

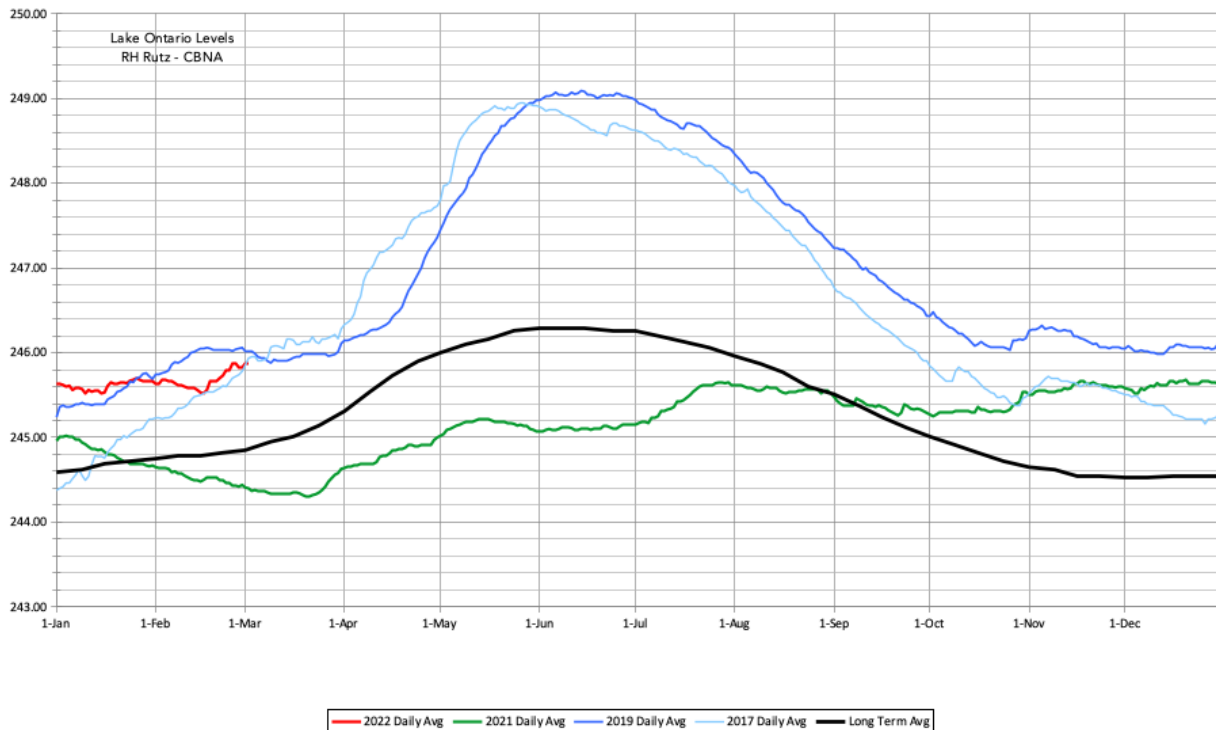


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Dear LOSLRA members and Waterfront Residents,

With the implementation of Plan 2014 on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and the subsequent flooding in 2017 and 2019 we are extremely concerned about the current water levels on Lake Ontario. As shown in the graph below, Lake Ontario is currently tracking similar to the levels in the two previous flooding years, and a foot over the long-term average.



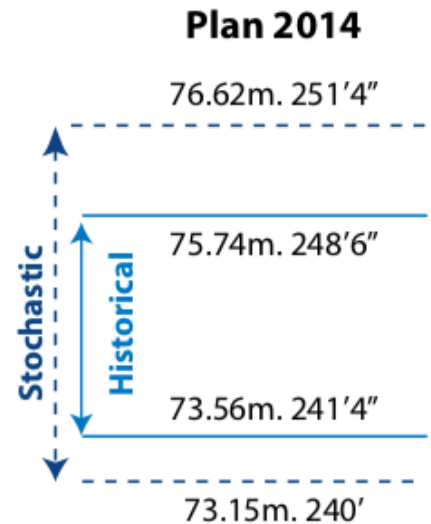
Over the past two years (2020 & 2021), with lower water levels, our LOSLRA volunteer non-profit team has continued the fight to modify Plan 2014. We have been working with our elected officials, and have collaborated with other Great Lakes Organizations and the IJC (GLAM committee and PAG) to help coordinate modifications to Plan 2014. Due to the hard work of many, the **IJC Phase I Expedited Review of Plan 2014** has been completed and has been released (see links below).

- (1) [Phase 1 Review of Plan 2014 - Public Advisory Group](#)
- (2) [Phase 1 Review of Plan 2014 - Informing Deviation Decisions under Extreme Conditions](#)

Permanent modification to Plan 2014 is still the objective! This chart below, issued by the IJC, shows that combination of Plan 2014 regulations and weather patterns will result with water levels that will exceed 251' above sea level should the plan (without modifications) stay in place over time. As you know, lake levels at 251' would devastate shorelines, and in some cases, flow several miles inland. Plan 2014 also risks lower lows which can also negatively impact lakeshore areas, marinas, etc.

The 1909 Water Boundary Treaty gave priority to lakeshore riparians over navigation and hydro-electric (specified in that order). Conversely, Plan 2014 totally favors shipping (Montreal Harbor) and hydro-electric priority over the Lake Ontario and Upper St. Lawrence River riparians. **When water levels are too high or too low, we believe that the pain should be shared equally between stakeholders!** Should the lake levels continue to approach flood levels this Spring, we will organize rallies at various sites on the south shore of Lake Ontario to keep you informed.

**At this time, we ask that each member renew their membership for 2022 and provide a donation to help us continue to lead the fight to save our homes, marinas and businesses.** With the Expedited Review of Plan 2014 review in process, it is a critical time to keep pressure on the IJC to correct this devastating regulation plan. The officers of this organization are your neighbors on the waterfront. We assure you that every dollar of donation goes to fighting for modifying Plan 2014.



**Final Report by the International Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Study Board to the IJC (March 2006)**

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