Both the North Branch of the Young and the Aspiring Hut site have set thresholds for the implementation of specific recommendations for the public/staff.

**Lower Young Valley**

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| **Forecast in the headwaters of Otago Lakes** |  | **Actions required:** |
| 200-300mm rain forecast in a 48hrs (or less)  | Code Amber | Follow the Code Amber Checklist |
| More than 300mm rain forecast in 48hrs (or less)  | Code Red | Follow the Code Red Checklist |

**Aspiring hut site (includes staff quarters, campsite and hut)**

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| **Forecast in the headwaters of Otago Lakes** |  | **Actions required:** |
| More than 251mm in 24hr period | Closure of Aspiring hut site | Follow Aspiring Hut Closure Checklist |
| More than 386mm in a 72hrs period | Closure of Aspiring hut site | Follow Aspiring Hut Closure Checklist |

Is more than 200mm of rain in 48hr or less, forecast for the headwaters of the Otago Lakes?

**No**

Code Green

Continue to monitor weather forecasts.

Relevant warnings signs provided at Gillespie Circuit huts, camp areas and car parks & Matukituki valley huts and car park. Also at Dart hut.

Warnings provided in: relevant brochures and webpages.

**Yes**

Is more than 386mm of rain over 72hrs forecast for the headwaters of Otago Lakes?

**Yes**

Seek approval for closure of the Aspiring Hut site by following the Aspiring Hut closure checklist.

**No**

**Yes**

Is more than 251mm rain forecast in a 24hr period for the headwaters of Otago Lakes?

**ALWAYS CHECK**

Is more than 300mm forecast in 48hrs or less for the headwaters of the Otago Lakes?

Seek approval for Code Red Young Valley by following Code Red closure checklist

**Yes**

**No**

Seek approval to implement Code Amber – High Alert for the North branch of Young Valley by following Code Amber checklist