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High Streamflow Advisory – Chilcotin

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

- Chilcotin Region including the Chilcotin River, Big Creek, Taseko River, and surrounding tributaries around Tatlayoko Lake, Chilko Lake, Taseko Lakes and T̓ilhqot'in territory

Weather Synopsis:

A cold upper-low system is expected to pass across British Columbia over the coming days. This is expected to bring moderate to heavy rainfall into the Chilcotin Region. Upslope conditions are possible on east and north-east facing slopes, with rainfall amounts up to 50 mm possible on Monday. Snow is possible over higher terrain.

River Conditions:

Rivers are expected to rise on Monday in response to rainfall. High flows are possible through the region and will depend on the overall amount of rain that falls.

The public is advised:

River levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly. Being near these riverbanks, creeks and fast-flowing bodies of water is dangerous:

- Stay clear of fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks
- Avoid recreational activities such as fishing, swimming, boating or hiking near high streamflow rivers or streams
- Remember, high streamflow can easily trap strong swimmers, increasing risk of drowning

During a High Streamflow Advisory, conditions can change quickly. Understand the risks and get prepared by visiting www.PreparedBC/floods

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. Fast-flowing bodies of water increase risk to life safety. 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.