nicola Regional District	Activated	N			http://www.tnrd.bc.ca/
Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine	Activated	N			http://www.rdks.bc.ca/
Terrace	Activated	N			http://www.city.terrace.bc.ca/
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