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Corps of Engineers Increases Canyon Reservoir Release Rate

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SEGUIN- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will increase the release rate out of Canyon Reservoir to 1,600 cubic feet per second (cfs) as of this afternoon. The release rate will continue to increase throughout Friday, April 9 to 5,000 cfs and will remain at this level for seven to ten days to evacuate waters from the flood pool.

The Canyon Reservoir elevation is currently 913.74 feet above mean sea level (msl) and the inflow at the Spring Branch gauge is 2,280 cfs.

The Corps of Engineers is responsible for managing releases of water from the Canyon Reservoir flood pool between elevations 909 and 943 msl. When the reservoir is at or below 'conservation pool' elevation of 909 feet, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) is responsible for managing the stored water portion and releases below 909 msl.

Canyon Dam and Reservoir was financed and completed in 1964 as a joint project by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and GBRA. It provides flood control benefits as well a dependable water supply during times of low river flow or drought. The reservoir operates under permits granted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).