

WOMT Notes

April 22, 2014 Meeting

1. General Information:

CVP

Keswick Release to upper Sacramento River @ 4,250 cfs

Nimbus Release to lower American River @ 1500 cfs (for 3-day pulse flow)

Goodwin Release to Stanislaus River @ 2500 cfs (for Vernalis pulse flow)

Jones Pumping Plant @ 2400 cfs

X-channel Gates: Closed

Federal Share of San Luis 557 TAF

SWP

Oroville Release to Feather River @ 800 cfs

Clifton Court Allotment @ 500 cfs

State Share of San Luis @ 394 TAF

Delta

Freeport Flow approx. 6350 cfs

Vernalis Flow approx. 2900 cfs

Delta Outflow approx. 4800 cfs

OMR Is Reported for April 19th Due to Lags for USGS Processing

OMR index value (5 day average) approx . - 2660 cfs

OMR index value (14 day average) approx. - 4050 cfs

OMR measured (USGS) value (5 day average) approx. - 2490 cfs

OMR measured (USGS) value (14 day average) approx. - 3720 cfs

SWRCB:

- Division of Water Rights - Reported that there are pending and/or projected curtailment notices for the (1) Sacramento/San Joaquin, (2) Tulare, (3) Russian and (4) Eel River basins. See SWRCB website (www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/drought/analyses) for more details.
- Delta Water master Office – On April 18, the SWRCB approved a temporary urgency change petition by Reclamation and DWR that allows SWP/CVP exports to be maintained at 1:1 ratio with Vernalis flow (running 3 day average) during the April-May pulse flow period when X2 at Collinsville is not being achieved.

Current Water Project Operations Status. X2 @ Collinsville is not being met due to drought conditions Project exports are being scheduled to meet the flow at Vernalis per the 3-day averaging period.

NMFS – Biological Opinion for CV Salmonids, Steelhead, Sturgeon:

No advice from DOSS, therefore no NMFS determination necessary.

USFWS – Delta Smelt : SWG met yesterday; at current and projected export levels, the risk of entrainment to Delta smelt is low, therefore no change in operations is recommended per SWG; No determination from USFWS.

DFW – Longfin Smelt : Current export rates are protective of Longfin Smelt at this time, therefore DFW has no recommendations for changes in operations .

2. WOMT Decisions - None