

## **PROVINCIAL COORDINATION CENTRE**

### **PECC FLOODING UPDATE - MAY 24, 2006 – 1200 hrs.**

#### **Key Updates**

- 206 homes remain on Evacuation Alert in the province. There are no homes under an evacuation order.
- An expanded State of Local Emergency was declared by the Regional District of Central Kootenay.
- The Flood Watch has ended for the Salmo and Bull Rivers. These rivers remain under High Streamflow Advisory until further notice.
- Flood Watch continues for the Slocan River.
- The Flood Watch for all other areas has been downgraded to a High Streamflow Advisory for the next few days.
- Local governments are beginning to collect damage assessment information.
- Recovery planning has begun in many areas.

#### **WEATHER FORECAST FOR KOOTENAY DISTRICTS AND SOUTHERN BC INTERIOR**

Unsettled weather continues with scattered afternoon showers expected throughout the day. The next system is expected to arrive in the region Friday, bringing more rain through Friday and Saturday. Precipitation is expected to be light and should not have a significant affect on river levels. Temperatures should be near seasonal normals, cooling slightly Friday, Saturday and possibly into Sunday. Freezing levels have dropped.

#### **SOUTHEAST REGION PREOC**

The Southeast PREOC remains activated at a level 2.

#### **REGIONAL DISTRICT KOOTENAY BOUNDARY - Joint Emergency Operations Centre, Grand Forks.**

An evacuation alert for 40 homes in the Johnson Flats Area was rescinded at 7:30 pm May 23.

#### **THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS - Joint Emergency Operations Centre, Grand Forks**

The EOC remains activated as home in the Johnson Flats area remain on alert.

#### **REGIONAL DISTRICT CENTRAL KOOTENAY - Emergency Operations Centre, Nelson.**

A new Declaration of Local State of Emergency was issued expanding to include electoral areas D,E, F, G, and H. A total of 166 homes adjacent to the Slocan River are under an evacuation alert. The Slocan River is expected to remain above flood stage until at least Thursday. The Salmo and Bull Rivers are no longer under Flood Watch. Highway 31 between Poplar Creek and Girard Bridge remains closed due to flooding.

#### **REGIONAL DISTRICT EAST KOOTENAY - Emergency Operations Centre, Cranbrook**

The Bull River is no longer under flood watch, but remains under High Streamflow Advisory until further notice.

**Central PREOC is activated at Level 1**

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