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**From:** Sandy Currie <mrpoapresident@gmail.com>  
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**To:** Sandy Currie  
**Subject:** Flood Watch Notice

3:00pm October 31, 2013

### To All MRPOA Members

I was just sent the following information by TML Councillor Brad Burgess - thanks Brad!

## FLOOD WATCH

**Date:** October 31, 2013  
**To:** Local Municipalities, Local First Nations, Media, Partners, SWMC  
**From:** Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), Parry Sound District

The **MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES** Parry Sound District is advising area residents that high water levels in area rivers and lakes currently being experienced could reach flood levels in vulnerable flood-prone locations with precipitation forecasts of 50-60mm over the next three days.

The long range forecast is calling for additional rainfall accumulation of 30+mm into next week.

The Parry Sound District Ministry of Natural Resources is advising area residents to take action to protect infrastructure in flood prone areas and continue to exercise caution around water bodies and any low lying areas.

This message will be in effect until 5:00pm on Tuesday November 5, 2013 and will be updated before then should conditions change.

For more information about weather and flooding risks, and advice on what to do in the event of a flood, go to:  
<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/Water/index.html>

### **Terminology: Notification Levels**

**\*\* FLOOD WATCH:** potential for flooding exists within specific watercourses and municipalities

**WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT:** unsafe lake, river and channel conditions exist.

**FLOOD WARNING:** flooding is imminent or occurring within specific watercourses and municipalities.

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Additional Information - At the present time it is raining very hard here in Bala. The water flow into the Moon River in Bala is significant. The Township Dock remains underwater as are other docks and lands between Bala and The Moon Chutes. Members, who have furniture or other objects not yet secured for the winter, may wish to consider a trip up to do a yard clean-up as soon as possible.

Environment Canada has issued a Rainfall Warning for this area. It can be found at:  
[http://weather.gc.ca/warnings/report\\_e.html?on15#onrm41-399cwto-044440](http://weather.gc.ca/warnings/report_e.html?on15#onrm41-399cwto-044440)

There is some other news to report - good news!

### Roadside Planting

Earlier today, MRPOA, working in cooperation with the Township of Muskoka Lakes Public Works Department, planted 400 native species perennial plants along the roadside in Bala. The specific location is between the guardrail and the Moon River, directly across Highway 169 from The Shield Parking Lot. MRPOA also would like to thank Brent Quarries for donating a load of triple mix to ensure the new plants are well rooted in rich soil.

The weather was and remains horrible but the undaunted team from Public Works, lead by Brent Gammon, got the job done in under 4 hours!!

Photos of the planting activity will be placed on [www.mrpoa.org](http://www.mrpoa.org) later this week.

### Flu Clinics

Please note the Township is hosting two flu clinics (Bala and Port Carling) mid/late November.

Details can be found at [www.mrpoa.org](http://www.mrpoa.org)

That is all for today,

Regards,

Sandy Currie  
President  
MRPOA

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