

WATERSHED CONDITION STATEMENT - WATER SAFETY

To: 1) Emergency Services
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**Watershed Conditions
Statement - Water Safety**

Date/Time: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 10:00 AM
Subject: Notice of Hazardous Creek Conditions

The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority advises that the Surface Water Monitoring Centre (SWMC) of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) is forecasting a series of low pressure systems to track through the province over the next four days.

The incoming weather is expected to bring 10-20mm of rain today, with the risk of thunderstorms producing higher totals. Increased amounts of rainfall are possible if convective activity materializes into training thunderstorms. High-intensity and/or significant amounts of rainfall can result in substantial runoff causing higher than normal water levels and flows in our streams. Water levels are slightly elevated due to previous rainfall but, **widespread flooding is not anticipated, however fast flowing water and flooding of low lying areas and roadways may be expected in flood prone areas.**

The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority is asking all residents to stay away from all watercourses, shorelines, and structures such as bridges, culverts and dams. Increased wave activity, elevated water levels, fast flowing water, and slippery conditions along stream banks and Lake Ontario shorelines continue to make these locations extremely dangerous. Please remind children of these dangers.

This Water Safety Statement will be in effect through Friday July 19th, 2024 or until further notice. The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority will continue to monitor the conditions of the streams and will provide updates as required.

For further information, please contact the following person at (365) 633-0506.

Holly Whittington
Flood Duty Officer

Note: Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety is a general notice that potential conditions exist that poses a risk to personal safety. High flows, unsafe banks, melting ice or other factors that could be dangerous for recreational users such as anglers, canoeists, hikers, children, pets, etc. Flooding is not expected.

CLOCA's role during a flooding event is to monitor watershed conditions and weather forecasts, predict watercourse and Lake Ontario conditions, and communicate our findings to the public, municipalities, and media. Based on our watershed knowledge, CLOCA also provides technical advice to municipalities in support of their flood response efforts.

If you are concerned about high water levels in your area, please contact your municipality. **For emergencies requiring police, fire or ambulance, call 911**

Flood Forecasting and Warning Program
Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority
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24 Hour Flood Line
To report flooding after work hours, please call:
(905) 579-0411

Email
For questions or concerns related to flooding, or post pictures of flooding or request data, use the following email address:
floodforecast@cloca.com

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