



FLOOD RESOURCE FACT SHEET

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public safety is authorities' top priority. Do not violate road blocks or trespass on private property. Deputies are patrolling evacuated areas to protect private property. Anyone caught trespassing or violating road blocks may be arrested. Protecting homes should not need to be a concern for residents who have evacuated.

Avoid traveling in flooded areas. Current road closures include Tower Street north of Third Street, Nancy Lou Drive, Stone Street north of Flamingo Drive, Schmidt, Harpers Bridge, and Hamel roads. Additionally, Short Street (and connectors), Preston Street (and connectors), Hiberta Street north of Third and Stonybrook Drive are open to local traffic only. The public should avoid flooded areas all together. So-called "looky-loos" hinder public safety efforts.

Do not attempt to recreate in the water. We are experiencing water levels not seen since the 1970s. River levels are high, currents are fast and debris is widespread. Emergency responders are working across the county as flooding unfolds and should not need to be pulled from that work.

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks has closed the Clark Fork River from Reserve Street to Kona Bridge to all water-based recreation, as well as the following sites on the Clark Fork: Sha-Ron, Kelly Island (all access points), Kona, Deep Creek and Harpers Bridge Fishing Access Sites, and Council Grove State Park.