

TUOLUMNE RIVER TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

12 March 2015 at 9:30 AM

Turlock Irrigation District, Room 152

Summary

1. INTRODUCTION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Participants made self introductions.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

- Review/Revise agenda – No changes. Water hyacinth continues to be an issue.
- Approve notes from December meeting – No changes were identified. Notes for the last meeting are posted to the TRTAC website: <http://tuolumnerivertac.com/>
- Items since last meeting – A handout list posted at <http://tuolumnerivertac.com/> was reviewed.
- No annual monitoring report documents were posted, but will be included in the 2014 Annual Summary Report on April 1st.

3. MONITORING/REPORTS: (*Handouts were reviewed*)

- Fall run information – As of today's date, 673 Chinook have migrated upstream past the counting weir, as compared to 3725 at this same time last year. No *O. mykiss* passages were recorded this season.
- Ongoing monitoring – seine crews continue to operate every other Tuesday. Rotary screw trap monitoring was halted at Grayson due to water hyacinth and the 8 foot trap at Waterford was removed and replaced with a 5 foot trap due to problems with water hyacinth. The 5 foot trap is fishing very well. Mark/recapture - efficiency tests were conducted at Waterford this season. The annual seine and rotary screw trap reports are nearly complete.

4. FLOW OPERATIONS:

- Current watershed conditions as of March 1, 2015: the Tuolumne River watershed was at 56.3% of accumulated precipitation. This water year is considered a critical water year type. Base flows will remain at 150 cfs until a pulse flow schedule is defined. The spring pulse flow schedule allows for 11,091 acre feet based on the 90% exceedance. TID will work with Zachary Jackson (USFWS) and Tim Heyne (CDFW) to shape and time a spring pulse flow.

5. AGENCY/NGO UPDATES

- No announcements from TRT or TRC.

6. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- None

7. NEXT MEETING DATES – JUNE 11, SEPTEMBER 10, DECEMBER 10

TRTAC Meeting Attendees

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
1.	Patrick Maloney	TID
2.	Wayne Swaney	Stillwater Sciences