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## **Area Lake Cleanups Nearing Completion**

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SEGUIN- Finishing touches on cleanup efforts and burning the remaining debris from last October's massive flooding along the Guadalupe River are presently underway by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) on behalf of the project's local sponsors.

"We have completed authorized work on six of the seven site locations originally identified along the Guadalupe River from New Braunfels to Seguin," said GBRA technical consultant Larry Moltz. "The last remaining site below Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake) should be finished within the next few weeks."

As part of the cleanup project, GBRA received an outdoor burn permit from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) and continues to ensure that compliance with all state and federal regulations is maintained. During the burn process, debris from each site is sorted and separated into burnable and non-burnable piles, with the non-burnable materials taken to area landfill locations.

"Dry burnable materials were processed throughout the cleanup process," said Moltz, "but some piles were too wet and needed time to dry out. We are still sorting and

burning these materials at sites downstream of Nolte Dam. GBRA will complete this process as quickly as possible and restore these sites.”

Moltz said GBRA extends its thanks to the area residents of Lakes Dunlap, McQueeney, Placid, and Nolte for assisting in the cleanups and for their efforts to help reopen the lakes.

The approximately \$1.7-million debris removal project is funded through a Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) program that provides up to 75 percent of the project cost. The remaining 25 percent is provided by the local sponsors, which are the City of Seguin, the City of New Braunfels, Guadalupe County and GBRA.