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Flood monitoring ongoing throughout Cowichan region

DUNCAN, BC – Residents of the Cowichan region are advised that the Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) continues to monitor flooding throughout the region.

Rivers are responding to recent rainfall, and with more rain anticipated through the middle of next week, a high stream advisory is in effect. The public is advised to stay clear of the fast-flowing rivers and potentially unstable riverbanks during the high-streamflow period.

Small localized flooding problems continue to occur and are dealt with by the local jurisdiction. The CVRD has activated a Regional Emergency Operations Centre to monitor conditions and assist with flood protection activities.

At this time Cowichan Tribes has issued an [evacuation alert](#) for a number of affected areas, and in a smaller specified area, an [evacuation order](#). Although there are no evacuation alerts or orders in the rest of the region at this time, it is still recommended that residents in low lying areas or areas prone to flooding are prepared to evacuate. This includes gathering essential items like identification, medications, valuable documents and any immediate care needs in the event evacuation is required.

Residents will be given as much notice as possible if an evacuation is required; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions. The CVRD will continue to provide updates as conditions warrant.

Emergency information including active evacuation alerts and orders will be posted to the [CVRD Emergency Information](#) page of the website.

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