

Ministry of Forests

High Streamflow Advisory – Quesnel River (DOWNGRADED)

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

- **Quesnel River**

The Quesnel River has remained high since significant snowmelt began at the beginning of June, peaking several times since then with rain. With the cessation of significant precipitation within the region, as well as the depletion of snowpack, the river has now fallen from seasonal highs experienced over the last month and a half. The Quesnel River at Quesnel (08KH006) has fallen to 869 m³/s (between a 2-5 year flow), and is forecast to continue to slowly recede; similarly, the Quesnel River at Likely has fallen to 530 m³/s (a 10 year return period) and is forecast to slowly fall. Despite this recession, the Quesnel River is still flowing at high levels for this time of year, and will thus be vulnerable should rain materialize within the forecast.

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.

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.