From: Johnson, Kory - FS, BUTTE, MT

To: Johnson, Kory - FS, BUTTE, MT

**Subject:** Park County Flood Update - Tuesday, June 21, 2022

**Date:** Tuesday, June 21, 2022 6:08:32 PM

Attachments: image001.png

image002.png image003.png image004.png image005.png image006.png image007.png image008.png

### June 21, 2022 - Park County Flooding Update

# For immediate release: June 21, 2022

Media contact:

Kory Johnson, Park County Flooding public information officer

Kory.Johnson@usda.gov

Cell: 406-606-2086

## **Evening Update:**

- All Park County roads are now open, Cooke City/Silver Gate are open via Chief Joseph Highway to the public with the following *exceptions*:
  - Yellowstone National Park entrances in Park County remain closed (North-Gardiner, Northeast-Cooke City).
  - Point of Rocks bridge on 89 S (detour using East River Road)
  - -Road closure at approximately 416 Cinnabar Road due to erosion
  - 89 N Highway Bridge (detour using Old Clyde Park Road)
  - Carbella Bridge
- A Gardiner Multi Agency Resource Center (MARC) is being planned for this Saturday June 25th, details and specifics to follow in upcoming days. Gardiner MARC originally set for this Wednesday June 22,2022 has been canceled and moved to Saturday, June 25, with details to come.
- Flood Recovery Information Guide is being distributed county wide. Digital copies can be found on the flood Facebook page as well as the Park County website. This guide will help walk residents through the recovery processes.

### **Water Update**

A "Boil Water Advisory" is in place in Gardiner and Silver Gate. For residents under the boil advisory, a rolling boil for one minute is recommended before consuming. Retail food establishments in Gardiner and Silver Gate will serve prepackaged food and drink only. No open food or open drinks may be served due to risk of water contamination.

If you are on a private well and have questions about water safety or testing, please call the Park County Health Department 406-222-4145.

Flood impacted residents in Park County are strongly encouraged to **fill out a self-assessment of their property as soon as possible.** Data from this assessment will be used to determine potential eligibility for additional resources through federal or state channels. This survey will be important for determining what types of assistance programs may be available to residents. The more self-assessments that can be completed, the better the state can coordinate available resources. All homeowners, regardless of the level of damage, are encouraged to fill out the self-assessment here or by using camera to scan the QR code (to right).

Live stream gage data is available here for <u>Corwin Springs</u>, and here near <u>Livingston</u>. The Yellowstone River is closed in Park County to all recreational use due to public safety risks caused by extremely high water levels, endangered and failing infrastructure, flooded and impassible access roads, and limited availability of search and rescue resources.

If you have services or supplies to donate, please call 2-1-1. Homeowners may also call (406) 201-1173 to connect with the *Crisis Cleanup*, a collaborative disaster work order management platform that can connect impacted homeowners with recovery resources. If you want to support residents, consider donating to the Southwest Montana Flood Relief Fund by texting Flood22 to 41444 or go to <a href="https://www.greatergallatinunitedway.org">www.greatergallatinunitedway.org</a>.

#### **Contact Info**

For all non-emergency questions, call the Park County Information Hotline at 406-222-4131. This hotline will be open 8 AM to 10 PM.

Updates are posted throughout the day at the Park County Flooding - June 2022 Facebook page.

\*\*\*



Kory Johnson
Public Information Officer (Trannie)

Forest Service
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
Butte Ranger District

c: 406-606-2086

This electronic message contains information generated by the USDA solely for the intended recipients. Any

#### Kory.Johnson@usda.gov

1820 Meadowlark Lane Butte, MT 59701 www.fs.fed.us

Caring for the land and serving people

unauthorized interception of this message or the use or disclosure of the information it contains may violate the law and subject the violator to civil or criminal penalties. If you believe you have received this message in error, please notify the sender and delete the email immediately.