

## **Winnipeg River remains high – water extremely turbulent near generating stations**

(WINNIPEG) - Manitoba Hydro continues to warn residents and resource users along the Winnipeg River, from Pointe du Bois to Sagkeeng First Nation of high-water flows and extremely turbulent water around generating stations.

Manitoba Hydro reminds the public to:

- Keep a safe distance away from marked-off areas when fishing, boating, or swimming.
- Obey all warning signs.
- Stay away from barriers that prevent access to dangerous places such as booms (temporary floating barriers) or buoys (anchored floats) in waterways.
- Keep to clearly-marked walkways or observation points and keep away from the water's edge as banks and rocks can be unstable or slippery.

The Winnipeg River crested last week but will remain high for the next number of weeks. Over the next 7-14 days Manitoba Hydro forecasts:

- 2 inches decrease upstream of Eight Foot Falls
- 7 inches decrease in Nutimik Lake
- 6 inches decrease in Dorothy Lake
- 6.5 inches decrease Margaret/Eleanor Lake
- 6 inches decrease Sylvia Lake
- 4 inches decrease upstream of Silver Falls
- Powerview - Pine Falls will remain nearly the same level

Lake Winnipeg is currently at 716.5 feet ASL and forecast to peak about a foot higher at 717.3 ASL by mid-July. Last year, the lake level was at 713 feet ASL at this time. During the last major flood in 2011, the water level on Lake Winnipeg peaked at 716.9 feet ASL around July 7, 2011.

For more information about Winnipeg River or Lake Winnipeg water levels, visit [Water levels & flows \(hydro.mb.ca\)](https://www.hydro.mb.ca/water-levels)