



The Crowe Valley Conservation Flood Watch will remain in effect until **10 May 2019** and will be reassessed on that date.

Flood Watch

Water levels and flows have peaked from their highs and continue to recede at a steady slow rate. However, the levels still remain above normal on most lakes, especially in the southern portion of the watershed. This would include Cordova Lake, Belmont Lake, and Crowe Lake. The flows of Beaver Creek, the North River and the Crowe River, which are the main tributaries of the Crowe watershed, continue to remain considerably higher than normal. Current flows on Crowe River are currently reading 106 cubic meters per second, compared to the peak of 237 cm/s.

Forecasted rainfall on Thursday, the 9th of May should have a limited impact on the entire watershed. Levels and flows have stabilized and continue in a downward trend. The watershed should be able to absorb the predicted rainfall as spring conditions improve. However, the precipitation may stall or slow the receding trend temporarily as the rain makes its way through the system. There is the potential levels and flows could rise from there current elevation and flow readings. However, the CVCA is not expecting any significant flooding to occur as a result of this rainfall event.

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.

Although the CVCA office has returned to **normal operational hours (8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday)**, CVCA staff continues to monitor flows and levels daily. This Flood Watch Statement will be updated **Friday, 10 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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