



LOWER TRENT
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WATER LEVEL BULLETIN

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Flood Warning



Flood Warning - Update #3

A **Flood Warning** is issued when **flooding is beginning/occurring** or when more **serious flooding is possible**. A Flood Warning requires action that may include the activation of the municipal flood emergency plan, warning residents or businesses in specific affected areas, and in some cases evacuation.

DATE: May 6th, 2019

TIME: 10:30 AM

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

MESSAGE #: LTC – 19 – 15

Valid until Monday, May 13th, 2019

Lower Trent Conservation advises local municipalities and the public that the Flood Warning issued for Rice Lake and the Trent River from Hastings to Trenton is still in effect. This update is to provide information on the conditions on the system and expectations into next week.

The Trent River system is still in full spring freshet. Upper portions of the Trent River basin have seen declines in flows and the water levels have generally stabilized across the Kawartha Lakes. In the Lower Trent River watershed region, the rate of rise on Rice Lake has been declining and is stabilized as of today. The flows down the Trent River are being maintained at a constant rate and water levels along the river have stabilized as well. There are no significant increases expected, but there will be minor fluctuations.

There is 30 - 40 mm of rain forecast for Thursday this week for the Trent River basin. Because of the rain, water levels are not expected to begin a decline until at least the end of the week. Parks Canada – Ontario Waterways (Trent-Severn Waterway) will continue to operate the dams along the Trent River to facilitate flow to the Bay of Quinte.

Lower Trent Conservation will be maintaining daily contact with Parks Canada, the Provincial Surface Water Monitoring Centre and neighbouring conservation authorities to ensure we are aware of all dam operations and conditions that may affect the water levels on local waterways.

While the potential dangers presented by rivers, small streams and open ditches never cease to exist, they are of particular concern at this time of the year. Water currents are strong and temperatures dangerously cold. Parents and caregivers are advised to keep children and pets 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 updates are available at www.LTC.on.ca. If you have concerns about water levels, please contact Lower Trent Conservation at (613) 394-4829.

This Flood Warning will be in effect until (or updated before) **Monday, May 13th, 2019.**

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