



DATE: Thursday October 29, 2015
TO: Squamish Valley members
FROM: Paul Wick, Administrator
RE: POTENTIAL HEAVY RAIN

Squamish Valley Operations has been advised that two storms will deliver heavy rain to the South Coast of BC beginning Thursday evening:

- The first storm will deliver 40 to 60 mm between Thursday evening and Friday morning.
- **The second storm will produce heavier rain**, in the range of 50 to 80 mm between Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.
- Strong southwesterly winds of 50-70km/h are expected Saturday morning as the storm moves onshore. Showers are expected Sunday with an additional 10 to 20 mm.

Rainfall rates approaching 10 mm per hour are possible. Intense and prolonged rainfall increases the risk of flash flooding.

Please exercise caution around waterways. Be aware of high stream flow and possible bank erosion, and keep well back from the water's edge throughout our community.

For the foreseeable future we are recommending that members **not travel in the upper Squamish Valley** due to unsafe road conditions, in particular on the Elaho road, which is currently closed.. The Elaho and Squamish Rivers are very susceptible to rapid rise and members need to be very safe along the river banks for the foreseeable future.

Ensure culverts and storm drains are free of debris. Previous heavy rainfall events at this time of year have created urban drainage issues due to leaves and debris blocking drains.

We will continue to update you with any new information that becomes available.

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(thanking you for your kind attention)

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