

NEWS RELEASE

FLOOD WARNING

WATER LEVELS ON THE MATTAGAMI RIVER CONTINUE TO RISE IN RESPONSE TO SNOWMELT

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(Timmins, ON)— The Timmins Flood Advisory Committee has upgraded the current Flood Watch to a Flood Warning for the Mattagami River. A Flood Warning message serves as notification to the general public that flooding is imminent or may occur.

The Committee reports that water levels on the Mattagami River are continuing to rise in response to the warm weather and associated snow melt. The exact extent of the flooding is difficult to predict at this time and will depend on the weather. Everyone living near the Mattagami River is encouraged to monitor the conditions that are developing.

City residents living near lakes and rivers are reminded to remove unsecured material and equipment from shoreline areas as water elevations continue to rise. They should also be prepared with a household emergency plan should a flood emergency be declared. Parents are again asked to let their children know about the dangers of playing in and around lakes, rivers and streams.

Conditions can change quickly. The Committee will continue to meet and provide regular updates. Residents can visit the MRCA website at <https://mattagamiregion.ca/> for the latest information on watershed conditions and public advisories, or to sign up for flood notifications via email.

This message will be in effect until (or updated before) May 9, 2022.

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For more information, please contact the MRCA at 705-360-2660.