Flood Risk Management Requirements
Report #1 for Water Year 2018
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A. Purpose of Flood Risk Management Requirements. These requirements provide maximum end-of-month reservoir elevations and/or minimum outflows for flood risk management projects in the Columbia River Basin. These requirements are for use by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, Idaho Power, Energy Keepers, BC Hydro and Bonneville Power Administration for operations planning and include all formally approved deviations to date. Any deviation from the flood risk management requirements herein will require approval from the Chief, Columbia Basin Water Management Division (CBWM) per the Northwestern Division's (NWD) Deviation Policy (NWDR 1110-2-6). Requirements are in accordance with the Columbia River Treaty Flood Control Operating Plan (FCOP) and any project-specific water control manuals, with variations as described below. These flood risk management requirements will be revised and re-issued as new information becomes available.

B. List of Approved Flood Deviations from Water Control Manuals.
None are currently in effect.

C. Flood Risk Management Requirements
These requirements have been prepared using the most recent official seasonal volume forecasts. The April-August volume forecast at The Dalles Dam based on the January 2018 official forecast is 87,282 kaf. All other forecasts can be found in Table 2 or at:
http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/report/colsum/

Table 1 shows the flood risk management elevations, draft and flow limits for the evacuation, holding and refill periods. The Initial Controlled Flow (ICF) based on the January forecast is 310 kcfs. See the FCOP for how the ICF is computed. More details on the values used can be found at:
http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/report/storcorr/

D. System Flood Risk Management Refill Requirement Discussion.
No system refill requirements at this time.

E. Individual Project Flood Risk Management Requirements Discussion.
No specific individual requirements at this time.

Table 1. Flood Risk Management Requirements

Project	31Jan	28Feb	15Mar	31Mar	15 Apr	30 Apr[3]	31 May[3]	30 Jun[3]	31 Jul[3]
MCDB (kaf) [2]	1662	2810	n/a	4080	4080	4080	2448	286	0
ARDB (ft)	1430.5	1422.9	n/a	1414.1	1414.1	1414.1	1423.9	1443.2	1444.0
DCDB (ft)	1839.5	1812.8	1808.1	1808.1	1808.1	1808.1	1834.7	1877.4	1892.0
LIB (ft) [4]	2401.8	2393.2	n/a	2389.2	2389.2	2389.2	2430.4	2459.0	2459.0
LIB (cfs)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
HGH (ft)	3541.5	3534.3	n/a	3525.9	3521.8	3517.5	3550.1	3560.0	3560.0
SKQ (ft)[5]	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2883.0	n/a	2890.0	2893.0	2893.0
ALF (ft) [1]	2060.0	2060.0	n/a	2056.0	n/a	2056.0	2062.5	2062.5	2062.5
GCL (ft)	1290.0	1290.0	n/a	1280.9	1265.0	1248.5	1270.3	1289.6	1290.0
BRN (ft)	2077.0	2045.9	n/a	2040.4	2036.8	2035.8	2071.5	2077.0	2077.0
DWR (ft)	1530.5	1511.9	n/a	1483.6	1465.6	1501.3	1568.0	1599.7	1600.0

Notes:

1. Albeni Falls flood risk management elevations are based on readings at the Hope gage.
2. KAF units refer to required flood risk management space (draft) in the reservoir.
3. Flood risk management requirements for May, June and July are based on estimated normal runoff shape. Under certain circumstances, the Refill Guide Curve (also known as Flood Control Refill Curve) procedure may be used to determine when refill is to begin at each project where applicable.
4. Per the Libby Dam WCM, Rule 1 of the VarQ operating procedures, releases will be limited to the hydraulic capacity of the powerhouse to the best extent possible.
5. Sèliš Ksanka Qĺispė Dam, formerly known as Kerr Dam.

Table 2. Water Supply Forecasts (Kaf)

Project	Forecast Period	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Current month Forecast % of Normal
MCDB	Apr-Aug	11117							101
ARDB	Apr-Aug	21606							98
DCDB	Apr-Aug	1995							99
LIB	Apr-Aug	6645							113
HGH	May-Sep	1964							116
SKQ[1,2]	Apr-Jul	5595							96
ALF[1]	Apr-Jul	12382							105
GCL[1]	Apr-Aug	55852							98
BRN[1]	Apr-Jul	5690							104
DWR	Apr-Jul	2941							122
TDA[1]	Apr-Aug	87282							100

Notes:

1. Official water supply forecasts for SKQ (KERM), ALF, GCL, BRN and TDA are the ESP 5-day-QPF median values published by the NWRFC on the following days for 2018: Jan 4, Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 5, May 3, Jun 5, and Jul 6.
2. Sèliš Ksanka Qĺispė Dam, formerly known as Kerr Dam.

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