



WATER LEVEL BULLETIN

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Flood Watch

Flood Watch - Update

A **Flood Watch** is issued when there is a **potential for flooding** to occur in low-lying areas. **Nuisance or minor flooding** of access roads, backyards, basements, etc. is anticipated. **Buildings/people are not at risk.**

DATE: April 23, 2018

TIME: 10:30 AM

ISSUED TO: Municipalities (Quinte West, Trent Hills), Northumberland & Hastings Counties, Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Parks Canada – Ontario Waterways, Ontario Power Generation, Innergex, Media, Health Units, Emergency Response Agencies

MESSAGE #: LTC – 18 – 09

Valid until Friday, April 27, 2018

Lower Trent Conservation advises municipalities and the public that a **Flood Watch** remains in effect for the **Trent River from Hastings to Trenton**. There is the potential for flooding to occur in low lying areas adjacent to the river with minor flooding of access roads, backyards and basements possible.

Residents living along the Trent River within the Municipality of Trent Hills and the City of Quinte West should expect continued springtime water flows and levels as the snowpack in the northern portion of the watershed (Minden/Haliburton areas) continues to melt. A forecast of 20 to 30 millimetres of rain for midweek will add additional runoff to the river system.

Parks Canada – Ontario Waterways (Trent-Severn Waterway) is making daily operational changes to accommodate the runoff from snowmelt and the forecast precipitation. Residents should ensure their sump pumps are in working order and secure personal property (boats, docks, etc.) along the river banks.

Water flows to date being seen on the river are considered typical springtime conditions. The approximate peak flows for the last six years are shown below.

| Year | Healey Falls (cubic metres/second) | Glen Ross (cubic metres/second) |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2013 | 400 | 520 |
| 2014 | 525 | 690 |
| 2015 | 200 | 260 |
| 2016 | 400 | 525 |
| 2017 | 470 | 628 |
| 2018 (to April 23) | 402 | 519 |

The public is urged to use extreme caution around all watercourses due to strong currents, cold water temperatures, and slippery stream banks. Parents and caregivers are advised to keep children away from all waterways. Areas around dams, culverts and bridges 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. Daily water level information is available at www.ltc.on.ca. If you have concerns about water levels, please contact Lower Trent Conservation at (613) 394-4829.

This Flood Watch will be in effect until Friday, April 27, 2018 and will be updated earlier if conditions warrant.

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