

## LAKE ONTARIO SHORELINE FLOOD WATCH- CANCELLATION

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To: 1) Emergency Services  
2) School Boards  
3) Municipalities  
4) Local Media  
5) Local Conservation Authorities & MNRF  
6) Interoffice Memo to all Authority Staff



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Date/Time: Friday, June 16, 2023, at 9:00 AM  
Subject: Cancellation of Shoreline Flood Watch

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### The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority is cancelling the Lake Ontario Shoreline Flood Watch.

The Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Board has indicated that Lake Ontario levels have been in overall decline and will continue to do so over the coming weeks. According to the most recent briefing (June 15, 2023), Lake Ontario sits at 75.25 m. This is 18 cm above average, but 67 cm below the record-high for this time of year (set in 2019). Additional information can be obtained at <https://www.ijc.org/en/loslrb>.

CLOCA monitors water levels and weather forecasts and issues flood messages for our portion of the Lake Ontario shoreline when either of the following criteria are met:

1. Static water level equal to or greater than 75.5 m
2. Static water level equal to or greater than 75.1 m AND projected (offshore) wave heights of 2.0m or greater.

Information on flood preparedness can be found here:

<https://www.clarington.net/en/town-hall/resources/Emergency-and-Fire/Flooding-Preparedness-Guide-AODA.pdf>

<https://www.durham.ca/en/news/be-prepared-know-your-risks-emergency-preparedness-week-may-7-to-13.aspx>

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/floods>

Given the lake levels are still above average, the public and especially children are reminded to be aware of shoreline hazards. Saturated and eroded shorelines may be unstable after the recent high lake levels and rain events. Shorelines should also be avoided particularly during high southerly winds and waves.

The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority will continue to provide updates as required. For further information, please contact the following person at (905) 579-0411 ext. 134.

Holly Whittington  
Flood Duty Officer

**Note:** A **Flood Watch** is a notice of the potential for flooding to occur. The information is based on weather forecasts and the Conservation Authority's monitoring system, and is intended to provide notice to municipalities, emergency services and individual landowners that measures should be taken to prepare for a possible emergency.

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**Flood Forecasting and Warning Program**  
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**24 Hour Flood Line**  
To report flooding after work hours, please call:  
**(905) 579-0411 ext. 200**

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

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