



WATER LEVEL BULLETIN

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CONSERVATION

Flood Outlook Statement

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A ***Flood Outlook Statement*** is issued to **raise awareness**. Based on weather forecasts for heavy rain, snowmelt or high wind, a **change in conditions on local waterways is possible**.

DATE: March 12, 2019

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ISSUED TO: Municipalities (Alnwick/Haldimand, Brighton, Centre Hastings, Cramahe, Quinte West, Stirling-Rawdon, Trent Hills), Northumberland & Hastings Counties, Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Parks Canada – Ontario Waterways, Ontario Power Generation, Innergex, Media, Health Units, Emergency Response Agencies

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Valid until Monday, March 18, 2019

Lower Trent Conservation advises municipalities and the public that a **Flood Outlook Statement** has been issued for the **Lower Trent watershed region** (area stretching from Grafton to Quinte West and from Lake Ontario to Rice Lake).

Stream flows and levels across the Lower Trent Conservation watershed region are currently slightly elevated from recent rainfall and snow melt. Above freezing temperatures are forecast for the next week with above zero temperatures predicted overnight until Friday night. There are 10 to 15 millimetres of rain predicted for Wednesday through to Friday and that, along with snowmelt, will contribute more runoff to local waterways.

Runoff from rain and snowmelt may result in the potential for flooding to occur. Ice break-up on local waterways could result in ice jamming and cause further flooding concerns. Lower Trent Conservation will continue to monitor conditions but if residents observe sudden increases in water levels or the formation of ice jams, they should call the Lower Trent Conservation office.

Strong, continuous, southerly winds across Lake Ontario are expected Wednesday through Friday and may cause ice shove onto shorelines.

Under these mild conditions, all local rivers, streams, and lakes should be considered extremely dangerous. Ice cover will become unstable and hazardous, and should be considered unsafe. Parents and caregivers are urged to keep children and pets away from all waterways. Areas around water control structures should be avoided at all times.

Lower Trent Conservation monitors water levels and weather forecasts closely as part of its flood forecasting and warning program. If you have concerns about water levels, please contact Lower Trent Conservation at (613) 394-4829.

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