

Public Information Meetings July 26-28, 2016

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

The Rainy and Namakan Lakes Rule Curves Study Board would like to thank everyone who made the time to come out to our public meetings from July 26-28 at six locations throughout the study area – Crane Lake, International Falls, Nigigoonsiminikaaning First Nation, Kay-Nah- Chi-Wah-Nung Interpretive Centre, the Town of Rainy River and Kabetogama Lake!

We heard from approximately 75 people and the feedback you provided on the progress to date on the review of the rule curves was extremely useful. Some of the key points that arose in the discussions include:

- The weight of evidence table highlights key study findings, but should include more information and explanation;
- The rule curves have a marginal effect on major floods, however, reducing the severity and duration of smaller floods should be explored;
- The rule curves can be adapted to basin conditions, as was done this year, and more adaptive actions should be explored;
- The rule curves and flow adjustments carefully balance upstream and downstream impacts on **flooding**, navigation and the ecosystem; more should be done to improve public understanding and address common misperceptions.

The Study Board is working hard to provide the information you need to understand how rule curves work, the impact of extreme **precipitation** on water levels, and what we are trying to accomplish by reviewing the existing 2000 rule curve. You will find useful information on the status of the project on this website.

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