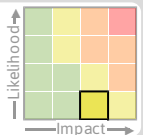


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Specific Area of Concern Map 2: Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 December 2020

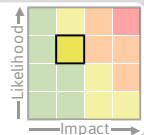
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 Likelihood **VERY LOW**



Source River Surface
 Likely duration 2 Days

Potential significant flooding impacts from late Saturday into Sunday morning.

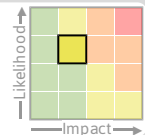
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 Likelihood **MEDIUM**



Source River Surface
 Likely duration 2 Days

Minor flooding impacts from late Saturday into Sunday morning.

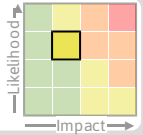
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Source River Surface
 Likely duration 2 Days

Minor flooding impacts from Saturday evening into Sunday.

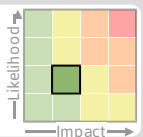
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 Likelihood **MEDIUM**



Source Surface
 Likely duration 1 Day

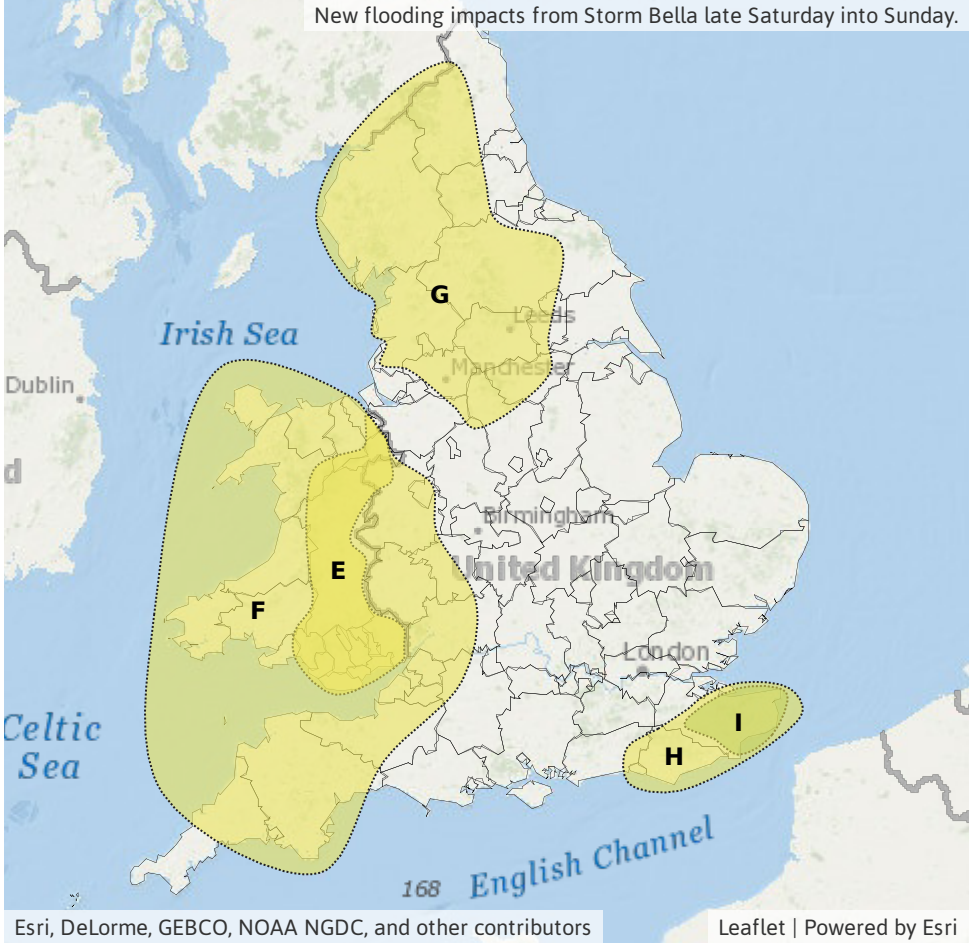
Minor flooding impacts on Sunday morning.

RISK AREA I
 Impact **MINOR**
 Likelihood **LOW**



Source River
 Likely duration 2 Days

Potential river flooding on Sunday and Monday in Kent.



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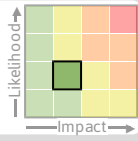
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Specific Area of Concern Map 3: Saturday 26 to Monday 28 December 2020.

RISK AREA J

Impact **MINOR**

Likelihood **LOW**



Source Coastal/Tidal

Likely duration 3 Days

Severe coastal gales and large waves may lead to coastal flooding late Sat to Mon.



Assessment of flood risk



Rivers

The river flood risk is MEDIUM from today (Saturday) until Monday then LOW from Tuesday to at least Wednesday.

Ongoing significant river flooding impacts are probable in parts of central and east England until Monday. There are also ongoing minor river flooding impacts along the Upper Thames until Monday, and the Rivers Severn, Wye, and Teme through next week.

New significant river flooding impacts are possible but not expected in parts of Wales from tonight and into Sunday due to heavy rain from Storm Bella falling onto already wet catchments. Minor river flooding impacts are also probable more widely over other parts of England and Wales.



Surface water

The surface water flood risk is LOW on Saturday and Sunday.

Significant surface water impacts are possible but not expected in parts of Wales on Saturday and Sunday. Minor surface water flooding impacts are probable more widely over Wales, and over parts of the north and south-west of England later Saturday and Sunday, and in the far south-east of England on Sunday. This is due heavy rain from Storm Bella.



Coastal/Tidal

The coastal/tidal flood risk is VERY LOW for the next five days.

Minor coastal flooding impacts are possible from later Saturday to Monday for exposed parts of the English Channel coast due to severe gales and large waves from Storm Bella.



Groundwater

The groundwater flood risk is VERY LOW for the next five days.

This is despite groundwater levels continuing to rise in many places, particularly in parts of the south-west of England.

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Flood risk matrix



Summary of potential impacts

MINIMAL

Isolated and minor flooding of low-lying land and roads
Isolated spray/wave on coastal promenades
Little or no disruption to travel, but wet road surfaces

MINOR

Localised flooding of land and roads
Flooding affecting individual properties
Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SIGNIFICANT

Flooding affecting parts of communities
Possible danger to life and damage to buildings/structures
Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SEVERE

Danger to life, severe disruption to travel
Widespread flooding affecting whole communities
Widespread disruption or loss of infrastructure
Large scale evacuation of properties possible

Next statement due **10:30hrs Sunday 27 December 2020 (all times are local)**

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