



Media release

Monday, 13 August, 12.10pm

Flooding closes road and fords in Selwyn

Heavy rain has taken its toll on local roads, with flooding prompting the Selwyn District Council to close one road and all fords on the Hawkins, Waianiwaniwa, Hororata & Selwyn Rivers.

Rain is predicted through until tomorrow morning and the Malvern Hills Road and fords have been closed as a precautionary measure.

“Where possible, people should stay at home, or find alternative routes,” a Council spokesman says.

Leeston Rd and State Highway 1 bridges over the Selwyn River are open and likely to remain so.

Roads that are closed as of 11.45am are:

- Malvern Hills Road at the Waianiwaniwa Rd end
- All Selwyn district fords on the Hawkins, Waianiwaniwa, Hororata & Selwyn Rivers

Council staff and contractors are out around the district today monitoring local road conditions and signposting flooding.

Water races from Hororata to Dunsandel are overflowing and people should take care near these.

Residents with any concerns should contact the Council Helpline, 03 347 2800 or 03 328 8338 (Darfield calling area).

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For more information, contact Selwyn District Council Corporate Services Manager Douglas Marshall, 347 2701 or 027 4584 157.