



Thousands flock to Lemieux landslide

Danger zone: Curious ignore warnings

LEMIEUX — Warnings that the area surrounding the Lemieux landslide is still dangerous have done little to stem the steady flow of spectators intent on getting a close look at the crater.

Thousands of people have already flocked to the site of the June 20 landslide, even though the South Nation River Conservation

Authority reiterates that spectators are entering a danger zone.

"The bank is still eroding, and could continue to erode back another 100 metres," says conservation authority general manager Dennis O'Grady. "We hate to think what might happen if people are standing too

close to the edge of the slide and the slope fails."

The area is not expected to completely stabilize for upwards of a few months.

People are reminded that the area surrounding the landslide is private property and they should refrain from trespassing. However, barricades and "No trespassing" signs are being ignored by

the spectators.

BOATERS WARNED

The conservation authority is also warning that boaters and the general public should be wary of floating debris from the South Nation slide. Logs, large trees and debris are floating in the South Nation and downstream at the mouth of the Ottawa River.



ON EDGE -- Curious spectators crowd around the huge crater created by the Lemieux landslide, ignoring warnings that the slope is still dangerous.