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Travel and Flood Update

Medicine Hat – Residents should be aware of closures in the City of Medicine Hat. The Low Level crossing on South Boundary Road is closed and a detour has been placed at 23 Street by Brier Park Place and 10 Ave.

In the parks area, closures include the creek at Seven Persons Creek from Dunmore Road S.E to Lions Park, the trail at Ajax Coulee from Bullivant Cres. to Kin Coulee Park, and Seven Person Creek overflow tunnel from Kin Coulee Park to Saamis Archeological Site.

Residents are reminded to stay away from river and creek banks.

A High Streamflow Advisory has been issued by Alberta Environment for the South Saskatchewan River including the City of Medicine Hat. This means that stream levels are rising or expected to rise rapidly and no major flooding is expected. Minor flooding in low lying areas is possible. Anyone situated close to the streams affected is advised to be cautious of the rising levels.

A Flood Watch has been issued by Alberta Environment for all tributaries flowing north out of the Cypress Hills. This means that rising stream levels will result in flooding of areas adjacent to the streams affected. Anyone situated close to the river should take appropriate measures to avoid flood damage.

All secondary roads south of the Trans-Canada Highway east of Dunnmore are unsafe to travel and are closed. The Trans-Canada Highway from the Saskatchewan border to Highway 41 is also closed.

Medicine Hat and Cypress County Emergency Management will issue a further updates as information becomes available.

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