



The Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway System
Le réseau Grands Lacs - Voie maritime du Saint-Laurent

SEAWAY NOTICE NO. 12 - 2017

Increased Outflows – Montreal Lake Ontario Section (Cancelled 2017/08/11)

Mariners are advised that the International Lake Ontario St. Lawrence River Board (Board) will release outflows of **10,400** cubic meters per second (cms) from Lake Ontario through the St. Lawrence River beginning Wednesday, June 14, 2017. The exact time of the increase will be communicated via special radio message which will also be posted on our Great Lakes-Seaway website.

The Seaways plan to continue operations at these outflows. These flows will create velocities higher than normal in the navigation channels and variations in the normal current patterns may occur. Mariners are advised to take these conditions into account when transiting the Montreal-Lake Ontario Section.

Mariners are reminded that there is a zero tolerance for ship's draft in excess of the maximum permissible draft, as per Seaway Notice No. 8. Mariners are to operate at the lowest safe speeds to minimize their wake, particularly when navigating close to shore. Speed limits outlined in Montreal-Lake Ontario Notices to Shipping No. 14 and 15 remain in effect.

Mariners are invited to provide feedback to the Traffic Control Centers on navigation conditions encountered due to the higher than normal outflows.

June 13, 2017