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## **Lakes H-4 and H-5 will open this weekend**

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SEGUIN- Lakes H-4 (Four H Lake) and H-5 (Lake Wood) located in Gonzales County will be open for recreation effective 8 a.m. Friday, March 5.

A debris reconnaissance was conducted on February 20 and 21 by representatives of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) and local homeowners' associations to assess damage from the flood of October 1998. "In some instances, the channels are deeper and the notable debris is natural timber," said GBRA director of project development David Welsch.

As part of GBRA's 'Know Your Lake' program, several recommendations are being made to help the public become reoriented to current lake conditions, said Welsch. "It is suggested that people avoid the use of jet skis, water skiing or pulling of water toys, and nighttime use of the lakes until they have refamiliarized themselves with the post-flood lake."

A caution notice will be posted at all public entry points to Lakes H-4 and H-5 and flyers will be distributed advising lake users to proceed with caution and boat at their own risk. The notices will advise that "lakes may contain exposed or submerged flood debris; channels and locations of previous obstructions may have changed; beware of glass, metal, wire or other objects; and remove or report any liquid-filled containers."

Welsch emphasized that restrictions on Lakes Dunlap, McQueeney, Placid and Nolte in Guadalupe County were extended until May 21 by action of the GBRA Board of Directors. "These four lakes will continue to be closed to public use until the debris removal program, currently underway in cooperation with the Natural Resource Conservation Service, is completed."

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