



COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR



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St. Clair County Coastal Community Flooding – Update

Coastal communities in St. Clair County continue to experience flooding.

In a briefing held this morning, the United States Army Corp of Engineers indicated water levels have remained relatively consistent over the past 24 hours. Port Huron has experienced a slight increase in levels over the past two (2) days. There continues to be two (2) ice jams; one located between the City of St. Clair and Port Lambton and the other between Port Lambton and Algonac. Current ice cover in Lake Huron is minimal and mostly attached at the shore.

The local roads and streets in Algonac are clear and the sewage treatment plant is operating nominally. Clay Township indicated that Champion Ferry is still operational to and from Harsens Island without issues.

The United States and Canadian Coast Guard Cutter operations are continuing. The Bristol Bay and Neah Bay have returned to their home ports. The Morro Bay, currently on scene, and the Biscayne Bay, arriving Tuesday morning, will replace them. The Samuel Risley is presently on scene and operating to remove the ice jams. The United States Coast Guard will meet this afternoon to review assets and assess options.

St. Clair County Homeland Security and Emergency Management continue to operate the Emergency Operations Center and supporting local communities. They continue to coordinate with State, Federal and International partners. Self-assessment damage reports are being received from residents and the Emergency Management office conducted an area survey and took photographs on February 7, 2021.

Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division continues to provide support to St. Clair County, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Coast Guard and other partners. They are prepared to provide any necessary support to the Federal assets.

Citizens, who have not already done so, continue to be encouraged to utilize the online self-reporting survey to catalogue and report damage to their property. Photos may also be included. Links to the survey can be found on both Facebook and our webpage at:

<https://www.facebook.com/BeReadyStClairCounty> or
<https://www.bereadystclaircounty.org>

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