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Flood Warning – Liard River (MAINTAINED)

High Streamflow Advisory – Swift River and Northwest BC (MAINTAINED)

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The River Forecast Centre is **maintaining** to a **Flood Warning** for:

- **Liard River including tributaries around Fort Nelson and Highway 97 towards Watson Lake**

The River Forecast Centre is **maintaining** to a **High Streamflow Advisory** for:

- **Swift River, and other streams and rivers in the most northwest section of the province**

The Liard River at Upper Crossing (Water Survey of Canada Gauge 10AA001) is currently flowing at 2950 m³/s (between a 10-year and 20-year flow) and has remained stable at that level for the past few days. At the Liard River at Lower Crossing (10BE001) flows are currently at 8120 m³/s (approximately a 20-year flow) with signs of leveling off and small declines early on Saturday morning. The Swift River (09AE003) is currently flowing at 430 m³/s (20-year flow) and rising, and similarly high flow conditions are expected in ungauged rivers nearby.

Flows are expected to remain elevated through the weekend. There are risks of additional rises early next week due to rainfall in headwater areas.

The public is advised to stay clear of the fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks during the high-streamflow period. [Be prepared and know your hazards.](#)

The [River Forecast Centre](#) continues to monitor the conditions and will provide updates as conditions warrant.

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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.

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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.