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MOTORIZED VEHICLES AND DUMPING IN FALCON RESERVOIR "307 LINE" PROHIBITED

The U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) reminds the public that driving motorized vehicles (such as ATVs), dumping trash, hunting, and target shooting are strictly prohibited in the area known as the "307," near Falcon Reservoir in Zapata County, Texas. This area lies within the federally managed floodplain.

The 307 line marks the boundary between U.S. government property (administered by the USIBWC) and private land. It consists of a series of marked survey lines. While the 307 line is designated based on its proximity to the 307-foot contour on area maps, it is important to clarify this contour line does not serve as the actual boundary. All land below the 307 line is federally owned and managed by the USIBWC. Some land above the 307 line may be privately owned, but restrictions remain due to fluctuating reservoir water levels. These restrictions protect the reservoir and surrounding communities by ensuring responsible land use.

The attached maps may be helpful.

The floodplain plays a vital role in protecting downstream communities. Therefore, motorized vehicles—including ATVs, dirt bikes, and four-wheelers—are prohibited in this zone. Unauthorized vehicle can damage flood prevention structures.



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Violators may face state or federal penalties, citations, or removal from the area.

Additionally, the USIBWC has observed a rise in illegal dumping in the area. This practice disrupts maintenance and flood control operations. Dumping waste on federal land is strictly prohibited and may result in fines or legal action.

The USIBWC urges community members to help protect this area by reporting any unauthorized activity to local authorities or the USIBWC

The USIBWC X account is a good place to check for updates: <u>https://x.com/usibwc</u>

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To report illegal activity contact: Joel Saldivar, Realty Office joel.saldivar@ibwc.gov (956) 825 0003 (or) Capt. Esteban Martinez, Security Services Division <u>esteban.martinez@ibwc.gov</u> (956) 357-2618

MAP ATTACHMENTS – 307 LINE BOUNDARY

(Red Identifies Restricted Access)

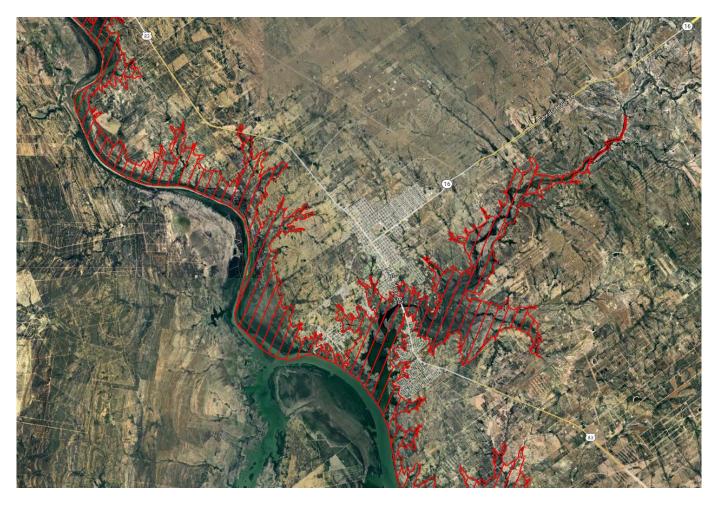
Falcon and Lopeño areas



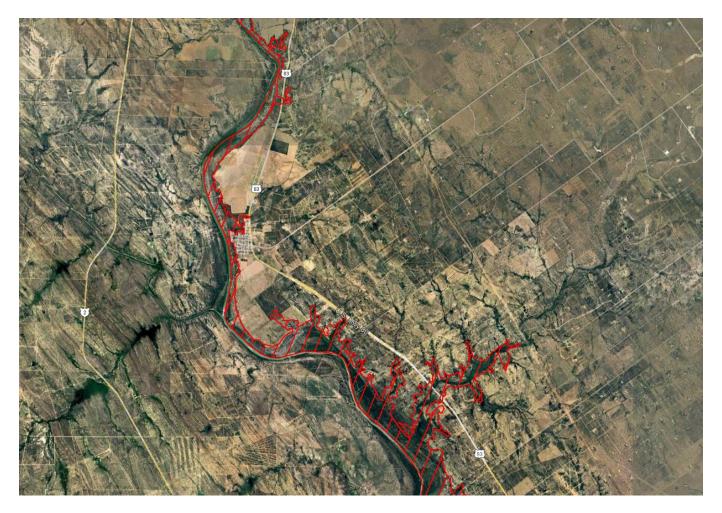
Lopeño and Alejandrenas areas



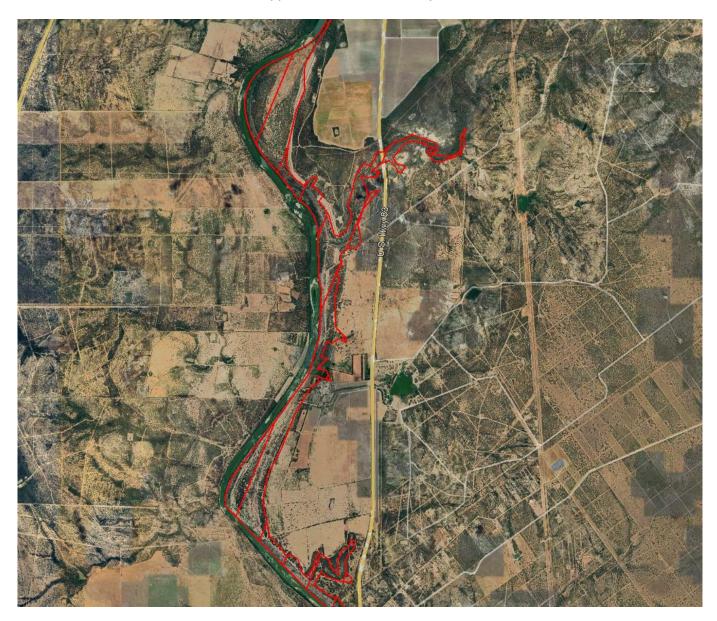
Siesta Shores and Zapata areas



Ramireno and San Ygnacio areas



Knapp and Wichita Partnership areas



La Perla and Dolores creek areas



Zapata and Webb County line

