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**Flood Related Information, in Summit County**  
**as of Thursday, May 19, 2011**

**Summit County, UT**—Summit County is reporting the following information and preparation related to spring water runoff in the Summit County area.

The cool weather we are currently experiencing is expected to continue through the week, slowing the snow melt considerably. There are three waterways, considered potential problem areas, that we are watching in Summit County: Chalk Creek above and through Coalville; the Weber River above and through Oakley, and the Provo River in the vicinity of Woodland. None of these waterways are predicted to present any significant flooding in the next week to ten days.

Current flow levels show that as of Thursday, May 19, Chalk Creek is flowing at 740 cubic feet per second (CFS) to a current level of 5.62 feet, which is considered “bankfull” level, but well below flood level of 7 feet for this river. This waterway is expected to slowly rise to approximately 6.11 feet on Saturday, May 21. The Weber River is currently running at normal levels of 802 CFS, at a level of 7.09 feet. It is forecast to remain stable at close to 7.0 through Sunday, and up to approximately 7.25 on Tuesday. “Bankfull” for the Weber River is 8.6, and flood level is 9.2. The Provo River is currently running at 617 CFS, at a level of 4.02 feet. It is forecast to slowly rise to approximately 4.57 by Sunday, and 4.72 on Tuesday. “Bankfull” is 6 for this waterway, with flood level at 7 feet.

Summit County has continued work on the construction of an approximately 500-foot section of rock reinforcement walls to stabilize areas of the Weber River. Crews have completed rock placement on slopes as well as significant completion of canal diversion, including excavation and rock placement in a keyway, and installation of a 36" diameter concrete pipe culvert for canal diversion through a reinforcement wall. This allows crews to release water into the pipe if necessary to decrease water levels in the river, diverting water to a private canal.

At this time, Summit County is continuing to prepare for potential flooding in the coming weeks as weather warms. However, at this time, no significant flooding is expected in the next 7-10 days.

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