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WATERSHED CONDITIONS BULLETIN

DATE: April 6, 2009
TIME: 2:30 p.m.

Message sent on the basis of information received from:

- **Kawartha Conservation Flood Forecasting Network**
- **Trent-Severn Waterway**
- **MNR – Surface Water Monitoring Center**
- **Environment Canada**

Kawartha Conservation advises that local rivers and streams are flowing high in response to the precipitation received over the weekend. Significant amounts of rain have fallen within the Kawartha Conservation watershed, exceeding predictions. The rain gauges throughout the watershed have recorded between 39 mm (Lindsay area) and 64.3 mm (Blackstock area) of rainfall over Friday and Saturday.

The received rainfall has caused a substantial increase of water levels in local watercourses that have peaked over the weekend, and are now gradually decreasing.

The current forecast calls for cool weather over the next three days. This will keep today's snowfall from quickly melting, and allow water levels in rivers and creeks to gradually subside.

The rain event, combined with snow melt, has had a significant impact on water levels in large lakes within our watershed (Balsam Lake, Cameron Lake, Sturgeon Lake, Pigeon Lake and Lake Scugog). As per the information from Trent-Severn Waterway, water levels in these lakes are expected to continue rising as a large amount of water moves through the Trent River system. Trent-Severn Waterway officials will continue to reassess the situation on a daily basis and will continue to adjust flows through water control structures according to their water level management plan.

All shoreline residences are advised to monitor water levels closely and contact their local municipality should any threat of flooding develop. Municipalities are advised to monitor lake water levels closely and be prepared to respond to high water situations as they occur.

Kawartha Conservation is asking all residents to keep their children and themselves away from all rivers, streams and lakes, as well as water structures such as bridges, culverts and dams. Most are running high and fast, and are extremely dangerous under the current circumstances.

Kawartha Conservation will continue to monitor the situation on a 24-hour basis and will advise the public and watershed municipalities of any changes. If you are concerned about or are aware of flooding, please contact Kawartha Conservation at 705.328.2271 or 705.344.0155 after hours.

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