Watershed Condition Statement: Water Safety

Flood Potential: Low

Issued to: local municipalities and school boards, local conservation authorities, emergency response agencies, MNRF, health unit, media, NVCA board & staff

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The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority advises that an incoming weather system is forecasted to produce possible total rainfall accumulations of 50 to 60 mm by Friday morning. As a result, flows in area watercourses are expected to be high over the next few days. Strong northwest winds are also anticipated Thursday night through Friday morning. These winds in combination with current high lake levels will increase wave heights along Georgian Bay.

Members of the public are urged to use caution near watercourses and the Georgian Bay shoreline.

Area watercourses are currently flowing near seasonal levels but soils are wet from recent precipitation. The forecast rainfall will result in elevated flows in all watercourses over the next few days. Flooding may occur in low lying areas, however no major flooding is anticipated.

Hazardous conditions exist around all waterbodies, as there is a high risk of life-threatening injury if a person falls into fast-flowing water. The public and especially children are advised to stay away from all waterbodies.

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority continues to monitor river and stream conditions and will issue additional messages as conditions warrant. This Watershed Condition Statement will be in effect until 4:00 p.m., Saturday November 2, 2019.

For additional information, please call 705-424-1479 and select option “1” for the flood information line or check our website at: www.nvca.on.ca

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A Watershed Condition Statement is a general notice of weather conditions that could pose a risk to personal safety or which have the potential to lead to flooding. A Water Safety message indicates that 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.