

A photograph showing four hands of different skin tones (two light, two dark) holding a circular splash of water. The water is captured in mid-air, forming a ring. The background is white.

*Trinity Lake Revitalization Alliance: Community Forum*

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# Lake Water Issues Update

6/28/2010

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# Welcome

- Introduction
  - Trinity Lake Revitalization Alliance
  - Other organizations
- Combo meeting
  - Water Update and Community Visioning
- Announcements



# Schedule

- 20 mins: State of the Lake and flows
- 20 mins: *More Precision Than Gold*
- 20 mins: State water crisis
- 1 hour: Community visioning



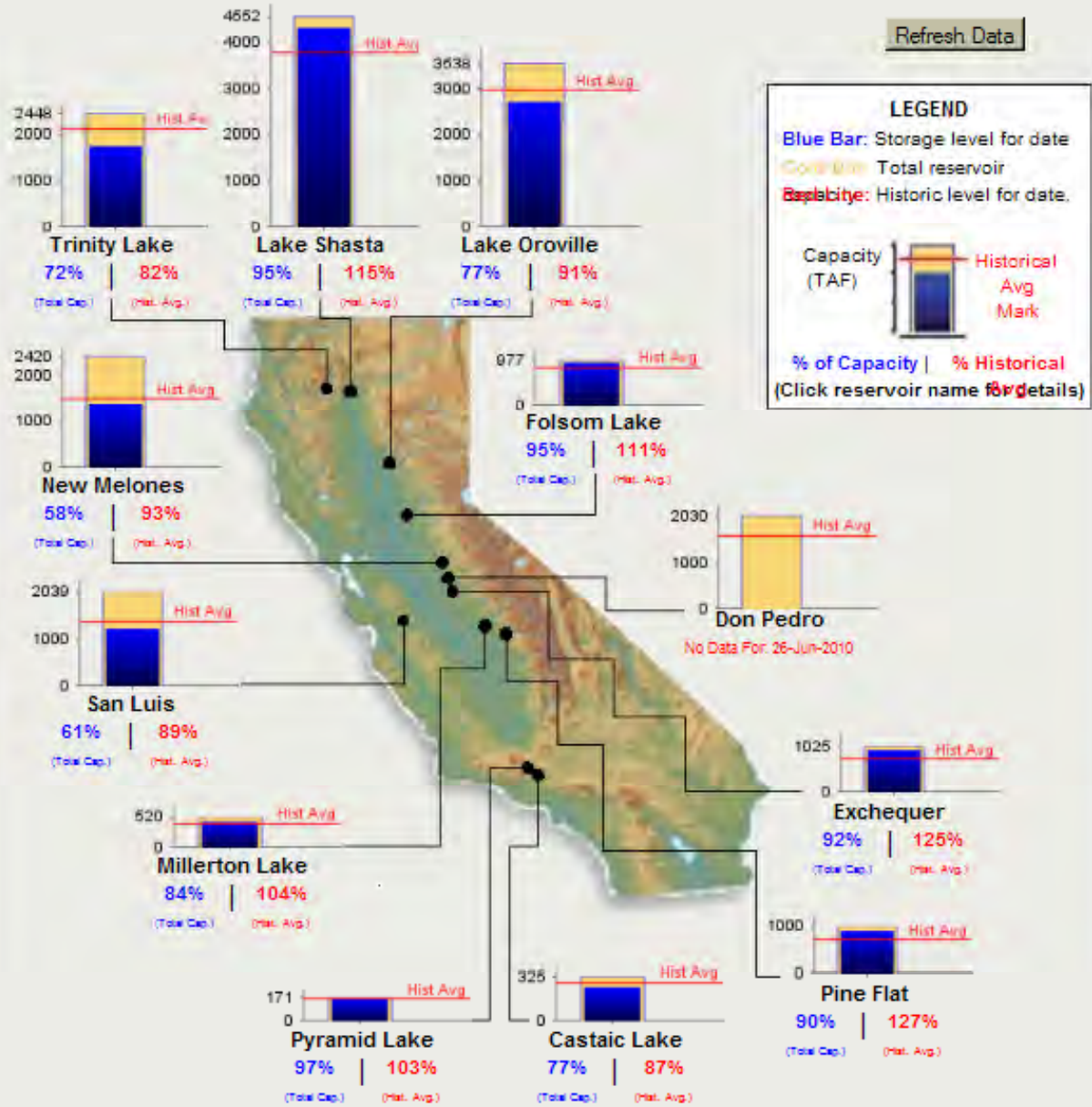


# CONDITIONS FOR MAJOR RESERVOIRS: 26-JUN-2010

Data as of Midnight: 26-Jun-2010

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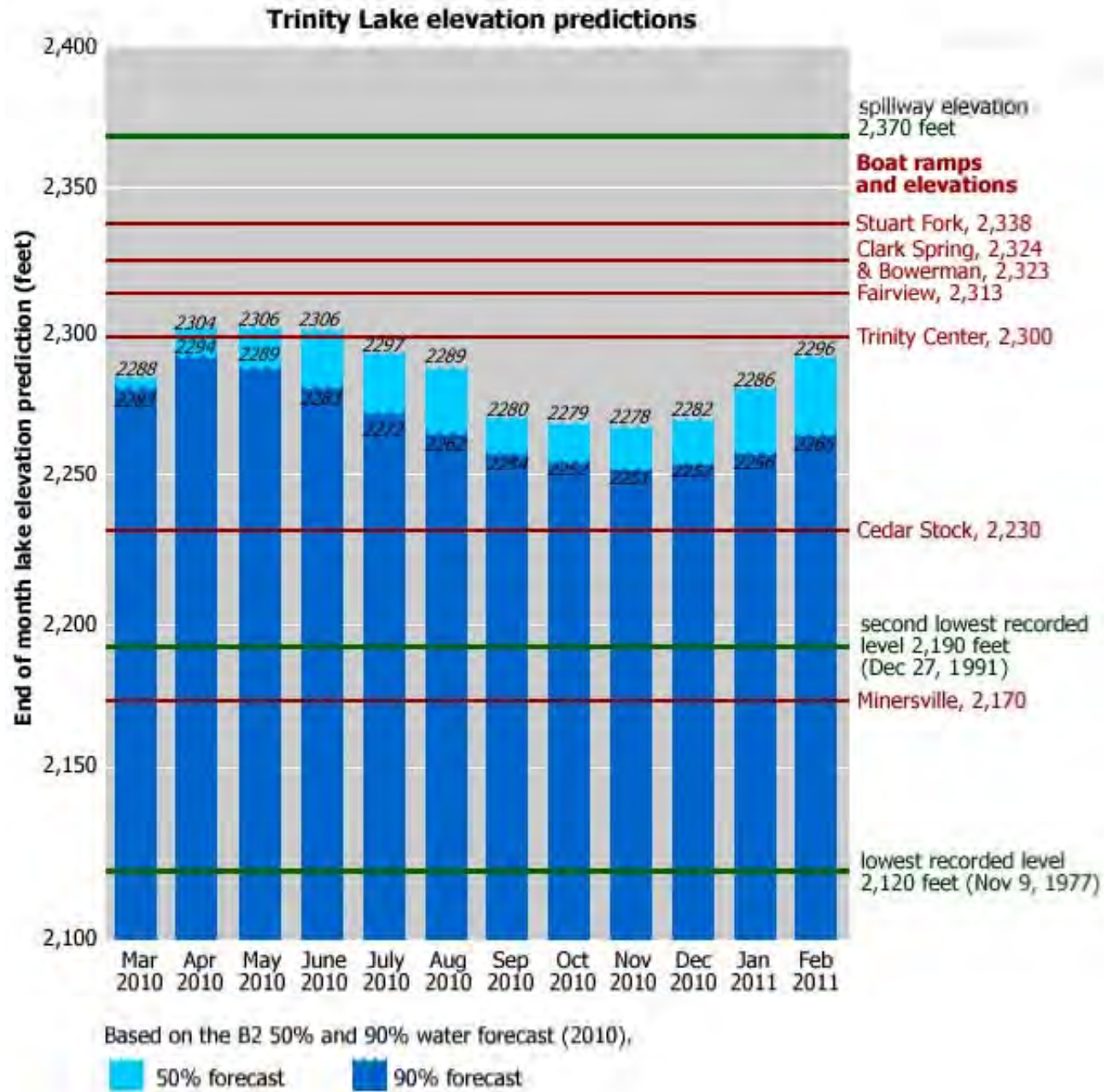
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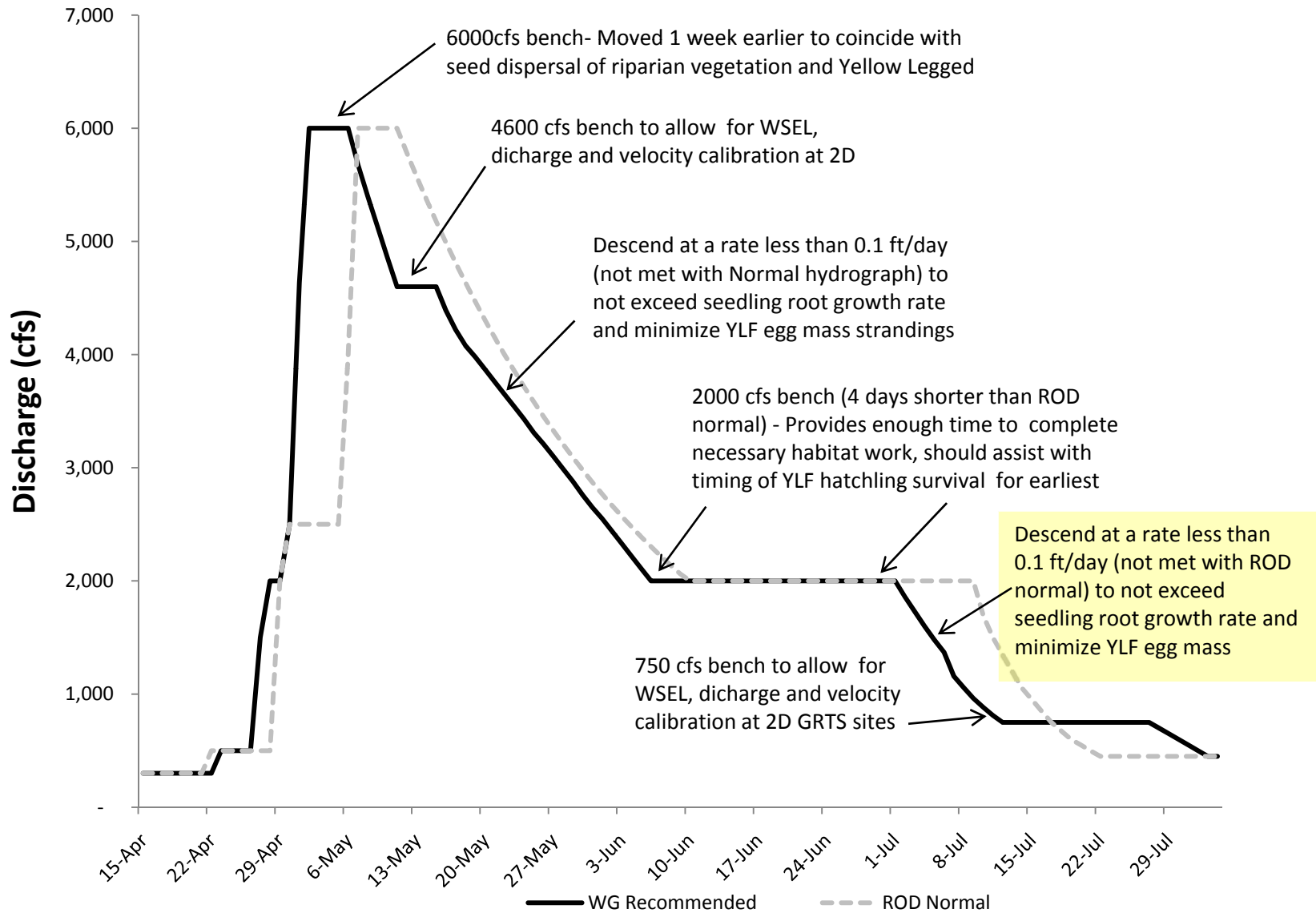
# State-of-the-Lake

- Water elevation – 2,323 ft (May 2,303 ft)
- Inflow has been higher than outflow since May 13
  - June 27, inflow 5,375; outflow 2,854
- TRRP ROD flows are now benched at 2,000 cfs until July 1
- Total TRRP releases this year – 647,000 af  
Total USBR plan 311,000 af





## 2010 Flow Scheduling Workgroup Recommended Releases





**For a Normal Water Year Type**

Total Water Volume (acre-feet) = 646,561

From Date	To Date	# Days	Flow Release (cfs)	Water Volume (Acre-Feet)
2-Jun-10	2-Jun-10	1	2,440	4,831
3-Jun-10	3-Jun-10	1	2,330	4,613
4 Jun 10	4 Jun 10	1	2,220	4,396
5-Jun-10	5-Jun-10	1	2,110	4,178
6-Jun-10	1-Jul-10	26	2,000	102,960
2-Jul-10	2-Jul-10	1	1,860	3,683
3-Jul-10	3-Jul-10	1	1,730	3,425
4-Jul-10	4-Jul-10	1	1,600	3,168
5-Jul-10	5-Jul-10	1	1,480	2,930
6-Jul-10	6-Jul-10	1	1,370	2,713
7-Jul-10	7-Jul-10	1	1,160	2,297
8-Jul-10	8-Jul-10	1	1,060	2,099
9-Jul-10	9-Jul-10	1	963	1,907
10-Jul-10	10-Jul-10	1	885	1,752
11-Jul-10	11-Jul-10	1	812	1,608
12-Jul-10	27-Jul-10	16	750	23,760
28 Jul 10	28 Jul 10	1	700	1,386
29-Jul-10	29-Jul-10	1	650	1,287
30-Jul-10	30-Jul-10	1	600	1,188
31-Jul-10	31-Jul-10	1	550	1,089
1-Aug-10	1-Aug-10	1	500	990
2-Aug-10	30-Sep-10	60	450	53,460

# Water Year Probability

Water year type	Frequency of occurrence	Volume (AF)	Peak Release (cfs)
Critically dry	(12%)	369,000	1,500
Dry	(28%)	453,000	4,500
Normal	(20%)	647,000	6,000
Wet	(28%)	701,000	8,500
Extremely wet	(12%)	815,000	11,000



# Trinity Dam Marketing Movie

“More Precious Than Gold”





# State Water News Update

- Official Year 4 of drought
- 6/15–USBR increased water deliveries to San Joaquin users to 45% (up 5% since May, last year total was 10%)
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## State Water, *continued*

- 6/3—Groups sued to block the deal, known as the 1995 Monterey Agreements, between 5 water contractors and DWR that undid voter-approved contracts over 40 years
- 6/3 --Delta farmers and environmentalist sued to recoup millions illegally paid to Kern County landowners, who resold the water



## State Water, *continued*

- 6/24–Commercial fishermen and environmentalists filed suit against the SWRCB and Siskiyou County for not leaving enough water in Scott River for coho salmon due to extensive groundwater well permits
  - Violation of the Public Trust Doctrine
  - The lawsuit appears to raise many theories about pumping that are not established in California law.
  - The State does not have authority to regulate groundwater



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# November Water Bond Measure

**\$11.1 Billion of water projects,  
includes the Peripheral Canal**

- 9/3/09—USBR requested time extension on 32 CVP water rights permits
  - Fear is that the USBR is looking for water to fill the Peripheral Canal
- 5/31: The legislature killed a bill to require study and analysis of the Delta Corridors Plan



# Trinity Lake Recreational Access

- Presentation at the 6/9 TAMWG meeting
  - The 16 stakeholder members voted to support our effort
  - TRRP is supportive of our request
- TAMWG presented the request to the TMC
  - The TMC members seem supportive
  - USBR promised to have a legal determination by September
- Letter to Rep. Herger on June 21



# Questions? Discussion

# North Trinity Lake Visioning Workshop

Rebuilding a  
Healthy Community

# What is a Community Vision

- Defines the future that we want for our community over the next 20 years

“What do you want this community to look like and feel like in the future?”

- Helps focus community planning and grant acquisition

# A Strategic Vision Must...

- Be grounded in the history and values
- Reflect the interests, dreams, and concerns of all members of the community
- Reflect shared community values and principles as to what constitutes the common good

# May Workshop Review

- A great turnout!
- Great ideas and interaction
- Top issues – *see Handout*

# Focus Groups - tonight

- Find a group with your topic of interest
- Tonight, teams will discuss their topic in more detail
- Ongoing, Focus Groups will work on issues and report back at community meetings

# In-Depth Brainstorming

## Breakout Tables – 30 minutes

- **Improvements** – What can be done to improve your focus category in the next 20 years?
- **Challenges** – What issues are blocking our community's ability to implement improvements?
- **Vision** – Develop a vision statement for your topic area, ie., Community Identity -- "Each major North Trinity Lake area will have a prominent identity that invokes the sense of community and invites people to explore our resources and history."

# A Quick Glance – top issues

- Focus Group workshop recap
- Comments or additional items?

## Next Step...

- The Steering committee will meet to develop a draft Community Vision statement using tonight's input
- The draft vision statement will be presented at next community meeting - August
- Develop a NTL Action Plan