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HYATT POWERPLANT RESTARTED

Oroville, California - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) continues to operate the flood control spillway at Lake Oroville and has restarted the Hyatt Powerplant.

"We continue to move forward after the reoperation of the main spillway," said DWR Acting Director Bill Croyle. "Restarting the Hyatt Powerplant is another positive step in managing outflows from the lake." DWR continues to closely monitor water levels around the plant to ensure its safe operation.

DWR resumed operation of the flood control spillway at 11 a.m. Friday. Outflows from the spillway are approximately 41,000 cubic feet per second (cfs). Flows from the Hyatt Powerplant, which was restarted Friday evening, are around 7,550 cfs.

Inflows to the lake are between 11,000 and 26,400 cfs. Lake elevation is 860 feet, 41 feet below the emergency spillway.

Outflows and river levels will remain steady for approximately one week before being reduced again. The increased flows will continue to leave sufficient storage in Lake Oroville to take on more water from rain or snowmelt. DWR does not expect wet weekend weather to interfere with operations.

Boaters, anglers, and others who use the river are advised to be aware of swifter river conditions. The total flow to the Feather River is approximately 50,000 cfs. DWR advises the public to avoid the river for the next week.

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For information on lake conditions – including lake levels, inflows, and outflows – visit the [Oroville Reservoir page](#) on the California Data Exchange Center.

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