

**Agenda Meeting Notes 6/5/2021**  
**Updated 6/7/2021**  
**[Navasotaflooding.com](http://Navasotaflooding.com)**

The 2 pictures that follow were taken at the dam at Lake Limestone on June 1, 2021 about 6:15pm during the height of the June 2021 flood notice these docks are still not flooded while land downstream is totally inundated!





Lake Limestone on  
June 1, 2021 about  
6:15pm





These pictures were taken 6 miles below Limestone Dam of Hwy 7 near Marquez, June 1, about 6:40 pm. They depict the massive water releases from Limestone into 1000's of acres just below the dam also covering gas wells in this area. These photos are proof that the water flooding south of HWY 7 is NOT from rain run off from the downstream counties. It is totally from the rain fall upstream of the dam.





6 miles below Limestone Dam of Hwy 7 near  
Marquez, June 1, about 6:40 pm.





This is a picture showing Limestone conditions (left) while a landowner in Grimes County is already having property inundated and cattle confined to 76 acres of the about 400 available normally. The massive releases shown above have not reached here yet. By Noon on June 6, 2021, all but the 76 of the 400 acres were TOTALLY covered with about 3 feet of water. All from the Limestone water releases.





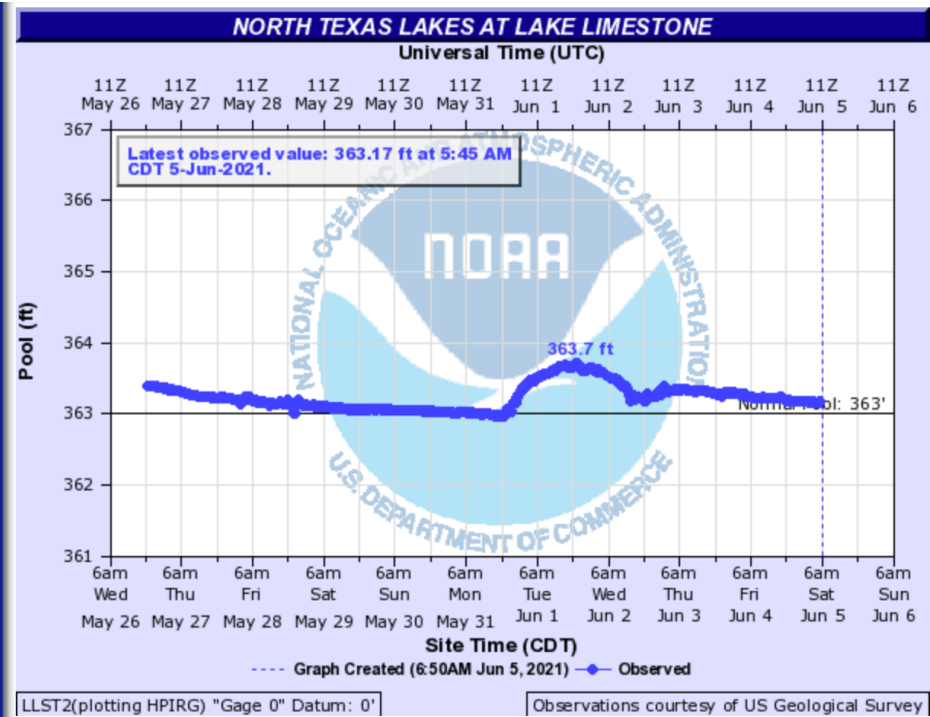
Langford Property June 1, about 4:10 pm



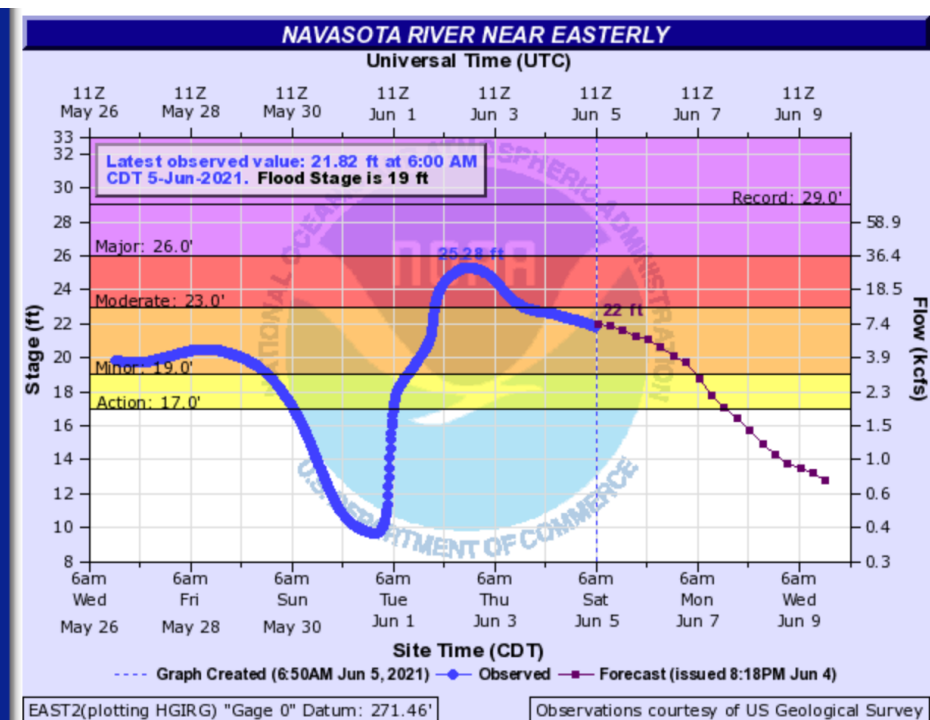


This slide shows the levels at the lake are only rising about 8 inches while the levels at Easterly are increasing about 15 FEET.

The 2 bars to the right of the graphs show the historic crests of the lake and the river. While the show no flooding conditions. The bar for the Easterly Gauge shows 5 serious flooding conditions since 4/2021 to 1/2021 which does not include 6/2021 flooding.



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| <b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b>                  |
| Not Available                                      |
| <b>Historic Crests</b>                             |
| (1) 364.39 ft on 12/21/1991                        |
| (2) 364.19 ft on 05/17/1989                        |
| (3) 364.18 ft on 07/14/2007                        |
| <a href="#">Show More Historic Crests</a>          |
| (P): Preliminary values subject to further review. |
| <b>Recent Crests</b>                               |
| (1) 363.88 ft on 05/27/2015                        |
| (2) 364.18 ft on 07/14/2007                        |
| (3) 364.17 ft on 01/29/1999                        |
| <a href="#">Show More Recent Crests</a>            |
| (P): Preliminary values subject to further review. |
| <b>Low Water Records</b>                           |
| (1) 352.73 ft on 12/03/2011                        |
| (2) 355.41 ft on 09/19/2013                        |
| (3) 356.30 ft on 11/23/1996                        |
| <a href="#">Show More Low Water Records</a>        |



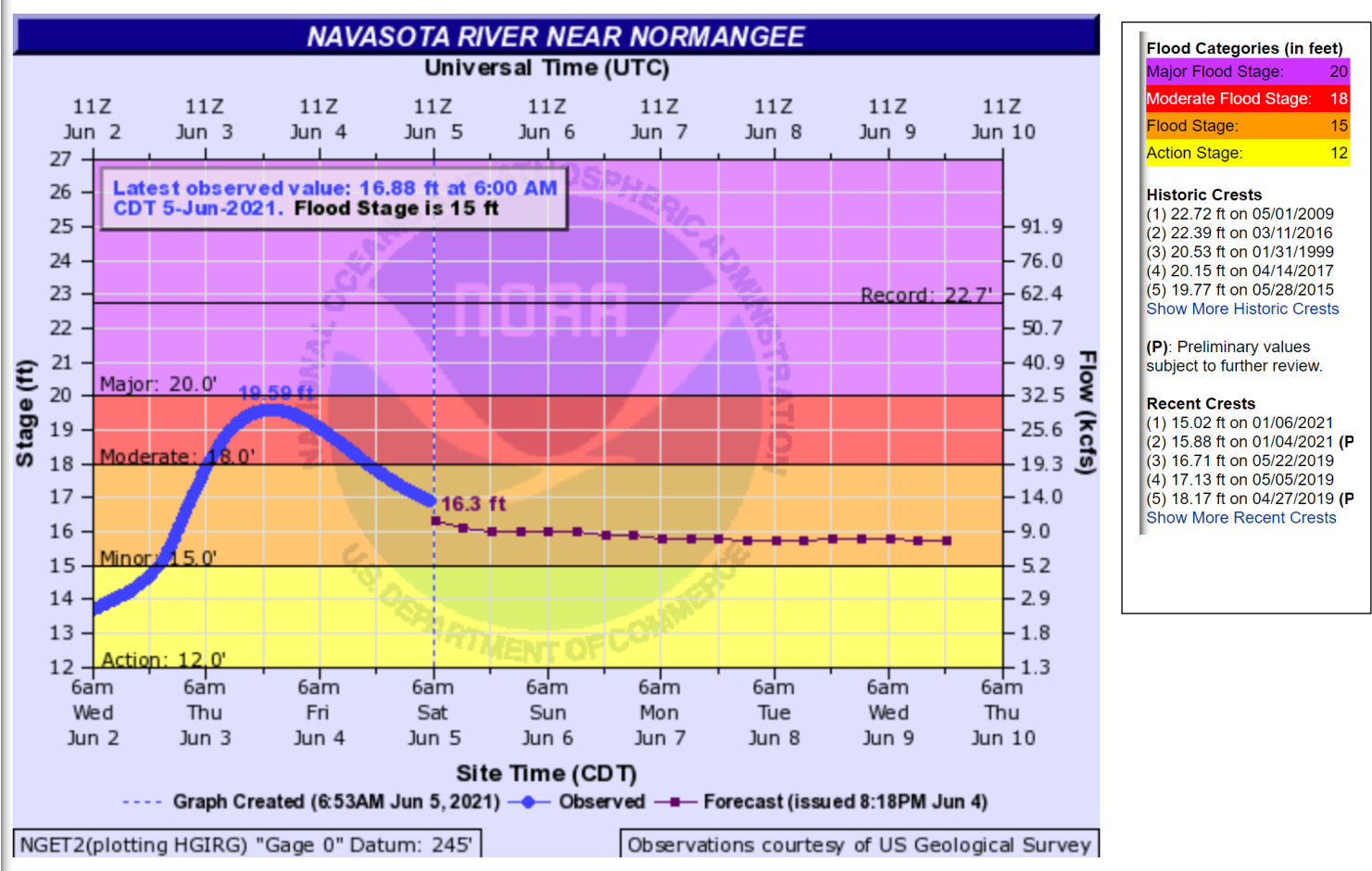
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| <b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b>                  |
| Major Flood Stage: 26                              |
| Moderate Flood Stage: 23                           |
| Flood Stage: 19                                    |
| Action Stage: 17                                   |
| <b>Historic Crests</b>                             |
| (1) 29.00 ft on 06/01/1899                         |
| (2) 28.29 ft on 04/29/2009                         |
| (3) 27.31 ft on 03/11/2016                         |
| (4) 26.81 ft on 12/22/1991                         |
| (5) 26.66 ft on 12/29/2015                         |
| <a href="#">Show More Historic Crests</a>          |
| (P): Preliminary values subject to further review. |
| <b>Recent Crests</b>                               |
| (1) 23.12 ft on 01/02/2021 (P)                     |
| (2) 21.37 ft on 09/07/2020                         |
| (3) 20.85 ft on 07/11/2020                         |
| (4) 20.70 ft on 05/19/2020                         |
| (5) 22.64 ft on 04/14/2020                         |
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This slide is of the Normangee Gauge at the same time of the previous slides.

This slide shows 5-foot water rise but the prior week the river level was about 2.5 feet which yields about a 17-foot rise now.

When the gauge at Normangee gets to 12 feet the properties below begin to be unusable.





***This information is taken from a letter from Cynthia A. Flores, Presiding Officer, Brazos River Authority, Board of Directors, to Mike Southerland dated May 13, 2021. Comments are provided by Mike Southerland.***

**President: I would like to make note, I do agree that flooding on the Navasota River is a significant issue, and it deserves further evaluation.**

***Comment: If President agrees that flooding is a “significant issue” why has not she taken action? She was appointed by the Governor and has all the authority to take action.***

**President: One of the recommendations of that study was to develop a hydraulic model for the Navasota River. Waller County requested and successfully received state funding through the Flood Infrastructure Fund for this purpose, which BRA supported.**

***Comment: It is hard to believe that Limestone was completed in 1978 and there is no operational model for lake control. How are release decisions made? Waller County had to do the work. Further to show how out of touch this Brazos River Authority is with the work they should be doing TAMU has models that could be used now.***



**President: Data that exists from before the construction of the reservoir and data from after the reservoir became operational shows that the reservoir does not worsen flooding downstream. Lowering or raising the reservoir in the ways you have suggested will only cause harm to those that rely on the vital water supply from the lake or to the infrastructure itself.**

***Comment: First the BRA has no data to prove the lake has not changed flooding conditions. Without any modeling this claim is totally unfounded. Second the lake level is many times below 363, see charts above. There will not be harm of any kind to the “vital” water supply because the users at the lake can extend their intake lines to the accommodate the lower levels. If you get copies of the contracts the BRA has with cities Lake Limestone is not mentioned and there are no guarantees of any water supply at all. The City of Richmond which the BRA claims is supplied by Limestone takes the water from the Brazos River in Brazoria County and they resale it to a third party. They do not use it for the city. As long as long as the Brazos flows from all of its sources other than Limestone Richmond can sell the water.***



**President: Emailing and writing letters back and forth is good communication for some matters however; this is very complex and will require lengthy explanations and discussions.**

***Comment: This comment, on the face, shows a great lack of understanding on the part of the BRA on how this very dangerous lake operation should be controlled safely. We have asked for plans the BRA has for Limestone nothing has been produced. To say such a complex endeavor can only be communicated verbally is a way to say the BRA does not want to be held to any standard. Again, they do not even have a model of the lake. How can a vital plan be verbal?***