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# **Brazos River Authority offers Boater Education Courses**

The Brazos River Authority will offer Boater Safety Courses at both Lake Granbury and Possum Kingdom throughout the summer months. Boaters between the ages of 13 and 18 are required by the Texas Water Safety Act to obtain certification to operate a vessel with a motor exceeding 10 horse power or a wind blown vessel over 14 feet in length.

The course provides useful information for boaters of all ages and experience levels including all types of water conditions, from ponds to offshore and ideal situations to worst case scenarios.

Cost for the program for both teens and/or adults is \$13. Teens under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Participants must provide a social security number and a picture identification card (Texas ID card, School ID, Library card with picture, etc.) and will be required to take a written test following the course.

### **Lake Granbury**

The Boater Safety Course at Lake Granbury are held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with one hour free for lunch. Class locations vary with each date. Please call to register at 817-573-3212. Course dates are:

- May 5, 2007
- May 19, 2007
- June 16, 2007
- July 14, 2007
- July 28, 2007
- August 25, 2007
- September 22, 2007

#### **Possum Kingdom Lake**

Boater Safety Courses at Possum Kingdom will be held at the PK Chamber of Commerce Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with one hour free for lunch. Course dates are:

May 2, 2007, 2007

- May 12, 2007
- June 9, 2007
- June 23, 2007
- July 21, 2007
- August 18, 2007
- September 22, 2007

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To register for classes at Possum Kingdom Lake, please contact the lake office at 940-779-2321. Class size is limited, please call for availability.

# About the Brazos River Authority

The Brazos River Authority, with headquarters in Waco, is the oldest river authority in Texas. Created by the Texas Legislature in 1929, the Authority's 42,000 square-mile territory includes all or part of 70 counties; extending from the Texas-New Mexico border west of Lubbock to the Gulf of Mexico near Freeport.

The Authority built, owns, and operates three reservoirs (Lakes Possum Kingdom, Granbury, and Limestone). In addition to these water supply reservoirs, the Authority contracts with the Corps of Engineers for the water supply storage space at eight Federal multi-purpose flood control and water conservation reservoirs (Lakes Whitney, Belton, Proctor, Somerville, Stillhouse Hollow, Granger, Georgetown and Aquilla).

The Brazos River Authority owns and operates a regional wastewater system for the cities of Temple-Belton. The Authority also operates wastewater treatment plants for Brushy Creek Regional Wastewater System in Round Rock, and the cities of Hutto, Georgetown, Dime Box, Clute-Richwood and Sugar Land.

The Authority owns and operates water treatment systems at Lake Granbury (which supplies potable water to wholesale customers in Hood and Johnson Counties), the City of Taylor and the City of Dime Box. A potable water treatment plant located in Leander is owned jointly by the Lower Colorado River Authority and the Brazos River Authority. The Authority also engages in water quality monitoring activities throughout the Brazos River Basin.

For further information on the Brazos River Authority, please contact Judi Pierce, Public Information Officer at 254-761-3103.