

High Water Safety Bulletin

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To: **ABCA Municipal Flood Coordinators**

Message: Heavy rainfall to cause high water conditions

> General rainfall amounts over the watershed in the past 24 hours were in the range of 10 to 15 mm. This, combined with the precipitation we received over the weekend, has caused local water levels to rise. No flooding problems have been reported.

> Water levels in major rivers will continue to rise through the day. With the potential for another 40 to 50 mm of rainfall in the next 24 hours, water levels in streams and rivers will remain high through Thursday. While no significant flooding problems are anticipated, flows may approach what we normally see during spring runoff events. It is expected that by later today and into tomorrow, streams will be running at least bank full and there will be some flooding in low lying areas.

Municipal officials should monitor traditional problem areas.

Residents are reminded to use caution near all watercourses as waters may be fast moving and higher than normal. Slippery and unstable streambanks will create additional hazards.

The Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority will be monitoring watershed conditions and will provide an update of conditions as required.

Update: As required.

Contact: Alec M Scott, Water & Planning Manager at 519-235-2610 or by pager at 519-931-0078

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Types of Flood Messages

· High Water Safety Bulletin Issued to alert municipalities that the potential for flooding is being assessed and

remind the public that rivers, streams and ponds may be unsafe for recreational or other activity.

Issued when the potential for flooding exists in specific municipalities. Flood Advisory

Issued after a flood forecast has been made which indicates that significant flooding is Flood Warning

imminent or occurring in specific flood damage centres.