

# Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 2/14/2022 (ENSO Condition: La Niña)

## Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook:

The Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook has been computed using 4 methods: Croley's method<sup>1</sup>, the SFWMD empirical method<sup>2</sup>, a sub-sampling of La Nina years<sup>3</sup> and a sub-sampling of warm years of the Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation (AMO) in combination with La Nina ENSO years<sup>4</sup>. 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 <sup>1*</sup>		SFWMD Empirical Method <sup>2</sup>		Sub-sampling of La Nina ENSO Years <sup>3</sup>		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + La Nina ENSO Years <sup>4</sup>	
	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>
Current (Jan-Jun)	N/A	N/A	0.52	Dry	0.09	Dry	0.33	Dry
Multi Seasonal (Jan-Oct)	N/A	N/A	2.59	Wet	1.97	Normal	1.95	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:***

**477 cfs** 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 2/07/2022.  
According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Dry.

**-2.37** for Palmer Drought Index on 2/14/2022.  
According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Extremely Dry.

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

## **LORS2008 Classification Tables:**

### **Lake Okeechobee Stage on 2/14/2022:**

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **14.88 feet**

Lake Okeechobee Management Zone/Band		Bottom Elevation (feet, NGVD)	Current Lake Stage
High Lake Management Band		17.25	
Operational Band	High sub-band	16.70	
	Intermediate sub-band	15.89	
	Low sub-band	13.52	← 14.88 ft
Base Flow sub-band		12.60	
Beneficial Use sub-band		11.93	
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.

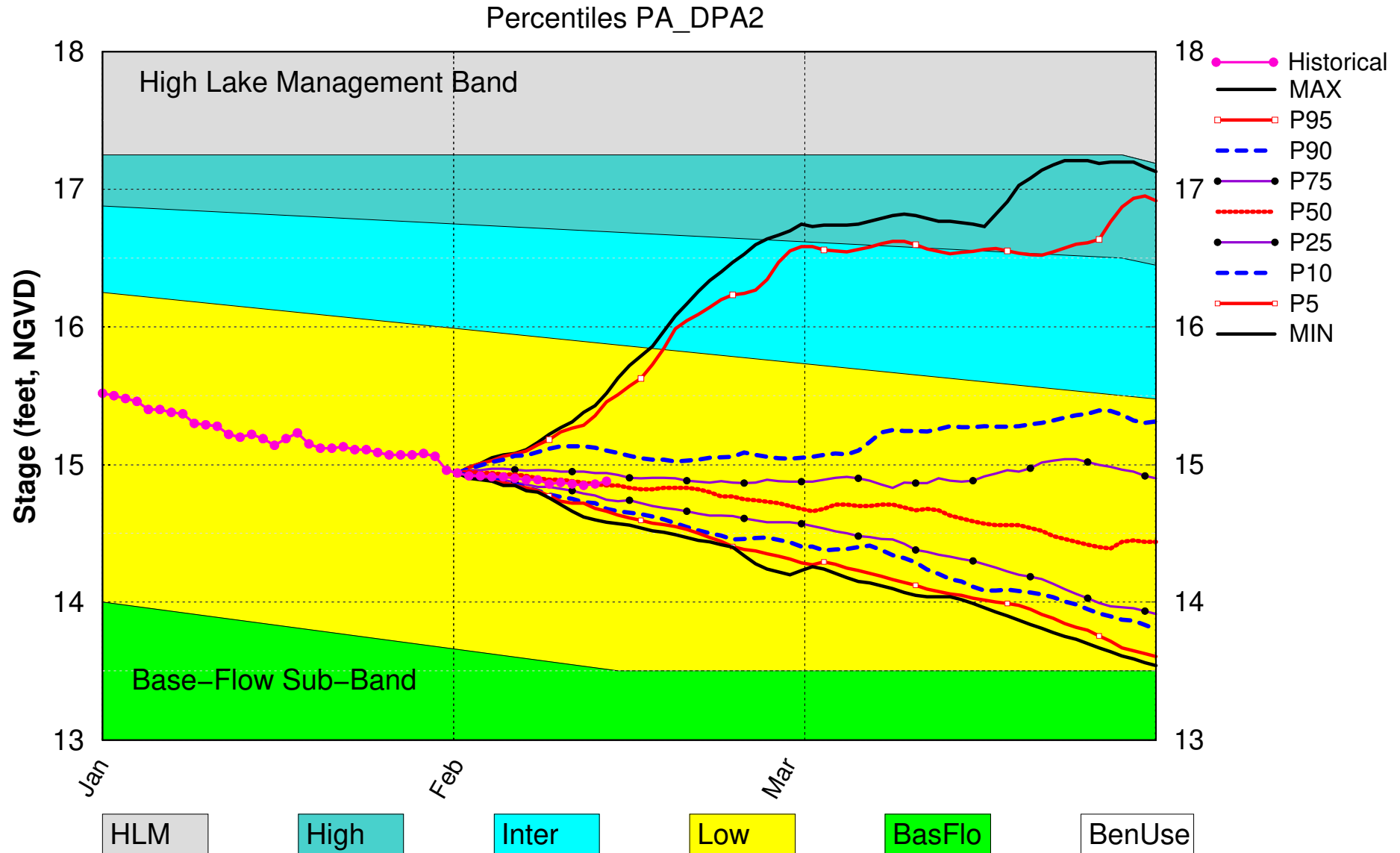
**LORS2008 Implementation on 02/14/2022 (ENSO Condition- La Nina Watch):****Status for week ending 02/14/2022:****Water Supply Risk Evaluation**

Area	Indicator	Value	Color Coded Scoring Scheme
<b>LOK</b>	Projected LOK Stage for the next two months	Low Sub-band	M
	Palmer Drought Index for LOK Tributary Conditions	-2.37 (Extremely Dry)	H
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Below Normal	M
		3 months: Below Normal	H
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	0.29 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Dry	
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	2.18 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Normal	
<b>WCAs</b>	WCA 1: 3 Station Average (Sites 1-7, 1-8T and 1-9)	Above Line 1 (17.08 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17	Above Line 1 (12.20 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Sites 63, 64, and 65)	Above Line 1 (9.52 ft)	L
<b>LEC</b>	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

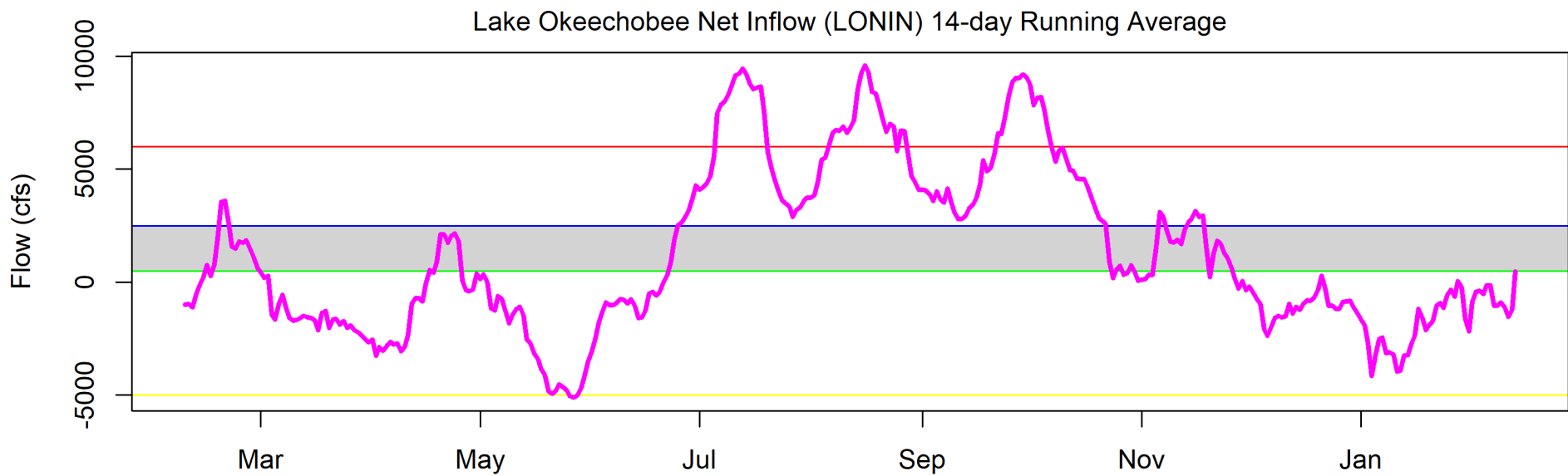
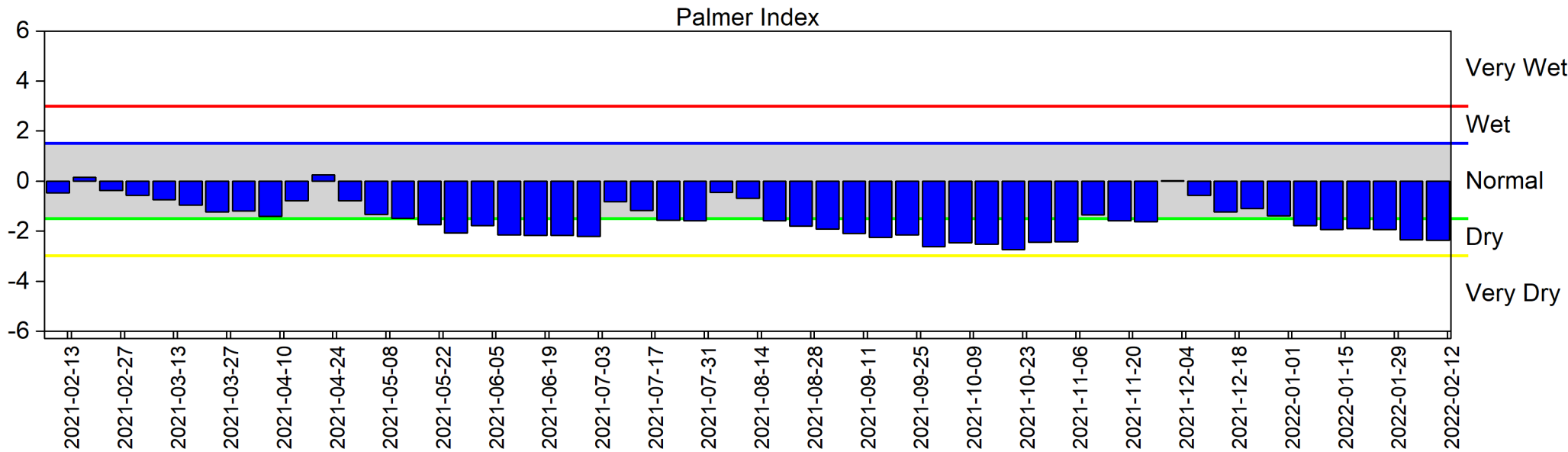
Note: The water supply risk classification based on the Palmer index, as well as the LOK seasonal and multi-seasonal net inflow outlooks use slightly different classification intervals than those used by the 2008-LORS.

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# Lake Okeechobee SFWMM Feb 2022 Position Analysis



(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)



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

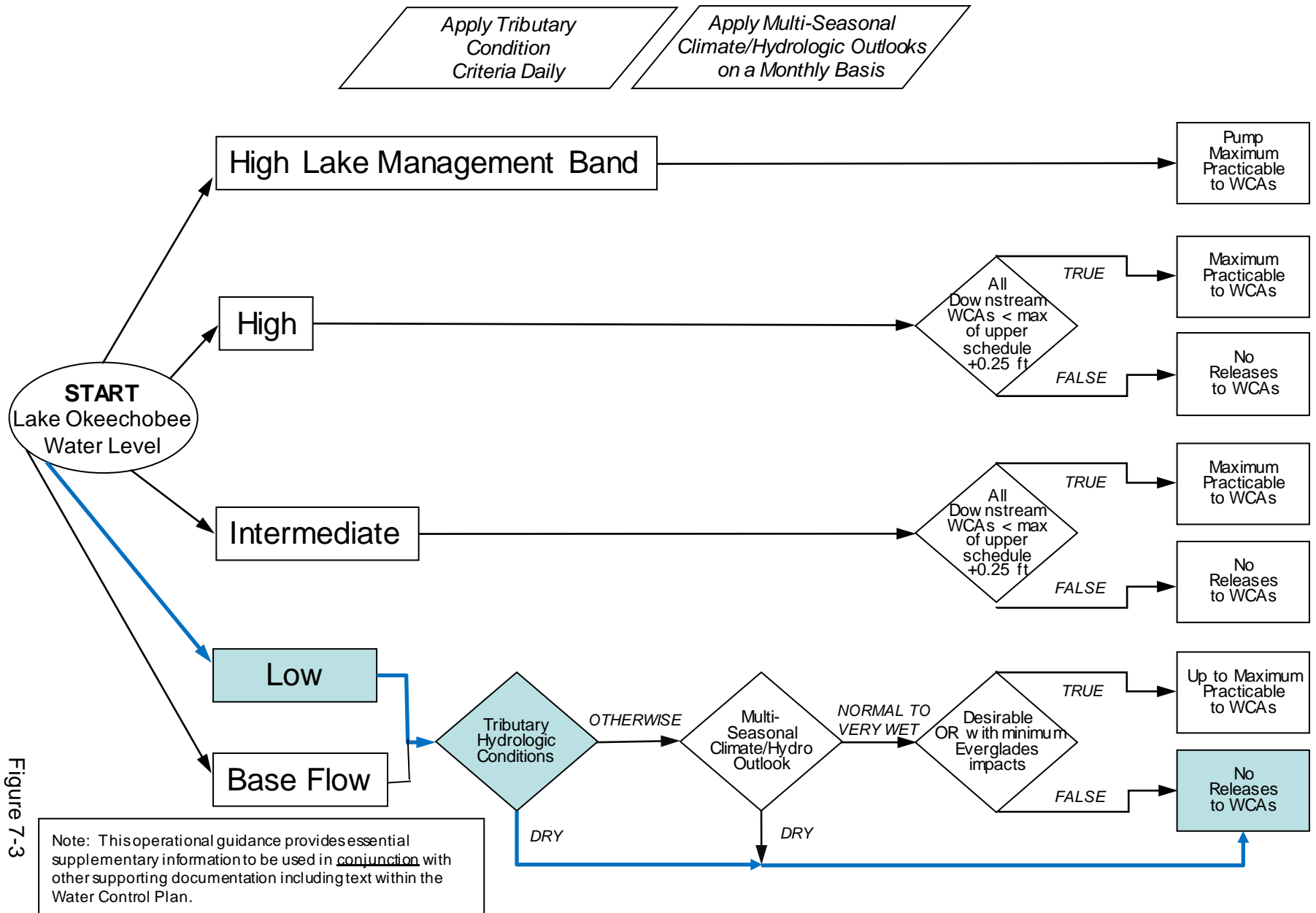


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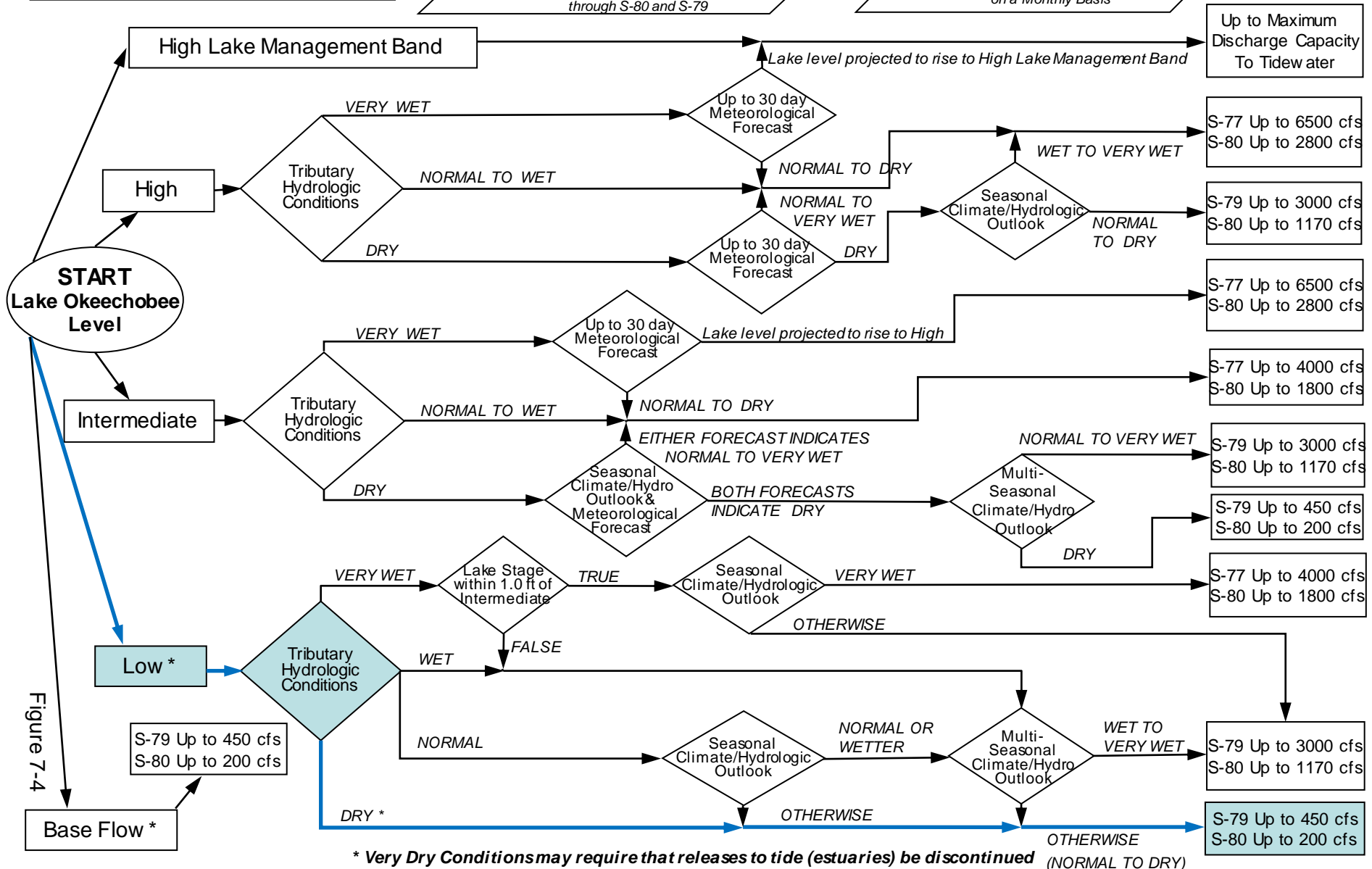
# 2008 LORS

## 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.

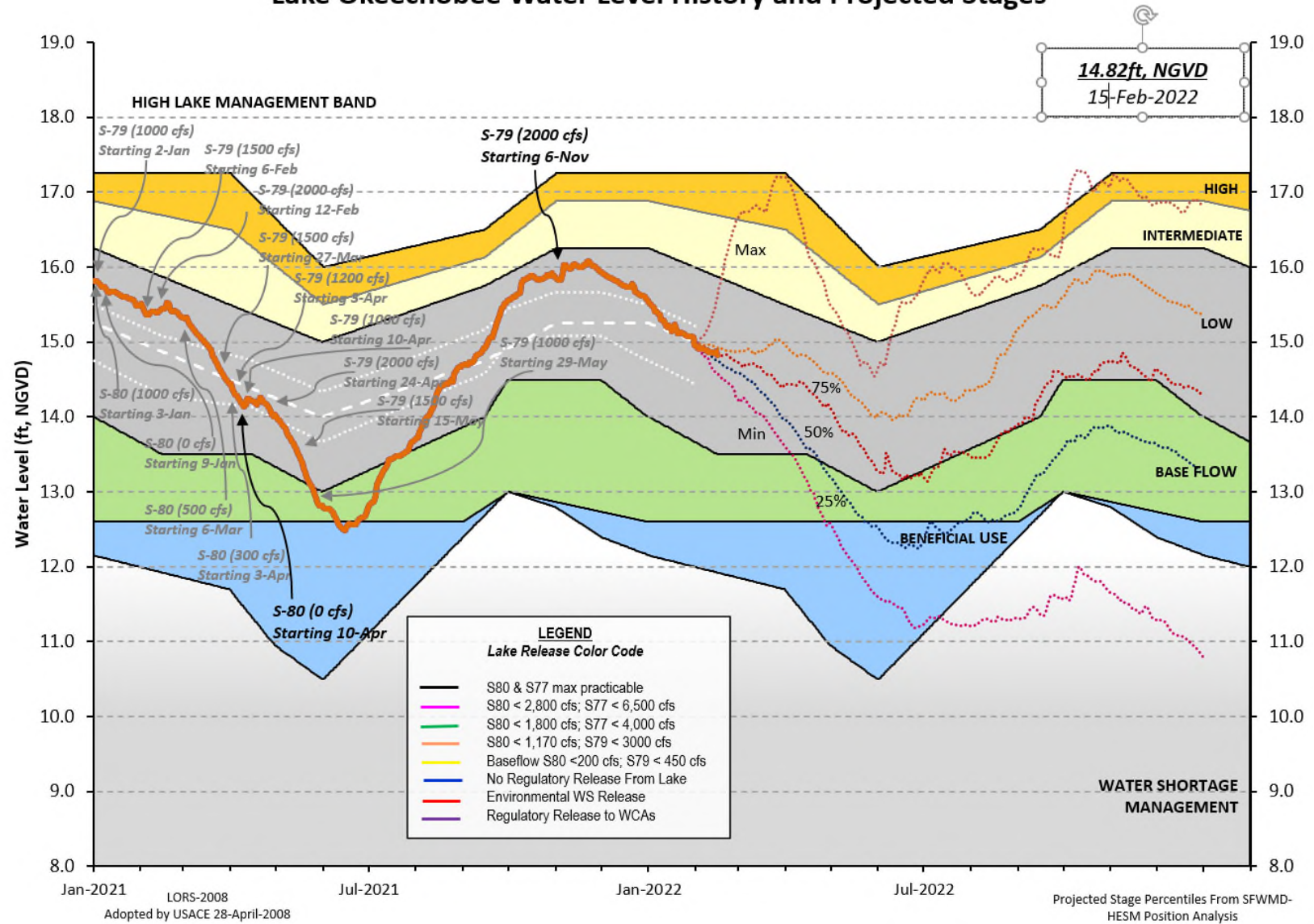
When conducting Base Flow releases, flows can be distributed East and West up to 650 cfs as needed to minimize impacts or provide benefits through S-80 and S-79

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



U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District  
 Lake Okeechobee and Vicinity Report  
 \*\* Preliminary Data - Subject to Revision \*\*

Data Ending 2400 hours    13 FEB 2022

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Okeechobee Lake Regulation	Elevation (ft-NGVD)	Last Year (ft-NGVD)	2YRS Ago (ft-NGVD)
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation	14.88	15.40	12.93 (Official Elv)
Bottom of High Lake Mngmt= 17.25    Top of Water Short Mngmt= 11.93			
Currently in Operational Management Band			

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000]	13.41
Difference from Average LORS2008	1.47

13FEB (1965-2007) Period of Record Average	14.58
Difference from POR Average	0.30

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

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1 ÷ 8.82'

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2 ÷ 7.02'

Bridge Clearance = 49.32'

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

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
14.76	14.76	14.92	14.87	-NR-	15.10	14.93	14.72

\*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 14.88  
 (\*See Note)

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Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	1140	S65EX1	0	Fisheating Cr	14
S154	0	S191	0	S135 Pumps	0
S84	2	S133 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S84X	1	S127 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S71	0	S129 Pumps	0	S4 Pumps	0
S72	0	S131 Pumps	0	C5	0
Total Inflows:    1156					

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts	-NR-	S354	0	S77	937
S127 Culverts	0	S351	0	S308	1
S129 Culverts	0	S352	0		
S131 Culverts	0	L8 Canal Pt	-NR-		
Total Outflows:    938					



S3 Pumps:	10.83	15.49	0	0	0	0		(cfs)
S354:	15.49	10.83	0	0.0	0.0			
S2 Pumps:	10.70	-NR-	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)
S351:	-NR-	10.70	0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
S352:	15.39	10.81	0	0.0	0.0			
C10A:	-NR-	15.01		8.0	8.0	8.0	0.0	0.0
L8 Canal PT		15.04	-NR-					

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S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway

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S351:	10.70	-NR-	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-
S352:	10.81	15.39	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-		
S354:	10.83	15.49	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-		

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Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)

S47B:	13.29	12.72		2.0	2.0
S47D:	12.68	10.92	0	0.0	

S77:

Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:

14.29	10.82	935	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0
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Flow Due to Lockages+: 2

S78:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

10.80	2.71	1158	2.0	0.0	2.5	0.0
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Flow Due to Lockages+: -NR-

S79:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

2.87	1.64	1623	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.0
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Flow Due to Lockages+: 4

Percent of flow from S77 58%

Chloride (ppm) 0

St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)

S308:

Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:

15.17	14.18	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Flow Due to Lockages+: 1

S153:	19.02	14.04	0	0.0	0.0
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S80:

Spillway and Sector Flow:

14.31	0.44	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Flow Due to Lockages+: 0

Percent of flow from S308 NA %

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

----- Wind -----					
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Daily Precipitation Totals	1-Day	3-Day	7-Day	Direction	
Speed	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)	(Degø)	
(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:	0.06	0.06	0.45	306	10
S78:	0.05	0.05	0.59	306	4
S79:	0.19	0.19	0.39	245	4
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:	0.09	0.19	0.34	322	31
S80:	0.05	0.07	0.30	314	8
Okeechobee Average	0.07	0.02	0.06		
(Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)					
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Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
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Okeechobee Lake Elevations	13 FEB 2022	14.88	Difference from
13FEB22			
13FEB22 -1 Day =	12 FEB 2022	14.86	-0.02
13FEB22 -2 Days =	11 FEB 2022	14.85	-0.03
13FEB22 -3 Days =	10 FEB 2022	14.86	-0.02
13FEB22 -4 Days =	09 FEB 2022	14.87	-0.01
13FEB22 -5 Days =	08 FEB 2022	14.86	-0.02
13FEB22 -6 Days =	07 FEB 2022	14.88	0.00
13FEB22 -7 Days =	06 FEB 2022	14.89	0.01
13FEB22 -30 Days =	14 JAN 2022	15.19	0.31
13FEB22 -1 Year =	13 FEB 2021	15.40	0.52
13FEB22 -2 Year =	13 FEB 2020	12.93	-1.95

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

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Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow (LONIN)  
 Average Flow over the previous 14 days | Avg-Daily Flow

13FEB22	Today =	13 FEB 2022	469	MON	5357
13FEB22	-1 Day =	12 FEB 2022	-987	SUN	3077
13FEB22	-2 Days =	11 FEB 2022	-1150	SAT	-411
13FEB22	-3 Days =	10 FEB 2022	-610	FRI	-708
13FEB22	-4 Days =	09 FEB 2022	-255	THU	3602
13FEB22	-5 Days =	08 FEB 2022	-409	WED	-2863
13FEB22	-6 Days =	07 FEB 2022	-410	TUE	-567
13FEB22	-7 Days =	06 FEB 2022	-558	MON	-127
13FEB22	-8 Days =	05 FEB 2022	-401	SUN	116
13FEB22	-9 Days =	04 FEB 2022	-635	SAT	2076
13FEB22	-10 Days =	03 FEB 2022	-539	FRI	2029
13FEB22	-11 Days =	02 FEB 2022	-572	THU	2037
13FEB22	-12 Days =	01 FEB 2022	-977	WED	-1788
13FEB22	-13 Days =	31 JAN 2022	-1894	TUE	-5260

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S65E					
Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
13FEB22	Today=	13 FEB 2022	1220	MON	1282
13FEB22	-1 Day =	12 FEB 2022	1208	SUN	1234
13FEB22	-2 Days =	11 FEB 2022	1196	SAT	1248
13FEB22	-3 Days =	10 FEB 2022	1181	FRI	1253
13FEB22	-4 Days =	09 FEB 2022	1160	THU	1250
13FEB22	-5 Days =	08 FEB 2022	1131	WED	1226
13FEB22	-6 Days =	07 FEB 2022	1095	TUE	1231
13FEB22	-7 Days =	06 FEB 2022	1046	MON	1209
13FEB22	-8 Days =	05 FEB 2022	992	SUN	1228
13FEB22	-9 Days =	04 FEB 2022	935	SAT	1257
13FEB22	-10 Days =	03 FEB 2022	873	FRI	1155
13FEB22	-11 Days =	02 FEB 2022	820	THU	1162
13FEB22	-12 Days =	01 FEB 2022	766	WED	1203
13FEB22	-13 Days =	31 JAN 2022	709	TUE	1136

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S65EX1					
Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
13FEB22	Today=	13 FEB 2022	0	MON	0
13FEB22	-1 Day =	12 FEB 2022	0	SUN	0
13FEB22	-2 Days =	11 FEB 2022	0	SAT	0
13FEB22	-3 Days =	10 FEB 2022	0	FRI	0
13FEB22	-4 Days =	09 FEB 2022	0	THU	0
13FEB22	-5 Days =	08 FEB 2022	0	WED	0
13FEB22	-6 Days =	07 FEB 2022	0	TUE	0
13FEB22	-7 Days =	06 FEB 2022	0	MON	0
13FEB22	-8 Days =	05 FEB 2022	0	SUN	0
13FEB22	-9 Days =	04 FEB 2022	0	SAT	0
13FEB22	-10 Days =	03 FEB 2022	0	FRI	0
13FEB22	-11 Days =	02 FEB 2022	0	THU	0
13FEB22	-12 Days =	01 FEB 2022	0	WED	0
13FEB22	-13 Days =	31 JAN 2022	0	TUE	0

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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)
13 FEB 2022			1902	1890	-NR-	3224
12 FEB 2022			1426	1657	1986	3579
11 FEB 2022			2867	3069	2622	3686
10 FEB 2022			2895	3249	3127	4000
09 FEB 2022			2847	3083	3011	4128
08 FEB 2022			2852	3073	2614	4044
07 FEB 2022			3157	3562	2857	3876
06 FEB 2022			3652	3767	3544	4056
05 FEB 2022			3227	2693	3090	4366
04 FEB 2022			2775	1753	2380	3254
03 FEB 2022			3556	2171	2275	2864
02 FEB 2022			3658	2193	1863	3429
01 FEB 2022			-NR-	2487	2407	4980
31 JAN 2022			-NR-	4767	3525	3824

			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)
13 FEB 2022			10	0	0	0	-NR-
12 FEB 2022			0	183	56	33	-NR-
11 FEB 2022			-12	63	346	207	-NR-
10 FEB 2022			4	0	0	0	-NR-
09 FEB 2022			41	0	0	0	-NR-
08 FEB 2022			479462	0	0	0	-NR-
07 FEB 2022			68	0	0	0	-NR-
06 FEB 2022			42	69	0	46	-NR-
05 FEB 2022			129	573	0	201	-NR-
04 FEB 2022			131	481	22	386	-NR-
03 FEB 2022			43	91	0	38	-NR-
02 FEB 2022			13	86	0	0	-NR-
01 FEB 2022			45	0	0	0	-NR-
31 JAN 2022			91	885	96	175	-NR-

			S-308	Below S-308	S-80
			Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
			(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(ALL-DAY)
DATE			(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
13 FEB 2022			1	-NR-	0
12 FEB 2022			-NR-	-NR-	0
11 FEB 2022			-NR-	-NR-	0
10 FEB 2022			0	-NR-	0
09 FEB 2022			1	-NR-	0
08 FEB 2022			0	-NR-	0
07 FEB 2022			0	-194	0
06 FEB 2022			1	-253	-NR-
05 FEB 2022			0	-166	0
04 FEB 2022			1	-20	0
03 FEB 2022			0	-25	0
02 FEB 2022			0	-NR-	0
01 FEB 2022			359	-NR-	0
31 JAN 2022			-NR-	125	0

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

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

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\* 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 Okechobee 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](http://www.sfwmd.gov)

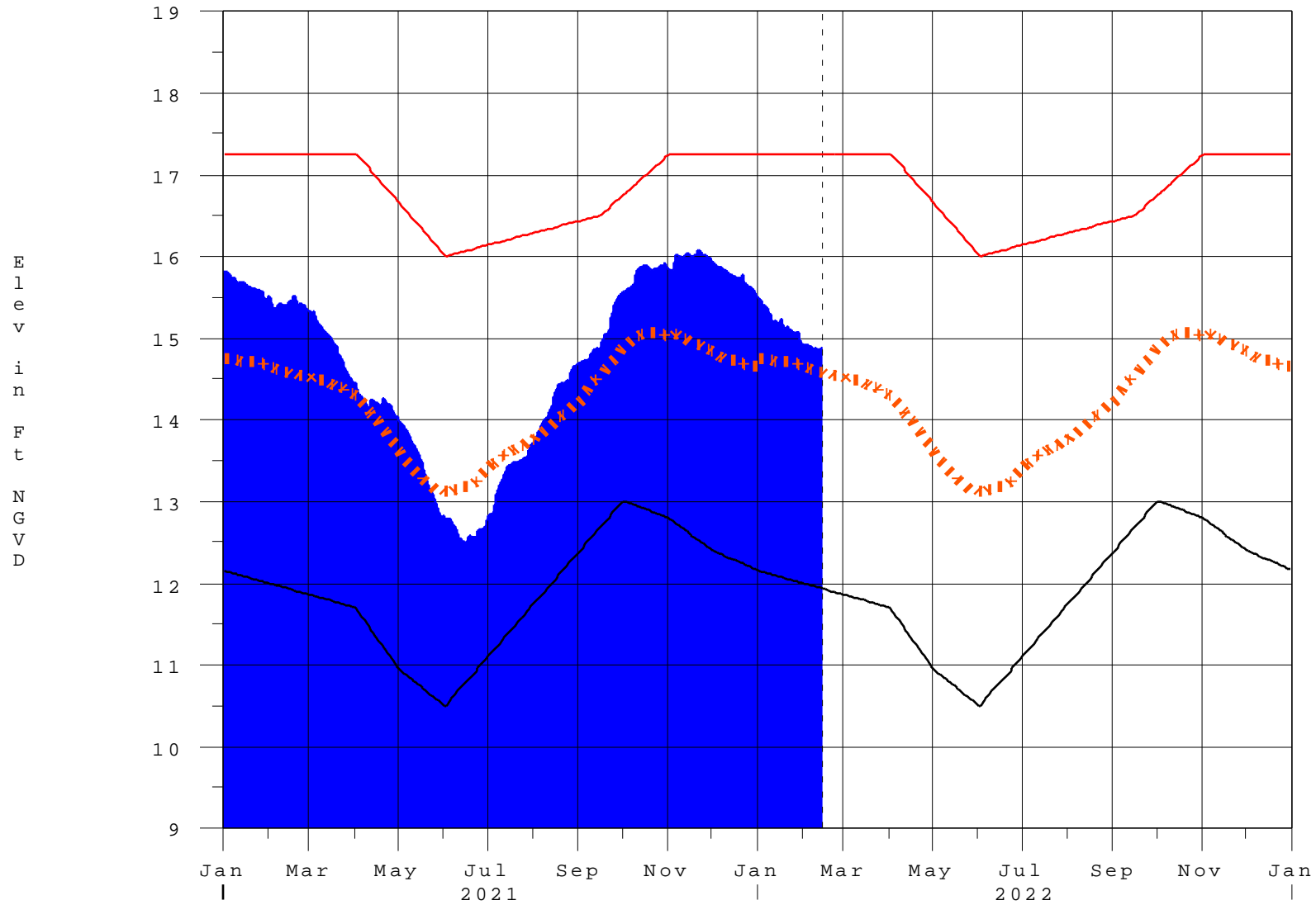
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# Lake Okeechobee

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

# Classification Tables

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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\***

<b>Lake Net Inflow Prediction [million acre-feet]</b>	<b>Equivalent Depth** [feet]</b>	<b>Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Seasonal Outlook</b>
> 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<sup>\*</sup>

<b>Lake Net Inflow Prediction</b>  <b>[million acre-feet]</b>	<b>Equivalent Depth<sup>**</sup></b>  <b>[feet]</b>	<b>Lake Okeechobee  Net Inflow  Multi-Seasonal Outlook</b>
> 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

**<sup>\*\*</sup>Volume-depth conversion based on average lake surface area of 467,000 acres**

**6-15 Day Precipitation Outlook Categories\***

<b>6-15 Day Precipitation Outlook Categories</b>	<b>WSE Decision Tree Categories</b>
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