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## **Wisconsin River Flow Decreasing at WRPCO Dams**

**Green Bay, WI** – Near record Wisconsin River flow levels at the Wisconsin River Power Company (WRPCO) Petenwell and Castle Rock dams north of Wisconsin Dells have decreased in the past several hours. Because the reservoirs had been lowered in anticipation of the increased river flows and operating within Federal Energy Regulatory (FERC) emergency limits yesterday and today, dam operators were able to release less water than was coming into the reservoirs. Currently, the dams are releasing about 30% less water than at the peak of the river flows last night and early this morning.

WRPCO worked with other dam operators along the Wisconsin River to manage the flow of the river over the past few days following very heavy rains in the region. The company also worked closely with local emergency management officials and the FERC.

While the flow is decreasing, it is still at high levels and the WRPCO expects the above-normal release rates to continue for the next few days as the last of the storm water is passed downstream and the company returns the reservoirs to normal levels.

**The companies remind users of the reservoirs and residents downstream from dams that danger increases during high river flows.**

WRPCO continue to urge people to pay attention to news reports for details from their local emergency management offices.

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