

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

High Streamflow Advisory – Bonaparte River (MAINTAINED)

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

- **Bonaparte River**

Temperatures in the Cariboo region have cooled since last weekend. Rates of snowmelt have decreased, and snow coverage is dwindling in mid-elevations (900-1200m). Flows in the rivers have reached peak levels and have seen a levelling off, or slight decline, over the past day or two. The Bonaparte River below Cache Creek (08LF002) peaked yesterday at approximately 48 m³/s (5-year flow) and have eased slightly to 45 m³/s.

Into the weekend, the province is forecast to transition into a more active weather period, with temperatures cooling, with some showers possible. Overnight temperatures are expected to drop below freezing at valley bottom, and snow melt rates are expected to remain low through the weekend. River flows are expected to remain stable, with some possible rises depending on weekend precipitation amounts.

The public is advised to stay clear of the fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks during the high-streamflow period.

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.