



Water Operations Management Team Notes

March 24, 2021

Members Attending

Kristin White, Liz Kiteck, Molly White, Lenny Grimaldo, Jana Affonso, Matt Nobriga, Howard Brown, Garwin Yip, Kristal Davis-Fadtke, Josh Grover, Erik Ekdahl, Diane Riddle

Topics/Actions

- Approval of the 3/17/2021 Meeting Notes: Approved.
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Clear Creek Technical Team (meets quarterly): 6/18
 - Sacramento River Temperature Task Group (monthly starting in February): 3/25.
 - Upper Sacramento Scheduling Team:
 - USSST Spring Flows Planning Subgroup: 3/31
 - USSST regular meeting (weekly starting in April): 4/7
 - Feather River Operations Group (meets first and third Thursdays): 4/1
 - American River Group (meets monthly on third Thursdays, and as needed): 4/15
 - Stanislaus River Watershed Team (meets monthly on third Wednesday): 4/21
 - Delta Monitoring Working group (meets weekly): No input from 3/23 meeting. Next meeting 3/30.
- Operational Updates
 - CVP: Lewiston (Trinity River) at 300 cfs. Whiskeytown (Clear Creek) at 225 cfs. Keswick (Sacramento River) at 3,500 cfs. Nimbus (American River) at 1,200 cfs. Goodwin (Stanislaus River) at 300 cfs. Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 447 TAF. CVP pumping is at a single smaller unit for export of ~800 cfs.
 - SWP: Oroville (Feather River) releases are at 1,050 cfs; potential reduction in early April to ~800 cfs. SWP Delta exports are at ~300 cfs and holding. OMR for today is projected to be ~-980 cfs. State share of San Luis Reservoir is 690 TAF.

- Relevant Assessments
 - 20210323 Fish and Water Operations Outlook final
 - 20210323 Proposed Action Assessment final
 - ITP SaMT Risk Assessment DRAFT Summary 23 March
 - ITP SMT Risk Assessment DRAFT Summary 23 March
- Upcoming Actions
 - Reclamation: Yesterday, Reclamation announced the following update to the initial 2021 CVP water supply allocation: “Agricultural water service contractors south-of-Delta allocation of 5% of their contract supply is not available for delivery until further notice.”
 - DWR: DWR reduced SWP allocations from 10% to 5%.
 - FWS: No actions.
 - NMFS: No actions.
 - CDFW: No actions.
 - SWRCB: No actions.
- Discussion Items:
 - Hydrology & Operations Outlook: DWR sent the updated Drought Contingency Plan to WOMT yesterday. DWR and Reclamation reported that cutting pumping to minimum levels for the past week paid off in terms of meeting the Delta outflow standard at Collinsville through salinity conditions. The forecast through early April is looking dry.
 - Directors meeting: A subset of WOMT members met earlier today to prepare the agenda for the 3/25 Directors’ meeting. WOMT reviewed the draft agenda and no revisions were suggested.
 - SWRCB Shasta Temperature Management Workshop: The SWRCB is planning to hold this workshop on 4/21, pending some final coordination. DWR and Reclamation agreed to provide a hydrology and operations update. WOMT member agency participation is requested for the entire day, with a focus on availability for at least the morning.
 - Action Item: SWRCB WOMT members to share draft agenda with WOMT as soon as possible.
 - Action Item: WOMT members should let SWRCB know by COB Thursday, 3/25, if the relevant agency representatives can attend on 4/21, especially for the morning.
- Elevation Items
 - No elevation items for directors, but the scheduled Directors’ meeting on 3/25 will be retained to discuss drought planning.

Next Meeting

- Wednesday, March 31, 1 pm – 2 pm. Because this is a state holiday, DWR, CDFW, and SWRCB will not be present.
 - Action Item: State agencies to send any updates/announcements to WOMT by COB Tuesday, 3/30.