



Regional District of
Kitimat-Stikine

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Recent heavy rain on a melting snowpack has increased flows considerably overnight, especially in the Skeena River watershed. The Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine will be looking to declare a Local State of Emergency for Area C to include parts of Old Remo, New Remo and Usk. An Evacuation Order will also be sought for this area. A separate media release will follow regarding this Local State of Emergency and Evacuation Order.

Currently we are monitoring Dutch Valley. This area is well known for flooding associated with high spring freshet.

Should residents require sandbags, these are available by self-serve application at the Thornhill Volunteer Fire Department 3128 Hwy 16 East.

Specific instructions as follows:

Those individuals who have may be evacuated or have been forced out due to flooding need to report to the Thornhill Community Centre at 3091 Century Street in Thornhill for registration and assistance. They can also be reached at 250-641-2443

The Regional District will provide updates on local radio stations, website and social media pages as we receive them as well updates can be found on the Emergency Management BC website: <https://www.emergencyinfbc.gov.bc.ca/flood-warning-issued-for-stikine-river-and-tuya-river-june-2-2021/>

At this time residents and businesses in low-lying areas and areas which have experienced flooding in the past should take steps to flood proof their structures, including moving valuable items to higher ground, finding alternate locations for livestock, and finding alternate accommodations should the need for evacuation occur. Information regarding flood preparedness, including the proper methods of sandbagging can be found by visiting <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/floods>

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