



**KAWARTHA
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Watershed Conditions
Statement Water Safety



WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT - WATER SAFETY

DATE: February 7, 2019

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

Message sent on the basis of information received from:

- Kawartha Conservation Flood Forecasting Network
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry - Surface Water Monitoring Centre
- Environment Canada

A Colorado low will bring warmer temperatures and high winds into Southern Ontario later today and overnight. Freezing drizzle and freezing rain will transition to rain late this afternoon, with 5 to 10mm expected throughout the Kawartha Conservation watershed. Rainfall will end by morning (Friday) and temperatures will cool off to more seasonal norms.

Melting snowpack and liquid precipitation (rain) earlier in the week have produced a moderate runoff throughout the watershed. Under these circumstances, local rivers and streams are still running higher and faster than normal for this time of year. **However, no flooding problems are anticipated at this time.**

Under current watershed conditions all local rivers, streams, ditches and lakes should be considered extremely dangerous. Riverbanks are slippery and unsafe; ice cover where it exists has become unstable and hazardous. Kawartha Conservation is warning all residents to stay away from water bodies, as well as water structures such as bridges, culverts, and dams. Children should be warned of dangerous conditions and caregivers should maintain a close watch on children who are outside.

This *Watershed Conditions Statement-Water Safety* will be in effect through to midday Friday Feb 8th, 2019.

Kawartha Conservation will continue monitoring local watercourses and notify the public and municipalities within its watershed jurisdiction of any changes. If you are aware of or have concerns about flooding, please contact Kawartha Conservation at 705.328.2271 or 705.344.0155 after hours.

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Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety is a general notice that existing or potential conditions pose a risk to personal safety. Watershed Conditions Statements - Water Safety may be issued when streams are flowing at or near bankfull levels, when ice conditions are unsafe, or when stream banks are icy, soft and/or slippery.

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