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Canyon Reservoir Rate Reduced

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SEGUIN- The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority has announced the Canyon Reservoir release rate will decrease from the current rate of 1,600 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 400 cfs, beginning Thursday afternoon, July 22 and remain at 400 cfs through Sunday, July 25.

The Canyon Reservoir elevation is currently 909.63 feet above mean sea level (msl) and the inflow at the Spring Branch gauge is 849 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.

GBRA is presently operating under the seasonal variance, which is the result of a cooperative effort among GBRA, the Comal County Commissioners Court, the Water Oriented Recreation District and the Corps of Engineers. Under the variance, additional water can be stored between 909 to 910 feet above mean sea level (msl) between the month of April and Labor Day.

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 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).