

Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 6/15/2015 (Developing El Nino Condition)

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 El Nino years³ and a sub-sampling of warm years of the Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation (AMO) in combination with ENSO El Nino 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 ENSO El Nino Years ³		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + ENSO El Nino Years ⁴	
	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition
Current (Jun-Nov)	N/A	N/A	2.58	Very Wet	2.37	Very Wet	3.60	Very Wet
Multi Seasonal (Jun-Apr)	N/A	N/A	3.01	Wet	3.91	Wet	5.71	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.

[Tributary Hydrologic Conditions Graph:](#)

927 cfs 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 6/14/2015. According to the classification in [Tributary Hydrologic Conditions](#) table, this condition is Normal.

- **1.43** for Palmer Index on 6/13/2015.

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 6/15/2015

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **12.60 feet**

[USACE Report for Lake Okeechobee](#)

[Lake Okeechobee Stage Hydrograph](#)

Lake Okeechobee Management Zone/Band		Bottom Elevation (feet, NGVD)	Current Lake Stage
High Lake Management Band		16.07	
Operational Band	High sub-band	15.58	
	Intermediate sub-band	15.10	
	Low sub-band	13.13	
Base Flow sub-band		12.60	← 12.60
Beneficial Use sub-band		10.79	
Water Shortage Management Band			

[Part C of LORS2008: Discharge to WCA's](#)

Release Guidance Flow Chart Outcome: Up to Maximum Releases to the WCAs if Desirable or with Minimum Everglades Impacts

[Part D of LORS2008: Discharge to Tidewater](#)

Release Guidance Flow Chart Outcome: S-79 up to 450 cfs and S-80 up to 200 cfs

Technical Input Summaries from:

- [Lake Okeechobee Division](#)
- [Coastal Ecosystems](#)
- [Everglades Ecosystems Division](#)
- [Water Supply Department](#)
- [Water Resource Management Release Recommendation](#)
- [Kissimmee Watershed Environmental Conditions](#)
- [Operations Department](#)

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LORS2008 Implementation on 6/15/2015 (ENSO Neutral Condition):

Water Supply Department Technical Input

Water Supply Outlook:

District wide, Raindar rainfall 2.32 inches for the week ending 6/15/2015. Lake stage on 6/15/2015 is 12.60 ft, up 0.03 ft from last week.

The updated June 2015 SFWMM Dynamic Position Analysis [percentile graph](#) and [tracking chart](#) for Lake Okeechobee show that the lake stage is in the Low Flow Operational Sub-Band.

The LORS2008 tributary [indices](#) are classified as **Normal**. The PDSI indicates normal condition and the LONIN is Normal. The classification is based on the wetter of the two.

Water Supply Risk Evaluation

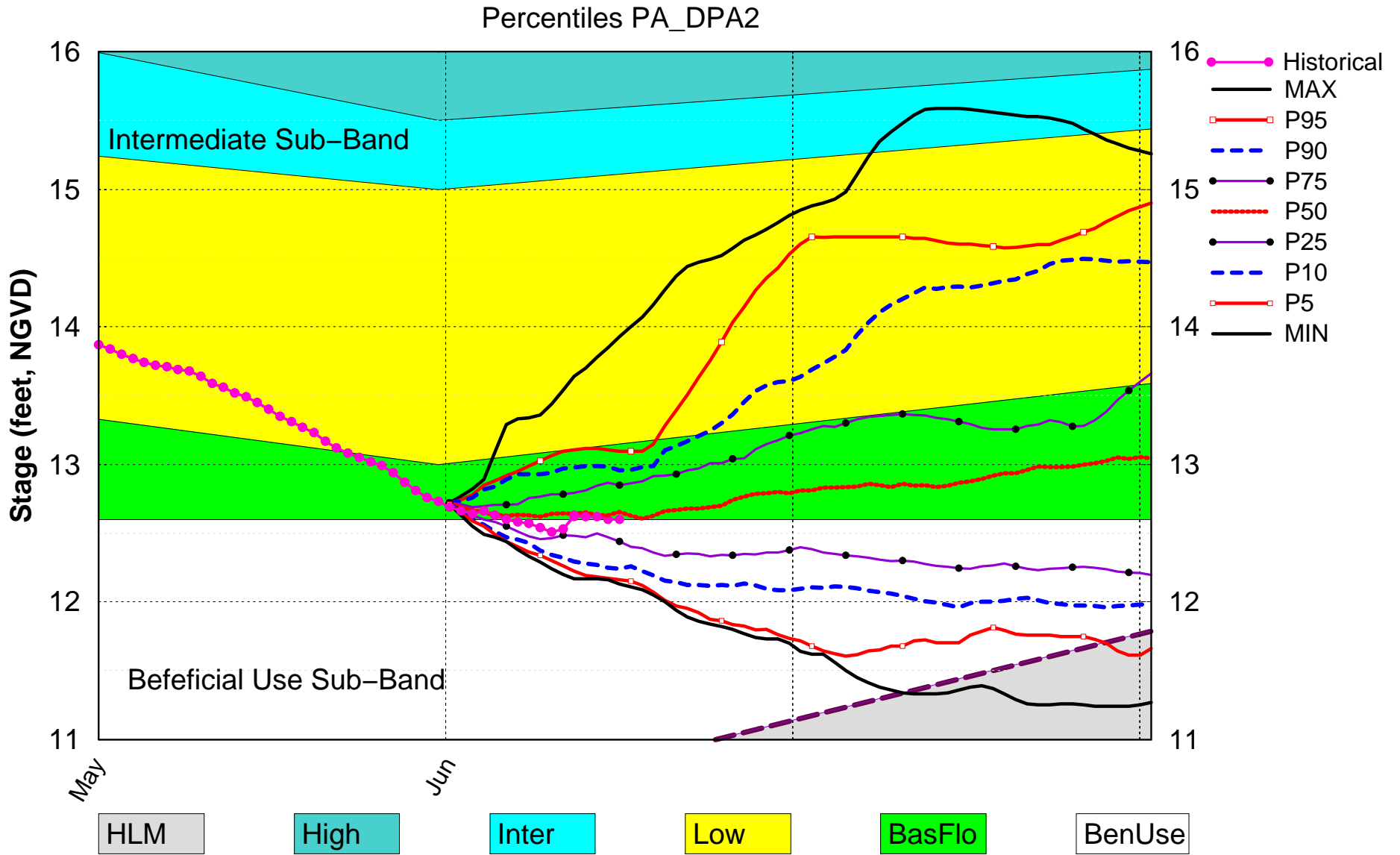
Area	Indicator	Value	Color Coded Scoring Scheme
LOK	Projected LOK Stage for the next two months	Base Flow Sub-Band	M
	Palmer Index for LOK Tributary Conditions	-0.69 (Normal)	L
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Above Normal	L
		3 months: Above Normal	L
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Forecast	3.60 ft (Normal to Extremely Wet)	L
	AMO warm/El Nino		
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Forecast	5.71 ft (Wet)	L
AMO warm/El Nino			
WCAs	WCA 1: Site 1-7, Site 1-8T, & Site 1-9 Average	Above Line 1 (15.10 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17 HW	Above Line 1 (11.76 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Site 63, 64 and 65)	Above Line 1 (8.94 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	50% or more of USGS wells are within the lowest 10% to 30% of past water elevations and not more than 25% are in the lowest 10% of past water elevations	M

Note: The water supply risk classification based on the Palmer index, as well as the LOK seasonal and multi-seasonal net inflow forecasts use slightly different classification intervals than those used by the 2008-LORS for classifying the tributary hydrologic condition (THC).

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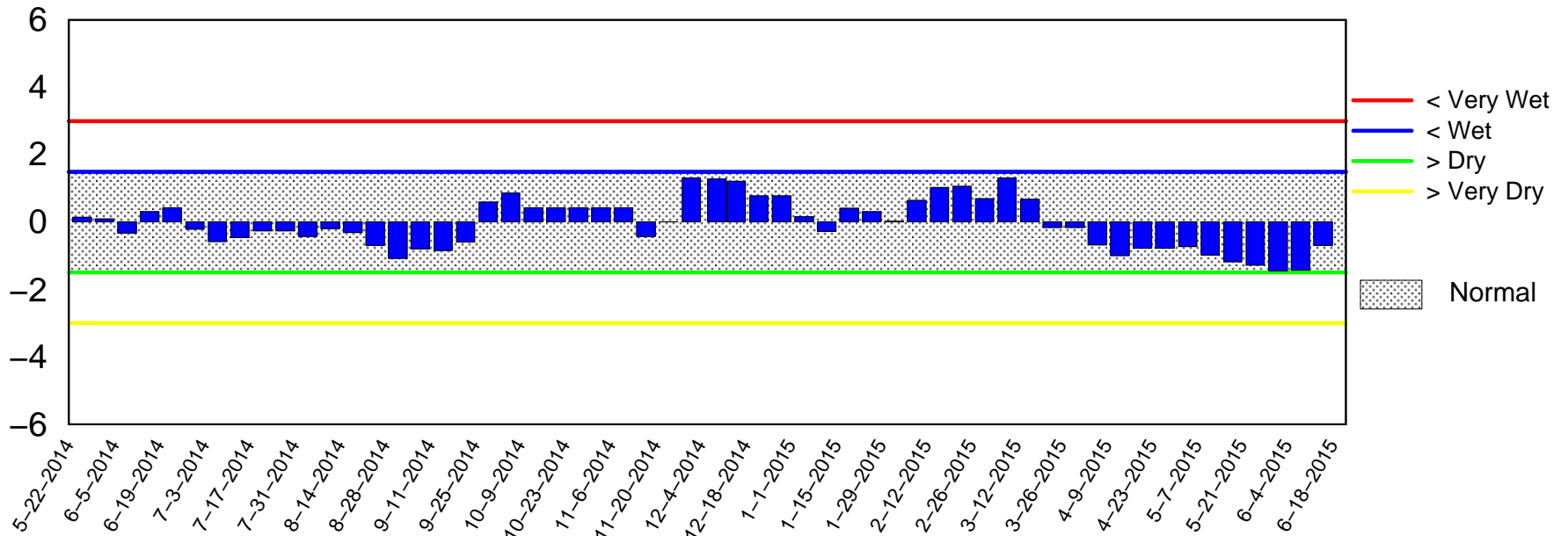
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM June 2015 Dynamic Position Analysis



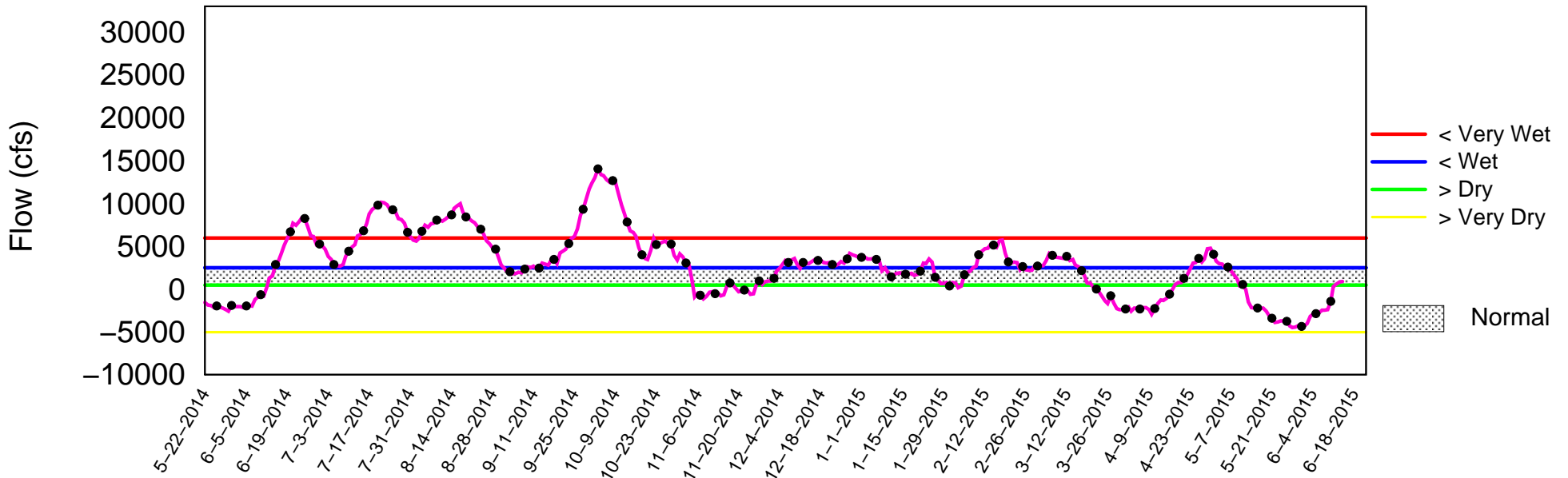
(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of June 15 2015

Palmer Index



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



2008 LORS

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

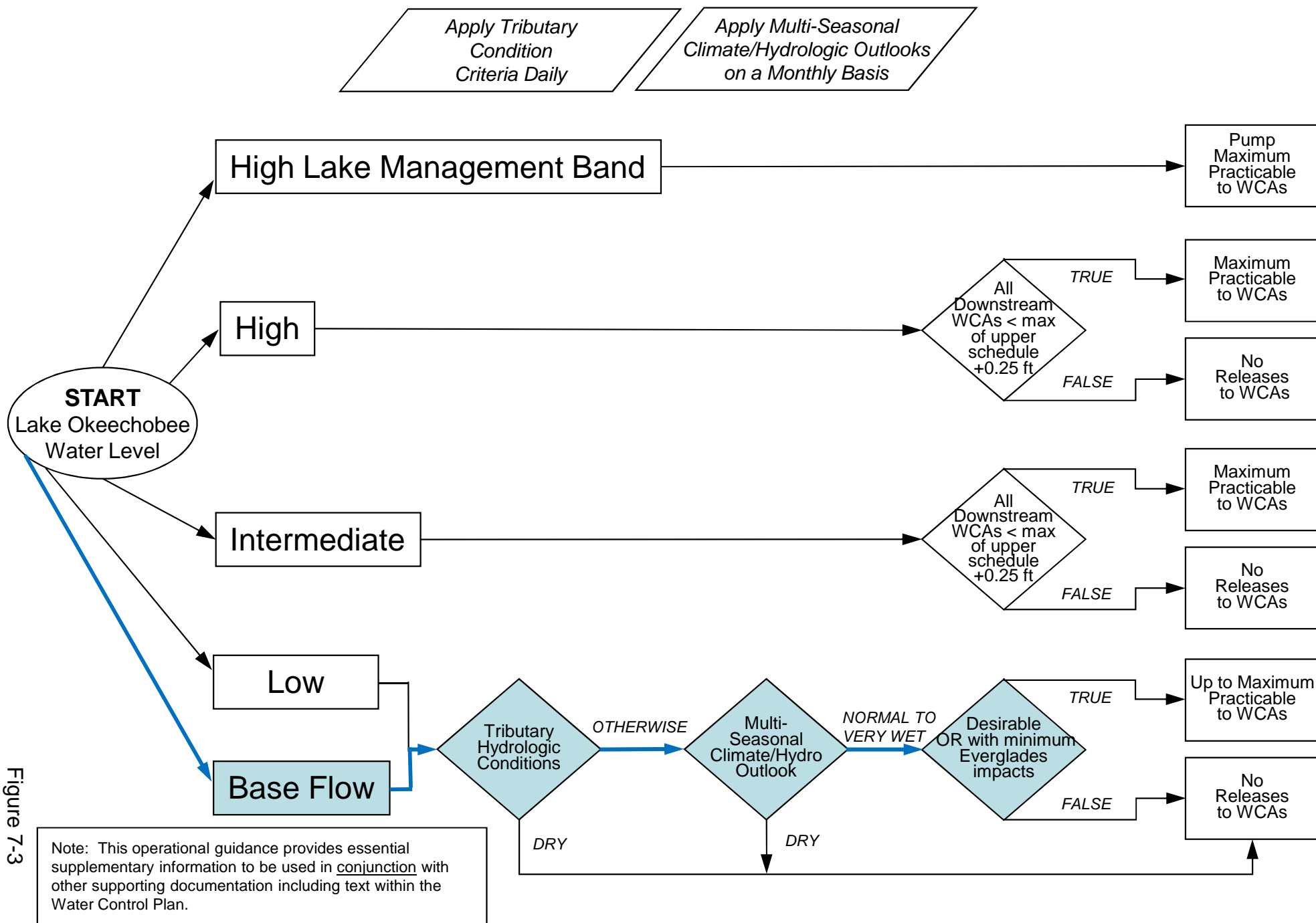


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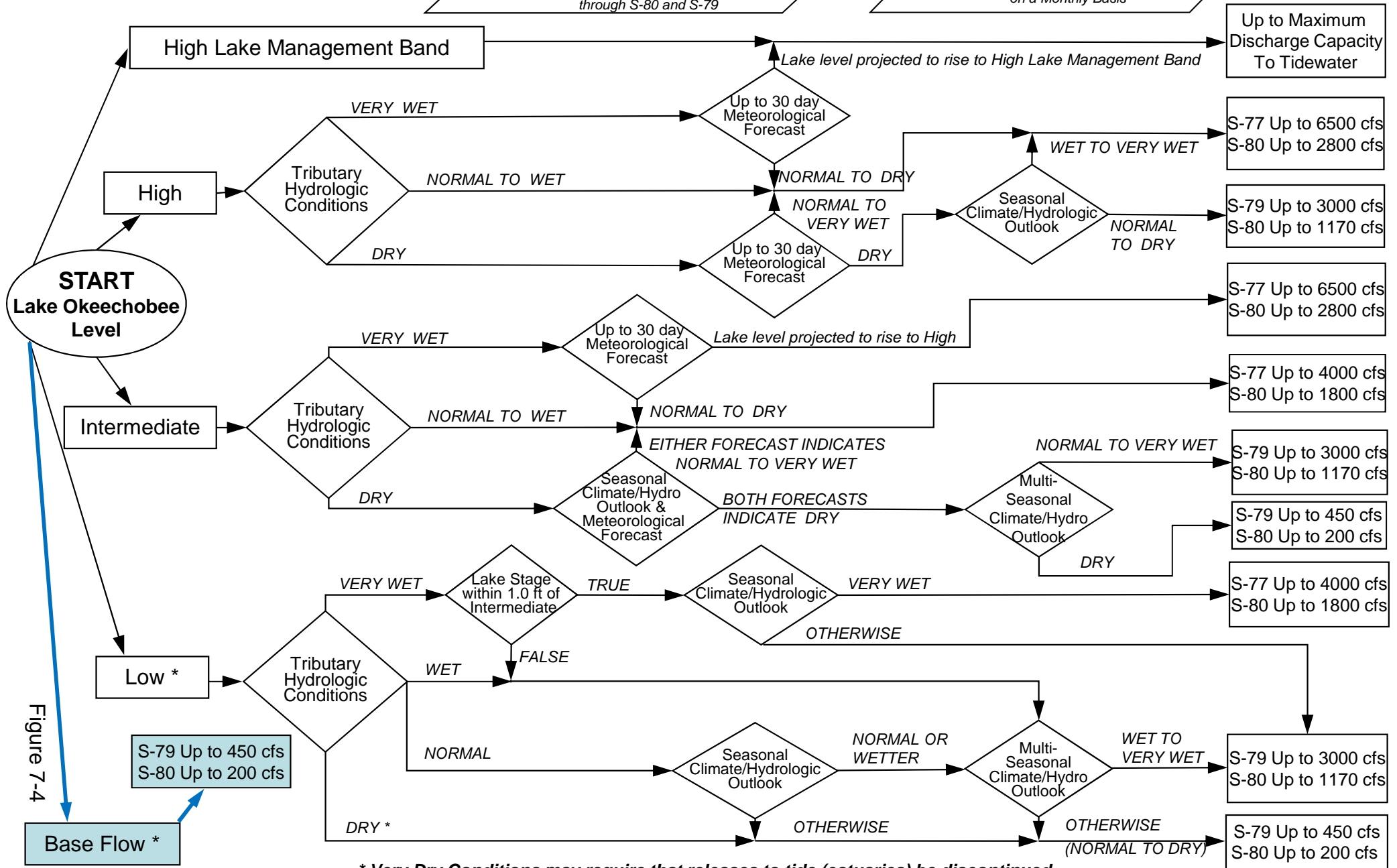
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Part D: Establish Allowable Lake Okeechobee Releases to Tide (Estuaries)

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

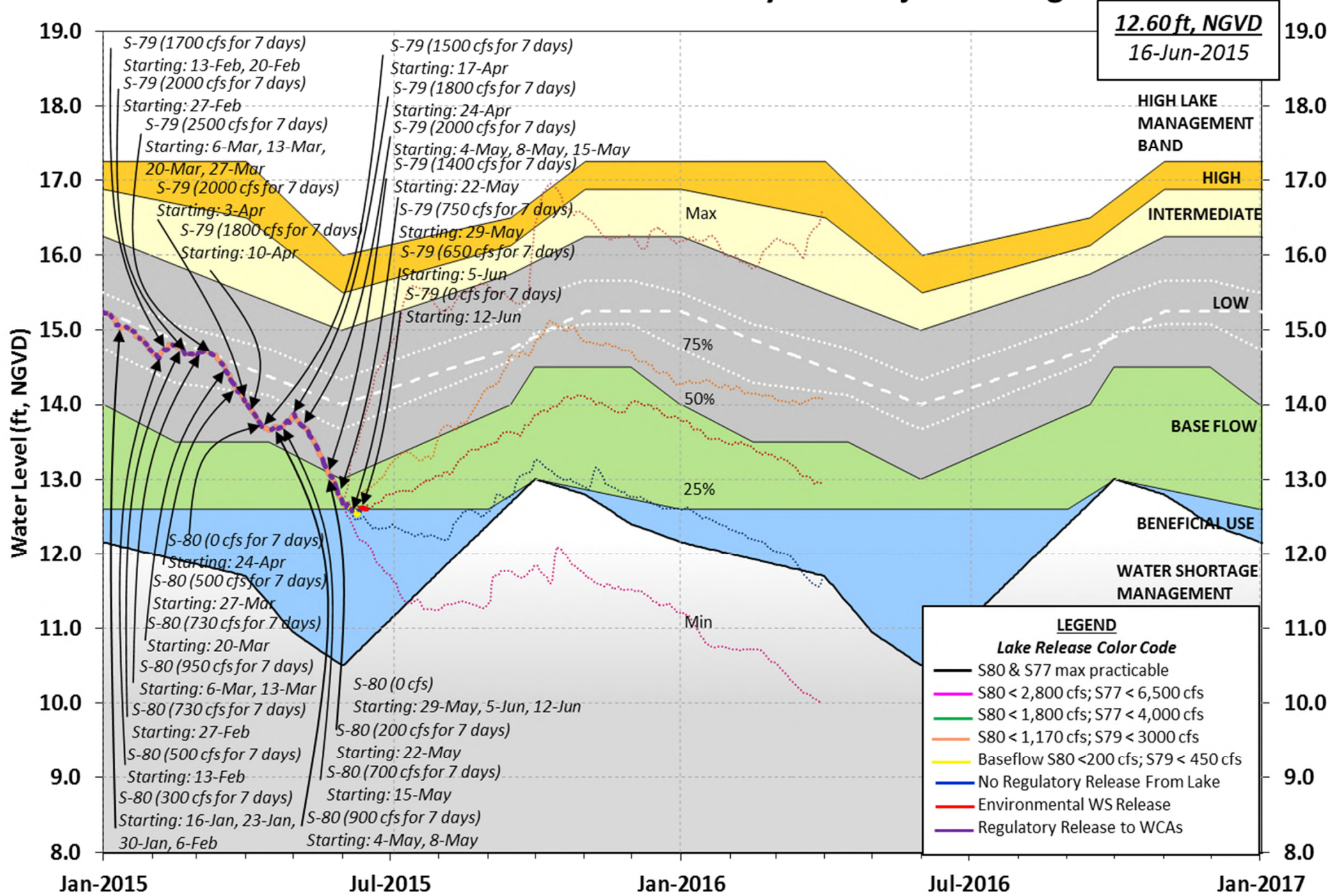
Apply Meteorological Forecasts on a Weekly Basis; apply Seasonal and Multi-Seasonal Climate/Hydrologic Outlooks on a Monthly Basis



* Very Dry Conditions may require that releases to tide (estuaries) be discontinued

Figure 7-4

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 14 JUN 2015

Okeechobee Lake Regulation	Elevation (ft-NGVD)	Last Year (ft-NGVD)	2YRS Ago (ft-NGVD)
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation	12.60	12.50	13.94 (Official Elv)
Bottom of High Lake Mngmt=	16.06	Top of Water Short Mngmt= 10.77	
Currently in Operational Management Band			

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000]	12.02
Difference from Average LORS2008	0.58

14JUN (1965-2007) Period of Record Average	13.18
Difference from POR Average	-0.58

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

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1 ÷ 6.54'
 ++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2 ÷ 4.74'
 Bridge Clearance = 49.11'

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

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
12.49	12.76	12.59	12.56	12.72	12.69	12.46	12.57

*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 12.60
 (*See Note)

Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	528	S191	0	Fisheating Cr	126
S154	0	S133 Pumps	0	S135 Pumps	0
S84	134	S127 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S71	238	S129 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S72	72	S131 Pumps	0	S4 Pumps	0
C5	0				
Total Inflows:	1098				

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts (Used)	-NR-	S354	496	S77	5
S127 Culverts (USED)	0	S351	284	S77Below	12 (NOT USED)

C5: 13.42 12.88 0 0.0 0.0 0.0

South Shore

S4 Pumps: 10.80 12.65 0 0 0 0 (cfs)
 S169: 12.69 10.79 0 0.0 0.0 0.0
 S310: 12.63 -84
 S3 Pumps: 10.98 12.70 0 0 0 0 (cfs)
 S354: 12.70 10.98 496 0.4 0.6
 S2 Pumps: 10.37 12.63 0 0 0 0 0 (cfs)
 S351: 12.63 10.37 284 0.0 0.0 0.0
 S352: 12.71 10.80 335 1.2 1.3
 C10A: -NR- 12.76 8.5 8.5 8.5 8.5 8.5
 L8 Canal PT 12.55 -67

S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway

S351: 10.37 12.63 284 -NR--NR--NR--NR--NR--NR--
 S352: 10.80 12.71 335 -NR--NR--NR--NR--
 S354: 10.98 12.70 496 -NR--NR--NR--NR--

Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)

S47B: 14.40 10.77 0.5 0.5
 S47D: 10.71 10.71 32 4.8
 S77:
 Spillway and Sector Flow:
 12.58 10.75 0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 5
 S77 Below USGS Flow Gage 12
 S78:
 Spillway and Sector Flow:
 10.56 2.97 1154 0.0 2.5 0.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 18
 S79:
 Spillway and Sector Flow:
 3.13 0.40 2041 0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0 1.0 0.0 0.0
 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: 10
 Percent of flow from S77 0%
 Chloride (ppm) 66

St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)

S308:
 Spillway and Sector Flow:
 12.48 14.39 0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
 Flow Due to Lockages+: -3
 S308 Below USGS Flow Gage 71
 S153: 19.05 14.24 0 0.0 0.0
 S80:
 Spillway and Sector Flow:
 14.52 0.94 0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0

Flow Due to Lockages+: 12
 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.

					----- Wind ---	
Daily Precipitation Totals	1-Day	3-Day	7-Day	Direction		
Speed	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)	(Degø)		
(mph)						
S133 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	1.71			
S193:	-NR-	0.00	0.00	-NR-	-NR-	
Okeechobee Field Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00			
S135 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	1.43			
S127 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	2.28			
S129 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	1.06			
S131 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	1.34			
S77:	0.00	0.05	2.27	143	1	
S78:	0.00	0.08	5.48	92	5	
S79:	0.00	0.02	1.02	166	4	
S4 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00			
Clewiston Field Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.00			
S3 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	1.22			
S2 Pump Station:	-NR-	0.00	0.81			
S308:	0.00	0.00	2.21	45	1	
S80:	0.07	0.07	1.40	175	4	
Okeechobee Average	0.00	0.00	1.10			
(Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)						

Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	0.00	0.00	0.00			

Okeechobee Lake Elevations	14 JUN 2015	12.60 Difference from
14JUN15		
14JUN15 -1 Day =	13 JUN 2015	12.62 0.02
14JUN15 -2 Days =	12 JUN 2015	12.62 0.02
14JUN15 -3 Days =	11 JUN 2015	12.62 0.02
14JUN15 -4 Days =	10 JUN 2015	12.53 -0.07
14JUN15 -5 Days =	09 JUN 2015	12.51 -0.09
14JUN15 -6 Days =	08 JUN 2015	12.54 -0.06
14JUN15 -7 Days =	07 JUN 2015	12.57 -0.03
14JUN15 -30 Days =	15 MAY 2015	13.40 0.80
14JUN15 -1 Year =	14 JUN 2014	12.50 -0.10
14JUN15 -2 Year =	14 JUN 2013	13.94 1.34

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
14JUN15	Today =	14 JUN 2015	1649	MON		-2717
14JUN15	-1 Day =	13 JUN 2015	1585	SUN		503
14JUN15	-2 Days =	12 JUN 2015	1675	SAT		-1620
14JUN15	-3 Days =	11 JUN 2015	1405	FRI		19998
14JUN15	-4 Days =	10 JUN 2015	-798	THU		6411
14JUN15	-5 Days =	09 JUN 2015	-2035	WED		-2234
14JUN15	-6 Days =	08 JUN 2015	-2298	TUE		-2253
14JUN15	-7 Days =	07 JUN 2015	-2322	MON		1702
14JUN15	-8 Days =	06 JUN 2015	-2678	SUN		-279
14JUN15	-9 Days =	05 JUN 2015	-2805	SAT		-NR-
14JUN15	-10 Days =	04 JUN 2015	-2850	FRI		-2405
14JUN15	-11 Days =	03 JUN 2015	-3047	THU		6629
14JUN15	-12 Days =	02 JUN 2015	-4070	WED		-428
14JUN15	-13 Days =	01 JUN 2015	-4263	TUE		-1868

S65E						
Average Flow over previous 14 days						Avg-Daily Flow
14JUN15	Today=	14 JUN 2015	446	MON		528
14JUN15	-1 Day =	13 JUN 2015	427	SUN		708
14JUN15	-2 Days =	12 JUN 2015	404	SAT		819
14JUN15	-3 Days =	11 JUN 2015	363	FRI		648
14JUN15	-4 Days =	10 JUN 2015	336	THU		568
14JUN15	-5 Days =	09 JUN 2015	310	WED		148
14JUN15	-6 Days =	08 JUN 2015	330	TUE		351
14JUN15	-7 Days =	07 JUN 2015	338	MON		316
14JUN15	-8 Days =	06 JUN 2015	343	SUN		227
14JUN15	-9 Days =	05 JUN 2015	368	SAT		-NR-
14JUN15	-10 Days =	04 JUN 2015	358	FRI		379
14JUN15	-11 Days =	03 JUN 2015	363	THU		525
14JUN15	-12 Days =	02 JUN 2015	362	WED		287
14JUN15	-13 Days =	01 JUN 2015	376	TUE		287

Lake Okeechobee Outlets Last 14 Days

DATE	S-77	S-77	Below S-77	S-78	S-78	S-79
	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
	(0700-2100)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(0700-2100)	(ALL DAY)	(ALL DAY)
	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
14 JUN 2015	0	10	24	1113	2325	4068
13 JUN 2015	0	6	202	2092	3385	6189
12 JUN 2015	0	4	-43	1635	2925	5681
11 JUN 2015	7	-NA-	87	1705	2493	6265
10 JUN 2015	604	-NA-	796	816	1386	3021
09 JUN 2015	1071	-NA-	1313	813	1384	2090
08 JUN 2015	1032	-NA-	1272	866	1447	2846
07 JUN 2015	1206	-NA-	1513	819	1401	2237

06 JUN 2015	1147	-NA-	1502	812	1396	2151
05 JUN 2015	1223	-NA-	2055	622	1377	2184
04 JUN 2015	802	-NA-	1126	624	1376	2335
03 JUN 2015	735	-NA-	1409	631	1402	2215
02 JUN 2015	1101	-NA-	1947	624	1378	1768
01 JUN 2015	1066	-NA-	1786	626	1402	1794

	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)
14 JUN 2015	-168	563	664	984	-132
13 JUN 2015	-293	26	424	547	-193
12 JUN 2015	-304	0	297	290	-235
11 JUN 2015	-185	0	248	527	-176
10 JUN 2015	54	1600	660	1483	-26
09 JUN 2015	141	2433	1007	1858	201
08 JUN 2015	165	2388	1027	1860	198
07 JUN 2015	170	2044	1172	1914	150
06 JUN 2015	164	1935	1253	1935	68
05 JUN 2015	149	-NR-	-NR-	-NR-	122
04 JUN 2015	106	1886	1037	1791	157
03 JUN 2015	84	1491	664	1493	55
02 JUN 2015	103	1838	1122	1327	122
01 JUN 2015	159	2378	1392	1654	129

	S-308	Below S-308	S-80
	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
	(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(ALL-DAY)
DATE	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
14 JUN 2015	-7	140	24
13 JUN 2015	-9	39	474
12 JUN 2015	-8	8	1382
11 JUN 2015	-8	-146	40
10 JUN 2015	-1	-258	39
09 JUN 2015	-0	64	34
08 JUN 2015	0	80	50
07 JUN 2015	0	64	36
06 JUN 2015	0	51	40
05 JUN 2015	0	168	30
04 JUN 2015	111	139	31
03 JUN 2015	0	160	27
02 JUN 2015	1	110	-NR-
01 JUN 2015	1	81	48

*** NOTE: 1) Discharge from (0700-2100) is computed using Spillway and Sector Gate Discharges from 0700 hrs to 2100 hrs.

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

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

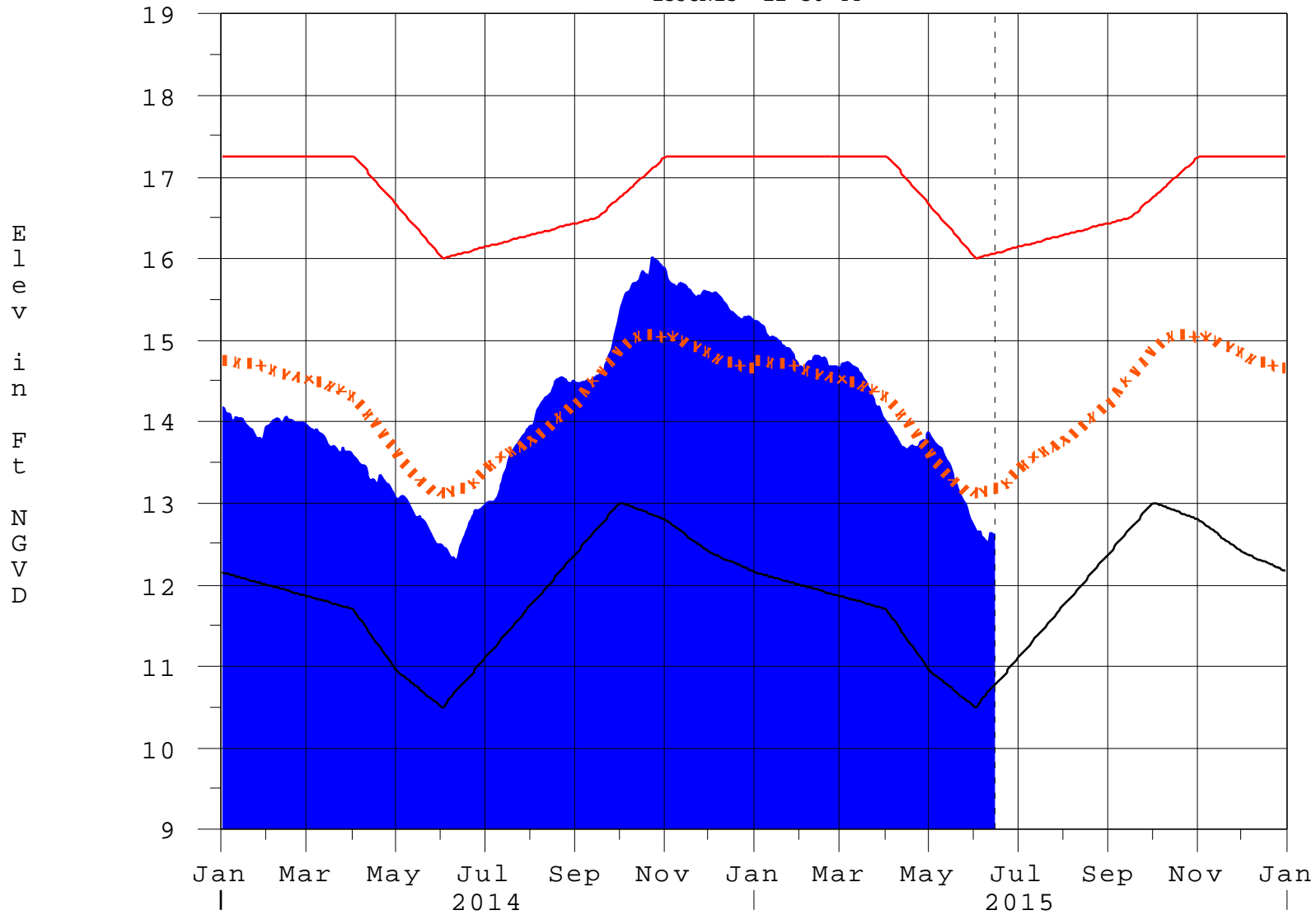
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* On 11 May 1999, Lake Okeechobee Elevation was switched from Instantaneous 2400 value to an average-daily lake average.
On 14 Mar 2001, due to the isolation of various gages within the standard
10 stations, the average of the interior 4 station gages 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

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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