Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 12/26/2022 (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)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition
Current (Dec-May)	N/A	N/A	-0.03	Dry	-0.03	Dry	-0.29	Dry
Multi Seasonal (Dec-Oct)	N/A	N/A	2.52	Wet	2.72	Wet	2.21	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:

1,339 cfs 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 12/26/2022.
According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Near Normal.

1.02 for Palmer Drought Index on 12/24/2022.
According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Near Normal.

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

LORS2008 Classification Tables:

Lake Okeechobee Stage on 12/26/2022:

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **16.38 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	← 16.38 ft
	Low sub-band	14.10	
Base Flow sub-band		12.63	
Beneficial Use sub-band		12.21	
Water Shortage Management Band			

Part C of LORS2008: Discharge to WCAs

Maximum practicable to WCAs if “All downstream WCAs < max. of upper schedule + 0.25 ft”. Currently, all WCAs have the potential to receive regulatory releases from Lake Okeechobee.

Part D of LORS2008: Discharge to Tide

Up to 4000 cfs at S-77 and up to 1800 cfs at S-80.

LORS2008 Implementation on 12/26/2022 (ENSO Condition- La Niña Watch):

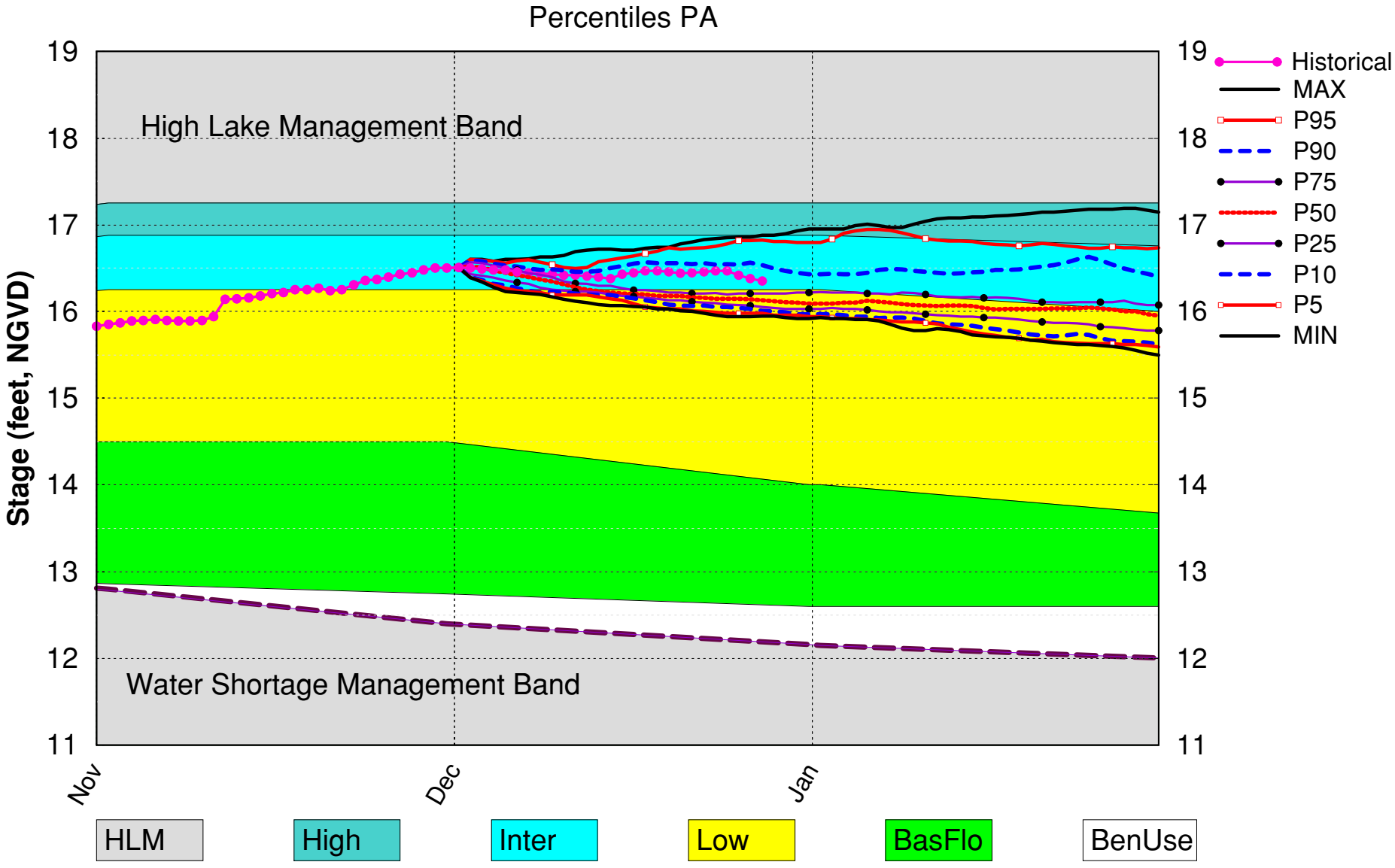
Status for week ending 12/26/2022:

Water Supply Risk Evaluation

Area	Indicator	Value	Color Coded Scoring Scheme
LOK	Projected LOK Stage for the next two months	Intermediate Sub-band	L
	Palmer Drought Index for LOK Tributary Conditions	1.02 (Normal to Extremely Wet)	L
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Below Normal	M
		3 months: Below Normal	M
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	-0.03 ft	H
	ENSO Forecast	Extremely Dry	
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Outlook	2.72 ft	M
	ENSO Forecast	Normal	
WCAs	WCA 1: 3 Station Average (Sites 1-7, 1-8T, 1-9)	Above Line 1 (17.29 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17	Above Line 1 (12.60 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Sites 63, 64, and 65)	Above Line 1 (10.29 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 December 2022 Position Analysis



(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

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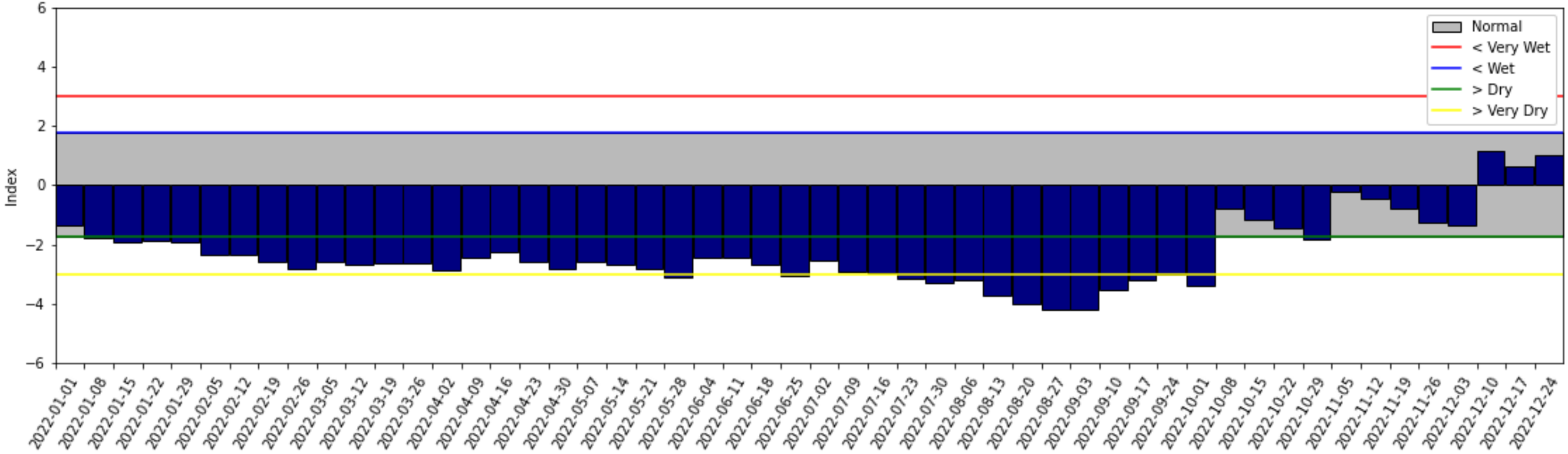
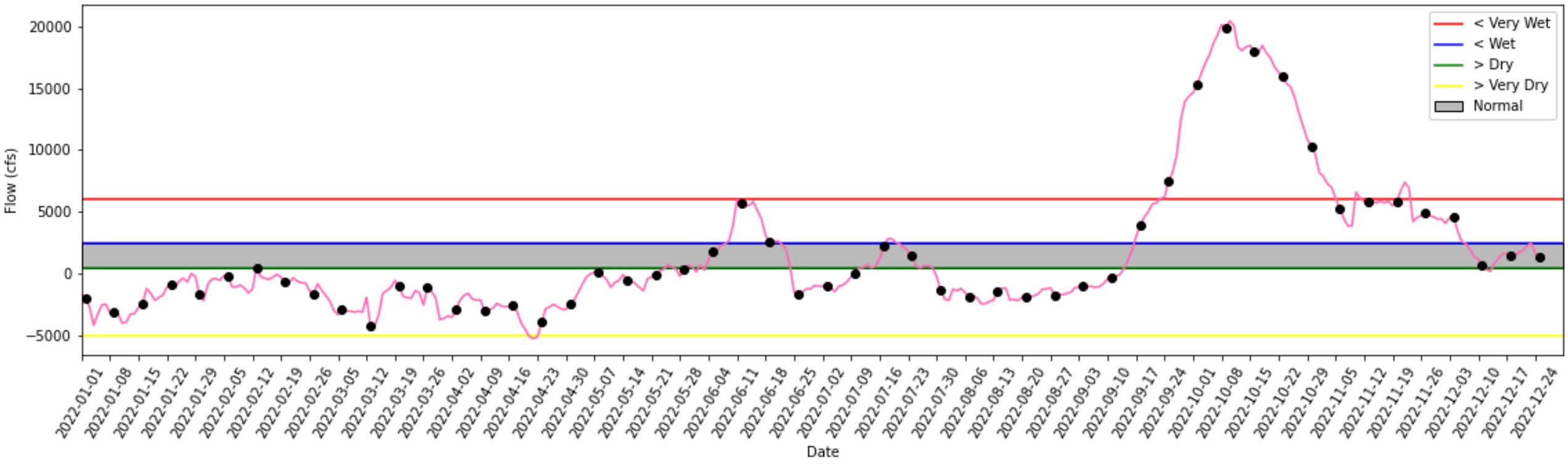
Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of December 25 2022





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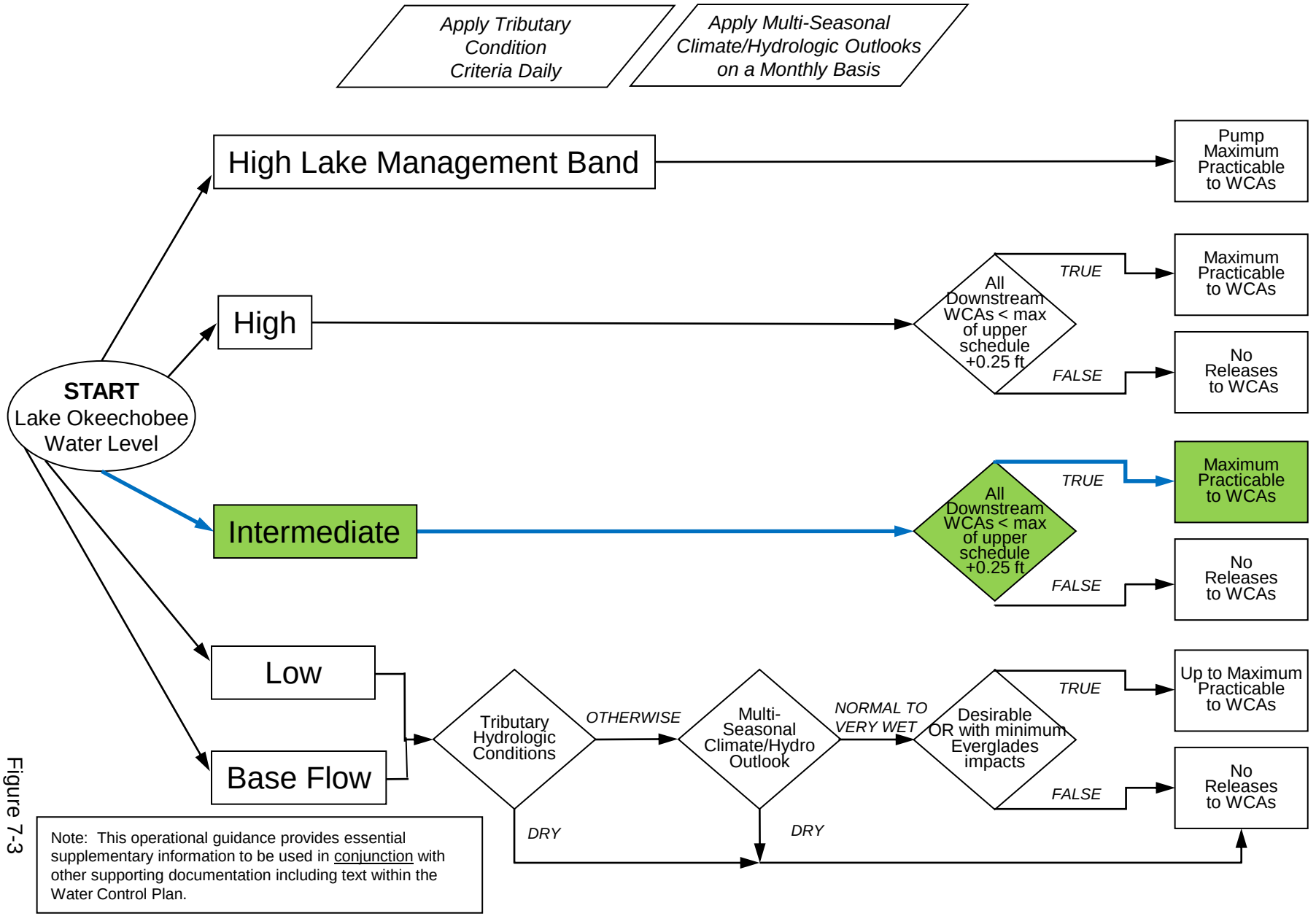
Part C: Establish Allowable Lake Okeechobee Releases to the Water Conservation Areas



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

Figure 7-3

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

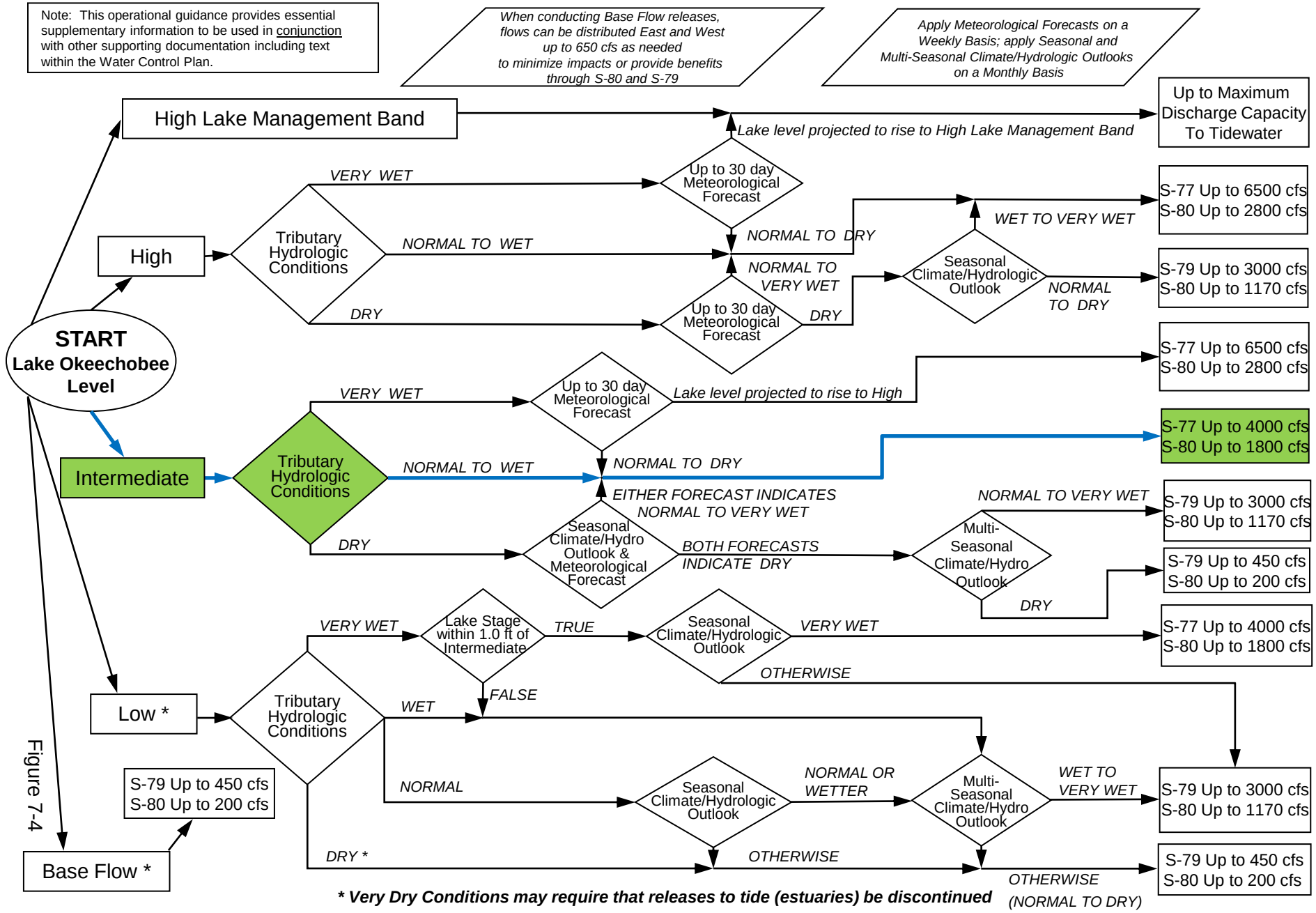
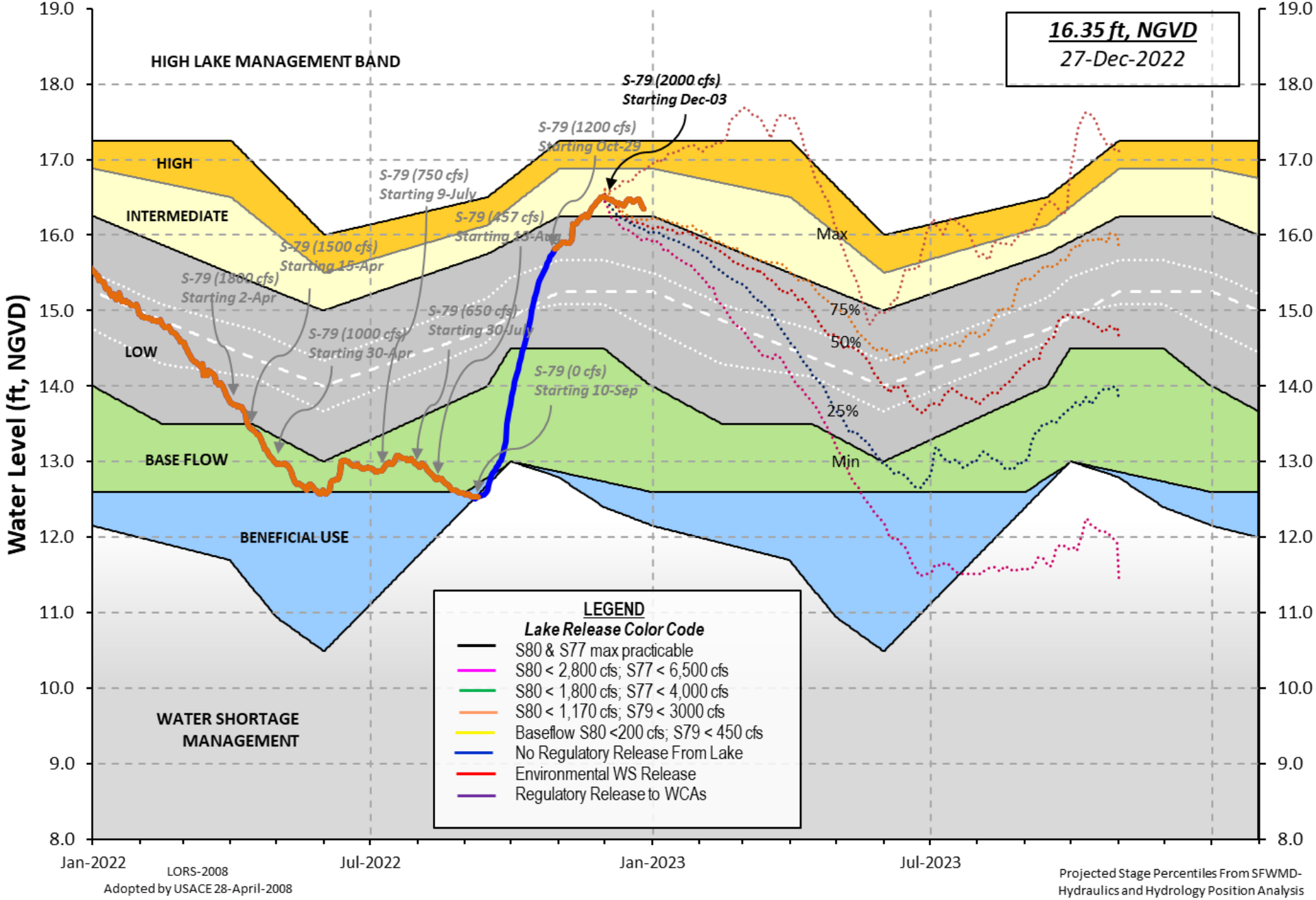


Figure 7-4

Lake Okeechobee Water Level History and Projected Stages



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Data Ending 2400 hours 25 DEC 2022

Okeechobee Lake Regulation	Elevation (ft-NGVD)	Last Year (ft-NGVD)	2YRS Ago (ft-NGVD)	
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation	16.38	15.64	15.88	(Official Elv)

Bottom of High Lake Mngmt= 17.25 Top of Water Short Mngmt= 12.21
Currently in Operational Management Band

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000] 13.56
Difference from Average LORS2008 2.82

25DEC (1965-2007) Period of Record Average 14.67
Difference from POR Average 1.71

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

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1 ◆ 10.32'
++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2 ◆ 8.52'
Bridge Clearance = 49.66'

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

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
16.29	16.34	16.48	16.38	16.45	16.60	16.46	16.16

*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 16.38 (*See Note)

Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	1614	S65EX1	0	Fisheating Cr	82
S154	0	S191	0	S135 Pumps	0
S84	631	S133 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S84X	83	S127 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S71	285	S129 Pumps	0	S4 Pumps	0
S72	121	S131 Pumps	0	C5	0

Total Inflows: 2816

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts	0	S354	176	S77	-NR-
S127 Culverts	0	S351	304	S308	0
S129 Culverts	0	S352	365		
S131 Culverts	0	L8 Canal Pt	-4		

Total Outflows: No Report Due To Missing S77 or S308 Discharge Data

****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	-NR-	S308	0.09

Average Pan Evap x 0.75 Pan Coefficient = -NR-" = -NR-'

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 -9075 cfs or -18000 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:	13.60	16.17	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)		
S193:											
S191:	18.80	16.15	0	0.0	0.0	0.0					
S135 Pumps:	13.52	16.23	0	0	0	0	0		(cfs)		
S135 Culverts:			0	0.0	0.0						
North West Shore											
S65E:	20.89	16.01	1614	0.5	0.5	1.2	0.5	1.2	0.9		
S65EX1:	20.89	16.01	0								
S127 Pumps:	13.41	16.22	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)		
S127 Culvert:			0	0.0							
S129 Pumps:	12.99	16.28	0	0	0	0			(cfs)		
S129 Culvert:			0	0.1							
S131 Pumps:	12.84	16.25	0	0	0				(cfs)		
S131 Culvert:			0								
Fisheating Creek											
nr Palmdale		30.36	82								
nr Lakeport											
C5:		-NR-	0	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-					
South Shore											
S4 Pumps:	12.56	-NR-	0	0	0	0			(cfs)		
S169:		-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-					
S310:	16.34		5								
S3 Pumps:	10.48	16.52	0	0	0	0			(cfs)		
S354:	16.52	10.48	176	0.1	0.1						
S2 Pumps:	10.44	16.55	0	0	0	0	0		(cfs)		
S351:	16.55	10.44	304	0.1	0.2	0.1					
S352:	16.47	10.71	365	0.8	0.1						
C10A:	-NR-	-NR-		-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-			
L8 Canal PT		14.16	-4								
S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway											
S351:	10.44	16.55	304	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-		
S352:	10.71	16.47	365	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-				
S354:	10.48	16.52	176	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-				
Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)											
S47B:	14.35	12.63		1.5	1.5						
S47D:	12.62	10.95	7	0.0							
S77:											
Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:											
	16.08	10.91	2397	0.0	3.0	3.0	3.0				
Flow Due to Lockages+:		-NR-									
S78:											

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    Spillway and Sector Flow:
              10.77      2.92    2404    1.0  2.5  2.5  2.0
    Flow Due to Lockages+:        -NR-

  S79:
    Spillway and Sector Flow:
               2.93      0.54    3349    0.0  0.0  0.0  2.5  3.0  3.0  3.0  0.0
    Flow Due to Lockages+:           2
    Percent of flow from S77        72%
    Chloride            (ppm)      0


St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)
  S308:
    Spillway and Sector Preferred Flow:
              16.77     13.84       0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
    Flow Due to Lockages+:           0

  S153:        18.72     13.97      52    0.0  0.0
  S80:
    Spillway and Sector Flow:
              14.24      1.92       0    0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
    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
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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	91	4
S78:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	312	6
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	338	17
S80:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	0	7
Okeechobee Average (Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)	-NR-	0.00	0.00		
Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	-NR-	0.00	0.00		

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Okeechobee Lake Elevations  25 DEC 2022          16.38 Difference from 25DEC22
   25DEC22  -1 Day  =       24 DEC 2022          16.42             0.04
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25DEC22	-2 Days =	23 DEC 2022	16.47	0.09
25DEC22	-3 Days =	22 DEC 2022	16.47	0.09
25DEC22	-4 Days =	21 DEC 2022	16.46	0.08
25DEC22	-5 Days =	20 DEC 2022	16.45	0.07
25DEC22	-6 Days =	19 DEC 2022	16.44	0.06
25DEC22	-7 Days =	18 DEC 2022	16.46	0.08
25DEC22	-30 Days =	25 NOV 2022	16.43	0.05
25DEC22	-1 Year =	25 DEC 2021	15.64	-0.74
25DEC22	-2 Year =	25 DEC 2020	15.88	-0.50

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
25DEC22	Today =	25 DEC 2022	1332	MON	-5833
25DEC22	-1 Day =	24 DEC 2022	1706	SUN	-8706
25DEC22	-2 Days =	23 DEC 2022	2476	SAT	1841
25DEC22	-3 Days =	22 DEC 2022	2259	FRI	4632
25DEC22	-4 Days =	21 DEC 2022	1918	THU	2858
25DEC22	-5 Days =	20 DEC 2022	1730	WED	3642
25DEC22	-6 Days =	19 DEC 2022	1458	TUE	-2896
25DEC22	-7 Days =	18 DEC 2022	1497	MON	-402
25DEC22	-8 Days =	17 DEC 2022	1693	SUN	1304
25DEC22	-9 Days =	16 DEC 2022	1595	SAT	4562
25DEC22	-10 Days =	15 DEC 2022	1246	FRI	5330
25DEC22	-11 Days =	14 DEC 2022	861	THU	9
25DEC22	-12 Days =	13 DEC 2022	1178	WED	-1784
25DEC22	-13 Days =	12 DEC 2022	1342	TUE	14094

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		Average Flow over previous 14 days			Avg-Daily Flow
25DEC22	Today=	25 DEC 2022	1733	MON	1759
25DEC22	-1 Day =	24 DEC 2022	1733	SUN	1762
25DEC22	-2 Days =	23 DEC 2022	1731	SAT	1781
25DEC22	-3 Days =	22 DEC 2022	1731	FRI	1769
25DEC22	-4 Days =	21 DEC 2022	1730	THU	1787
25DEC22	-5 Days =	20 DEC 2022	1741	WED	1712
25DEC22	-6 Days =	19 DEC 2022	1765	TUE	1717
25DEC22	-7 Days =	18 DEC 2022	1798	MON	1768
25DEC22	-8 Days =	17 DEC 2022	1829	SUN	1656
25DEC22	-9 Days =	16 DEC 2022	1871	SAT	1789
25DEC22	-10 Days =	15 DEC 2022	1912	FRI	1682
25DEC22	-11 Days =	14 DEC 2022	1987	THU	1672
25DEC22	-12 Days =	13 DEC 2022	2068	WED	1704
25DEC22	-13 Days =	12 DEC 2022	2157	TUE	1707

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		Average Flow over previous 14 days			Avg-Daily Flow
25DEC22	Today=	25 DEC 2022	0	MON	0
25DEC22	-1 Day =	24 DEC 2022	0	SUN	0
25DEC22	-2 Days =	23 DEC 2022	0	SAT	0
25DEC22	-3 Days =	22 DEC 2022	0	FRI	0
25DEC22	-4 Days =	21 DEC 2022	0	THU	0
25DEC22	-5 Days =	20 DEC 2022	0	WED	0
25DEC22	-6 Days =	19 DEC 2022	0	TUE	0
25DEC22	-7 Days =	18 DEC 2022	0	MON	0
25DEC22	-8 Days =	17 DEC 2022	0	SUN	0
25DEC22	-9 Days =	16 DEC 2022	0	SAT	0
25DEC22	-10 Days =	15 DEC 2022	0	FRI	0
25DEC22	-11 Days =	14 DEC 2022	0	THU	0
25DEC22	-12 Days =	13 DEC 2022	0	WED	0
25DEC22	-13 Days =	12 DEC 2022	3	TUE	0

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)
25 DEC 2022	-NR-	5490	-NR-	6683
24 DEC 2022	2979	3647	3369	5221
23 DEC 2022	687	1382	762	1760
22 DEC 2022	1058	1128	1152	2342
21 DEC 2022	1121	1127	1608	2838
20 DEC 2022	2728	2873	2624	3786
19 DEC 2022	3273	2944	3649	5451
18 DEC 2022	3699	4320	3613	6153
17 DEC 2022	2638	2915	3241	4639
16 DEC 2022	15	-NR-	1387	-NR-
15 DEC 2022	1333	-NR-	1286	-NR-
14 DEC 2022	4091	3242	2391	2939
13 DEC 2022	4073	3530	2954	3825
12 DEC 2022	4075	3410	3081	4319

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)
25 DEC 2022	11	603	724	349	-8
24 DEC 2022	13	1117	843	385	-9
23 DEC 2022	11	1446	1133	386	-9
22 DEC 2022	-NR-	1848	812	976	-9
21 DEC 2022	-NR-	0	0	0	2
20 DEC 2022	9	0	0	1	-4
19 DEC 2022	8	0	6	0	0
18 DEC 2022	6	0	0	0	-4
17 DEC 2022	9	0	0	0	-2
16 DEC 2022	-NR-	0	49	0	-NR-
15 DEC 2022	-NR-	0	154	60	-NR-
14 DEC 2022	7	0	152	283	13
13 DEC 2022	5	678	157	514	48
12 DEC 2022	8	885	197	241	102

DATE	S-308 Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	Below S-308 Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)	S-80 Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)
25 DEC 2022	0	-NR-	0
24 DEC 2022	1	-NR-	11
23 DEC 2022	4	-NR-	29
22 DEC 2022	9	-NR-	42
21 DEC 2022	8	-NR-	475
20 DEC 2022	10	-NR-	829
19 DEC 2022	6	-NR-	30
18 DEC 2022	3	-NR-	30
17 DEC 2022	12	-NR-	44
16 DEC 2022	7	-NR-	44
15 DEC 2022	10	-NR-	629
14 DEC 2022	6	-NR-	514
13 DEC 2022	8	-NR-	44
12 DEC 2022	7	-NR-	26

*** 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 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

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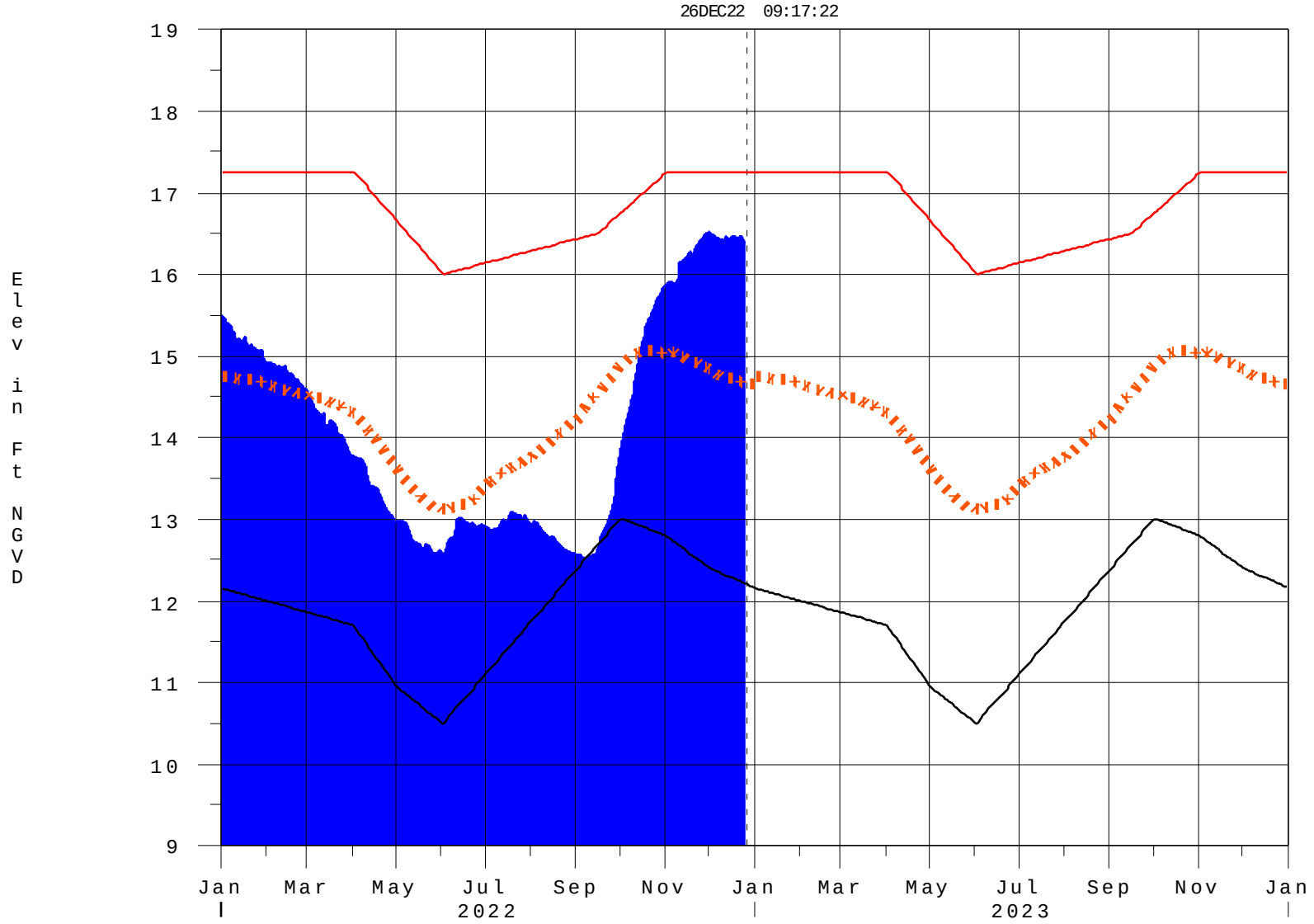

Classification Tables

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 >= 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**