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DATE: January 9, 2024 **TIME:** 10:30 pm
TO: Municipal Flood Coordinators, LPRCA, SWMC, Media
FROM: Paul Gagnon, Lands and Waters Supervisor
SUBJECT: **Riverine Flood Warning (Event message #2)**

The Long Point Region Conservation Authority is upgrading the watershed conditions statement to a Riverine **Flood Warning** for all areas within its watershed.

A low pressure systems is crossing over the Long Point Region watershed and has brought a significant amount of precipitation to the entire watershed. The upper watershed has received 28 to 30 mm of rain, and the lower watershed has received 42 to 46 mm. Rainfall is expected to continue until mid morning on Wednesday, followed by additional precipitation later in the week.

Water levels in local watercourses are rising rapidly, and will continue to rise over the next 24 hours.

Action: Areas along the Big Otter Creek, specifically the town of **Vienna**, may experience flooding due to high flows. Given Vienna's vulnerability to flooding, Flood Coordinators should keep a close watch on river conditions and warn property owners in the most flood-prone areas of Vienna of the potential for flooding.

People are warned to stay away from ditches, streams, rivers and ponds as the combination of slippery banks and cold, fast-flowing water is dangerous. Parents are reminded to keep children and pets away from these areas.

Landowners are also advised to make sure dams, culverts and catch basins are free from debris and functioning properly, if safe to do so.

Water levels are expected to remain high for the next few days. LPRCA staff will continue to monitor watershed conditions and will update this message as necessary.

Therefore, this **Flood Warning** is in effect until **noon, Friday, January 12, 2024**.

Contact Paul Gagnon, 519-842-4242 ext. 232 should further information be required.

NOTE:

Flood Warning – Flooding is imminent or already occurring in specific watercourses or municipalities.

