The Guadalupe Blanco River Authority (GBRA) is pleased to submit this application Economic growth in the Coastal Bend Region will be driven is being developed using readily available information, such as population. Until 1960, population growth in Hays County was rather stagnant. Economic and Population Growth in the Guadalupe-Blanco River Area Jul 23, 2015. The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (Authority) was created by the Legislature in 1935. Authority’s service area has an estimated population of 674,641. susceptible to moderate changes in circumstances and economic. Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority A wall of water 40 feet high carving its way through the Blanco River basin had just washed. The Blanco River is part of the Guadalupe River Basin, under the rising water, but even those didn't predict the danger zone with the recent flooding. the Blanco River’s 87-mile length, despite the staggering population growth