



## Media Release

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### **City prepares for potential flooding**

The City of Vernon is preparing for possible flooding on the weekend and Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) staff are on standby. Current long-range weather forecasts indicate rainfall in the region and the potential for high-flow conditions is likely. The City will continue to monitor water levels of creeks and streams as well as the condition of culverts within Vernon.

Vernon residents in low-lying areas should prepare for overflow of our creeks and streams and take measures to protect their property. Affected property owners adjacent to creeks, streams and lakes are responsible for having a plan as well as the tools and equipment necessary to protect their properties from possible flood damage.

Stockpiles of sand and sandbags are available at the following locations:

- Vernon City Operations (1900 48 Avenue) outside main gate on Pleasant Valley Road
- Corner of Okanagan Avenue and Okanagan Landing Road

Blocked culverts and water debris that causes an emergent threat of flooding should be reported to public works department. Residents can report blocked culverts online at [www.vernon.ca/report-issue](http://www.vernon.ca/report-issue), by emailing [operations@vernon.ca](mailto:operations@vernon.ca) or by calling 250-549-6757.

The City also reminds residents to exercise caution, particularly with children, when in the vicinity of fast moving creeks, streams and water.