

County of Monterey

*Cayenne Room
1441 Schilling Place 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901*



Meeting Agenda

Thursday, August 29, 2024

1:30 PM

**SLO County Chair location: County Government Center Rm D361
1055 Monterey St. San Luis Obispo Ca. 93408 or via Zoom.**

**Monterey County Location: Cayenne Room 1441 Schillings Place
Salinas Ca. 93901**

Water Resources Agency Reservoir Operations

Advisory Committee

John Baillie, Chair

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Roll Call

Public Comment

Committee Member Comments

Consent Calendar

1. Approve the Minutes of the Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee Meeting held on June 27, 2024.

Attachments: [Draft ResOps Minutes June 27, 2024](#)

Presentation

2. Overview of Water Rights related to Reservoir Operations (Presenting: MBK Engineers)

Staff Reports

3. Reservoir Storage and Release Schedule Update (Staff Presenting: Joseph Klein)

Attachments: [Reservoir Storage Release Update Report](#)
[Storage and Releases Slides 20240822](#)

4. Overview of Interlake Tunnel and San Antonio Spillway Modification Project (Staff Presenting: Amy Woodrow)
5. Update on Nacimiento Spillway Repair Project (Staff Presenting: Mark Foxworthy)
6. Current Operations and Maintenance Activities at the Reservoirs (Staff Presenting: Jason Demers)

Status Reports

7.
 - Reservoir Recreation by Concessionaire and Parks Department
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8. Set next meeting date and discuss future agenda items.

Adjournment



County of Monterey

Item No.1

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-061

August 29, 2024

Introduced: 7/11/2024

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Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: John Baillie, Ken Ekelund, Mark Gonzalez, Matthew Simis, Jon Anthony, Bill Lipe (left meeting at 2:23p.m), Anna McKenna, Richard Ortiz, Eric Morgan, Marc Kelley, Zach Barnes, Steve Blois

Absent: Layla Decker, Doug Scatini

Public Comment

None

Committee Member Comments

Bill Lipe

Consent Calendar

Upon Motion by Bill Lipe, Second by Steve Blois the Committee approved the Consent calendar of the Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee Meeting.

Ayes: John Baillie, Mark Gonzalez, Matthew Simis, Bill Lipe, Eric Morgan, Richard Ortiz, Steve Blois

Noes: None

Abstained: Ken Ekelund, Jon Anthony, Anna McKenna

Absent: Layla Decker, Doug Scattini

1. Approve the Minutes of the Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee held on May 30, 2024.

Attachments: [Draft ResOps Minutes May 30, 2024](#)

Staff Reports

2. Reservoir Storage and Release Schedule Update (Staff Presenting: Joseph Klein)

Attachments: [Reservoir Storage Release Update](#)
[Reservoir Storage and Release Update Slides](#)

Committee Member Comments: Steve Blois, John Baillie, Ken Ekelund, Bill Lipe.

Public Comments: None

3. Update on San Antonio Spillway Replacement Project: Alternatives Analysis (Staff Presenting; Elise Ramirez)

Committee Member Comments: Bill Lipe, Marc Kelley, John Baillie, Anna McKenna, Ken Ekelund, Steve Blois, Eric Morgan, Richard Ortiz.

Public Committee Meeting: None

4. Current Operations and Maintenance Activities at the Reservoirs (Staff Presenting: Jason Demers)

Committee Member Comment: John Baillie, Anna McKenna, Mark Gonzalez.
Public Comment: None

Status Reports

- 5.
- Reservoir Recreation by Concessionaire and Parks Department
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 - National Marine Fisheries Service
 - Quagga Mussel Update

Committee Member Comment: John Baillie, Marc Kelley
Public Comment: None

Calendar

6. Set next meeting date and discuss future agenda items.

7 **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.



County of Monterey

Item No.2

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-063

August 29, 2024

Introduced: 8/26/2024

Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Overview of Water Rights related to Reservoir Operations (Presenting: MBK Engineers)



County of Monterey

Item No.3

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-064

August 29, 2024

Introduced: 8/26/2024

Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Reservoir Storage and Release Schedule Update (Staff Presenting: Joseph Klein)

Reservoir Storage & Release Update

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

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

RESERVOIR ELEVATION / STORAGE: As of August 21, 2024, San Antonio Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 764.8 feet (NGVD 29), with 257,440 acre-feet of water in storage. Nacimiento Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 774.7 feet, with 248,200 acre-feet of water in storage. San Antonio Reservoir is currently at 77% of storage capacity and Nacimiento Reservoir is at 66% of capacity.

RESERVOIR RELEASES: Several late season storm events in April and May brought inflow to the Nacimiento Reservoir requiring an extended period of maintenance releases to ensure meeting a target elevation of 787.75 feet, required for scheduled spillway maintenance which began in early June. 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 continue to be made at both reservoirs as needed to meet downstream demands.

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

Releases as of August 21, 2024:

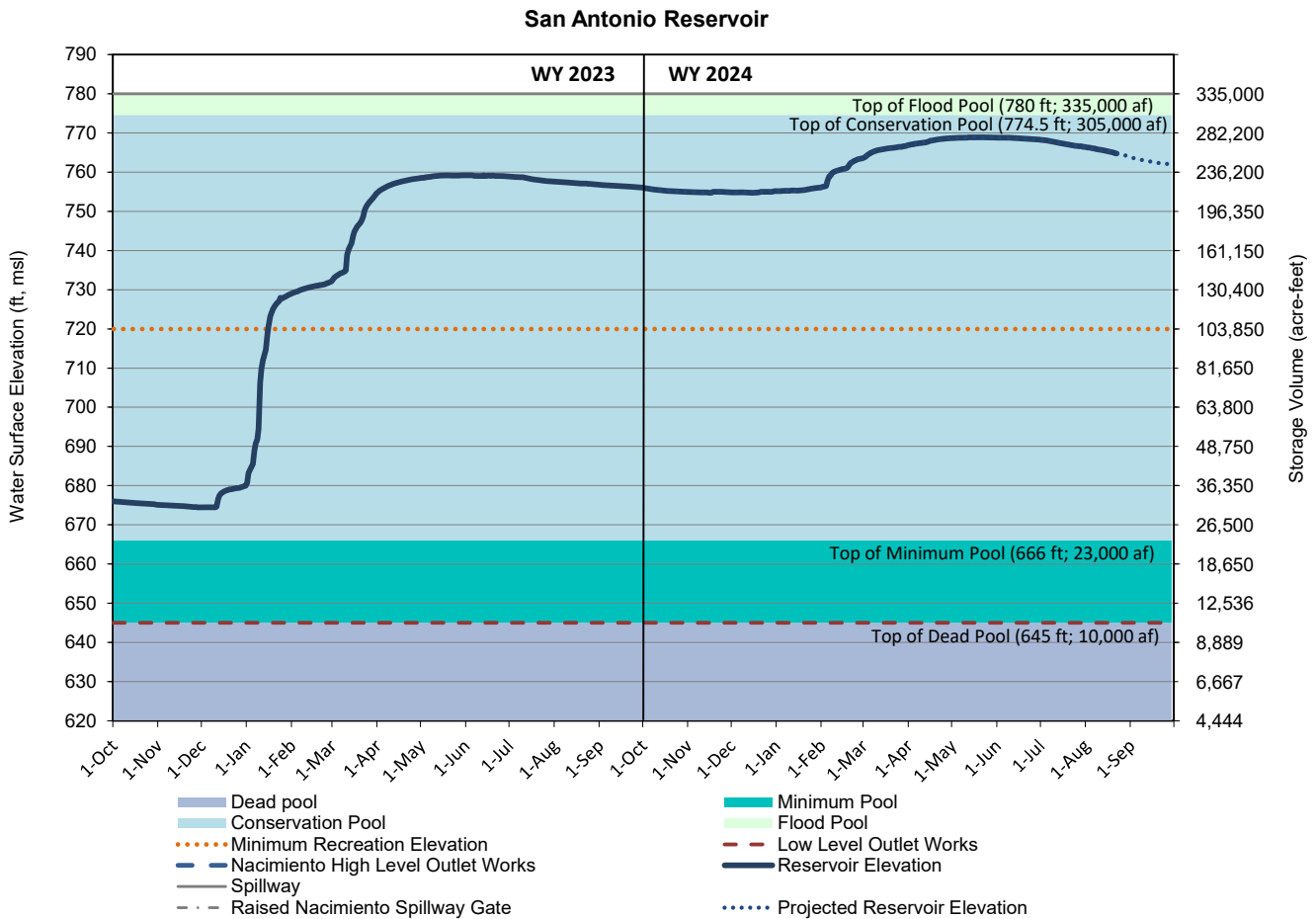
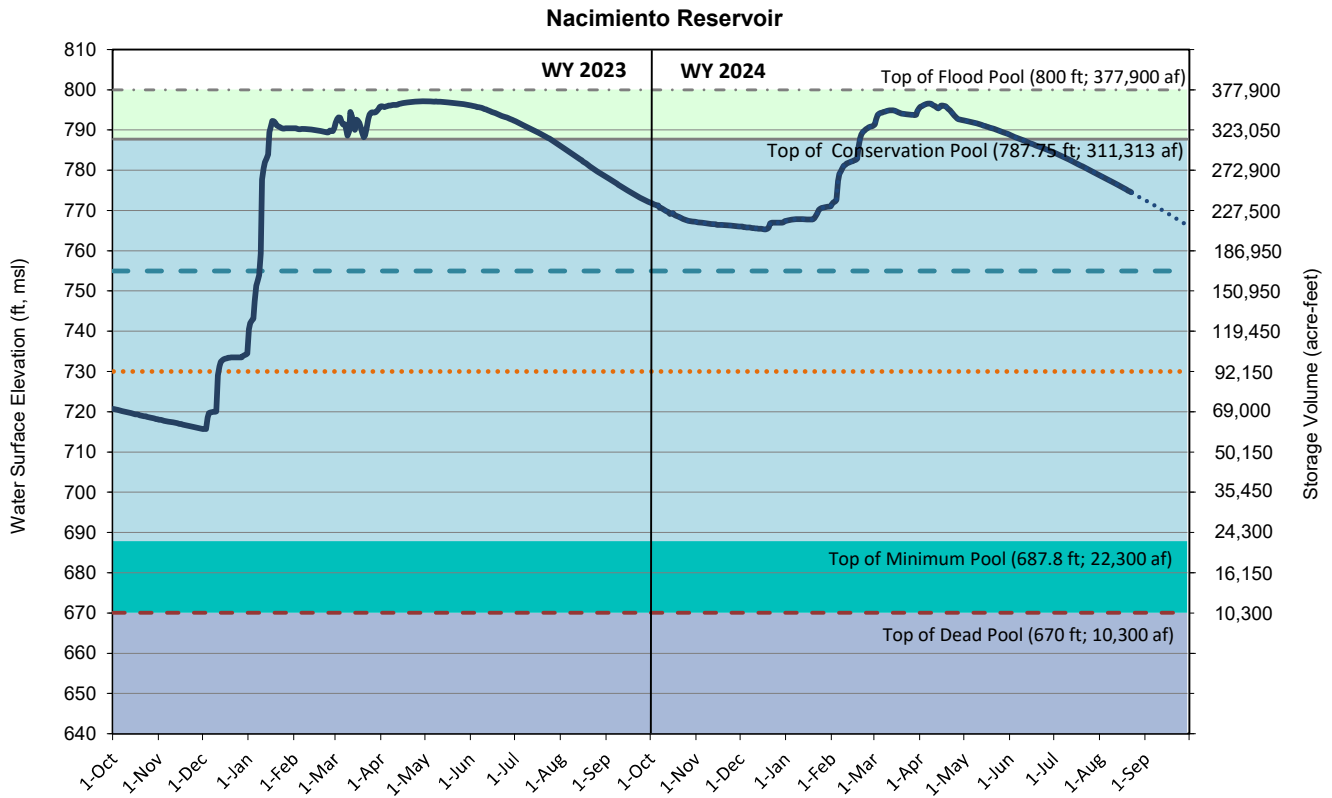
- Nacimiento Reservoir: 397 cfs
- San Antonio Reservoir: 165 cfs

Total releases from both reservoirs to the Salinas River are approximately 563 cfs. The following “provisional” flows have been recorded by the USGS:

- Salinas River near Bradley: 535 cfs
- Salinas River at Soledad: 232 cfs
- Salinas River near Chualar: 87 cfs
- Salinas River near Spreckels: 44 cfs

Prepared by: Joseph Klein, Hydrologist (831) 755-4860

Reservoir Elevation and Storage



RESERVOIR RELEASE SCHEDULE FOR 2024

Month	1 2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12		13		14		15		16																	
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Jan	70	4,304	509	60	3,689	499	70	216,430	57%	767.4	592	10	615	215,750	64%	755.1																														
Feb	97	5,582	547	87	5,006	696	120	234,243	62%	771.6	573	10	575	219,960	66%	756.1																														
Mar	437	26,863	904	427	26,248	937	128	330,223	87%	791.4	904	10	615	252,000	75%	763.6																														
Apr	816	48,546	1,266	806	47,951	910	123	353,665	94%	795.7	936	10	595	267,230	80%	766.9																														
May	372	22,864	1,773	362	22,249	1,493	126	335,305	89%	792.3	1,315	10	615	275,380	82%	768.6																														
Jun	353	21,029	2,434	343	20,434	1,966	124	316,240	84%	788.7	1,924	10	595	276,100	82%	768.8																														
Jul	483	29,695	3,320	393	24,145	2,043	140	293,935	78%	784.3	2,862	90	5,549	273,220	82%	768.2																														
Aug	536	32,942	3,013	396	24,324	2,043		266,505	71%	778.7	2,630	140	8,618	264,410	79%	766.3																														
Sep	503	29,941	2,350	390	23,207	2,000		238,200	63%	772.5	2,166	113	6,734	252,524	75%	763.7																														
Oct	294	18,050	1,579	284	17,435	1,535		210,445	56%	765.9	1,548	10	615	244,129	73%	761.8																														
Nov	70	4,165	803	60	3,570	1,122		190,571	50%	760.9	818	10	595	241,966	72%	761.3																														
Dec	70	4,304	483	60	3,689	503		185,076	49%	759.5	510	10	615	240,553	72%	761.0																														
Jan 2025								180,535	48%	758.3				239,447	71%	760.8																														
Totals	248,284	18,980	18,980	221,948	15,747	832					16,779	26,337	26,337																																	

Draft Date: 8/22/24

Notes:

1. Mean daily flow for the month in cubic feet per second.
2. Shaded areas denote actual values. Non-shaded areas are projected values.
3. Nacimiento Reservoir storage capacity: 377,900 acre feet; San Antonio Reservoir storage capacity: 335,000 acre feet.
4. Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee may make release considerations for holiday periods to benefit recreation.
5. Schedule assumes no additional storm events that provide inflow to reservoirs. Actual elevations may be influenced by inflow.
6. "NWP Diversions" are San Luis Obispo County - Nacimiento Water Project conveyance facilities diversions. Max. allowable water year (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30) diversions: 15,750 ac-ft.
7. Nacimiento "NWP Diversions" do not include lakeside water use which is estimated at approximately 1,750 acre feet per year.
8. Schedule includes release of water from Nacimiento Reservoir beginning April 5 to ensure water level is below 787.75 feet in time for scheduled spillway maintenance.



Synopsis of Reservoir Release Changes

Since October 27, 2023

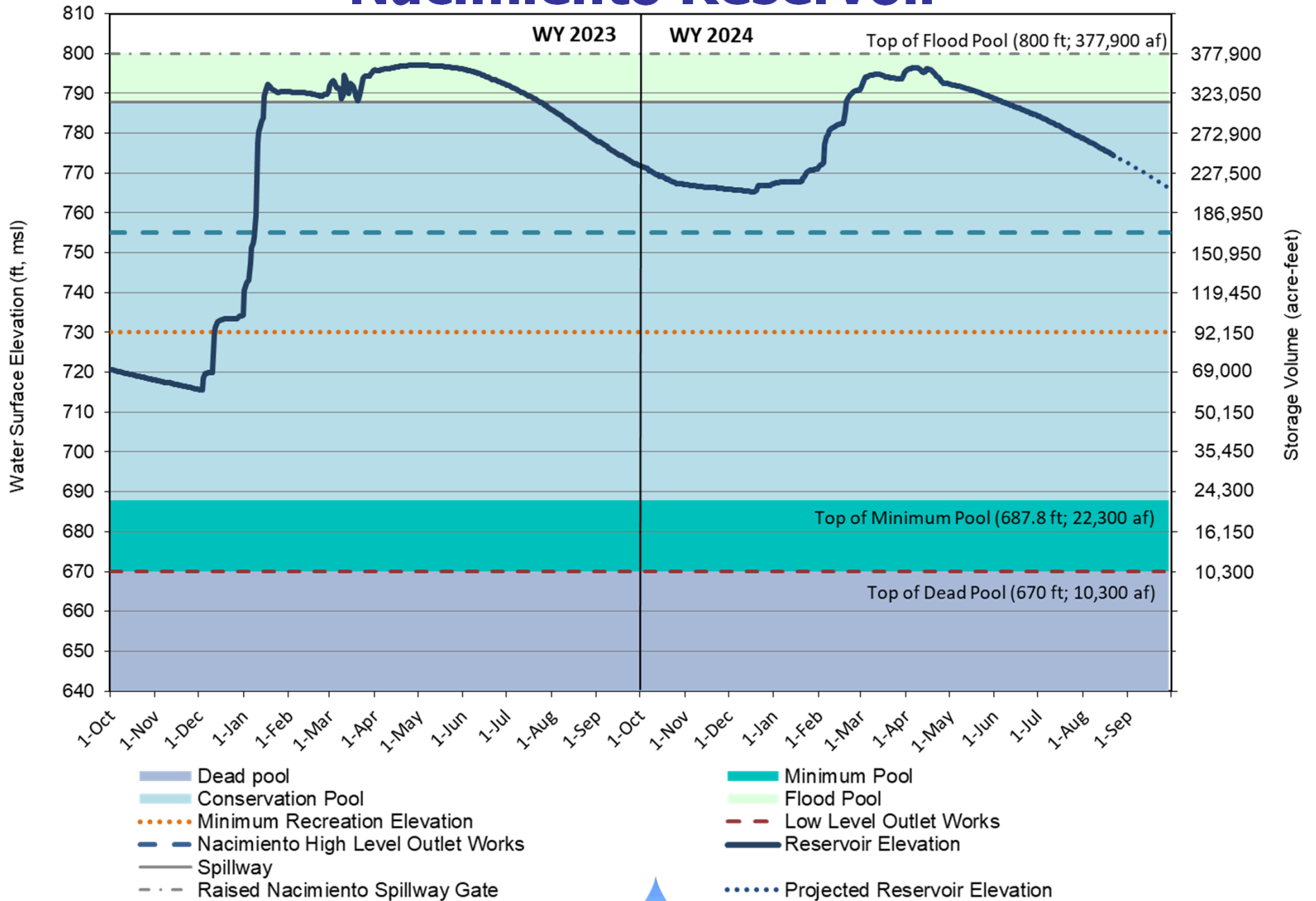
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	Starting Flow	Ending Flow	Starting Flow	Ending Flow	
October 27, 2023	10	10	245	60	70
February 1, 2024	10	10	60	300	310
February 3, 2024	10	10	300	60	70
March 2, 2024	10	10	80	1000	1,010
March 4, 2024	10	10	1000	850	860
March 6, 2024	10	10	825	600	610
March 8, 2024	10	10	600	350	360
March 13, 2024	10	10	350	650	660
March 19, 2024	10	10	650	340	350
March 22, 2024	10	10	340	250	260
March 27, 2024	10	10	250	150	160
March 29, 2024	10	10	150	60	70
April 5, 2024	10	10	60	400	410
April 8, 2024	10	10	400	1000	1010
April 18, 2024	10	10	1000	1500	1510
April 26, 2024	10	10	1500	360	370
May 28, 2024	10	10	360	400	410
June 4, 2024	10	10	400	360	370
June 14, 2024	10	10	360	330	340
June 21, 2024	10	10	330	300	310
June 27, 2024	10	10	300	350	360
July 2, 2024	10	50	350	350	400
July 3, 2024	50	80	350	350	430
July 5, 2024	80	120	350	400	520
July 18, 2024	120	90	400	400	490
July 24, 2024	90	60	400	400	460
July 29, 2024	60	100	400	400	500
August 12, 2024	100	140	400	400	540
August 14, 2024	140	165	400	400	565

Current Reservoir Conditions (8/21/24)

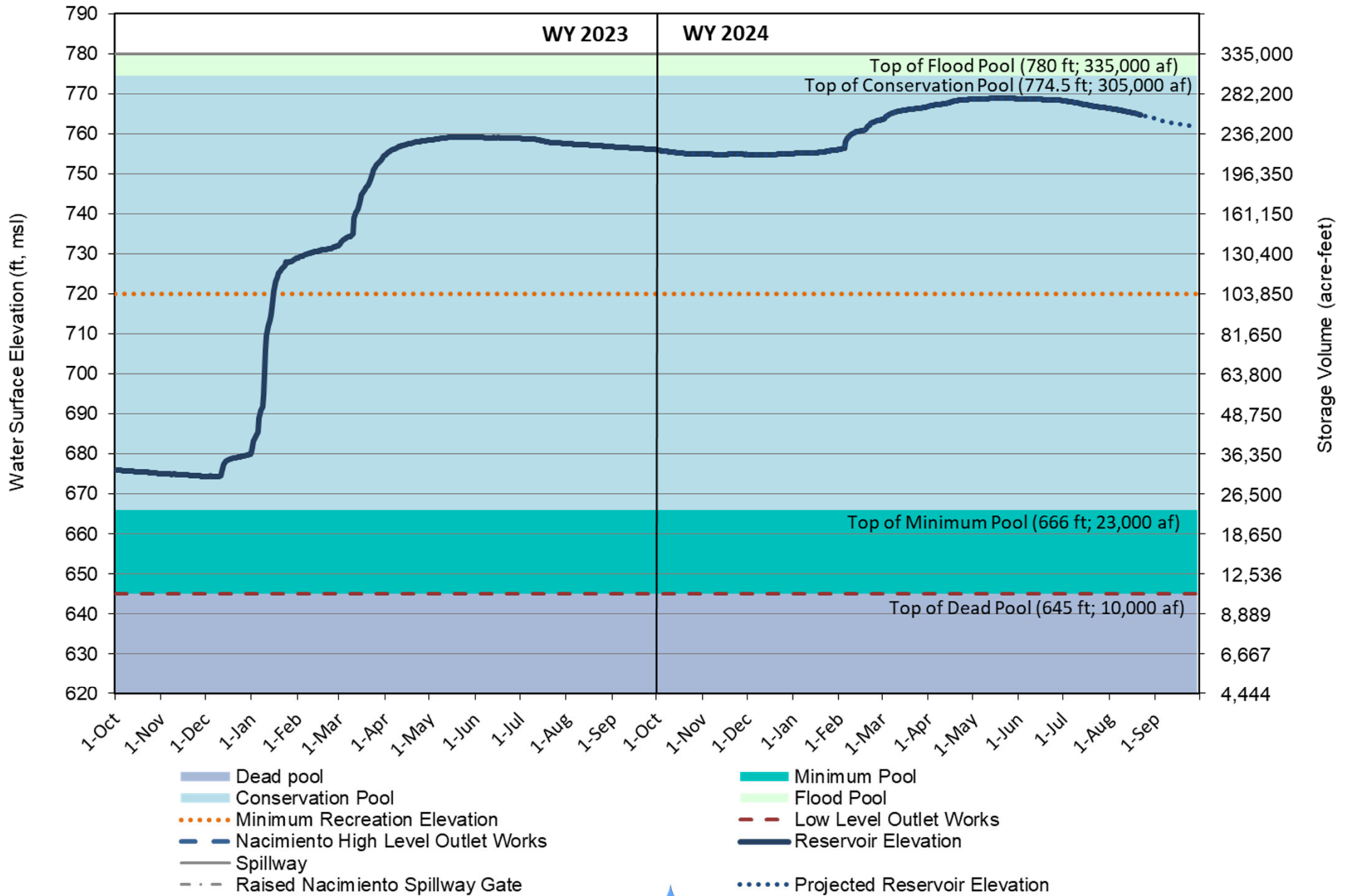
	Nacimiento	San Antonio
Percentage of Capacity	66%	77%
Elevation (ft.)	774.7	764.8
Storage (ac-ft)	248,200	257,440
Releases (cfs)	397	165



Nacimiento Reservoir



San Antonio Reservoir



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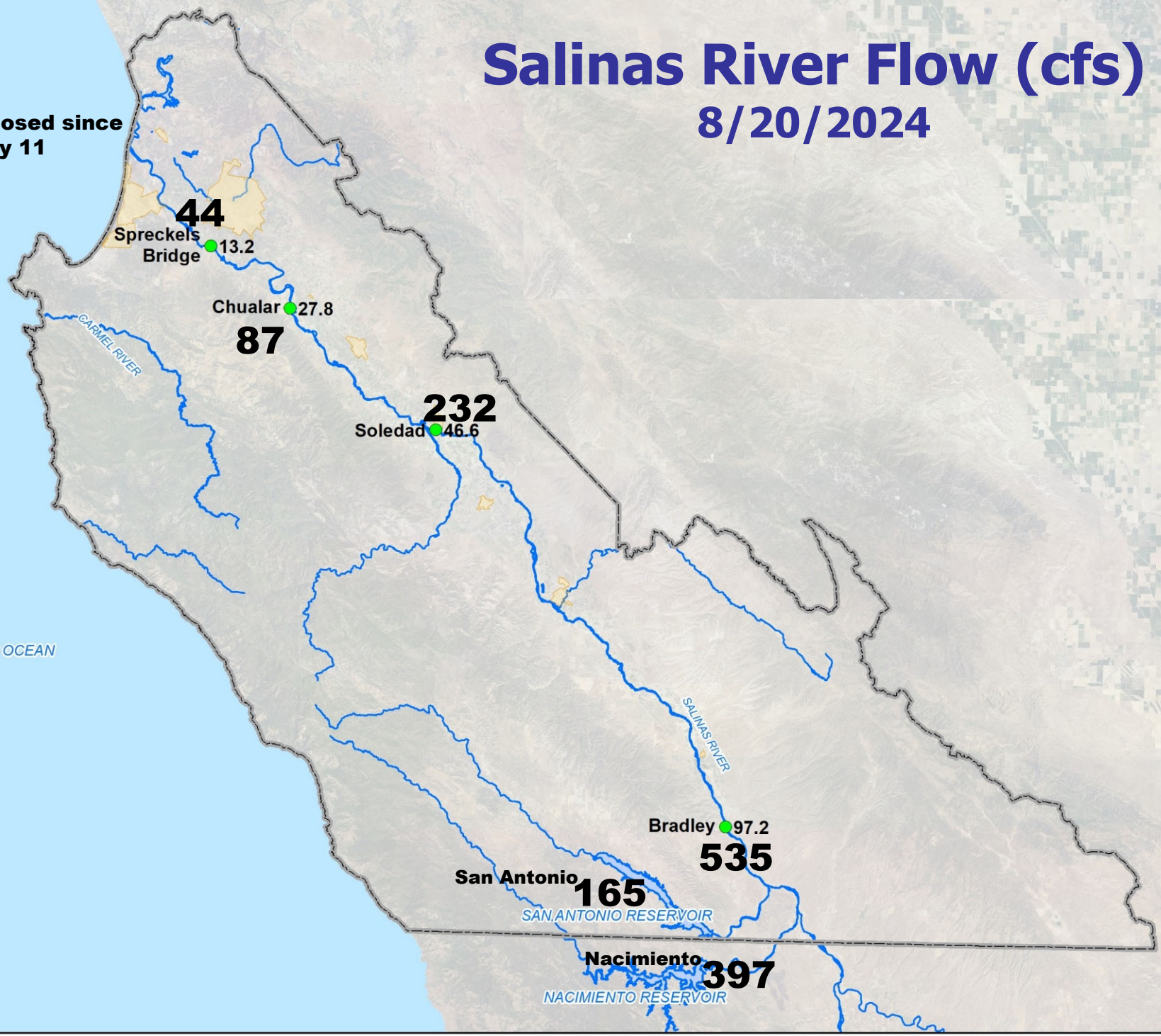


Salinas River Flow (cfs)

8/20/2024

Lagoon: Closed since July 11

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2024 Reservoir Release Schedule

Adopted

Month	Combined Releases (cfs)	Nacimiento Releases (cfs)	San Antonio Releases (cfs)	Nacimiento Elevation (ft)	San Antonio Elevation (ft)
Jan	70	60	10	767.4	755.1
Feb	97	87	10	771.5	756.1
Mar	441	430	11	791.3	763.6
Apr	631	621	10	795.6	766.9
May	360	323	37	792.0	767.5
Jun	445	350	95	787.7	766.7
Jul	574	340	234	782.5	764.8
Aug	647	348	298	777.0	760.9
Sep	502	345	157	771.2	755.9
Oct	276	266	10	765.3	753.1
Nov	70	60	10	760.5	752.6
Dec	70	60	10	759.1	752.2
Jan				757.9	752.0

Updated

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Feb	97	87	10	771.5	756.1
Mar	441	430	11	791.3	763.6
Apr	809	799	10	795.6	766.9
May	372	362	10	792.2	768.6
Jun	353	343	10	788.7	768.8
Jul	483	393	90	784.3	768.2
Aug	536	396	140	778.6	766.3
Sep	503	390	113	772.5	763.7
Oct	294	284	10	765.9	761.8
Nov	70	60	10	760.9	761.3
Dec	70	60	10	759.5	761.0
Jan				758.3	760.8

Note: Table on left shows the Reservoir Release Schedule approved at the April 15, 2024 Board of Directors meeting. Table on the right is current as of August 22, 2024. Bold text indicates actual values. The approved Reservoir Release Schedule includes estimated monthly release values to meet the goals of dam safety, flood protection, groundwater recharge, operation of the SRDF, water supply, fish migration, fish habitat requirements, agriculture, and recreation while complying with water rights, permits, and existing agreements. Salinas River conditions are dynamic, and the reservoir releases required to meet downstream goals can vary based on watershed and climatic conditions. The Release Schedule is updated throughout the year with actual releases and updated estimates to reflect these changing conditions.





County of Monterey

Item No.4

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-065

August 29, 2024

Introduced: 8/26/2024

Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Overview of Interlake Tunnel and San Antonio Spillway Modification Project (Staff Presenting:
Amy Woodrow)



County of Monterey

Item No.5

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-066

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Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Update on Nacimiento Spillway Repair Project (Staff Presenting: Mark Foxworthy)



County of Monterey

Item No.6

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

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August 29, 2024

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Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Current Operations and Maintenance Activities at the Reservoirs (Staff Presenting: Jason Demers)



County of Monterey

Item No.7

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-060

August 29, 2024

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Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

- Reservoir Recreation by Concessionaire and Parks Department
- County of San Luis Obispo Activities
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- Quagga Mussel Update



County of Monterey

Item No.8

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: WRARO 24-062

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Matter Type: WRA ResOps Item

Set next meeting date and discuss future agenda items.