

North San Joaquin Water Conservation District
Weekly Update
Friday April 19, 2024



Dry Creek in Borden Ranch on the North end of the District

Recharge Dashboard

North System Recharge:	610 AF
Tracy Lakes Recharge:	71 AF
South System Recharge:	730 AF approx.*
CalFed Recharge:	530 AF approx

Spring Mokelumne PCC Meeting: Staff attended the steering committee meeting on Tuesday. EBMUD staff gave water a supply presentation. Chris Potter will repeat the presentation at the Board Meeting on Monday. Spoiler alert: it's a below normal year. However EBMUD continues to project enough water to store all 18,000 acre feet the District requested. EBMUD also gave an interesting presentation on how they manage their cold water pool to keep Mokelumne River levels low for fish habitat. Something that would be impossible without Pardee and Camanche Dams.

Operations Update: Slow season for operations continues with only Tecklenberg basin active. However, we are beginning to get requests for irrigation water. We first need to clear a hurdle with EBMUD to get water deliveries from storage before July 1 and then need to be able to find a power solution for Pixley Creek Pump since PG&E isn't expected on site till late May. District staff is working on both issues to be able to provide early water.

South System East Ditch Outfall Replacement: The new outfall on the East Ditch is going in this week. District staff will also have a project on the agenda to begin surveying the ditch which have not previously been recorded.



New Outfall on the East Ditch Near Brandt Road

Coordination with Stockton East: District Staff met with Stockton East Staff to discuss 24/25 operations. We will be bringing the services agreement back, and also secured SEWD's agreement with the idea of replacing the Harney Lane Dam on Bear Creek. We also agreed to check with WID to determine if they might be willing to serve Elkhorn to avoid the water trade we do now.

PMC Meeting: Staff attended the GSP update committee meeting with Woodward and Curran. The primary issue was whether to add several new wells for water quality monitoring. The consultants also gave a quick update on what to expect after the Tulare Basin meeting. Among other things the Board is expecting zero subsidence and early action if groundwater levels continue to decline between now at 2027.

Dry Creek Visit: Former California Assemblyman Bill Berryhill is interested in a recharge and habitat project on his property in Borden Ranch off of Dry Creek. Staff visited the property today and concluded it is outside the District. However, we hooked Mr. Berryhill up with DWR staff to determine if it may be an option for FDRE funding.

North System Phase 1B Progress: No progress at phase 1b this week once again waiting for pipe fittings. Hope to be back under construction next week.