

Flood watch

Pelly River at Ross River

May 10, 2022, 9:30 pm

Current conditions

Breakup occurred on the Pelly River at Ross River in the afternoon of May 10 and an ice jam formed downstream of town around 5 pm. Local observers reported the ice was not moving as of 9 pm. Water levels are currently stable at approximately 1.2 m below flood threshold as of 8:40 pm.

Water level forecast




If the ice jam persists, ice runs from upstream have the potential to increase water levels above flood threshold.

Flood and travel advice

The public is advised to stay clear of the fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks during the high-streamflow period. Flood prone property owners are advised to have a plan in place in the event of a flood. See [Yukon.ca/floods](https://www.yukon.ca/floods) for more information.

We will continue to monitor conditions and will provide updates as conditions change.

Advisory and warning levels

-  **High streamflow or water advisory:** Lake levels or river flows or levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly, but no major flooding is expected. Minor flooding in low-lying areas is possible.
-  **Flood watch:** River or lake levels are rising and will approach or may exceed banks. Areas beside affected rivers and lakes may flood.
-  **Flood warning:** River or lake levels have exceeded or will exceed banks or flood stage very soon. Areas beside affected rivers and lakes will flood.

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