

Flood Risk Management Requirements
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NOTE: DUE TO DIMINISHED SNOWPACK AND NEAR COMPLETION OF REFILL AT MOST PROJECTS, THIS IS THE FINAL ISSUE OF THE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT OPERATING REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENT OF WATER YEAR 2019

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.

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 June 2019 official forecast is 82,586 kaf. All other forecasts can be found in Table 2.

Table 1 shows the flood risk management elevations, draft and flow limits for the evacuation, holding and refill periods.

D. System Flood Risk Management Refill Requirement Discussion.

The ICF date was declared as April 22, for an ICF of 300 kcfs. The ICF flow rate was based on the official April 2019 seasonal runoff volume forecast. Based upon refill modeling of the most recent ESP traces and the projected rapid decline in runoff, **all project specific flood risk management requirements are removed and all projects are free to refill in a reasonable manner.**

E. Individual Project Flood Risk Management Requirements Discussion.

No specific individual requirements at this time.

Table 1. Flood Risk Management Requirements

Project	31Jan	28Feb	31Mar	15 Apr	Date Refill Starts	30 Apr	31 May ³	30 Jun ³	31 Jul
MCDB (kaf) ²	1662	2206	3420	3212	17 Apr	3212	2448	286	0
ARDB (ft)	1430.5	1427.3	1419.2	1420.8	20 Apr	1420.8	1434.0	1442.0 ⁵	1444.0
DCDB (ft)	1840.9	1812.5	1807.7	1816.8	12 Apr	1816.8	1839.9	1879.0	1892.0
LIB (ft) ⁴	2422.2	2436.4	2441.3	2449.7	12 Apr	2453.0	-	2459.0	2459.0
LIB (kcfs)	-	-	-	-	12 Apr	-	~18	-	-
HGH (ft)	3548.5	3548.7	3545.1	3553.1	01 May	3553.6	-	3560.0	3560.0
HGH (kcfs)	-	-	-	-		-	~5-6	-	-
SKQ (ft)	-	-	-	2883.0	-	-	2890.0	2893.0	2893.0
ALF (ft) ¹	2060.0	2060.0	2056.0	-	-	2056.0	2062.5	2062.5	2062.5
GCL (ft)	1290.0	1290.0	1283.3	1283.3	21 Apr	1278.9	1284.2	1289.5	1290.0
BRN (ft)	2077.0	2060.6	2049.3	2061.3	21 Apr	2068.7	2075.7	2077.0	2077.0
DWR (ft)	1547.9	1558.6	1559.0	1573.8	21 Apr	1573.8	1596.0	1600.0	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 and June are based on numerical modeling.
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. Arrow is operating to local FRM requirements for the end of June.

Table 2. Water Supply Forecasts (Kaf)

Project	Forecast Period	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Current Month Forecast % of Normal	Residual Runoff ² (%)
MCDB	Apr-Aug	10560	11079	10972	10252	9696	10044		92	69
ARDB	Apr-Aug	21643	22302	21323	19774	18468	19609		89	65
DCDB	Apr-Aug	1956	2030	2007	1893	1771	1837		92	64
LIB	Apr-Aug	5639	5318	5478	4752	4983	4676		79	59
HGH	May-Sep	1533	1500	1580	1400	1460	1420		84	46
SKQ ¹	Apr-Jul	5123	4845	4560	4310	4952	4769		82	36
ALF ¹	Apr-Jul	11057	10420	9848	9714	11032	11199		95	34
GCL ¹	Apr-Aug	55941	51352	48998	47853	48664	48466		85	49
BRN ¹	Apr-Jul	4383	4160	5863	5450	7275	7289		133	31
DWR	Apr-Jul	2239	1951	2142	1964	2438	2425		100	18
TDA ¹	Apr-Aug	83322	75301	76636	75577	82415	82586		94	41

Notes:

1. Official water supply forecasts for SKQ, ALF, GCL, BRN and TDA are the ESP 5-day-QPF median values published by the NWRFC on the following days for 2019: Jan 4, Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 3, May 3, Jun 5, and Jul 6.
2. Residual runoff is the percentage of the current month's seasonal volume forecast that has yet to runoff.

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