

High water advisory - ENDED

Southern Lakes

October 28, 2022 2 pm

Current conditions

Marsh, Tagish and Bennett Lakes peaked 2 to 4 cm above their August high on October 20 and have dropped approximately 10 cm since that date. This is the latest annual peak on record and the lakes remain above the highest levels on record for this time of year.

Weather forecast

Average daily temperatures have now fallen below freezing and are forecast to trend down over the coming week. Snow, flurries and cloudy conditions are expected for the next week.

Water level forecast

While water levels on the Southern Lakes and the Yukon River remain much higher than usual for this time of year they are now into their winter recession. The rate of drop will increase over the coming weeks as inflows from tributaries decline with the onset of winter conditions.

Flood and travel advice

The public is advised to stay clear of the fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks during the highstreamflow period. Flood prone property owners are advised to have a plan in place in the event of a flood. See Yukon.ca/floods for more information.

We will continue to monitor conditions and will release advisories as necessary.

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.

Contact

Flood response: Yukon Emergency Measures Organization, 867-667-5220 or emo.yukon@yukon.ca

