



FLOOD WARNING

ISSUED February 13, 2009 (10:00 AM)

Issued to the following groups:

- 1) Municipalities and Local Conservation Authorities
- 2) School Boards and Police
- 3) Media
- 4) Conservation Authority Chair, Vice Chair & C.A.O.

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority advises that all watercourses upstream of Angus have crested and the crest is expected in Angus this morning. Flows in the Lower Nottawasaga River downstream of Angus will continue to rise over the next 3 to 5 days as water is released from the Minesing Wetland. High flows will continue through the weekend and low lying areas throughout our region will continue to be flooded.

The return to seasonal temperatures has slowed runoff to watercourses but the snow melt and rain from the past few days has brought rivers and streams to flood levels. Ice remains in the system and has the potential to cause ice jams.

The public and especially children are advised to stay away from all area water bodies as unstable ice conditions, slippery banks and cold water may result in a life threatening accident.

Municipalities within the watershed need to monitor watercourse conditions closely until flows subside. The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority will continue to monitor river conditions and will issue updated flood messages as conditions warrant.

This warning will be in effect until Saturday February 14, 2009.

For additional 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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