BRACEBRIDGE, ON – Town officials advise that a potential for flooding exists within watercourses in the municipality, particularly the North Branch of the Muskoka River.

Due to localized flooding, Germania Road, from Waters Road to 1507 Germania Road is closed to vehicular traffic. Cedar Beach Road from 1017 Cedar Beach Road to 1073 Cedar Beach Road is closed to vehicular traffic due to road undermining.

Residents on rivers and lakes are advised to keep a close watch on water conditions and regularly check for updated messages. Individuals should exercise caution around water bodies as river flows and water levels continue to rise in the coming days. A potential for flooding exists due to current snow melt conditions and forecasted rainfall. Residents may wish to take any further action necessary to secure or protect property in flood prone or vulnerable areas.

The current forecast is calling for rainfall today, ranging from 15mm to 30mm by this evening. More precipitation is expected until Wednesday, April 22, 2015 with daytime high temperatures in the range of 3°C to 10°C.

In conjunction with the MNR, the Town of Bracebridge will closely monitor weather and watershed conditions and provide updates as conditions warrant.

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.

For information please visit: www.bracebridge.ca/Preparing for the Spring Thaw.

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Bracebridge – The Town of Bracebridge is located in the Heart of Muskoka, the epitome of Canada’s Cottage Country. With a population in excess of 16,000 permanent residents that doubles during the summer months, the community has a diversified economy that is highlighted by strong construction, hospitality and professional sectors. Bracebridge is the steward of the cottage country brand and is teaching the world the power of living the Muskoka lifestyle in its spirit, the arts, food, home and recreation. The Town is positioned on the 45th parallel, halfway between the Equator and the North Pole, and is recognized as Santa’s summer home.