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Water Management Updates

Water Level Management Update – November 17, 2016

Parks Canada's water management team continues to actively monitor water levels and flows, and weather forecasts across the Trent-Severn Waterway. These factors are used to determine dam operations on a daily basis for the Trent-Severn Waterway.

For more information regarding watershed status, please visit the website of your local conservation authority. These are [Kawartha Conservation](#), [Otonabee Region Conservation Authority](#), [Ganaraska Conservation Authority](#), [Lower Trent Conservation Authority](#), [Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority](#) or, in all other areas of the Trent and Severn Watersheds, the [Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry](#).

Weather

[Drought conditions](#) continue into the fall across parts of the Trent-Severn watershed and drought warnings are still being issued by the Lower Trent Conservation Authority, Ganaraska Conservation Authority, Otonabee Region Conservation Authority, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and Kawartha Conservation.

Haliburton and Northern Areas

All dams are at winter settings and have been since the end of September/early October. Lakes levels are below average and will likely continue to drop due to lack of precipitation. Residents should plan for any adjustments to their infrastructure accordingly.

Kawartha Lakes and the Otonabee River

The drawdown of the Kawartha Lakes is currently underway. Levels at Lower Buckhorn, Lovesick and Cameron will decline in the short term. All the logs are in the dam at Lake Scugog and have been since May 25.

Rice Lake and the Lower Trent

Rice Lake is slowly being brought down to average levels for this time of year.

Severn River

Lake Simcoe water levels are below average for this time of year. Flows will continue to decrease marginally down the Green and Severn Rivers.

The Trent-Severn Waterway continues to work with local conservation authorities, municipalities and the Ministry of Natural Resources to ensure that accurate water shed information is relayed to the public. For up to date warnings and watches with regards to water levels in your region please click on the following links:

- [Provincial and Local Flood Warnings](#)
- [Current Flood Information](#)
- [Otonabee Conservation](#)
- [Ganaraska Conservation Authority](#)
- [Kawartha Conservation](#)
- [Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority](#)
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