

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

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item 9: Water Supply Conditions

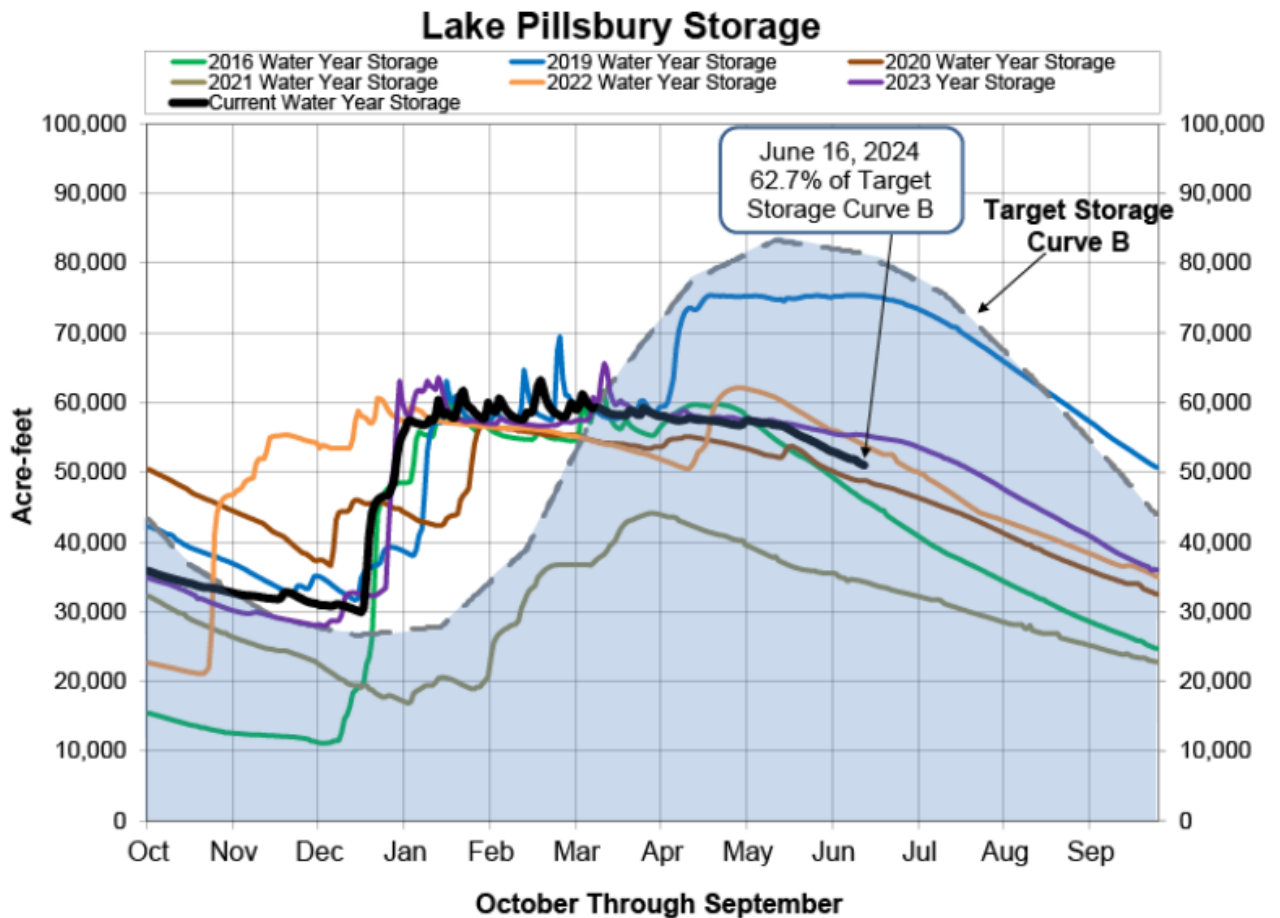
Monday, July 1, 2024

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 February 21, 2024, PG&E submitted the 2024 Flow Variance Request Due to Restricted Storage Capacity to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC.) The public comment period has closed and a response from FERC is pending. The matter will elevate to the Commission level for approval rather than staff level due to the number of Motions to Intervene filed. PG&E and others have recently submitted letters urging FERC to urgently approve the flow variance. A summary and further highlights from the document as well as comment letters can be found on our website:

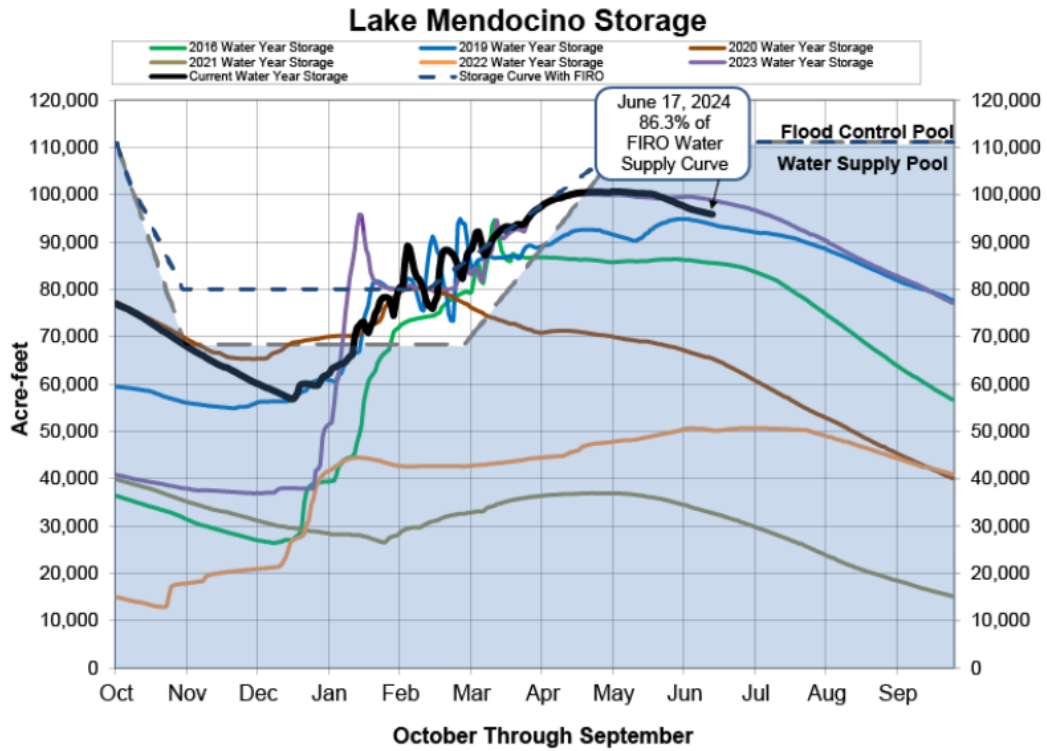
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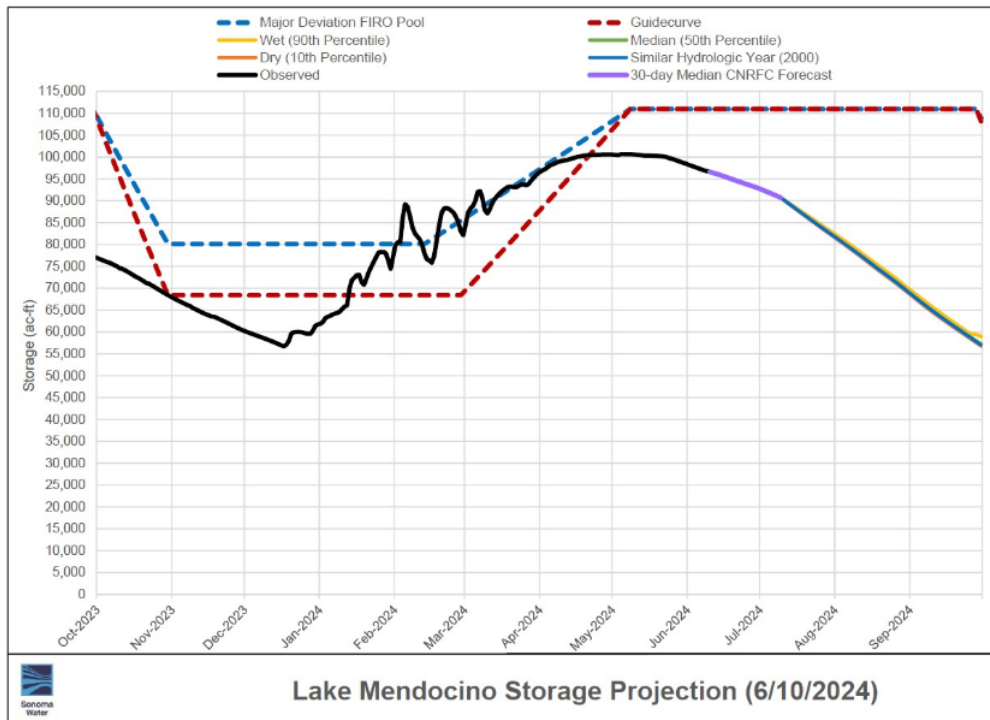
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Lake Mendocino and the Mainstem Upper Russian River

Lake Mendocino storage level was 95,006 acre feet (af) on June 24, 2024, down from 99,200 acre feet on May 28, 2024. The State Water Resources Control board approved the Sonoma Water Agency petition for temporary urgency changes on the Russian River. For more information, visit Sonoma Water’s TUCP webpage: www.sonomawater.org/tucp.



LAKE MENDOCINO



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