



A News Release
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**Cataraqui Region
Conservation Authority**

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CRCA ends the Watershed Conditions Statement – Flood Outlook

Kingston – The Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (CRCA) has ended the Watershed Conditions Statement – Flood Outlook issued on November 21.

Melting snow as a result of warmer temperatures, and between 12.6 mm and 22.6 mm of rainfall across the region over the weekend has caused creek levels to rise.

The rain has ended across most of the region this morning. Urban creeks have peaked and rural creeks will continue to rise momentarily today, but remain at acceptable levels.

Wind speeds of 50 km/h gusting to 80 km/h may produce waves as high as 1 m along the Lake Ontario shoreline in the Kingston area.

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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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