



# Kashechewan First Nation

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   **Spring Evacuations**





# Flooding in Kashechewan First Nation



Spring break-up on Albany River and James Bay Coast threatened to flood Kashechewan First Nation every spring

Since 2015 Kashechewan First Nation conducts a precautionary evacuation of the community





# Kashechewan Evacuation

The Ring Dyke presents risks to the Kashechewan community that are above the Canadian Dam Association (CDA) threshold for tolerability resulting in the precautionary evacuation each spring





The precautionary evacuation consists of approximately 1600 community members being sent to as many as eight different host communities in Ontario. Short term evacuations generally last two to three weeks.





## Going Forward:

The First Nation continues to advocate for relocation of the community to a site upstream on the Albany River, in an area less prone to flooding during the annual spring break-up. In 2017–2018, ISC approved funding to support the First Nation to tender a feasibility study to determine the viability of the upstream site. The study is expected to be complete by fall 2018.

