



**Hydrologic Forecast Centre
Regulatory and Operational Services
Manitoba Water Stewardship**

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Flood Advisory Issued for Duck Mountain, Porcupine Mountain

Manitoba Water Stewardship's Hydrologic Forecast Centre has issued a flood advisory for the Duck Mountain and Porcupine Mountain areas of western Manitoba.

Streams flowing off the high ground have risen rapidly in response a heavy rainfall this past weekend. Overland flooding is underway in low lying portions and many smaller streams have overflowed their banks. Larger streams in the area are still rising and most are expected to crest late today or tomorrow with minor overbank flows in low lying portions.

Last weekend's storms system produced 75 to 100 mm of rain over most of the region from Ethelbert north to Mafeking. As much as 150 mm was reported at Hart Mountain in the Porcupine Hills. Most of the rain fell from late Saturday to Sunday with some additional rain this morning. The storm had essentially ended as of 10 a.m. this morning.

Flooding is unlikely on the Swan River since Saskatchewan portions of the watershed appear to have received significantly less rain. It is unlikely that any communities in the area will be affected by river flooding.

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation regional staff is conducting a surveillance of the area this morning. Additional information will be provided if there is a significant change in conditions or expectations.

The weekend storm also produced up to 65 mm or rain in the Whiteshell area and in northern Minnesota. While rivers in this region will rise significantly during the next few days overbank flows are not expected.

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