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Flood Warning – Quesnel River

Flood Watch – South Thompson

**High Streamflow Advisory – North Thompson, Nicola, Thompson River
(DOWNGRADED)**

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

- **Quesnel River**

The River Forecast Centre is **maintaining** a **Flood Watch** for:

- **South Thompson River (including Shuswap Lake)**

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

- **North Thompson River including tributaries around Barriere, Clearwater and Blue River**
- **Nicola River**

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

- **Thompson River from Kamloops to Spences Bridge**

Rivers in the Central Interior remain relatively high for this time of year due to delayed seasonal snowmelt and additional contribution from ongoing precipitation events. Environment and Climate Change Canada currently has an Orange Weather Notification for potential heavy showers over the Cariboo region beginning tomorrow (July 7) through to Friday (July 8) with precipitation totals possibly reaching 20 to 40 mm. Concern is high for rivers and creeks in the Cariboo region as flows have remained very high over the past several weeks. The most northerly sections of the North Thompson may be clipped with the heaviest showers and it's possible for Blue River to rise again. Other regions of the Central Interior are likely to receive totals up to 5 to 20 mm based on localised showers or thunderstorms.

The Thompson River from Kamloops to Spences Bridge has been steadily receding towards a 2-year return period flow and is downgraded to a High Streamflow Advisor from a Flood Watch.

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.](#)

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

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.