



City of Peterborough **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

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MEDIA RELEASE #1

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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NOTICE TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION: REDUCE WATER CONSUMPTION

The City of Peterborough is currently experiencing increased flows at our Sewage Treatment Plant as a result of the significant rainfall that has occurred in our region over the past 24 hours. The rainfall, combined with the spring snowmelt, is challenging the capacity of the plant.

Given the weather forecast for the coming week, the City of Peterborough is asking for your cooperation in conserving water to help reduce the flows at the Sewage Treatment Plant. Please reduce or discontinue all non-essential water usage. The following are a few suggestions for conserving water:

- Take a short shower, rather than a bath
- Wash only full loads of laundry
- Dry scrape dishes, rather than rinsing
- Only operate the dishwasher with a full load
- Keep drinking water in the fridge instead of running the tap when you need cold water
- Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth

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