

The Water Security Agency (WSA) has advised that **outflows from Gardiner Dam (Lake Diefenbaker) will be significantly increased** in response to recent precipitation and rising inflows from Alberta.

The following key information is provided for your awareness and appropriate action:

Key Details

- Outflows are expected to increase from approximately **280 m³/s to 700 m³/s**, which is **well above typical seasonal flows (~160 m³/s)**.
- Increased releases are anticipated to begin **around June 7**, with peak flows expected **around June 11**, followed by a gradual reduction.

Expected Impacts

- **South Saskatchewan River levels will rise**, including:
 - Approximately **1.4 m near Moon Lake**
 - Approximately **0.6 m through Saskatoon**
- **Flow velocities will increase significantly**, resulting in more hazardous conditions.
- At this time, **out-of-bank flooding is not anticipated**.

Safety Considerations

- The public and operators are advised to:
 - Exercise **extreme caution in and around the river**
 - Avoid or reassess **recreational and work activities near the water**
 - Stay clear of **Gardiner Dam and associated infrastructure**
- Elevated flows and currents may present **serious safety risks**.

Additional Information

- Increased releases are being implemented due to:
 - **Recent heavy rainfall in southern Alberta**
 - **Forecasted above-normal mountain runoff**
- Conditions remain dynamic, and **further adjustments to outflows may occur**.

For the most current information, please refer to:

<https://wsask.ca/wsa-to-significantly-increase-flows-from-gardiner-dam-caution-urged-on-south-sask-river/>

