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GBRA to Temporarily Lower Lakes Nolte and Placid

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Meadow Lake (Nolte)

Beginning Tuesday night Aug. 1, 2017, Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority hydroelectric crews will lower Lake Nolte (Meadow Lake) approximately 12 inches to confirm measurements for pending scheduled repairs. The lake will be returned to its normal elevation by Wednesday evening, Aug. 2.

Lake Nolte will be lowered approximately 12 inches a second time beginning Monday, Aug. 7, 2017, to make scheduled repairs. The repairs include the replacement of structural steel members inside the spillgates as well as the replacement of wooden timbers on the downstream side of the spillgates. Lake Nolte will remain lowered for several months while these repairs take place. During this time, the lake level may drop an additional eight inches during periods of hydroelectric power generation.

Lake Placid

Beginning Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, Lake Placid will be lowered approximately 12 inches to begin scheduled maintenance. The maintenance includes the replacement of structural steel members inside the spillgates as well as the replacement of wooden timbers on the downstream side of the spillgates. Lake Placid will remain lowered for several months while these repairs take place. During this time, the lake level may drop an additional eight inches during periods of hydroelectric power generation.

GBRA officials advise anyone using the lakes for recreational purposes during the scheduled lowering to exercise caution. Low lake levels may expose debris and other potential hazards that normally are underwater.

Plans to lower the lakes may be adjusted or canceled in the event of adverse weather conditions or other factors.

GBRA Communications and Education staff disseminates press releases to local media and posts accordingly on the press release page of GBRA's website: www.gbra.org. Information also is shared on GBRA's social media accounts through Twitter "@GBRATX," Instagram "@GBRATX" and Facebook at "GBRA of Texas."

The 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.