

RECLAMATION

Managing Water in the West

Summary of Klamath Project December, 2011 Operations

During the month of December, Upper Klamath Lake (UKL) elevations rose from 4139.76 on December 1st to a high of 4140.19 on December 31st. The December 31, 2011 UKL elevation is 0.61 feet lower than the same date in 2010. Total net inflows to UKL for the month of December were 71 Thousand Acre Feet (TAF), which is 50% of the NRCS average of 141 TAF. Releases from Link River Dam varied between 437 cfs and 1,050 cfs during December, with an average of 642 cfs.

Iron Gate Dam averaged 1,206 cfs for the month of December with the lowest flows occurring between December 19th - 29th at 1,040 cfs and the maximum flow occurring on December 31st at 1,780 cfs.

Reclamation is dedicated to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, Reclamation, and Klamath Project stakeholders are working together to manage available water to provide benefits to basin irrigators while protecting Endangered Species Act-listed fish.