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High Streamflow Advisory – Bella Coola River

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

- **Central Coast including the Bella Coola River, Dean River and surrounding tributaries**

On-going snowmelt runoff from warm temperatures over the past few days is leading to high flows. A wetter system is expected to impact the Central Coast overnight Tuesday and into Wednesday, bringing moderate rainfall on top of high runoff from snowmelt. River levels are expected to experience rapid rises on Wednesday, with current forecasting indicating the potential for flows in the 2-year to 10-year range, however with uncertainty in rainfall amounts during this event, higher or lower flow are possible.

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.