



Public Notice

Hay River Breakup Update

Wednesday May 11, 2022 – 5pm

Last update provided was May 11, 2022 at 10am.

Some ice is currently breaking away around the Riverwoods development which is expected to flow to the main jam located approximately 500m north of the landfill. Water levels are increasing within boundaries of the town. Those areas on evacuation alert should pay attention to changing conditions.

Per the Department of Infrastructure, Highway 2 to Vale Island in Hay River will be closed due to unstable road conditions at 6:00pm today, May 11, 2022 until further notice. Airport access will still be available. Water flowing over the highway on Vale Island is impeding safe travel into the area. The Department of Infrastructure is evaluating the integrity of the road system.

Town monitoring stations (www.hayriver.com/breakup) have been compromised equating to variability in availability and performance. Environment Canada does have some monitoring stations in place on the Hay River basin including within the NWT boundaries. Stations can be found through a search at https://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/search/real_time_e.html. The Town will add a link to the sites on the Town website later today.

Town of Hay River Breakup Updates are scheduled for standard release at 10am and 5pm daily. Special updates may be released outside of these hours. Updates are available through www.hayriver.com/breakup, Emergency Measures Information / Registration Line at 833-699-0188, Hay River Facebook page, and through the Emergency Measures Email subscription service.