

# City of Eau Claire

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## Chippewa River Update

Thursday, July 16, 2020

Showers and thunderstorms that have moved through Wisconsin are resulting in increased levels on the Chippewa River in Eau Claire.

At noon the Chippewa River gauge at Grand Avenue read just under 766 feet, which is about 7 feet *below* the flood stage reading of 773 feet.

The current crest projection is for just over 766 feet on Friday. At its current level the river has entered our Action stage and, as a safety measure, the following areas will be closed effective immediately:

- Chippewa River Trail - behind the UW-Eau Claire Fine Arts Building
- Chippewa River Trail - at the boat landing behind Hobbs Ice Arena

The City will continue to monitor the river closely and additional areas of the trail system will be closed as necessary for safety.

## What Residents Can Do

### Stay Safe

When rivers are at an increased level they can contain debris and generate currents that are stronger, faster, and more unpredictable than normal which makes recreational use of the river unsafe.

### Stay Informed

Sign up for Rave Alerts – a free service that will provide emergency messages for Eau Claire County, the City of Eau Claire, and the City of Altoona to you via text, recorded message, email, or all three. To register visit [GetRave.com/login/Eau-Claire](https://GetRave.com/login/Eau-Claire) and click “Register” in the upper right of the site.

Get email updates through the City of Eau Claire website at [EauClaireWI.gov](http://EauClaireWI.gov). Under “Our City” look for e-Notifications.

Further information is available by contacting the City of Eau Claire, Department of Community Services 715-839-4649.

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