



General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer Report

Prepared For: Board of Directors

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Agenda Item #10

Recommendation

THAT the “General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer Report” be received for information.

Watershed Conditions

- Conditions across the entire watershed and are now considered to be normal for this time of year.

Dam Operations

- Staff continue to perform the necessary adjustments to ensure water levels are seasonal and mitigating localized flooding.
- Dam operations have been performed on all dams. 75 operations were undertaken in March and 157 operations in April.
- Continued communication with MNR staff with respect to Paudash lake and dam operations.
- Staff remain diligent in working closely with the two hydro plant owners to ensure operations run as smoothly as possible.

Conservation Area Lands

- Staff monitor the lands and there is nothing to report at this time.

Provincial Consolidation of Conservation Authorities

The Chair and CAO participated in the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and Ernst & Young meeting held on May 11, 2026. This meeting was important in outlining the timelines and obligations for providing information to support transition planning and consolidation efforts.

Draft 2027 Operating, Capital and Apportionment Budget

The draft 2027 budget has been prepared with a 0% increase and now awaiting the apportionment calculations from MECP to determine the municipal apportionments. The draft budget will be brought to the June 18, 2026 board meeting for consideration.

Administration Update:

- Internet services at the Administration office have been upgraded to Star Link services.
 - The GM has been asked to present on Sunday, June 7 to the Steenburg Lake Community Association on the upcoming conservation authority consolidation.
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