



WATER LEVEL BULLETIN

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LOWER TRENT
CONSERVATION

Water Safety Statement



Water Safety Statement – Trent River

DATE: September 27, 2021

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ISSUED TO: Municipalities (Quinte West, Trent Hills), Northumberland County, Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Parks Canada – Ontario Waterways, Ontario Power Generation, Innergex, Media, Health Units, Emergency Response Agencies

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Valid until Friday, October 1, 2021

A **Water Safety Statement** is issued during high flows, unsafe banks, melting ice or other factors that could be dangerous for recreational users such as anglers, canoeists, hikers, children, pets, etc. **Nuisance flooding for some may occur.**

The Lower Trent Conservation watershed experienced rainfall amounts between 75 mm and 125 mm (3" to 5") Wednesday and Thursday last week (September 22 & 23). Our local creeks responded but because of the very dry conditions, only two of our local streams reached bankfull conditions. The rainfall in the watersheds upstream of Lower Trent Conservation was even higher. As a result, the water levels and flows in the Trent River are much higher than typical for this time of year along the entire portion of the Trent-Severn Waterway within the Lower Trent Conservation jurisdiction.

Parks Canada manages the water along the Trent-Severn Waterway and they are working to address high water levels and flows caused by recent high amounts of rain. Parks Canada has advised that Lock 1 Trenton to Lock 27 Young's Point (excluding Locks 20 Ashburnham and Lock 21 Peterborough Lift Lock) will be closed to navigation from Tuesday September 28, 2021 until end of day Thursday September 30, 2021 to permit the movement of water.

The public is cautioned that fast moving water and unstable streambanks will create hazardous conditions especially along the Trent River. During this period of above normal water levels and flows, residents and visitors should exercise extreme caution on and around water. Areas around dams, culverts and bridges should be avoided at all times. Parents and caregivers are advised to keep children and pets away from all waterways.

This Watershed Safety Statement will be in effect until (or updated before) Friday, October 1, 2021.

Lower Trent Conservation staff monitors water levels and weather forecasts closely as part of its flood forecasting and warning program. Updates will be provided as conditions warrant. Anyone having concerns about water levels can call Lower Trent Conservation at (613) 394-4829.

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