

Fish and Water Operations Group Notes

Water Year 2026 – July 1st, 2026

Members Attending

- Reclamation – ~~Randi Field~~, Levi Johnson (Acting: Joshua Israel)
- DWR – Tracy Hinojosa, Bryant Giorgi
- USFWS – ~~Matt Nobriga~~, Jana Affonso
- NMFS – ~~Darren Howe~~
- CDFW – ~~Kristal Davis~~, Fadtko
- SWRCB – Matthew Holland, Diane Riddle
- NGO – Devon Pearce
- NOD PWA – Thaddeus Bettner, Jeff Sutton
- SOD PWA - Scott Petersen, Deanna Sereno
- State PWA - Chandra Chilmakuri

Topics/Actions

Approval of Meeting Notes from last week: Approved

Upcoming Meetings

Delta Action Team (DAT, meets weekly on Tuesdays): Concluded for WY

American River Group (ARG meets monthly on third Thursday, and as needed):
07/16/2026

Clear Creek Technical Team (CCT meets quarterly on third Thursday): 09/17/2026

Sacramento River Group (SRG) (meets monthly on the fourth Thursday or more often as needed): 07/23/2026

Stanislaus Watershed Team (SWT meets monthly on third Wednesday):
07/22/2026

Shasta Operations Team (SHOT meets as needed): TBD

Relevant Assessments

Operational Updates

- CVP: Lewiston Dam releases at 500 cfs (will decrease on 7/3 to 450 cfs; Trinity ROD flows will end July 3rd). Whiskeytown Dam releases 125 cfs. Keswick Dam

releases at 12,500 cfs (increase on 7/3 to 13,000 cfs to support Delta Requirements). Nimbus Dam releases at 4,000 cfs (potential increases next week to support Delta Requirements). Goodwin Dam releases at 300 cfs (decrease on 7/5 to 275 cfs; D1641 Vernalis Flow). Jones Pumping Plant exporting 2,800 cfs and moving to 900 cfs on 7/2 (increase was due to Clifton Court herbicide treatment). Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 580 TAF. Delta Cross Channel is opened (opened 6/26).

- SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases at 8,000 cfs. Clifton Court Forebay allotment is 1,500 cfs (Herbicide treatment ending tonight; increasing over the next few days). State share of San Luis Reservoir is 619 TAF.
- Hydrology: Dry weather continuing with a cooler week ahead.

Upcoming Actions, Updates or Discussion Items

- Reclamation:
 - No upcoming actions or updates.
 - Summer Break
- DWR:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- USFWS:
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Discussion Items

- Summer Break

Reclamation is suggesting FAWOG meeting to be recessed until August 5th. If there are any immediate discussions to be brought to the group. Email Joshua Vogel (jvogel@usbr.gov) to get a meeting on the calendar.

If urgent items or operations (i.e. TMP's, JPOD Level 2) came forward, FAWOG would ad hoc before the August 5th reconvene date.

Question: In regard to the SRG submitted comments, is the SRG planning to reconvene for fall conversations?

In the past, we tend to get back together in August, the SRG can comeback together for fall flow reduction planning and anticipate Chinook dewatering conversations.

Action Items

- No Action Items.

Elevation Items

- No Elevation Items.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, August 5th, 2026, 2-2:50 p.m.