

Fish and Water Operations Group Notes

Water Year 2026 – June 3rd, 2026

Members Attending

- Reclamation – Randi Field, ~~Levi Johnson~~
- DWR – Tracy Hinojosa, Bryant Giorgi
- USFWS – ~~Matt Nabrigo~~, Jana Affonso
- NMFS – Darren Howe,
- CDFW – ~~Kristal Davis-Fadtke~~
- SWRCB – Matthew Holland, Diane Riddle
- NGO – ~~Ashley Overhouse~~, Devon Pearse
- NOD PWA – Thaddeus Bettner, ~~Jeff Sutton~~
- SOD PWA - Scott Petersen, Deanna Sereno
- State PWA - Chandra Chilmakuri

Topics/Actions

Approval of Meeting Notes from last week: Approved

Upcoming Meetings

Delta Action Team (DAT, meets weekly on Tuesdays): 06/09/2026

American River Group (ARG meets monthly on third Thursday, and as needed):
06/18/2026

Clear Creek Technical Team (CCT meets quarterly on third Thursday): 06/18/2026

Sacramento River Group (SRG) (meets monthly on the fourth Thursday or more often as needed): 06/10/2026

Stanislaus Watershed Team (SWT meets monthly on third Wednesday):
06/17/2026

Relevant Assessments

- 20260601 Combined Salmon and Smelt Assessment
- 20260602 Fish and Water Operations Outlook

Operational Updates

- CVP: Lewiston Dam releases at 850 cfs (decrease to 800 cfs on 6/04; Trinity ROD flows through July 3rd). Whiskeytown Dam releases varied at 175 cfs (decrease to 150 cfs on 6/05). Keswick Dam releases at 11,500 cfs. Nimbus Dam releases at 1,100 cfs. Goodwin Dam releases at 1,700 cfs (decrease to 1,100 cfs on 6/05; D1641 Vernalis Flow Requirement). Jones Pumping Plant exporting 2,900 cfs (D1641; OMRI -5,000). Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 726 TAF. Delta Cross Channel is closed (opening on 6/06 and closing on 6/08).
- SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases at 3,000 cfs (flows may be modulated to address water quality). Clifton Court Forebay allotment is 2,000 cfs (flows may also be modulated to address water quality). State share of San Luis Reservoir is 772 TAF.
- Hydrology: Dry weather in the foreseeable forecast with slight cooling trends towards the weekend. Expected warming next week.

Upcoming Actions, Updates or Discussion Items

- Reclamation:
 - No upcoming actions or discussion items.
 - Update: Temperature Management Plan's
- DWR:
 - No upcoming actions or discussion items.
 - Update: Clifton Court Herbicide Application
- USFWS:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- NMFS:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- CDFW:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- SWRCB:
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- NGO:
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Discussion Items

- Update: Temperature Management Plan's

Reclamation has completed the Final Temperature Management Plan (TMP) for the Sacramento River, distributed on May 29th. The American River TMP is in progress; comments and feedback are being addressed with a final report issued by June 15th.

The SRG and other groups will continue discussion of real-time operations and fall planning. Discussion to be raised at next SRG meeting.

The SWRCB notes the submittal was received after 5:00 PM on Friday and expects the 10-day clock for a response to begin on the following Monday. Reclamation concurs.

The SRG will continue to review RTO's

- Update: Clifton Court Herbicide Application

DWR will conduct an herbicide application beginning on June 28, 2026. The Clifton Court Forebay gates will remain closed for at least 24 hours after the application. As the application date approaches, an email will be distributed for awareness.

Action Items

- No Action Items.

Elevation Items

- No Elevation Items.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, June 10th, 2026, 2-2:50 p.m.