



Water Operations Management Team Notes

May 4, 2022

Members Attending

Liz Kiteck, Molly White, Lenny Grimaldo, Jana Affonso, Matt Nobriga, Howard Brown, Kristal Davis-Fadtke, Diane Riddle

Topics/Actions

- Approval of the 04/27/2022 Meeting Notes: Approved.
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Shasta Planning Group (meets weekly on Fridays): 5/13
 - Clear Creek Technical Team (meets quarterly on third Thursday of the month): 6/16
 - Sacramento River Temperature Task Group (tentatively meets monthly on fourth Thursdays):
5/26
 - Feather River Operations Group (meets monthly on first and third Thursdays): 5/5
 - American River Group (meets monthly on third Thursday, and as needed): 5/19
 - Stanislaus River Watershed Team (meets monthly on third Wednesday): 5/18
 - Salmonid Monitoring Team (meets weekly on Tuesdays): 5/10
 - Smelt Monitoring Team (meets weekly on Tuesdays): 5/10
- Operational Updates
 - CVP: Lewiston (Trinity River) releases are 2,000 cfs (pulse flow began on April 15). Whiskeytown (Clear Creek) releases are 200 cfs. Keswick (Sacramento River) releases are at 3,250 cfs. Nimbus (American River) releases are 1,000 cfs. Goodwin (Stanislaus River) releases are at 700 cfs (pulse flow began on April 18). Reclamation's Delta pumping is at 1 unit targeting 900 cfs. Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 357 TAF.

- SWP: Oroville-Thermalito Complex (Feather River) releases are at 800 cfs. DWR is exporting 600 cfs at Banks Pumping Plant. State share of San Luis Reservoir is 594 TAF.
- Relevant Assessments
 - 20220503 Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook 5/3/22 – 5/9/2022
 - 20220503 Proposed Action Assessment Final
 - SaMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary for 3 May 2022 DRAFT
 - DRAFT SMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary 03 May 2022
- Upcoming Actions
 - Reclamation:
 - The Final Sacramento River Temperature Management Plan was submitted on Monday (5/2).
 - FWS:
 - No actions.
 - CDFW:
 - No actions.
 - NMFS:
 - Received final temp management plan, pursuant to the IOP; NMFS will be moving forward with an approval letter to Reclamation sometime this week.
 - DWR:
 - No actions.
 - SWRCB:
 - Also received the Sacramento River Temperature Management Plan; in the process of developing a response, which is expected out this week.
 - Reminder that on April 19, the updated Water Unavailability Methodology and draft proposed changes to emergency regulations for curtailments were released along with a notice of a public workshop on both to be held on May 12. The comment period on the updated Water Unavailability Methodology and draft proposed changes to emergency regulations for curtailments closes on May 19.
 - The SWRCB is considering how to reflect current Sacramento and Feather River settlement contractor demands and associated possible emergency regulation provisions.

- Next SWRCB meeting for DWR and Reclamation to present on TUCP and drought updates will be on May 24, which is the second SWRCB meeting of May.
- Hydrology Update (DWR and Reclamation)
 - As much as 0.25 to 0.5 in precipitation in the Northern Sierra over the next six days; nothing in near-term forecast for the Central Valley.
 - The May Bulletin 120 is expected out on Monday, May 9.
- TUCP/TUCO & Drought Updates
 - 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.
 - No additional updates.
- Discussion Items
 - No additional discussion items.
- Elevation Items
 - No items to elevate to the Directors.

Next Meeting

- Wednesday, May 11, 1-2 p.m.