

Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

BC River Forecast Centre

Flood Warning: Upper Fraser River

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The BC River Forecast Centre is **maintaining a Flood Warning** for:

- Upper Fraser River (at Prince George and upstream)

River levels along the Upper Fraser have risen over the past few days, and are currently at or near the peak levels.

Current river levels (as of 8AM) are as follows:

- McGregor River at Lower Canyon (WSC Gauge 08KB003) is flowing at 930 m³/s and gauge height 3.7 m (below a 2-year flow). The river is now slowly dropping and is expected to continue dropping through today.
- Fraser River at Hansard (08KA004) is flowing at 2385 m³/s and gauge height of 7.45m (5-year flow). The Fraser River at Hansard is expected to drop through today.
- Fraser River at Shelley (08KB001) is flowing at 4600 m³/s and gauge height of 8.0 m (20-year flow). The Fraser River at Shelley has peaked and is expected to hold near current levels through mid-day today, and then begin dropping this afternoon.
- Fraser River at South Fort George (08KE018) is currently at 9.75 m and is nearing peak levels. The river may rise an additional 1-3 cm by mid-day today, and then is expected to begin to drop this evening.

Conditions are expected to stabilize with river levels dropping tomorrow and through the rest of the week.

The River Forecast Centre will continue to monitor conditions and will provide updates as required.

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.