

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 11, 2025, San Antonio Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 751 feet (NGVD 29), with 200,100 acre-feet of water in storage. Nacimiento Reservoir has a water surface elevation of approximately 754.95 feet, with 168,340 acre-feet of water in storage. San Antonio Reservoir is currently at 60% of storage capacity and Nacimiento Reservoir is at 45% of capacity.

RAINFALL: There has been no recent precipitation and there is currently no inflow to the reservoirs.

SALINAS RIVER LAGOON: The lagoon has been closed to the ocean since May 16, 2025.

RESERVOIR RELEASES: Releases are being made from both reservoirs for beneficial uses including groundwater recharge, operation of the Salinas River Diversion Facility, and to provide for required bypass flow to the Salinas Lagoon. Releases as of August 11, 2025:

- Nacimiento Reservoir: 276 cfs
- San Antonio Reservoir: 335 cfs

Total releases from both reservoirs to the Salinas River are approximately 610 cfs. The following “provisional” flows have been recorded by the USGS:

- Nacimiento River below Nacimiento Dam 276 cfs
- Salinas River near Bradley: 581 cfs
- Salinas River at Soledad: 279 cfs
- Salinas River near Chualar: 93 cfs
- Salinas River near Spreckels: 34 cfs

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