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More reports of flooding in the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George

Reports of flooding concerns are increasing within the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George. Yesterday, the Regional District advised it was monitoring the Telachick Road area and the Salmon River, after residents reported issues with flooding and bank erosion.

Today, the Regional District has added Willow River, Chilako River, Willowdale Forest Service Road and Pinko Road to the list of areas it's monitoring. All areas are reporting localized concerns with water encroaching driveways and residences.

No further action has been required on Telachick Road. Bank erosion on the property on the Salmon River has continued, with another 5 more feet reported lost overnight. The Regional District is working with the Provincial Emergency Program to determine what kind of mitigation works can be done to protect the residence on the Salmon River.

The public is reminded that rivers and creeks may become dangerous as water levels rise. In addition to the dangers of increased water flow along rivers, high water-flows can cause bank erosion and instability. Please avoid all streams and water bodies with rising levels. Ditches and culverts can also prove dangerous with fast moving water and debris, so caution needs to be exercised when approaching ditches and culverts.

For more information on emergency preparedness, including how to prepare a 72 hour emergency kit, visit the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George website at www.rdffg.bc.ca or call 1-800-667-1959

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