

L'ORIGINAL MARINA UPDATE – June 23, 2017



Due to severe flooding in early May, the L'Original Marina is currently closed and will remain so until further notice. No official re-opening date has been determined but boaters will definitely be able to dock their boats this season.

The Township of Champlain has a Federal Lease Agreement for access to the Approach Causeway (section of raised road over the river) and Boat Launching Ramp as they are holdings of Small Craft Harbours (SCH) of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO).

Structural deficiencies to the Approach Causeway and Boat Launching Ramp were observed and because they are federally owned, civil and marine engineering services were retained by DFO to conduct a detailed inspection. The inspection was carried out in accordance with the current federal Public Works and Government Services (PWGSC) Guidelines Inspection and Maintenance of Marine Facilities.

A condition assessment was provided to the Municipality on June 16th and as a result the following items will require immediate action prior to the re-opening of the marina:

Shoulder:

- The shoulder has completely eroded/washed out along the Approach Causeway in two (2) separate stretches.
- Four (4) sinkholes on both east and west side.
- Guardrail has become weak at several locations.

Floating Docks:

- Repair chain and anchor connections and plastic floating barrels.

Floating Breakwaters:

- Three breakwater sections will require tire replacement and all chains to be replaced.

Fuel Storage Area/Fuel Pumping Line:

- Repair fence/enclosure.
- Pressure test fuel line and seek TSSA certification.
- Remove damaged fuel equipment and repair fuel line connection. Order three new fuel tanks and pump.

Hydro Lines:

- Condition assessment was completed and minor repairs are required; replace breakers and some wire connections.

- Hydro inspection.

Sewage Lines:

- Still to be determined. Please note that should the repairs be significant, the Municipality will rent portable washrooms and conduct repairs in the fall after the season.

Employees of the Township of Champlain have finally been given the green light by DFO to commence restoration. Please consult the Township's website www.champlain.ca regularly for the most up-to-date information. We thank our seasonal users for their patience and understanding in this matter.

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