



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 13, 2017

TIME: 1:00 PM

ISSUED TO: Municipalities (Quinte West, Trent Hills), Northumberland & Hastings Counties, Ministry of Natural Resources, Trent-Severn Waterway, Ontario Power Generation, Innergex, Media, Health Units, Emergency Response Agencies

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Valid until Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Lower Trent Conservation advises municipalities and the public that the **Flood Watch** issued on Friday, April 7, 2017 will remain in effect for the **Trent River from Hastings to Trenton through the Easter weekend**. There continues to be the potential for minor flooding of access roads, backyards and basements in low lying areas along the river.

Water flows and levels along the Trent River will continue to increase through the weekend as the spring runoff moves downstream through the river system. A forecast of 10 to 25 mm of rain in the upstream areas of the Trent River drainage basin (Haliburton region) for Saturday may affect the timing of the peak.

Residents living along the Trent River from the **Village of Hastings to Healey Falls** should expect further increases in flows and levels over the next 3 to 5 days, although the increases will not be as great as experienced in the past several days. For residents living in flood susceptible areas along the river from **Campbellford to Frankford**, the rate of increase in flows and levels will increase slightly over the weekend from what has been experienced this past week.

Water flows to date being seen on the river are considered typical springtime conditions. The approximate peak flows for the last five 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 (to Apr. 18)	350	475

Residents living in low lying, floodplain areas are reminded that septic systems and drinking water supplies may be compromised in flooded areas. Sump pumps should be checked to ensure they are in working order and personal property (boats, docks, etc.) along the river bank should be secured.

Lower Trent Conservation will be maintaining daily contact with the Trent-Severn Waterway through the weekend who will be making operational changes to water control structures as required to allow the spring runoff to pass downstream through the river system.

Everyone is advised to exercise extreme caution around all waterways. Strong currents pose a safety hazard to anyone. Areas around water control structures should be avoided at all times. Residents experiencing flooding concerns on their property should contact their local municipality.

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 updated on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, or earlier if conditions warrant.

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