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Lake Conroe Temporarily Closed at Noon Today

Abundance of Caution Due to High Levels, Possible Submerged Objects, and Floating Debris

The San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) and Montgomery County Constable Precinct 1 announce that Lake Conroe is temporarily closing at noon today Saturday, May 1 due to high lake levels, the possibility of submerged objects, floating debris, and other hazards that could pose safety risks.

With basin-wide rainfall up to five inches in a span of several hours, rainfall and resulting runoff has positioned the lake level at approximately two feet over the lake's normal conservation pool of 201' mean sea level (msl).

At this level, many docks, bulkheads, small islands, and other structures are fully submerged and can create a dangerous situation for boaters. In addition, high winds and rapidly-flowing water from local streams can result in a large amount of floating debris on the reservoir. With bulkheads becoming submerged, lake area residents should also be cautious of electrical outlets and equipment coming into contact with water.

SJRA is currently releasing water from the dam in accordance with its operating procedures for the reservoir to gradually lower the level back to conservation pool of 201'. SJRA and Montgomery County Constable Precinct 1 will monitor any additional rainfall events throughout the weekend.

For real-time information on Lake Conroe levels, releases, rainfall totals, or stream flows visit www.sjra.net

For additional information, visit SJRA's website at <u>www.sjra.net</u> or call the Montgomery County Constable Precinct 1 at 936-856-6329.