



MOOSE FACTORY ISLAND FIRE & RESCUE

RIVER SURVEILLANCE REPORT #5

DATE: April 23, 2015 TIME: 7:00 p.m.

A river surveillance flight was taken this evening and the following was noticed at the locations listed below:

South Bluff Creek – Still intact with water rising

Bushy Island South End – Still intact with water rising along shore

French River – Broken up to about 1.5 miles from mouth with moderate – high water

Kwatabohegan River – Broken up to mouth with moderate to high water behind it

Abitibi River – Still intact with water rising

Cheepash River – Broken up to mouth with moderate to high water behind it

Moose River (main river) – Break up has reached Hancock Creek (8 miles from community) and goes straight across to the south side of the mouth of French River with high water behind which is normal for this time of year, ice pack continues to grow due to ice floating down river from shore line, fingers of broken ice are trying to break through the solid ice.

Missinaibe – Broken up with ice chunks floating down river, Moderate to high water

Ice is continuing to rot and melt creating holes and water along both sides of the river and around islands on the Moose River.

We are currently at Alert Level 3-Warning Alert due to break up being within 20 miles from the community.

The flow rates and water levels that are monitored at Moose River is not rising but is still at a high level and that is expected this time of year. All other rivers/creeks have high water which is normal for this time of year.

Another Flight will take place to monitor the water levels and progress of break-up.

THE MOOSE FACTORY ISLAND COMMUNITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT URGES ALL RESIDENTS TO REMAIN OFF THE RIVER. PLEASE KEEP CHILDREN AWAY FROM THE RIVER BANKS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE.