



Winter/Spring Flood Outlook #13

Northern & Eastern Maine

April 23, 2026

10:21 AM

Ice Out Complete on all Rivers

Valid through April 30th

OVERVIEW:

- The Flood Outlook is **Below Normal** for all of Eastern & Northern Maine.

SNOWPACK (SD) & SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT (SWE) "T" = Trace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Basins: Mainly bare grounds except small amounts in colder forested areas. Elevations above 750ft, along and west of Route 11 there remains 5-15" of SD w/ 1-3" of SWE. SD & SWE below normal. Central Highlands, Moosehead & Baxter Regions: Any snow (5-15") confined to higher elevations of Baxter SP. SD & SWE below normal. SD & SWE below normal. Downeast to Bangor Basins: Bare ground. SD & SWE below normal.
RIVER ICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Regions: Free and clear on all rivers.
RIVER FLOW STATUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Basins: Normal to Above Normal. Central Highlands, Moosehead & Baxter Regions: Below Normal. Downeast to Bangor Basins: Below Normal. Areawide Trends: Expect flows to continue slowly fall.
PRECIPITATION & TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temperatures: Near Normal to Slightly Above Normal Precipitation: Near Normal to Slightly Above Normal. Pattern: Upper level disturbance to keeps the region cooler with light precipitation chances. Into the second half of the outlook slight warming as the ridge to our west collapses and upper disturbance to the east leaves the region. Expecting slight warming trend with very little if any precipitation expected.
FROST DEPTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Basins: 10-22" Deep (5-10" Surface Thaw), Central & Downeast: Thawed.
GROUNDWATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Below Normal to near Normal due to ongoing Drought. Recharge is occurring.



Fish River @ Fort Kent
Courtesy: Lee Dubois
Taken: 4/19/2026



St. John River @ Fort Kent
Riverside Park Boat Launch
Courtesy: Lee Dubois
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St. John River @ Fort Kent
Riverside Park
Courtesy: Fort Kent Parks & Rec Dept
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St. John River @ Fort Kent
Fort Kent / Clair, NB Int'l Bridge
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