Brantford Ice Jam Feb 2018

Ice Jam Study Update and Next Steps GRCA Board April 2020

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21 February 2018 Ice Jam



Ice Jam



Overtopping of River Road floodwall



Ice Jam – City Flooding





Projects

- 1. Grand River Ave Gap City, GRCA
- 2. Civic Centre Gap City, GRCA
- 3. Eagle St Dyke Slabs Rip Rap protection GRCA
- 4. River Road Sediment Bar at Gladstone - GRCA
- 5. River Road Floodwall GRCA
- 6. Ballantyne Floodwall Repair GRCA
- Gilkison Flats Ice Jam Reach Study - GRCA
- 8. 3 Bridges EAs City
- 9. General Maintenance and Cleanup City, GRCA

Project Lead and \$ contributors identified. All GRCA funding had 50% Provincial Grant.

Dyke Gap Completion





Grand River Ave Gap
Civic Centre Gap

Design – GRCA - \$30,000 Repair – City - \$75,000



Dyke Slabs Remediation and Sediment Bar Reduction





Studies, Repairs – GRCA \$1,200,000

Bridge Environmental Assessments



Environmental Assessments

 Lorne Bridge \$275,000
TH&B and Brant Crossing \$200,000

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Gilkison Flats - Ice Damage and Cleanup



Floodwall Assessment and Repairs

and functional

assessment -

Grand River Conservation Authority **DRAFT** Field Investigation Report Ballantyne Drive & River Road Floodwalls

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River Road -

Assessment

of wall raising

complete



RPT-2018-08-Field Investigation Report-60581994 - Edited Dog

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Figure 2 - Key Plan, Dike Section 13 on Ballantyne Drive



Ballantyne Floodwall -Foundation repair 100m section \$600,000 - repair complete GRCA







Ice Jam Study

- Document Event
- Analysis and Understanding
- Remedial Measures



Mitigation Options

- 1. Dike Floodwall Protection
- 2. Floodplain Relief grading and tree management
- 3. Ice Cutting/Weakening/Breaking
- 4. Ice Control Structures Upstream of Brantford
- 5. Channel Modifications
- 6. Channel Relief/Ice Storage
- 7. Flow Regime Modification
- 8. Flood Forecasting/monitoring improvements

The feasibility, efficacy, acceptability and cost of those options is largely site dependant. Some options have been extensively used and proven in the past, these generally rely on principles that are clearly understood and relatively straightforward, while others involve complex mechanisms and confirmation of their performance could even be beyond the state-of-the-art of river ice engineering and modelling. Therefore, the ability to anticipate with certainty their effectiveness varies among alternatives.

Grand River Conservation Authority Brantford Ice Jam Study Final



Feasibility Study

Recommendation – GRCA and City

A Feasibility Study is intended to assess the practicality related to the technical and financial implications, timing and the potential challenges of the options that were identified in the "Ice Jam" Study

and

To develop a strategic plan to successfully achieve a beneficial approach for reducing the risk of flooding for the residents of the City of Brantford.

The Feasibility Study will also identify if the proposed improvement would trigger the need for a Municipal Class Environment Assessment. This is a mandatory process required under the Environmental Assessment Act, that offers the opportunity for public consultation on the proposed undertakings.



