

Application of the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008) on 4/18/2016 (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 El Nino ENSO 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 El Nino ENSO Years ³		Sub-sampling of AMO Warm + El Nino ENSO Years ⁴	
	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition	Value (ft)	Condition
Current (Apr-Sep)	N/A	N/A	1.82	Wet	1.72	Wet	2.81	Very Wet
Multi Seasonal (May-Apr)	N/A	N/A	2.53	Wet	3.99	Wet	6.05	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:](#)

-597 cfs 14-day running average for Lake Okeechobee Net Inflow through 4/18/2016. According to the classification in [Tributary Hydrologic Conditions](#) table, this condition is Dry.

-0.36 for Palmer Index on 4/17/2016.

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 4/18/2016

Lake Okeechobee Stage: **14.68 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		16.90	
Operational Band	High sub-band	16.22	
	Intermediate sub-band	15.36	
	Low sub-band	13.48	← 14.68
Base Flow sub-band		12.60	
Beneficial Use sub-band		11.27	
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 3000 cfs and S-80 up to 1170 cfs

Technical Input Summaries from:

- [Lake Okeechobee Division](#)
- [Coastal Ecosystems](#)
- [Everglades Ecosystems Division](#)
- [Water Supply Department](#)
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LORS2008 Implementation on 4/18/2016 (ENSO El Nino Condition):

Water Supply Department Technical Input

Water Supply Outlook:

District wide, Raindar rainfall 0.59 inches for the week ending **4/19/2016**. Lake stage on 4/18/2016 is 14.68 ft, down 0.21 ft from last week.

The updated April 2016 SFWMM Dynamic Position Analysis [percentile graph](#) and [tracking chart](#) for Lake Okeechobee show that the lake stage is in the Low Operational Sub-Band.

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

Water Supply Risk Evaluation

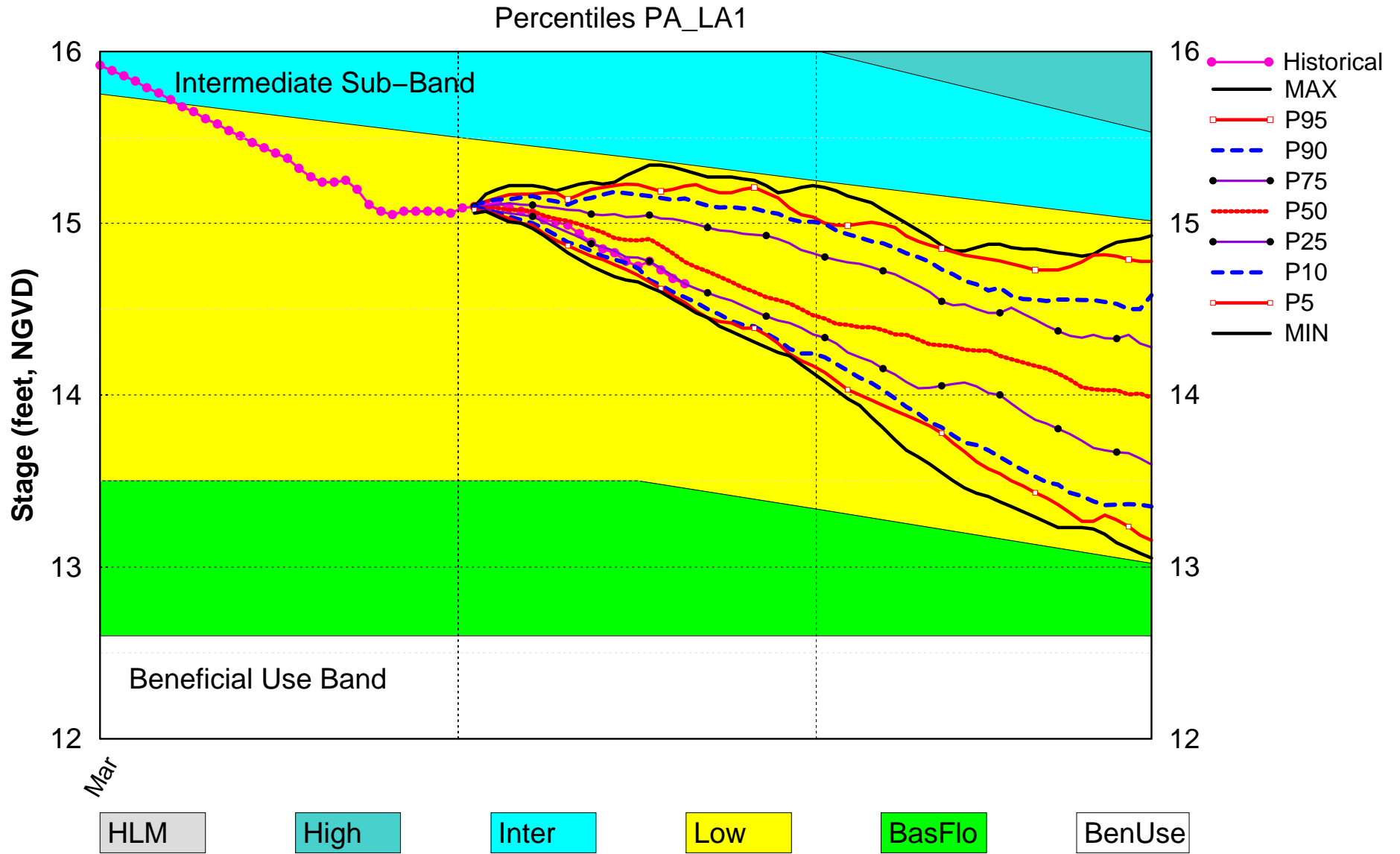
Area	Indicator	Value	Color Coded Scoring Scheme
LOK	Projected LOK Stage for the next two months	Low Sub-Band	M
	Palmer Index for LOK Tributary Conditions	-0.36 (Normal)	L
	CPC Precipitation Outlook	1 month: Normal	L
		3 months: Above Normal	L
	LOK Seasonal Net Inflow Forecast AMO warm/El Nino	1.72 ft (Normal to Extremely Wet)	L
	LOK Multi-Seasonal Net Inflow Forecast AMO warm/El Nino	3.99 ft (Normal)	L
			L
WCAs	WCA 1: Site 1-7, Site 1-8T, & Site 1-9 Average	Above Line 1 (16.11 ft)	L
	WCA 2A: Site 2-17 HW	Above Line1 (11.76 ft)	L
	WCA-3A: 3 Station Average (Site 63, 64 and 65)	Above Line 1 (10.06 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 forecasts use slightly different classification intervals than those used by the 2008-LORS.

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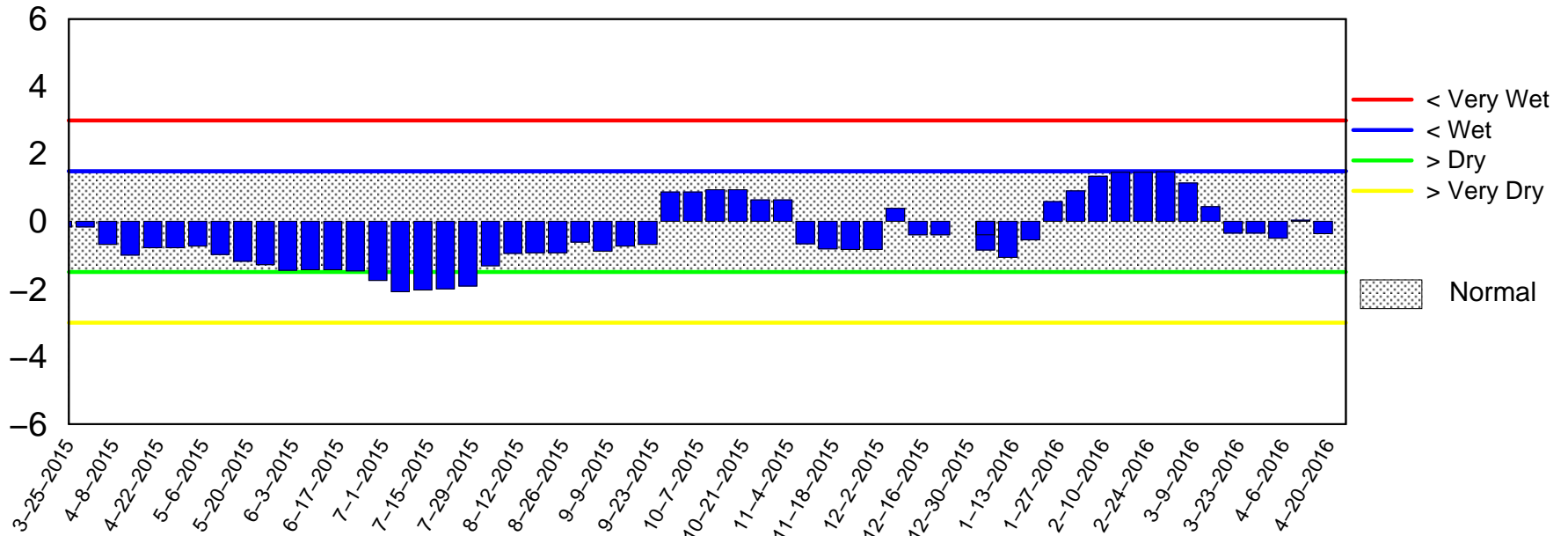
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM April 2016 Position Analysis



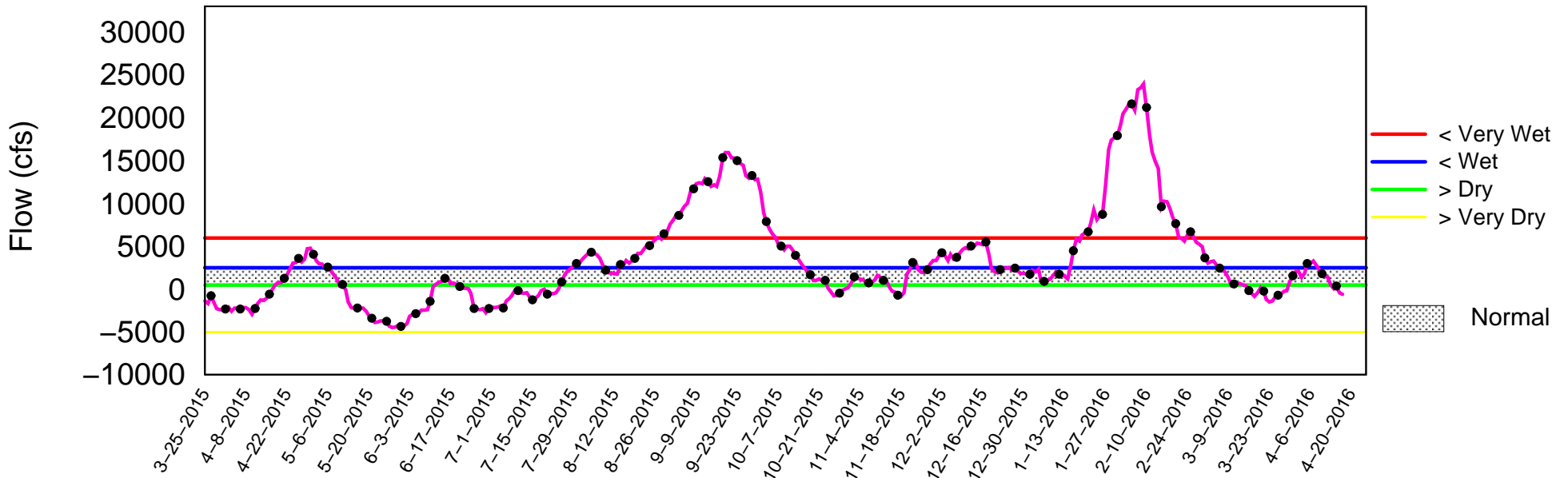
(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

Tributary Basin Condition Indicators as of April 18 2016

Palmer Index



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



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

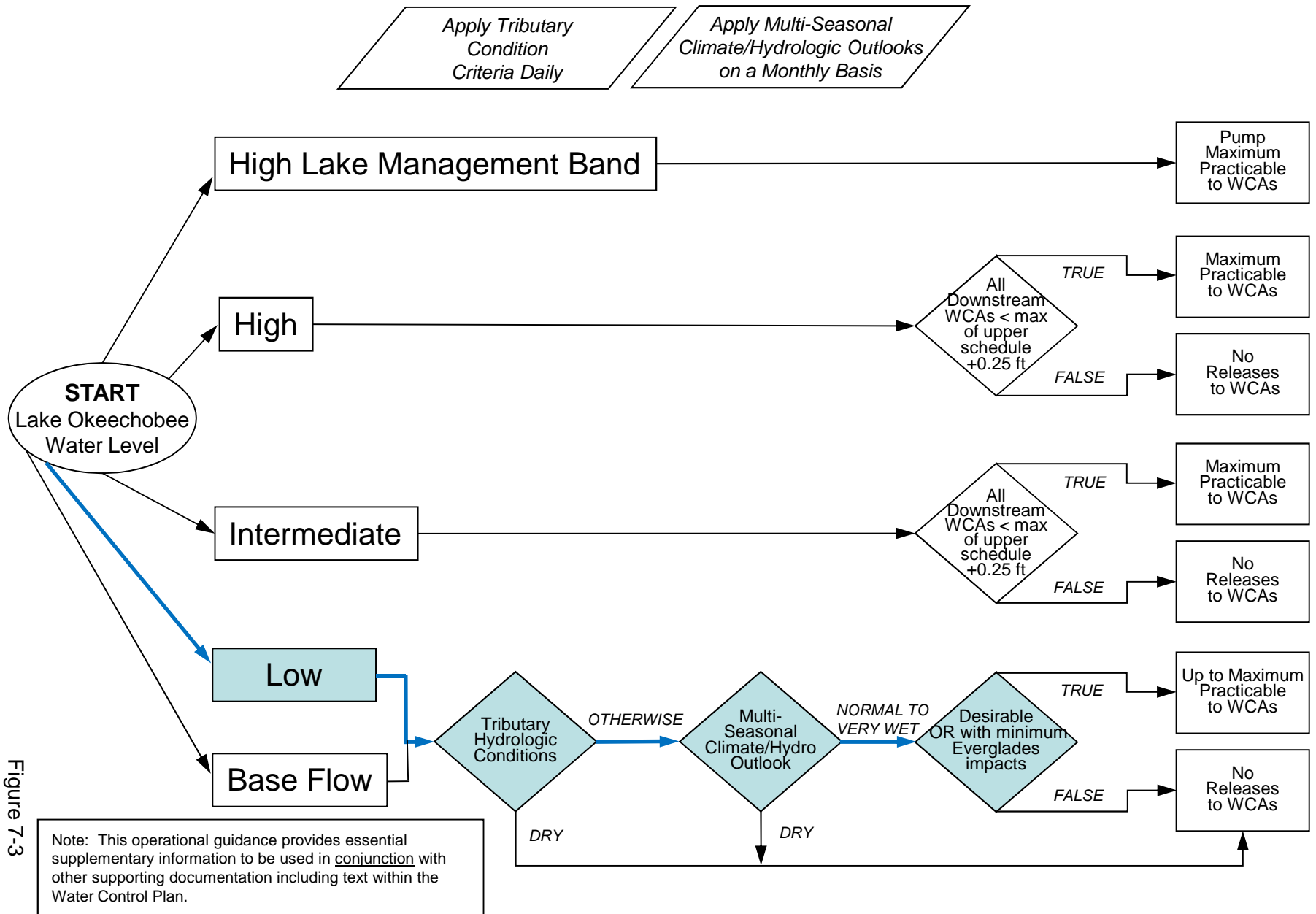


Figure 7-3

2008 LORS

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

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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

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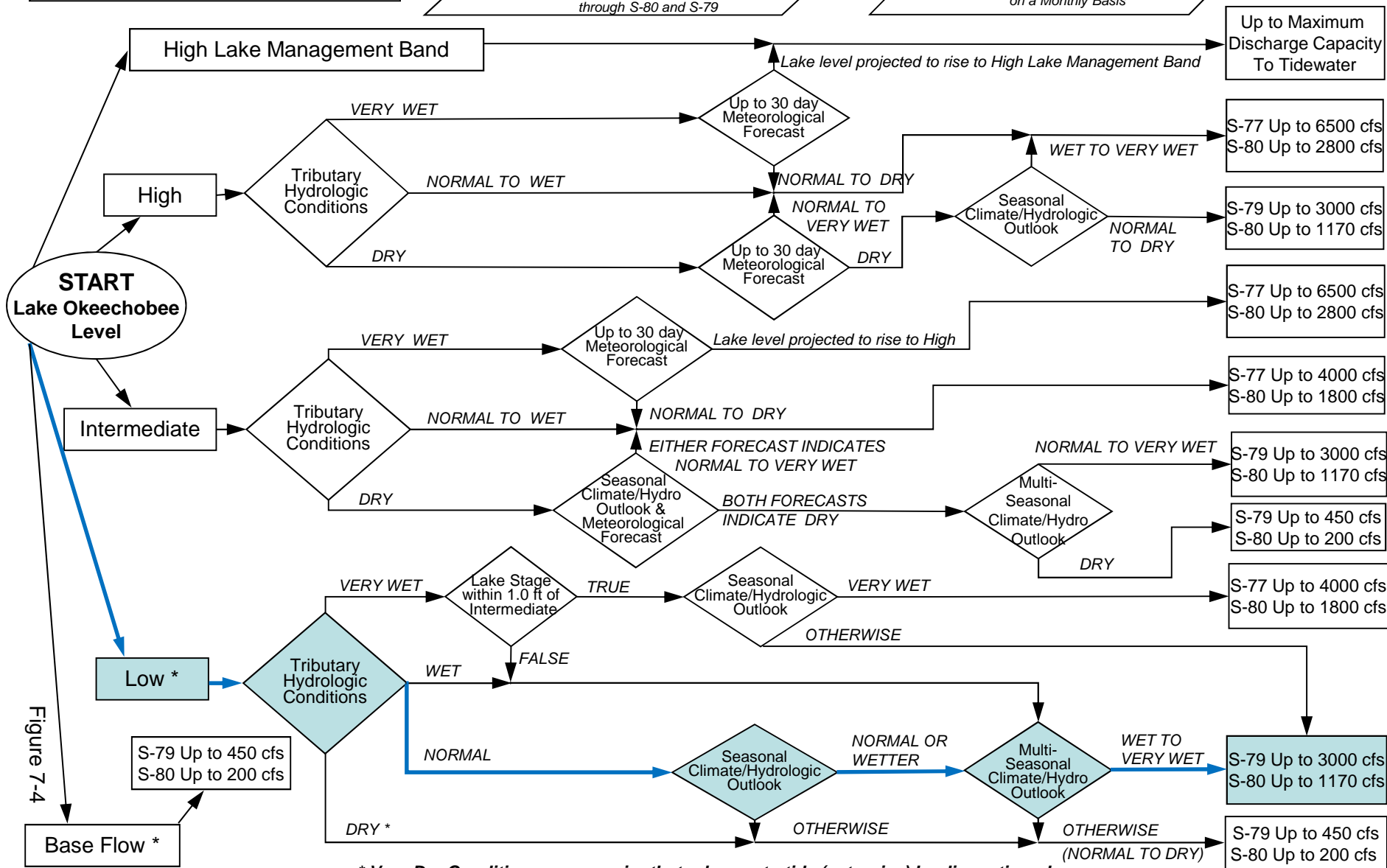


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2008 LORS FORECAST

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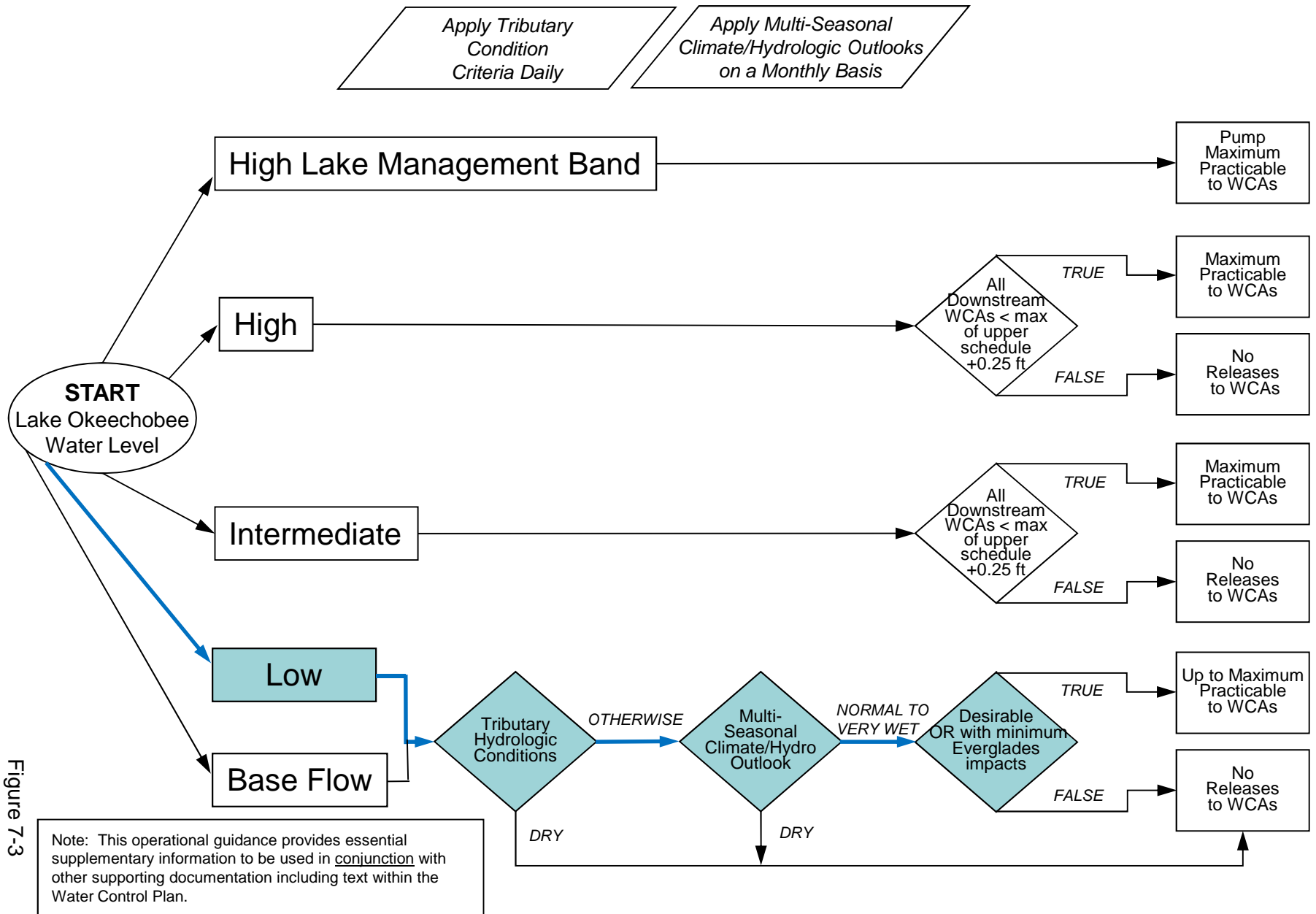


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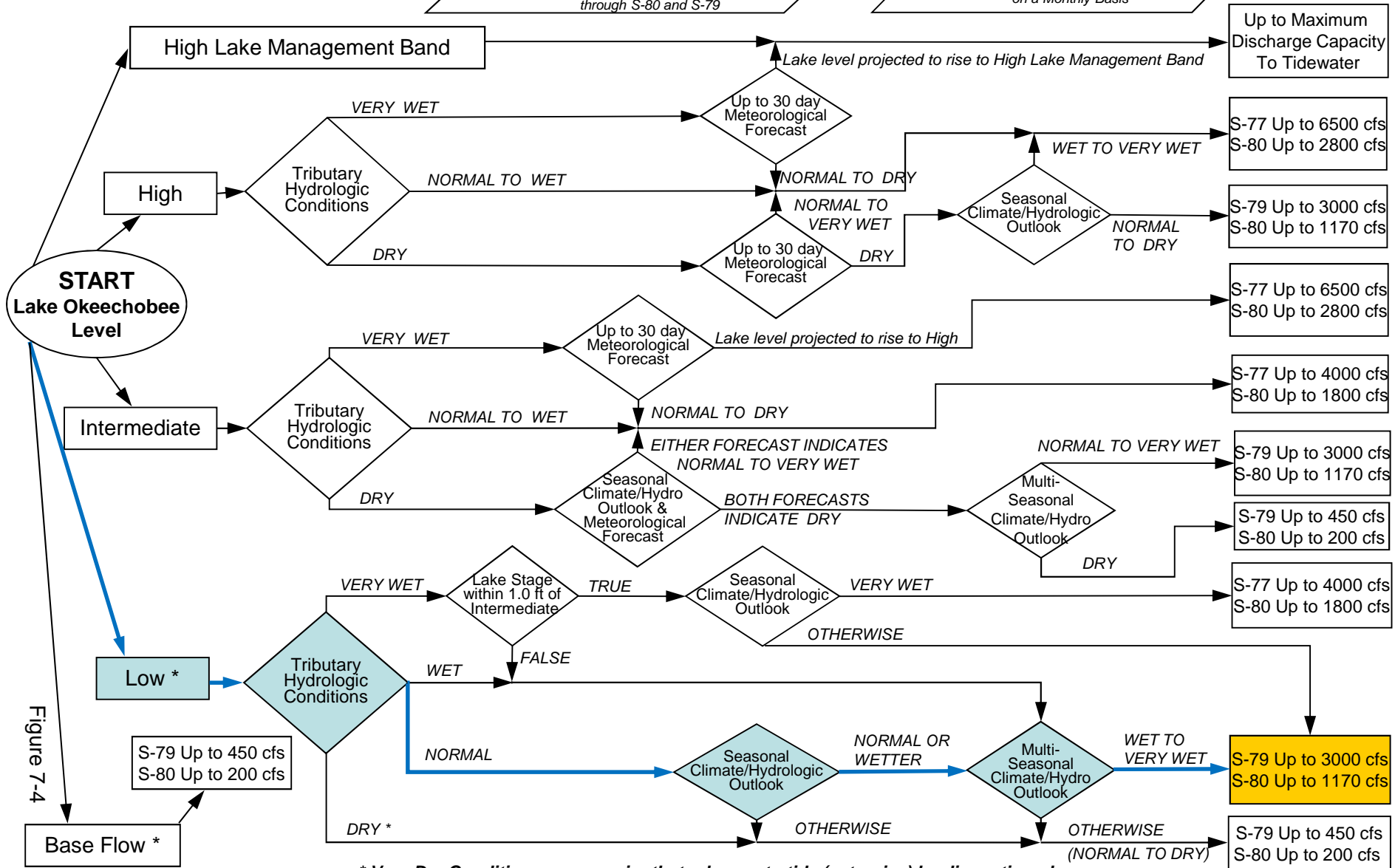
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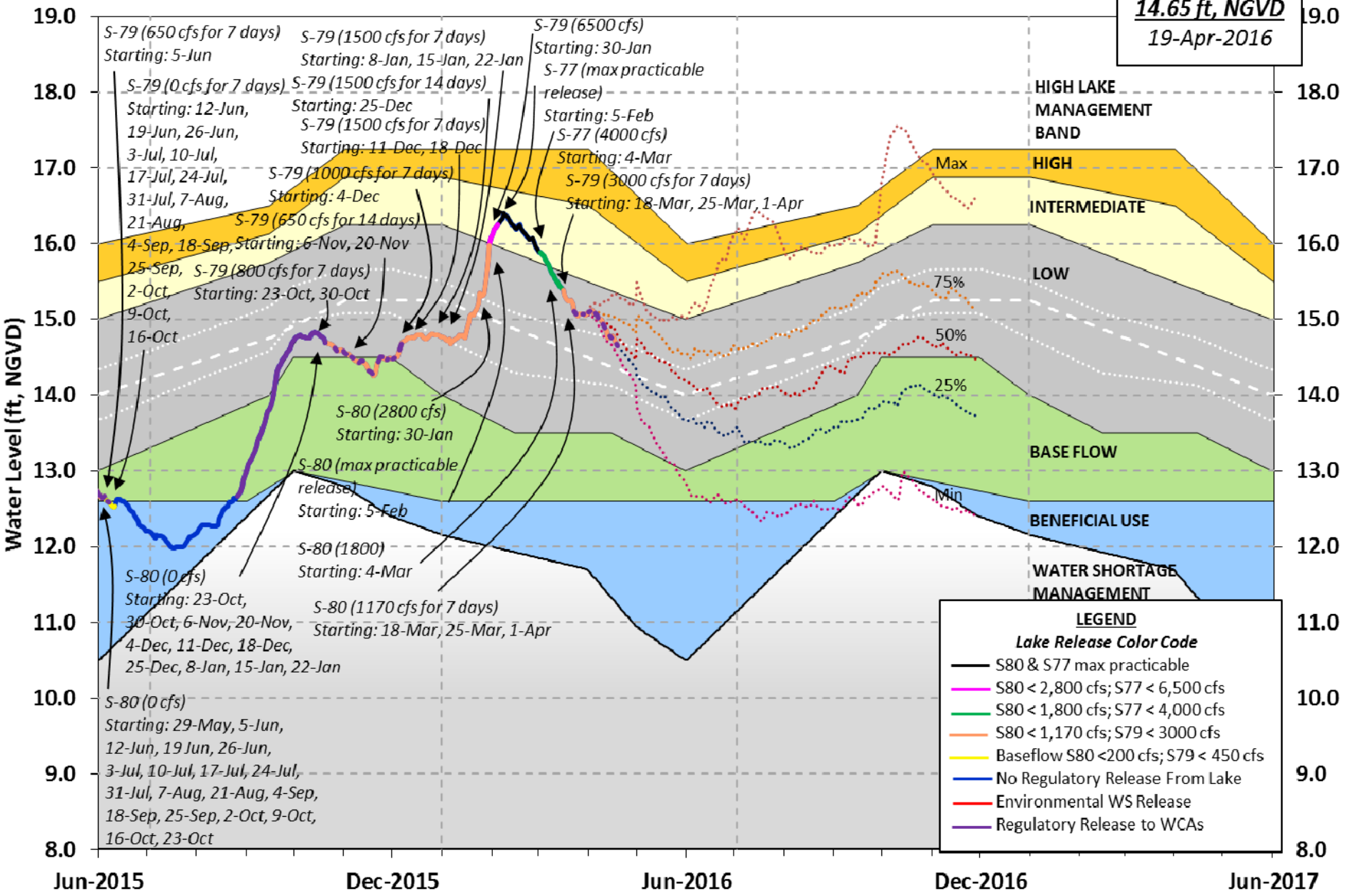


* Very Dry Conditions may require that releases to tide (estuaries) be discontinued

Figure 7-4

Lake Okeechobee Water Level History and Projected Stages

14.65 ft, NGVD
19-Apr-2016



LEGEND

Lake Release Color Code

- S80 & S77 max practicable
- S80 < 2,800 cfs; S77 < 6,500 cfs
- S80 < 1,800 cfs; S77 < 4,000 cfs
- S80 < 1,170 cfs; S79 < 3000 cfs
- Baseflow S80 < 200 cfs; S79 < 450 cfs
- No Regulatory Release From Lake
- Environmental WS Release
- Regulatory Release to WCAs

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Data Ending 2400 hours 17 APR 2016

Okeechobee Lake Regulation Elevation Last Year 2YRS Ago
 (ft-NGVD) (ft-NGVD) (ft-NGVD)
*Okeechobee Lake Elevation 14.68 13.68 13.24 (Official Elv)
Bottom of High Lake Mngmt= 16.92 Top of Water Short Mngmt= 11.28
Currently in Operational Management Band

Simulated Average LORS2008 [1965-2000] 12.69
Difference from Average LORS2008 1.99

17APR (1965-2007) Period of Record Average 13.92
Difference from POR Average 0.76

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

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2007 Channel Condition Survey) Route 1 ÷ 8.62'

++Navigation Depth (Based on 2008 Channel Condition Survey) Route 2 ÷ 6.82'

Bridge Clearance = 49.26'

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

L001	L005	L006	LZ40	S4	S352	S308	S133
14.42	14.86	14.77	14.68	15.01	14.75	14.51	14.44

*Combination Okeechobee Avg-Daily Lake Average = 14.68
(*See Note)

Okeechobee Inflows (cfs):

S65E	2424	C5	0	Fisheating Cr	-NR-
S154	0	S191	0	S135 Pumps	0
S84	0	S133 Pumps	0	S2 Pumps	0
S84X	632	S127 Pumps	0	S3 Pumps	0
S71	59	S129 Pumps	0	S4 Pumps	0
S72	16	S131 Pumps	0		

Total Inflows: 3131

Okeechobee Outflows (cfs):

S135 Culverts	0	S354	230	S77	(Not Used)
S127 Culverts	0	S351	975	S77Below	2244
(USED)					
S129 Culverts	-NR-	S352	514	S308	(Not Used)

S131 Culverts -NR- L8 Canal Pt 189 S308Below 716
 (USED)
 Total Outflows: 4868

****S77 Structure outflow is being used to compute Total Outflow.
 ****S308 Structure outflow is being used to compute Total Outflow.

Okeechobee Pan Evaporation (inches):
 S77 0.19 S308 0.44
 Average Pan Evap x 0.75 Pan Coefficient = 0.24" = 0.02'

Lake Average Precipitation using NEXRAD: = 0.00" = 0.00'

Evaporation - Precipitation: = 0.24" = 0.02'
 Evaporation - Precipitation using Lake Area of 730 square miles
 is equal to 4637 cfs out of the lake.
 Lake Okeechobee (Change in Storage) Flow is -10588 cfs or -21000 AC-FT

Note: Headwater, tailwater, and stage values below are instantaneous values unless otherwise specified.

---	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)
	(I) see note at bottom									
North East Shore										
S133 Pumps:	13.43	14.46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)
S193:										
S191:	18.92	14.47	0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
S135 Pumps:		-NR-	0	0	0	0	0			(cfs)
S135 Culverts:			0	-NR-	-NR-					
North West Shore										
S65E:	20.94	14.27	2424	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
S127 Pumps:	13.49	14.53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(cfs)
S127 Culvert:			0	0.0						
S129 Pumps:	12.93	14.80	0	0	0	0				(cfs)
S129 Culvert:			-NR-	-NR-						
S131 Pumps:	12.81	14.84	0	0	0					(cfs)
S131 Culvert:			-NR-							
Fisheating Creek										
nr Palmdale			-NR-							
nr Lakeport										
C5:	14.65	15.02	0	0.0	0.0	0.0				

South Shore

S4 Pumps:	11.07	14.92	0	0	0	0				(cfs)
S169:	14.99	11.05	0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
S310:	14.80		10							
S3 Pumps:	10.49	14.94	0	0	0	0				(cfs)
S354:	14.94	10.49	230	2.2	2.2					
S2 Pumps:	11.09	14.87	0	0	0	0	0			(cfs)
S351:	14.87	11.09	975	1.3	1.3	1.1				
S352:	14.82	10.95	514	1.0	1.2					
C10A:	-NR-	13.75		0.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0		
L8 Canal PT		13.56	189							

S351 and S352 Temporary Pumps/S354 Spillway

S351:	11.09	14.87	975	-NR--NR--NR--NR--NR--NR-
S352:	10.95	14.82	514	-NR--NR--NR--NR-
S354:	10.49	14.94	230	-NR--NR--NR--NR-

Caloosahatchee River (S77, S78, S79)

S47B:	12.18	10.96		0.0	0.0					
S47D:	11.00	10.98	24	4.9						
S77:										
Spillway and Sector Flow:										
14.66	11.05	2244	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5				
Flow Due to Lockages+:		6								
S77 Below USGS Flow Gage		2244								
S78:										
Spillway and Sector Flow:										
11.04	2.82	2248	2.0	2.5	2.5	0.0				
Flow Due to Lockages+:		12								
S79:										
Spillway and Sector Flow:										
2.94	0.97	2805	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
1.0										
Flow Due to Lockages+:		10								
Percent of flow from S77		85%								
Chloride (ppm)		50								

St. Lucie Canal (S308, S80)

S308:										
Spillway and Sector Flow:										
14.60	14.24	716	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0				
Flow Due to Lockages+:		1								
S308 Below USGS Flow Gage		716								
S153:	18.92	14.07	0	0.0	0.0					
S80:										
Spillway and Sector Flow:										
14.03	2.09	942	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	
Flow Due to Lockages+:		19								
Percent of flow from S308		104%								

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	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:	0.00	0.00	1.01	75	2
S78:	0.00	0.00	0.00	85	1
S79:	0.00	0.07	0.07	111	2
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:	*****	*****	*****	315	0
S80:	0.00	0.03	1.32	88	5
Okeechobee Average	*****	5411.85	*****		
(Sites S78, S79 and S80 not included)					

Oke Nexrad Basin Avg	0.00	0.05	0.62		

Okeechobee Lake Elevations	17 APR 2016	14.68	Difference from
17APR16			
17APR16 -1 Day =	16 APR 2016	14.73	0.05
17APR16 -2 Days =	15 APR 2016	14.78	0.10
17APR16 -3 Days =	14 APR 2016	14.75	0.07
17APR16 -4 Days =	13 APR 2016	14.78	0.10
17APR16 -5 Days =	12 APR 2016	14.83	0.15
17APR16 -6 Days =	11 APR 2016	14.86	0.18
17APR16 -7 Days =	10 APR 2016	14.89	0.21
17APR16 -30 Days =	18 MAR 2016	15.24	0.56
17APR16 -1 Year =	17 APR 2015	13.68	-1.00
17APR16 -2 Year =	17 APR 2014	13.24	-1.44

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
17APR16	Today =	17 APR 2016	-531	MON	-5719
17APR16	-1 Day =	16 APR 2016	-339	SUN	-6142
17APR16	-2 Days =	15 APR 2016	596	SAT	9055
17APR16	-3 Days =	14 APR 2016	209	FRI	-380
17APR16	-4 Days =	13 APR 2016	711	THU	-NR-
17APR16	-5 Days =	12 APR 2016	1470	WED	-NR-
17APR16	-6 Days =	11 APR 2016	1526	TUE	336
17APR16	-7 Days =	10 APR 2016	1804	MON	-4556
17APR16	-8 Days =	09 APR 2016	2338	SUN	-5424
17APR16	-9 Days =	08 APR 2016	2889	SAT	804
17APR16	-10 Days =	07 APR 2016	3313	FRI	4876
17APR16	-11 Days =	06 APR 2016	3012	THU	-1989
17APR16	-12 Days =	05 APR 2016	2969	WED	926
17APR16	-13 Days =	04 APR 2016	1879	TUE	1837

S65E

		Average Flow over previous 14 days			Avg-Daily Flow
17APR16	Today=	17 APR 2016	3884	MON	2424
17APR16	-1 Day =	16 APR 2016	4057	SUN	2502
17APR16	-2 Days =	15 APR 2016	4162	SAT	2757
17APR16	-3 Days =	14 APR 2016	4191	FRI	2871
17APR16	-4 Days =	13 APR 2016	4162	THU	3192
17APR16	-5 Days =	12 APR 2016	4081	WED	3386
17APR16	-6 Days =	11 APR 2016	3979	TUE	3867
17APR16	-7 Days =	10 APR 2016	3831	MON	4086
17APR16	-8 Days =	09 APR 2016	3656	SUN	4378
17APR16	-9 Days =	08 APR 2016	3428	SAT	4496
17APR16	-10 Days =	07 APR 2016	3164	FRI	4792
17APR16	-11 Days =	06 APR 2016	2866	THU	5136
17APR16	-12 Days =	05 APR 2016	2528	WED	5212
17APR16	-13 Days =	04 APR 2016	2184	TUE	5276

Lake Okeechobee Outlets Last 14 Days

DATE	S-77	S-77	Below S-77	S-78	S-78	S-79
	Discharge (0700-2100) (AC-FT)	Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	Discharge (ALL-DAY) (AC-FT)	Discharge (0700-2100) (AC-FT)	Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)	Discharge (ALL DAY) (AC-FT)
17 APR 2016			4449	-NR-	4482	5582
16 APR 2016			3221	-NR-	3460	4830
15 APR 2016			3790	-NR-	2907	3757
14 APR 2016			6223	-NR-	5602	7031
13 APR 2016			8144	-NR-	6765	7963
12 APR 2016			6818	-NR-	5440	6536
11 APR 2016			6642	-NR-	5372	5761
10 APR 2016			6155	-NR-	5044	5797
09 APR 2016			4101	-NR-	3514	4433
08 APR 2016			4498	-NR-	3508	4302

07 APR 2016			7743	-NR-	6347	6968
06 APR 2016			8092	-NR-	6501	8321
05 APR 2016			6096	-NR-	5475	7281
04 APR 2016			4425	-NR-	4279	5694

	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)
17 APR 2016	19	1933	1019	456	376
16 APR 2016	62	2263	1289	1001	373
15 APR 2016	44	0	121	109	386
14 APR 2016	185	1045	656	886	390
13 APR 2016	263	-NR-	1047	1668	395
12 APR 2016	251	-NR-	1077	1620	401
11 APR 2016	179	2368	863	1269	349
10 APR 2016	175	2316	722	815	336
09 APR 2016	228	2437	886	982	354
08 APR 2016	335	2116	777	984	340
07 APR 2016	278	1495	432	990	332
06 APR 2016	20	482	331	803	310
05 APR 2016	65	204	254	920	344
04 APR 2016	9	0	369	869	245

	S-308	Below S-308	S-80
	Discharge	Discharge	Discharge
	(ALL DAY)	(ALL-DAY)	(ALL-DAY)
DATE	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)	(AC-FT)
17 APR 2016		1420	1083
16 APR 2016		669	807
15 APR 2016		953	911
14 APR 2016		2643	1798
13 APR 2016		2991	2216
12 APR 2016		2712	1756
11 APR 2016		2073	1431
10 APR 2016		1717	1138
09 APR 2016		1480	894
08 APR 2016		1377	893
07 APR 2016		2977	1779
06 APR 2016		3233	2239
05 APR 2016		2616	1775
04 APR 2016		2035	1446

*** 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

* 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 \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

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