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New Record Release Rate for Lake Conroe Dam

Approximately 72 hours into the current rainfall event, the Lake Conroe watershed has received an average of 18 inches of rainfall. As a result, the Lake Conroe water level has risen over 4.25 feet above normal pool elevation. SJRA operations personnel at the Lake Conroe dam have increased the rate of release to 39,600 cubic feet per second. This is a new record release rate for Lake Conroe, surpassing the 1994 storm event, which peaked at a release of 33,300 cfs.

A tremendous volume of water is still flowing into the reservoir, and Lake Conroe personnel are working to slow the rise. The record water level for Lake Conroe is 205.8 set back in 1994.

Residents around Lake Conroe are encouraged to trailer or secure any boats or other watercraft.

Anyone interested in monitoring Lake Conroe levels, releases, rainfall totals, or stream flows can visit <u>www.sjra.net</u> and click on the link for "Lake and River Conditions." This link can be found near the top right corner of the home page where current lake conditions are listed. We will also post press releases and other updates on our home page.

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