

BC Environment

River Forecast Centre

Flood Warning Update: South Interior

- **Tulameen River**
- **Coldwater River**

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The intense Pacific frontal system affecting the South Coast over Sunday and Monday pushed over the Coast Mountains, producing heavy rainfall in headwater streams, and causing the Tulameen River (upper Similkameen River basin) and Coldwater River (upper Nicola River basin) to rise above flood stage.

The rain eased Monday afternoon, with both rivers peaking late Monday afternoon or evening. River levels have receded overnight.

- The Tulameen River below Vuich Creek peaked near 220 cubic metres per second (cms) and has now receded to 70 cms. The Tulameen River at Princeton peaked near 420 cms and has now receded to near 160 cms.
- The Coldwater River at Brookmere peaked near 115 cms and has receded to about 100 cms as of 3AM this morning (the most recent data available).

The Coldwater River remains above the flood warning threshold, and so the Flood Warning advisory will be maintained for the present. The River Forecast Centre will monitor conditions and update by 3PM today.

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.