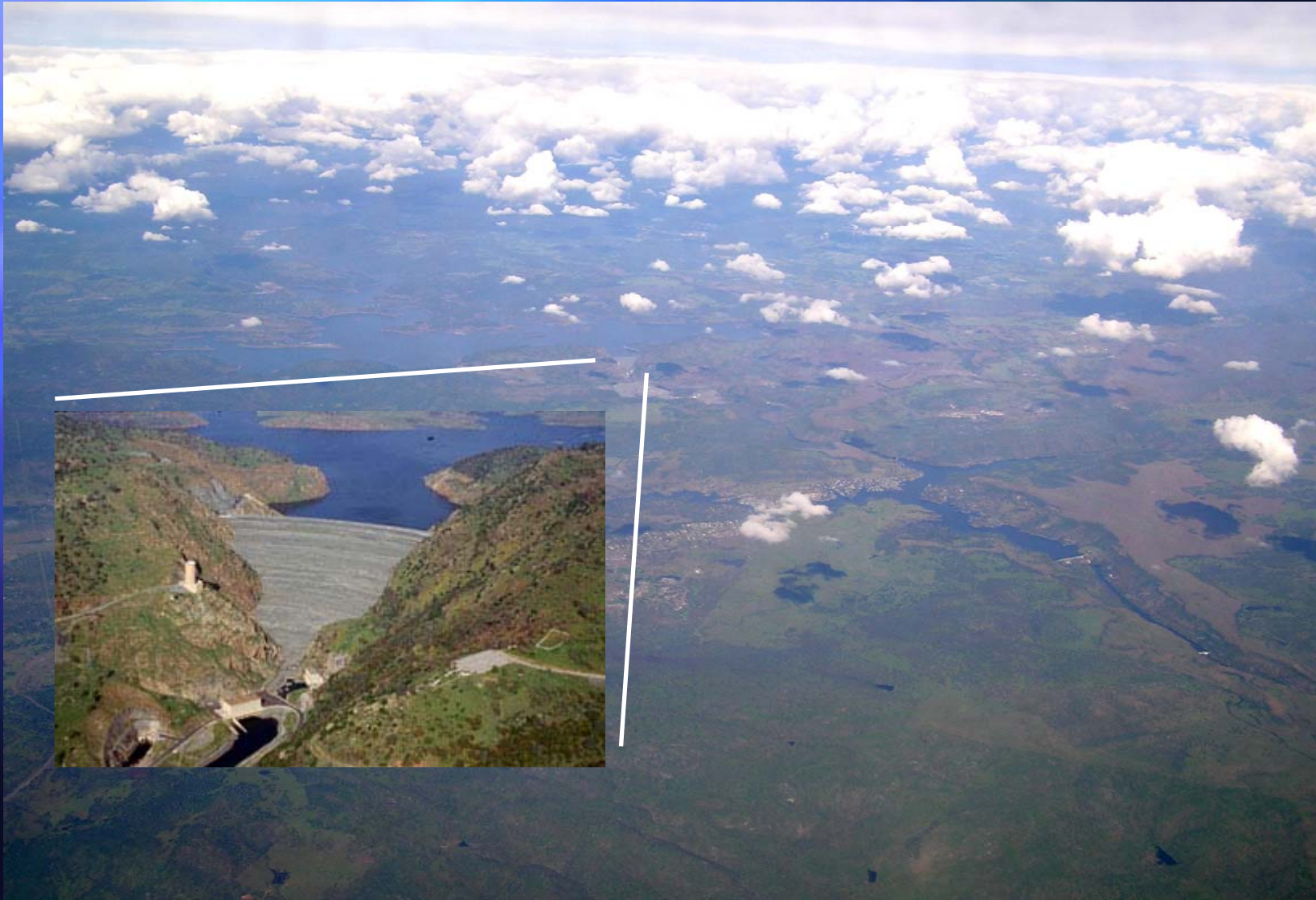




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New Melones Flood Control Requirements

General Objectives

1. To restrict flows in the Stanislaus River d/s from New Melones dam to a controlling rate of 8,000 cfs at Orange Blossom Bridge
2. Provide the maximum conservation storage practicable without impairing the flood control function of the reservoir.



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General Objectives

3. Provide the maximum amount of power practicable without impairing the flood control and conservation functions of the reservoir.
4. Provide releases to enhance an anadromous fishery on the lower Stanislaus River.



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General Objectives

5. Provide release to meet established water quality objectives for the Stanislaus River and the San Joaquin River at Vernalis.
6. Maintain a minimum pool of 300,000 ac-ft for power and recreation.

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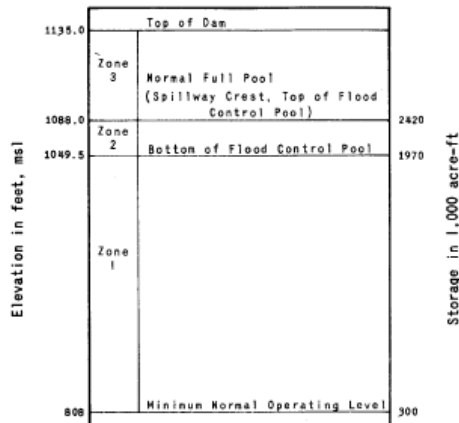


FIGURE A
BASIC FLOOD CONTROL OPERATION PROCEDURES

ZONE

REQUIRED ACTION

- 1 Normal power and conservation operation.
- 2 Follow operation procedure in Figure B. Flood Control
Operation and Utilization of Flood Space. Notify
Sacramento District personnel.
- 3 Initiate emergency operation and notify local authorities
for possible evacuation of flood plain. The Flood
Control and Irrigation Outlet will be operated to main-
tain the objective flow (8,000 cfs at Orange Blossom
Bridge) as long as possible by gradually closing the
outlets as pool rises above normal full pool elevation
(1088.0 feet). For a receding pool, outlets will remain
closed until objective flow has been obtained. The
outlets will then be opened to maintain a total flow of
8,000 cfs at Orange Blossom Bridge. When the water
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District personnel and request assistance if desired.

Control of Stanislaus River floodflows requires coordinated operation with Tulloch Reservoir.

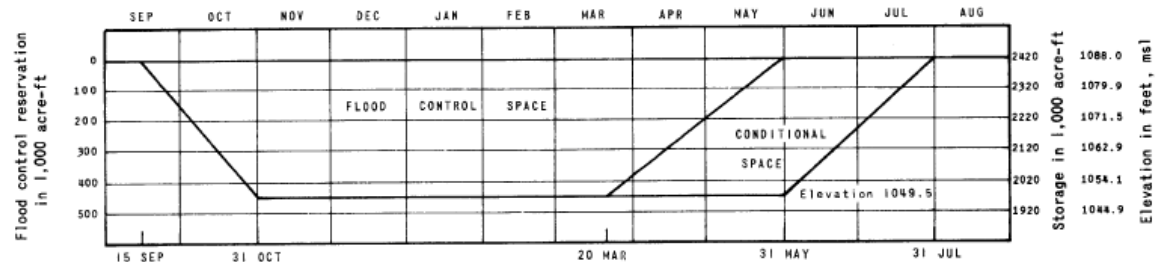


FIGURE B
FLOOD CONTROL OPERATION AND UTILIZATION OF FLOOD CONTROL SPACE

1. Whenever water is stored in the Flood Control Space it shall be released as rapidly as possible without causing flows in the Stanislaus River at Orange Blossom Bridge to exceed 8,000 cfs insofar as possible.
2. Whenever water is stored in the Conditional Flood Control Space releases shall be made at a sufficient rate, based on anticipated snowmelt runoff, so that the pool elevation will not exceed 1088 feet subject to the limitations in paragraph 1 above.

NEW MELONES LAKE
STANISLAUS RIVER, CALIFORNIA

FLOOD CONTROL DIAGRAM
NEW MELONES LAKE

Prepared pursuant to Flood Control Regulations
for New Melones Dam and Lake in accordance with
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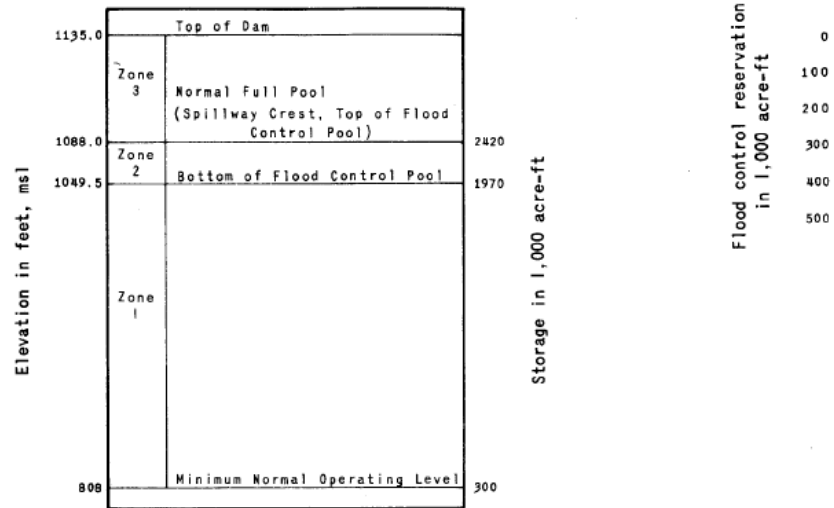


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BASIC FLOOD CONTROL OPERATION PROCEDURES *

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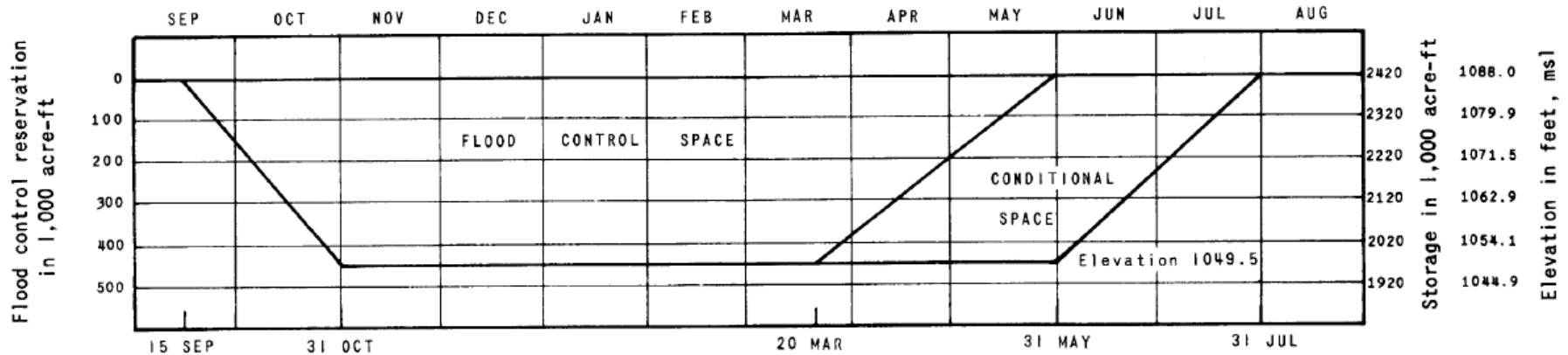


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Temporary Departures from the Water Control Requirements:

- Deviations from Approved Water Control Plans covered under South Pacific Division Guidance Regulation CESP-D-R 1110-2-8.
- Agency requesting the deviation pays all study costs.
- Environmental Review will be required.
- More than one deviation is likely to require a formal change to the Water Control Diagram/Plan.



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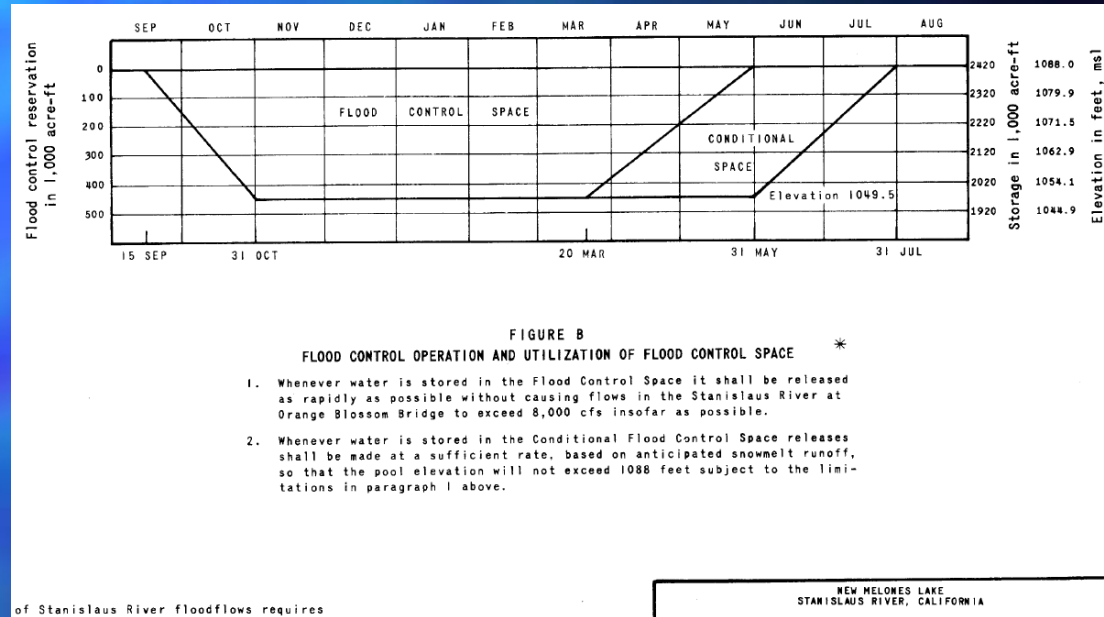
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Formal Changes to the Water Control Plan/Diagram:

- Studies would be required
- Scope of Study would be negotiated. Funding would have to be arranged
- Environmental Review would be required.
- Hydrology would be updated.
- Possibility of required increase in flood control space as a result of Hydrology update.





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In addition to existing demands for CVP water supplies, ongoing and newly authorized projects and programs are underway that may change regulatory requirements of the CVP and resulting demands on New Melones Reservoir. The NMRPO process will take into account actions, regulations and decisions that may affect the operations of New Melones Reservoir, as well as incorporate the best available science with regard to water quality and fishery flow objectives.

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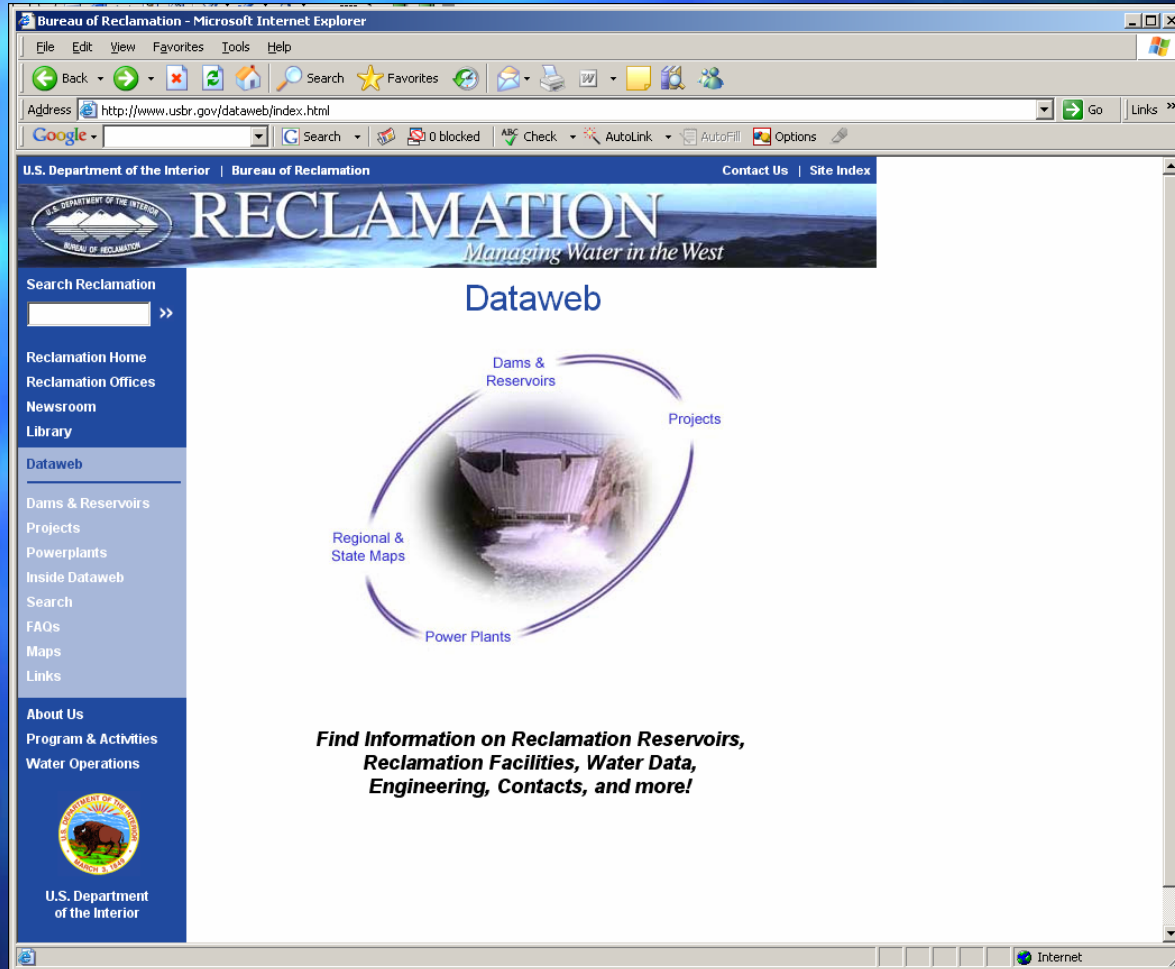
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General Description

The East Side Division and the construction of the New Melones Dam and Powerplant is one of the more controversial chapters in the history of the Central Valley Project. Developing the division brought the need for water and flood control into direct conflict with concerns over damage to cultural resources and the environment. The battle over construction of New Melones Dam was a signal that the end of the era of large dam construction had come. The controversy focused on the loss of a popular stretch of recreational

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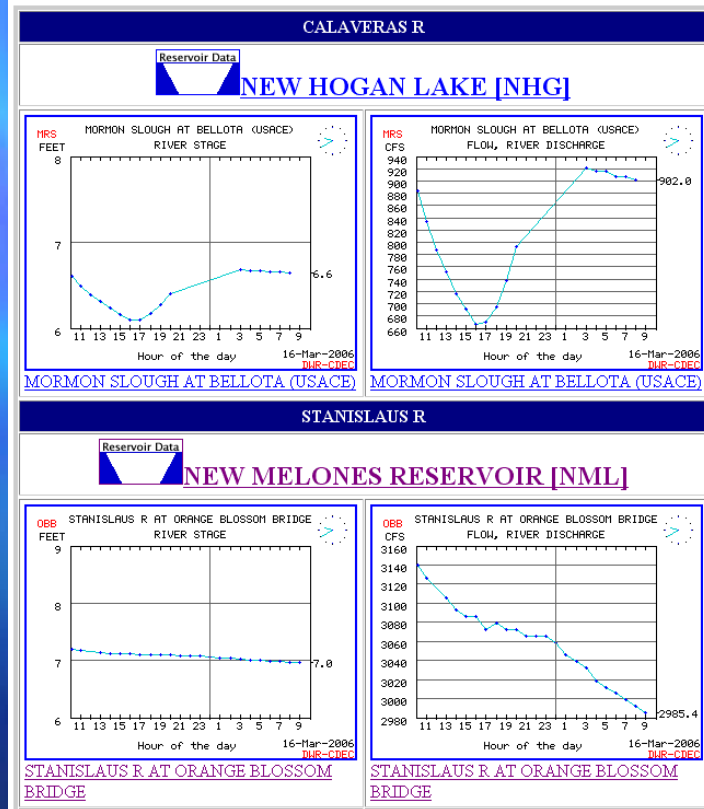
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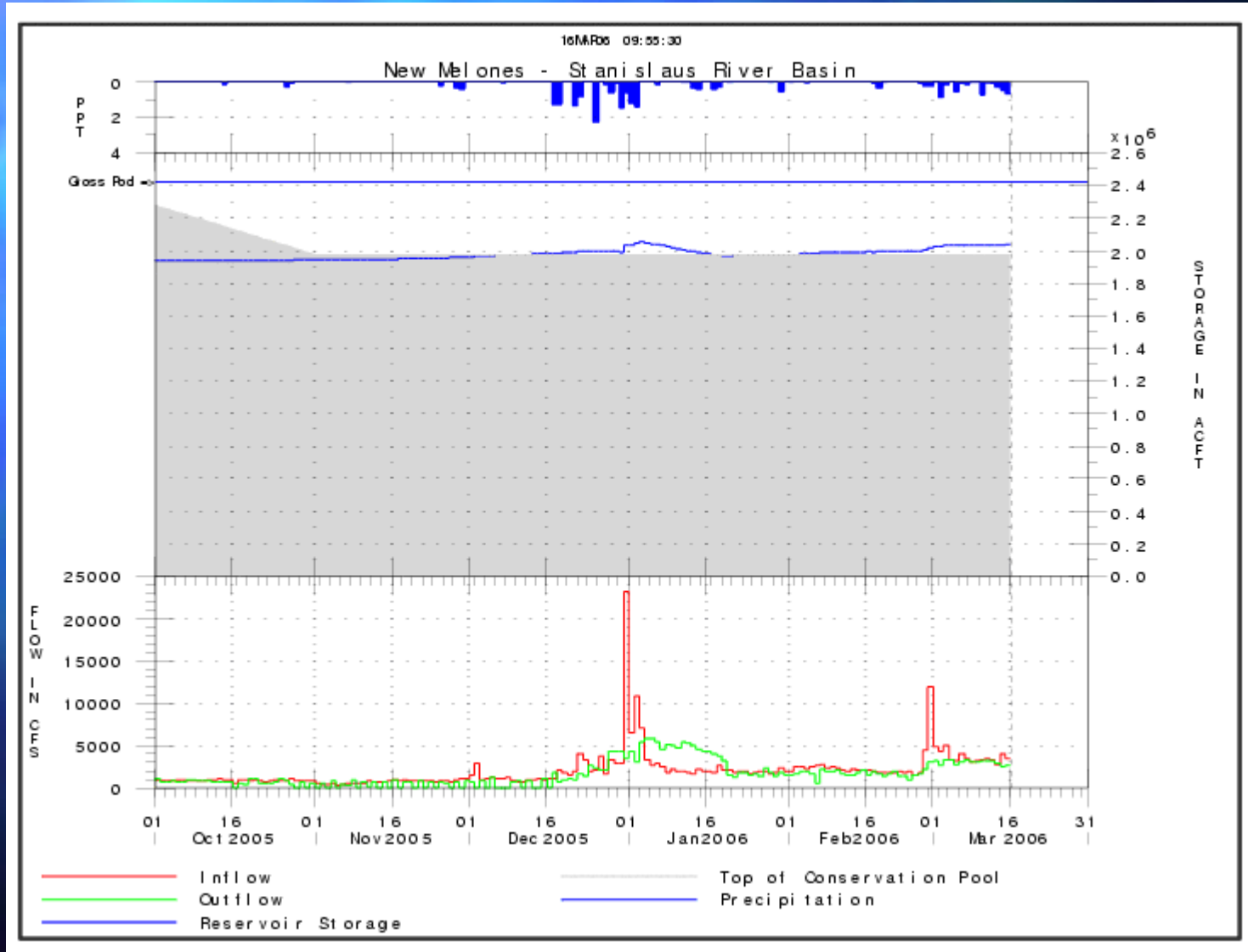
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	----- Storages -----					Flood Control Parameters	
	Gross Pool (acft)	Top of Conservation (acft)***	Actual Res (acft)	% of Gross Pool	Above Top of Conserv (acft)	Rain (in)	Snow (acft)
EBMUD Reservoirs:				(33)			
Camanche:	417,100	228,200	293,350	70 (34)	65,150 (55)	----	488,486
Pardee:	197,950		192,200	97			
Salt Springs:	140,000		97,626	70			
Lower Bear:	49,000		28,681	59			
New Hogan:	317,100	187,000	230,538	73 (33)	43,538 (59)	7.41	---
Farmington:	52,000	0	7,261	14 (14)	7,261	----	---
New Melones:	2,420,000	1,970,000	2,034,718	84 (14)	64,718 (81)	----	786,937
Beardsly:	97,800		78,173	80			
Donnells:	64,300		20,653	32			
Tulloch:	67,000	57,000	56,387	84	-613 (85)	----	---
Don Pedro:	2,030,000	1,690,000	1,665,634	82	-24,366 (83)	----	1,338,509
Hetch Hetchy:	360,400		241,450	67			
Cherry Vly:	268,200		234,591	87			
Eleanor:	26,000		21,681	83			
New Exchequer:	1,024,600	674,600	-NR-		-NR- (66)	----	656,981
Burns:	6,800	0	10	0 (0)	10	----	---
Bear:	7,700	0	11	0 (0)	11	----	---
Owens:	3,600	0	7	0 (0)	7	----	---
Mariposa:	15,000	0	385	3 (3)	385	----	---
Los Banos:	34,600	20,600	20,679	60 (1)	79 (60)	----	---
Buchanan:	150,000	115,600	127,551	85 (35)	11,951 (77)	4.58	---
Hidden:	90,000	41,200	64,326	71 (47)	23,126 (46)	5.03	---
Friant:	520,500	474,400	443,208	85	-31,192 (91)	----	1,287,814
Mammoth:	122,700		59,446	48			
Total U/S:	628,500		327,061	52			
Big Dry Creek:	30,200	200	-NR-		-NR- (1)	----	---
BASIN TOTALS	7,186,300	5,458,800	-NR-		-NR-	-NR-	
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