

*Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control  
& Water Conservation Improvement District*

**STAFF REPORT**

**Agenda Item 5: Water Supply Conditions**

**Monday, September 11, 2023**

The Strategic Plan relevant priorities are: **Security** through ensuring reliable, resilient, and available sources of water; **Advocacy** in support of equitable water resource stewardship; and **Use** of water in effective and beneficial ways as a public resource, all in alignment with the District’s Mission to steward water resources for the benefit of people and the environment.

**Operations of the Trans-Basin Diversion Through PG&E Owned “Potter Valley Project”**

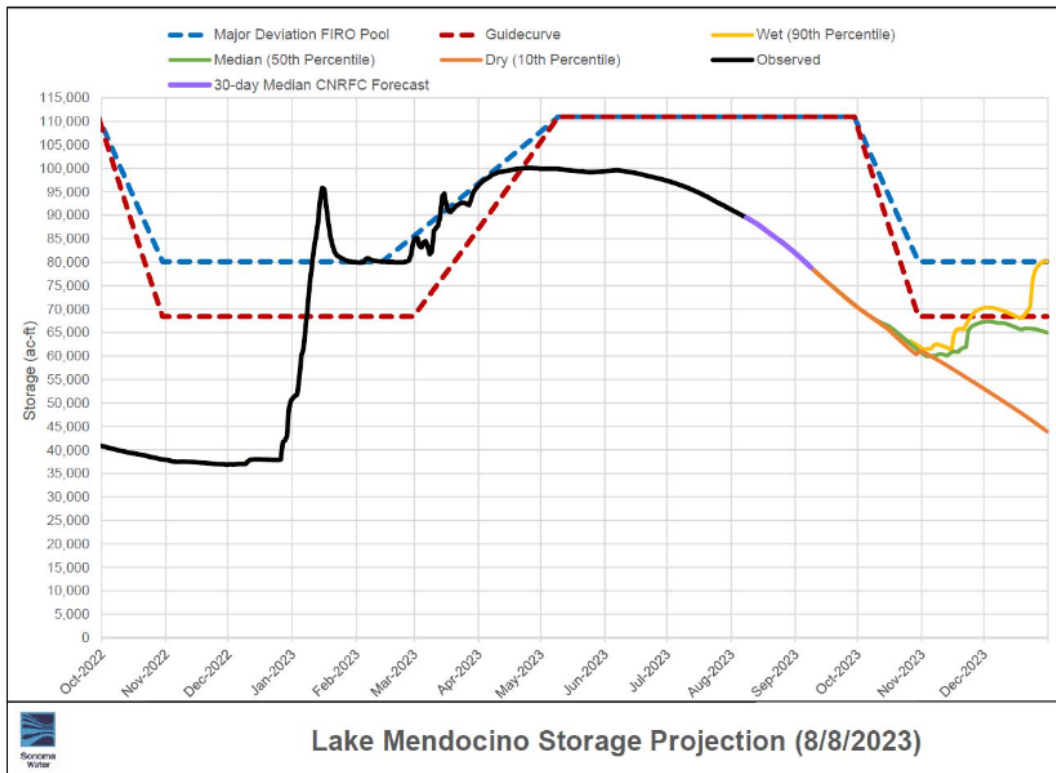
On July 31, 2023, PG&E filed a Long-Term Flow Regime Request Due to Restricted Storage Capacity to FERC, a copy of which can be found on the District website (<https://rrfc.specialdistrict.org/updates>).

This request is an amendment to the license and may take many months to years to approve. It is anticipated that PG&E will continue with short term flow variance requests to closely match the conditions requested in the long-term flow regime request.

**Lake Mendocino and the Mainstem Upper Russian River**

Lake Mendocino storage level was 82,976 acre feet (af) on September 5, 2023, down from 91,474 af on July 31, 2023. The mainstem Russian River continues to operate under a Temporary Urgency Change Order. [www.sonomanwater.org/tucp](http://www.sonomanwater.org/tucp).

**LAKE MENDOCINO**



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