# RECLAMATION

Managing Water in the West

# MILLERTON LAKE WATER SUPPLY FORECAST AND FLOOD OPERATIONS

# SAN JOAQUIN RIVER FORECASTING WORKSHOP

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## **Reclamation Mission Statement**

Is to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.



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### **Overview**

- Upstream Storage Facilities
- Friant Dam
- Millerton Lake Operating Parameters
- Water Supply Data
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- Water Supply Allocation
- Summary



# **Upstream Storage Facilities**

# Southern California Edison (SCE)

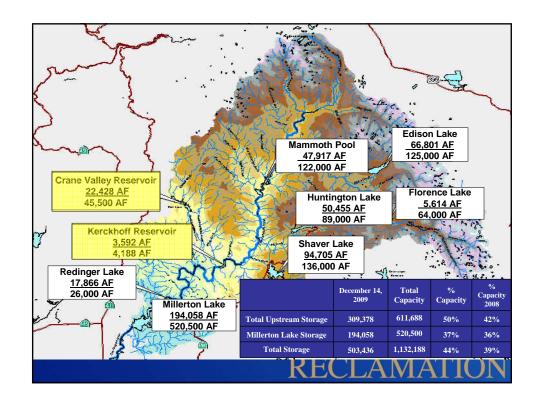
- Edison Lake
- Florence Lake
- Huntington Lake
- Shaver Lake
- Mammoth Pool
- Redinger Lake

# Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)

- Crane Valley Reservoir
- Kerckhoff Reservoir



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## **Historical Information**

- Average Huntington Lake Precipitation 44.5 inches\*
- Average Natural River Runoff 1.9 million acre-feet\*
- \* (WY 1977 2009)

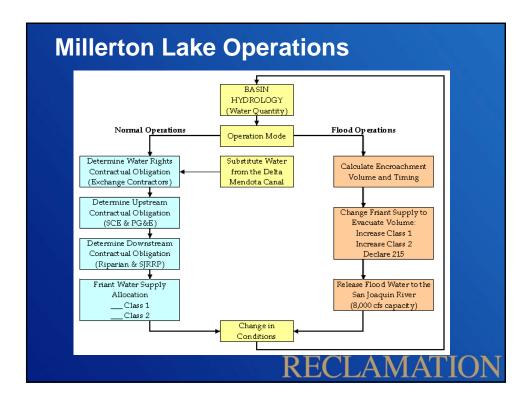


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### **Friant Dam**

- Storage Capacity: 520,500 AF
- Dead Pool: 135,000 AF
- Used for Flood Control & Water Conservation to meet demands.
  - Irrigation
  - Municipal
  - Industrial
- Downstream Release Points:
  - San Joaquin River (8,000 CFS)
  - Friant-Kern Canal (5,000 CFS)
  - Madera Canal (1,250 CFS)





- Mammoth Pool Agreement
- Miller-Lux Agreement
- State Water Control Board
- Army Corps of Engineers
- Friant-Kern Canal
- Madera Canal
- San Joaquin River
- State of California Fish Hatchery

#### **Mammoth Pool Agreement**

- The agreement is a contract between SCE and Reclamation, which determines how SCE will operate their facilities.
  - Six major dams located upstream of Friant Dam
- A Water Plan with month storage forecast is submitted based on:
  - If the April July projected runoff is less then 650 TAF, then SCE combine storage for the end of September is 152.5 TAF.
  - If the April July projected runoff is greater then 650 TAF, then SCE combine storage for the end of September varies upon last year's storage.

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### **Millerton Lake Operating Parameters**

#### Miller-Lux Agreement

- Is a contract between PG&E and Reclamation, which determines how PG&E will operate the Crane Valley Project (Bass Lake).
- A Water Plan is submitted based on:
  - On October 1<sup>st</sup> the storage should be at 60 percent of capacity (45,500 AF).
  - On November 1<sup>st</sup> the storage should be at 50 percent of capacity.

#### **State Water Control Board**

- Operating Permit number 11886 indicates that Reclamation can not store water at Friant Dam from August 1<sup>st</sup> - November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Stored water is "any water that is held for 30 days or longer is considered stored water".

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## **Millerton Lake Operating Parameters**

Army Corps of Engineer Reservoir Regulation for Flood Control

 Allows Millerton Lake Reservoir to have a storage of 435,000 AF at the end of February.

#### **Long-Term Contracts**

- Friant Water Authority (FWA)
  - Friant-Kern Canal
- Madera-Chowchilla Water & Power Authority (MCWPA)
  - Madera Canal

Class 1: 800,000 AF Class 2: 1,400,000 AF Section 215: Contracts

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# **Millerton Lake Operating Parameters**

#### San Joaquin River

 Reclamation required to provide 5 CFS passing at Gravelly Ford.

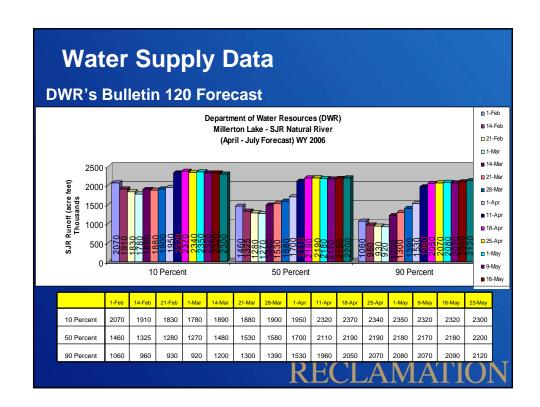
#### **State of California Fish Hatchery**

 Reclamation required to provide 30 - 35 CFS passing through the fish hatchery.

## **Water Supply Data**

#### **Department of Water Resources (DWR)**

- DWR will update the forecast on a weekly basis until July and post the information on California Data Exchange Center (CDEC).
- · Provides forecast:
  - Annual Natural River Runoff by month.
  - April July Natural River Runoff.
  - Snow Measurements from Feb 1<sup>st</sup> May 1<sup>st</sup>.



## **Water Supply Data**

#### Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)

- In accordance with the Miller-Lux Agreement, PG&E will provide a Crane Valley Water Plan on or about February 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - The plan will project the end of the month storage for Bass Lake.
  - PG&E may request a variance to their contract.
    - The request provides recreational water for the residence of Bass Lake.

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### **Water Supply Data**

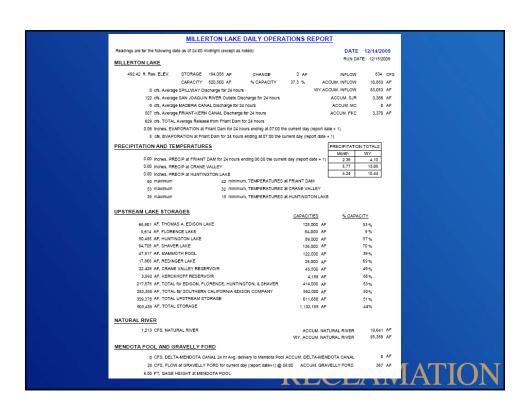
#### Southern California Edison (SCE)

- In accordance with the Mammoth Pool Agreement, SCE will provide a Big Creek Water Management Plan on or about February 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - The Plan will produce the end of the month combined storage for the Big Creek Project.
- Provides weather data for precipitation and temperature at Huntington Lake.

## **Water Supply Data**

# Reclamation generates a Millerton Lake Daily Operations Report that includes:

- Storage, inflow, and total average releases are calculated every morning.
- Provides weather data at Friant Dam, which includes evaporation, temperature, and precipitation.
- Incorporates Upstream Lake Storages, Mendota Pool and Gravelly Ford information.
- Calculates Natural River.



## **Water Supply Forecast**

Reclamation incorporates the following data into the Forecast of Millerton Lake Operations (Forecast).

- DWR, PG&E, SCE, FWA, and MCWPA
- Includes DWR Natural River Runoff for the period between March 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Uses the historical lower Natural River Runoff quartile from October 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of February.

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## **Water Supply Forecast**

Forecast is generated based on the:

- 90 Percent Exceedence
- 50 Percent Exceedence
- 10 Percent Exceedence
  - The information is generated into a monthly report.

## **Water Supply Forecast**

On or about February 20<sup>th</sup>, Reclamation notifies each Friant Division District (Districts) of the projected water supply available for the Contract Year (Mar-Feb).

• The Districts then submit water delivery schedules showing the quantities of water each district plans to use each month during the Contract Year.

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EOM FEB		244.2	30.7																				298.4		
MARCH R	139.4	289.7	31.9	26.7	112.5	0.0	7.0	٥	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	7.0	7.2	3.0	1.1	15.0	300.0		
APRIL R	231.2	343.5	34.3	78.2	155.4	0.0	9.3	٥	9.3	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.135	0.7	11.6	0.0	2.0	28.5	41.0	7.3	2.0	51.0	495.0		
MAY E	401.7	482.8	34.4	139.5	362.3	0.0	12.4	٥	12.4	4.0	0.0	40.6	0.0	53.4	63.0	0.0	167.7	20.1	240.9	10.4	3.2	306.6	510.1		
JUNE R	222.8	416.3	34.1	12.2	210.8	0.0	12.4	0	12.4	30.0	0.0	6.2	0.0	46.1	118.0	0.0	22.2	0.0	140.1	6.8	3.2	198.6	520.0		
JULY R	98.4	441.6	34.1	-63.7	150.2	0.0	13.8	٥	13.0	56.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	56.1	157.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	167.0	9.1	4.1	227.0	430.1		
AUGUST 15 R	10.5	404.2	33.7	-37.8	66.2	0.0	6.0	0	6.9	18.0	9.0	0.0	0.0	27.0	60.0	17.0	0.0	0.0	77.0	4.8	1.4	110.9	369.2		
AUGUST S1 R	9.4	351.2 264.0	33.5 29.3	-63.2	62.6 101.3	0.0	6.0 11.7	0	6.0 11.7	2.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	10.3	41.0 50.0	18.8	0.0	0.0	57.6 71.3	1.4	1.4	74.8	360.9		
SUB-TOTALS	1219.4	284.0	29.5	18.4	101.3	0.0	91.1	0.0	81.1	135.9	17.3	55.4	0.0	208.8	498.7	13.3	192.8	63.7	792.1	48.3	18.8	1001.9	360.4		
OCTOBER 15 F	20.4	250.5	27.6	-15.6	45.4	0.0	4.0	5.4	10.1	71	0.0	00.0	0.0	71	20.0	40.9	1920	03.7	24.2	12	0.7	41.4	362 A		
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NOVEMBER E	22.3	277.1	20.6	11.6	9.0	0.0	8.8	15	23.4	1.6	14.7	0.0	0.0	16.2	61.8	41.1	0.0	0.0	102.9	3.2	0.6	142.5	190.1		
DECEMBER E	20.0	286.0	21.5	8.8	11.2	0.0	7.0	۰	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	1.8	1.0	16.2	102.3		
JANUARY E	30.0	206.0	21.0	9.5	20.5	0.0	6.0	٥	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	1.4	1.0	9.4	191.0		
FEBRUARY E	60.0	310.0	21.0	15.0	35.0	0.0	6.0	14	19.9	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	50.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	60.2	3.4	2.9	73.6	146.1		
SUB-TOTALS	178.1			37.7	158.8	0.0	37.6	30.0	77.6	12.1	17.3	0.0	0.0	29.4	161.3	57.3	0.0	0.0	218.6	11.0	6.6	325.6			
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DHR	MATERY FAIR	PERCENT OF	RUNORF	PERCENT OF			2	E = Estima	ste, R = Fro	om Operation	al Records					Defle	Tions					28,410			
		WATER YEAR		RUNOFF			3	Units in TI	nousand A	cre-Feet (TAI	9						espage Losses	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,00		
							4	Forecast 8	Based on E	WR's Water	Supply Fare	cast Dated 0	\$19/09			Runoff R	lange Low		400,000	670,000	930,000	1,450,000	2,500,00		
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EXCEEDANCE	1,323	75%	550	72%			,	mmerton t	Laise inflow	mom Octobe	er unru Marci	(MF) =		340,347		Restoration						284,100			
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MONTHS		SAN JOAQUIN NATURAL RIVER RUNOFF		M OF MILLER									
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			SCE	PG&E	Change	Inflow	White House Plus Losses	Riparian	SJR Interim Flows	Total SJR Release			
EOM FEB			244.2	30.7									
ARCH	R	139.4	269.7	31.9	26.7	112.5	0.0	7.9	0	7.9			
PRIL	R	231.2	343.5	34.3	76.2	155.4	0.0	9.3	0	9.3			
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JLY	R	96.4	441.6	34.1	-53.7	150.2	0.0	13.8	0	13.8			
UGUST 15	R	18.5	404.2	33.7	-37.8	56.2	0.0	6.9	0	6.9			
UGUST 31	R	9.4	351.2	33.5	-53.2	62.6	0.0	6.9	0	6.9			
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ANUARY	Е	30.0	295.0	21.0	9.5	20.5	0.0	6.0	0	6.0			
EBRUARY	Е	50.0	310.0	21.0	15.0	35.0	0.0	6.0	14	19.9			
UB-TOTALS		176.1			37.7	138.8	0.0	37.6	39.9	77.6			
TOTALS		1395.5			56.1	1339.9	0.0	118.7	39.9	158.6			
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REPORT FOR DECEMBER CONTRACT YEAR 2009		MARCH	Aug 16	10:42 AM TOTALS
Calculated Uncontrolled San Joaquin River Runoff		Aug 15 1200	Sep 30	1219
Storage Retained in Upstream Reservoir Above Friant Dam	-	163	-145	18
Released into the San Joaquin River From Friant Dam	-	63	19	81
Deliveries from the San Joaquin River From Friant Dam	+	1	0	1
Losses in the Friant-Kern and Madera Canals	-	42	6	48
Calculated Evaporation from Millerton Lake	-	15	4	19
Supply Retained in Millerton at End of February above 135,000 AF	+	163	o	163
Soquel Water Supplied Into System	-	4	4	8
Friant Dam Operational Spill Through Canals	-	0	0	0
White House Plus Loss		0	0	0
San Joaquin River Restoration Program Interim Flows	-	0	40	40
Contract Supply Scheduled by Contractors after September 30th.	+	0	73	73
Section 215 Contract Supply		0	0	0
Uncontrolled Season	-	248	0	248
2008 Water Supply - Rescheduled	-	54	0	54
Total Available Supply		775	165	940
		82%	18%	100%
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TOTAL CLASS 2 AVAILABLE = 140 - 1400.0 = 10%  Total Contract Entitlement for Class 2 is 1,400,000 Acre-Feet	LASS2	ercent Class 2 Declared =		10%
TOTAL UNCONTROLLED CLASS 2 - 240 ÷ 1400.0 - 10% Total Contract Entitlement for Class 2 is 1,400,000 Acre-Feet	P	ercent Class 2 Delivered -		18%
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## **Water Supply Forecast**

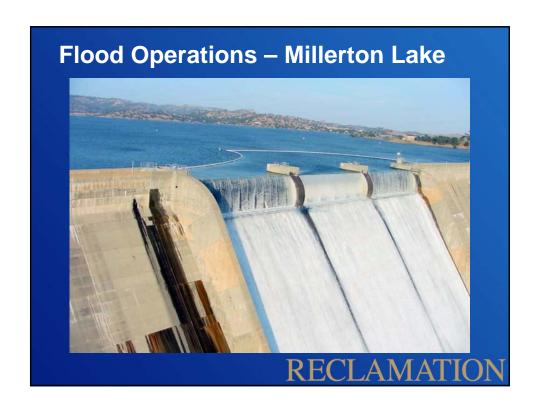
Water Supply Forecast meetings are held during the first Friday of every Month to discuss the Forecast of Millerton Lake Operations.

 The Districts are encouraged to submit a revised water delivery schedule ten days after the meeting.

A Board of Directors meeting is held by the Friant Water Users Authority (FWUA)/FWA on the Fourth Thursday of each Month.

Reclamation provides an update on the water supply conditions.

	S	outh-C entral V Water	entral Cal	tion - Mid ifornia Are ect - Frian nparison F	a Office Division	-			e: Decemb	er 15, 2009	
12/14/2009	WY-2010	% of AVG	WY-2009	WY-2008	WY-2007	WY-2006	WY-2005	75 - 05 AVG	WY-1977	WY- 1983	
High Temperature on this Da	y (F)										
Friant Dam Crane Valley Huntington Lake	60 53 39	107% 100% 93%	51 39 28	58 51 26	65 59 35	51 44 31	51 61 45	56 53 42	66 62 50	57 54 41	
Low Temperature on this Da	y (F)										
Friant Dam Crane Valley Huntington Lake	42 32 15	120% 94% 58%	30	36 29 21	43 39 30	37 30 24	46 33 30	35 34 26	32	32 32 15	
Precipitation on this Day (inc											
Friant Dam Crane Valley Huntington Lake	0.00 0.00 0.00	0% 0%	0.40	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 00.0	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.08 0.13 0.17	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	
Precipitation to date for Mon	th (inches)										
Friant Dam Crane Valley Huntington Lake	2.36 6.77 4.24	311% 345% 186%		0.62 1.79 1.76	1.05 1.74 1.78	1.06 0.00 5.27	1.00 1.58 2.15	0.76 1.96 2.28	0.00 0.00 0.00	0.19 1.25 1.30	
Precipitation to date for Water	er Year (inche	s)									
Frient Dam Crane Valley	4:10 15:06	131% 182%		1.25	1.98 3.33	1.47	5.49 12.46	3.12 8.28	2.40 1.19	5.78 18.63	
tington Lake	10.44	111%	7.00	3.13 2.91	4.74	8.53	13.30	9.42	1.13	20.00	
Flows on this Day (cfs)											
Millerton Lake Inflow Calculated Natural River	634 1,213	67% 183%	414 192	657 147	282 411	1,645 365	1,316 379	949 642	282 86	2,858	
Millerton Lake Evaporation San Joaquin River	5	100%	13 131	7	145	2 110	1	5 236	5 70	2,992	
Splilway	122 0	0%	0	0	0	0	124 0	0	0	. 0	
Madera Canal Friant-Kern Canal	0 507	0% 457%	0	0	0 490	0 126	0	19 111	0	0 112	
Total Release to Canals Total of all Releases	507 629	390% 172%	131	0 130	490 635	126 236	0 124	130 366	0 70	112 3,104	
Flows to date for Month (af)											
Millerton Lake Inflow Calculated Natural River	10,885 19,641	36%	13,717 7,132	13,265 5,560	16,788 10,425	29,989 28,168	36,052 17,086	30,640 19,938	9,446 3,474	85,268 62,559	
Millerton Lake Evaporation	202	146%	130	166	338	162	170	138	156	58	
San Joaquin River Spillway	3,366	38%	3,620	3,856	4,124	3,916	3,396	8,860	2,650	100,552	
Madera Canal	ō	0%	0	0	1,268	ō	0	696	0	0	The second second
Friant-Kern Canal Total Release to Canals	3,371 3,371	115% 93%	2,319	0	14,289 15,557	6,639	0	2,923 3,619	0	2,186 2,186	// ATIC
Total of all Releases	6,737	54%	5,939	3,856	19,681	10,555	3,396	12,479	2,650	102,738	





#### **Flood Operations – Millerton Lake** Stakeholders **Downstream Interest: Private Utilities:** • Lower San Joaquin River Levee District Southern California Edison (SCE) Land Owners • Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) **United States Federal and State Water Users:** Agencies: • 28 Districts • Army Corps of Engineers - Irrigation, Municipal, Industrial • Department of Water Resources (DWR) National Weather Service

# Flood Operations – Millerton Lake

- Upper San Joaquin River Floods occurs about 4 out of 10 years.
- Rain Floods: results of intense rainfall in the Sierra Mountains.
  - Period typically: November to March
  - January 2, 1997: largest rain flood estimated maximum daily flow of 77,500 cfs and a 7-day volume of 416,700 AF.



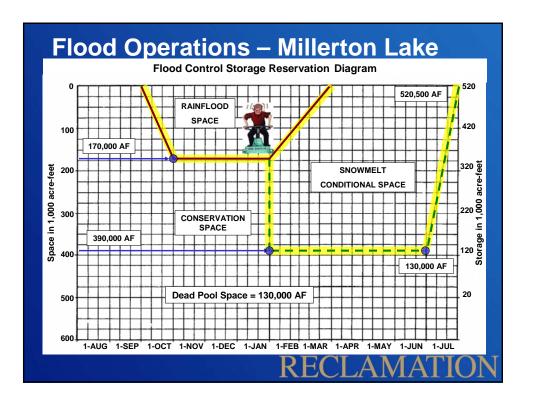
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## **Flood Operations – Millerton Lake**

- Snowmelt Floods: results of mountain snowmelt.
  - Period typically: February to July
  - Snowmelt floods are sustained, moderate flows for 2 3 months, resulting in large volumes of runoff.
  - Snowmelt produces ~70% of annual water supply.



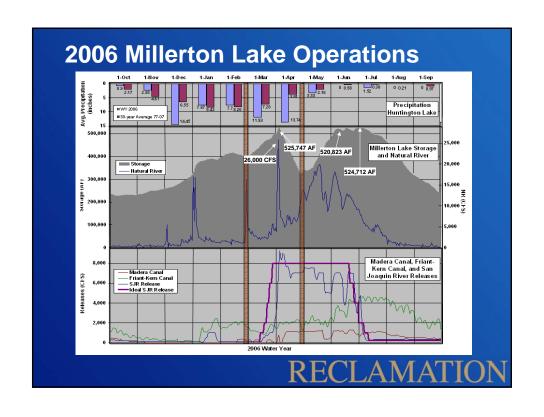
 1906: largest snowmelt flood with a maximum daily flow of 26,300 cfs and a volume of 3.34 million AF.

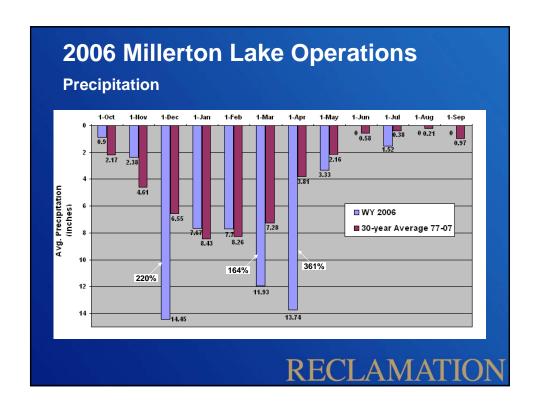


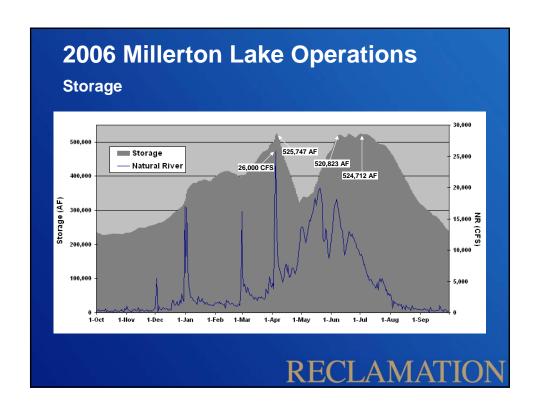
## 2006 Millerton Lake Operations

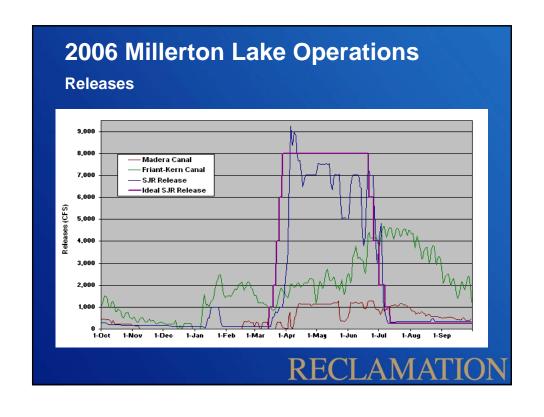
- March 1, 2006, the San Joaquin River basin hydrologic conditions were at the historic average and the DWR 50 Percent exceedance forecast was 1.27 million AF.
- By early April, storage capacity was at 95 percent.
- First week of April produced 10 inches of rain.
  - April's 100-year average precipitation is 3 inches.
  - More than 300 percent of normal conditions.

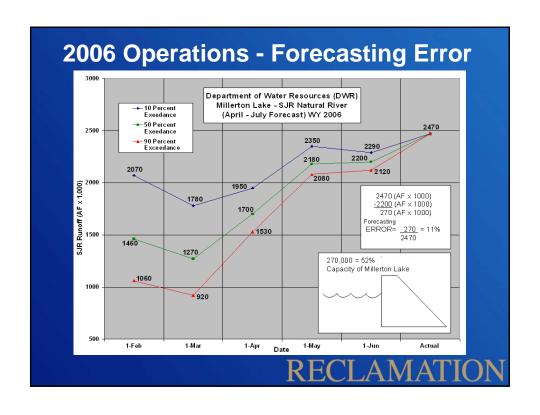


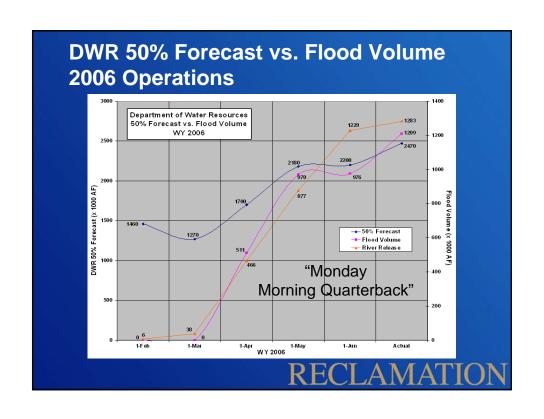




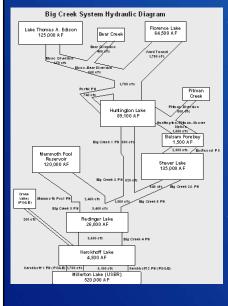








## **Upper San Joaquin Basin Model (USAN)**



- The USAN model was developed to study re-operation of the upstream reservoirs to enhance the Friant Division water supply.
  - Improve Friant Division operations.
  - Simulates Reservoir Operations from 1896 to present.
  - Uses daily operations data to produce short-term reservoir operations (storage, deliveries, releases, etc.)
- USAN uses daily operational data to project future operations based on historic unimpaired flow data.

**RECLAMATION** 

## **Upper San Joaquin Basin Model (USAN)**

- USAN limitations:
  - Operational decisions based on forecasts.
  - Millerton Lake February 1<sup>st</sup> storage plus the February July unregulated flow forecast to determine the amount of water available for deliveries each year.
  - Distribution of snowmelt, to varying conditions of water years, may cause variations in over 100,000 AF.
    - · Normal Wet vs. Wet years



## **Water Supply Allocation**

#### Class 1:

• 800,000 AF

#### Class 2:

• 1,400,000 AF

#### **Surplus Water:**

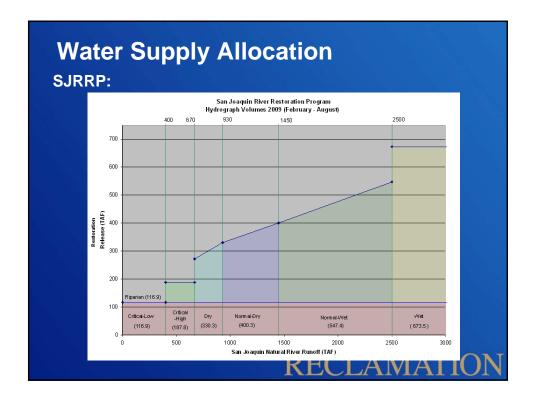
 Temporary supply of water, other than Class 1 or Class 2, made available to the Contractors in addition to water provided pursuant to water service contracts, including water made available that is not subject to acreage limitation pursuant to Section 215 of the Reclamation Reform Act of October 12, 1982 (96 Stat. 1263), as amended.

**RECLAMATION** 

### **Water Supply Allocation**

#### **Uncontrolled Season:**

Any time during the Contract Year the Contracting
Officer determines that a need exists to evacuate
water from Millerton Lake in order to prevent or
minimize spill or to meet flood control criteria, taking
into consideration, among other things, anticipated
upstream reservoir operations and the most probable
forecast of snowmelt and runoff projections for the
upper San Joaquin River.



## **Summary**

- Millerton Lake Operations includes various Operating Parameters.
- Reclamation incorporates data provide by DWR, PG&E, SCE, FWA, MCWPA, NWS, and Downstream Interest.
  - Then develops a Forecast of Millerton Lake Operations.
- The San Joaquin River has two major runoff seasons
  - November through March is predominately rain
  - April through July is predominately snowmelt
- Snowmelt produces ~70% of annual water supply.
- Managing Friant Division Water Supply considers:
  - The speculative nature of some information (early in the season)
  - The importance of providing protection from floods
- A mission that requires close communication and coordination with many parties and a significant amount of professional judgment.

## **Questions?**

Arago's Admonition (1845)

"Never, no matter what may be the progress of science, will honest scientific men who have regard for their reputations venture to predict the weather."

**Thank You** 

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