

Emergency Dyke Repair Protocol

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For the purposes of this protocol, emergency dyke repair is defined as follows:

- A breach is imminent or is occurring at specific location(s) on an existing dyke.
- The proposed repair is limited to specific sections of a dyke and is not meant as an overall reconstruction of the dyke.

Repair Protocol:

- The Conservation Authority is to be notified prior to the commencement of work. Under this protocol, the landowner agrees to allow LSRCA staff to enter the subject property for inspection purposes both during the time when the dyke is being repaired and after the repair has been completed.
- Emergency repair works can proceed in the absence of a Conservation Authority permit.
- The LSRCA is to be notified when the works have been completed.
- A plan showing the extent of the emergency works should be provided to the LSRCA along with site photos showing the completed works. The works are to be done in compliance with the LSRCA's Dyke Construction Guidelines.
- The repair can be done using sand bags /water dams or other type of similar temporary measures **or** with clean suitable fill material **or** a combination thereof.
- The repaired section is to be no higher than the adjacent dykes.
- In general, a Conservation Authority (CA) permit will not be required in advance of emergency works, provided that the above protocol is followed. A CA permit will be required for the completed works to ensure compliance with Authority policies. Application for this permit is to be made within 30 days of completion of the works.