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UPDATE: High Streamflow Advisory – Coldwater, Nicola (DOWNGRADED); Spius (MAINTAINED)

ENDED - High Streamflow Advisory – Tulameen, Similkameen

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

- **Coldwater River**
- **Lower Nicola River**
- **Spius Creek**

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

- **Tulameen River**
- **Similkameen River**

Rivers are receding after recent peaks following a series of three atmospheric rivers.

Temperatures at Princeton and Merritt are forecast to be near or below freezing over the upcoming 7-days. Rivers and creeks are expected to continue receding through this period.

The risk of additional atmospheric rivers occurring along the British Columbia coast will remain through the fall & winter.

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

Details of the COFFEE and CLEVER Model forecasts can be found at:

http://bcRFC.env.gov.bc.ca/fallfloods/map_coffee.html, and

http://bcRFC.env.gov.bc.ca/freshet/map_clever.html

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.