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Conservation Authority**

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CRCA FLOOD WATCH DOWNGRADED TO WATERSHED STATEMENT – WATER SAFETY

KINGSTON ON – The Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (CRCA) has downgraded its Flood Watch to a Watershed Statement – Water Safety today.

Water levels and flows remain high following recent rainfall events that dropped in the range of 130 – 170 mm on the CRCA region from October 28th to November 6th. Some localized flooding of low-lying areas has occurred.

Water managers continue to conduct operations to minimize the effects of this rainfall and pass flows down through the systems. CRCA staff is urging residents to stay away from fast flowing watercourses, as well as any dams and outflow channels.

Some lakes may still experience small momentary increases before levels begin to decline. Current weather forecasts point to improving conditions in the coming days.

CRCA staff will continue to monitor conditions, forecasts, and update statements as needed. This Watershed Statement will remain in effect until Friday, November 17, 2017.

For additional flooding information, please visit the CRCA's flood forecasting and information page at www.crca.ca/flood.

Newsrooms please note:

Watershed Statement – Water Safety: High flows, unsafe banks, melting ice or other factors that could be dangerous for recreational users such as anglers, canoeists, hikers, children, pets, etc. Flooding is not expected.

Watershed 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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