

Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 3/22/2021 (ENSO Condition: La Niña)

Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook:

The Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook has been computed using 4 methods: Croley's method¹, the SFWMD empirical method², a sub-sampling of La Nina years³ and a sub-sampling of warm years of the Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation (AMO) in combination with La Nina ENSO years⁴. The results for Croley's method and the SFWMD empirical method are based on the CPC Outlook.

Table of the Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlooks in feet of equivalent depth. All methods are updated on a weekly basis with observed net inflow for the current month.

Season	Croley's Method ^{1*}		SFWMD Empirical Method ²		Sub-sampling of La Nina ENSO Years ³		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + La Nina ENSO Years ⁴	
	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>
Current (Mar-Aug)	N/A	N/A	0.95	Normal	0.80	Normal	0.86	Normal
Multi Seasonal (Mar-Oct)	N/A	N/A	2.47	Normal	2.14	Normal	2.11	Normal

***Croley's Method Not Produced for This Report.** See Seasonal and Multi-Seasonal tables for the classification of Lake Okeechobee Outlooks.

The recommended methods and values for estimating the Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook are shaded and should be used in the LORS2008 Release Guidance Flow Charts.

****Sub-sampling is a weighted average of ENSO conditions based on the ENSO forecast used.**

Tributary Hydrologic Conditions Graph:

-1645 cfs 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 3/21/2021. According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Dry.

-0.96 for Palmer Drought Index on 3/20/2021. According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Normal.

The wetter of the two conditions above is **Normal**.

LORS2008 Classification Tables:

Lake Okeechobee Stage on 3/22/2021:

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **14.79 feet**

Lake Okeechobee Management Zone/Band		Bottom Elevation (feet, NGVD)	Current Lake Stage
High Lake Management Band		17.25	
Operational Band	High sub-band	16.55	
	Intermediate sub-band	15.58	
	Low sub-band	13.50	← 14.79 ft
Base Flow sub-band		12.60	
Beneficial Use sub-band		11.75	
Water Shortage Management Band			

Part C of LORS2008: Discharge to WCAs

Up to Maximum Practicable to the WCAs if desirable or with minimum Everglades impact; otherwise no releases to WCAs.

Part D of LORS2008: Discharge to Tide

Up to 450 cfs at S-79 and up to 200 cfs at S-80.

LORS2008 Implementation on 3/22/2021 (ENSO Condition- La Nina):

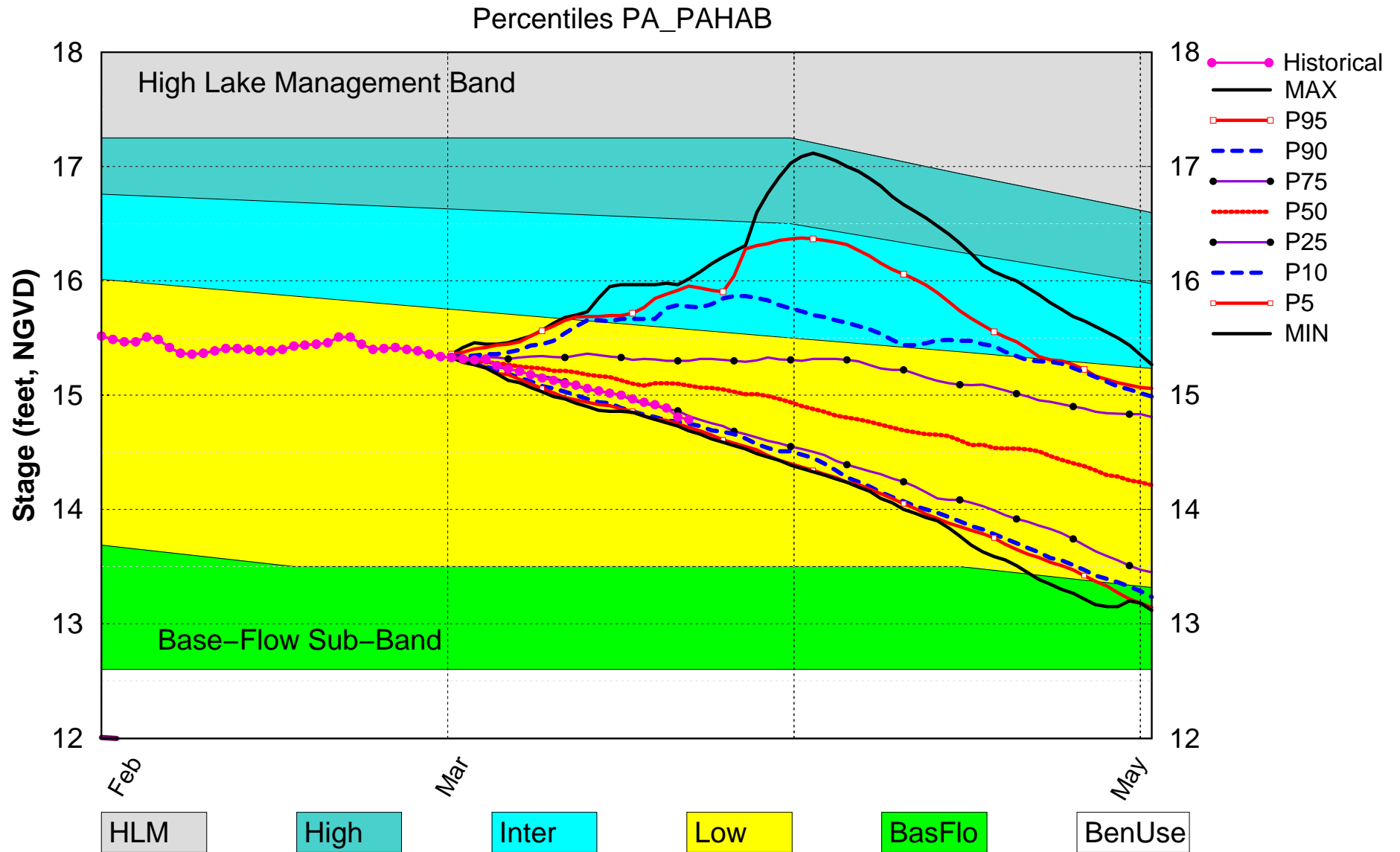
Status for week ending 3/22/2021:

Water Supply Risk Evaluation

Area	Indicator	Value	Color Coded Scoring Scheme
LOK	Projected LOK Stage for the next two months	Low Sub-band	M
	Palmer Drought Index for LOK Tributary Conditions	-0.96 (Normal to Extremely Wet)	L
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Below Normal	M
		3 months: Normal	L
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	0.80 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Dry	
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	2.14 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Normal	
WCAs	WCA 1: 3 Station Average (Site 1-7, 1-8T and 1-9)	Above Line 1 (16.49 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17	Above Line 1 (11.76 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Site 63, 64 and 65)	Above Line 1 (9.68 ft)	L
LEC	Service Area 1	Year-Round Irrigation Rule in effect	L
	Service Area 2	Year-Round Irrigation Rule in effect	L
	Service Area 3	Year-Round Irrigation Rule in effect	L

Note: The water supply risk classification based on the Palmer index, as well as the LOK seasonal and multi-seasonal net inflow outlooks use slightly different classification intervals than those used by the 2008-LORS.

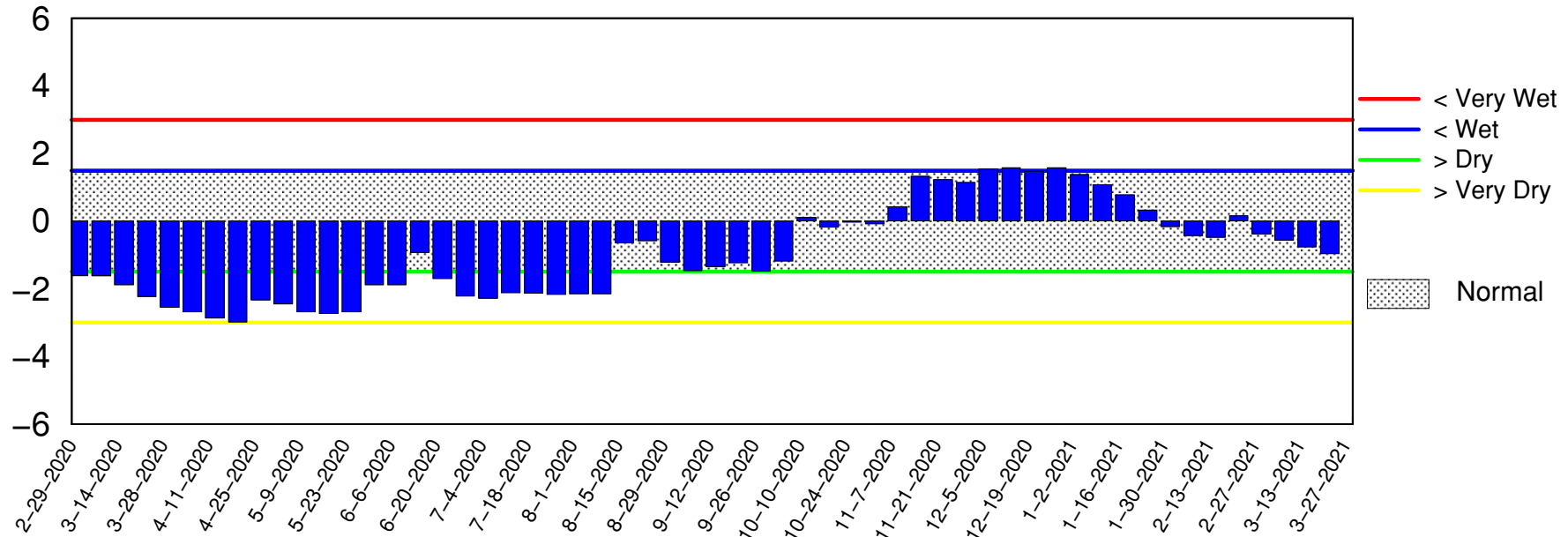
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM Mar 2021 Position Analysis



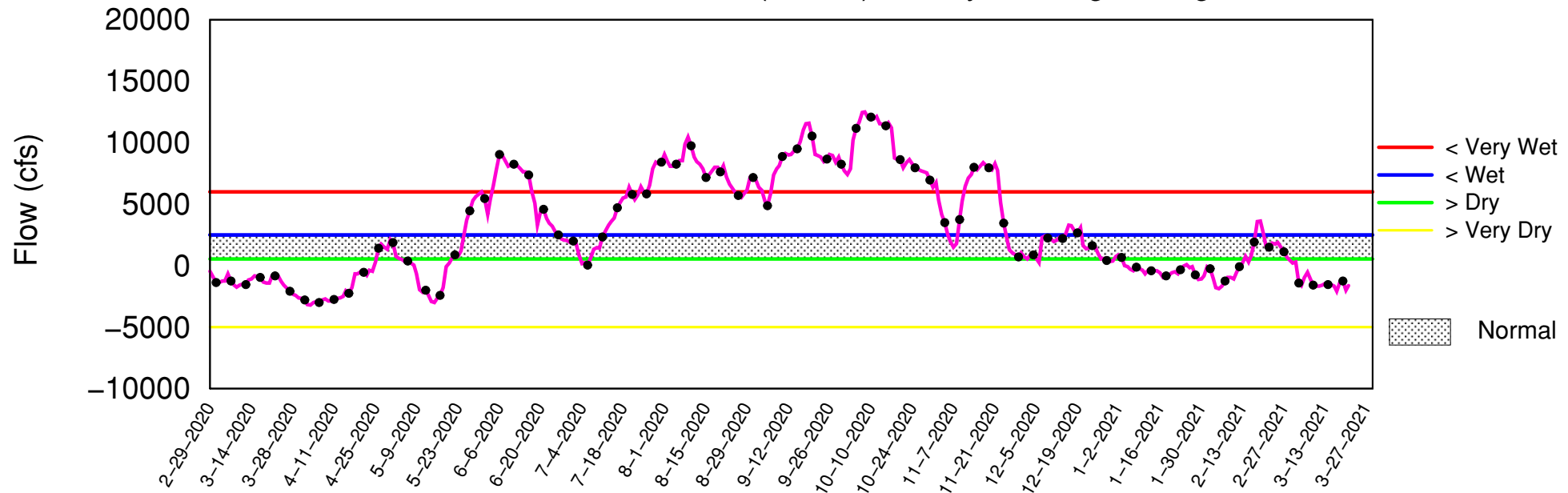
(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of March 22 2021

Palmer Index



Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow (LONIN) 14-day Running Average



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Part C: Establish Allowable Lake Okeechobee Releases to the Water Conservation Areas

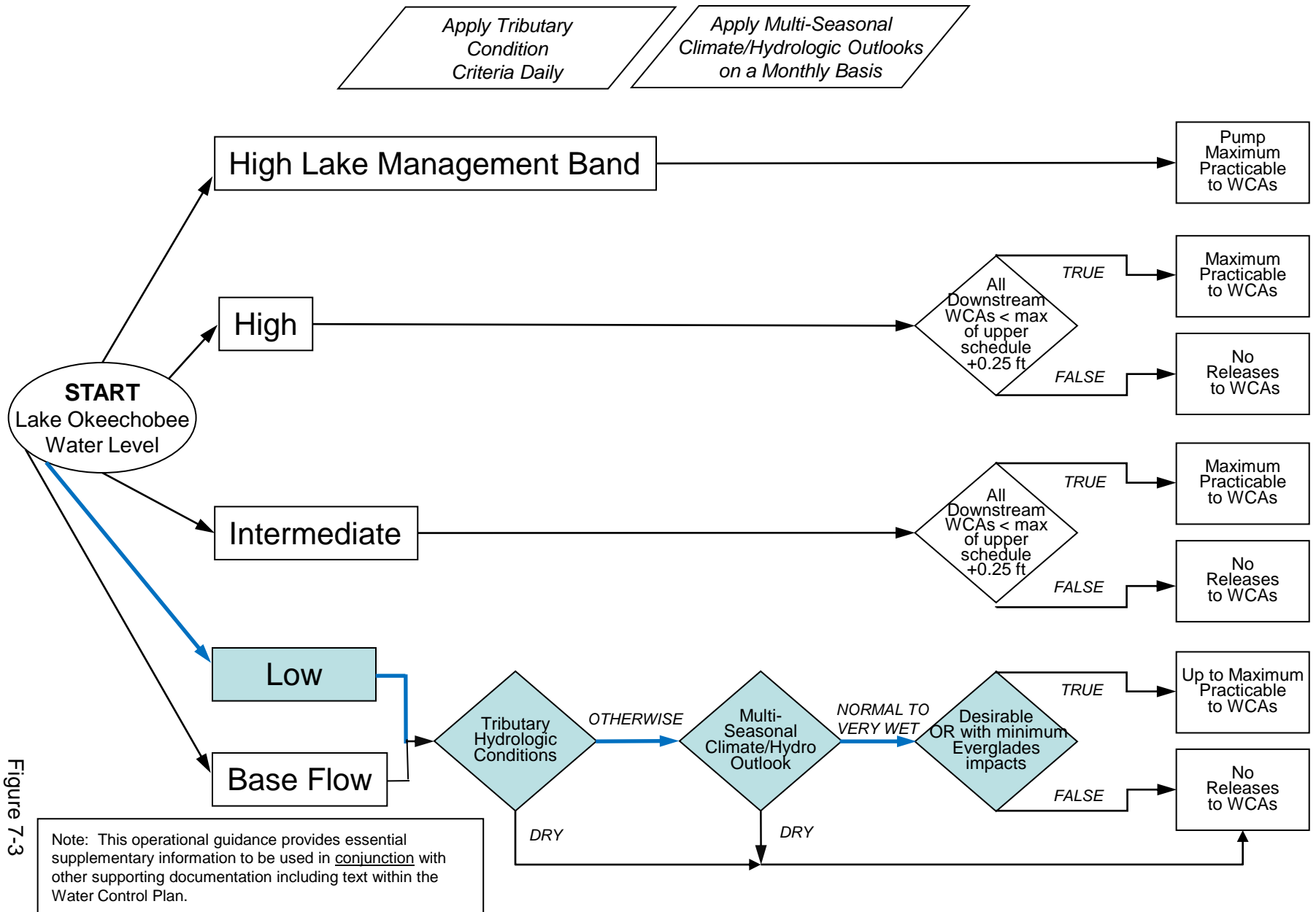


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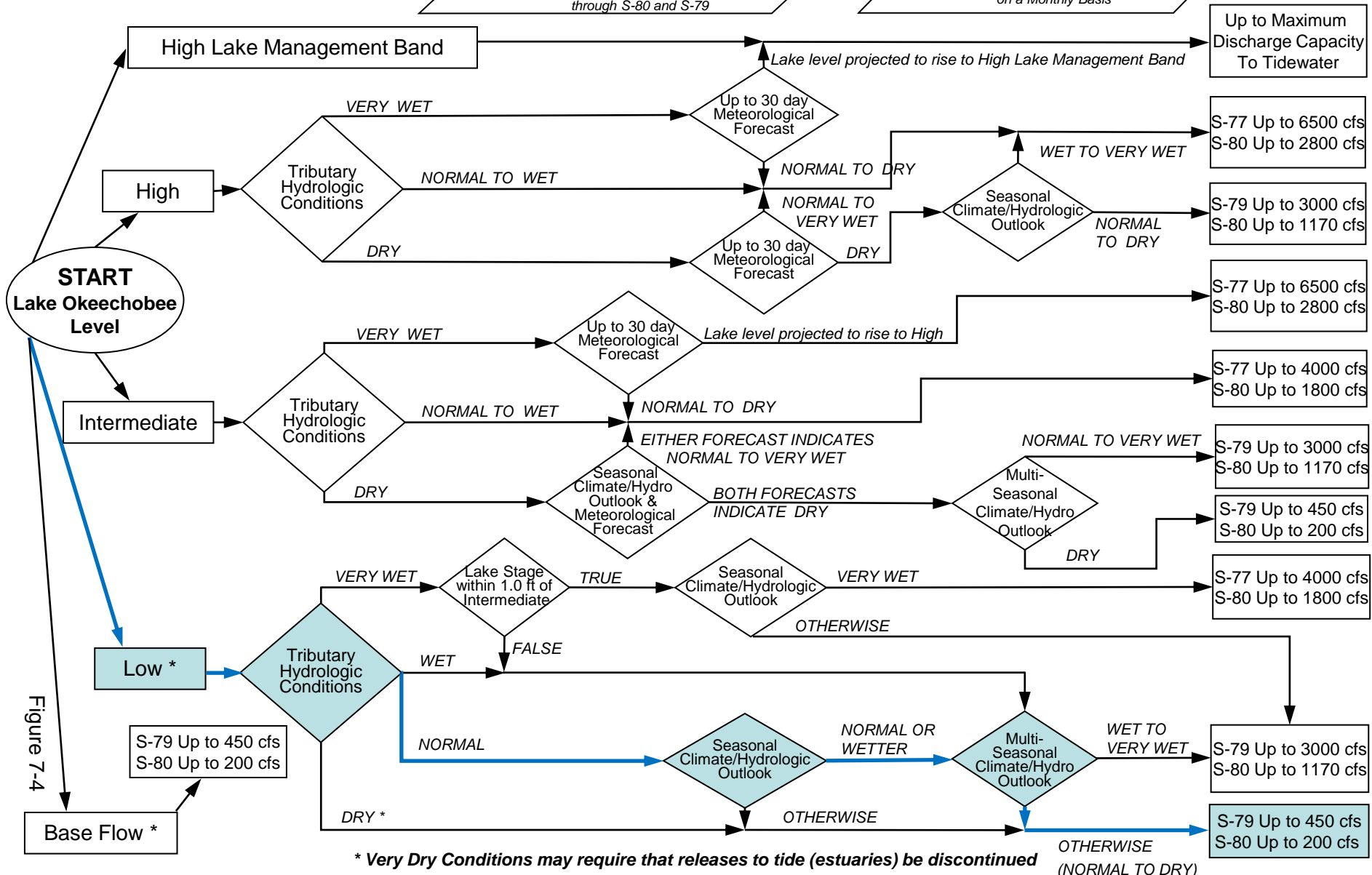
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Part D: Establish Allowable Lake Okeechobee Releases to Tide (Estuaries)

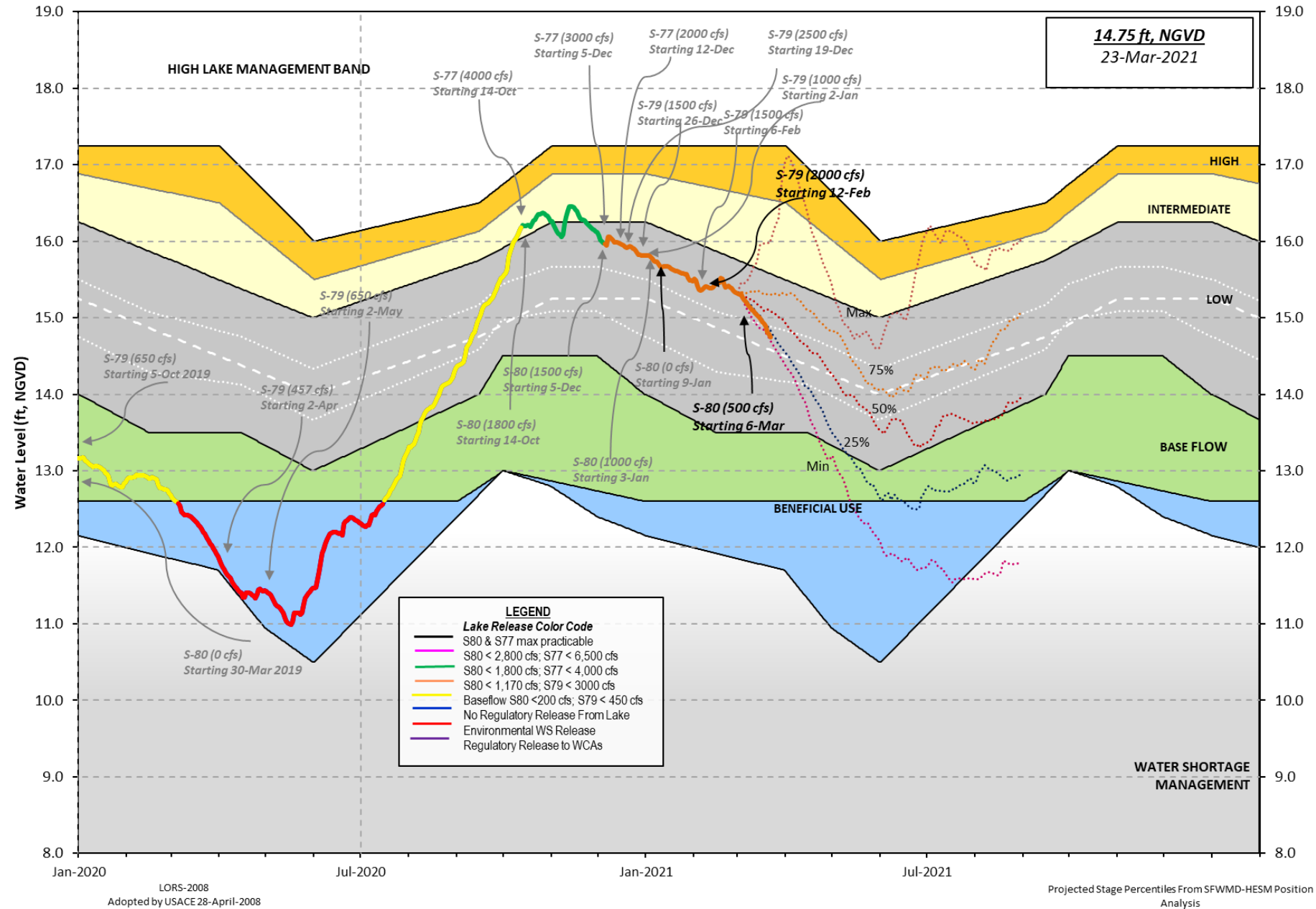
Note: This operational guidance provides essential supplementary information to be used in conjunction with other supporting documentation including text within the Water Control Plan.

When conducting Base Flow releases, flows can be distributed East and West up to 650 cfs as needed to minimize impacts or provide benefits through S-80 and S-79

Apply Meteorological Forecasts on a Weekly Basis; apply Seasonal and Multi-Seasonal Climate/Hydrologic Outlooks on a Monthly Basis



Lake Okeechobee Water Level History and Projected Stages



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Data Ending 2400 hours 21 MAR 2021

Okeechobee Lake Regulation	Elevation (ft-NGVD)	Last Year (ft-NGVD)	2YRS Ago (ft-NGVD)
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation	14.79	12.20	12.18 (Official Elv)
Bottom of High Lake Mngmt= 17.25 Top of Water Short Mngmt= 11.75			
Currently in Operational Management Band			

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000]	13.14
Difference from Average LORS2008	1.65

21MAR (1965-2007) Period of Record Average	14.40
Difference from POR Average	0.39

Today Lake Okeechobee elevation is determined from the 4 Int & 4 Edge stations

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1  8.73'
 ++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2  6.93'
 Bridge Clearance = 49.03'

4 Interior and 4 Edge Okeechobee Lake Average (Avg-Daily values):

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
14.70	14.73	14.84	14.78	14.78	14.98	14.84	14.63

*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 14.79
 (*See Note)

Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	855	S65EX1	0	Fisheating Cr	2
S154	0	S191	0	S135 Pumps	0
S84	0	S133 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S84X	0	S127 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S71	0	S129 Pumps	0	S4 Pumps	0
S72	0	S131 Pumps	0	C5	0
Total Inflows:	857				

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts	0	S354	754	S77	2087
S127 Culverts	0	S351	1356	S308	488
S129 Culverts	0	S352	385		
S131 Culverts	0	L8 Canal Pt	-NR-		
Total Outflows:	5070				

****S77 structure flow is being used to compute Total Outflow.
 ****S308 structure flow is being used to compute Total Outflow.

Okeechobee Pan Evaporation (inches):

S77	0.14	S308	0.03
Average Pan Evap x 0.75 Pan Coefficient = 0.06" = 0.01'			

Lake Average Precipitation using NEXRAD: = -NR-" = -NR-'

Evaporation - Precipitation: = -NR-" = -NR-'
 Evaporation - Precipitation using Lake Area of 730 square miles

is equal to -NR-
 Lake Okeechobee (Change in Storage) Flow is -4285 cfs or -8500 AC-FT

	Headwater Elevation (ft-msl)	Tailwater Elevation (ft-msl)	Disch (cfs)	----- Gate Positions -----							
				#1 (ft)	#2 (ft)	#3 (ft)	#4 (ft)	#5 (ft)	#6 (ft)	#7 (ft)	#8 (ft)
(I) see note at bottom											
North East Shore											
S133 Pumps:	13.66	14.67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)
S193:											
S191:	18.38	14.69	0	0.0	-NR-	0.0					
S135 Pumps:	13.21	14.67	0	0	0	0	0				(cfs)
S135 Culverts:			0	0.0	0.0						
North West Shore											
S65E:	20.90	14.57	855	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5		
S65EX1:	20.90	14.57	0								
S127 Pumps:	13.42	14.62	0	0	0	0	0	0			(cfs)
S127 Culvert:			0	0.0							
S129 Pumps:	12.98	14.63	0	0	0	0					(cfs)
S129 Culvert:			0	0.0							
S131 Pumps:	13.02	14.55	0	0	0						(cfs)
S131 Culvert:			0								
Fisheating Creek											
nr Palmdale		28.08	2								
nr Lakeport											
C5:		-NR-	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-					
South Shore											
S4 Pumps:	11.54	14.72	0	0	0	0					(cfs)
S169:	14.72	11.60	120	0.5	0.5	0.0					
S310:	14.70		108								
S3 Pumps:	11.48	14.83	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-					(cfs)
S354:	14.83	11.48	754	1.1	1.1						
S2 Pumps:	11.28	-NR-	0	0	0	0	0				(cfs)
S351:	-NR-	11.28	1356	1.6	1.6	1.5					
S352:	14.97	10.95	385	0.1	0.1						
C10A:	-NR-	14.61		8.0	8.0	8.0	0.0	0.0			
L8 Canal PT			-NR-								

S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway

S351:	11.28	-NR-	1356	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-
S352:	10.95	14.97	385	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-
S354:	11.48	14.83	754	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-

Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)

S47B:	14.15	12.62		1.5	1.5		
S47D:	12.43	11.22	47	1.0			
S77:							
Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:							
	14.42	11.17	2078	2.5	3.0	3.0	0.0
Flow Due to Lockages+:							
			9				

S78:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

11.10 3.26 1639 2.0 0.0 2.5 0.5
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 21

S79:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

3.35 1.36 2002 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 14
 Percent of flow from S77 104%
 Chloride (ppm) 0

St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)

S308:

Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:

14.86 14.47 486 0.0 4.0 0.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 2

S153: 18.75 14.12 0 0.0 0.0

S80:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

14.38 0.73 382 0.0 0.0 0.5 0.0 0.5 0.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 26
 Percent of flow from S308 127%

Steele Point Top Salinity (mg/ml) ****

Steele Point Bottom Salinity (mg/ml) ****

Speedy Point Top Salinity (mg/ml) ****

Speedy Point Bottom Salinity (mg/ml) ****

+ Flow Due to lockages is computed utilizing average daily headwater and tailwater along with total number of lockages for the day to calculate a volume which is then converted to an average discharge in cfs.

++ Preferred flow is determined from either the spillway discharge or the below flow meter daily

Daily Precipitation Totals	1-Day (inches)	3-Day (inches)	7-Day (inches)	----- Wind -----	
				Direction (Deg)	Speed (mph)
S133 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S193:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	-NR-	-NR-
Okeechobee Field Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S135 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S127 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S129 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S131 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S77:	0.00	0.00	0.00	271	4
S78:	0.00	0.00	0.00	293	5
S79:	0.00	0.00	0.07	206	6
S4 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
Clewiston Field Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S3 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S2 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
S308:	0.00	0.00	0.00	318	15
S80:	0.00	0.00	0.00	313	3
Okeechobee Average (Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)	0.00	0.00	0.00		

Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	-NR-	0.00	0.00		

Okeechobee Lake Elevations	21 MAR 2021	14.79	Difference from 21MAR21
21MAR21 -1 Day =	20 MAR 2021	14.81	0.02

21MAR21	-2 Days =	19 MAR 2021	14.89	0.10
21MAR21	-3 Days =	18 MAR 2021	14.92	0.13
21MAR21	-4 Days =	17 MAR 2021	14.94	0.15
21MAR21	-5 Days =	16 MAR 2021	14.97	0.18
21MAR21	-6 Days =	15 MAR 2021	15.00	0.21
21MAR21	-7 Days =	14 MAR 2021	15.02	0.23
21MAR21	-30 Days =	19 FEB 2021	15.51	0.72
21MAR21	-1 Year =	21 MAR 2020	12.20	-2.59
21MAR21	-2 Year =	21 MAR 2019	12.18	-2.61

Long Term Mean 30day Avearge ET for Lake Alfred (Inches) = -NR-

Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow (LONIN)

Average Flow over the previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
21MAR21	Today =	21 MAR 2021	-1645	MON	1205
21MAR21	-1 Day =	20 MAR 2021	-2031	SUN	-12746
21MAR21	-2 Days =	19 MAR 2021	-1266	SAT	-2012
21MAR21	-3 Days =	18 MAR 2021	-1382	FRI	815
21MAR21	-4 Days =	17 MAR 2021	-2119	THU	-803
21MAR21	-5 Days =	16 MAR 2021	-1692	WED	-757
21MAR21	-6 Days =	15 MAR 2021	-1577	TUE	605
21MAR21	-7 Days =	14 MAR 2021	-1560	MON	-86
21MAR21	-8 Days =	13 MAR 2021	-1483	SUN	-303
21MAR21	-9 Days =	12 MAR 2021	-1588	SAT	-2604
21MAR21	-10 Days =	11 MAR 2021	-1667	FRI	1645
21MAR21	-11 Days =	10 MAR 2021	-1696	THU	-2878
21MAR21	-12 Days =	09 MAR 2021	-1585	WED	-1189
21MAR21	-13 Days =	08 MAR 2021	-1150	TUE	-3928

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Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
21MAR21	Today=	21 MAR 2021	1020	MON	979
21MAR21	-1 Day =	20 MAR 2021	1027	SUN	991
21MAR21	-2 Days =	19 MAR 2021	1034	SAT	1005
21MAR21	-3 Days =	18 MAR 2021	1038	FRI	999
21MAR21	-4 Days =	17 MAR 2021	1044	THU	995
21MAR21	-5 Days =	16 MAR 2021	1049	WED	1016
21MAR21	-6 Days =	15 MAR 2021	1056	TUE	1046
21MAR21	-7 Days =	14 MAR 2021	1058	MON	1025
21MAR21	-8 Days =	13 MAR 2021	1059	SUN	1034
21MAR21	-9 Days =	12 MAR 2021	1063	SAT	1040
21MAR21	-10 Days =	11 MAR 2021	1073	FRI	1048
21MAR21	-11 Days =	10 MAR 2021	1081	THU	1014
21MAR21	-12 Days =	09 MAR 2021	1091	WED	1040
21MAR21	-13 Days =	08 MAR 2021	1104	TUE	1049

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Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
21MAR21	Today=	21 MAR 2021	0	MON	0
21MAR21	-1 Day =	20 MAR 2021	0	SUN	0
21MAR21	-2 Days =	19 MAR 2021	0	SAT	0
21MAR21	-3 Days =	18 MAR 2021	0	FRI	0
21MAR21	-4 Days =	17 MAR 2021	0	THU	0
21MAR21	-5 Days =	16 MAR 2021	0	WED	0
21MAR21	-6 Days =	15 MAR 2021	0	TUE	0
21MAR21	-7 Days =	14 MAR 2021	0	MON	0
21MAR21	-8 Days =	13 MAR 2021	0	SUN	0
21MAR21	-9 Days =	12 MAR 2021	0	SAT	0
21MAR21	-10 Days =	11 MAR 2021	0	FRI	0
21MAR21	-11 Days =	10 MAR 2021	0	THU	0
21MAR21	-12 Days =	09 MAR 2021	0	WED	0
21MAR21	-13 Days =	08 MAR 2021	1	TUE	0

Lake Okeechobee Outlets Last 14 Days

		S-77	Below S-77	S-78	S-79
		Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
		(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)
DATE		(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
21 MAR 2021		4116	3988	3291	3992
20 MAR 2021		4407	4246	3163	4122
19 MAR 2021		3522	3440	2924	4519
18 MAR 2021		3458	3472	2934	3633
17 MAR 2021		3569	3561	2953	3807
16 MAR 2021		3628	3639	2958	3661
15 MAR 2021		3633	3690	2945	4124
14 MAR 2021		3670	3599	2955	3640
13 MAR 2021		3743	3714	2956	4421
12 MAR 2021		3815	3734	2883	4335
11 MAR 2021		3711	3636	2865	3918
10 MAR 2021		3183	3146	2903	3890
09 MAR 2021		3143	3117	2916	4015
08 MAR 2021		2747	2689	2958	4331

		S-310	S-351	S-352	S-354	L8 Canal Pt
		Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
		(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)
DATE		(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
21 MAR 2021		215	2688	763	1496	-NR-
20 MAR 2021		222	872	347	2124	-NR-
19 MAR 2021		210	1002	784	1878	-NR-
18 MAR 2021		237	2042	791	1661	-NR-
17 MAR 2021		255	2221	1018	1832	-NR-
16 MAR 2021		287	2152	1094	1886	-NR-
15 MAR 2021		69	2360	993	1112	-NR-
14 MAR 2021		17	2222	668	476	-NR-
13 MAR 2021		157	1684	622	618	-NR-
12 MAR 2021		268	1565	866	259	-NR-
11 MAR 2021		156	1216	708	117	-NR-
10 MAR 2021		56	927	796	163	-NR-
09 MAR 2021		44	595	202	0	-NR-
08 MAR 2021		10	607	0	0	-NR-

		S-308	Below S-308	S-80
		Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
		(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(ALL-DAY)
DATE		(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
21 MAR 2021		994	954	812
20 MAR 2021		605	635	549
19 MAR 2021		1092	764	785
18 MAR 2021		1626	1699	1143
17 MAR 2021		1935	2242	1368
16 MAR 2021		1902	2149	1654
15 MAR 2021		1228	1269	1231
14 MAR 2021		876	690	818
13 MAR 2021		771	788	557
12 MAR 2021		780	1099	808
11 MAR 2021		1333	1602	1119
10 MAR 2021		1711	2029	1370
09 MAR 2021		1876	2279	1566
08 MAR 2021		1316	1454	1225

*** NOTE: Discharge (ALL DAY) is computed using Spillway, Sector Gate and Lockages Discharges from 0015 hrs to 2400 hrs.

(I) - Flows preceeded by "I" signify an instantaneous flow computed from the single value reported for the day

* On 11 May 1999, Lake Okeechobee Elevation was switched from Instantaneous 2400 value to an average-daily lake average.
On 14 Mar 2001, due to the isolation of various gages within the standard 10 stations, the average of the interior 4 station gages was used as the Lake Okeechobee Elevation.
On 05 November 2010, Lake Okeechobee Elevation was switched to a 9 gage mix of interior and edge gages to obtain a more reliable representation of the lake level.
On 09 May 2011, Lake Okeechobee Elevation was switched to a 8 gage mix of interior and edge gages to obtain a more reliable representation of the lake level due to isolation of S135 from low lake levels.
Today Lake Okeechobee elevation is determined from the 4 Int & 4 Edge stations

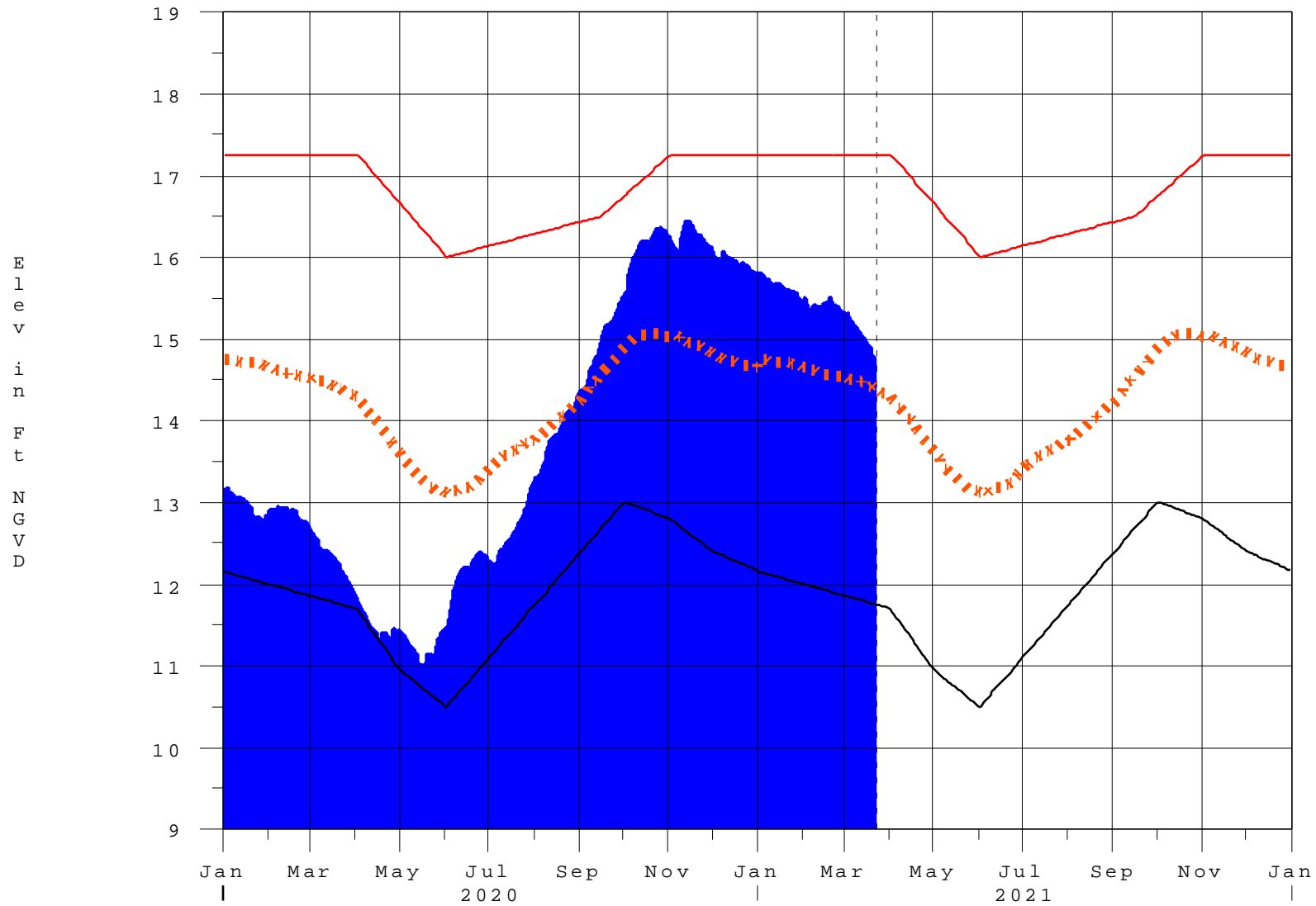
++ For more information see the Jacksonville District Navigation website at <http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/>

\$ For information regarding Lake Okeechobee Service Area water restrictions please refer to www.sfwmd.gov

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Lake Okeechobee

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- High Lake Management
- Okeechobee Avg Elev
- Average Elev [1965-2007]
- Water Shortage Management

Classification Tables

Supplemental Tables used in conjunction with the LORS2008 Release

Guidance Flow Charts

- [Class Limits for Tributary Hydrologic Conditions](#)

Table K-2 in the Lake Okeechobee Water Control Plan

- [6-15 Day Precipitation Outlook Categories](#)

Table ?? in the Lake Okeechobee Water Control Plan

- [Classification of Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow for Seasonal Outlook](#)

Table K-3 in the Lake Okeechobee Water Control Plan

- [Classification of Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow for Multi-Seasonal Outlook](#)

Table K-4 in the Lake Okeechobee Water Control Plan

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Tributary Hydrologic Classification*	Palmer Index Class Limits	2-wk Mean L.O. Net Inflow Class Limits
Very Wet	3.0 or greater	Greater \geq 6000 cfs
Wet	1.5 to 2.99	2500 - 5999 cfs
Near Normal	-1.49 to 1.49	500 - 2499 cfs
Dry	-2.99 to -1.5	-5000 – 500 cfs
Very Dry	-3.0 or less	Less than -5000 cfs

* use the wettest of the two indicators

Classification of Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Seasonal Outlook*

Lake Net Inflow Prediction [million acre-feet]	Equivalent Depth** [feet]	Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Seasonal Outlook
> 0.93	> 2.0	Very Wet
0.71 to 0.93	1.51 to 2.0	Wet
0.35 to 0.70	0.75 to 1.5	Normal
< 0.35	< 0.75	Dry

****Volume-depth conversion based on average lake surface area of 467,000 acres**

Classification of Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Multi-Seasonal Outlook^{*}

Lake Net Inflow Prediction [million acre-feet]	Equivalent Depth^{**} [feet]	Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Multi-Seasonal Outlook
> 2.0	> 4.3	Very Wet
1.18 to 2.0	2.51 to 4.3	Wet
0.5 to 1.17	1.1 to 2.5	Normal
< 0.5	< 1.1	Dry

^{}Volume-depth conversion based on average lake surface area of 467,000 acres**

6-15 Day Precipitation Outlook Categories*

6-15 Day Precipitation Outlook Categories	WSE Decision Tree Categories
Above Normal	Wet to Very Wet
Normal	Normal
Below Normal	Dry

*** Corresponds to Table 7-6 in the Lake Okeechobee Water Control Plan**

Under Construction