ATTACHMENT 1 – TRCA Flood Message Category Types

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High flows, unsafe banks, melting ice or other factors that could be dangerous for recreational users such as anglers, canoeists, hikers, children, pets, etc. Flooding is not expected.

Early notice of the potential for flooding based on weather forecasts calling for heavy rain, snow melt, high wind or other conditions that could lead to high runoff, cause ice jams, lakeshore flooding or erosion.

Flooding is possible in specific watercourses or municipalities.

Municipalities, emergency services and individual landowners in floodprone areas should prepare.

Flooding is imminent or already occurring in specific watercourses or municipalities.

Lake Ontario Shoreline Flood Messages

Lake Ontario Shoreline messages are similar in category the riverine flood messages, however, are only applicable the Lake Ontario shoreline within TRCA's jurisdiction. The are issued when critical high-water levels and waves are forecasted, imminent or occurring on Lake Ontario, which could result in shoreline flooding and/or erosion. These types of messages are issued to municipalities and emergency services, regardless of whether or not they reside or operate along the Lake Ontario shoreline.

