

# Water Operations Management Team Notes

May 10, 2023

## Members Attending

- Reclamation: Liz Kiteck
- USFWS: Jana Affonso
- CDFW: Brooke Jacobs, Kristal Davis-Fadtke
- NMFS: Garwin Yip
- DWR: Molly White
- SWRCB: Diane Riddle, Matt Holland

## Topics/Actions

- Approval of Meeting Notes from last week:
  - May 3, 2023 Notes: Approved, final notes sent out yesterday.
- Upcoming Meetings
  - Salmonid Monitoring Team (weekly on Tuesdays): 5/16
  - Smelt Monitoring Team (weekly on Tuesdays): 5/16
  - Feather River Operations Group (monthly first and third Thursdays): 5/18
  - American River Group (monthly on third Thursday, and as needed): 5/18
  - Stanislaus River Watershed Team (monthly on third Wednesday): 5/17
  - Clear Creek Technical Team (quarterly on third Thursday): 6/15
  - Sacramento River Temperature Task Group (monthly on fourth Thursday): 5/18; SRTTG Update Meeting on 5/11 to discuss Draft TMP
  - Shasta Planning Group (meets biweekly on Tuesday or as needed): 5/16
  - DRY Team: 5/18
- Relevant Assessments
  - Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook 5/8/23 – 5/15/2023
  - 20230509 Proposed Action Assessment
  - SaMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary for 5/9/2023
  - SMT ITP Risk Assessment Summary for 5/9/2023

- Operational Updates
  - CVP: Trinity River releases are at 1,900 cfs, decreasing to baseflow by June 20. Sacramento River (Keswick) releases are currently at 13,000 cfs. Clear Creek is at 325 cfs today and will drop to 200 cfs by May 15. American River (Nimbus) releases are at 8,000 cfs. Stanislaus River (Goodwin) releases are at 1,500 cfs. Reclamation's Delta pumping is 3-4 units targeting 3,500 cfs, and will be reduced at times today and tomorrow due to divers doing maintenance in the aqueduct. Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 951 TAF.
  - SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases are at 7,000 cfs. Clifton Court Forebay exports are at 1,000 cfs. State share of San Luis Reservoir is at 1,065 TAF.
- Hydrology Update (DWR and Reclamation)
  - Precipitation is not likely this week. The weather is getting warmer, so inflows are increasing. Highs in the 90s °F are predicted for the Central Valley this weekend, and highs in the 80s °F are predicted for next week.
- Upcoming Actions or Updates
  - Reclamation:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - FWS:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - CDFW:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - NMFS:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - DWR:
    - No actions or discussion items.
  - SWRCB:
    - No actions or discussion items.
- Discussion Items :
  - WOMT discussed and made a decision regarding DRY Team engagement for the remainder of the Water Year:
    - WOMT proactively activated the DRY Team at the beginning WY2023 to plan for the potential for another year of drought. Based on the current Wet hydrological conditions, WOMT agreed that the DRY Team does not need to consider drought actions for WY2023.

- DRY Team is currently finishing the WY2022 report and has not yet evaluated the effectiveness of some actions taken in WY2022. This evaluation is necessary to inform future decisions during drought years and should be a priority of the DRY Team.
- Action Item: Send WOMT decision to the DRY Team
- Action Items
  - Facilitator will send WOMT decision to the DRY Team when notes are finalized
- Elevation Items
  - No elevation items.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 17, 1-1:50 p.m.