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MAINTAINED – High Streamflow Advisory - Cowichan River

ENDED - High Streamflow Advisory – Englishman River, Koksilah River, Chemainus River

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

- **Cowichan River**

The River Forecast Centre is **ending High Streamflow Advisories** for:

- **Englishman River**
- **Koksilah River**
- **Chemainus River**

Rivers across Vancouver Island have continued to recede following last weekend's atmospheric river event. Flows within the Englishman, Koksilah and Chemainus rivers have all returned to typical flow levels for this time of year. The Cowichan River is flowing at a slightly greater flow threshold, owing to the large upstream reservoir system that delays flow recession. Favourable weather indicates continued recession within streams throughout the region within the short term.

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.

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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.