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Conservation Authority**

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**CRCA ISSUES WATER SAFETY STATEMENT FOR
BUELLS/BUTLERS CREEK AND DETENTION BASIN IN BROCKVILLE**

Kingston – The Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (CRCA) has issued a Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety today for Buells/Butlers Creek and the detention basin in Brockville

Spring time operations have been performed to minimize the effects of an anticipated 45 – 55 mm of rain over the next three days. Residents are urged to stay away from the detention basin and the Buells/Butlers Creek due to high water levels and flows.

CRCA staff will continue to monitor conditions, forecasts, and update statements as needed.

Widespread flooding is **NOT** expected as a result of current conditions.

This Watershed Conditions Statement will remain in effect until Wednesday May 10, 2017.

Newsrooms please note:

A watershed conditions statement is **NOT** a flood warning. Its purpose is to raise public awareness about a change or potential change in watershed conditions. See below for watershed conditions terminology:

Watershed Conditions Statement: general notice of weather conditions that could pose a risk to personal safety or which have the potential to lead to flooding. There are two variations of these:

- Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety: High flows, unsafe banks, melting ice or other factors could be dangerous for recreational users such as anglers, canoeists, hikers, children, pets, etc. Flooding is not expected.
- Watershed Conditions Statement – Flood Outlook: Early notice of the potential for flooding based on weather forecasts calling for heavy rain, snow melt, high wind or other conditions that could lead to high runoff, cause ice jams, lakeshore flooding or erosion.

Flood Watch: Flooding is possible in specific watercourse or municipalities. Municipalities, emergency services and individual landowners in flood-prone areas should prepare.

Flood Warning: Flooding is imminent or already occurring in specific watercourses or municipalities. Municipalities and individuals should take action to deal with flood conditions. This may include road closures and evacuations.

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