

Reservoir Storage & Release Update

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

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

RESERVOIR ELEVATION / STORAGE: As of November 13, 2024, San Antonio Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 759.7 feet (NGVD 29), with 234,925 acre-feet of water in storage. Nacimiento Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 764.65 feet, with 205,282 acre-feet of water in storage. San Antonio Reservoir is currently at 70% of storage capacity and Nacimiento Reservoir is at 54% of capacity.

RESERVOIR RELEASES: Since the conclusion of conservation releases in mid-October, the Agency has been making 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 November 13, 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: 90 cfs
- Salinas River at Soledad: 0 cfs
- Salinas River near Chualar: 0 cfs
- Salinas River near Spreckels: 0 cfs

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