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The Crowe Valley Conservation Flood Watch will remain in effect until **17 May 2019** and will be reassessed on that date.

## Flood Watch

Water levels and flows still remain above normal on most lakes in the watershed. Current flow on Crowe River is 84 cubic meters per second, virtually unchanged in a week.

Rainfall in the past 48 hours continues to maintain levels and flows higher than usual. Water levels and flows have not had the time to recede normally and the weather pattern continues to pump additional water into the system and has maintained the current conditions. The CVCA anticipates this to continue at least until the end of the week, especially with forecasted rain and the potential for thunderstorms embedded in the low pressure systems traversing the watershed. Therefore, the potential for increased levels and flows remains possible until weather patterns shift to longer stretches of drier weather. While the CVCA is not expecting any significant flooding to occur as a result of the recent accumulated precipitation, watershed residents should still remain vigilant.

Therefore, based on the above noted conditions the CVCA is maintaining a **FLOOD WATCH**.

Residents are advised to continue to respect the power of fast flowing water and the cold water conditions. Due to these persistent conditions, please inform children and keep them away from these dangers. Boaters should also avoid locations of high flows, especially near dams that are passing high volumes of water.

**THEREFORE, THE CVCA URGES EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN TO STAY AWAY FROM ALL DAMS, WEIRS, HYDRO GENERATING PLANTS, BRIDGES. CURRENT CONDITIONS ON WATERCOURSES CAN EASILY CREATE DANGEROUS SITUATIONS CAUSING HARM OR DROWNING ACCIDENTS LEADING TO FATALITIES.**

During a Flood Watch, the CVCA office will be open as per normal **(8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday)** and CVCA staff continues to monitor flows and levels daily. This Flood Watch Statement will be updated **Friday, 17 May 2019** or as conditions warrant. If there are any questions or concerns, contact Tim Pidduck, CVCA General Manager or Neil McConkey, Water Resources Supervisor at 613-472-3137. The CVCA includes portions of the municipalities of Trent Hills, Stirling-Rawdon, Marmora and Lake, Havelock-Belmont-Methuen, North Kawartha, Wollaston, Limerick, Tudor and Cashel, Faraday and Highlands East.

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