



# Water Operations Management Team Notes

November 10, 2021

## Members Attending

Liz Kiteck, Molly White, Jana Affonso, Matt Nobriga, Garwin Yip, Kristal Davis-Fadtke, Erik Ekdahl, Diane Riddle

## Topics/Actions

- Approval of the 11/3/2021 Meeting Notes: Approved.
- Upcoming Meetings
  - Clear Creek Technical Team (meets quarterly): December 2021
  - Sacramento River Temperature Task Group (now meeting approximately monthly): 12/2
  - Upper Sacramento Scheduling Team – Flow smoothing (no regular schedule): Held today 11/10
  - Feather River Operations Group (meets first and third Thursdays): 11/18
  - American River Group (meets monthly on third Thursdays, and as needed): 11/18
  - Stanislaus River Watershed Team (meets monthly on third Wednesday): 11/17
  - Salmonid Monitoring Team (meets weekly on Tuesdays): 11/16
  - Smelt Monitoring Team (meets weekly on Tuesdays starting in November): 11/16
- Operational Updates
  - CVP: Lewiston (Trinity River) releases are 300 cfs. Whiskeytown (Clear Creek) releases are 200 cfs. Keswick (Sacramento River) releases are at 3,500 cfs today and will reduce to 3,250 cfs by 11/13. Nimbus (American River) releases are 550 cfs. Goodwin (Stanislaus River) releases are down to 200 cfs, which is the minimum winter flow; Reclamation's Delta pumping was at 5 units until yesterday evening; weeds and debris have reduced pumping to 1 unit; will add capacity as able. Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 82 TAF.

- SWP: Oroville-Thermalito Complex (Feather River) releases are currently 950 cfs. DWR is exporting 5,000 today and will increase to 5,500 cfs tomorrow through Clifton Court Forebay. State share of San Luis Reservoir is 294 TAF.
- Relevant Assessments
  - 20211109 Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook 11/09/21 – 11/15/2021
  - 20211109 Proposed Action Assessment Final
- Upcoming Actions
  - Reclamation: No actions.
  - FWS: No actions.
  - CDFW: No actions.
  - NMFS: No actions. On November 18, Reclamation, through Kearns & West, will be convening team building and collaboration training for the LTO technical teams.
  - DWR: No actions
  - SWRCB: Issuing water availability report next week; possible reissuance of curtailments in sub-watersheds as recent precipitation recedes; issuing notice on December workshop on possible alternative methods to address extreme dry conditions next week.
- TUCP/TUCO & Drought Updates:
  - The Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP), TUC Order (TUCO), and related documents (including information reported by Reclamation and DWR) are available online at [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/drought/tucp/index.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/drought/tucp/index.html).
  - Reclamation will provide 2022 TUCP draft Biological Review to the agencies on Monday 11/15 for red flag review and discussion during meeting scheduled on Wednesday 11/17.
- Hydrology Update (DWR)
  - Nothing in near term forecast.
- Discussion Items
  - SWRCB: Request that DWR and Reclamation attend the December 7 Board meeting after 2022 TUCP is submitted, to provide an overview of the petition, which will be a separate item on the agenda. Also, SWRCB tentatively providing an update on the Board's Water Quality Control Plan on December 8.
- Elevation Items
  - No elevation items for directors from WOMT.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 17, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.