

# **American River Group**

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

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Webinar: Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

**Thursday, May 16, 2024** 

## Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Announcements
- 3. Housekeeping
  - a. Meeting will be recorded for notetaking purposes
  - b. Potential in person meeting in June
- 4. Presentation
  - a. Close-Kin Mark-Recapture Study
- 5. Fisheries Update
  - a. CDFW
  - b. CFS
  - c. PSMFC
- 6. Operations Forecast
  - a. SMUD
  - b. PCWA
- 7. Central Valley Operations
- 8. Discussion
- 9. Next Meetings:
  - a. Thursday, June 1, 1:30-3:30pm



## **Lower American River 2024 Stranding Survey Summary**

A total of three stranding pools containing juvenile salmonids were observed during the 29 April and 1 May surveys following a flow reduction of approximately 1,000 cubic feet per second. Based on a combination of seining, dip-netting, and visual observation, the crew estimated that a total of approximately 600 juvenile Chinook Salmon and size juvenile steelhead were stranded in the isolated pools, which had a combined total area of approximately 877 m² (Table 2). The stranding pool at Rossmoor Bar could not be seined due to thick trees and brush, which also made precise quantification of observed stranded juvenile salmonids challenging. All juvenile salmonids able to be captured were rescued and returned to the river.

Table 1. Salmonids and environmental conditions in isolated pools during the 29 April and 1 March 2024 stranding surveys. \*Rescues not conducted.

					Total			
Location				Special –	Pool			
(river		Species -	Species -	Unidentified	Area	Densityu	Tempera-	DO
mile)	Date	Chinook	Steelhead	Salmonids	$(m^2)$	(#fish/ m²)	ture (°C)	(mg/L)
Rossmoor	4/29/2024	30	0	0	68	5.5	14.4	8.5
Bar (17)*								
William B	4/29/2024	200	4	0	77	0.39	14.5	2.2
Pond (13)								
William B	5/1/2024	370	2	0	732	2.28	15.4	7.8
Pond (13)								
TOTAL	N/A	600	0	0	877	N/A	N/A	N/A

### **Updated 5/12/24**

Table 2: Unmarked Juvenile Chinook Salmon (length-at-date):

Fall	Late Fall	Spring	Winter
82,374	83	41	12

Additionally, the RSTs captured 1 adipose clipped Chinook Salmon at 77 mm on 1/26. Currently, it is suspected that this fish was a hatchery-origin winter-run from the Livingston Stone/Coleman release on the Sacramento River near Shasta Dam.

Table 3: Unmarked Juvenile O. mykiss (lifestage):

Fry	Parr	Smolt	Adult
109	20	0	0

### **Lower American River RSTs at Watt Avenue:**

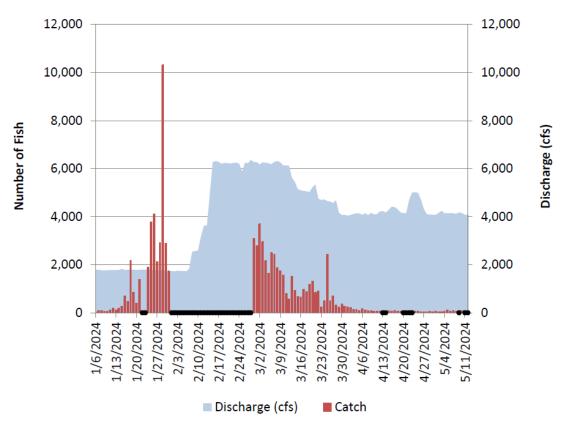


Figure 1: Daily catch of unmarked Chinook Salmon and daily average discharge at Fair Oaks during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season.

Figure 1 is a bar graph of the daily catch of unmarked Chinook Salmon and daily average discharge at Fair Oaks during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season from 1/6/24 to 5/11/24. Discharge is measured in cubic feet per second and the number the daily catch reached its high point on 1/29 at a count of over 10,000.

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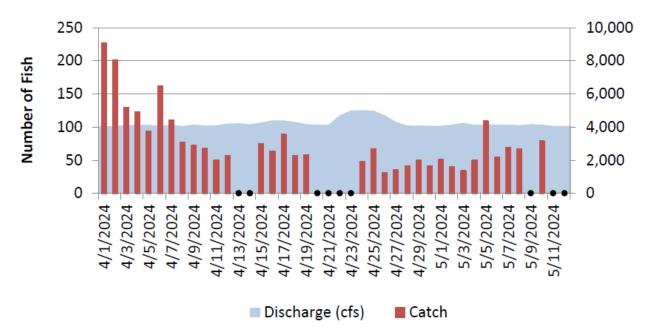


Figure 2. Daily catch of unmarked Chinook Salmon and daily average discharge at Fair Oaks from April 1<sup>st</sup> to May 12<sup>th</sup> during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season.

Figure 2 is a bar graph of the daily catch of unmarked Chinook Salmon and daily average discharge at Fair Oaks during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season from 4/1/24 to 5/11/24. Discharge is measured in cubic feet per second and the number the daily catch reached its high point on 4/1 at a count of over 225.

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Discharge (cfs)

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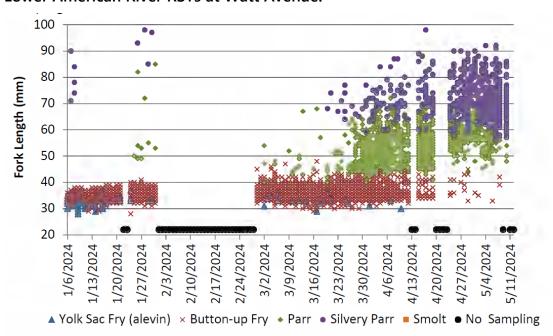


Figure 3: Daily fork length distribution by life stage of unmarked Chinook Salmon measured during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season.

Figure 3 is a boxplot of the daily fork length distribution by life stage of unmarked Chinook Salmon measured during the 2024 Lower American River rotary screw trap sampling season from 1/6/24 to 5/11/24. Fork length is measured in millimeters from 20 to 100, and the life stages observed include the Yolk Sac Fry (alevin), Button-up Fry, Parr, Silvery Parr, and Smolt.

Lower American River RST CalFish Webpage: <u>CalFish Lower American River – RST Monitoring</u>

## SMUD Upper American River Project Update 05/14/2024

### **Fresh Pond Precipitation**

May precipitation through 5/14/2024 is 2.22 inches, which is 74.7% of the May average of 2.97 inches. Precipitation for the water year to date is 49.05 inches which is 91.5% of average to date (53.60 inches) and 85.6% of the entire water year average of 57.32 inches.

### **Runoff and Snowpack Water Content**

Runoff into the storage reservoir basins is 108.2% of median to date through 5/14/2024. The snowpack is 60.1% of average at selected snow sensors: Robbs PH, Robbs Saddle, Van Vleck, Alpha, and Schneider.

Table 4. Fresh Pond Precipitation

Month	Current Water Year	Historical Average	% of Average
October	1.37	3.30	42%
November	3.47	6.87	51%
December	4.86	9.14	53%
January	11.48	9.55	120%
February	9.83	9.50	103%
March	13.62	9.06	150%
April	2.20	4.84	45%
May	2.22	2.97	75%
June	0.00	0.79	0%
July	0.00	0.08	0%
August	0.00	0.20	0%
September	0.00	1.02	0%
Total	49.05	57.32	86%

<sup>\*</sup> Month to date total, full month historical average.

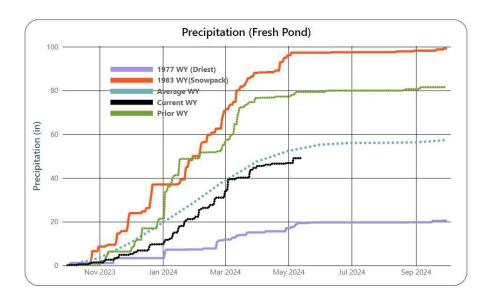


Figure 4. Fresh Pond Precipitation

Figure 4 is a line graph of fresh pond precipitation in inches for November 2023 to September 2024. It includes precipitation data from the driest water year (1977), 1983's water year snowpack, average, current, and prior water year. May's precipitation through 05/14/2024 is 2.22 inches, which is 75% of the May average of 2.97 inches.

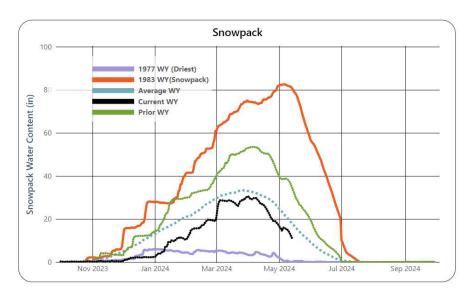


Figure 5. May 14, 2024 Snowpack

Figure 5 is a line graph of snowpack water content in inches for November 2023 to September 2024. It includes data from the driest water year (1977), 1983's water year snowpack, average, current, and prior water year. Runoff into the storage reservoir basins is 108.2% of median to date through 5/14/2024.

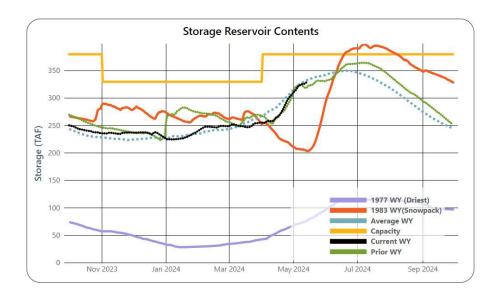


Figure 6. Storage Reservoir Contents

Figure 6 is a line graph of SMUD storage reservoir contents for November 2023 to September 2024. It includes data from the driest water year (1977), 1983's water year snowpack, average, current, and prior water year. The total capacity of the reservoir network is also shown.

Table 5. SMUD Storage Reservoirs

	Hist. Avg	Hist. Avg	Current	Current	<b>Prior Year</b>	Prior Year	Capacity	Winter
Reservoir	(Acre-ft)	(% full)	Acre-ft	% Full	Acre-ft	% Full	Acre-ft	Acre-ft
Union	237, 874	89%	241,058	90.5%	250,676	94%	266,370	225,046
Valley								
Ice House	36,210	83%	36,170	83.1%	32,037	74%	43,500	34,855
Loon Lake	55,763	80%	52,583	75.9%	35,027	51%	69,310	69,310
Total	329,847	87%	329,810	87.0%	317,740	84%	379,180	329,211
Reservoir								
Storage								

### Chili Bar releases into the South Fork American River

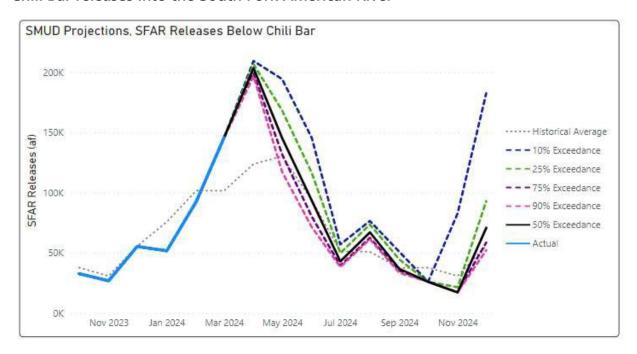


Figure 7. Chili Bar releases into the South Fork American River. Projections based on forecast from 5/14/24.

Figure 7 is a line graph of observed and projected releases below Chili Bar from November 2023 to November 2024. The graph includes a last 10-year average, actual prior water year data, and projections of 90%, 75%, 50%, 25%, and 10% likelihood.

Table 6. Chili Bar releases into the South Fork American River

Type (Actual			
or Forecast	Date	Daily Mean Release Rate (cfs)	Monthly Total Release (acre-ft)
Actuals	Oct-23	537	32,977
Actuals	Nov-23	454	26,994
Actuals	Dec-23	905	55,544
Actuals	Jan-24	846	51,913
Actuals	Feb-24	1,618	92,878
Actuals	Mar-24	2,373	145,636
Actuals	Apr-24	3,107	184,572
Forecast	May-24	3,396	208,429
Forecast	Jun-24	1,606	95,380
Forecast	Jul-24	732	44,912
Forecast	Aug-24	1,036	63,596
Forecast	Sep-24	543	32,275
Forecast	Oct-24	427	26,193

<sup>\*</sup>from 5/14/24 forecast

Type (Actual or Forecast	Date	Daily Mean Release Rate (cfs)	Monthly Total Release (acre-ft)
Forecast	Nov-24	294	17,471
Forecast	Dec-24	1,230	75,481

# PCWA MFP Operations Overview for American River Operations Group (Real Time Data as of May 15, 2024)

- French Meadows Storage = 122,000 AF of 136,405 AF = 90% Capacity
  - MFAR above FM Inflow (R24) = 7-day AVG  $\sim$  500 cfs
- Hell Hole Storage = 100,000 AF of 207,590 AF = 48% Capacity
  - Five Lakes Inflow (R23) = 7-day AVG  $\sim$ 350 cfs
  - Rubicon Inflow (R22) = 7-day AVG  $\sim$ 450 cfs
- Combined Storage (FM+HH) = 162,000 AF/342,590 AF = 77% Capacity; ~96% of 15 YR AVG
- MFAR @ R11: 7-day AVG 1,900 cfs
- NFAR @ ARPS: 7-day AVG 3,650 cfs
- Mosquito Ridge Road is set to reopen on Thursday, May 23, 2024, for the recreation season.
- The May 1st B120 was released on May 8th the current Water Year Forecast for the American at Folsom is 2,375,000 AF. This puts the MFP in the Below Normal (BN) Water Year Type under PCWA's FERC license. The May 1st B120 sets minimum instream flows for the entire MFP project for the period June 1 October 31. The minimum flow at R11/MFAR below Ralston Afterbay (lowest point of control in MFP) is 245 cfs July 1st through August 31st).

Table 7: American River Unimpaired Flow Below Folsom Lake by Water Year Types.

Water Year Types	American River Unimpaired Flow Below Folsom Lake (ac-ft)
Wet (W)	≥3,400,000
Above Normal (AN)	2,400,000-<3,400,000
Below Normal (BN)	1,500,000-<2,400,000
Dry (D)	1,000,000-<1,500,000
Critical (C)	600,000-<1,000,000
Extreme Critical (EC)	<600,000

Additionally, the BN Water Year Type provides Recreational Releases 6 days per week (all days except Monday) starting Saturday – May 25<sup>th</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup> – dropping to five days a week (No Mon/Thur) Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>.

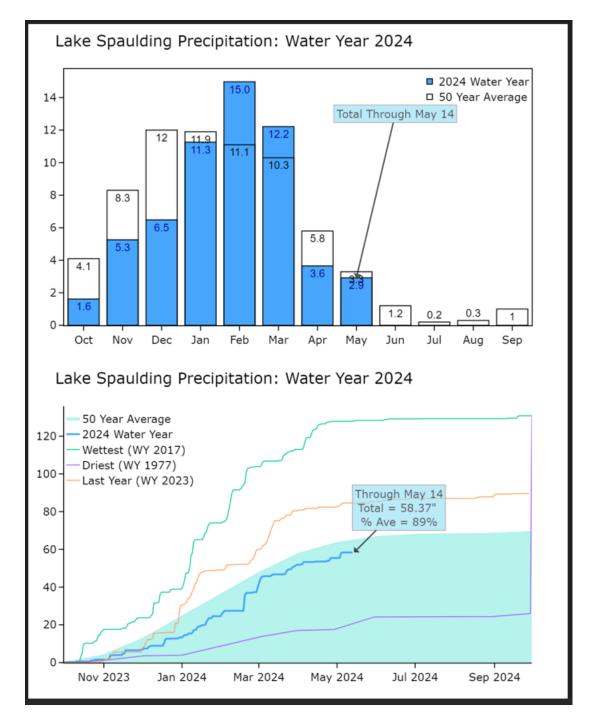


Figure 8. Lake Spaulding Precipitation: Water Year 2024

Figure 8 consists of two graphs that show the precipitation levels in Lake Spaulding from bar graph and a line graph showing precipitation levels in Lake Spaulding during Water Year 2024.

The first graph is a bar graph showing the precipitation totals and the 50 year average in percent from October 2023 to September 2024. The total through May 14 is 2.9 with a 50-year average of 3.2.

The second graph is a line graph showing the precipitation totals and the 50-year average from October 2023 to September 2024. The total through May 14 is 58.37 inches which is 89% of the 50-year average.

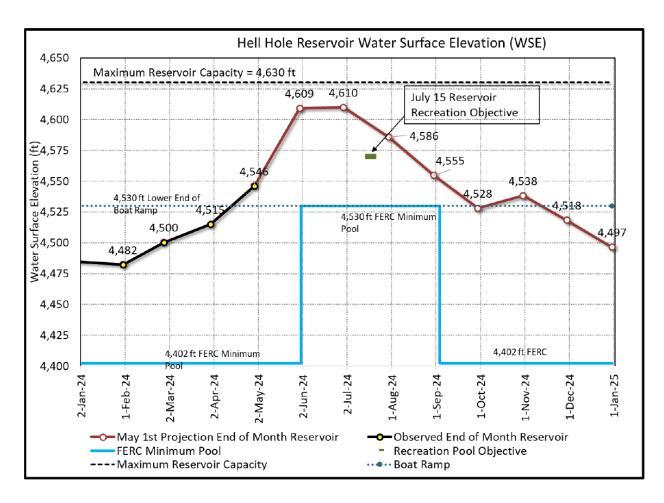


Figure 9. Hell Hole Reservoir Water Surface Elevation from January 2, 2024 through January 1, 2025.

Figure 9 charts the water surface elevation at Hell Hole Reservoir from January 2, 2024, through January 1, 2025, showing the projected water surface elevation expected to increase from 4,546 feet on May 2, 2024, to 4,609 feet on June 2, 2024.

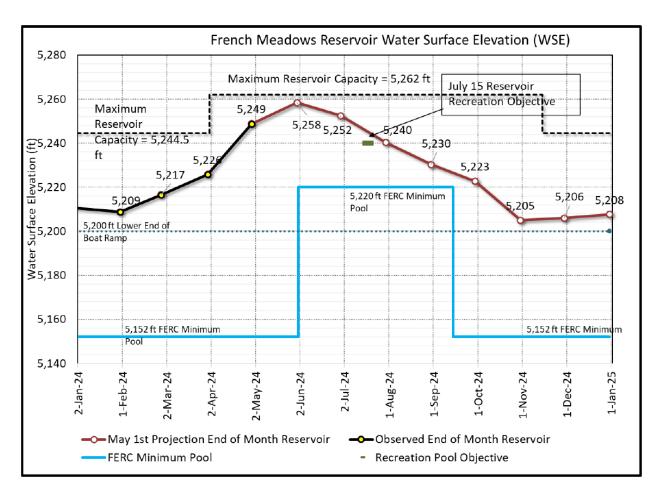


Figure 10. French Meadows Reservoir Water Surface Elevation from January 2, 2024, through January 1, 2025.

Figure 10 charts the water surface elevation at French Meadors Reservoir from January 2, 2024, through January 1, 2025, with the projected water surface elevation expected to increase from 5,249 feet on May 2, 2024 to 5,258 feet on June 2, 2024.

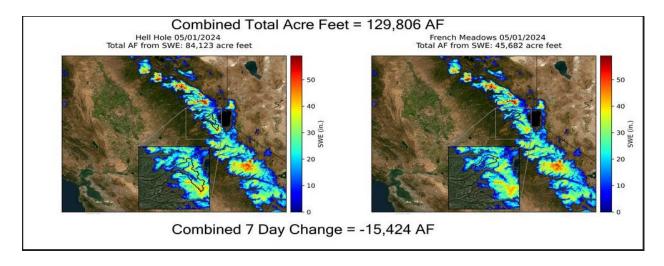


Figure 11. Combined Total Acre Feet and 7 Day Storage Change at Hell Hole and French Meadows on May 1, 2024.

Figure 11 is an image of two heat maps. They show the combined total storage at Hell Hole (84,123) and French Meadows (76,195) in acre-feet at 129,806. The total combined seven day change is -15,424 acrefeet.

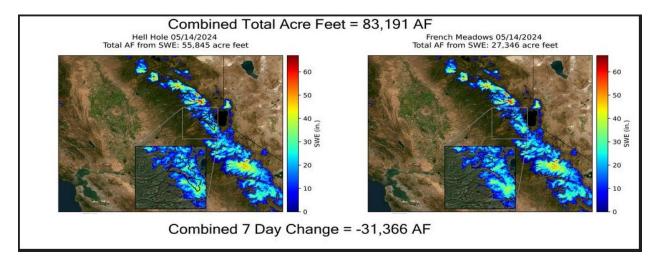


Figure 12. Combined Total Acre Feet and 7 Day Storage Change at Hell Hole and French Meadows on May 14, 2024.

Figure 12 is an image of two heat maps. They show the combined total storage at Hell Hole (55,845) and French Meadows (27,346) in acre-feet from SWE at 83,191. The total combined seven day change is - 31,366 acre-feet.

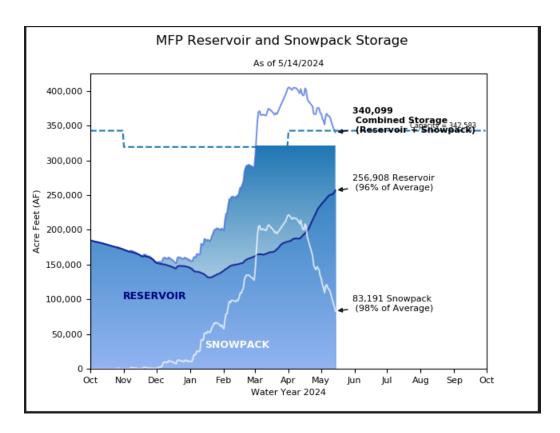


Figure 13. Snow Data Assimilation System Snow Water Equivalent combined storage for 4/17/2024.

Figure 13 is a line graph of the combined storage in acre feet of the Snow Data Assimilation System's Snow Water Equivalent for 4/17/24. The graph includes the last 20 year average, the 20 year minimum (2015), the 20 year maximum (2023), and current combined storage.

Table 8: Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases from May 2024 through September 2024. Designated release times and flow magnitude reference the point of release at Oxbow Powerhouse. \*Signifies Class II Early Releases.

Table 8.a: May 2024 Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Sat 25-May	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sun 26-May	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Mon 27-May	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Tue 28-May	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wed 29-May	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thu 30-May	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Fri 31-May	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Table 8.b: June 2024 Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Saturday June 1	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday June 2	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday June 3	N/A	N/A
Tuesday June 4	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday June 5	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday June 6	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday June 7	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday June 8*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday June 9	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday June 10	N/A	N/A
Tuesday June 11	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday June 12	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday June 13	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday June 14	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday June 15	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday June 16	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday June 17	N/A	N/A
Tuesday June 18	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday June 19	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday June 20	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday June 21	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday June 22*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday June 23	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday June 24	N/A	N/A
Tuesday June 25	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday June 26	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday June 27	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday June 28	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday June 29	4:00am-7:00am 1000cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday June 30	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Table 8.c: July 2024 Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Monday July 1	N/A	N/A
Tuesday July 2	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday July 3	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday July 4	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday July 5	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday July 6*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday July 7	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday July 8	N/A	N/A
Tuesday July 9	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday July 10	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday July 11	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday July 12	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday July 13*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday July 14	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday July 15	N/A	N/A
Tuesday July 16	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday July 17	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday July 18	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday July 19	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday July 20	4:00am-7:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday July 21	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday July 22	N/A	N/A
Tuesday July 23	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday July 24	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday July 25	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday July 26	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday July 27	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday July 28	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday July 29	N/A	N/A
Tuesday July 30	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday July 31	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Table 8.d: August 2024 Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Thursday August 1	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday August 2	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday August 3	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday August 4	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday August 5	N/A	N/A
Tuesday August 6	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday August 7	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday August 8	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday August 9	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday August 10*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday August 11	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Monday August 12	N/A	N/A
Tuesday August 13	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday August 14	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday August 15	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday August 16	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday August 17	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday August 18	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday August 19	N/A	N/A
Tuesday August 20	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday August 21	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday August 22	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday August 23	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday August 24*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday August 25	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday August 26	N/A	N/A
Tuesday August 27	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday August 28	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday August 29	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Friday August 30	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday August 31	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Table 8.e: September 2024 Middle Fork American River Project Recreational Releases

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Sunday September 1	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday September 2	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Tuesday September 3	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday September 4	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday September 5	N/A	N/A
Friday September 6	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday September 7	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday September 8	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday September 9	N/A	N/A
Tuesday September 10	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday September 11	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday September 12	N/A	N/A
Friday September 13	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday September 14	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday September 15	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday September 16	N/A	N/A
Tuesday September 17	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Wednesday September 18	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday September 19	N/A	N/A
Friday September 20	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday September 21*	4:00am-8:00am 800cfs	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday September 22	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday September 23	N/A	N/A
Tuesday September 24	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs

Day/Date	Class II Run	Class IV Run
Wednesday September 25	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Thursday September 26	N/A	N/A
Friday September 27	N/A	9:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Saturday September 28	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Sunday September 29	N/A	8:00am-12:00pm 1000cfs
Monday September 30	N/A	N/A

## Reservoir Releases in Cubic Feet/Second

Reservoir	Dam	WY 2023	WY 2024	15 Yr Median
Trinity	Lewiston	1,732	3,519	2,481
Sacramento	Keswick	13,078	6,304	8,360
Feather	Oroville (SWP)	15,000	6,950	3,000
American	Nimbus	7,922	4,024	3,980
Stanislaus	Goodwin	1,506	1,861	1,506
San Joaquin	Friant	6,086	1,327	773

### Storage in Major Reservoirs in Thousands of Acre-Feet

Reservoir	Capacity	15 Yr Avg	WY 2023	WY 2024	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	2,448	1,703	998	2,095	123
Shasta	4,552	3,682	4,451	4,379	119
Folsom	977	774	851	905	117
New Melones	2,420	1,497	1,602	2,068	138
Fed. San Luis	966	655	952	817	125
Total North CVP	11,363	8,311	8,854	10,264	123
Millerton	521	331	169	507	153
Oroville (SWP)	3,538	2,683	3,389	3,521	131

### Accumulated Inflow for Water Year to Date in Thousands of Acre-Feet

Reservoir	Current WY 2024	WY 1977	WY 1983	15 Yr Avg	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	1,248	527	1,594	846	148
Shasta	4,605	2,564	7,566	3,800	121
Folsom	1,736	860	4,792	1,960	89
New Melones	643	N/A	1,488	686	94
Millerton	1,065	505	1,579	860	124

## Accumulated Precipitation for Water Year to Date in Inches

	Current WY 2024	WY 1977			% of Average	Last 24 Hours
Trinity at Fish Hatchery	35.72	21.75	37.91	28.54 (61)	125	0.00

Reservoir	Current WY 2024	WY 1977		Average (N Years)		Last 24 Hours
Sacramento at Shasta Dam	64.77	32.91		56.06 (69)		0.00
American at Blue Canyon	50.55	N/A	112.31	61.01 (50)	83	0.00
Stanislaus at New Melones	29.52	N/A	36.55	25.86 (47)	114	0.00
San Joaquin at Huntington Lk	31.98	11.50	65.30	38.16 (51)	84	0.00

April 2024 | Folsom Lake Daily Operations | Run Date: 04/17/2024

Day	Elev	Storage (1000 Acre- Feet) in Lake	Storage (1000 Acre- Feet) Change	Computed* Inflow C.F.S.	Release - C.F.S. River Power	Release - C.F.S. River Spill	Release - C.F.S. River Outlet	Pump- ing Plant	Evap. - C.F.S.	Evap. - Inches	Precip Inches
N/A	N/A	848.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1	454.44	851.6	2.7	5,962	3,482	598	0	137	97	0.28	0.00
2	454.74	854.8	3.2	5,843	4,027	0	0	146	80	0.23	0.00
3	455.01	857.6	2.8	5,943	4,260	1	0	156	94	0.27	0.00
4	455.56	863.4	5.8	7,102	4,026	5	0	139	0	0.00	0.98
5	456.07	868.8	5.4	6,565	3,663	0	0	115	67	0.19	0.00
6	456.32	871.5	2.7	5,643	3,875	246	0	119	63	0.18	0.00
7	456.45	872.9	1.4	5,053	3,581	560	0	123	92	0.26	0.00
8	456.66	875.1	2.2	5,510	3,521	582	0	130	152	0.43	0.00
9	457.06	879.3	4.3	6,396	3,958	0	0	176	117	0.33	0.00
10	457.52	884.3	4.9	6,861	4,058	9	0	199	117	0.33	0.00
11	457.94	888.7	4.5	6,939	4,368	9	0	189	110	0.31	0.00
12	458.42	893.9	5.2	6,888	3,996	0	0	184	110	0.31	0.00
13	458.94	899.5	5.6	7,138	4,026	0	0	185	110	0.31	0.00
14	459.47	905.2	5.7	7,277	4,099	0	0	194	111	0.28	0.00
Totals	N/A	N/A	56.4	88,850	54,940	2,010	0	2,192	1,310	3.71	0.98
Acre- Feet	N/A	N/A	56,400	176,234	108,973	3,987	0	4,348	2,598	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> Computed inflow is the sum of change in storage, releases, pumping, and evaporation

Summary: Release (acre-feet)

Power 108,973 Spill 3,987 Outlet 0 Pumping Plant 4,348 Total Releases 117,308

Summary: Precipitation (Month/Inches)

This month 0.98

October 1, 2022 to date 20.57

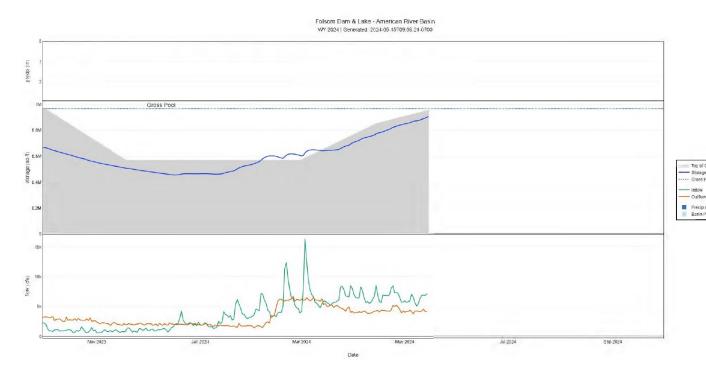


Figure 14. Folsom Dam & Lake – American River Basin WY 2024

Figure 14 is a graph that compares the flow, storage, and precipitation over time for the American River Basin.

# Isobath 04/01–04/30 (Mean Daily Temperature, Release, Storage, Unit Shutter Position/Load Percentage

MDT = Mean Daily Temperature (°F) USP/LP = Unit Shutter Position/Load Percentage

Date	-	_	MDT, Water, AFD <sup>1</sup>	MDT, Water, AFO	-	MDT, Water, AWB	MDT, Air, CSU	Release (CFS) Nimbus	(TAF)	USP/LP Unit 1	USP/LP Unit 2	USP/LP Unit 3
Mar	48.1	47.1	50.9	51.4	51.9	51.8	54.7	655	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
04/01	48.6	47.7	52.0	53.1	53.9	54.0	58.3	4036	713	A 50	A 40	A 10
04/02	50.0	47.9	51.6	53.4	54.4	54.7	61.9	4034	717	A 56	A 33	A 11
04/03	51.8	48.6	51.0	53.3	54.3	54.7	57.9	4029	722	A 57	A 34	A 10
04/04	51.1	47.3	50.5	52.5	52.7	52.4	44.8	4072	730	A 56	A 32	A 13
04/05	46.7	47.4	51.5	50.6	51.0	50.9	45.5	4066	737	A 34	A 12	A 54
04/06	46.0	47.2	51.4	51.9	52.3	52.0	49.1	4018	741	A 50	A 36	A 14
04/07	46.7	47.2	51.7	52.5	53.0	53.0	52.1	4057	744	A 34	B 54	A 12
04/08	47.7	47.3	52.0	52.9	53.5	53.4	58.6	3983	748	A 51	A 33	A 16
04/09	48.9	47.7	N/A	53.2	54.2	54.4	61.2	3889	751	A 48	A 40	A 12
04/10	50.7	48.6	51.9	53.7	54.6	55.0	65.2	3944	755	A 34.8	A 56.2	A 9
04/11	52.4	49.7	51.9	53.6	54.9	55.5	68.8	3955	759	A 48.6	A 51.8	A 0
04/12	52.8	50.4	51.3	53.6	54.5	55.0	60.4	4066	764	A 56.8	A 34.2	A 9
04/13	51.3	49.4	52.0	52.7	53.0	50.2	49.2	4098	772	A 58.0	A 33.0	A 9
04/14	48.8	49.3	51.9	52.0	52.3	52.1	51.4	4020	777	A 57.6	A 34.0	A 8
04/15	49.0	49.9	52.1	53.0	53.9	54.0	58.2	4082	781	A 51.8	A 37.6	A 11
04/16	51.0	50.3	52.2	53.5	54.5	54.8	61.7	4163	783	A 48.8	A 41.4	A 10
04/17	52.6	49.9	52.0	53.8	54.8	55.2	65.9	4159	789	A 45.3	A 45.8	A 9
04/18	53.0	50.8	51.9	53.6	55.0	55.5	67.5	4085	794	A 50.0	A 30.9	A 19
04/19	53.8	51.8	51.7	53.7	55.1	55.6	64.5	4002	798	A 57.8	A 31.3	A 11
04/20	54.4	52.5	52.5	53.8	55.1	55.7	64.3	3974	803	A 49.0	A 13.8	A 37
04/21	54.7	52.9	52.0	54.4	55.6	56.1	68.7	3972	809	A 44.0	A 36.1	A 20
04/22	54.7	52.6	51.9	54.0	55.4	56.1	69.0	4539	816	A 53.5	A 15.3	A 31
04/23	53.7	51.9	51.9	53.6	54.2	54.5	59.7	5012	822	A 38.5	A 38.4	A 23
04/24	52.5	51.8	52.1	53.2	54.0	54.1	60.4	5027	827	A 37.6	A 24.8	A 38
04/25	52.7	52.0	51.9	53.4	54.1	54.3	58.2	5013	831	A 37.8	A 38.0	A 24
04/26	52.6	51.6	52.6	53.3	54.2	54.5	59.1	4653	835	A 37.5	A 37.2	A 25
04/27	51.7	51.9	53.3	53.9	54.8	54.9	59.7	4158	839	A 40.5	A 40.1	A 19
04/28	52.3	52.1	52.3	54.9	56.1	56.4	62.6	3930	843	A 42.4	A 41.3	A 16
04/29	53.3	51.8	53.3	54.6	55.6	56.2	62.9	3914	845	A 43.7	A 43.8	A 13
04/30	53.1	51.8	53.0	55.0	55.9	56.2	63.4	3912	849	A 53.2	A 36.4	A 10
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	Release	Storage			
	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Air,	(CFS)	(TAF)	USP/LP	USP/LP	USP/LP
Date	NFA	ARP	AFD <sup>1</sup>	AFO	AWP	AWB	CSU	Nimbus	Folsom	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
Apr	51.3	50.0	52.0	53.4	54.2	54.5	59.7	783	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Total	AF	247659	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Legend

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### **November Monthly Averages**

A = All Shutters Lowered

T = Top Shutter Raised

M = Middle Shutter Raised

B = Bottom Shutter Raised

O = Unit Outage

#### Notes:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> AFD is a weighted average based on hourly flow values, including generation, bypass and spill

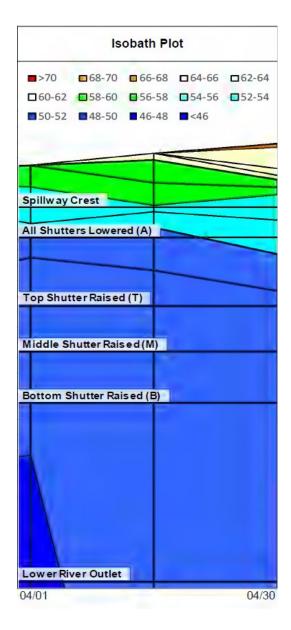


Figure 15. Isobath Plot 4/01-4/30

Figure 15 is an Isobath Plot for the month of April showing Spillway Crest, All Shutters Lowered (A), Top Shutter Raised (T), Middle Shutter Raised (M), Bottom Shutter Raised (B), and Lower River Outlet

# Isobath 05/01–05/31 (Mean Daily Temperature, Release, Storage, Unit Shutter Position/Load Percentage

MDT = Mean Daily Temperature (°F) USP/LP = Unit Shutter Position/Load Percentage

Date	MDT, Water, NFA	MDT, Water, ARP	MDT, Water, AFD <sup>1</sup>	MDT, Water, AFO	MDT, Water, AWP	MDT, Water, AWB	MDT, Air, CSU	Release (CFS) Nimbus	(TAF)	USP/LP Unit 1	USP/LP Unit 2	USP/LP Unit 3
Apr	51.3	50.0	52.0	53.4	54.2	54.5	59.7	783	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/01	52.7	52.0	53.8	55.1	56.0	56.3	66.0	3916	852	A 45	A 40	A 15
05/02	53.0	51.7	52.7	55.2	56.2	56.7	68.8	3955	855	A 11	A 31	A 58
05/03	53.7	52.1	52.5	54.6	56.1	56.8	67.6	4048	858	A 49	A 11	A 40
05/04	52.4	50.7	52.4	54.1	54.4	54.4	53.6	3959	863	A 57	A 34	A 9
05/05	49.8	51.5	52.9	53.1	53.9	54.0	52.8	3968	869	A 51	A 37	A 12
05/06	49.7	51.0	52.8	53.9	54.9	55.0	56.5	3967	871	A 37	A 36	A 27
05/07	51.2	50.5	53.5	54.9	56.0	56.1	61.0	3961	873	A 44	A 45	A 11
05/08	53.0	50.8	54.5	55.4	56.3	56.5	67.0	3959	875	A 48	A 34	A 18
05/09	54.4	51.4	53.6	55.9	57.0	57.5	72.5	3993	879	A 57	A 34	A 9
05/10	54.5	52.0	53.4	55.9	57.4	58.2	74.2	3964	884	A 56.4	A 32.6	A 11
05/11	54.7	52.5	53.2	55.5	57.2	57.9	74.3	3895	889	A 49.9	A 25.4	A 25
05/12	55.6	53.2	53.2	55.4	56.9	57.6	69.7	3916	894	A 43.5	A 44.7	A 12
05/13	56.8	53.7	53.2	55.4	56.8	57.5	67.7	3921	899	A 45.3	A 45.0	A 10
05/14	57.0	54.2	53.2	55.5	56.8	57.6	68.7	4024	905	A 57.3	A 33.0	A 8
05/15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/26	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/28	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/29	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/31	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	MDT,	Release	Storage			
	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Water,	Air,	(CFS)	(TAF)	USP/LP	USP/LP	USP/LP
Date	NFA	ARP	AFD <sup>1</sup>	AFO	AWP	AWB	CSU	Nimbus	Folsom	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
May	53.5	52.0	53.2	55.0	56.1	56.6	65.7	876	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Total	AF	109975	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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### **November Monthly Averages**

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### Notes:

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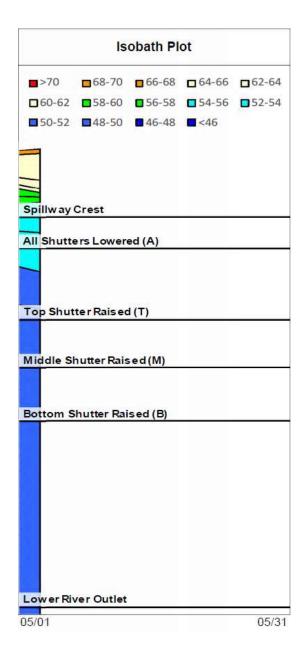


Figure 16. Isobath Plot 5/01-5/31

Figure 16 is an Isobath Plot for the month of May showing Spillway Crest, All Shutters Lowered (A), Top Shutter Raised (T), Middle Shutter Raised (M), Bottom Shutter Raised (B), and Lower River Outlet

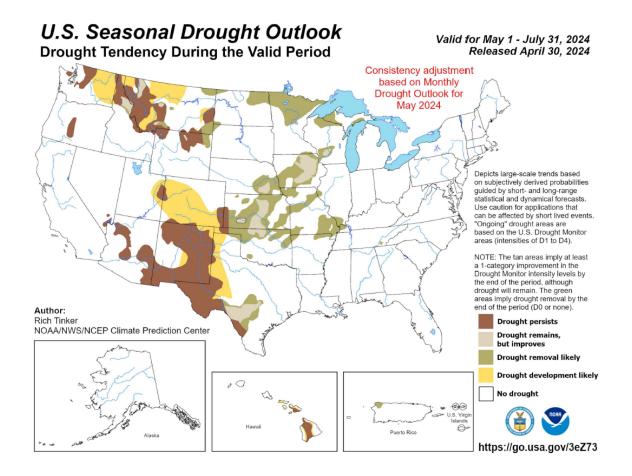


Figure 17. U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Figure 17 is a map of the United States showing the seasonal drought tendency during the time period from May 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024. The map was issued on April 30, 2024.

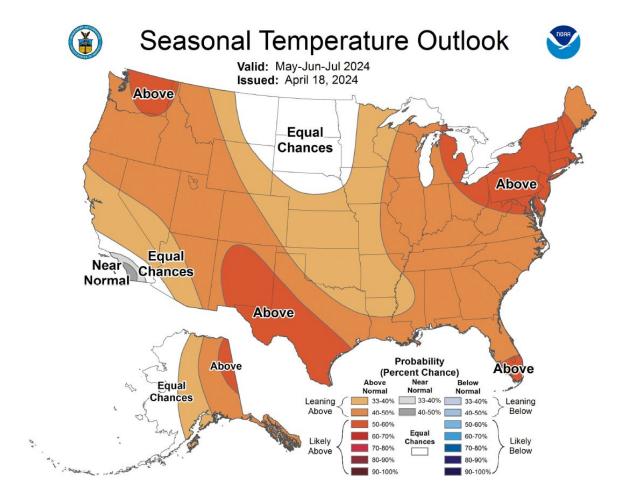


Figure 18. U.S. Seasonal Temperature Outlook

Figure 18 is a map of the United States showing the seasonal temperature outlook during the time period from May 2024 to July 2024; The map was issued on April 18, 2024.

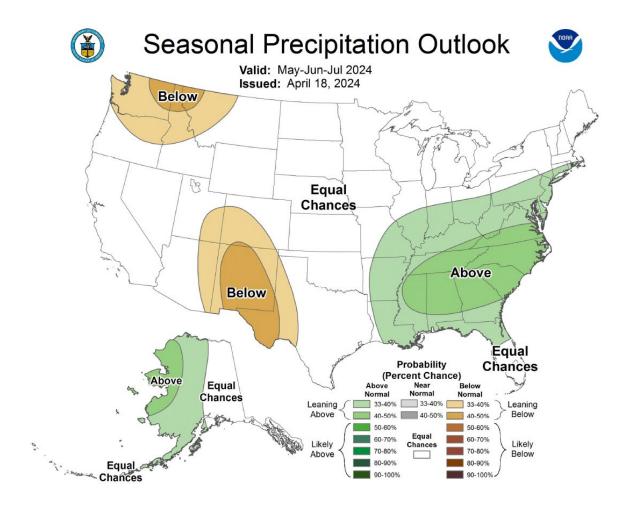


Figure 19. U.S. Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

Figure 19 is a map of the United States showing the seasonal precipitation outlook during the time period from May 2024 to July 2024. The map was issued on April 18, 2024.

# **American River Daily Average Water and Air Temperatures**

<=58=549 TAF

<=56=497 TAF

<=54=424 TAF

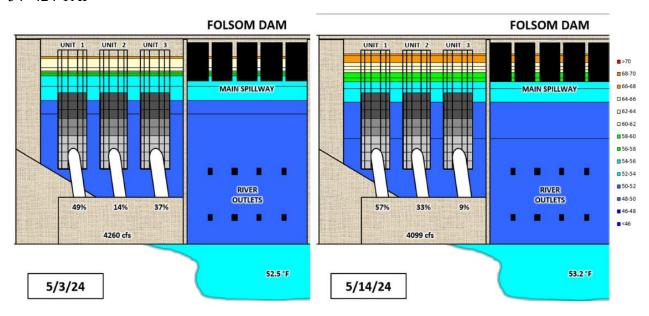


Figure 20. Folson Dam Daily Average Water and Air Temperatures

Figure 20 is a graphic showing Folsom Dam on 05/03/24 with a temperature of 52.5 °F and 05/14/24 with a temperature of 53.2 °F.

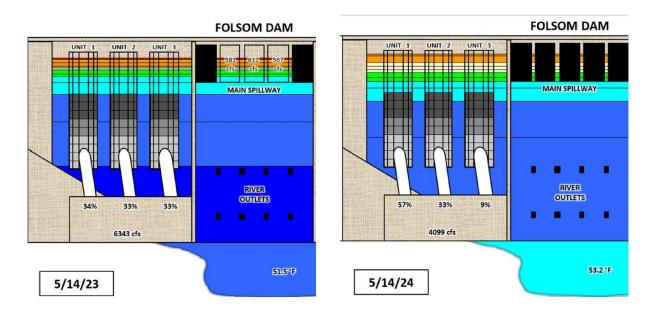


Figure 21. Folsom Dam Daily Average Water and Air Temperatures

Figure 21 is a graphic showing the Folsom Dam on 05/14/23 with a temperature of 51.5 °F and 05/14/24 with a temperature of 53.2 °F.

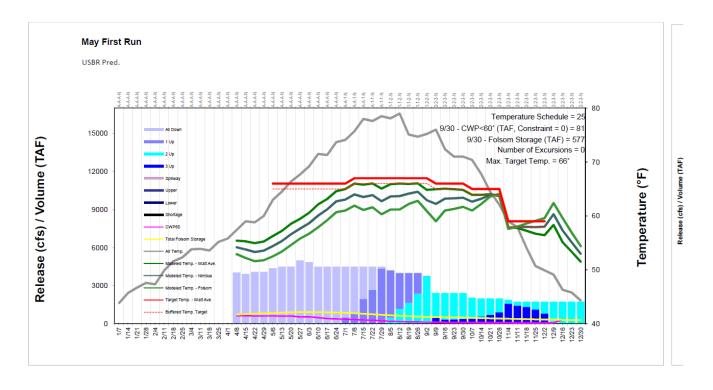


Figure 22. Temperature schedule at Watt Avenue

Figure 22 is a line graph of a temperature schedule showing release in cfs and volume in taf by temperature from 1/7/2024 until 12/30/2024 that shows a target temperature of 68 degrees until 10/14/2024 and 65 degrees at Watt Avenue.

## **American River Summary Conditions – May (On-going)**

### **Release Management Conditions**

• Releases are currently at 4,000 cfs

• Increase release to 5,000 cfs on Friday, May 17, 2024

### **Temperature Management**

Top Shutters: Units 1, 2, and 3 – lowered

Middle Shutters: Units 1, 2 – lowered Bottom Shutters: Units 1, 2 – lowered

### **Folsom Shutter Configuration and Changes**

Next change will be for temperature management

## **Storages**

### May 90% Exceedance

### Federal End of the Month Storage/Elevation (TAF/Feet)

Facility	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Folsom Storage	966	910	661	432	388	336	290	261
Folsom Elevation	465	460	435	408	401	393	385	380

### Monthly River Release (TAF/cfs)

Facility	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Folsom Storage	246	202	338	315	122	92	89	92
Folsom Elevation	4000	3389	5506	5131	2052	1502	1500	1500

### May 50% Exceedance

### Federal End of the Month Storage/Elevation (TAF/Feet)

Facility	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Folsom Storage	966	931	746	590	526	483	471	476
Folsom Elevation	465	462	444	427	420	414	413	413

# Monthly River Release (TAF/cfs)

Facility	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Folsom Storage	246	226	282	251	149	123	105	108
Folsom Elevation	4000	3800	4586	4088	2507	2000	1772	1750

## **American River Baseflow Table**

Month	Index Used for Index-based MRR	Index Based MRR	RDPB-based MRR for fall-run Chinook salmon (applicable in Jun and Feb)		Controlling MRR	Actual Average Monthly Nimbus releases <sup>1</sup>
October	May ARI <sup>2</sup> (50% exceedance)	1,500 cfs	Not applicable	Not applicable	1,500 cfs	2,574 cfs
November	May ARI <sup>2</sup> {50% exceedance)	2,000 cfs	Not applicable	Not applicable	2,000 cfs	2,062 cfs
December	May ARI <sup>2</sup> {50% exceedance)	2,000 cfs	Not applicable	Not applicable	2,000 cfs	2,041 cfs
January	January SRI {75% exceedance)	1,390 cfs	1,400 cfs	Not applicable	1,400 cfs	1,792 cfs
February	February ARI (50% exceedance)	1,750 cfs	1,400 cfs	1,750 cfs	1,750 cfs	4,278 cfs
March	March ARI (90% exceedance)	1,750 cfs	1,750 cfs	1,750 cfs	1,750 cfs	5,188 cfs
April	April ARI (50% exceedance)	1,150 cfs	Not applicable	1,500 cfs	1,500 cfs	N/A
May	April ARI (90% exceedance)	1,500 cfs	Not applicable	1,500 cfs	1,500 cfs	N/A

MRR= Minimum Release Requirements; RDPA= Redd Dewatering Protective Adjustment; ARI= American River Index; SRI= Sacramento River Index

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Average of daily release over the month from NAT station on CDEC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Since new forecasts are usually provided January through May, the May ARI would also be used for June–September of the current water year and October–December of the next water year unless there is an update to the ARI after May.