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WATER LEVEL BULLETIN

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Flood Watch Cancelled - Lake Ontario/Bay of Quinte

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TIME: 3:45 PM

ISSUED TO: Municipalities (Alnwick/Haldimand, Cramahe, Brighton and Quinte West), Northumberland and Hastings Counties, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Media, Health Units, Emergency Response Agencies

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Lower Trent Conservation is cancelling the Flood Watch for the **Lake Ontario shoreline from Grafton to Quinte West** and the **Bay of Quinte shoreline within Quinte West**.

A Flood Outlook Statement was first issued on March 13, 2020 and a Flood Watch was in effect from April 12, 2020 until today. Lake Ontario water levels as recorded at the Cobourg gauge have now dropped approximately 4 cm from the peak water level of 75.38 metres during the first week of May.

The International Lake Ontario - St. Lawrence River Board (ILOSLRB) has indicated Lake Ontario's level has been declining slightly over the past two weeks. It is 28 cm above average, but 52 cm below the record high set on this same date in 2017 and 46 cm below the level on the same date in 2019. Lake Ontario has likely peaked, and levels are expected to continue slowly declining in the coming weeks. Lake Ontario outflow is currently 9,680 m³/s, close to record-highs for this time of year, and the ILOSLRB continues to maximize outflows from Lake Ontario, while considering conditions in the St. Lawrence River. Additional information can be obtained at <https://www.ijc.org/en/loslrb>.

As water levels remain above average for this time of year, the public are reminded to be aware of shoreline hazards. Saturated and eroded shorelines may be unstable after the recent high lake levels. Shorelines should be avoided particularly during periods of strong onshore winds.

Property owners are reminded that any restoration or repair work along the shoreline (e.g., placement of fill, armour stone, etc.) will require a permit from Lower Trent Conservation and should call the office at 613-394-4829 or visit the website (www.LTC.on.ca) for more information.

Lower Trent Conservation monitors water levels and weather forecasts closely as part of its flood forecasting and warning program. Water level updates are available at www.LTC.on.ca. If you have concerns about water levels, please contact Lower Trent Conservation at (613) 394-4829.

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