

Stakeholder Update – April 28, 2017

Water levels and water flows on the lower Churchill River are fluctuating. Water flows throughout the entire Churchill River are currently lower than the winter months.

The water level at the Muskrat Falls cofferdam continues to be held at an elevation of approximately 22.5 metres. The water that flows through the spillway is being adjusted to match the changing flows - this means that the river flow upstream and downstream of the Muskrat Falls facilities is the same.

Changing flows throughout the entire Churchill River in combination with warming weather will result in changes to the ice conditions and water levels on the river. Nalcor advises people to avoid the ice and river upstream and immediately downstream of these facilities as the ice cover is unsafe for recreational use.

We continue to closely monitor the temperature and the precipitation in the lower Churchill River watershed in preparation for increased flows from the spring snow and ice melt.



Upstream side of the spillway on April 28, 2017. Gates 1, 3 & 4 are closed; and Gates 2 & 5 are partially open. Gates are numbered 1 to 5 from right to left.