

Hydro Dam Repair Schedule Update

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Rehabilitation continues to preserve the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's (GBRA) 90-year-old hydroelectric system. Recent heavy rain and inflows, flood releases from Canyon Dam and the identification of additional needed repairs delayed work to the various dams and spillway gates.

Additional parts are currently being fabricated and temporary repairs are being made to the existing spillgates until a permanent solution can be funded and constructed. Current estimates project repair work to continue through Fall 2019 with lake elevations impacted through the recreational season.

Below is a status update on planned repairs. This revised schedule assumes no additional delays due to weather.

McQueeney Dam (Lake McQueeney)

Repair crews will resume work at the site the first week of April, and repairs are expected to be complete in early August. The lake's elevation will remain lowered for the duration of the repair work.

Nolte Dam (Meadow Lake)

The contractor will resume work at the site the first week of April and expects their portion of the work to be complete in July. GBRA crews will then make additional repairs at all three spillgates which are expected to continue through August. The lake's elevation will remain lowered until repairs are completed.

H4 Dam (Lake Gonzales)

Repairs are projected to begin in July after the completion of work at Nolte Dam. The lake elevation will be lowered at that time. The contractor currently anticipates completing work at this site in October.

TP-4 Dam (Lake Placid)

Similar to additional repairs identified at Nolte Dam, TP-4 will have additional work scheduled and work will begin after crews have finished at McQueeney Dam. Lake Placid's elevation will be lowered by 18 inches at that time. The contractor currently anticipates completing work at this site in October.