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City crews respond to flooding along Vernon Creek, Polson Park closed until further notice

The City of Vernon would like to advise the public that effective immediately Polson Park is closed due to flooding. The gates are closed on either end of the park and will remain closed until further notice.

The safety of our residents, visitors and staff is our top priority, so the public is asked to stay out of Polson Park and away from all creeks and creek banks – particularly with children and pets – as local creek levels continue to fluctuate.

The City has closed 24th Avenue (between 34th Street and 39th Street) to through traffic due to flooding along 24th Avenue and 34A Street. City crews have also placed sandbags along 24th avenue and 36th Street due to the high creek levels.

Motorists are asked to slow down as they drive around town, as the storm sewer system has been overwhelmed by today's sudden rain storm. City crews are now on site checking for creek blockages, flooded areas and open man holes across Vernon.

The water is beginning to recede; however, if residents see flooding or an area of concern, they can call the After Hours Emergency line at 250-542-5361.

The City will provide updates on this situation as they become available. For more information on flooding and flood protection, please visit the City's website: www.vernon.ca/flooding.