

The area of Spruce and Balsam in Rogers City looks much less like a lake now, but efforts are ongoing

The storm drain system in the area of Spruce and Balsam streets in the City of Rogers City has been overwhelmed all week by the record flooding resulting from rapid snowmelt and excessive rainfall.

The City spent the week routing as much stormwater as possible away from the impacted area, without negatively impacting other areas. Water was pumped directly from the streets into nearby catch basins which were capable of handling it.

Sandbags and other mechanisms also were used to alleviate the problem. Though we have made a tremendous amount of progress, the woods surrounding this area remain flooded, with that water still creeping into the roads and nearby homes.

City staff will continue to pump, and reroute, water away from this area over the weekend as needed.