

# Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 11/14/2022 (ENSO Condition: La Niña)

## Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook:

The Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow Outlook has been computed using methods described in the LORS2008 Water Control Plan: Croley's method, the SFWMD empirical method, a sub-sampling of La Niña years and a sub-sampling of warm years of the Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation (AMO) in combination with La Niña ENSO years. 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*		SFWMD Empirical Method		Sub-sampling of La Niña ENSO Years**		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + La Niña ENSO Years***	
	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>	Value (ft)	<u>Condition</u>
Current (Nov-Apr)	N/A	N/A	0.44	Dry	0.19	Dry	0.00	Dry
Multi Seasonal (Nov-Oct)	N/A	N/A	2.89	Wet	2.86	Wet	2.46	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 IRI ENSO forecast published.

\*\*\*Sub-sampling based on combination of ENSO and AMO conditions. For this predominant ENSO categorization is used instead of weights.

## ***Tributary Hydrologic Conditions Graph:***

**5837 cfs** 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 11/14/2022. According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is **Wet**.

**-0.46** for Palmer Drought Index on 11/12/2022.

According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is **Near Normal**.

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

## **LORS2008 Classification Tables:**

### **Lake Okeechobee Stage on 11/14/2022:**

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **16.18 feet**

Lake Okeechobee Management Zone/Band		Bottom Elevation (feet, NGVD)	Current Lake Stage
High Lake Management Band		17.25	
Operational Band	High sub-band	16.88	
	Intermediate sub-band	16.25	
	Low sub-band	14.50	← 16.18 ft
Base Flow sub-band		12.81	
Beneficial Use sub-band		12.63	
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 3000 cfs at S-79 and up to 1170 cfs at S-80.

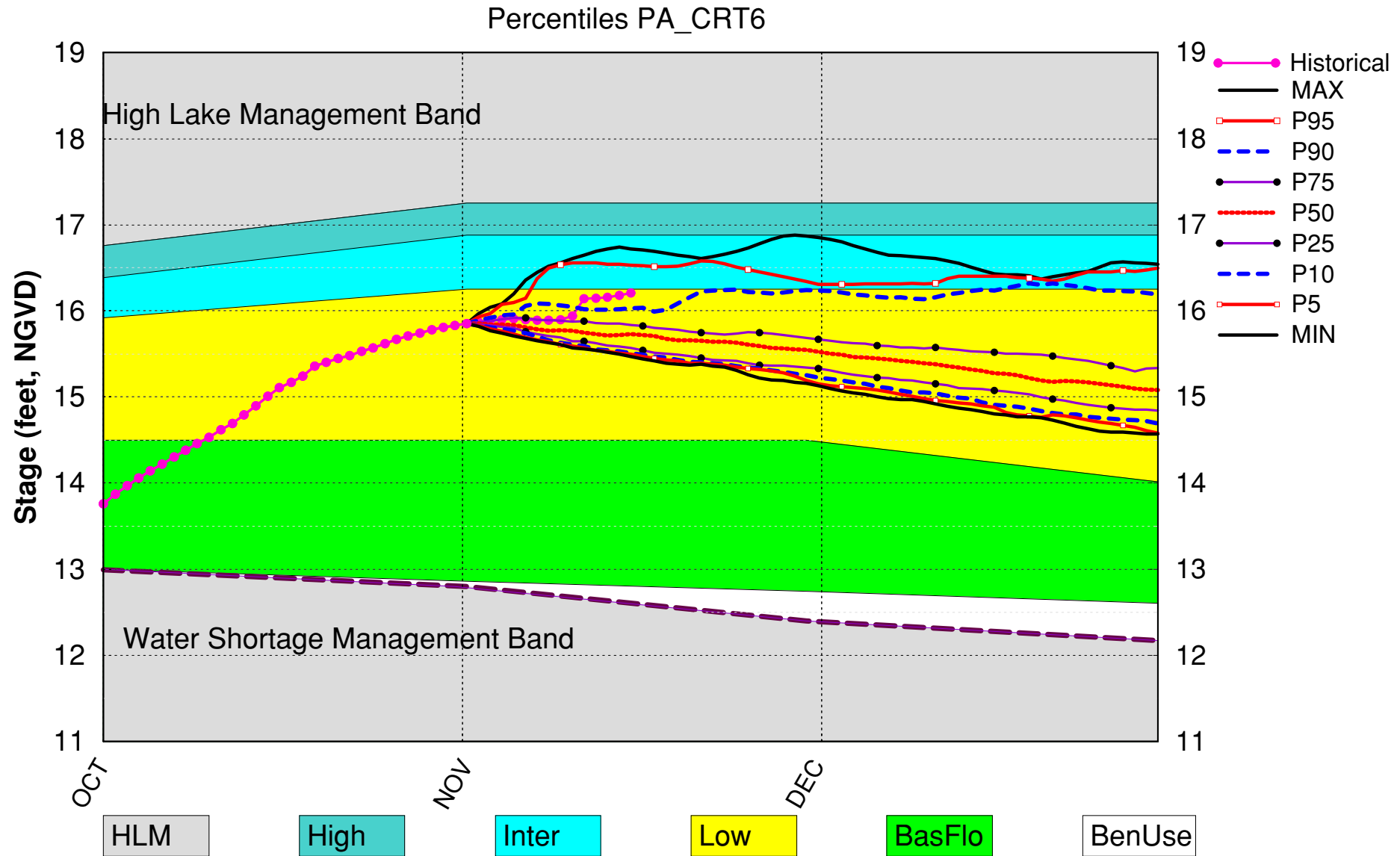
**LORS2008 Implementation on 11/14/2022 (ENSO Condition- La Niña Watch):****Status for week ending 11/14/2022:****Water Supply Risk Evaluation**

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	-0.46 (Normal to Extremely Wet)	L
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Below Normal	M
		3 months: Below Normal	M
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	0.19 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Dry	
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	2.86 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Normal	
WCAs	WCA 1: 3 Station Average (Sites 1-7, 1-8T, 1-9)	Above Line 1 (17.40 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17	Above Line 1 (13.49 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Sites 63, 64, and 65)	Above Line 1 (10.57 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.

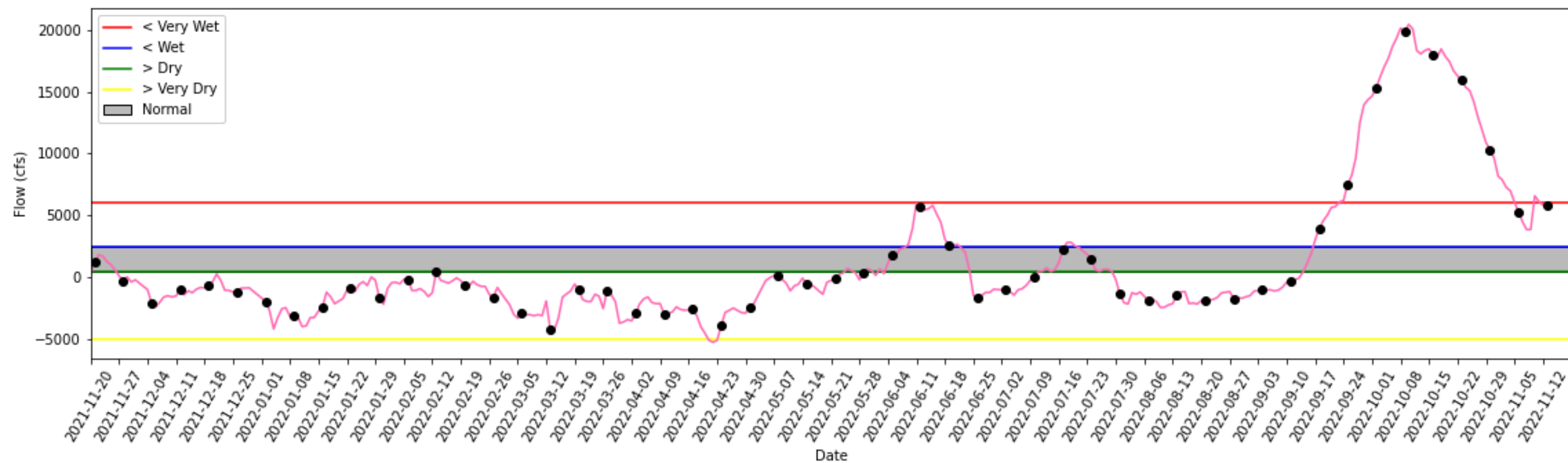
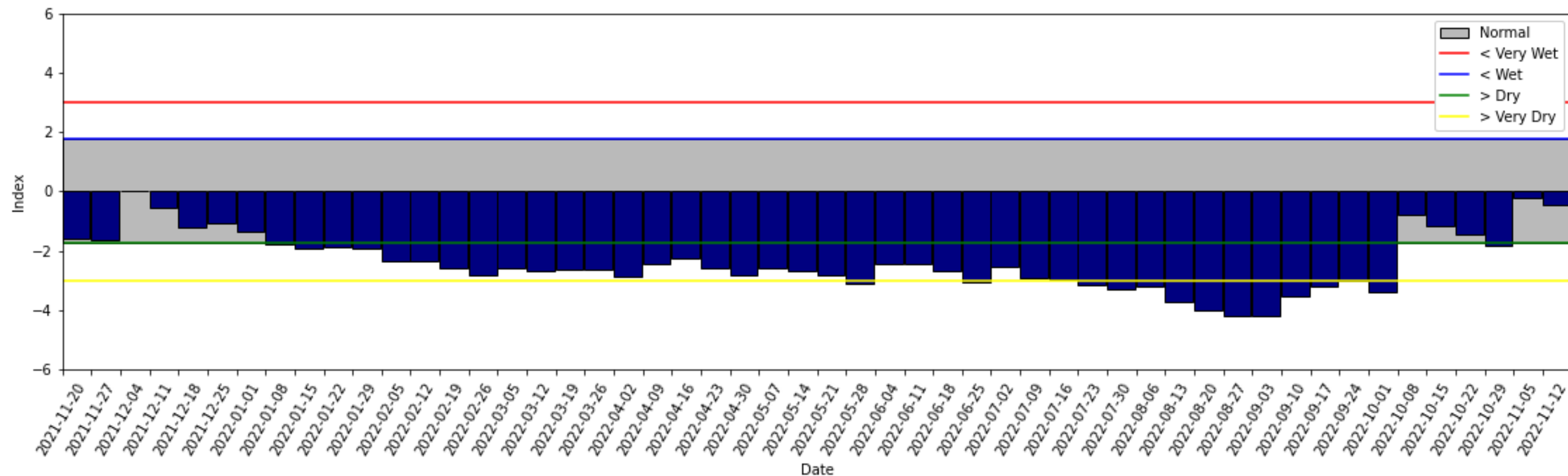
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# Lake Okeechobee SFWMM November 2022 Position Analysis



(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of November 13 2022



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

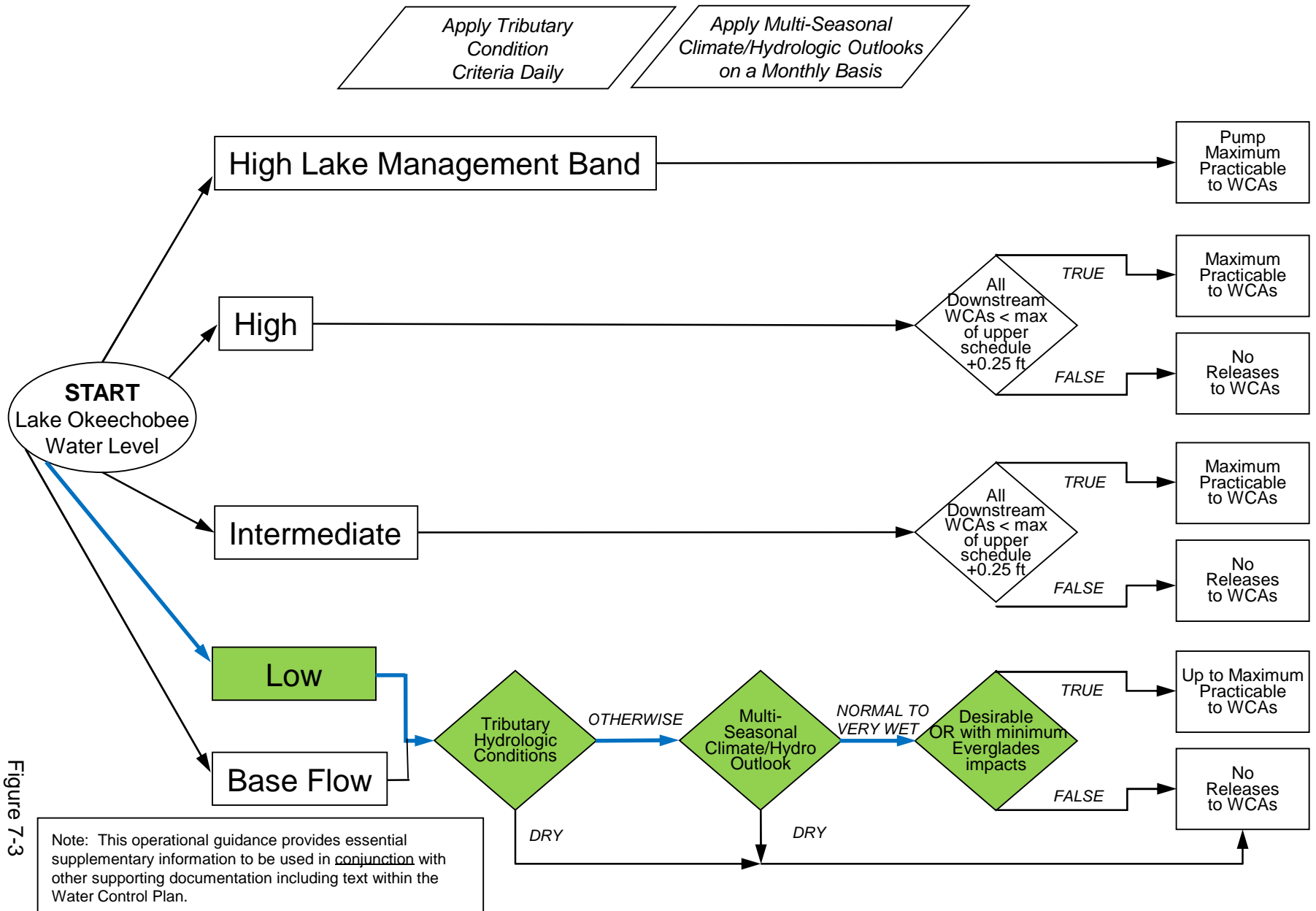


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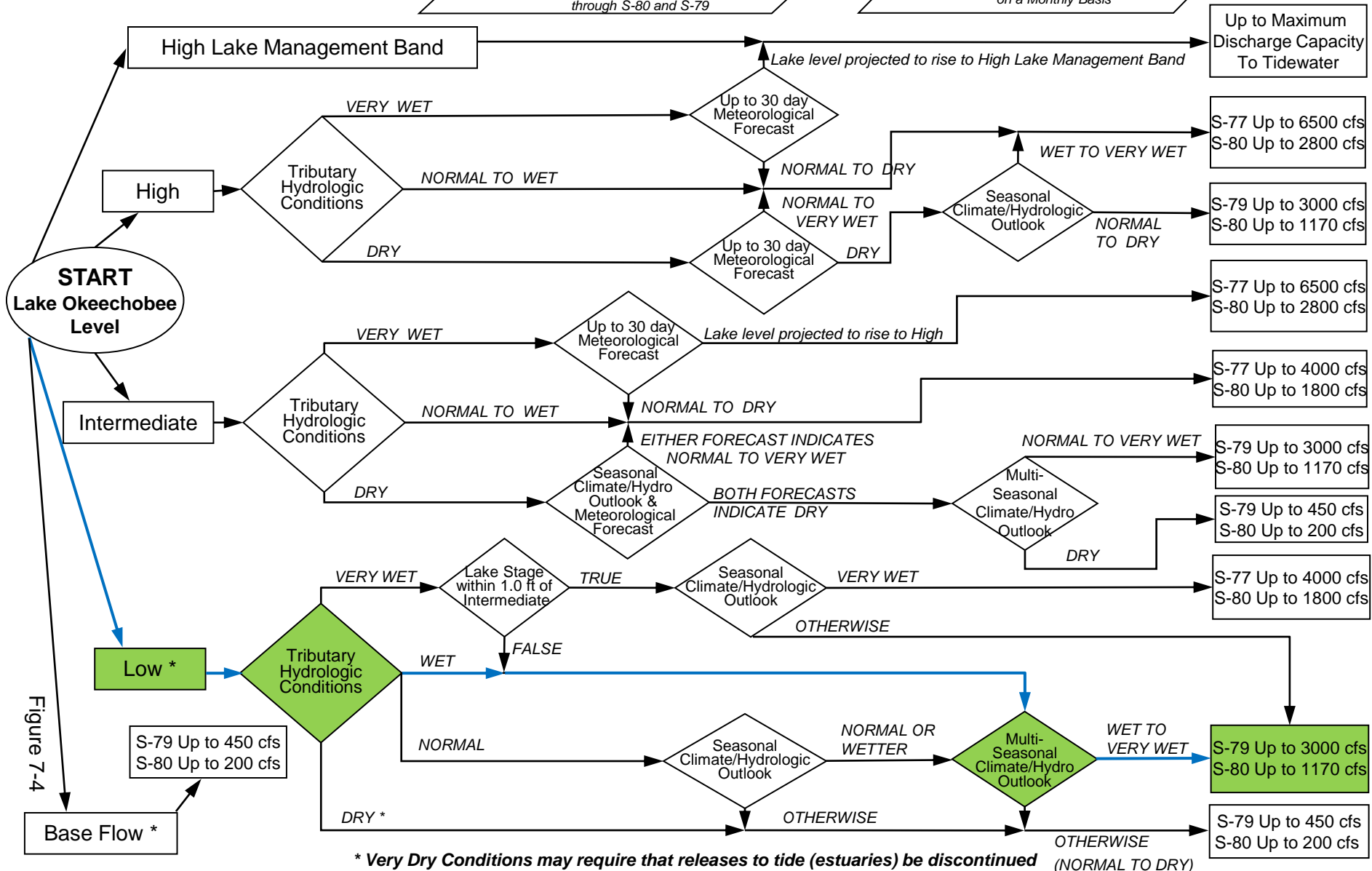
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## Part D: Establish Allowable Lake Okeechobee Releases to Tide (Estuaries)

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

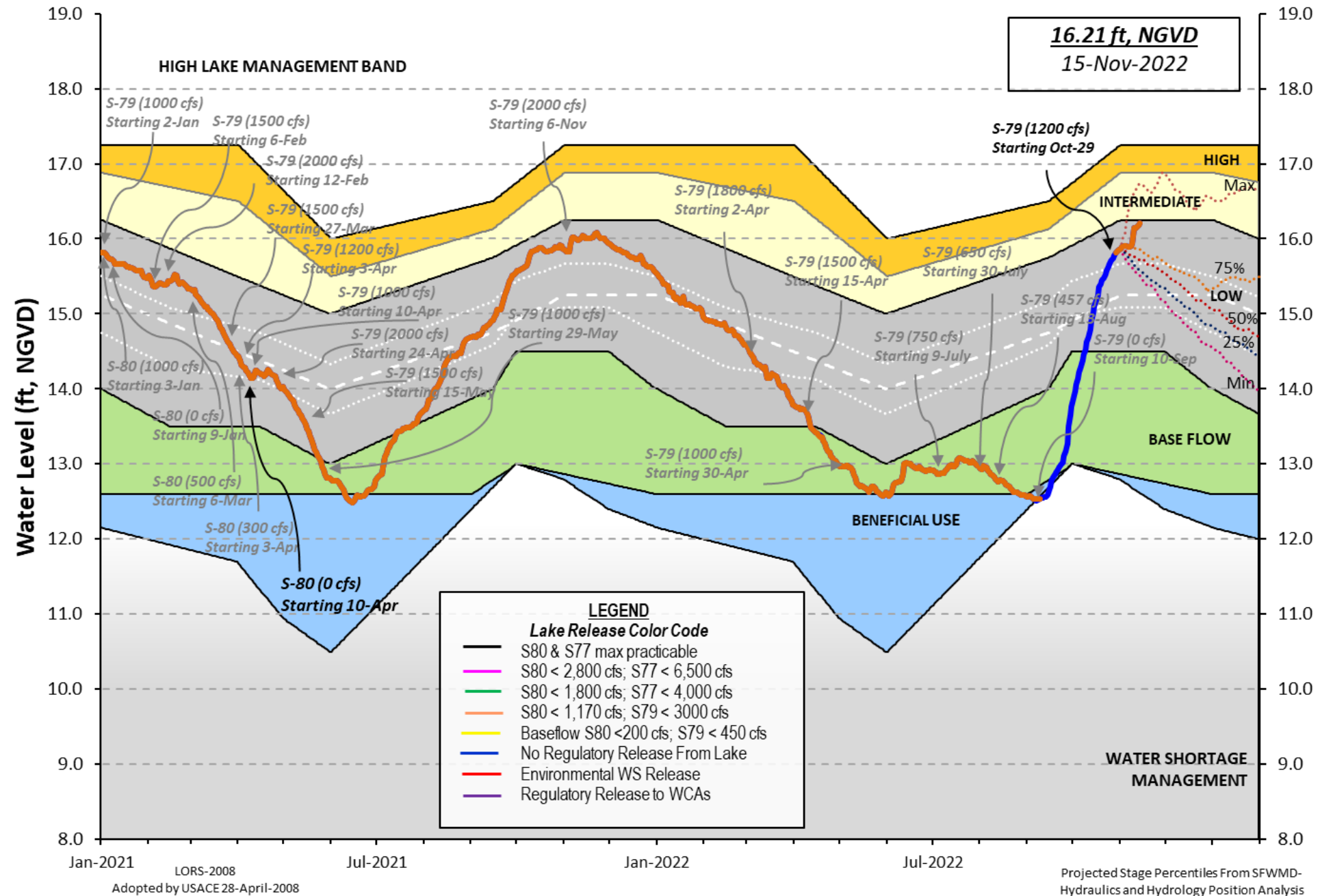
When conducting Base Flow releases, flows can be distributed East and West up to 650 cfs as needed to minimize impacts or provide benefits through S-80 and S-79

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



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

Data Ending 2400 hours 13 NOV 2022

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Okeechobee Lake Regulation	Elevation (ft-NGVD)	Last Year (ft-NGVD)	2YRS Ago (ft-NGVD)
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation	16.18	16.04	16.45 (Official Elv)
Bottom of High Lake Mngmt=	17.25	Top of Water Short Mngmt=	12.63
Currently in Operational Management Band			

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000]	13.90
Difference from Average LORS2008	2.28

13NOV (1965-2007) Period of Record Average	14.97
Difference from POR Average	1.21

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

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1 ♦ 10.12'  
++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2 ♦ 8.32'  
Bridge Clearance = 49.58'

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

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
16.32	16.24	16.27	16.26	16.21	16.33	15.80	16.14

\*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 16.18  
(\*See Note)

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Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	2884	S65EX1	168	Fisheating Cr	193
S154	82	S191	477	S135 Pumps	0
S84	812	S133 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S84X	182	S127 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S71	392	S129 Pumps	44	S4 Pumps	0
S72	334	S131 Pumps	0	C5	0
Total Inflows: 5568					

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts	0	S354	0	S77	7
S127 Culverts	0	S351	0	S308	4
S129 Culverts	0	S352	24		
S131 Culverts	0	L8 Canal Pt	1		
Total Outflows: 35					

\*\*\*\*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	0.18	S308	0.16
Average Pan Evap x 0.75 Pan Coefficient = 0.13" = 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 4538 cfs or 9000 AC-FT

Headwater Tailwater		Disch	----- Gate Positions -----							
Elevation	Elevation		#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8
(ft-msl)	(ft-msl)	(cfs)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)	(ft)
(I) see note at bottom										
North East Shore										
S133 Pumps:	13.66	15.89	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)	
S193:										
S191:	19.34	15.87	477	0.5	1.0	0.5				
S135 Pumps:	13.60	15.99	0	0	0	0			(cfs)	
S135 Culverts:			0	0.0	0.0					
North West Shore										
S65E:	21.06	15.55	2884	1.7	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.7	1.6	
S65EX1:	21.06	15.55	168							
S127 Pumps:	13.62	16.13	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)	
S127 Culvert:			0	0.0						
S129 Pumps:	12.87	16.20	44	0	48	0			(cfs)	
S129 Culvert:			0	0.0						
S131 Pumps:	13.10	16.27	0	0	0				(cfs)	
S131 Culvert:			0							
Fisheating Creek										
nr Palmdale		31.70	193							
nr Lakeport										
C5:		-NR-	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-				
South Shore										
S4 Pumps:	11.50	-NR-	0	0	0	0			(cfs)	
S169:		-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-				
S310:	16.35		6							
S3 Pumps:	10.00	16.54	0	0	0	0			(cfs)	
S354:	16.54	10.00	0	0.0	0.0					
S2 Pumps:	9.97	16.51	0	0	0	0	0		(cfs)	
S351:	16.51	9.97	0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
S352:	16.43	10.58	24	0.1	0.0					
C10A:	-NR-	-NR-		-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-		
L8 Canal PT		14.39	1							

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S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway

S351:	9.97	16.51	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	
S352:	10.58	16.43	24	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-			
S354:	10.00	16.54	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-			

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Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)

S47B:	14.81	11.41		0.0	0.0					
S47D:	11.44	11.15	16	0.0						
S77:										
Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:										
	16.11	11.02	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Flow Due to Lockages+:			7							

S78:

Spillway and Sector Flow:  
11.05 2.79 947 2.0 0.0 0.0 1.0  
Flow Due to Lockages+: 7

S79:

Spillway and Sector Flow:  
2.95 1.81 2456 0.0 0.0 3.0 3.0 3.0 2.0 2.0 0.0  
Flow Due to Lockages+: 4  
Percent of flow from S77 0%  
Chloride (ppm) 0

St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)

S308:

Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:  
15.77 13.92 0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0  
Flow Due to Lockages+: 4

S153: 19.00 13.90 118 0.5 0.5

S80:

Spillway and Sector Flow:  
14.12 1.64 655 0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0  
Flow Due to Lockages+: 15  
Percent of flow from S308 0%

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:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	49	10
S78:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	72	0
S79:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	3	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:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	18	2
S80:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	4	2
Okeechobee Average (Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
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Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
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Okeechobee Lake Elevations	13 NOV 2022	16.18	Difference from 13NOV22
13NOV22 -1 Day =	12 NOV 2022	16.16	-0.02

13NOV22	-2 Days =	11 NOV 2022	16.15	-0.03
13NOV22	-3 Days =	10 NOV 2022	16.14	-0.04
13NOV22	-4 Days =	09 NOV 2022	15.94	-0.24
13NOV22	-5 Days =	08 NOV 2022	15.90	-0.28
13NOV22	-6 Days =	07 NOV 2022	15.89	-0.29
13NOV22	-7 Days =	06 NOV 2022	15.89	-0.29
13NOV22	-30 Days =	14 OCT 2022	15.01	-1.17
13NOV22	-1 Year =	13 NOV 2021	16.04	-0.14
13NOV22	-2 Year =	13 NOV 2020	16.45	0.27

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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
13NOV22	Today =	13 NOV 2022	5842	MON	4561
13NOV22	-1 Day =	12 NOV 2022	5832	SUN	2292
13NOV22	-2 Days =	11 NOV 2022	6142	SAT	2292
13NOV22	-3 Days =	10 NOV 2022	6599	FRI	44793
13NOV22	-4 Days =	09 NOV 2022	3874	THU	8696
13NOV22	-5 Days =	08 NOV 2022	3872	WED	2190
13NOV22	-6 Days =	07 NOV 2022	4490	TUE	82
13NOV22	-7 Days =	06 NOV 2022	5288	MON	-1688
13NOV22	-8 Days =	05 NOV 2022	6094	SUN	-1511
13NOV22	-9 Days =	04 NOV 2022	6995	SAT	2680
13NOV22	-10 Days =	03 NOV 2022	7268	FRI	2190
13NOV22	-11 Days =	02 NOV 2022	7886	THU	4361
13NOV22	-12 Days =	01 NOV 2022	8194	WED	5255
13NOV22	-13 Days =	31 OCT 2022	9677	TUE	5592

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S65E					
Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
13NOV22	Today=	13 NOV 2022	3283	MON	3059
13NOV22	-1 Day =	12 NOV 2022	3464	SUN	2808
13NOV22	-2 Days =	11 NOV 2022	3699	SAT	2855
13NOV22	-3 Days =	10 NOV 2022	3999	FRI	2759
13NOV22	-4 Days =	09 NOV 2022	4355	THU	2325
13NOV22	-5 Days =	08 NOV 2022	4805	WED	2368
13NOV22	-6 Days =	07 NOV 2022	5307	TUE	2621
13NOV22	-7 Days =	06 NOV 2022	5834	MON	3019
13NOV22	-8 Days =	05 NOV 2022	6385	SUN	3019
13NOV22	-9 Days =	04 NOV 2022	6974	SAT	3635
13NOV22	-10 Days =	03 NOV 2022	7560	FRI	3793
13NOV22	-11 Days =	02 NOV 2022	8163	THU	4285
13NOV22	-12 Days =	01 NOV 2022	8746	WED	4566
13NOV22	-13 Days =	31 OCT 2022	9322	TUE	4844

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S65EX1					
Average Flow over previous 14 days					Avg-Daily Flow
13NOV22	Today=	13 NOV 2022	96	MON	168
13NOV22	-1 Day =	12 NOV 2022	103	SUN	166
13NOV22	-2 Days =	11 NOV 2022	110	SAT	166
13NOV22	-3 Days =	10 NOV 2022	117	FRI	164
13NOV22	-4 Days =	09 NOV 2022	124	THU	179
13NOV22	-5 Days =	08 NOV 2022	130	WED	175
13NOV22	-6 Days =	07 NOV 2022	136	TUE	87
13NOV22	-7 Days =	06 NOV 2022	149	MON	0
13NOV22	-8 Days =	05 NOV 2022	168	SUN	0
13NOV22	-9 Days =	04 NOV 2022	186	SAT	0
13NOV22	-10 Days =	03 NOV 2022	206	FRI	0
13NOV22	-11 Days =	02 NOV 2022	225	THU	0
13NOV22	-12 Days =	01 NOV 2022	244	WED	31
13NOV22	-13 Days =	31 OCT 2022	260	TUE	211

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Lake Okeechobee Outlets Last 14 Days

DATE	S-77 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	Below S-77 Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)	S-78 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	S-79 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)
13 NOV 2022	13	326	1893	4890
12 NOV 2022	13	833	2304	7007
11 NOV 2022	9	763	3581	9666
10 NOV 2022	1	720	1702	3458
09 NOV 2022	2	367	1568	3508
08 NOV 2022	18	418	2041	4286
07 NOV 2022	111	461	1660	4412
06 NOV 2022	410	1137	1328	2683
05 NOV 2022	724	1261	1147	1507
04 NOV 2022	397	914	452	1655
03 NOV 2022	15	-50	995	2494
02 NOV 2022	7	203	620	3272
01 NOV 2022	1646	1325	784	3998
31 OCT 2022	2303	1919	1274	1869

DATE	S-310 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	S-351 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	S-352 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	S-354 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	L8 Canal Pt Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)
13 NOV 2022	12	0	47	0	2
12 NOV 2022	11	0	46	0	-19
11 NOV 2022	13	0	45	0	-10
10 NOV 2022	2	0	46	0	-17
09 NOV 2022	-12	0	48	0	-8
08 NOV 2022	-2	0	44	0	-2
07 NOV 2022	-4	0	58	0	1
06 NOV 2022	125	337	67	149	-1
05 NOV 2022	123	125	45	430	-1
04 NOV 2022	-9	0	44	602	-0
03 NOV 2022	-7	0	43	0	1
02 NOV 2022	-2	0	42	0	13
01 NOV 2022	-0	73	44	0	2
31 OCT 2022	*****	293	46	0	-3

DATE	S-308 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	Below S-308 Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)	S-80 Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)
13 NOV 2022	8	-NR-	1401
12 NOV 2022	9	-NR-	458
11 NOV 2022	6	-NR-	1042
10 NOV 2022	0	-NR-	1212
09 NOV 2022	0	-NR-	629
08 NOV 2022	11	-NR-	273
07 NOV 2022	7	-NR-	426
06 NOV 2022	4	-NR-	32
05 NOV 2022	1	-NR-	38
04 NOV 2022	12	-NR-	37
03 NOV 2022	9	-NR-	39
02 NOV 2022	4	-NR-	485
01 NOV 2022	6	-NR-	729
31 OCT 2022	7	-NR-	25

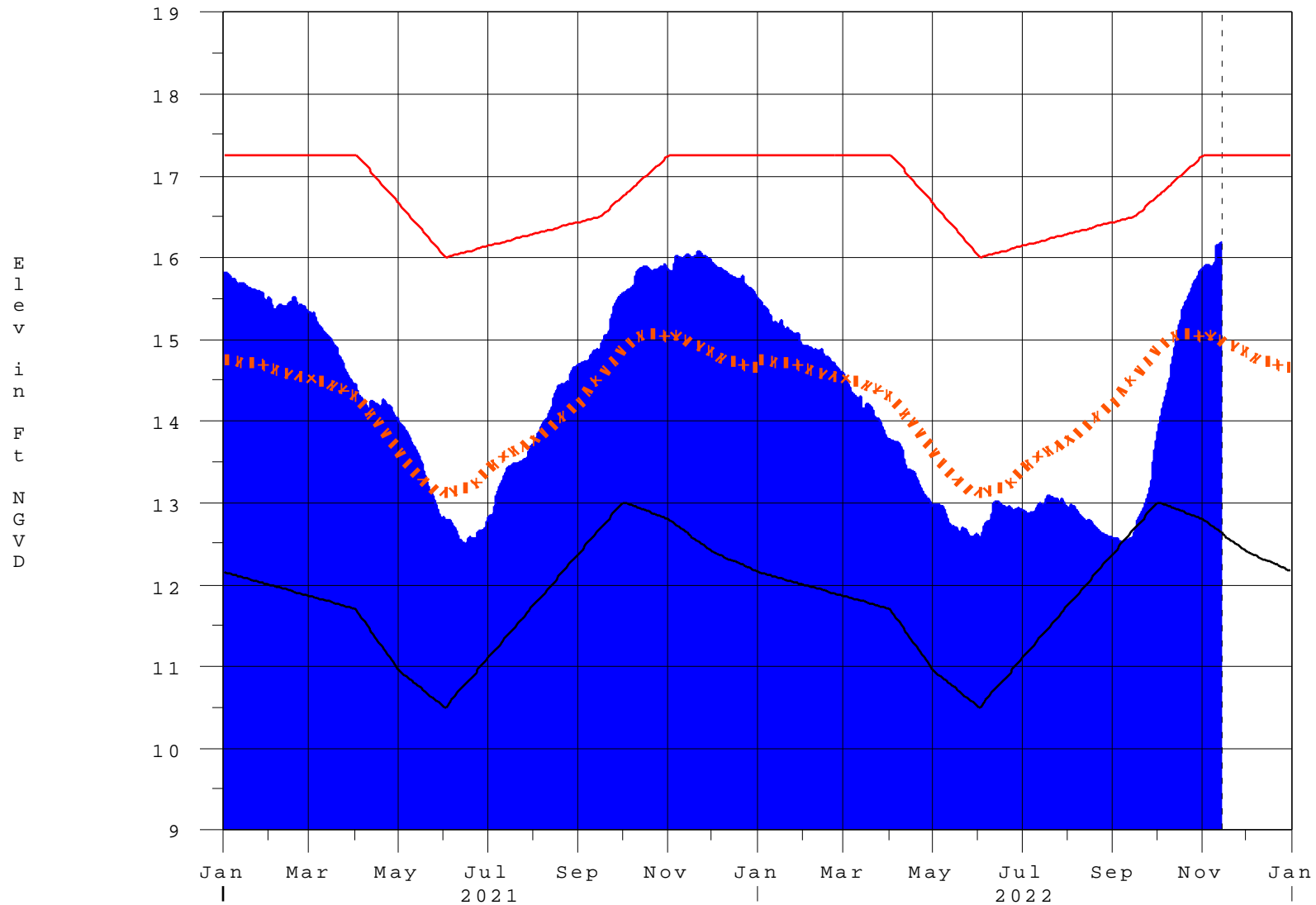
\*\*\* NOTE: Discharge (ALL DAY) is computed using Spillway, Sector Gate and Lockages Discharges from 0015 hrs to 2400 hrs.

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

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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 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](http://www.sfwmd.gov)

# 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\*

<b>Lake Net Inflow Prediction  [million acre-feet]</b>	<b>Equivalent Depth**  [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

**\*\*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**