



IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE : STORM & FLOODING INFORMATION

The Town of Canora experienced severe storm activity on June 28th and 29th , 2026 resulting in widespread ground water seepage and sewer backups. Public Works crews have been working around the clock servicing and monitoring all town infrastructure.

1. Immediate Safety & Health Precautions

Electrical Safety: Do not enter a flooded basement if the water has reached electrical outlets, extension cords, or your electrical panel. Contact an electrician or SaskPower if you need your power remotely disconnected.

2. Raw Sewage: Assume all baseline water from sewer backups contain harmful pathogens. Wear protective gear.

3. Reduce Water Usage: To help relieve the pressure to the municipal sewer system, please temporarily minimize water use. Avoid running laundry, taking long showers, or flushing unnecessarily.

4. Contact Your Insurance Provider Immediately

Take photos, document everything. Take clear photos of water levels on the walls appliances, and ruined belongings before you throw them away. Keep all receipts and keep detailed records and receipts for all clean up costs, rented equipment and professional restoration equipment. IF your insurer does not cover your specific type of flooding, ask your insurer for an official Insurance Denial Letter on a company letterhead. Private Insurance Comes First: PDAP is a program of last resort for uninsurable losses.

You cannot apply to PDAP without first receiving a formal claim denial from your private insurance provider.

PDAP does **not** cover sewage backup damage.

PDAP does cover overland flooding (surface water coming through windows/doors). It rarely covers underground seepage through basement floors or foundation cracks unless a widespread disaster is declared by province.

Mike Kwas, Mayor of Town of Canora officially declared that Town of Canora is under a state of an emergency as of 10:21am on June 30th,2026. The Town of Canora is currently applying for provincial designation under PDAP. Please be aware of the strict provincial rules regarding this program. If we have been approved, more information will follow. Please watch the website and local newspaper and flyer mail outs.

The Town of Canora has placed Porta Potties throughout the community to assist the residents in need. Town barricades have been placed throughout the high flooded areas to create less waves and water damage in high flooded areas.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

The Town is under a water restriction and we are asking residents to help by reducing the wastewater flow by limiting water use to essential needs only until further notice.

Please avoid unnecessary water usage such as showers, baths, laundry and other non-essential activities. Reducing water consumption will help lessen the strain on the system and decrease the risk of additional basement backups.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we work to address the issue. Updates will be provided as they become available.

Thank you for your assistance.

We will provide updates on the status of our provincial PDAP application as soon as we receive word from the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency.