

## Do You have an Emergency Survival Kit?

Everyone should be prepared to take care of themselves and their families for at least **three** days in the event of an emergency. No community is equipped to handle all the demands of a catastrophe. Help your community by preparing yourself.

An Emergency Survival Kit should have these basic items for every individual :

Flashlight and batteries  
Radio and batteries or crank radio  
Spare batteries (for radio and flashlight)  
First-aid kit  
Telephone that can work during a power disruption  
Candles and matches/lighter Extra car keys and cash Important papers (identification)  
Non-perishable food (ready-to-eat items that do not require refrigeration)  
Manual can opener  
Bottled water (4 litres / person / day)  
Clothing and footwear  
Blankets and/or sleeping bag  
Toilet paper and other personal items  
Medication  
Backpack/duffle bag  
Whistle (to attract attention, if needed), glow sticks  
Playing cards, games

## Do You know what to do if You are Asked to Evacuate ?

If authorities ask you to leave your home, they have a good reason for making that request and you should heed their advice immediately.

- Listen to local radio /TV.
- Wear long sleeve shirts, pants and sturdy shoes and/or boots and winter clothing to protect as much as possible.
- Lock your home.
- Take your emergency survival kit including medication and pet supplies.
- Take a cellular phone if you have one.
- Keep a full tank of gas and Use the travel routes specified by authorities.

Flooding is a significant natural hazard in Ontario that can happen at any time. Heavy rains, rapid snowmelt, spring break-up and ice jams, wind-related storm surges across large lakes or the failure of dams can all cause floods.

Advance warning gives residents, municipalities and other government agencies the chance to take appropriate precautions.

## Flood Aware

What you need to  
know to protect you  
and your family



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## Be Prepared to Find Alternate Accommodation for Yourself and your Pets for 72 Hours

Your community's Emergency Management group is tasked with the responsibility of coordinating an effective response to natural, technological and human-caused disasters to ensure the safety of residents.

As required by the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, the Emergency Management group has completed a Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) to establish a risk profile for the community. Flooding of the Crowe River and Eels Creek has been identified as a hazard for the community.

This brochure will provide you with information to help protect you and your family should a flood occur.



### Remember...

Sometimes flash or sudden flooding can occur without warning. If it has been raining hard for several hours or raining steadily for several days, be alert to the possibility of a flood.

## Flood Warnings



The Crowe Valley Conservation Authority is responsible for forecasting where and when flooding is likely to occur and issuing advance flood warnings within its area.

### Watershed Conditions Statement:

General notices of potential flooding or other conditions that pose a risk to safety.

There are two kinds of statements:

#### Water Safety

Indicates that high flows, melting ice or other factors could be dangerous for such users as boaters, anglers and swimmers but flooding is **not** expected.

#### Flood Outlook

Gives early notice of the potential for flooding based on weather forecasts calling for heavy rain, snowmelt, high winds or other conditions.

#### Flood Watch

The potential for flooding exists within specific watercourses and municipalities.

#### Flood Warning

Flooding is imminent or occurring within specific watercourses and municipalities.

When the Township of North Kawartha receives a flood message from the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, the public will be notified through the website at <https://www.northkawartha.ca/en/our-services/public-education.aspx> under Public Education - Emergency Management or on the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority website at [Crowe Valley website link](#) (www.crowevalley.com). Local radio stations also broadcast these messages.

## Know What To Do when a Flood Watch, Warning or Watershed Condition Statement is Issued (Water Safety / Flood Outlook)

### When a Flood Watch Is Issued . . .

- Move your furniture and valuables to higher floors of your home
- Fill your car's gas tank, in case an evacuation order is issued

### When a Flood Warning Is Issued . . .

- Listen to local radio stations for information and advice. If told to evacuate, do so as soon as possible

### When a Watershed Conditions Statement Is Issued . . .

- Stay away from rivers, streams and other watercourses
- Speak to your children and remind them of the dangers of playing near rivers, streams and other watercourses

When a **Flood Watch** or **Flood Warning** is issued, residents with questions or concerns can call during business hours: 705-656-4445  
Alana Solman, CAO, CEMC @ Ext. 236  
Jesse Lambe, Fire Chief @ Ext. 221 or **for urgent matters or emergencies Call 911 !**