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Flood Watch – Dean River (Upgrade)

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The River Forecast Centre is **upgrading to a Flood Watch** for:

- **Dean River**

Warmer temperatures last week have increased the rate of snowmelt throughout the province. The Dean River below Tanswanket Creek (08FC003) has been steadily rising over the past three days and is currently flowing at 154 m³/s (between 5-year and 10-year flow). The river will likely continue rising over the next couple days and should reach above a 10-year flow. As water levels are very high, the Dean River is highly vulnerable if a moderate to heavy rainfall occurs over the upcoming week.

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.

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.