

# **VOLTA RIVER AUTHORITY**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **FLOOD ALERT**

#### **SPILLAGE OF WATER FROM THE BAGRE DAM IN BURKINA FASO**

The Volta River Authority (VRA) has been advised by SONABEL, the power utility of Burkina Faso, of plans to commence spillage of water from the Bagre Dam, due to the amount of inflow into the catchment area of the Dam.

The spillage will commence when the water level reaches an elevation of 235m, and is likely to begin this weekend.

The spillage may cause the White Volta River to swell and most likely occupy its normal flood plains. However, this may be compounded during the period of heavy rainfall in the three regions in the northern part of Ghana, namely, Upper East, Upper West and Northern Region.

Accordingly, all stakeholders, residents, opinion leaders, security agencies, chieftains and people in the afore-mentioned areas, as well as the general public, are to take note of this flood alert and take precautionary measures to avoid being adversely affected by the impending spillage of water from the Bagre Dam.

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