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High Streamflow Advisory – BC Interior

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The River Forecast Centre is issuing a High Streamflow Advisory BC Interior including **tributary rivers** in the:

- Upper Fraser – East (Prince George and upstream)
- Upper Columbia
- West Kootenay

Weather Synopsis:

A ridge of high-pressure system brought seasonally warm temperatures and elevated snowmelt across much of the province yesterday. Temperatures have eased today, with the potential for showers and thunderstorms in areas of southern BC today. On Friday, a short-lived high-pressure system will bring warmer temperatures and higher freezing levels (up to 4000m) over southern BC. On Saturday, more organized showers and rain are expected across the Interior, with forecasts of 15-30 mm of rainfall possible in areas including the south interior, West Kootenay and Upper Columbia.

River Conditions:

Rivers across the region have risen sharply over the past few days due to warmer temperatures and increased snowmelt runoff. Rivers are expected to remain high into the weekend, with the potential for additional rises in rivers on Saturday and Sunday in response to additional runoff from rainfall and snowmelt. Areas of particular concern include tributaries of the Fraser River upstream of Prince George, Upper Columbia, and West Kootenay. High flows are possible today through Sunday.

The [River Forecast Centre](#) continues to monitor the conditions and will provide updates as conditions warrant.

For information on how to prepare for flood hazards, visit [PreparedBC](#).

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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.