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PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY

Public Should Avoid
Floodway Construction Zones

The Manitoba Floodway Authority is reminding the public, and in particular off-road and all-terrain vehicle users, that the Red River Floodway Expansion Project continues to be an “active construction zone” at various locations along the entire length of the floodway channel.

As a result, the public should avoid travel on the floodway at all times to ensure their safety and the safety of workers on the project. Please use alternative recreational areas and routes while floodway construction is underway.

Although channel excavation work is largely completed, there are a number of construction projects underway or starting in the upcoming months. These projects include re-vegetation and landscaping of various sections of the channel. Other floodway construction sites such as the CP Emerson and CP Keewatin Railway Bridges, the PTH 44 and PTH 15 Highway Bridges, the Inlet Control Structure, the Outlet Control Structure and the Seine River Siphon Project make the entire 48 kilometre length of the floodway an active and potentially dangerous construction zone.

Please remember, workers and heavy equipment may be on site at any and all times and new construction hazards may arise and change anywhere along the floodway. These workers are concentrating on the work they are doing and do not expect to have people - either on foot, all terrain vehicles, snowmobiles or 4X4s - in the vicinity of where they are working.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping the construction site safe for the public and for floodway workers.

“Remember Ride Safe”

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