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High Streamflow Advisory – Upper Fraser

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

- **Upper Fraser River including areas from Prince George and upstream tributaries through the Robson Valley and the McGregor River**
- **Fraser River from Prince George to Quesnel**
- **West Road River including tributary rivers and streams around Nazko**

The hottest weather of the year was measured at Prince George Airport over the past 3 days, reaching maximum daily temperatures of 24.1°C on June 25th, 26.7°C on June 26th, and 28.6°C on June 27th. Snowmelt rates at the automated snow weather stations in the Upper Fraser are averaging 35 to 65 mm of melt per day this week. Additional rain is forecast ranging from 30 to 65 mm in the Upper Fraser over the next two days. Moderate to heavy rain falling on a rapidly melting snowpack increases the possibility for sudden increases of flow for rivers and creeks.

Areas of forecast high flows include the Bowron River, McGregor River and Fraser River around McBride, Hansard, Shelley and through Prince George to South Fort George and further downstream to Quesnel. The West Road River and upstream tributaries are also expected to rise.

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.

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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.