

## Flood Warning

### Lake Temagami

**NEWS**

Thursday, May 09, 2019  
1530h

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry – North Bay District is advising residents in the Lake Temagami area, that a **special Flood Warning** for the area is in effect until Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

The Ministry is closely monitoring the weather and developing watershed conditions. Further updates will be issued as appropriate.

#### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

##### **Description of Weather System**

The next significant weather system affecting Lake Temagami will move in today bringing significant rainfall. Precipitation is forecast to continue through Thursday, tapering off Friday. Forecasted precipitation in the area will range from 30-50 mm.

##### **Description of Current Conditions**

The water levels in the Lake Temagami area are expected to rise by 20cm over the next 5 days due to increased pressures on the watershed.

The North Bay District has received substantial precipitation over the past several weeks. The combination of repeated rainfall and snowmelt has resulted in water levels and stream flows across the district rising significantly, reaching or exceeding flood levels in many areas.

Municipalities and residents, especially those in low-lying areas and along shorelines, are encouraged to monitor these conditions and prepare accordingly. Shorelines and banks adjacent to rivers and creeks are very slippery and unstable at this time and, when combined with cold open water, pose a serious hazard.

A close watch on local forecasts and conditions is recommended.

## DEFINITIONS

- **WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT – FLOOD OUTLOOK:** gives early notice of the potential for flooding based on weather forecasts calling for heavy rain, snow melt, high winds or other conditions
- **WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT – WATER SAFETY:** indicates that high flows, melting ice or other factors could be dangerous for such users as boaters, anglers and swimmers but flooding is not expected.
- **FLOOD WATCH:** potential for flooding exists within specific watercourses and municipalities
- **FLOOD WARNING:** flooding is imminent or occurring within specific watercourses and municipalities.

## LEARN MORE

- Surface Water Monitoring Centre public webpage [www.ontario.ca/flooding](http://www.ontario.ca/flooding)
- Environment Canada bulletins: [www.weather.gc.ca](http://www.weather.gc.ca)
- A close watch on local conditions and weather forecasts from Environment Canada is recommended.

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