



Winter Weather Preparedness

Flooding



- **Winter flooding can occur due to rapid snowmelt, ice jams and heavy rain on a deep snowpack**
- **Ice jams are common during the winter on rivers with sharp turns, near bridges, or in locations with debris in the water**
- **As the ice moves downstream, it may get caught on an obstruction to the water flow**
- **Water can be held back, causing upstream flooding**
- **When the jam finally breaks, flash flooding can occur downstream**

