## ORDER

## WATERWAY BAN

## **BE IT KNOWN:**

Due to continued heavy rains in the surrounding Austin area and floodgate operations on the Highland Lakes, additional waters are entering City of Austin waterways. It has been determined water conditions remain unsafe in certain areas of the lakes due to excess water flow.

These conditions continue to create high and swift waters, which will make recreational, commercial, and navigational use on Ladybird Lake from Red Bud Trail upstream to Tom Miller Dam and on Lake Austin from Oyster Landing downstream to Tom Miller Dam unsafe.

Under the Authority of Section 8-5-21 of the Austin City Code, I hereby determine that flood conditions exist in the following described lake areas:

## **Closed Areas:**

- Ladybird Lake from Red Bud Trail upstream to Tom Miller Dam
- Lake Austin from Oyster Landing downstream to Tom Miller Dam
- Said waterways are collectively the "Water Ban Area."

I hereby ORDER a ban on all commercial or navigational boating in and all recreational use of the Flood Ban Area.

Persons are advised that it is an offense to violate this ORDER or to attempt a low water crossing or any road that has been barricaded.

Watercraft illegally being operated on waters in the Water Ban Area may be impounded.

Persons should contact the City of Austin Police Headquarters at 715 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Austin, during business hours, to request written authorization to secure property in the Water Ban Area. Proof of ownership or occupancy is required.

Posted at City Hall on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019.

This Order is effective at 12:00 p.m., Friday, May 10, 2019 and expires at 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

The closures by the Fire Chief do not include any additional closures that may be made by the Parks and Recreation Director.

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BY:

Fire Chief

City of Austin