



## Media Release

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### Potential flooding and public safety

Vernon residents living near creeks, streams and low lying areas should undertake measures to protect their property and reduce the risk of flooding, if they have not already done so.

The extremely warm temperatures will increase flows and levels of water bodies throughout the region, making flooding more likely. 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 sandbags and sand are available at the following locations:

- Vernon City Operations, 1900 48 Avenue outside main gate on Pleasant Valley Road.
- Kin Beach Overflow Parking, 7001 Tronson 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 (after hours call 250-542-5361).

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

### Resources

- Sign up to receive emergency alerts from the City at [www.vernon.ca/subscribe](http://www.vernon.ca/subscribe). Enter your email address and check the boxes to indicate the updates you want to receive. You can change or cancel your choices at any time.
- Information about flood preparation and FAQs are located here: <https://www.vernon.ca/floods-emergency-management>
- Tips on effective sandbagging are located here: <https://www.vernon.ca/activities-events/news-events/news-archive/tips-safety-near-floodwaters-and-effective-sandbagging>
- You can read all about the City of Vernon's Emergency Management program here: <https://www.vernon.ca/homes-building/fire-safety/emergency-management>

- In the event of flooding, updates will be provided through the local news outlets and on the City's social media pages: <https://www.facebook.com/cityofvernon> and <https://www.twitter.com/cityofvernon>