

Seymour River Rockslide – Information Update

Current as of Wednesday, Dec. 17th.

A rockslide, comprised of an estimated 50,000 cubic metres of rock, occurred at approximately 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7th. The rockslide was so sizeable that it partially blocked the river. Hydrological and geotechnical experts have been monitoring the situation since the rockslide occurred and have determined that the channel is reasonably stable at the slide. The channel widened in the ensuing days, allowing for flows to pass unimpeded. Monitoring of the rockslide and its impacts continues. The site can be viewed from the Fisherman’s Trail, just north of Riverside Drive.

Water behind the partial blockage has caused flooding of trails, Twin Bridge and forested areas next to the river. Assessments of area impacts continue. Visitors to the Lower Seymour Conservation Reserve are urged to respect trail closures for their safety and to allow crews to complete important assessment works.

Impacts to recreational use within the LSCR:

- The water level at Twin Bridge has been raised considerably by the rockfall. The bridge is being assessed from both a public safety and hydrological perspective. Future moderate – heavy rainfall, together with related increase in river flow, will result in the bridge being overtopped with water and debris being trapped by the structure.
- Fisherman’s Trail is open from Riverside Drive to the Mystery Creek Trail junction. Approximately 400 metres of the Fisherman’s Trail is closed from Mystery Creek Trail north to Twin Bridge.
- Bottletop Trail is closed. Once current risks are completely assessed and understood, LSCR staff will work with the North Shore Mountain Bike Association and other user groups to determine if an alternate trail exit can be established.

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Legend

Trail Structure

- Trail
- LSCR Boundary
- Waterbodies
- Trail Closure

