

## WATERSHED CONDITION STATEMENT - WATER SAFETY

To: 1) **Emergency Services** Watershed Conditions 2) **School Boards** 3) Statement - Water Safety Municipalities 4) Local Media 5) Local Conservation Authorities & MNRF Interoffice Memo to all Authority Staff 6) Date/Time: Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 11:30 AM Subject: Notice of Hazardous Creek Conditions

The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority advises that Environment Canada has issued a Rainfall Warning for our area. Beginning late this afternoon or evening, showers are expected to enter the area, becoming widespread and possibly heavy at times with the risk of thunderstorms. Rainfall is expected to continue into Wednesday morning. Some areas could possibly receive in excess of 50mm, but there is a high degree of uncertainty on total amounts.

High-intensity/ significant amounts of rainfall can lead to increased runoff, causing higher than normal water levels and flows in our streams, especially in the vicinity of culverts and bridges. **No flooding is anticipated but will be monitored.** 

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. 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 Thursday September 26th 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 100 Whiting Avenue, Oshawa, Ontario L1H 3T3 (905) 579-0411

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: <a href="mailto:floodforecast@cloca.com">floodforecast@cloca.com</a>

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