

# Fish and Water Operations Group Notes

Water Year 2026 – March 11, 2026

## Members Attending

- Reclamation – Randi Field, ~~Levi Johnson~~
- DWR – Tracy Hinojosa, Bryant Giorgi
- USFWS – Matt Nobriga, ~~Leif Goude~~
- NMFS – ~~Darren Howe~~, (Acting: Paula Higginson)
- CDFW – ~~Kristal Davis-Fadtke~~
- SWRCB – ~~Matthew Holland, Diane Riddle~~, (Acting: Craig Williams)
- NGO – ~~Ashley Overhouse, Devon Pearse~~
- PWA – Deanna Sereno, ~~Scott Petersen~~
- PWA - ~~Chandra Chilmakuri~~

## Topics/Actions

Approval of Meeting Notes from last week: Approved

Upcoming Meetings

Delta Action Team (DAT, meets weekly on Tuesdays): 03/17/2026

Drought Response Year (DRY) Team:

American River Group (ARG meets monthly on third Thursday, and as needed):

Clear Creek Technical Team (CCT meets quarterly on third Thursday):

Sacramento River Group (SRG) (meets monthly on the fourth Thursday or more often as needed): met on 02/26/2026

Stanislaus Watershed Team (SWT meets monthly on third Wednesday):

Annual Report Team

Shasta Operations Team (SHOT): met 02/23/2026

Relevant Assessments

- 260310 Combined Salmon and Smelt Assessment
- 20260309 Fish and Water Operations Outlook

Operational Updates

- CVP: Lewiston Dam releases at 300 cfs. Whiskeytown Dam releases at 300 cfs. Keswick Dam releases at 4,000. Nimbus Dam releases at 2,500 cfs. Goodwin Dam releases at 200 cfs. Jones Pumping Plant exporting 4,200 cfs (OMRI -5,000 cfs controlling). Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 723 TAF. Delta Cross Channel is closed (closed on 10/30/25).
- SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases at 7,000 cfs. Clifton Court Forebay exporting 3,500 cfs (OMRI -5000 cfs). State share of San Luis Reservoir is 1062 TAF.
- Hydrology Update: Flood waters continue to recede from early March precipitation. No current additional precipitation in the forecast.

## Upcoming Actions, Updates or Discussion Items

- Reclamation:
  - No upcoming actions or discussion items.
  - StormFlex
- DWR:
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- USFWS:
  - No upcoming actions, updates or discussion items.
- NMFS:
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- ~~CDFW~~:
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- SWRCB:
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- ~~NGO~~:
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- PWA
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- FAWOG
  - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.

## **Discussion Items**

- StormFlex Update

No Storm Flex Operations Assessment was developed this week due to lack of recent precipitation events. Storm Flex Operations is off ramped as of today 3/10/2026. No immediate change to federal exports (currently at 4,200 cfs).

## **Action Items**

- No Action Items.

## **Elevation Items**

- No Elevation Items.

## **Next Meeting**

Wednesday, March 18th, 2026, 2-2:50 p.m.