



Overview

Weekend storms led to widespread flooding, power outages and transportation issues across southern British Columbia over the past 4 days.

Crews continue to work on the TransCanada highway in the Boston Bar area, however, the road continues to present isolation and access problems for the community. Generally other access routes that had previously experienced closures are now open.

PREOC conference calls for the Vancouver Island and Southwest Region local governments and agencies continued today with the commencement of advance planning for the recovery operations that may be required in the impacted areas.

Impacts

Vancouver Island Region

The situation across Vancouver Island continues to improve. There has been no heavy rainfall recorded in the past 24 hours. River levels are receding. BC Hydro is making significant progress restoring power to impacted communities and Ministry of Transportation indicates that most roads have been reopened.

- 95 people received ESS provisions in the region. The remaining residents impacted by the storms have sought support from family and friends
- 124 mm of rainfall measured in Port Alberni is a new record for the area.
- Boil water advisory remains for the City of North Cowichan.
- Roads flooded or damaged have been reopened except for the road between Port Renfrew and Lake Cowichan
- PREOC remains activated to Level 1 in support of local governments.

South West Region

The situation in the Southwest Region continues to improve. River levels are receding. MOT crews are making significant progress with highway closures.

- District of Maple Ridge: EOC has stood down. One home reported damaged, 2 others at risk from sewer backup
- Metro Vancouver Regional District an evacuation order was rescinded for 11 homes along Charles Creek.
- Squamish has posted boil water advisory.
- Boston Bar on Highway #1 remains partially isolated due to avalanche risks and actual snow/debris flows. Emergency access to the community has been

established and maintained by Ministry of Transportation. Power outages are still being addressed by BC Hydro.

- The Duffy Lake Road between Pemberton and Lillooet is now open (winter driving conditions).
- Southwest PREOC remains activated to Level 1 in support of local governments. Daily conference calls continue.

Central Region

- Rivers throughout the region have stabilized and remain well below flood stage. The PREOC has demobilized.

PECC

- PECC remains activated in support of the VIR and SWE PREOCs.
- Impacts and damage assessments are currently being received from local governments through the PEP regional offices

Outlook

The situation has improved across southern BC.

The River Forecast Centre is maintaining a Flood Warning for the Cowichan River. Flood Warnings notices for the Koksilah, Englishman, Nanaimo, Chemainus and Gold Rivers on Vancouver Island have ended. On the Lower Mainland, the Stave River Flood Warning has been down graded to a Flood Watch. Rivers levels in all areas are expected to continue to recede.

Weather conditions continue to improve in terms of any potential flood threat. Light showers will continue to diminish in the lower mainland for the remainder of today. Weather forecasts continue to indicate a cooler and dryer day tomorrow.

Provincial and local government staff continues to monitor the weather situation across the southern half of the province as the storm tracks eastward out of the province.