



HIGH WATER SAFETY BULLETIN

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Issued to the following groups:

- 1) Municipalities and Local Conservation Authorities
- 2) School Boards and Police
- 3) Media
- 4) Conservation Authority Chair, Vice Chair & CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority advises that the Flood Warning issued January 2, 2009 has been downgraded to a High Water Safety Bulletin.

The flows in the Lower Nottawasaga River downstream of the Minesing Wetland have decreased but remain above normal levels. Flooding of low lying areas will continue but recede slowly over the next few days. Most of the river ice has broken up but some locations continue to report problems related to ice jamming.

Other watercourses within the Nottawasaga Valley have substantially declined to levels close to those prior to this rainfall/runoff event.

The public and especially children are advised to continue to stay away from all area water bodies as fast flowing water and slippery banks produce extremely dangerous conditions.

Municipalities within the watershed need to monitor watercourse conditions closely until flows subside. The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority continues to monitor river and stream conditions and will issue any related flood messages as conditions warrant. This bulletin will be in effect until Friday, January 9, 2009.

For flood status information, please call 705-424-1479, pick "1" for the flood information line or check our web site at: www.nvca.on.ca

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