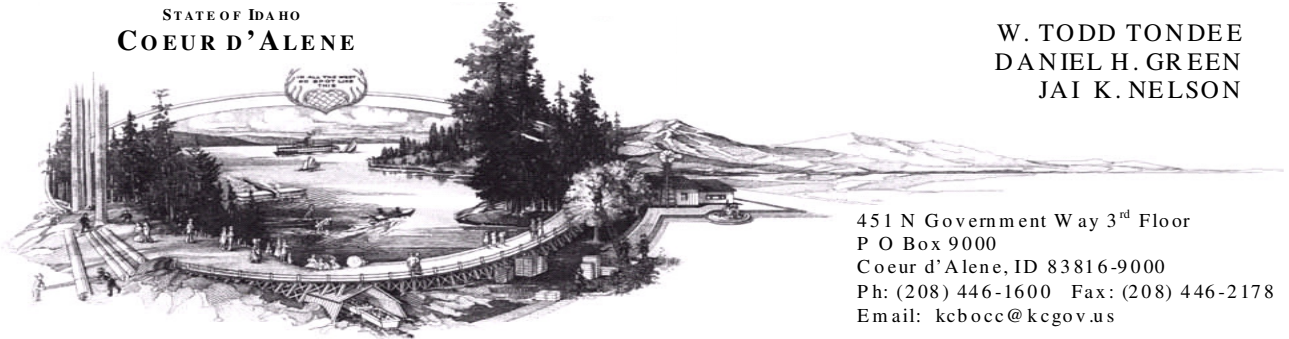


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Kootenai County would like to remind citizens and visitors that expected high water over the next week will mean that many low lying roads may become flooded and impassable.

Current data from the National Weather Service shows that the Coeur d'Alene River at Cataldo is expected to reach flood stage early Monday morning, May 16th. The river is expected to crest on Monday about half a foot above flood stage and then drop below flood stage on Tuesday.

Residents along Coeur d'Alene Lake are not expected to see flood stage reached in the foreseeable future. Current predictions indicate lake levels to only reach 2,130.16 feet in elevation by Wednesday, May 18, nearly three feet below flood stage.

Residents who may be impacted by road closures are encouraged to stock up on medical and other supplies for the next couple of weeks.

As new information becomes available from the National Weather Service, County officials will update the public.

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