

## City of Maple Ridge News Release

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May 23, 2018 Update: Maple Ridge Response to Fraser River Freshet

**Maple Ridge, BC:** The BC River Forecast Centre's Flood Advisory for the Lower Fraser is still in effect. Here is a link to their latest advisory; <u>bcrfc.env.gov.bc.ca/warnings/index.htm</u>.

The Fraser River will remain at a high level over the next week. The BC River Forecast Centre continues to monitor for a potential second peak flow over the next seven days depending on weather conditions in the Fraser River system. The BC River Forecast Centre will provide updates to their forecasts as the Freshet continues.

The City of Maple Ridge's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) remains at Level 1 and we are monitoring conditions closely along the river. The EOC will be active until the river levels have receded.

The City of Maple Ridge has set up a webpage at <u>mapleridge.ca/1893</u> to provide updates on the situation in our community and any actions that are being undertaken as part of our Freshet Response Plan.

If citizens would like to receive these alerts directly to their email or smartphone we encourage you to go to <u>mapleridge.ca</u> and use 'Notify Me' module to subscribe to the 'Fraser River Alerts' which is part of the Alert Centre.

The City of Maple Ridge will also post links to the updates on our social media sites on Facebook (<u>facebook.com/yourmapleridge</u>) and Twitter (@yourmapleridge).

There are no changes in the local conditions and advisories.

The next update will be posted on Monday, May 28, 2018 unless there is a significant change in the observed or forecast water levels.