



SABINE RIVER FLOOD

March 2001



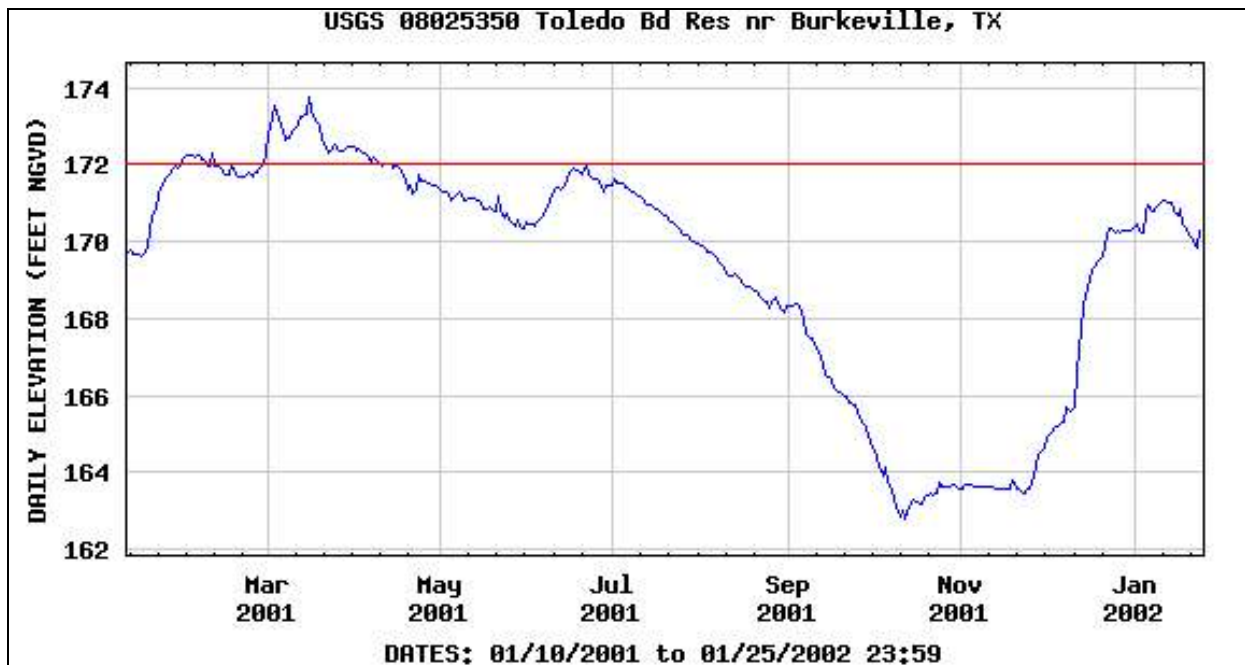
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Releases at Toledo Bend Dam

Date	Time	Gate Data	Pool Level (NGVD)	Release (cfs)*
March 1	2:00 pm	5 gates open 1 foot	172.44	19,400
March 1	9:45 pm	5 gates open 2 feet		
March 2	9:20 am	11 gates open 2 feet	173.04	
March 2	4:00 pm	11 gates open 3 feet		
March 3	2:00 pm	11 gates open 6 feet	173.53	84,060
March 6	7:00 am	11 gates open 4 feet	172.80	63,450
March 8	8:00 am	11 gates open 3 feet	172.46	51,820
March 9	12:30 pm	11 gates open 2 feet	172.72	40,820
March 12	4:00 pm	11 gates open 3 feet	173.16	49,460
March 21	8:00 am	11 gates open 2 feet	172.57	39,700
March 22	10:00 pm	11 gates open 1 foot	172.31	27,500
April 5	8:00 am	5 gates open 1 foot	172.31	19,950
April 9	7:30 am	all gates closed	172.08	

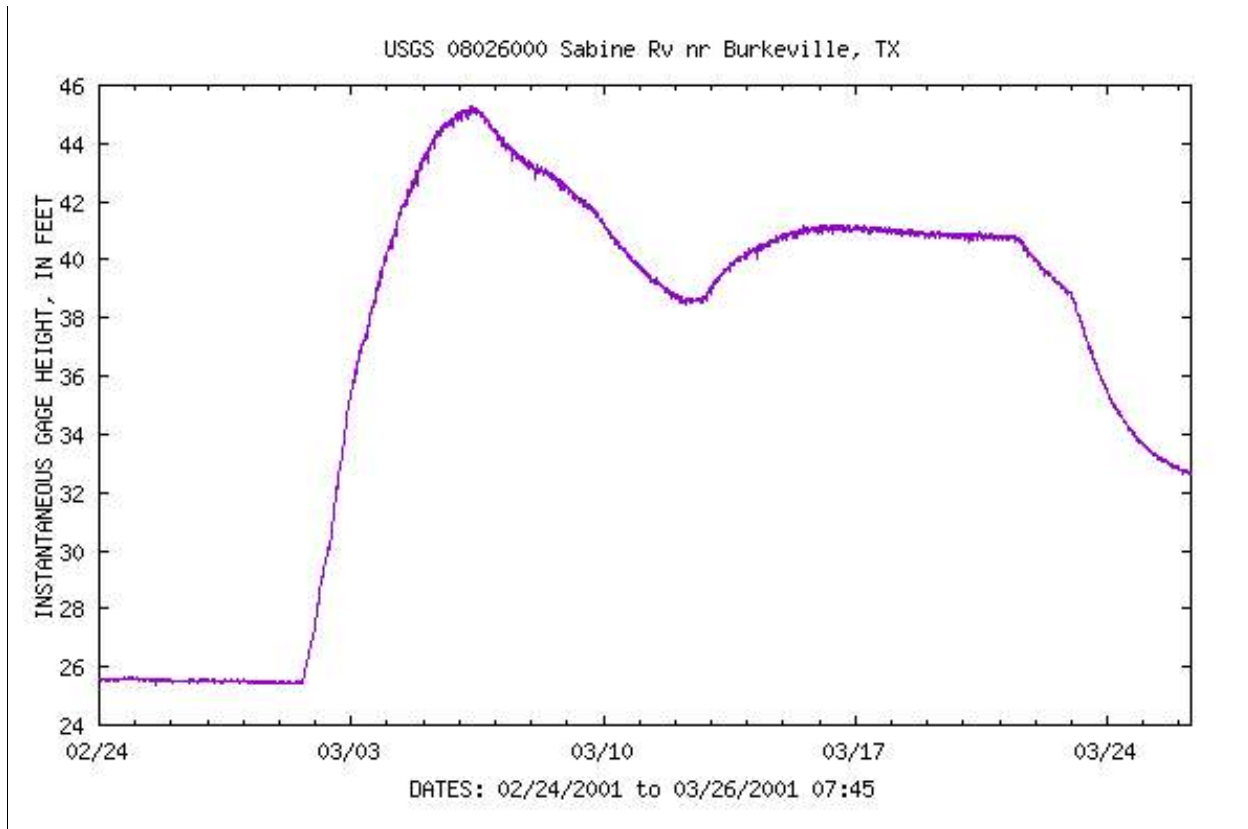
* Two turbines at power house were also running during this time, and their releases were factored into the release column.





The power house at Toledo Bend Dam can generate over 15,000 cfs when both turbines are running, as they were during the March 2001 flood.

SABINE RIVER NEAR BURKEVILLE



Flood Stage: 38 feet

Above Flood Stage: March 3 - March 23

Crest: 43.29 March 5 2001

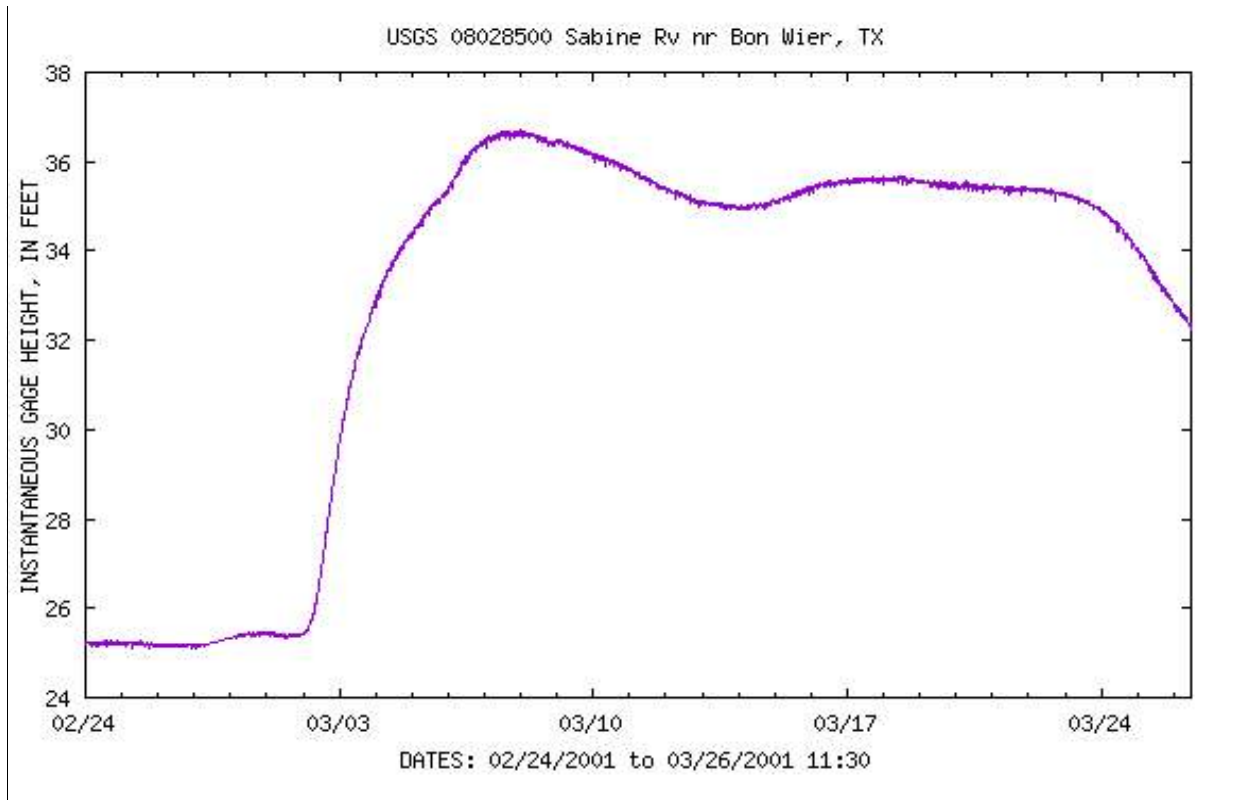


The view of the Highway 63 bridge crossing the Sabine River near Burkeville. The picture on the left is the downstream (south) side, looking west, while the right picture is the upstream side. These pictures were taken on March 5th when the Sabine River was near its crest at 43.3 feet.



Several homes in the River Bend subdivision were cut off during the flood.

SABINE RIVER NEAR BON WIER



Flood Stage: 30 feet

Above Flood Stage: March 4 - April 6

Crest: 36.35 March 9 2001

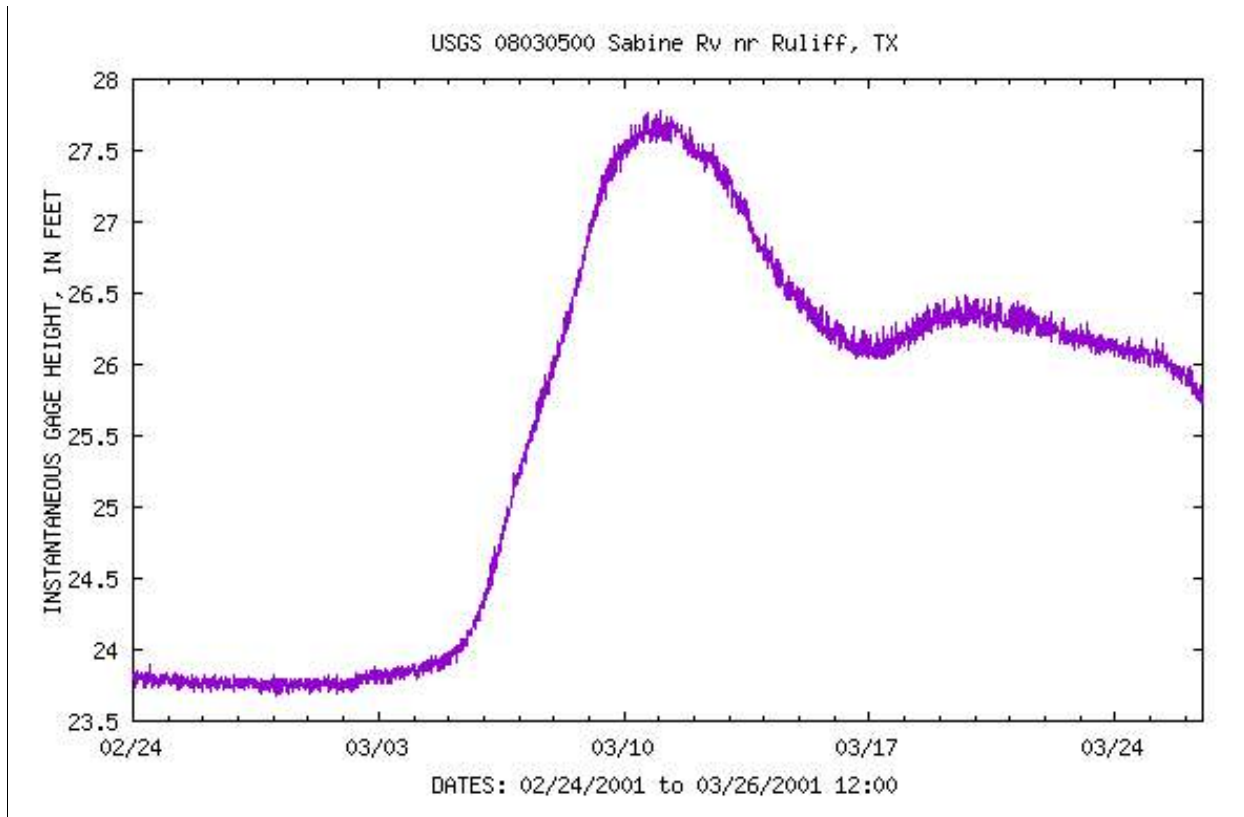


The view of the north side of US Highway 190 between Bon Wier and Merryville.



The view south of the US Highway 190 bridge between Bon Wier and Merryville.

SABINE RIVER NEAR DEWEYVILLE



Flood Stage: 24 feet

Above Flood Stage: March 4 - April 13

Crest: 27.85 March 11 2001



The north view from the Highway 12 bridge near Deweyville.



Camps and homes from the south side of the Highway 12 bridge near Deweyville.