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**REMEMBER BOATER SAFETY THIS LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

August, 30, 2007 -- Summer comes to a close this Labor Day weekend and many Texans are planning to celebrate with a trip to the lake. The Brazos River Authority is urging boaters to remember safety first.

Here are a few tips to help keep your Labor Day outing an event to remember:

- Always be aware of your surroundings and current water and weather conditions.
- Keep a lookout while driving on crowded lakes or rivers.
- Follow the navigation rules, buoys and law enforcement regulations on the waterways.
- Provide life jackets for each person in your boat.
- Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. Boating While Intoxicated (BWI) is as serious an offense as driving your car while drinking.
- Report accidents. If you do have a boating accident, you must file a report within 30 days if the accident results in death, injury or damage to property in excess of \$500. These accident reports should be filed with the Law Enforcement Division of the local Parks & Wildlife Department.
- Have a great Labor Day! Remember, safety first.