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FLOOD WARNING

DATE: February 12, 2009
TIME: 10:30 a.m.

Message sent on the basis of information received from:

**Kawartha Conservation Flood Forecasting Network
MNR – Surface Water Monitoring Centre
Environment Canada**

Kawartha Region Conservation Authority is advising that the Flood Advisory issued on February 10th has been **upgraded to a Flood Warning**.

The water levels and flows in rivers and streams throughout the Kawartha Conservation watershed have increased significantly as a result of the overnight precipitation (30 mm) and melting snow. A number of watercourses have overtopped their banks and have flooded areas adjacent to watercourses and low-lying areas. Minor flooding at areas with restricted or poor drainage, including road ditches, is now occurring. Numerous locations of road flooding have been reported.

According to the weather forecast, around 5 mm of precipitation is expected for today. Rain will turn into snow-rain showers and snow later in the day, as the warm front will move out of Southern Ontario. Under these weather conditions, watercourses are expected to maintain very high water levels and velocities. We expect this situation to continue into tomorrow.

Municipalities are advised to monitor local watercourses closely and to be prepared to respond to flooding emergencies as they occur. Residents are recommended to monitor the local situation closely and contact their municipality if a flood threat exists. Local municipalities are the first to respond to, and assist with, flood emergencies.

Kawartha Conservation is asking all residents to keep their children and themselves away from all rivers and streams, as they are extremely dangerous at this time of year.

Kawartha Conservation will continue to monitor local watercourses on a 24-hour basis and will inform the public and watershed municipalities of any changes. To report flooding, or if you have any flooding concerns, please contact Kawartha Conservation at 705.328.2271 or 705.344.0155 after hours.

This Flood Warning will be in effect through Friday, February 13, 2009 when an update or cancellation will be issued.

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