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Abnormal Low Flow Event Watch Issued for Lake Freeman
Indiana Conservation Officers in coordination with NIPSCO

Merrillville, Ind. — An Abnormal Low Flow (ALF) event watch has been issued for Lake Freeman, as flows at the Winamac USGS dropped below 300 cubic feet per second (cfs) for the prior 24hr average period.

As of August 4, 2016 at 6:00 a.m. EST the 24 hour daily average at the Winamac USGS gauge is 300 cfs and the 24 hour daily average at the Oakdale USGS gauge is 520 cfs.

At this time, the surface elevation taken near the face of the Oakdale Hydroelectric Dam has not dropped below its normal operating range.

Indiana Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officers, remind the public to be mindful of their surroundings and be aware of any submerged objects in or underneath the surface of the water. Due to the water levels objects such as tree stumps, old dock pilings and such may start to show or become a hazard to boat operators, swimmers, and tubers.

Without additional rainfall, depths could continue to be reduced. NIPSCO will continue to be in close coordination with the Indiana DNR, SFLECC, Emergency Management and other authorities to provide regular updates until levels return to normal.

Current information may be found at www.nipscohydro.com.

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