

WELLAND IMPACTED BY 50YEAR STORM

Welland, ON – Environment Canada issued several alerts over the past weekend warning Niagara Region residents of thunderstorms and severe rainfall that was anticipated. The amount of rain that fell throughout the city varies; with Ward 6 being hit the hardest, a total of 108.7mm of rain was recorded.

Once the rain subsided, the roadside ditches had a chance to drain as flooding was due to the sheer volume of runoff. However, both Niagara Region and City of Welland staff were prepared at pumping stations and on stand-by for any needed assistance with warnings issued. Without both team's proactive preparedness, flooding could have been worse and devastating to more areas.

Those affected by the flooding resulting in damage are encouraged to visit <u>https://www.welland.ca/clerks/InsuranceClaim.asp</u> and/or the Niagara Region <u>https://www.niagararegion.ca/government/departments/corp-services/procedure.aspx</u>

The following are some of the projects scheduled or underway to assist in the mitigation of both surface and basement flooding:

- Dain City storm Channel Improvements;
- Dain City Inflow and Infiltration Reduction Remedial Works;
- Southworth Street Infrastructure Renewals (Marc Blvd Gordon St);
- Broadway Area Trunk Sanitary Sewer (Riverside Dr. St George St);
- Commercial Street Area Master Servicing Plan;
- Design of Ontario Street Trunk Sewer (Pump Station Empress Ave);
- David Street Area Master Servicing Plan (includes ditch outlet review and design);
- Storm Sewer Network Model;
- Broadway Area I/I Reduction Investigation; and
- Lincoln/Coventry Area I/I Reduction Investigation.

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