

Flooding, yes ... but it's no 2008



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The sign on the fence along the river walk near Firehouse Park in downtown Janesville shows how high floodwaters reached in 2008. The walkway has been closed, and waves were splashing Monday over the concrete at the water's edge, but the Rock River was well short of the historic mark. Water remains at flood levels, however. The Rock River gauge at Afton showed 11.67 feet Monday afternoon and was forecast to crest at 11.8 feet today before beginning to recede Thursday. The gauge upstream at Lake Koshkonong was at 12.36 feet Monday and was scheduled to crest today at 12.4 feet. Rain in the Janesville area was predicted to be between one-quarter and one-half inch today, but no unusually heavy rain is in the forecast. National Weather Service meteorologist Ed Townsend said the rain could make some rivers rebound slightly but most likely would simply slow their recessions.