

Fish and Water Operations Group Notes

Water Year 2026 – August 5th, 2026

Members Attending

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

Topics/Actions

Approval of Meeting Notes from last week:

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):
08/20/2026

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): Ad Hoc: 08/18/2026, Regular Meeting: 08/27/2026

Stanislaus Watershed Team (SWT meets monthly on third Wednesday):
08/19/2026

Shasta Operations Team (SHOT meets as needed): TBD

Relevant Assessments

Operational Updates

- CVP: Lewiston Dam releases at 450 cfs (Summer Base Flow, anticipating Flow Augmentation for Klamath). Whiskeytown Dam releases 100 cfs. Keswick Dam

releases at 13,000 cfs (for Delta Requirements). Nimbus Dam releases at 5,000 cfs. Goodwin Dam releases at 250 cfs (D1641 DO & Vernalis). Jones Pumping Plant exporting 4,200 cfs (D1641 Water Quality Requirements Jersey Point). Federal share of San Luis Reservoir is 394 TAF. Delta Cross Channel is open.

- SWP: Feather River (Oroville-Thermalito Complex) releases at 8,500 cfs. Clifton Court Forebay allotment is 5,200 cfs. State share of San Luis Reservoir is 761 TAF.
- Hydrology: Warm temperatures continuing through the weekend.

Upcoming Actions, Updates or Discussion Items

- Reclamation:
 - No upcoming actions or updates.
 - Discussion: Sacramento Temperature Management Plan
- DWR:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- USFWS:
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- NMFS:
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- CDFW:
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- SWRCB:
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- NGO:
 - No upcoming actions, updates, or discussion items.
- NOD PWA:
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Discussion Items

- Sacramento Temperature Management Plan

Reclamation is informing FAWOG that SRG will be engaged this month to provide input on the Water Temperature Management Plan based on monitoring information on species and system conditions (e.g., Actual operations compared to Monthly Ops Forecast, Shasta Lake Temp Profile Measurements, timing and location of Winter Run spawning, etc.). This is consistent with continued analysis of conditions and tradeoffs of alternative temperature locations of the LTO. Reclamation is looking for any assistance participants can offer in running updated TDM. We anticipate updated information being available prior to the Aug SRG meeting (8/27) in time for technical discussions on results and how those may inform water temperature management.

SWRCB comments on if there would be any engagement prior to the SRG meeting on the 27th and what the next steps on receiving communication from Reclamation for the SRG to review input for an interim meeting if necessary.

When complete, Reclamation would send out prior to the meeting on the 27th and would schedule an ad hoc meeting prior.

Action Items

- No Action Items.

Elevation Items

- No Elevation Items.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, August 12th, 2026, 2-2:50 p.m.