

## Program Advisory Interim Flows Scheduled and New Seepage Hotline Number March 3, 2010

This notice is to inform you of the anticipated Water Year (WY) 2010 Interim Flow releases to be made by the Bureau of Reclamation through September 30, 2010 and provide a new phone number for Reclamation's seepage hotline.

**Who:** U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation

What: Reclamation resumed WY 2010 Interim Flow releases from Friant Dam at Millerton Reservoir on February 1, 2010. Previous releases of WY 2010 Interim Flows occurred between October 1 and November 20, 2009. Based on recommendations received from the Restoration Administrator and an initial water year type declaration made by Reclamation on February 26, 2010, the following WY 2010 Interim Flows are anticipated:

## Interim Flow Release Schedule From Friant Dam From March to September 2010 All values in cubic feet per second (cfs)

Date	Estimated Interim Flow Releases (cfs)	Estimated Riparian Release (cfs)	Total Releases from Friant Dam (cfs)
Feb. 1 – Feb. 28	250	100	350
Mar. 1 – Mar 17	370	130	500
Mar. 18 – Mar. 26	670	130	800
Mar. 27- Apr. 4	960	140	1,100
Apr. 5 – Apr. 15	1,445	150	1,595
Apr. 16 – Apr. 25	950	150	1,100
Apr. 26 – May 4	630	170	800
May 5 –May 13	310	190	500
May 14 – Sept. 30	150	200	350

These flows are consistent with the *Stipulation of Settlement* and are guided by Reclamation's February declaration of a normal-dry water year. The water year type and the total flow releases may change slightly if inflow conditions to Millerton Reservoir change. However, all flows will be limited such that no flooding or seepage impacts are expected to occur. Reclamation is prepared to reduce flows, if necessary, if information from the groundwater monitoring network or from local landowners indicates that impacts may occur.

**Where:** The flows will be released from Friant Dam and will be conveyed down the San Joaquin River to the Merced River confluence and to the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Flows will be routed into the Eastside Bypass at the Sand Slough Control Structure. The Mariposa Bypass may also receive flows.

When: March 1 to September 30, 2010

**Why:** The WY 2010 Interim Flows will provide information to be used in the analysis of channel characteristics and capacity, infiltration losses, levee stability and seepage, water temperature, fish management, and recapture conditions.

If you believe WY 2010 Interim Flows may have a negative impact on the use of your property: Contact Alicia Gasdick, SJRRP Project Manager, at 916-978-5464 (office), at 916-335-6960 (mobile), or agasdick@usbr.gov, with a description of the impact, your name, phone number, and the best time to contact you. The Program will discuss your concerns with you and will work with you to address or mitigate identified problems.

If you see seepage or anticipate that seepage is going to occur on your property during Interim Flows: Contact the Program's Seepage Hotline at (916) 978-4398 or send an email to InterimFlows@restoresjr.net. Please include a description and location of the anticipated seepage site, your name, phone number, and the best time to contact you. Your call or e-mail will be returned promptly.

NEW SEEPAGE HOTLINE NUMBER!
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To track the flows and view current flow and groundwater monitoring data, visit the SJRRP Web site at www.restoresjr.net.