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County of Renfrew Flood Information

Pembroke: The County of Renfrew is reminding residents to contact their Local Municipality if they are experiencing flooding or require sandbags and sand. Local Municipalities are working diligently at providing sandbags and sand to residents that require them as a means of protecting homes and businesses.

Residents that are experiencing flooding of their wells and or septic systems are advised not to drink their water, and to have it tested. Residents are asked to contact the Renfrew County District Health Unit at 613-735-8654 for testing details and further information regarding safe drinking water. Information is also available at www.rcdhu.com/healthy-living/safe-water

County of Renfrew Warden Jennifer Murphy said; "I want to remind residents at this time to be aware of their surroundings and not to take unnecessary risks when travelling through areas that are impacted by flooding. I would ask all residents to remain calm and to be assured that the County and Local Municipalities are continuing to closely monitor the situation, and to contact their local municipal offices for information regarding sandbags and sand if they feel they require them."

In addition the County of Renfrew in coordination with Local Municipalities have launched a web based map tool that allows the public to view where road closures are and where flooding is problematic for travel. Resident's are encouraged to contact their Local Municipality to report flooding of roadways so that the map can be updated quickly. The mapping tool is called "Municipal511", and can be found online at www.municipal511.ca.

The County of Renfrew will continue to post road closures and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Flood Warnings to the County's Face Book and Twitter Feeds, and update the local media whenever possible.

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