Giant Salvinia emergency order of May 2, 2019

On Tuesday, May 14, 2019 the boating ban be modified to allow:

1. Public access to Pelahatchie Bay will be limited to the Pelahatchie Shore Park boat ramp and kayak launch, between the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. This includes all types of watercraft.

2. No boating through the Northshore Causeway Bridge.

3. Lake level will be maintained at approximately 296.1 feet above mean sea level.

4. Leaseholders with waterfront access with watercraft either on a lift, in a boathouse or tied to a dock will be able to boat from their docking point and return to the docking point without time restriction. This includes kayaks, canoes and other self-propelled or wind-propelled craft launched from leaseholder property, but those craft must remain at that residence. All other craft must exit at Pelahatchie Shore Park boat ramp and be inspected at Pelahatchie Shore boat ramp before leaving Pelahatchie Bay.

5. Boating will be limited to those areas south of the main boat channel with the following exceptions:
   a. Waterfront homeowners in Northshore Village and Windward Bluff subdivisions will be allowed to boat along marked channels leading to open areas.
   b. The north shore east of the opening of Spring Branch, which includes Fox Bay subdivision and all other backwaters of Pelahatchie Creek east of Spring Branch.

6. Boaters launching at Pelahatchie Shore Park initially will have boats inspected by staff prior to launch and after trailering, as staff is available. Any boats/trailers that show any signs of vegetation will be directed to the cleaning station, where staff can instruct boaters in its use. Information cards and signs about the station use will be available.

7. Pelahatchie Bay leaseholders with boats in the water or on lifts who wish to take their craft out of Pelahatchie Bay for any reason must use the Pelahatchie Shore Park ramp — unless otherwise authorized — and clear the inspection process.

8. No tournament fishing will be allowed in Bay until further notice.

9. Conditions will be reassessed every month, and modifications (ramps, hours, closed area) will be considered.

10. Under PRVWSD regulation Part 203, Chapter 7, Rules 7.3 & 7.6, violations of these rules are a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of no more than $100 and court fees.