

High water advisory

Southern Lakes

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Current conditions

Water levels in the Southern Lakes, including Bennett Lake, Tagish Lake and Marsh Lake, rose in late September and early October in response to heavy rainfall in the basin. The current levels are the highest on record for this date.

Weather forecast

As much as 35 mm of precipitation may fall within the Southern Lakes basin over the next 24 hours followed by a cold front that will bring cooler temperatures and sun on Friday. Snow or rain is forecast to follow through the weekend. Although some of the forecast precipitation will fall as snow, the majority of the first event is expected to be rain.

Water level forecast

Water levels are expected to increase, and could rise up to 30 cm above their current levels depending on the amount of rainfall received in the basin.

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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