



High Streamflow Advisory

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High Streamflow Advisory for West Central Alberta

Alberta Environment has issued a High Streamflow Advisory for several streams originating in the headwaters of the North Saskatchewan, Red Deer, and Bow River basins, including the following streams and their tributaries:

In the North Saskatchewan River Basin:

- **Ram River**
- **Clearwater River**

In the Red Deer River Basin:

- **the main stem of the Red Deer River upstream of the Dickson Dam**
- **James River**

In the Bow River Basin:

- **Highwood River**
- **Sheep River**
- **Elbow River**
- **Kananaskis River**

These streams are responding to rainfall accumulations of 20 to 40 millimetres, with local amounts of over 50 millimetres, over the last 24 hours. Precipitation is expected to continue through Saturday, with total accumulations of up to 80 mm being forecast.

Alberta Environment is monitoring river levels closely and is in close contact with Environment Canada Weather Services. Additional information is available from the Forecasters Comments on our website at: <http://www3.gov.ab.ca/env/water/ws/ForecastersComments/index.html>.

This advisory will be updated if the situation changes.

A High Streamflow Advisory means that stream levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly and no major flooding is expected.

Minor flooding in low-lying areas is possible. Anyone situated close to the streams affected (campers, fishermen, boaters and the general public) is advised to be cautious of the rising levels.

A Flood Watch means that stream levels are rising and will approach or may exceed bank full. Flooding of areas adjacent to these streams may occur. Anyone situated close to the streams is advised to take appropriate precautionary measures.

A Flood Warning means that rising river levels will result in flooding of areas adjacent to the streams affected. Anyone situated close to the river should take appropriate measures to avoid flood damage

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