



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

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Re: SEAWAY RADIO MESSAGE NO. 1 OF 2020

This is the first Radio Message for the opening of the 2020 navigation season.

The Welland Canal will be open to navigation tomorrow, **March 24th at 0800 hours.**
The Montreal/Lake Ontario Section will be open to navigation on **April 1st at 0800 hours.**

Transit restrictions are in place at opening. Details on the maximum permissible drafts for both the Montreal-Lake Ontario Section and the Welland Canal are available in Seaway Notice no.8 of 2020.

WELLAND CANAL

The Welland Canal and Lake Erie are open water

MONTREAL-LAKE ONTARIO SECTION

Ice conditions in the Montreal-Lake Ontario section will be reported in the next radio message.
As stated in the MLO Notice to Shipping No1 – 2020, outflows may be higher than what is deemed safe for navigation throughout March in the MLO section.

The next radio message will be issued Monday, March 30, 2020.

DOT/CCG STATION

Please broadcast 3 times at time coinciding with regular radio broadcasts.

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