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Great Lakes — St. Lawrence River Water Levels

Water Level Update and Meeting Information

As shown in the water level information table provided below, at the beginning of September 2013, the levels of lakes Erie and Ontario were a few centimetres above their 1918–2012 long-term beginning-of-September average water levels. The levels of lakes Superior and St. Clair were a few centimetres below their respective beginning-of-September average levels while the level of Lake Michigan–Huron remains well below average. The levels of

all of the lakes began this September higher than they were at the same time last year. For the latest six-month forecast of probable water levels on each of the Great Lakes, Lake St. Clair and Montreal Harbour please refer to Canadian Hydrographic Service's monthly water levels bulletin at: www.waterlevels.gc.ca/C&A/bulletin_e.html

Niagara Board Open House

The International Niagara Board of Control will hold an

open house on **Thursday, September 19, 2013, from 6:30–8:30 p.m. EDT** in the Mori Room of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Community Centre at 14 Anderson Lane in Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON.

To participate by telephone, please call **1-877-413-4781** by 6:20 p.m. and enter the conference ID **7368794** followed by the # on your telephone. To download the meeting materials, please visit the Activities page on **(continued on next page)**

Great Lakes Water Level Information

Lake	August 2013 Monthly Mean Level		Beginning-of-September 2013 Level	
	Compared to Monthly Average (1918–2012)	Compared to One Year Ago	Compared to Beginning-of-Month Average (1918–2012)	Compared to One Year Ago
Superior	9 cm below	17 cm above	5 cm below	23 cm above
Michigan–Huron	47 cm below	11 cm above	44 cm below	16 cm above
St. Clair	13 cm below	17 cm above	8 cm below	22 cm above
Erie	3 cm above	24 cm above	4 cm above	25 cm above
Ontario	11 cm above	34 cm above	9 cm above	36 cm above

Board's website at:
www.ijc.org/boards/inbc/activities/

Alternately, you can view the meeting materials on-line by webinar while listening in by phone using the teleconference access information provided earlier. Instructions on how to participate in the webinar are available on the Niagara Board's Activities webpage. Any updates will be posted by September 18.

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St. Lawrence Board Teleconference

The International St. Lawrence River Board of Control will hold a public teleconference on **Tuesday, September 24, 2013 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. EDT** to discuss the regulation of outflows and water levels in the Lake Ontario–St. Lawrence River system.

Those interested may attend in person at either of the two following meeting sites:

**Salon A
Confederation Place Hotel
237 Ontario Street
Kingston ON**

or:

**Room 118 of Rich Hall
SUNY
7060 State Route 104
Oswego, NY**

To participate by telephone, please call **1- 877- 413- 4814** by 6:50 p.m., and enter one of the following access codes: **4479980 for English** or **4869841 for French**. Please mention “**St. Lawrence River Control Board**” to the operator.

To download the meeting materials, please go to the Activities page on the Board's

website at: **www.ijc.org/en/islrbc/Activities**

Alternately, you can view the meeting materials on-line by webinar while listening in by phone using the teleconference access information provided earlier. Instructions on how to participate in the webinar are available on the St. Lawrence Board's Activities webpage. Any updates will be posted by September 20.

Please note that there will be a brief discussion period from 6:45 to 7:00 p.m. at the local sites to determine local concerns. The Board presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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August Precipitation over the Great Lakes*

Great Lakes Basin	104%	Lake Erie	85%
Lake Superior	113%	(including Lake St. Clair)	
Lake Michigan–Huron	107%	Lake Ontario	93%

August Outflows from the Great Lakes*

Lake Superior	115%	Lake Erie	98%
Lake Michigan–Huron	89%	Lake Ontario	103%

*As a percentage of the long-term August average.
NOTE: These figures are preliminary.