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Repairs at Lake McQueeney to Begin the Week of July 23

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SEGUIN—As part of ongoing repairs at the various dams and spillway gates in GBRA's hydroelectric system, work at Lake McQueeney is scheduled to begin the week of July 23. That means the water level in Lake McQueeney will be lowered 18 to 24 inches for an estimated nine months until all repairs on the McQueeney Dam have been completed. Potential navigational hazards on the lake have been previously identified and will be marked. Buoys will also be deployed indicating restricted water access. This 30-day notice is meant to give residents living along the lake enough lead time to take any actions they may deem necessary during the months GBRA contractors will be working there.

In August 2017, GBRA initiated repair activities on the spillgates to address critical components which failed at Lake Wood as well as spillgates in need of immediate repair at the other dams in the system. Due to the nature of these repairs, a strict timetable of work could not be projected. Consequently, GBRA agreed to provide 30-day notices to communities around the lakes when repairs were officially scheduled.

Contractors are able to work on two dam sites at once, but only one spillgate at each site at a time. This repair sequence is designed to preserve GBRA's ability to operate the remaining spillgates if the need to pass large river flows occurs. During repairs, each lake must be lowered 18-24 inches for the duration of the dam and gate improvement efforts. Repair timeframes can be altered by weather conditions and other uncontrollable factors. However, GBRA will continue to keep affected residents and businesses informed about construction as work progresses.

About the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority

GBRA was established by the Texas Legislature in 1933 as a water conservation and reclamation district. GBRA provides stewardship for the water resources in its 10-county statutory district, which begins near the headwaters of the Guadalupe and Blanco rivers, ends at San Antonio Bay, and includes Kendall, Comal, Hays, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Gonzales, DeWitt, Victoria, Calhoun, and Refugio counties. GBRA provides services that include hydroelectric generation; water and wastewater treatment municipal, industrial, and agricultural raw water supply; and recreational operations.