

# Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 11/27/2023 (ENSO Condition: El Niño)

## 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 El Niño years and a sub-sampling of warm years of the Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation (AMO) in combination with El Niño 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 El Niño ENSO Years**		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + El Niño 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	1.10	Normal	1.65	Wet	1.79	Wet
Multi Seasonal (Nov-Oct)	N/A	N/A	3.51	Wet	4.40	Very Wet	5.73	Very Wet

\*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:**

**2592 cfs** 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 11/27/2023. According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Wet.

**-1.70** for Palmer Drought Index on 11/25/2023. According to the classification in Tributary Hydrologic Conditions table, this condition is Dry.

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

### **LORS2008 Classification Tables:**

#### **Lake Okeechobee Stage on 11/27/2023:**

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **16.05 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	← 16.05 ft
Base Flow sub-band		12.75	
Beneficial Use sub-band		12.45	
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.