

# Water Operations Management Team Notes

December 20, 2023

## Members Attending

- Reclamation: Liz Kiteck, Levi Johnson
- USFWS: Matt Nobriga
- CDFW: Erica Meyers (Acting)
- NMFS: Garwin Yip
- DWR: Molly White
- SWRCB: Matthew Holland

## Topics/Actions

- Approval of Meeting Notes from last week: 12/19/23
- Upcoming Meetings
  - Salmon Monitoring Team (SaMT)(weekly on Tuesday): 12/26/23
  - Smelt Monitoring Team (SMT)(weekly on Tuesday): 12/26/23
  - Feather River Operations (monthly first and third Thursdays): 12/21/23
  - American River Group (monthly on third Thursday, and as needed): 12/21/23
  - Stanislaus Watershed Team (monthly on third Wednesday): 1/17/24
  - Clear Creek Technical Team (quarterly on third Thursday): 3/21/24
- Relevant Assessments
  - Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook 12/19/23 – 12/26/23
  - Proposed Action Assessment 12/19/23
  - SaMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary 12/19/23
  - SMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary 12/19/23
- Operational Updates
  - CVP: No changes since last week. Trinity River release is 300 cfs. Sacramento River (Keswick) release is 5,000 cfs. Clear Creek (Whiskeytown) release is 200 cfs. American River (Nimbus) release is 2,000 cfs. Stanislaus River (Goodwin) release

is 200 cfs. Reclamation's Delta pumping is at 4 units, targeting 3,600cfs. Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 747 TAF.

- SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases are 1,750 cfs. Clifton Court Forebay exports are 3,500-5,500 cfs. State share of San Luis Reservoir is at 368 TAF.
  - The factor controlling Delta Ops is preventing salinity intrusion.
- Hydrology Update (DWR and Reclamation): The forecast is showing more rain this afternoon, then a shift to drier conditions. It is expected to be partly cloudy through next week, but the next chance of precipitation is about 10 days out.
- Upcoming Actions or Updates
  - Reclamation:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - FWS:
    - No actions. Discussion Item: Question about expectations of DRY Team
  - CDFW:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - NMFS:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - DWR:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - SWRCB:
    - No actions or discussion items.
- Discussion Items
  - The DRY Team has completed their reporting tasks, including evaluating the effectiveness of Drought Actions taken in WY 2022, and seeks direction on whether they should continue meeting. WOMT discussed and all agencies agreed that the DRY Team no longer needs to meet. If conditions or needs change, WOMT could reactivate the DRY Team.
- Elevation Items
  - No elevation items.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 27, 1-1:50 p.m. (Many members will be out next week, so plan to cancel if no urgent elevation or discussion items)