

## Reservoir Storage & Release Update

### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Board of Directors receives monthly updates on the status of Agency reservoirs.

**RESERVOIR ELEVATION / STORAGE:** As of October 16, 2024, San Antonio Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 760.15 feet (NGVD 29), with 236,845 acre-feet of water in storage. Nacimiento Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 766.05 feet, with 210,855 acre-feet of water in storage. San Antonio Reservoir is currently at 71% of storage capacity and Nacimiento Reservoir is at 56% of capacity.

**RESERVOIR RELEASES:** The Salinas River Diversion Facility (SRDF) has been rediverting flows since May 10 to supplement the recycled water project deliveries in the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project (CSIP). After reaching the target elevation of 787.75 feet on June 8, 2024, releases were reduced to more closely target needs downstream. Minor release adjustments continued to be made at both reservoirs as needed to meet downstream demands through October 10, 2024. From October 10 to October 14, 2024, conservation releases were concluded over several steps of reductions, ending with minimum fisheries releases from both reservoirs.

**SALINAS LAGOON:** The lagoon opened to the ocean January 4, 2024 and closed on July 11, 2024.

Releases as of the morning of October 16, 2024:

- Nacimiento Reservoir: 60 cfs
- San Antonio Reservoir: 10 cfs

Total releases from both reservoirs to the Salinas River are approximately 70 cfs. The following “provisional” flows have been recorded by the USGS:

- Salinas River near Bradley: 129 cfs
- Salinas River at Soledad: 143 cfs
- Salinas River near Chualar: 63 cfs
- Salinas River near Spreckels: 24 cfs

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