

Sacramento River Temperature Task Group Meeting

September 27, 2012 1:00pm

Agenda

1. Introductions

Attendees:

FWS: Matt Brown, Jim Smith

DFG: Alice Low,

Reclamation: Thuy Washburn, Rod Wittler, Russ Yaworsky, Stacy Smith, Liz Kiteck, Kristin White

SWRCB: Kari Kyler

NOAA: Bruce Oppenheim

WAPA: not present

FWD:

Hoopa: Shawn Ledwin

Yurok:

2. Fishery update

Last winter-run redd survey was 9/7. Two thirds of the redds are above ACID and 1/3 are below. The lowest redd is between HW44 and Airport Rd Bridge. Juvenile winter-run numbers at the Red Bluff Diversion Dam rotary screw trap have increased. Bruce reported that the last carcass survey was 8/28. The run spawned late and the juveniles are expected to show up later past Red Bluff this year also.

3. Hydrology & Operations update

a. Daily CVP Water Supply Report ***

b. September 50% Forecast ***

Reclamation went over all the handouts. Reclamation will try to get flows down to 6000 cfs on the Sacramento in Oct. Beginning Oct. 1st, less water will be brought through Carr PP. Whiskeytown drawdown begins Sept. 28th.

4. Discussion of recent temperature model runs

a. Temperature studies packet ***

Reclamation went over the handouts. The temperature study is based on the latest profiles (SHA – 9/19, WHI – 9/20, TRN 8/28).

5. Temperature Review for September

a. August and September monthly temp report ***

b. Moving the control point from Jellys Ferry to Balls Ferry

Reclamation went over the handouts. For August, JLF and IGO temperatures were fine. In Sept., JLF average so far 55.3. From Sept. 15th there has been an issue getting IGO temperatures down. Reclamation will be sending out a letter at the end of the month for not meeting the IGO temperature compliance point. Discussion of the IGO temps. The group talked about increasing or decreasing releases for temp. It was agreed that increasing the releases would not help meet the IGO temperature compliance point. The temperature of the water coming out of Whiskeytown is too warm (55.6) and temps are now dependent on the air temp to help meet the temperature limit at IGO.

6. Trinity Fall flows – update

The supplemental Trinity Fall flows are completed. Fish remained healthy.

7. Next meeting: Thursday, October 25th

***handouts