

# Town of Princeton

## Atmospheric River Impacts and Recovery



### Flood Impacts

With a population of 2,830 residents, the Town of Princeton declared a state of emergency when heavy rains in November 2021 caused the Tulameen and Similkameen rivers to overflow their banks and dikes.

The town suffered significant damage to critical infrastructure and notable impacts to water supply and wastewater facilities.

Initially, 571 residents and 290 households were displaced.



*Town of Princeton after the floods*

### Recovery Funding

- Through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs (MUNI), the Town of Princeton was provided \$11.9 million in Interim Flood Support Funding.
- \$1.4 million of the funding was dedicated to the extension of services and utilities to a property owned by the Town and towards the rental of trailers to provide temporary housing. The Town of Princeton staff are working with BC Housing to relocate 20 displaced residents to the site.

- More than \$4 million of the funding was supplied for drinking water repairs and resiliency improvements.
- Princeton received \$100,000 from Emergency Management BC's Disaster Mitigation program for an emergency flood hazard assessment of the Tulameen and Similkameen rivers within the Town of Princeton and an updated community flood mitigation plan.



*Clean up in Princeton after the floods*

- Princeton has received Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) approval for a directional drilling project for the Town's water system.

## **Additional Recovery Efforts**

- Extensive debris clean-up has occurred across the city.
- Two test water wells have been completed, in preparation for two replacement city wells expected to be drilled this fall and completed in the coming months.