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GBRA GM Orders Restrictions on Area Hydro Lakes

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ACTION BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

of the

Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority

Establishing Restrictions to Prohibit the Use of Motorized and Non-motorized Watercraft
And Providing Guidelines for Use of Lake Dunlap, Lake McQueeney, Lake Placid,
Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake), Lake H-4 (Lake Gonzales), and Lake Wood (Lake H-5) in
Comal, Guadalupe, and Gonzales Counties to Protect Public Safety and for Conditional Use of
Said Lakes for Removal of Obstructions, Recovery of Property, or Other Necessary or Emergency
Purposes, and to Release, Remove, or Review Restrictions on a Lake by Lake Basis.

WHEREAS, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) was created under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of GBRA is the protection and development of water resources of the Guadalupe River Basin; and

WHEREAS, GBRA is the owner and operator of Lake Dunlap, Lake McQueeney, Lake Placid, Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake), Lake H-4 (Lake Gonzales), and Lake Wood (Lake H-5) located in Comal, Guadalupe, and Gonzales Counties, Texas; and

WHEREAS, a major flood occurred on the Guadalupe River Basin in June of 2010 which distributed debris and materials including, motor vehicles, barges, trailers, and motor powered and other watercraft; and

WHEREAS, debris and privately owned motor vehicles, barges, trailers, and motor powered and other watercraft which have been damaged, sunk, or moved to other locations can present a hazard to public boating and safety; and

WHEREAS, in many instances due to the damage or inconvenience such watercraft have been abandoned; and

WHEREAS, such motor vehicles, barges, trailers, and motor powered and other watercraft are still the property of the owner, which requires responsibility for removal, salvage or disposal; and

WHEREAS, GBRA has found that it is in the interest of public safety to restrict the use of Lake Dunlap, Lake McQueeney, Lake Placid, Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake), Lake H-4 (Lake Gonzales), and Lake Wood (Lake H-5) to prevent the use of motorized and non-motorized watercraft for a period of time, to allow inspection and removal of debris, personal and real property; and

WHEREAS, GBRA is authorized under Section 31.092 of the Parks and Wildlife Code to establish restrictions on lakes operated by GBRA.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the General Manager of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority does hereby issue these orders to restrict and prohibit the use of motorized and non-motorized watercraft and provide guidelines for use of the referenced lakes to protect public safety and for conditional use of said lakes for removal of debris and obstructions, recovery of personal or real property, or other necessary or emergency purposes, and to release, remove, or review restrictions on a lake by lake basis.

EFFECTIVE NOON THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2010, the following restrictions apply to all areas of Lake Dunlap, Lake McQueeney, Lake Placid, Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake), Lake H-4 (Lake Gonzales), and Lake Wood (Lake H-5):

1. Use of motorized and non-motorized watercraft is not allowed.
2. No jet skis or other personal watercraft are allowed.

THE FOLLOWING USES ARE ALLOWED BY PERMIT ISSUED BY GBRA:

1. Use of motorized and non-motorized watercraft is allowed for removal or protection of personal or real property.

This restriction is in place effective at noon on Thursday, June 10, 2010, until August 1, 2010, and may be extended or terminated by action of GBRA.

W. E. West, Jr.
General Manager

June 10, 2010