



The Emergency Measures Organization and Water Resources Branch are working closely to monitor water levels across the Yukon and provide accurate information to communities.

There are evacuation alerts in effect for:  
[areas of Lake Laberge, Tagish, Marsh Lake and Lewes River Road](#)

An evacuation order is in effect for:  
[a property on Shallow Bay Road at Lake Laberge](#)

For more details about these evacuation alerts or orders, visit [Yukon.ca/emergencies](http://Yukon.ca/emergencies)

### The following advisories are in effect:

- [Flood warning for Southern Lakes \(issued July 16\)](#)
- [Flood warning for Lake Laberge \(issued July 16\)](#)
- [High streamflow advisory for Yukon River at Carmacks \(issued July 9\)](#)
- [High streamflow advisory for Yukon River at Whitehorse \(issued July 5\)](#)
- [Boil water advisory for residents of Southern Lakes, Lake Laberge, Kusawa Lake and Takhini River areas \(issued July 7\)](#)
- [Boil water advisory for residents of Army Beach and South M'Clintock with private wells or underground water storage tanks \(issued July 7\)](#)
- [Boil water advisory for residents of Carmacks with private wells \(issued June 25\)](#)

### The following areas are closed:

- Riverside boardwalks and River Drive in Carmacks
- Marsh Lake Recreation Site (Army Beach) including the parking lot, pedestrian bridge and tenting sites
- Conrad Historic Site
- Parts of the Marsh Lake campground, including sites 10 to 15
- Tagish Campground
- Jackfish Bay Road is open to local traffic only

### Extended hours at Waste Management Facilities:

**Waste Management Facilities are now open 7 days per week in the Southern Lakes and Lake Laberge. The operating hours for specific facilities are:**

- Marsh Lake: 7 days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Carcross: 7 days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Tagish: 7 days per week from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Deep Creek: 7 days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



## Safety messages:

- The Yukon government is recommending local traffic only in all flood impacted areas to ensure public and responder safety and minimize any interference with flood mitigation efforts.
- No boat wakes within 200 metres of the shore as they undermine flood mitigation efforts.
- Stay clear of fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks.
- Be aware of river dangers, including elevated water levels, dangerous currents and increased debris.
- Talk to children about the risks posed by fast flowing rivers and high water levels.
- Do not swim or wade in areas with dangerous currents and uncertainties, such as areas along the Yukon River in Whitehorse, the bridge in Carcross and beach on Bennett Lake.

## Volunteer opportunities:

**Yukoners looking to volunteer their time to support the government's flood response can go to any of the sandbagging stations in Southern Lakes and Lake Laberge areas. Here's what you need to know:**

- Sandbagging stations are accessible 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- You do not need to register or check-in when you arrive. Go when you can, for as long as you can.
- Bring a shovel and supplies to be self-sufficient on-site. Remember to bring water!
- Teams of two work best – one person to hold the bag open, the other to shovel sand into the bag.
- Only fill the sandbags 60 percent full to facilitate placement.
- Respect COVID-19 rules and maintain physical distancing.

Locations: [yukon.ca/emergencies](https://yukon.ca/emergencies)

## There are active flood responses underway across Yukon:

### Southern Lakes and Lake Laberge

**An Incident management team (IMT) is on-site and is maintaining a response to the affected areas:**

- There are evacuation alerts in effect for [areas of Lake Laberge, Tagish, Marsh Lake and the Lewes River Road](#).
- There is an evacuation order in effect for [a property on Shallow Bay Road at Lake Laberge](#).
- Water levels on Bennett Lake, Tagish Lake, and Marsh Lake are currently 11, 6, and 15 centimetres above 2007 levels, respectively. Levels have stabilized and continue to drop slowly.
- Lake Laberge has stabilized, with a drop of 1.5 centimetres in the last 24 hours. The lake is now at 42 centimetres above 2007 levels.
- Approximately 230 personnel, including Yukon government officials, members of the Canadian Armed Forces, flood specialists and contractors, are actively engaged with the incident.
- Crews continue to build a superbag berm along Jackfish Bay Road in Lake Laberge, and are setting up pumps on the road to assist resident access.
- Sump pumps have been deployed to properties on Shallow Bay Road and ATCO is engaged in safety assessments for the area.
- There are approximately 40 properties in the Deep Creek area of Lake Laberge that are being impacted by high water levels and flooding. The IMT continues to assess properties and provide support where needed.

# Yukon PUBLIC FLOOD UPDATE

July 18, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

- More than 60 properties are being impacted by flooding in Army Beach. Superbags have been used to reinforce an existing sandbag berm and crews are working to reinforce flood protections in the area. Ground water assessments continue and additional sump pumps are being deployed.
- Superbags are being deployed to high priority properties in South M'Clintock and pumps are being installed in impacted areas. Approximately 45 properties are being impacted by flooding in this area.
- Properties along Lewes River Road (Sawmill Road) are being assessed by the IMT. RCMP have conducted wellness checks on property owners who are located after the section of road impacted by water.
- In Carcross, mitigation efforts are being led by the Carcross/Tagish First Nation. The superbag berm along the highway has been completed, and the IMT will continue to assess the area based on community resources and high water levels.
- Sandbagging is ongoing at priority properties in Tagish and crews continue to work on the superbag berm along the highway.
- Flood information sheets are now posted on bulletin boards at all sandbag stations, including a sign-up sheet for residents who require volunteer assistance. To find the location of sandbag stations, check out the Southern Lakes flood information map here: [yukon.ca/emergencies](http://yukon.ca/emergencies)

There will be a community meeting held via Zoom for the Lake Laberge area on Monday, July 19. An email with details will be sent out to the community contact list, and the team will also be delivering the information door to door.

Affected property owners can contact the Flood Information officer at 867-332-7084 or email [flooding@yukon.ca](mailto:flooding@yukon.ca)

## Carmacks

**An Incident management team (IMT) is on-site and is maintaining a response to the affected areas:**

- The water level is down about 30 inches from the high water mark, and continues to drop approximately 2 inches per day.
- Some superbags have now been removed from along River Drive and are being stored for future use or redeployment.
- A boil water advisory remains in place and two homes are under boil order.

Affected property owners can contact Incident Commander at 867-863-2408 or email [flooding@yukon.ca](mailto:flooding@yukon.ca).

## Other areas being monitored:

### Whitehorse

**The City of Whitehorse has activated its Emergency Operations Centre (EOC), located at 305 Range Road in the Public Safety Building:**

- City of Whitehorse crews are continuing to sandbag priority areas of the community.
- Mobilization of a superbag berm began in the Marwell subdivision to strengthen priority areas. In addition, superbags are being used to weigh down the Bert Law Bridge along the Millennium Trail. The bridge has been closed since July 2nd due to high water levels.
- Members of the public are asked to keep their distance from the edge of the Yukon River at all times, as some areas may be unstable and dangerous.

For flood information within Whitehorse city limits, contact the City of Whitehorse at 867-393-8444, [IOC.PublicInfo@whitehorse](mailto:IOC.PublicInfo@whitehorse), or visit [www.whitehorse.ca/flood](http://www.whitehorse.ca/flood).