

WATERSHED CONDITION STATEMENT - WATER SAFETY

To: 1) Emergency Services
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6) Interoffice Memo to all Authority Staff



Watershed Conditions
Statement - Water Safety

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 11:00 AM
Subject: Notice of Hazardous Creek Conditions

The Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority advises that Environment Canada has issued a Special Weather Statement for our region, tracking a low-pressure system expected to move into the area today.

25 - 50mm of precipitation could be seen between today and Wednesday along with strong winds. There is some uncertainty with the track of this spring storm. Wet soil conditions combined with the forecasted incoming precipitation will result in substantial runoff causing higher than normal water levels and flows in our streams. **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 Thursday April 4th, 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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(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:
floodforecast@cloca.com

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