

Flood watch – Teslin Lake

June 14, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

A flood watch is being issued for:

- Teslin Lake

Water levels on Teslin Lake are currently above the 10-year return period level and rising, and likely to exceed the 20-year level within the next 48 hours.¹ Current forecasts indicate precipitation to continue in southeast Yukon including the Teslin area for the next 48 hours. Currently, the lake is rising at approximately 10 cm per day and may continue to do so for several days.

The snowpack in the Teslin basin was well above normal this season at 160 percent of normal on May 1. While the majority of the snowpack has melted, snow remains in the basin at high elevation and will continue to contribute to Teslin Lake. Several signal streams which drain to Teslin Lake are still rising.

Flood prone property owners are advised to have a plan in place in the event of a flood. See Yukon.ca 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 means that river or lake levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly, but that no major flooding is expected. Minor flooding in low-lying areas is possible.

Flood watch means that river or lake levels are rising and will approach or may exceed bankfull or flood stage. Flooding of areas adjacent to affected rivers and lakes may occur.

Flood warning means that river or lake levels have exceeded or will exceed bankfull or flood stage imminently, and that flooding of areas adjacent to the rivers and lakes affected will result.

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¹ Return period refers to the expected frequency at which a specific level will be exceeded based on statistical analysis of historic records. For example, the 20-year return period level is expected to be exceeded once every 20 years on average.