



RIVER ICE SPOTTERS



Why the Threat Level is High with Ice Jams

- Unlike open water floods, it can take a lot less water to produce significant flood impacts
- Flooding is often sudden and difficult to anticipate
- Little time for contingency measures like road barricades or evacuations

Spotters Raise Situational Awareness

- NWS can issue timely alerts
- Local officials can take proactive measures
- Residents and the public can make better informed decisions to protect themselves and their property

Report any ice jams and flooding to local law enforcement and the National Weather Service!



Report Details

- Date, time, location, conditions.
- River name, Coordinates, Town
- Geo-tagged pictures! Up and downstream
- Thickness of ice (estimates)
- "An ice jam has formed on the [XYZ] River near [location]"

Submitting a Report

Urgent-CALL NWS Spotter Lines

- (802) 862-2475 * ← NWS Burlington
- (800) 482-0913 ← NWS Gray
- (800) 909-5970 ← NWS Caribou

EMAIL or Online

- Gyx.skywarn@noaa.gov
- Nws.caribou@noaa.gov
- www.weather.gov/btv/stormreport



SAFETY FIRST! While this information is extremely valuable, it must be collected safely.



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