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RECLAMATION

Delta Action Team (DAT) Weekly Meeting

Teams call: 6/23/26 at 10:00 a.m.

Participants

- California Department of Water Resources (DWR)
- Contra Costa Water District (CCWD)
- Friant Water Authority (FWA)
- Kearns & West
- Metropolitan Water District (MWD)
- National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)
- Regional Water Authority
- San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA)
- State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)
- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

Welcome & Housekeeping

- The meeting is likely the final DAT meeting for the water year, depending on the conditions.

Questions/Discussion on Announcements

- None

Weekly Operations Update

Operational Intent

- None

Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook, Current Operations

DAT reviewed and updated the Fish and Water Operations Outlook document.

- Clear Creek releases at Whiskey Town are currently at 375 cfs and will range between 125 cfs and 375 cfs.
- Sacramento River releases at Keswick Dam are currently at 12,500 cfs.
- Oroville storage is currently 3.178 MAF.
- Feather River releases are currently at 5,000 cfs and are expected to hold at 5,000 cfs.
- American River releases at Nimbus Dam are currently at 4,000 cfs.
- Stanislaus River releases at Goodwin Dam are currently at 1,700 cfs and will range between 300 cfs and 1,700 cfs.
- Freeport flows are currently at 15,300 cfs and will range between 14,000 cfs and 16,500 cfs.
- Vernalis flows are currently at 1,200 cfs and will range between 1,100 cfs and 2,100 cfs.
- Delta outflow is currently at 12,400 cfs and will range between 11,500 cfs and 14,000 cfs.
- Clifton Court Forebay (CCF) is currently at 300 cfs and is expected to hold at 300 cfs.
- Rio Vista flows are currently at 12,000 cfs and will range between 12,000 cfs and 13,000 cfs.
- JPF will range between 800 cfs and 1,600 cfs.
- Jones Pumping Plant (JPP) exports are currently at 900 cfs and will range between 900 cfs and 2,900 cfs. A planned increase to approximately 2,900 cfs is expected on 6/28, with a change order to follow and the exact level to be confirmed.
- San Luis Reservoir total storage is about 1.3 MAF; SWP's share is 669 TAF and CVP's share is about 635 TAF at 65%.
- Daily QWEST is at 700 cfs; the seven-day average is 900 cfs; the forecasted seven-day average is between 600 cfs and 1,100 cfs.
- OMR Index daily is -1,700 cfs; the five-day average is -1,600 cfs; the seven-day average is -1,600 cfs; and the 14-day average is -2,400 cfs.

Questions/Discussions on Weekly Fish and Water Operations

- Reclamation noted that the Delta Cross Channel (DCC) gates closed on 6/15. A change order was issued to reopen the gates on 6/26, and the gates will remain open through the summer unless conditions change.

Weekly Fish and Water Operations Outlook, Species Tables Updates

- Table 2a was updated, with the green sturgeon status changed from active to triggered.
- DWR updated Table 3a and provided an overview to date.
- Salvage and loss values were unchanged from the last reporting period.
- Delta smelt and longfin smelt remain active, with no change this week.
- This is likely the final Outlook review of the season, unless conditions change.
- See the Weekly Operations report for additional details.

Questions/Discussions on Operations Outlook Species Tables Updates

- None

Proposed Action Assessments

Proposed Action Assessments Update

- Reclamation presented the weekly combined assessment.

Zone of Influence

- Current Delta hydrology falls in the 'medlo' (med-low) category, and 7-day forecasted conditions also fall in the 'medlo' (med-low) category.

Salmonid Proposed Action Assessment

- For the Action 5 Entrainment Management Season off-ramp, the Mossdale temperature threshold is projected to be exceeded on 6/25, the seventh exceedance day at Mossdale. Prisoner's Point has already had seven total days of temperature exceedance.
- Reclamation noted this is likely the final salmonid assessment of the season and asked the group to watch for a further exceedance this week or by 6/30.

Green Sturgeon

- Cumulative salvage exceeded the NMFS 2024 Biological Opinion threshold of 14 fish as of 6/13.
- Two were salvaged at the CVP and four at the SWP between 11/12/25 and 6/13/26, measuring between 347 mm to 600 mm.

- CDFW detected two tagged juvenile green sturgeon in Grizzly Bay.
- CDFW Bay Study recorded four fish the previous water year and one in March 2026, measuring 193 mm and likely a young-of-year. All fish were released alive.
- USFWS rotary screw trap monitoring caught larval green sturgeon in increasing numbers, alongside juvenile size-class sturgeon, between 6/1 and 6/9.
- Presence has increased over the previous two years, with the threshold also exceeding in the previous water year.
- Continuous salvage may have population-level effects, though similar levels from 2016 to 2020 were considered a low threat in the most recent five-year status review.
- The increase is likely tied to hydrodynamic conditions and rising South Delta temperatures at Mossdale and Prisoners Point, with a smaller zone of influence over the past two weeks.

Questions/Discussions on Proposed Action Assessments

- None

Action Items

- Kearns & West will distribute an end-of-season survey to gather feedback on this season's meetings and materials.