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Corps of Engineers Announces Canyon Releases for End of May

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SEGUIN- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) has announced the following release rates from Canyon Reservoir.

Friday evening	8:00 pm	May 21	increase to 400 cubic feet per second (cfs)
Sunday evening	8:00 pm	May 23	increased to 1,000 cfs
Thursday evening	8:00 pm	May 27	decreased to 400 cfs.

For the Memorial Holiday weekend, starting Friday morning, May 28, the Canyon release rate will be 400 cfs. "This release rate of 400 cfs for the Memorial holiday will be good for all types of water recreation through out the long four day weekend" says Bill West, GBRA General Manager. In the event of significant rainfall, the COE may re-evaluate and adjust these release rates.

The Canyon reservoir is currently at 911.24 feet above mean sea level (msl) and the inflow at the Spring Branch gauge is 730 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. The Reservoir provides flood control benefits as well as a dependable water supply and operates under permits granted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).