

## **Increased Flows – Souris River downstream from Rafferty and Alameda Dams**

**February 17, 2011**

Based on the [Souris River Runoff Outlook](#) of February 15, 2011, Saskatchewan Watershed Authority will be significantly increasing the rates of water release from both the Rafferty and Alameda reservoirs, and initiating a release from Boundary reservoir over the next week.

These releases are necessary to aid in spring flood protection and to meet water level requirements specified in the International Agreement on Water Supply and Flood Control in the Souris River Basin with the United States.

Due to these releases, the public must be aware that thin ice could occur at any point along the Souris River and Moose Mountain Creek, and use caution especially at culverts or crossings. Also the water levels on Rafferty, Alameda and Boundary reservoirs will drop significantly from now until spring runoff increasing the dangers of being on the reservoir ice.

Basin conditions will be assessed again in early March and releases will be modified as necessary.

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