

## Sacramento River Temperature Task Group

Thursday, June 25, 2020 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

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#### Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Purpose and Objective
- 3. Prior Action Items
- 4. Communications
- 5. Long Term Operations Implementation Update
- 6. Hydrology Update
- 7. Operations Update and Forecasts
  - a. Storage/Release Management Conditions
  - b. Temperature Management
  - c. Temperature Dependent Mortality
- 8. Temperature Dependent Mortality Sensitivity: Stage independent and stage dependent
- 9. River Fish Monitoring: carcass surveys, redd counts, stranding and dewatering surveys and sampling at rotary screw traps
- 10. Fish Distribution/Forecasts: Estimated percentage of the population upstream of Red Bluff Diversion Dam for steelhead, winter-run and spring-run Chinook salmon, steelhead update and Livingston Stone Hatchery.
- 11. Seasonal Topics
- 12. Discussion
- 13. Review Action Items
- 14. Next Meeting Scheduling

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION-CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT-CALIFORNIA

### AU OF RECLAMATION-CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT-CALIFORNIA DAILY CVP WATER SUPPLY REPORT

**JUNE 23, 2020** 

#### RUN DATE: June 24, 2020

#### RESERVOIR RELEASES IN CUBIC FEET/SECOND

RESERVOIR	DAM	WY 2019	WY 2020	15 YR MEDIAN
TRINITY	LEWISTON	2,427	644	1,980
SACRAMENTO	KESWICK	9,992	11,992	11,154
FEATHER	OROVILLE (SWP)	2,000	3,300	3,300
AMERICAN	NIMBUS	5,461	3,000	3,946
STANISLAUS	GOODWIN	804	1,407	476
SAN JOAQUIN	FRIANT	1,629	0	380

#### STORAGE IN MAJOR RESERVOIRS IN THOUSANDS OF ACRE-FEET

RESERVOIR	CAPACITY	15 YR AVG	WY 2019	WY 2020	% OF 15 YR AVG
TRINITY	2,448	1,783	2,346	1,782	100
SHASTA	4,552	3,511	4,409	3,254	93
FOLSOM	977	775	936	749	97
NEW MELONES	2,420	1,547	2,230	1,742	113
FED. SAN LUIS	966	449	732	313	70
TOTAL NORTH CVP	11,363	8,065	10,653	7,840	97
MILLERTON	520	386	488	0	0
OROVILLE (SWP)	3,538	2,579	3,474	2,245	87

#### ACCUMULATED INFLOW FOR WATER YEAR TO DATE IN THOUSANDS OF ACRE-FEET

RESERVOIR	CURRENT WY2020	WY 1977	WY 1983	15 YR AVG	% OI 15 YR AVG
TRINITY	444	188	2,456	1,094	41
SHASTA	2,731	1,972	9,723	4,538	60
FOLSOM	1,236	295	5,620	2,367	52
NEW MELONES	519		2,224	887	59
MILLERTON	710	178	3,347	1,210	59

#### ACCUMULATED PRECIPITATION FOR WATER YEAR TO DATE IN INCHES

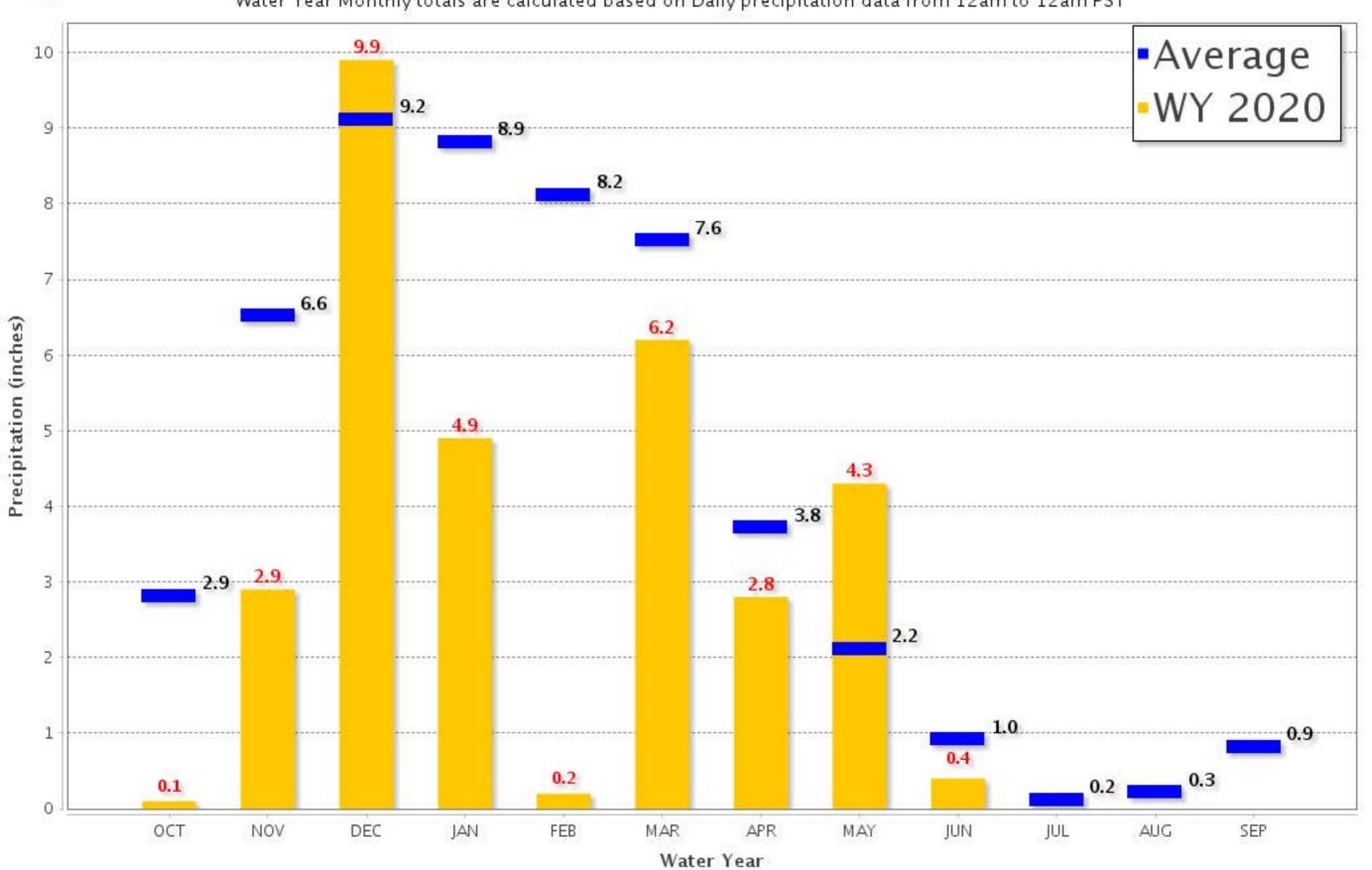
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RESERVOIR	CURRENT WY 2020	WY 1977	WY1983	AVG (N YRS)	% OF AVG	LAST 24 HRS
TRINITY AT FISH HATCHERY	19.31	13.69	54.65	31.01 ( 58)	62	0.00
SACRAMENTO AT SHASTA DAM	34.55	17.27	112.33	60.51 ( 63)	57	0.00
AMERICAN AT BLUE CANYON	39.50	15.64	103.88	65.49 ( 45)	60	0.00
STANISLAUS AT NEW MELONES	22.35		45.33	27.15 ( 42)	82	0.00
SAN JOAQUIN AT HUNTINGTON LK	28.25	17.20	81.40	40.87 ( 45)	69	0.00



# Northern Sierra 8-Station

## Precipitation Index for Water Year 2020 - Updated on June 24, 2020 01:48 PM

Note: Monthly totals may not add up to seasonal total because of rounding Water Year Monthly totals are calculated based on Daily precipitation data from 12am to 12am PST



#### **Upper Sacramento River Summary Conditions – June (On-going):**

#### **Storage/Release Management Conditions:**

- Reservoir Inflow Uncertainty: Shorter term forecasts (8-14 day) suggest a slightly above normal chance of precipitation
- Longer term forecasts (one-month outlook) suggest equal chance of precipitation
- Observed Shasta inflows for June are tracking between the 90% and 50% inflow exceedance probability estimates for the month
- Releases from Keswick Dam: Wednesday June 24 are 12,000 cfs and increasing to 12,500 cfs,
   Friday, June 26 for Delta requirements and demands
- Long-term conservative (inflow hydrology) projections suggest improved end of September Shasta storage volumes due to increased hydrology estimates in June

#### **Temperature Management:**

- Temperature management: Active draw on cold water pool for temperature management
- Selective withdrawal: Using cold-water-pool reserves. All Upper TCD gates are closed and all five Middle TCD gates are open
- Reclamation is looking for opportunities to conserve cold water pool by modifying the TCD gate configuration as the weather transitions again from warm to cool
- Meteorological Uncertainty: Shorter term forecasts (8-14 day) suggest below normal temperatures
- Longer term forecasts (one month outlook) suggest above normal temperatures

#### **Resources:**

- Reclamation Bay Delta website: <a href="https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/lto/index.html">https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/lto/index.html</a>
- Reclamation SRTTG website: <a href="https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/sacramento-river-temperature-task-group.html">https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/sacramento-river-temperature-task-group.html</a>
- LTO Proposed Action: <a href="https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/docs/ba-chapter-4-proposed-action.pdf">https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/docs/ba-chapter-4-proposed-action.pdf</a>
- 2019 Biological Opinions: https://www.usbr.gov/mp/bdo/lto/biop.html
- California Nevada River Forecast Center: short term precipitation forecasts, overlay with burn areas, debris flow potential, etc: <a href="https://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/">https://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/</a>
- CDFW Upper Sacramento fishery information:
   <a href="https://www.calfish.org/ProgramsData/ConservationandManagement/CentralValleyMonitoring">https://www.calfish.org/ProgramsData/ConservationandManagement/CentralValleyMonitoring</a>
   /CDFWUpperSacRiverBasinSalmonidMonitoring.aspx
- SacPAS: Central Valley Prediction & Assessment of Salmon: http://www.cbr.washington.edu/sacramento/
- DWR Bulletin 120 Forecast Updates: <a href="http://cdec.water.ca.gov/b120up.html">http://cdec.water.ca.gov/b120up.html</a>

#### **CVP Northern System Operation Outlooks: Draft June 2020**

#### 90% Runoff Exceedance Outlook

End of Month						
Storage/Elevation	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Shasta Volume (TAF)	3102	2587	2216	2056	1958	1945
Shasta Elevation (Feet)	1012	989	969	961	955	954

Monthly Average River Release	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Sacramento (CFS)	11400	12200	9750	6500	5500	4373
Clear Creek (CFS)	190	150	150	150	200	200

Trinity Diversions	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Carr Power Plant (TAF)	98	100	101	100	24	30
Spring Creek PP (TAF)	90	90	90	90	45	20

#### **50% Runoff Exceedance Outlook**

End of Month Storage/Elevation	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Shasta Volume (TAF)	3157	2709	2381	2237	2179	2253
Shasta Elevation (Feet)	1015	994	978	971	967	971

Monthly Average River Release	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Sacramento (CFS)	11400	11500	9350	6500	5500	4000
Clear Creek (CFS)	190	150	150	150	200	200

Trinity Diversions	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Carr Power Plant (TAF)	94	99	100	99	23	20
Spring Creek PP (TAF)	90	90	90	90	45	15

Notes: Inflow is based on the DWR B120 90% or 50% inflow exceedance Outlook; Historical inflows are used in the month of October and future months.

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#### **Storages**

#### Federal End of the Month Storage/Elevation (TAF/Feet)

		Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Trinity	1867	1735	1606	1450	1295	1254	1218	1200	1198	1226	1286	1342	1370
	Elev.	2322	2312	2299	2285	2281	2278	2276	2276	2279	2284	2290	2292
Whiskeytown	239	238	238	238	238	206	206	206	206	206	206	238	238
	Elev.	1209	1209	1209	1209	1199	1199	1199	1199	1199	1199	1209	1209
Shasta	3530	3102	2587	2216	2056	1958	1945	1997	2124	2317	2628	2669	2454
	Elev.	1012	989	969	961	955	954	957	964	975	991	993	982
Folsom	790	724	546	395	329	303	300	308	322	348	432	532	614
	Elev.	442	422	402	392	388	387	389	391	395	408	421	430
New Melones	1835	1689	1604	1533	1489	1448	1450	1454	1457	1456	1455	1418	1329
	Elev.	1023	1014	1007	1002	997	998	998	998	998	998	994	984
San Luis	217	118	76	87	161	161	195	232	424	399	353	274	143
	Elev.	441	417	402	402	398	412	431	460	446	435	422	398
Total		7605	6656	5917	5568	5330	5314	5397	5731	5952	6360	6474	6148

#### Monthly River Releases (TAF/cfs)

Trinity	TAF	47	28	53	52	23	18	18	18	17	18	36	92
	cfs	783	450	857	870	373	300	300	300	300	300	600	1,498
Clear Creek	TAF	11	9	9	9	12	12	12	12	11	17	12	16
	cfs	190	150	150	150	200	200	200	200	200	275	200	265
Sacramento	TAF	678	750	599	387	338	260	219	200	194	215	416	559
	cfs	11400	12200	9750	6500	5500	4373	3557	3250	3500	3500	7000	9100
American	TAF	137	226	208	111	66	45	45	49	77	88	106	92
	cfs	2311	3669	3383	1865	1067	759	733	800	1394	1433	1776	1500
Stanislaus	TAF	80	12	12	12	39	12	12	13	12	12	27	55
	cfs	1350	200	200	200	635	200	200	219	221	200	460	887
Feather	TAF	184	191	154	95	82	58	59	58	53	58	90	117
	cfs	3100	3100	2500	1600	1334	975	960	950	950	950	1513	1900

#### **Trinity Diversions (TAF)**

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау
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Carr PP	98	100	101	100	24	30	21	15	10	7	44	25
Spring Crk. PP	90	90	90	90	45	20	12	10	10	10	15	15

#### **Delta Summary (TAF)**

		Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Tracy		170	260	260	249	130	90	74	230	45	50	48	57
USBR Banks		0	9	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa		14.0	15.0	12.1	9.5	7.9	6.3	5.5	6.8	8.0	8.1	8.0	12.0
Total USBR		184	284	281	268	138	96	79	237	53	58	56	69
COA Balance		26	14	12	19	11	0	0	0	-24	-78	-58	-58
Vernalis	TAF	111	45	40	46	108	83	83	92	82	82	105	135
Vernalis	cfs	1871	737	655	772	1758	1393	1355	1504	1482	1339	1767	2194
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Old/Middle River Std.													
Old/Middle R. calc.		-2,841	-4,192	-4,205	-4,094	-2,291	-2,931	-2,905	-5,008	-1,019	-1,341	-1,054	-933
Computed DOI		7800	4994	4636	4118	4994	5009	6003		11400	11403	9497	7922
Excess Outflow		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1659	0	0	0	1057

#### Hydrology

% Export/Inflow

% Export/Inflow std.

	Trinity	Shasta	Folsom	New Melones	3
Water Year Inflow (TAF)	455	3,205	1,44	7 647	
Year to Date + Forecasted % of mean	38%	58%	53%	61%	

55%

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	Elev.	1015	994	978	971	967	971	981	1001	1026	1047	1058	1058
Folsom	790	720	594	491	441	421	421	441	515	621	809	903	963
	Elev.	441	428	415	409	406	406	409	418	431	450	459	465
New Melones	1835	1739	1665	1597	1557	1526	1542	1566	1599	1653	1711	1695	1776
	Elev.	1028	1020	1013	1009	1006	1008	1010	1014	1019	1025	1023	1031
San Luis	217	169	118	112	183	296	352	563	771	925	965	886	734
	Elev.	459	445	437	440	459	486	510	527	540	543	532	514
Total		7761	6935	6275	5959	5895	6035	6510	7286	8293	9262	9712	9562

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Total USBR		245	289	289	285	263	133	268	264	244	153	66	70
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Vernalis	TAF	127	51	49	54	108	83	83	93	112	57	169	113
Vernalis	cfs	2140	834	802	906	1758	1393	1355	1511	2012	932	2843	1833
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Computed DOI	ı	7447	4994	4652	4186	4994	5009	9695	14836	19559	20985	18289	12640
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# CVP June 2020 90% Exceedance Operations Outlook Information

#### General Information:

Central Valley Project (CVP) reservoir operations are re-assessed monthly for a one-year period into the future at varied hydrologic conditions on a monthly time-step. Because future watershed hydrology is not known with certainty, estimates for inflow are typically updated using a spread of likely outcomes. These values can range anywhere from 1 percent to 99 percent runoff exceedance probabilities by using meteorological or historical precipitation and snow trends. The CVP commonly uses a 90 percent and 50 percent runoff exceedance probability hydrology. The 90 percent runoff exceedance probability hydrology suggests a conservative, or relatively "dry" condition in which it's expected that in any particular year, nine out of ten years the conditions for the year will be "wetter" than presented. Similarly, the 50 percent hydrology suggest a less conservative, or relatively "wet" condition in which it's expected that in any particular year, equal chances or five out of ten years will be "wetter" or "drier" than presented. The designation to view the former a "dry" outlook and the latter a "wet" one can be somewhat misleading. For the months of October and November, there is typically little to no data (snowpack), and the inflow hydrology set which is used is derived from a long term average of historic data. In that case, the 90% is dry and 50% is the median of historic data, which is slightly drier than the long term average due to the skew produced by a few very large events. Once National Weather Service (NWS) and California Department of Water Resources (DWR) forecasts become available (usually December through May), the hydrology switches from long term averages to more specific projections pertaining to the current water year. It is derived from monthly snowpack measurements and statistical runoff curves and is published at several probability levels for the current year. It is important to note that for these hydrology sets, a 90% is not necessarily dry, nor is the 50% (median) necessarily anywhere close to the long term average. They are simply runoff projections based upon probabilities. For example, in a parched year with poor snowpack, the 50% (median) runoff forecast might be very dry by any standard, and conversely, in a year high runoff and large snowpack, the 90% (drier) forecast could be very wet. In summary, for the December through May outlooks, the 90% can be viewed as "drier" (but not necessarily dry) and the 50% (median) as "wetter" but not necessarily wet. Generally, the differences between the NWS/DWR 90% and 50% runoff forecasts diminish as the water year progresses, and more and more information becomes available. In December, with little of the annual snowpack in place there are usually very large differences between the 90% and 50% runoff forecasts. By April or May, much (if not all) of the snowpack has accumulated, and the 90% and 50% runoff forecasts typically have relatively small differences between them.

The assumed uncertain hydrology sets are used to simulate, including, but not limited to, projected storage, releases, exports, and features of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Delta performance. These estimates serve as useful operational guides for both CVP and DWR State Water Project (SWP) operations to jointly manage the system according to our shared coordination framework (Coordinated Operations Agreement) for various conditions. This coordinated effort ensures that DWR and Reclamation supply required quantity and quality of water in the Delta to support agricultural, environmental, and water quality goals according to water right permit conditions (D-1641). The CVP system balances available resources to meet regulatory obligations, environmental requirements, senior water right holders, and CVP service contracts including agricultural, municipal and industrial, and wildlife refuge water delivery demands. Reclamation considers the factors that go into the outlooks to guide export opportunities and capabilities. Central Valley Operation staff combine their institutional knowledge and experience, and optimize reservoir and export operations given the system, regulatory, and environmental constraints which are applicable in the current water year. The final step in the analysis process is to select an allocation and demand set which fully utilizes San Luis storage by drawing the reservoir down to absolute minimums in late summer. Per requirements, the 90% outlook is used to determine allocations, and the 50% outlook is provided for informational purposes.

These operation outlooks do not suggest a certain actual future outcome, but rather the statistical likelihood of projected outcomes and represent levels of CVP operational risk. Thus, the outlooks do not provide exact or anticipated end-of-month storages, flow rates, but general projections that would be expected if actual conditions matched this uncertain future hydrology. However, actual operations are generally expected to fall within the bracketed 90 percent and 50 percent hydrology projections. Outlooks represent general system-wide dynamics and do not necessarily address specific watershed/tributary details and releases or export values are represented as monthly averages. Actual operations are based on real-time conditions.

#### Inputs:

- Reservoir Inflow Hydrology: Final Issue of the Bulletin 120 Water Supply Forecast Update June 10, 2020, DWR
- Sacramento Valley Accretion Depletion Hydrology: Sacramento River at Freeport forecast for June 2020, DWR. Per personal communication with DWR, values were adjusted conservatively due to late season toolset limitations.
- Operations: Personal communication with DWR, SWP Operations

#### Assumptions:

- Reservoir inflows are adjusted to date of forecasting to approximate actual conditions
- SWRCB D1641 permit conditions for outflow and salinity requirements are met for compliance
- Coordinated Operations Agreement (COA) classification: Dry CVP 65% Sharing responsibility for meeting Sacramento Valley inbasin use with storage withdrawals during balanced water conditions
- Delta salinity requirements control through June 15 at Emmaton/Collinsville, Delta Outflow 7,800 cfs
- Delta controls: Zero Chipps days assumed in June

- Sacramento River water year type classification for requirements: Dry
- San Joaquin River water year type classification for requirements: Dry
- Stanislaus River classification for minimum release: Dry
- American River classification for minimum release: based on forecasted inflows to Folsom reservoir
- Trinity River Record of Decision (ROD) water year type classification: Critically Dry
- Sacramento River Settlement Contractors allocation classification: Shasta Non-Critical 100%
- North of Delta Water Service Contractor allocation for agriculture: 50%
- North of Delta Municipal and Industrial allocation: 75%
- North of Delta Refuge allocation: 100%
- American River Water Rights allocation: 100%
- South of Delta Water Rights allocation: 100%
- South of Delta Water Service Contractor allocation for agriculture: 20%
- CVP South of Delta Municipal and Industrial allocation: 70%
- South of Delta Refuge allocation: 100%
- Feather River Service Area allocation: 100%

#### Notes:

- A Shasta Non-Critical determination was made June 8, 2020 based on DWR Bulletin 120 Forecast Update June 2, 2020.
- Based on the COA and year classification, the CVP is responsible for 65% of water released from storage to meet all inbasin uses (entitlements) in the Sacramento River watershed under balanced conditions (SWP is responsible for 35%). To determine the magnitude of this responsibility, DWR estimates the Sacramento River watershed inbasin use by applying a mass balance calculation over the entire basin. This is because specific or individual diversion and return flows from the Sacramento River are not metered or measured and an aggregate based on historical information is used instead. Historical water gains (returns or accretion) and uses (diverted, losses or depleted) out of the Sacramento River watershed contain water year type associated patterns. This outlook contains an updated accretion/depletion calculation. The Shasta Non-Critical assumption is imbedded within this mass balance calculation and captures a 100% allocation to the Sacramento River Settlement Contractors (SRSC).
- Sacramento River accretion/depletion assumptions have been crossed checked with
  diversion estimates from the SRSC. Per personal communication with the SRSC, year 2020
  summer (June through September) diversion patterns are similar between the 100% and 75%
  allocations due to the late season determination. Discussions are on-going to adjust an
  increase in SRSC demand in October for rice decomposition.
- South of Delta Water Rights and Refuge allocations are assumed to be 100%.
- The North of Delta water service contractor's allocation for agriculture (50%) was set by provisions of the WIIN Act, Section 4005 (e)(1)(A)(iv), which states that allocations shall be not less than 50% of the contract quantity in a Dry year preceded by a Below Normal, Above Normal or Wet year.

# Northern CVP Water Temperature Report June - 2020

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1	- Mean Daily Water Temperature, Release Flow Rates and Air Temperatures with Monthly Averages
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4	- Shasta Lake Isothermobaths Plot
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6	- Whiskeytown Lake Isothermobaths Plot
х	- TCD Configuration (External Link)



All Data in this Report is Preliminary and Subject to Change

D A					Mean D	aily Wa	ter Tem	peratur	es (°F)					F	Mean Daily Release (CFS		Air Tei	lean E mpera	-	s (°F)
T E	TCD <sup>1</sup>	SHD	SPP <sup>1</sup>	KWK	SAC	CCR	BSF <sup>2</sup>	JLF	BND	RDB	IGO	LWS		Shaşta Generation	Spring Creek P.P.	Keswick Total	RDD	BSF	RDB	LWS
May	52.4	51.2	50.7	52.5	53.0	53.6	55.3	56.5	57.0	58.0	53.6	49.7	-	7533	1362	9142	68.3		67.7	-
06/01	51.2	50.2	51.5	51.8	52.3	52.9	54.7	56.2	56.7	57.6	56.3	50.4	-	8331	1306	10037	76.0		72.3	-
06/02	51.4	50.5	51.6	51.8	52.6	53.3	55.4	57.1	57.7	58.8	56.9	50.9	-	9095	1392	10490	80.5		78.0	-
06/03	51.3	50.4	51.8	52.1	52.6	53.3	55.4	57.1	57.8	59.1	57.2	50.9	-	7986	1770	10508	81.5		78.7	-
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06/05	51.8	51.1	51.9	52.2	52.8	53.5	55.6	57.3	58.1	59.6	56.5	51.1	-	9006	1447	10383	75.0	72.7	72.6	-
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06/07	51.8	50.6	52.2	51.9	52.5	53.0	54.5	55.5	56.1	57.0	54.6	51.6	-	7765	1917	10360	60.5	58.0	62.6	-
06/08	51.8	? 50.9	52.3	51.8	52.3	52.7	54.2	55.4	55.9	56.9	55.3	51.4	-	8481	1801	10358	66.5	64.1	65.2	-
06/09	51.9	50.8	52.4	52.3	52.8	53.5	55.0	56.1	56.8	57.5	56.0	51.3	-	8742	1549	10357	72.5	70.5	72.0	-
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06/12	50.8	50.1	52.7	51.4	52.0	52.5	54.2	55.6	56.6	57.7	55.5	50.7	-	9380	1690	11530	70.5	67.7	70.7	-
06/13	51.0	50.3	52.7	51.1	51.6	52.0	53.4	54.7	55.5	56.5	55.0	50.8	-	10113	1226	11917	65.0	63.5	63.1	-
06/14	51.4	50.6	52.8	51.4	51.9	52.4	54.1	55.2	55.8	56.4	56.8	50.5	-	10845	1049	11973	73.0	71.1	71.0	-
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06/23	51.1	50.3	53.5	52.0	52.4	53.2	55.0	56.5	57.4	58.7	56.8	52.1	-	10354	1437	11992	90.0	84.9	84.4	-
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Jun	51.2	50.4	52.6	51.9	52.4	53.0	54.7	56.1	56.8	57.8	56.0	51.0	-	9450	1490	11202	76.2	72.9	74.1	-
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	<u>Legend</u>								Notes	<u>S</u>		Tot	al AF	431101	67985	511016				

? = 1-9 hours of data missing (Average includes estimations)

! = 10 or more hours of data missing (Average not calculated)

# = Station out of service

↑ = Record high air temperature

▼ = Record low air temperature

= Monthly Averages

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Temperatures are weighted averages based on individual penstock flow and temperature Highlighted cells in the TCD column indicate a TCD change was made on that day

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Current control point (see page 3 for more details)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Column not used this month

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06/20	60	100	80.0	66	100	83.0	66	101	83.5						89.5			90.0	71	105			107	89.0		107	89.0		103	86.5	67	96	81.5	64		79.0
06/21	65	99	82.0	69			69	108	88.5			90.5			90.0			89.5		110	91.0			90.5		108	90.5	70	104	87.0	67	98	82.5	64		80.0
06/22	67	101	84.0				72	108				89.0			89.5					106			99	84.5	66	91	78.5		95	80.0	67	97	82.0	67	98	82.5
06/23	69		89.0																	92	79.5		91	76.0		95				81.5	68	96	82.0	66	_	81.5
06/24	73	107	90.0	75	106	90.5	72	110	91.0	73	111	92.0	73	104	88.5	65	90	77.5	59	88	73.5	61	91	76.0	66	100	83.0	67	100	83.5	67	97	82.0	66	98	82.0
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Web Links Legend

<u>10-Day Min/Max Forecast</u>

NR = Forecasted temperatures not recorded

<u>Previous Days Min/Max Actuals</u>

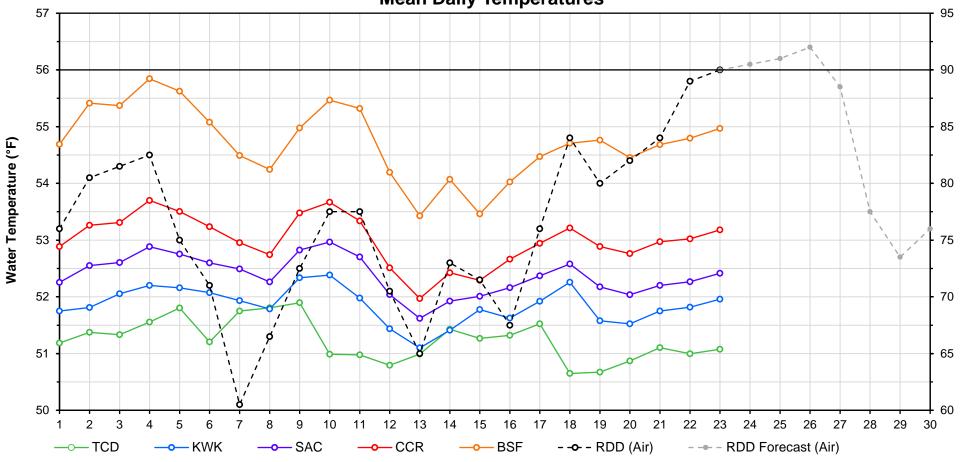
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<u>Previous Days Min/Max Actuals</u>

= Previous day actual temperatures in rec

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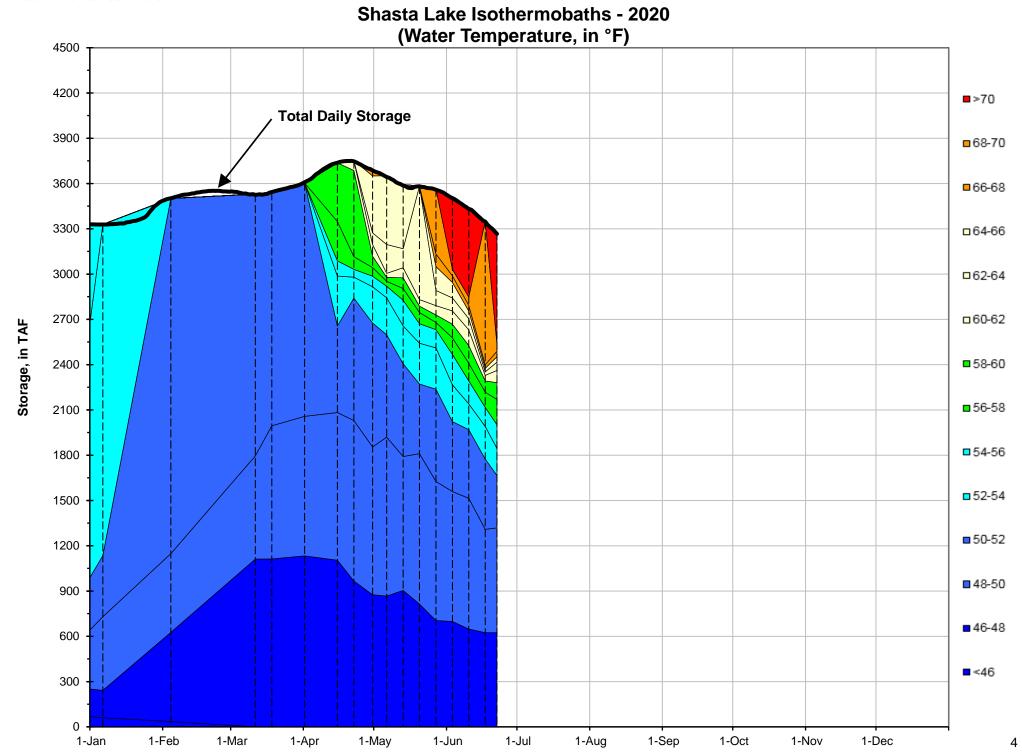


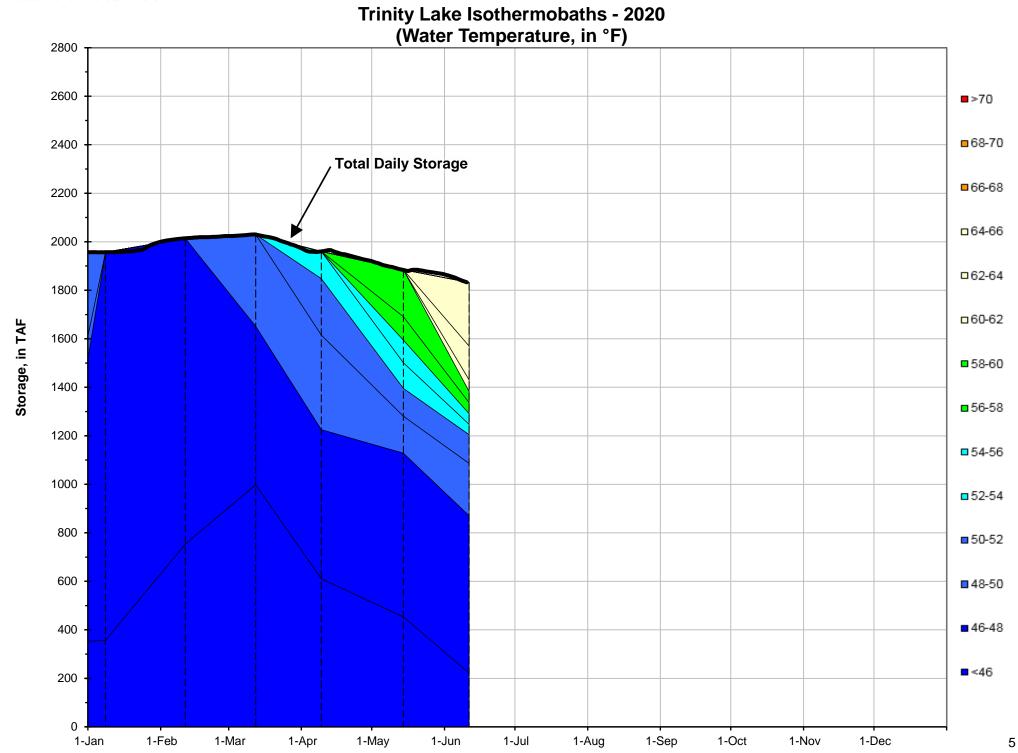
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SPP	N/A	Spring Creek Power Plant	N/A			
KWK	Sacramento River	0.8 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
SAC	Sacramento River	4.8 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
CCR	Sacramento River	9.7 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
BSF	Sacramento River	25 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
JLF	Sacramento River	34 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
BND	Sacramento River	41 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
RDB	Sacramento River	58 miles downstream of Keswick Dam	Click Here			
IGO	Clear Creek	7.3 miles downstream of Whiskeytown Dam	Click Here			
LWS	Trinity River	1.1 miles downstream of Lewiston Dam	Click Here			
DGC <sup>2</sup>	Trinity River	19 miles downstream of Lewiston Dam	Click Here			
NFH <sup>3</sup>	Trinity River	38 miles downstream of Lewiston Dam	Click Here			

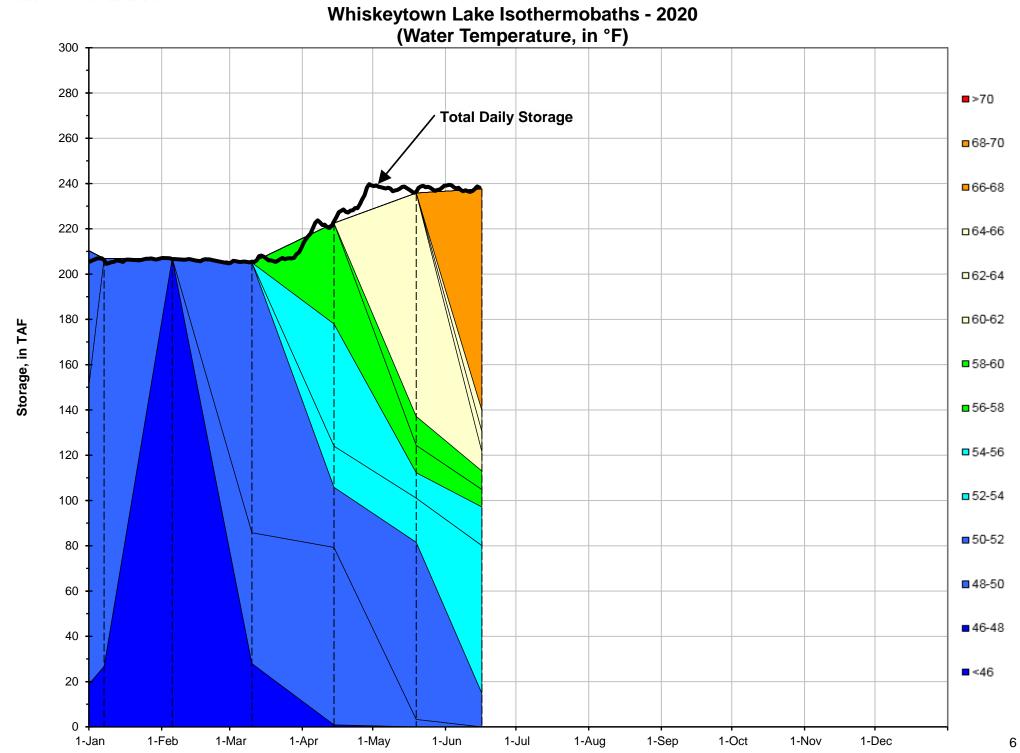
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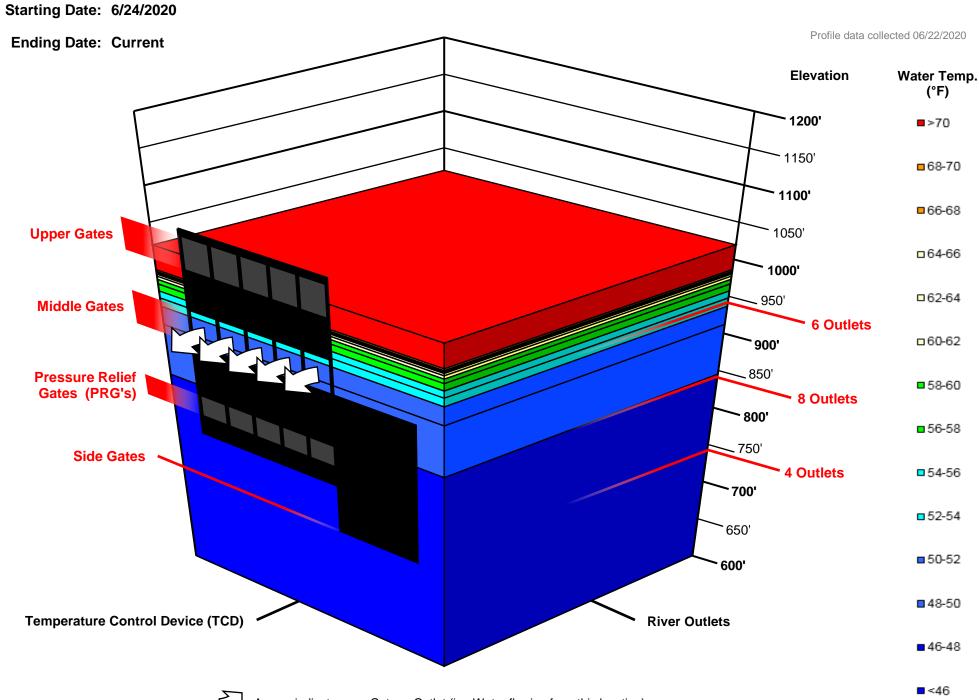
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- <sup>2</sup> DGC is only reported in September
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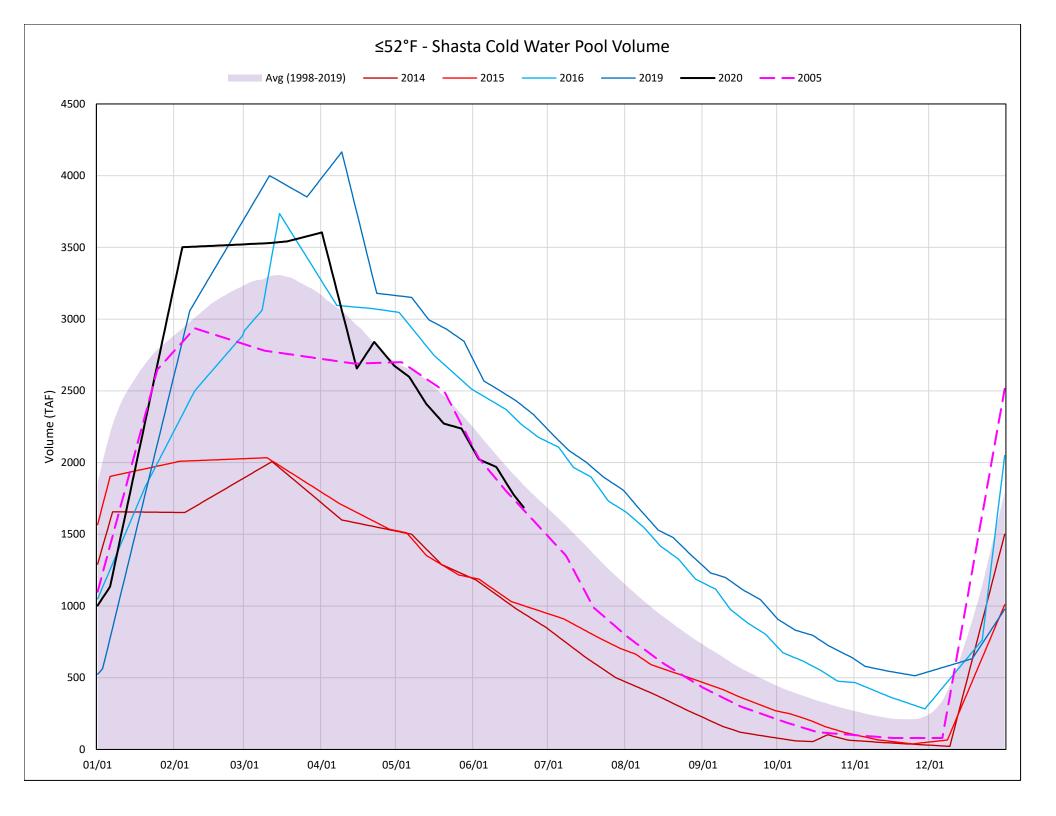


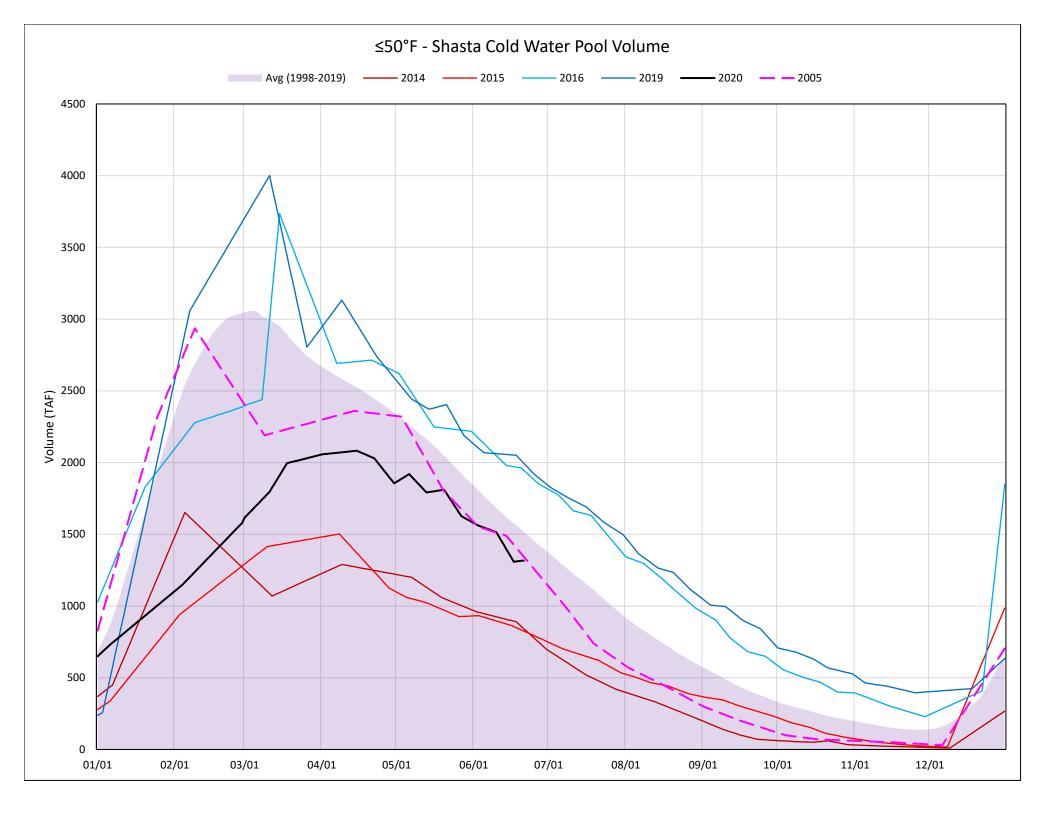


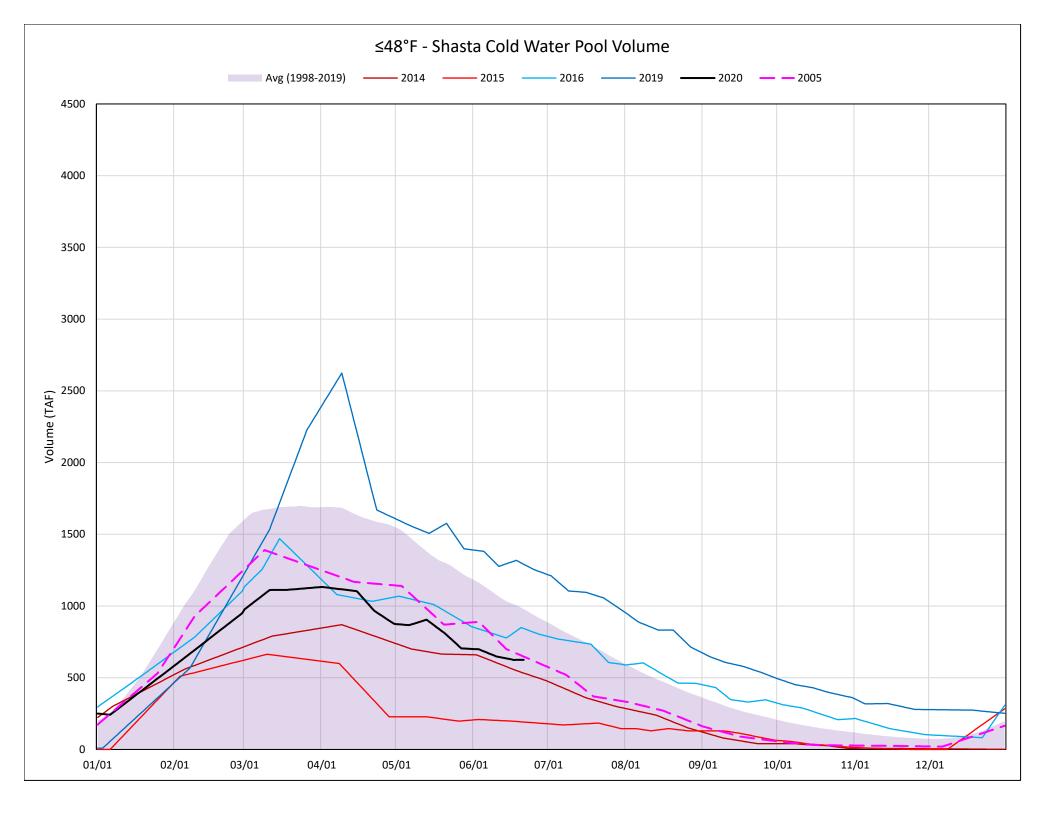


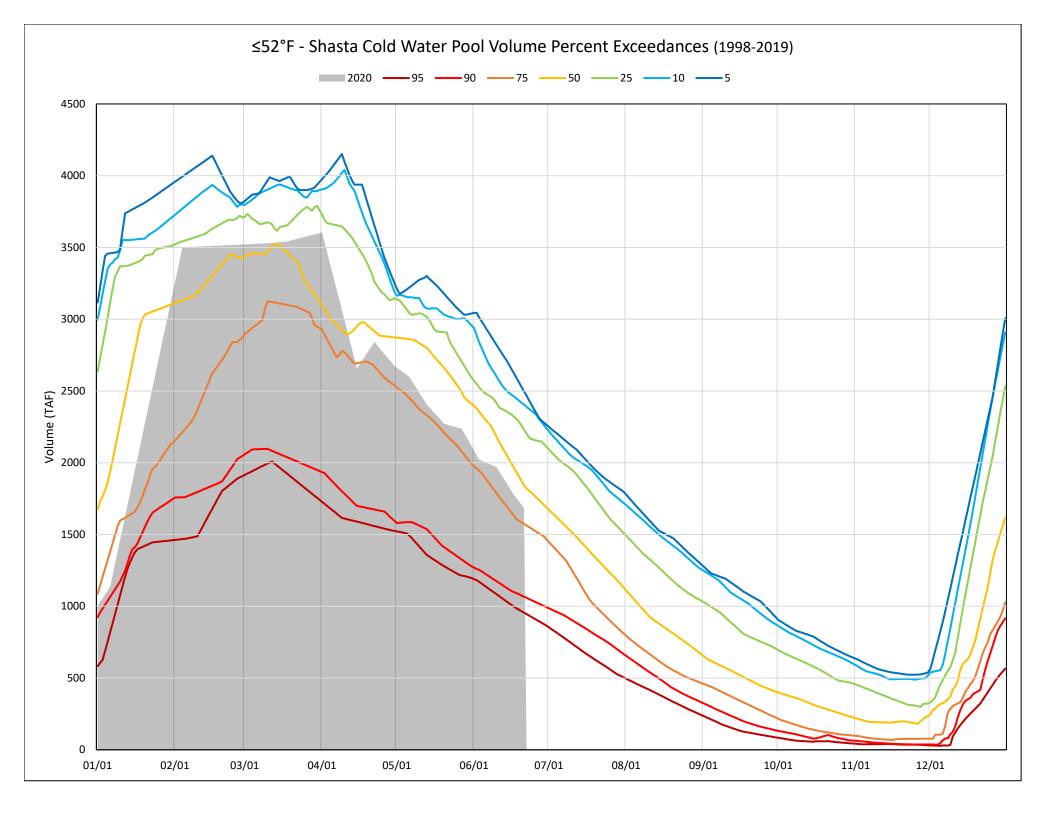
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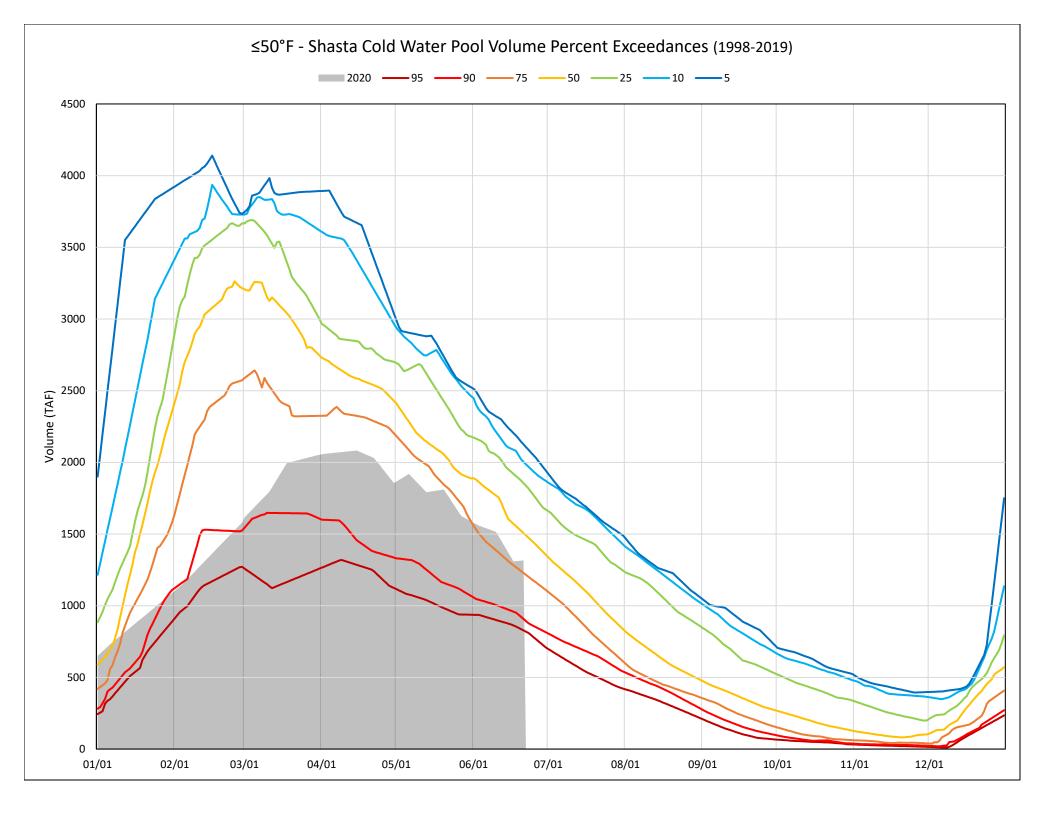


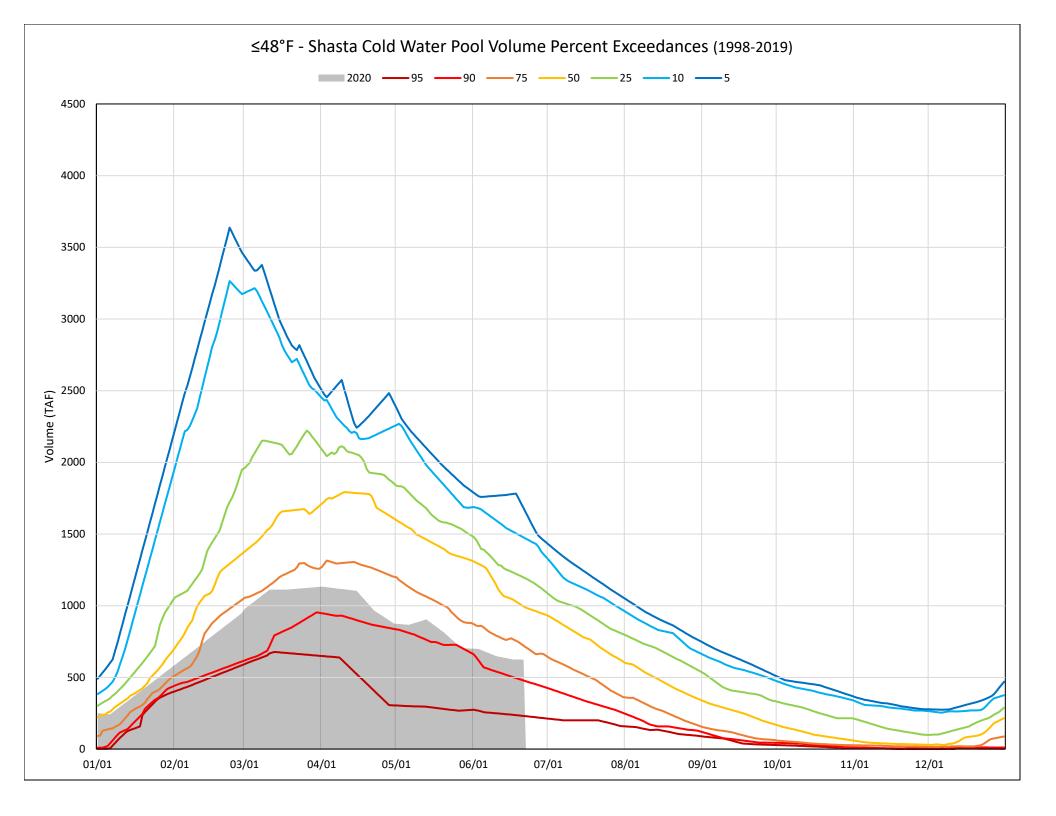




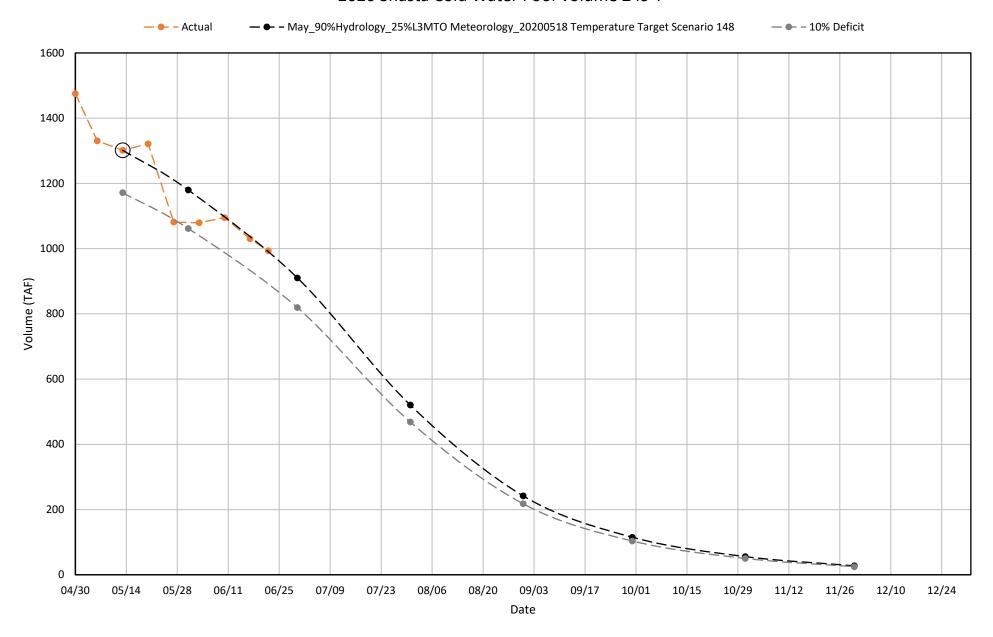








#### 2020 Shasta Cold Water Pool Volume ≤49°F



## **Upper Sacramento River – June 2020 Preliminary Temperature Analysis**

**Summary of Temperature Results by Month (Monthly Average Temperature °F)** 

Model Run	Location	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep*	Oct*
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	Keswick Dam KWK	52.9	53.5	53.2	See Fig. 7	See Fig. 7
Met. Scenario 148 – Delay	Sac. R. abv Clear Creek CCR	53.3	54.0	53.6	See Fig. 8	See Fig. 8
Side Gate Use	Airport Road	53.7	54.6	54.1	n/a	n/a
	Balls Ferry BSF	54.7	55.5	55.0	See Fig. 9	See Fig. 9
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	Keswick Dam KWK	52.9	53.3	53.2	See Fig. 7	See Fig. 7
Met. Scenario 148 – Extend	Sac. R. abv Clear Creek CCR	53.2	53.7	53.5	See Fig. 8	See Fig. 8
53.5°F in August	Airport Road	53.7	54.3	54.1	n/a	n/a
	Balls Ferry BSF	54.6	55.3	55.0	See Fig. 9	See Fig. 9
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	Keswick Dam KWK	52.9	53.5	53.2	See Fig. 7	See Fig. 7
Met. Scenario 148 – Extend	Sac. R. abv Clear Creek CCR	53.3	54.0	53.6	See Fig. 8	See Fig. 8
54°F in September	Airport Road	53.7	54.6	54.1	n/a	n/a
	Balls Ferry BSF	54.7	55.5	55.0	See Fig. 9	See Fig. 9

**Summary of Shasta Lake Cold Water Pool and TCD Operation** 

Model Run	End of September Cold Water Pool <56°F (TAF)	First Side Gate Use (Date)	Full Side Gate Use (Date)
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	469	8/16	10/30
Met. Scenario 148 – Delay Side			
Gate Use			
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	444	8/11	9/11
Met. Scenario 148 – Extend			
53.5°F in August			
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO	450	8/16	9/14
Met. Scenario 148 – Extend			
54°F in September			

Model Run Date June 22, 2020

\* The HEC5Q model output is displayed for the months April through August. Based on past analysis, the temperature model does not perform well in late September and October. One factor is that the modeled release temperatures are cooler than has historically been achieved when all release is through the side gates (lowest gates), especially when there's a large temperature gradient between the pressure relief gates (PRG) and the side gates.

For the months of September and October, ranges in possible outcomes are illustrated with the Fall Temperature Index (graphics above Figures 7-9). This relationship is an end of September Lake Shasta Volume less than 56°F and likely downstream temperature performance for the early fall months. Estimated temperatures for September and October may fall into a range indicated within the Fall Temperature Index (graphical chart), illustrating historical performance. However, this range should be viewed as an element of uncertainty based on past performance, not a simulation or projection of temperature management operations or results.

#### **Temperature Analysis Results:**

Modeling runs explore Sacramento River compliance performance above Clear Creek confluence and Balls Ferry locations by varying Shasta tailbay temperature targets. The temperature results for the Sacramento River between Keswick Dam and Balls Ferry and the Trinity River are shown in Figures 1-6. The relationship between end-of-September lake volume below 56°F and a downstream Sacramento River compliance location through fall is based on the Figures 7-9.

#### **Temperature Model Inputs, Assumptions, Limitations and Uncertainty:**

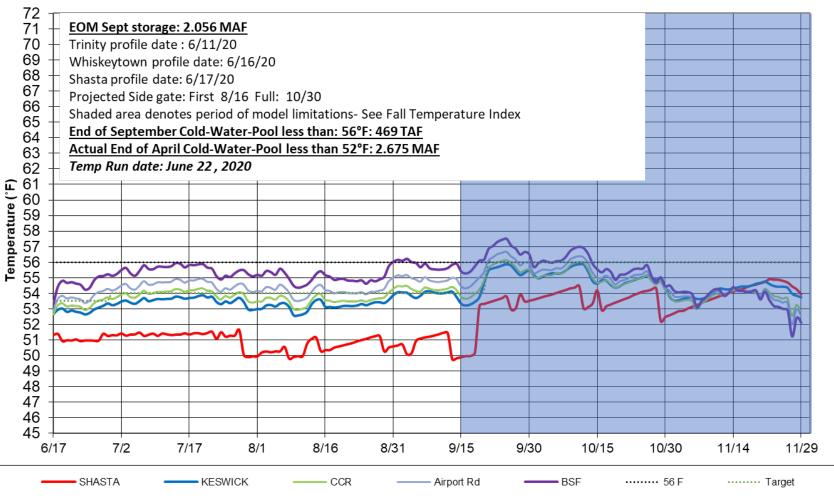
- 1. The latest available profiles for Shasta, Trinity, and Whiskeytown were taken on June 17, June 11, and June 16, respectively. Initial temperature profiles are adjusted and noted at Whiskeytown and Trinity using simulated results if the length of time between monitoring is large. Model results are sensitive to initial reservoir temperature conditions and the model performs best under highly stratified conditions. The temperature profiles prior to May do not yet exhibit conditions for ideal model computations (still nearly isothermal conditions). The model performs well after the reservoir stratifies, typically in late spring (i.e. end of April). The concern this year is assuming over or under estimations with variable hydrologic and meteorological conditions and not capturing the stratification with sufficient detail to project into the future with confidence.
- 2. Guidance on forecasted flows from the creeks (e.g., Cow, Cottonwood, Battle, etc.) between Keswick Dam and Bend Bridge are not available beyond 5 days. Creek flows developed from the historical record that most closely reflects current conditions were used for all model runs. The resulting creek flows can cause significant additional warming in the upper Sacramento River during spring.

  3. Operation is based on the June 2020 Operation Outlooks (monthly flows, reservoir release, and end-of-month reservoir storage) for the 90%- and 50%-exceedances (when available), with minor modifications to accommodate for within month real-time operations (e.g. flood operations, underestimated system demands/requirements, etc.). After September, historical information is used for inflow. Trinity Lake inflows are updated with the CNRFC 90% runoff exceedance for the 90% and DWR Bulletin 120 for the 50% runoff exceedance studies. The Operation Outlook assumes a representation of the State and Federal regulatory environment under NMFS and FWS 2019 Biological Opinions.
- 4. Although mean daily flows and releases are temperature model inputs, they are based on the mean monthly values from the operation outlooks. Mean daily flow patterns are user defined and are generalized representations. It is important to note that these outlooks do not suggest a certain actual future outcome, but rather the statistical likelihood of an event occurring, including, but not limited to, projected storage and releases. Thus, the outlooks do not provide exact end of month storages or flow rates but general projections that will likely fall within the range of uncertainty based on the different hydrologic runoff conditions between the 90% and 50% runoff exceedance hydrology.
- 5. Cottonwood Creek flows, Keswick to Bend Bridge local flows, and ACID diversions are mean daily synthesized flows based on the available historical record for a 1922-2002 study period. Side-flows were adjusted to a 95% historical exceedance for both the 90% and 50% runoff exceedance studies.
- 6. Meteorological inputs represent historical (1985 2017) monthly mean equilibrium temperature non-exceedance at 25% and 50% (when available) patterned after like months on a 6-hour time-step (for months prior to April). Assumed inflows temperature remain static inputs and do not vary with the assumed meteorology. Tools to use local three-month-temperature outlooks (L3MTO), driven by the NOAA NWS Climate Prediction Center (CPC) are used beginning in April.
- 7. Meteorology, as well as the flow volume and pattern, significantly influences reservoir inflow temperatures and downstream tributary temperatures; and consequently, the development of the cold-water pool during winter and early spring, which is still

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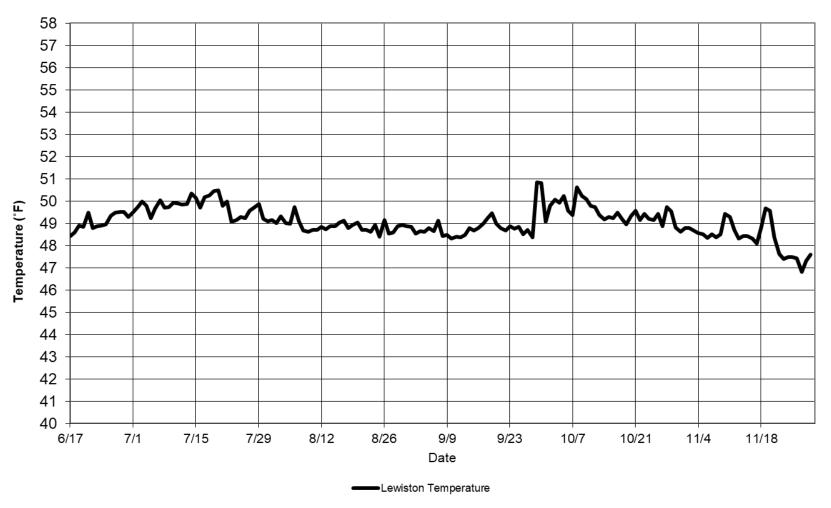
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#### Sacramento River Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook - 25% L3MTO Meteorology Scenario 148



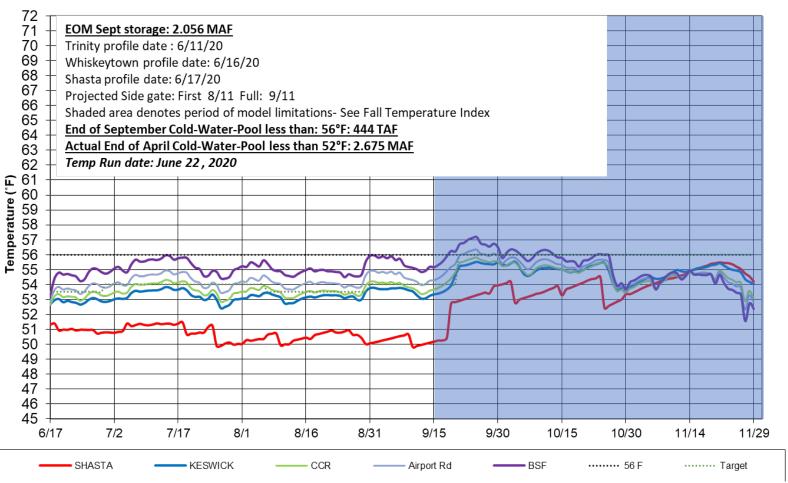
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# Trinity - Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook- 25% L3MTO Meteorology



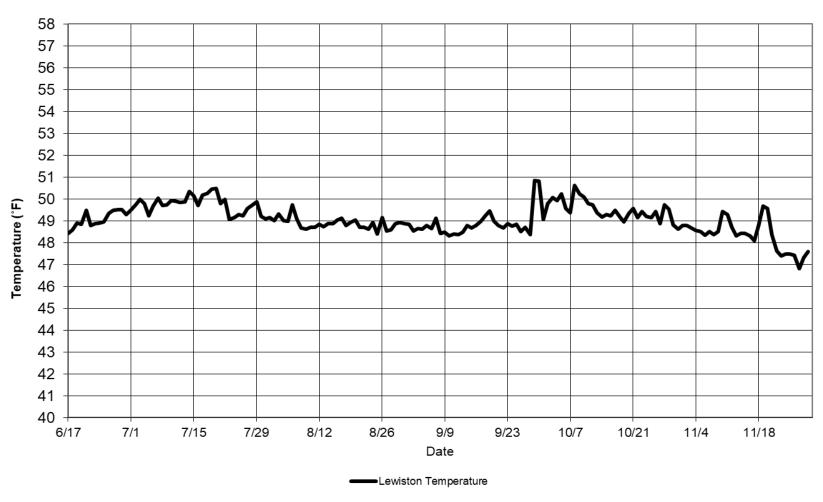
**Figure 2**. June 2020 simulated Trinity River temperatures 90% runoff exceedance hydrology and 25% L3MTO meteorology delaying the side gate use in August.

#### Sacramento River Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook - 25% L3MTO Meteorology Scenario 148 - Extend 53.5



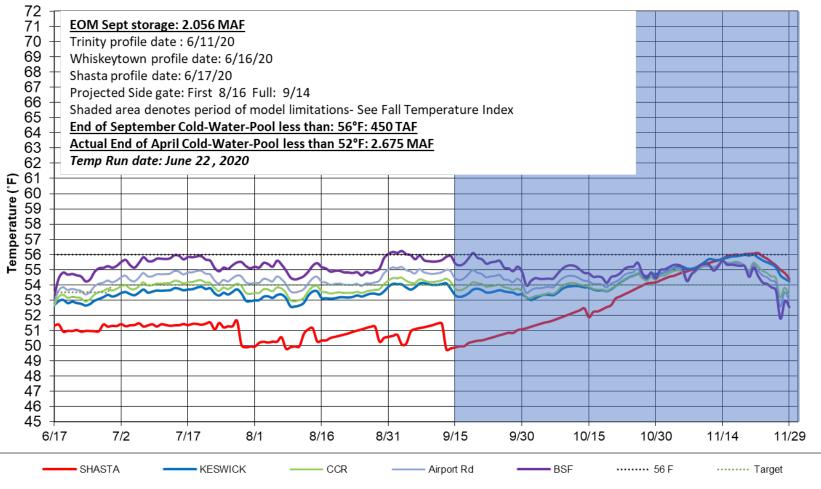
**Figure 3**. June 2020 simulated Sacramento River temperatures 90% runoff exceedance hydrology and 25% L3MTO meteorology Extending 53.5 at CCR in August.

## Trinity - Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook- 25% L3MTO Meteorology



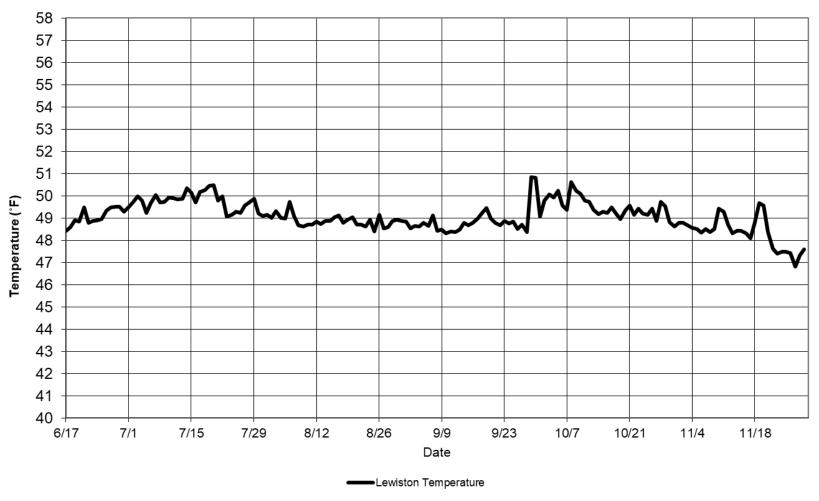
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#### Sacramento River Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook - 25% L3MTO Meteorology Scenario 148 \_ Priority Extend 54



**Figure 5**. June 2020 simulated Sacramento River temperatures 90% runoff exceedance hydrology and 25% L3MTO meteorology Extending 54 at CCR in September.

# Trinity - Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook- 25% L3MTO Meteorology



**Figure 6**. June 2020 simulated Trinity River temperatures 90% runoff exceedance hydrology and 25% L3MTO meteorology Extending 54 at CCR in September.

#### **Figures 7-9 Model Performance and Fall Temperature Index:**

- 1. Based on past analyses, the temperature model does not perform well in late September and October. One factor is that the modeled release temperatures are cooler than has historically been achieved when all release is through the side gates (lowest gates), especially when there's a large temperature gradient between the pressure relief gates (PRG) and the side gates.
- 2. Based on historical records, the end-of-September Lake Shasta volume below 56°F is a good indicator of fall water temperature in the river reaches.
- 3. Based on these records and estimates, the charts below illustrate a range of uncertainty in the expected river temperatures based on the end-of-September lake volume less than  $56^{\circ}F$ .

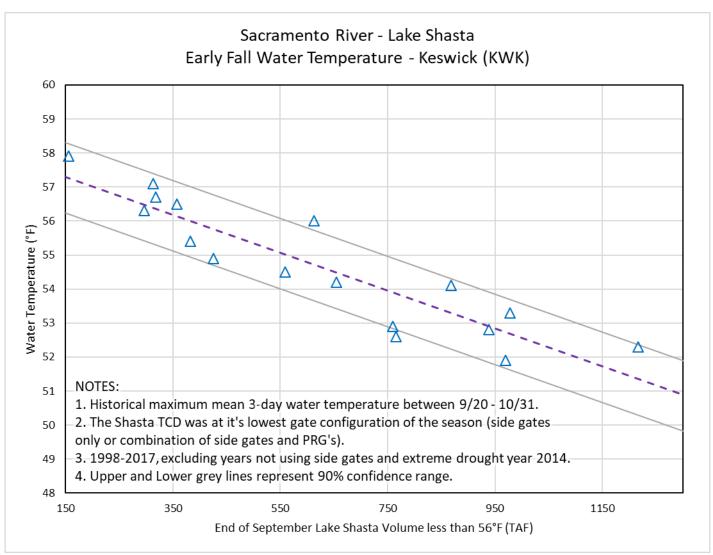
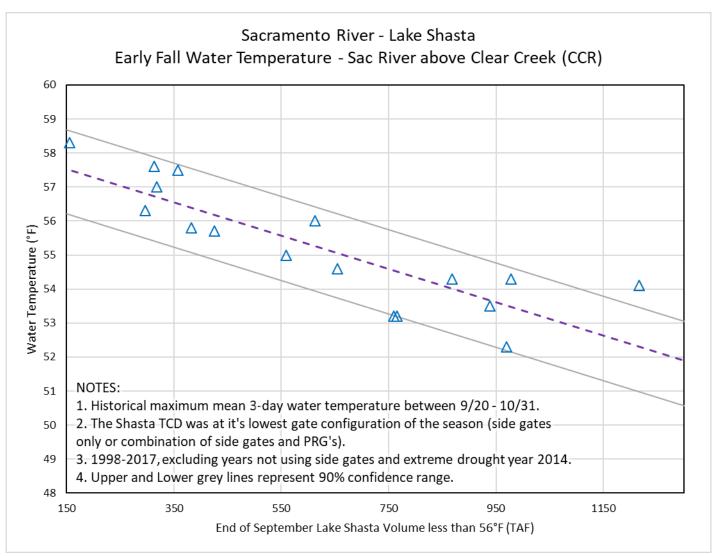


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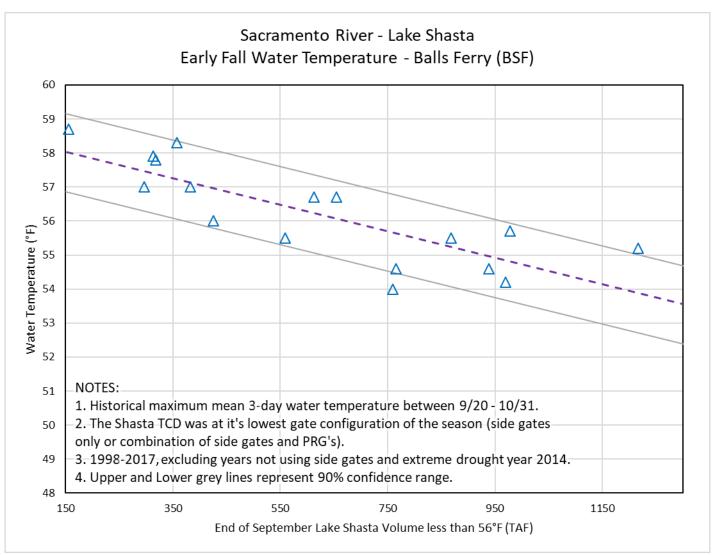


Figure 9. Historical relationship between Lake Shasta cold-water-pool characteristics and early fall Balls Ferry water temperature.

#### **Upper Sacramento River – June 2020 Preliminary Temperature Analysis**

Summary of Temperature Results by Month (Monthly Average Temperature °F)

Model Run	Location	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep*	Oct*
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO Met. Scenario 148 -Reduce Keswick Release by 100 TAF in July	Keswick Dam KWK	52.9	53.5	53.2	See Fig. 2	See Fig. 2
	Sac. R. abv Clear Creek CCR	53.3	54.0	53.5	See Fig. 3	See Fig. 3
	Airport Road	53.7	54.7	54.1	n/a	n/a
	Balls Ferry BSF	54.7	55.8	55.0	See Fig. 4	See Fig. 4

**Summary of Shasta Lake Cold Water Pool and TCD Operation** 

Model Run	End of September Cold Water Pool <56°F (TAF)	First Side Gate Use (Date)	Full Side Gate Use (Date)
90% Hydro 25% L3MTO Met. Scenario 148 -Reduce Keswick Release by 100 TAF in July	522	8/17	9/15

Model Run Date June 22, 2020

<sup>\*</sup> The HEC5Q model output is displayed for the months April through August. Based on past analysis, the temperature model does not perform well in late September and October. One factor is that the modeled release temperatures are cooler than has historically been achieved when all release is through the side gates (lowest gates), especially when there's a large temperature gradient between the pressure relief gates (PRG) and the side gates.

For the months of September and October, ranges in possible outcomes are illustrated with the Fall Temperature Index (graphics above Figures 2-4). This relationship is an end of September Lake Shasta Volume less than 56°F and likely downstream temperature performance for the early fall months. Estimated temperatures for September and October may fall into a range indicated within the Fall Temperature Index (graphical chart), illustrating historical performance. However, this range should be viewed as an element of uncertainty based on past performance, not a simulation or projection of temperature management operations or results.

#### **Temperature Analysis Results:**

Modeling runs explore Sacramento River compliance performance above Clear Creek confluence and Balls Ferry locations by varying Shasta tailbay temperature targets. The temperature results for the Sacramento River between Keswick Dam and Balls Ferry are shown in Figures 1. The relationship between end-of-September lake volume below 56°F and a downstream Sacramento River compliance location through fall is based on the Figures 2-4.

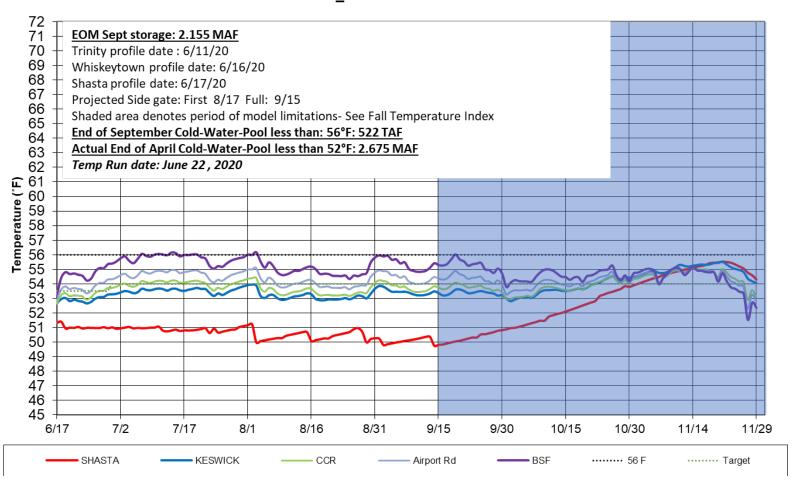
#### **Temperature Model Inputs, Assumptions, Limitations and Uncertainty:**

- 1. The latest available profiles for Shasta, Trinity, and Whiskeytown were taken on June 17, June 11, and June 16, respectively. Initial temperature profiles are adjusted and noted at Whiskeytown and Trinity using simulated results if the length of time between monitoring is large. Model results are sensitive to initial reservoir temperature conditions and the model performs best under highly stratified conditions. The temperature profiles prior to May do not yet exhibit conditions for ideal model computations (still nearly isothermal conditions). The model performs well after the reservoir stratifies, typically in late spring (i.e. end of April). The concern this year is assuming over or under estimations with variable hydrologic and meteorological conditions and not capturing the stratification with sufficient detail to project into the future with confidence.
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#### Sacramento River Modeled Temperature 2020 June 90%-Exceedance Water Outlook - 25% L3MTO Meteorology Scenario 148 \_ Reduce KES 100 TAF Jul



**Figure 1**. June 2020 simulated Sacramento River temperatures 90% runoff exceedance hydrology and 25% L3MTO meteorology Reduce Keswick release in July by 100 TAF.

#### **Figures 2-4 Model Performance and Fall Temperature Index:**

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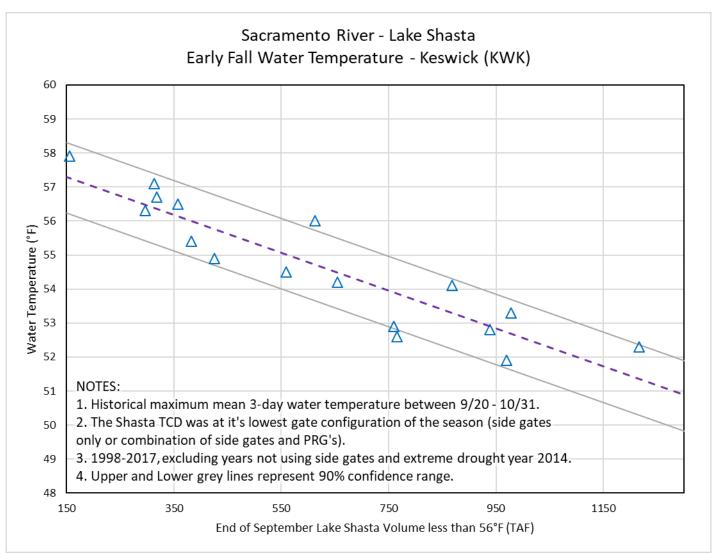
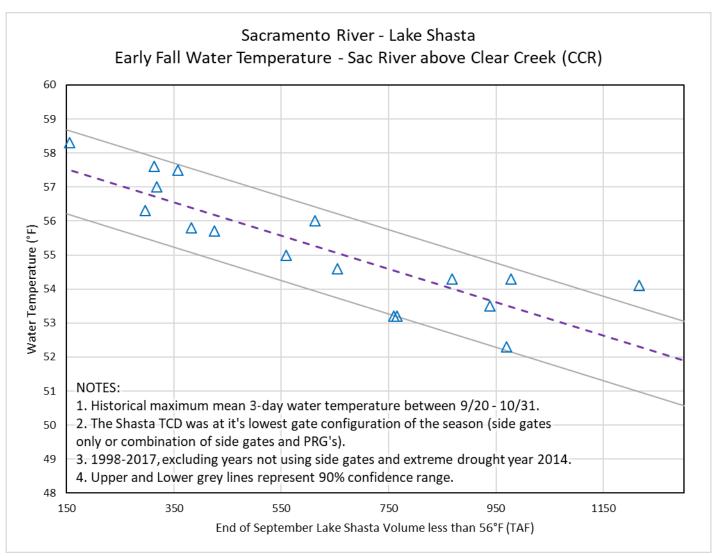


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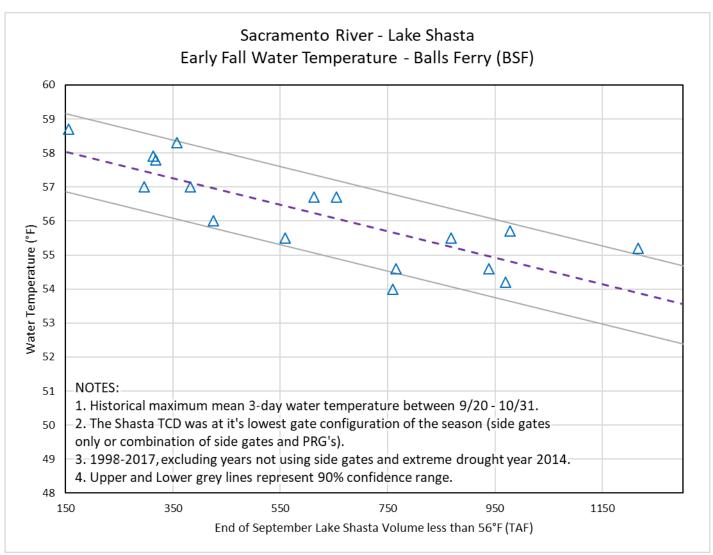


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### Summary Document for temperature-dependent egg mortality Prepared by U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Bay-Delta Office on June 24, 2020

Below are biological results from the temperature management scenarios run June 22, 2020. Spatially-explicit daily average Sacramento River water temperatures forecasts from the HEC-5Q model results are used as input to generate temperature-dependent egg mortality estimates. Water temperatures between Keswick (RKM 486) and Clear Creek (RKM 470) were linearly interpolated in space. At the State Board's request, redd data from 2007-2014 was used to estimate the average proportion of redds between rkm 480 and 414 for each two week period between May 15 and August 16 assuming spatial percentages applied the same to each period. Egg mortality estimates are calculated with the SacPAS Spawning to Emergence and In-River Migration model using the stage dependent temperature mortality method (Anderson 2018) and stage independent temperature mortality method (Martin et al. 2017) for the 2020 temperature management season.

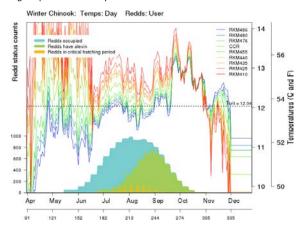
To run the model or review further details of modeling methods, visit: http://www.cbr.washington.edu/sacramento/fishmodel/index.html

Table 1: Estimated temperature dependent egg mortality using Hec-5Q interpolated temperature model output and 2007-2014 spatial and temporal redd distribution.

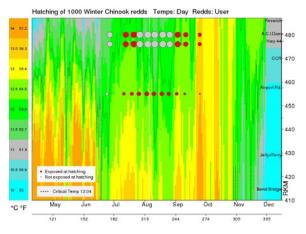
Scenario	Stage Dependent Egg Mortality (%)	Stage Independent Egg Mortality (%)
Scenario 148 – Delay Side Gate Use	12.4	25.1
Scenario 148 – Extend 53.5°F in August	7.3	19.1
Scenario 148 – Extend 54°F in September	11.3	17
Reduce Keswick Release by 100 TAF in July	15.3	12.8

#### Scenario 148- Delay Side Gate Use

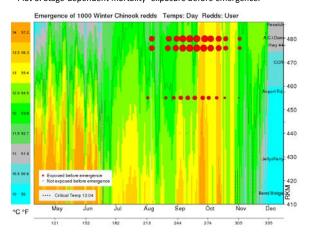
Plot 1. Modeled temperature and life stage development based on stage-dependent mortality method.



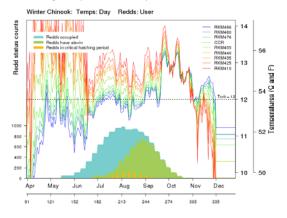
Plot 3. Stage-dependent mortality- exposure before hatch.



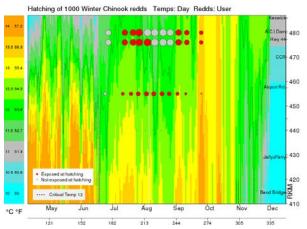
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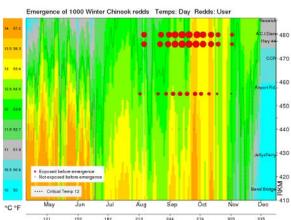
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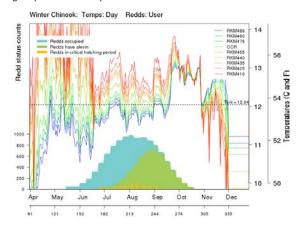


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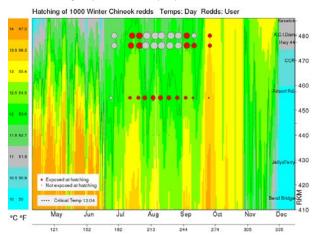


#### Scenario 148 – Extend 53.5°F in August

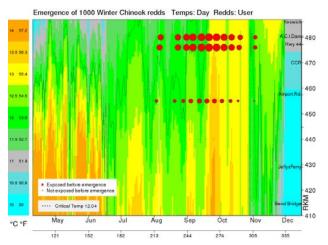
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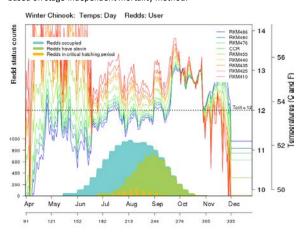
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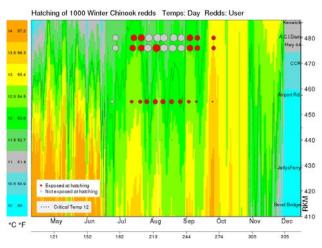
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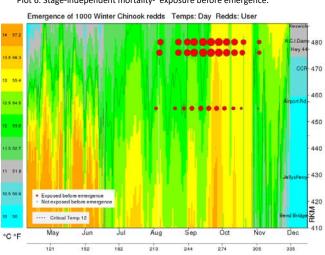
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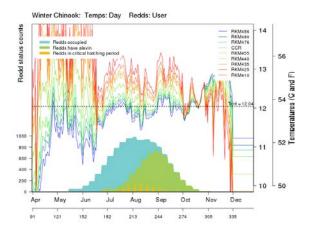


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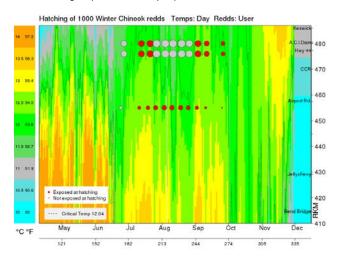


#### Scenario 148 – Extend 54°F in September

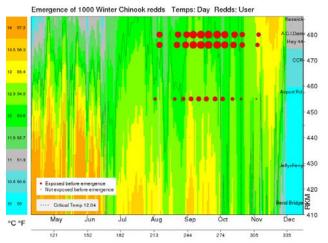
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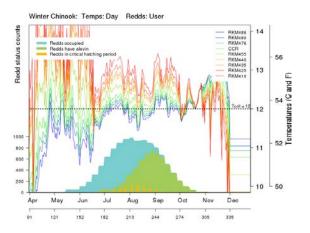
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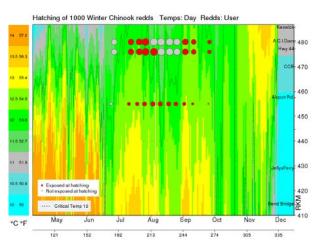
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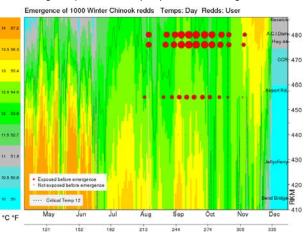
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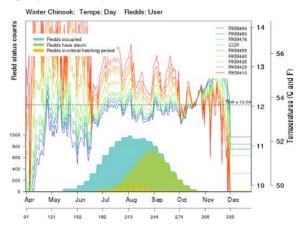


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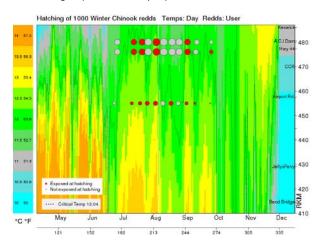


#### Reduce Keswick Release by 100 TAF in July

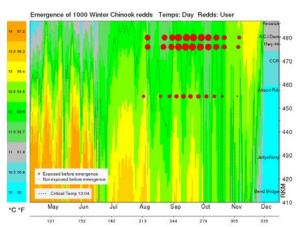
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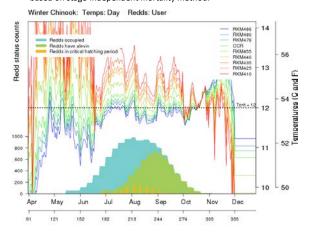
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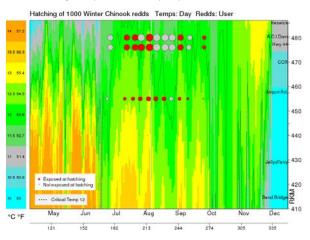
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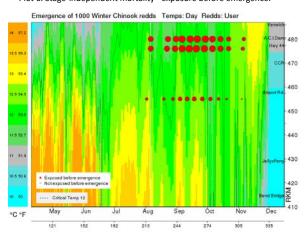
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#### Summary Document for Shasta/Keswick Operational Scenarios Prepared by the Southwest Fisheries Science Center on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Below are results comparing four USBR scenarios ran June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020. Scenarios have the same hydrology (Input 90% exceedance) and air temperature (25% exceedance of L3MTO) inputs. Inputs from scenarios are used to generate daily average Sacramento River water temperatures using the RAFT model and associated temperature-dependent egg mortality and survival estimates using the NMFS temperature mortality model (Martin et al. 2017) for the 2020 temperature management season.

Further details of modeling methods are at: https://oceanview.pfeg.noaa.gov/CVTEMP/

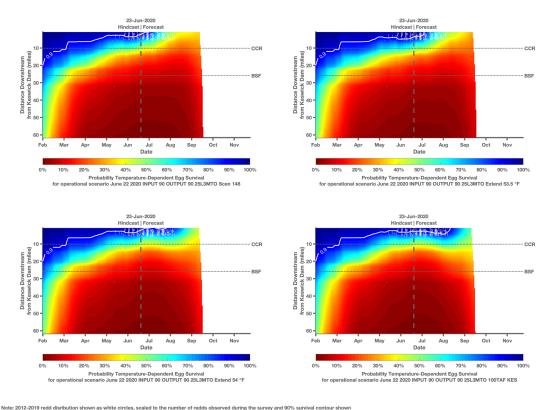
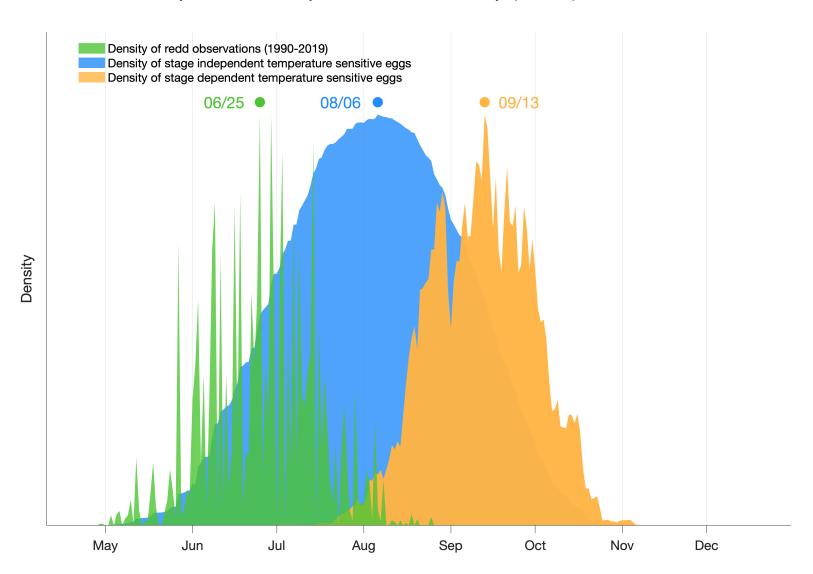


Figure 1: Estimated temperature-dependent egg survival produced by the NMFS temperature mortality model under the four June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020 scenarios. Note that plots are using 2012-2019 redd distributions.

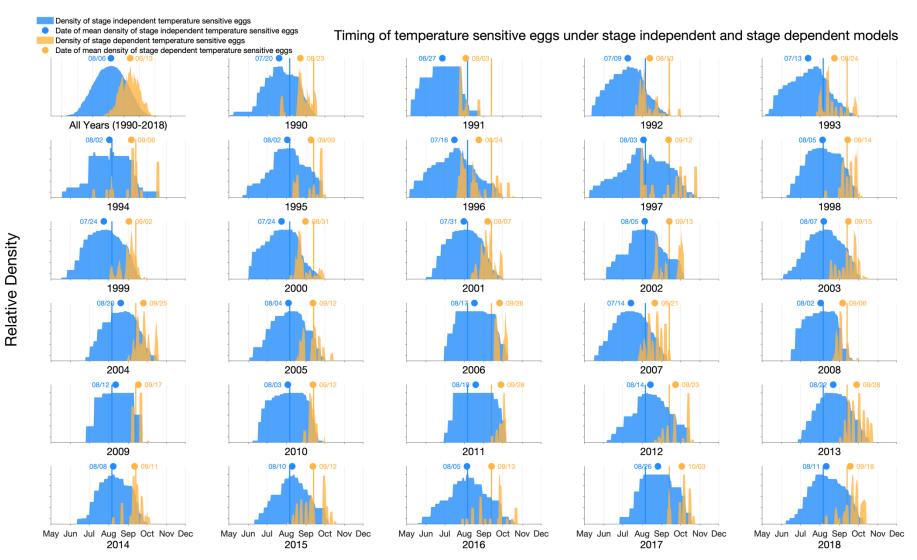
Table 1: Estimated temperature-dependent egg mortality under different scenarios assuming a 2012-2019 spatial and temporal redd distribution using output from RAFT model.

Scenario	MODEL	Mean (%)	Median (%)	Lower (%)	Upper (%)	
JUNE_22_2020_INPUT_90_OUTPUT_90_25L3MTO Scenario 148	RAFT	34.9	33.83	0.27	71.34	
JUNE_22_2020_INPUT_90_OUTPUT_90_25L3MTO  Scenario Extend 53.5 °F	RAFT	29.92	26.96	0.18	68.83	
JUNE_22_2020_INPUT_90_OUTPUT_90_25L3MTO Scenario Extend 54 °F	RAFT	26.23	22.43	0.11	68.88	
JUNE_22_2020_INPUT_90_OUTPUT_90_25L3MTO <b>100TAF KES</b>	RAFT	22.1	16.33	0.11	66.96	

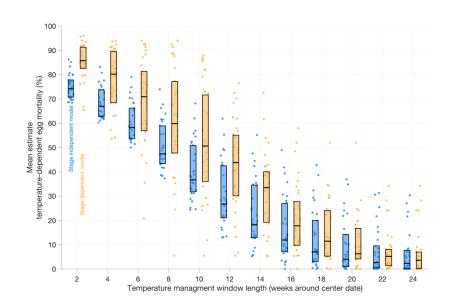
## Three dates or "peaks" to keep in mind related to temperature-dependent mortality (TDM) models

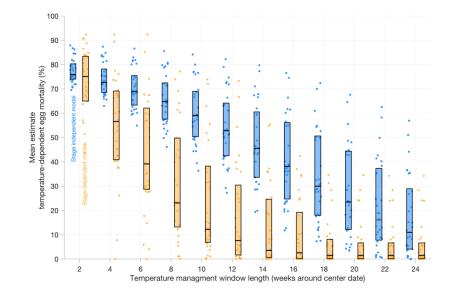


## Peaks for center dates vary over 1990-2018 redd distributions



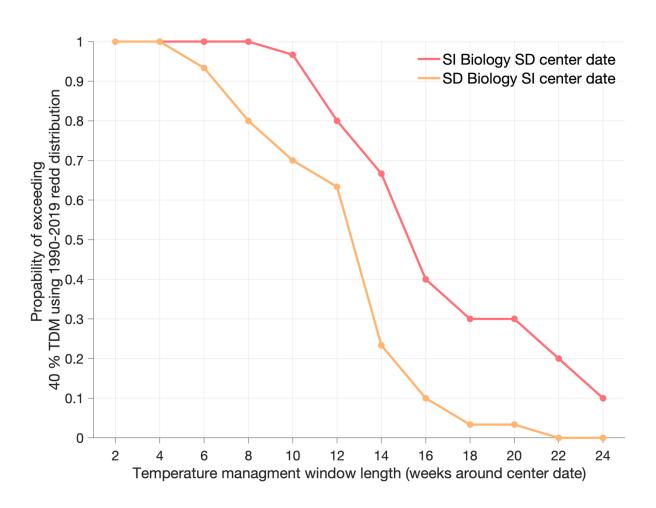
## Disagreement between TDM models is greatest when managing to stage dependent center date





Managed to stage independent center date (Aug 6<sup>th</sup>) Managed to stage dependent center date (Sept 13<sup>th</sup>)

# If biology of alternate model is correct, the probably of exceeding a given TDM value is larger when using a stage dependent center date



#### CEQUAL-W2 Shasta Lake Temperature Analysis: Scenario 148

Watercourse Engineering Inc. June 8, 2020

REVISED Figure 1 to include TCD leakage. June 23, 2020

As part of an on-going collaborative effort in partnership with Sacramento River Settlement Contractors and members of the Upper Sacramento River Temperature Technical Modeling Committee, Watercourse Engineering Inc. has developed a calibrated CEQUAL-W2 temperature model of Shasta Lake and Keswick Reservoir. These models do not simulate Sacramento River water temperatures downstream of Keswick Dam. By request of U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, a comparison simulation of the final 2020 Temperature Management Plan Scenario 148 was performed using the Shasta Lake model to simulate tailbay temperatures. The CEQUAL-W2 simulation utilizes the information available to the May 20, 2020 HEC-5Q temperature simulation:

• Simulation period: 5/13/20 – 11/30/20

Shasta temperature profile: 5/13/20Hydrology: 90% inflow exceedance

• Operations: CVP 90% May 2020 Operations Outlook

- Meteorology: Meteorology was based on calculated thermal loading conditions and represents "adverse" meteorological conditions as they relate to water temperature season in years 2000-2018. Out of this period 2009 represented the most adverse conditions and was used as an analog for 25% exceedance
- Shasta Tailbay Temperature target: Scenario 148

The results (Figure 1) describe the performance of Shasta Lake outflow temperature (Sim.) compared to the Shasta Tailbay temperature target (Twtrgt) (Primary y-axis). The results also describe the utilization of the Shasta Temperature Control Device (TCD) Upper gates (TCDU), TCD Middle gates (TCDM), TCD Lower or Pressure Relief gates (TCDL), and TCD Side gates (TCDS) (Secondary y-axis). The final parameter presented is total Shasta Dam outflow (Tot. Qout) (Secondary y-axis). The projected first Side gate use is on 8/25/20.

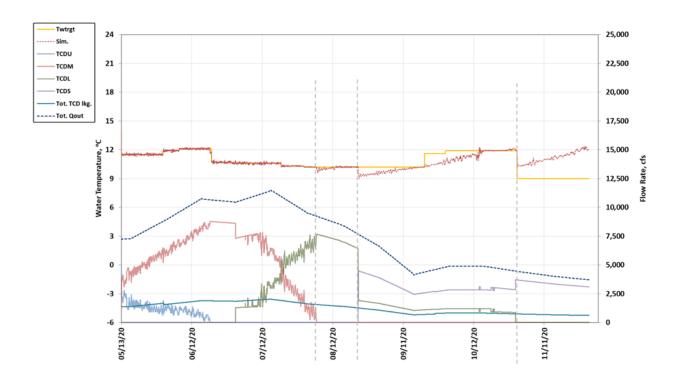


Figure 1. CEQUAL-W2 Shasta Lake Simulation of Scenario 148

