

April 1, 2020

A notice to the general public, all owners, lessees, licensees, and users of lands along the Rio Grande, between Percha Diversion Dam and American Diversion Dam, Sierra, and Doña Ana Counties, New Mexico and El Paso County, Texas

The general public, owners, lessees, and users of lands on the United States banks of the Rio Grande between Percha Diversion Dam and American Diversion Dam are hereby notified that lands along the banks of the river between the channel and levees (floodplains), depending upon their elevation, are subject to periodic flooding from local tributary inflows and by releases from the Caballo Dam. This notice is given as a public service to advise and inform you that human life, property, livestock, and other activities, existing or proposed, may be subject to flood damage, and are maintained or undertaken at your own risk.

The United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) maintains the Rio Grande Canalization Project to assure irrigation deliveries and provide flood protection for lands adjacent to the project. Please be advised that during flood conditions and/or localized heavy rainfall/runoff events, the Rio Grande will unavoidably overflow its river channel and may adversely impact interests along its banks. Please refer to your local National Weather Service office for flood information during these events.

In order to protect life and property and to avoid potential obstruction or deflection of flows within the Rio Grande floodplain, the general public, owners, lessees, and users of land along the Rio Grande are advised for their own safety and for security of their properties to contact your County Officials (Sierra County, Doña Ana County, or El Paso County) and the USIBWC, 2616 West Paisano Drive, El Paso, Texas 79922, telephone number (915) 832-4795, before making any use of the lands or constructing improvements on the lands along the river.

Sincerely,



Jayne Harkins P.E.
Commissioner