

# Resource Guide for Information on Flow Levels of Water Bodies in New York State

This document is a listing of resources that may be able to provide you with information about the flow level of a water body that your camp plans to use for recreation. The main entry headings are in alphabetical order. The information in this directory is meant as a guide and the list is **not** exhaustive. Please be aware of individual water conditions when conducting any activities in and around a water body.

## [National Weather Service](#)

### **Regional Offices**

The National Weather Service has homepages for their regional offices that serve New York and surrounding areas. Each of the homepages has a "hydrology" heading. By selecting the hydrology heading, the user will have access to information about the flow of water bodies in the area and flood warnings / watches. In addition, the user can get local weather forecast information from the websites.

Albany	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/aly/">https://www.weather.gov/aly/</a>
Binghamton	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/bgm/">https://www.weather.gov/bgm/</a>
Boston MA	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/box/">https://www.weather.gov/box/</a>
Buffalo	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/buf/">https://www.weather.gov/buf/</a>
Burlington VT	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/btv/">https://www.weather.gov/btv/</a>
New York City	<a href="https://www.weather.gov/okx/">https://www.weather.gov/okx/</a>

**Telephone Numbers:** The National Weather Service provides local forecasts by telephone.

Albany	518-435-9580
Binghamton	607-729-1597
Boston MA	508-622-3250
Buffalo	716-565-0204
Burlington VT	802-862-2475
New York City	631-924-0517

## [Northeast River Forecast Center](#)

The Northeast River Forecast Center homepage offers information about river conditions for major watersheds and basins. The information is categorized by the extent (or absence) of flooding. This website includes the following headings.

- River Observations and Forecasts
- Weather Observations and Forecasts
- Water Supply
- Climate and History
- Seasonal Interest
- Additional Info

## **New York State Dept of Environmental Conservation**

### **When to Call an ECO and When to Call a Forest Ranger**

Both Environmental Conservation Officers and Forest Rangers protect New York's natural resources and people.

Environmental Conservation Officers enforce New York's Environmental Conservation Laws, including those relating to environmental quality, hunting, fishing and trapping and protection of natural resources.

Forest Rangers organize and conduct wildland search and rescue missions, prevent and suppress forest fires and act as stewards of public lands.

### **Environmental Conservation Officers and Forest Rangers by Region**

## **United States Geological Survey (USGS)**

### **New York Current Surface Water Conditions** **Connecticut Current Surface Water Conditions**

The USGS has gauges in select water bodies across every state. The table generated on the website gives the following information.

- Station Name (location of gauge)
- Long-term Median Flow (the median of the daily flow on this date for the period of record. This information is primarily used for statistical purposes.)
- Flow (a measure of the volume of water passing the gauge and is recorded in cubic feet per second.)
- Stage (height of the water, in feet, at the gauge)
- Water Temperature (in degrees Fahrenheit)
- Date and Time (when the reading was posted)

### **Address and Telephone Number**

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