

**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
OF
THE IRRIGATION COMMITTEE**
6425 Main Street,
Georgetown, California 95634
Tuesday, March 19, 2024
2:00 P.M.

Irrigation Committee

Ray Griffiths, Chairman
Bill Threlkel, Vice Chair
Carla Sutton, Secretary

Alexandra Duarte
Kristy McKay
Fran Todd

Board of Directors Liaison

Donna Seaman
Mike Thornbrough

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NOTICE: This meeting will take place in the Board Room of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, located at 6425 Main Street in Georgetown, and will be open to the public. As a courtesy and technology permitting members of the public may opt to participate in the meeting via video conference at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81129039058?pwd=c2t4d3NnUXZZb1dNVjczQzQzS21JUT09>

Meeting ID: 811 2903 9058 and **Password: 800609** or via teleconference by calling **1-669-900-6833** and will be given the opportunity to provide public comment. please note that any person attending via teleconference will be sharing the phone number from which they call with the committee and the public.

The Irrigation Committee Chairperson is responsible for maintaining an orderly meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER — ROLL CALL — PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 3. PUBLIC FORUM** - Any member of the public may address the Irrigation Committee on any matter within the jurisdictional authority of the Irrigation Committee. Public members desiring to provide comments, must be recognized by the Committee Chairman, and speak from the podium. Comments must be directed only to the Irrigation Committee. The public should address the Irrigation Committee members during the public meetings as Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, or Member, followed by the Committee member's individual last name.

The Irrigation Committee will hear communications on matters not on the agenda, but no action will be taken. No disruptive conduct shall be permitted at any Irrigation Committee meeting. Persistence in disruptive conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the Chairman, of that person's privilege of address.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –February 20, 2024

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

- A. Water Resources Update
- B. Irrigation Season Application Response Update
- C. Continuous Use Clause

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. Review of Current and Future Water Seasons

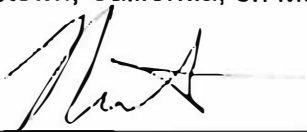
- **Possible Action:** Identify season concerns and possible action referrals to the Board.

7. IRRIGATION COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT IRRIGATION COMMITTEE MEETING

9. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT – The Irrigation Committee set the 3rd Tuesday of each month for regular committee meetings during the Irrigation season, and as needed or directed by the Board. The next regular Irrigation Committee meeting will be on April 16, 2024.

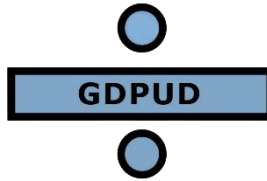
In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a), this agenda was posted on the District's bulletin board at the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District office, at 6425 Main Street, Georgetown, California, on March 15, 2024.



Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

3-15-24
Date

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Presenting Staff

General Manager Nicholas Schneider Water Resource Manager Alexis Elliot

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A full record of this meeting is available on the District channel:

<https://youtu.be/EyoYK8H0v3E>

1. CALL TO ORDER — ROLL CALL — PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairman Threlkel called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Todd, McKay, Threlkel, and Duarte

Absent: Sutton and Griffiths

Vice Chair Threlkel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Public Comment:

No comments were received.

Member Todd motioned to adopt the agenda. Member McKay seconded the motion.

Vice Chairman Threlkel called for the **vote**.
Ayes: Threlkel, Todd, McKay, and Duarte
Nayes: None
The motion passed **unanimously**.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

No comments were received.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 4, 2023

Public Comment:

No comments were received.

Member Duarte Motioned to adopt the minutes. Member Todd Seconded the motion.

Vice Chairman Threlkel called for the **vote**.
Ayes: Threlkel, Todd, McKay, and Duarte
Nayes: None
The motion passed **unanimously**.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

A. Water Resources Update

Water Resource Manager Alexis Elliott delivered the report. The anticipated precipitation in the forecasting was discussed.

B. Irrigation Season Application Response Update

General Manager Nicholas Schneider updated the Committee regarding the application response to date. Last season there were 379 active irrigation customer accounts. The District has received 153 applications at this point for the 2024 season. Three inactive accounts have requested new service.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. Review of Current and Future Water Seasons.

General Manager Nicholas Schneider shared that the Stumpy Meadows Reservoir is currently at capacity and spilling. The situation at the moment likely lends to a staff recommendation of a May 1st irrigation season start date.

Discussion:

Pushing the irrigation season to a later start given fire concerns was examined. The Committee season start date recommendation process to the Board of Directors was explored. Requests for transparency in season placement was requested from the public. The concept of tiered season start dates for different regions was explored. There was a preliminary examination of the infrastructure adjustments required to necessitate this request. There would be a cost associated with upgrading the ditch system to allow for proposed tiered season start dates along different delivery ditch routes.

The requirement to run the irrigation service 24/7 was discussed. It was shared that this was included in the mailings sent to customers during this season's application dispersal process.

Public Comment:

Chris Campbell

B. Review of Irrigation Tutorial Videos

Liaison Seaman requested that media be produced addressing the constant use requirement.

Public Comment:

Cherie Carlyon

C. Review and Discuss Irrigation Season Mailer

The committee review provided the following edits to the outreach mailers:

- Bold font utilization on the text announcing the Irrigation Committee opening to capture potential candidates’ attention.
- Amendment to the continuous use requirement, with the inclusion of the word entire to highlight your entire allotment.
- Addition of Committee meeting information with the start time of 2:00 p.m. and clarification that these occur on the third Tuesday of the month.

Public Comment:

Cherie Carlyon
Steven Dowd

Member Duarte motioned to refer the mailers to the Board of Directors for approval. Member Todd seconded the motion.

Vice Chairman Threlkel called for the **vote**.

Ayes: Threlkel, Todd, McKay, and Duarte

Nayes: None

The motion passed **unanimously**.

7. IRRIGATION COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT IRRIGATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Member McKay requested that staff examine the necessary infrastructure improvements to allow for the tiered season start dates on different routes.

Members McKay and Duarte requested the season start recommendation process to the Board of Directors

9. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT – The Irrigation Committee set the 3rd Tuesday for regular committee meetings during the Irrigation season, and as needed or directed by the Board. The next regular Irrigation Committee meeting will be on March 19, 2024.

Member Todd Motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Duarte seconded the motion. The motion passed by acclamation. The meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

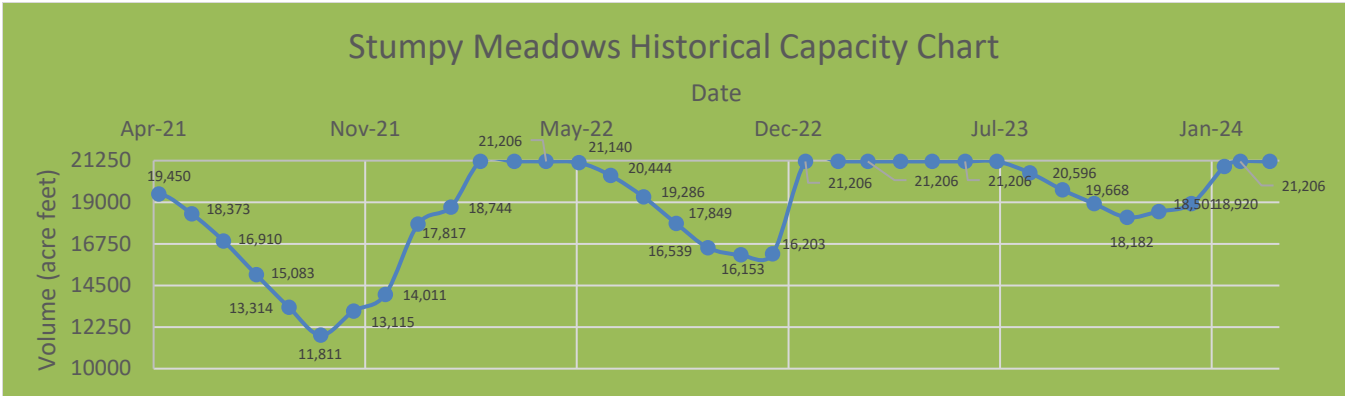
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GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Water Resources Report

Presented to the GDPUD Irrigation Committee
by Operations Manager: Adam Brown

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Note: Full Pool – 21,206 acre feet | March 15, 2024 – 21,206 acre feet

Water Supply/Budget

March 15, 2024

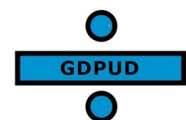
2023/2024 Water Year Water Budget Outcome Scenarios

Exceedance Percentile	Stumpy Meadows Inflow (2023/2024 Water Year)
10 th Percentile	125,212
25 th Percentile	116,858
50 th Percentile	30,508
75 th Percentile	14,188
90 th Percentile	9,568
95 th Percentile	7,345

Notes

units – acre feet

A water budget was prepared for water year 2023/2024 and is included below. Utilizing current supply, projected demand, available climate forecast and the District’s forecast tool developed March 15, 2024, expected inflow into Stumpy Meadows is estimated to range between 7,345 and 125,212 acre feet (ac-ft). Stumpy Meadows reached capacity on February 5, 2024, therefore it is anticipated no water delivery restrictions for the 2024 water season. Forecast output charts are included below.



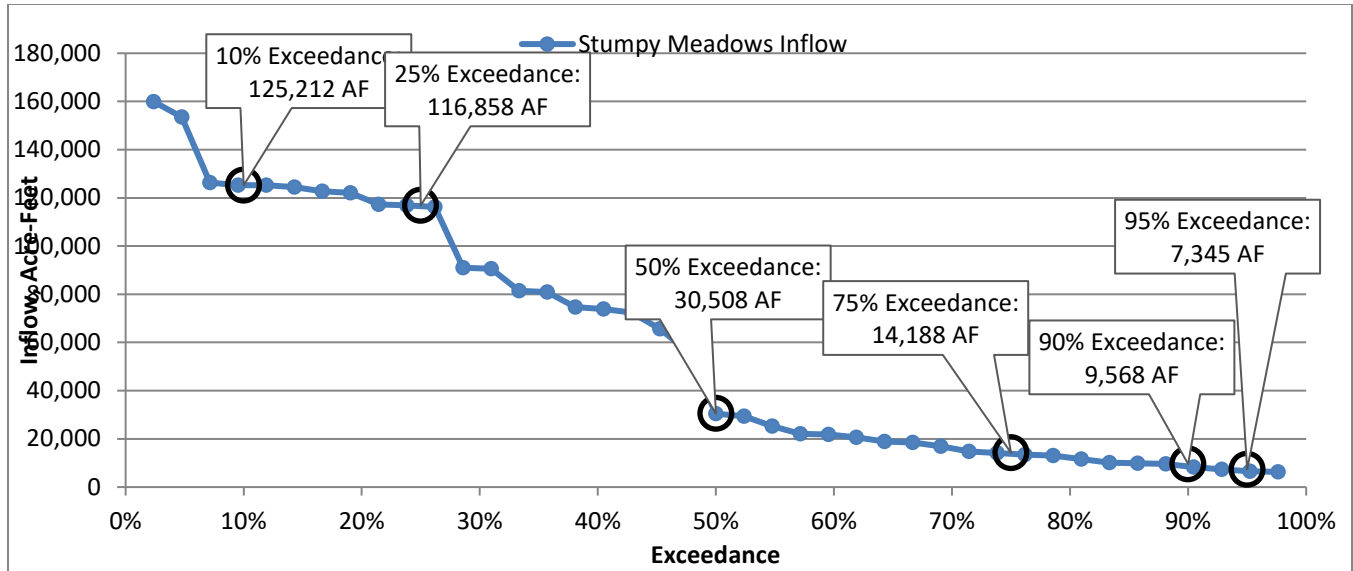
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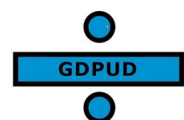
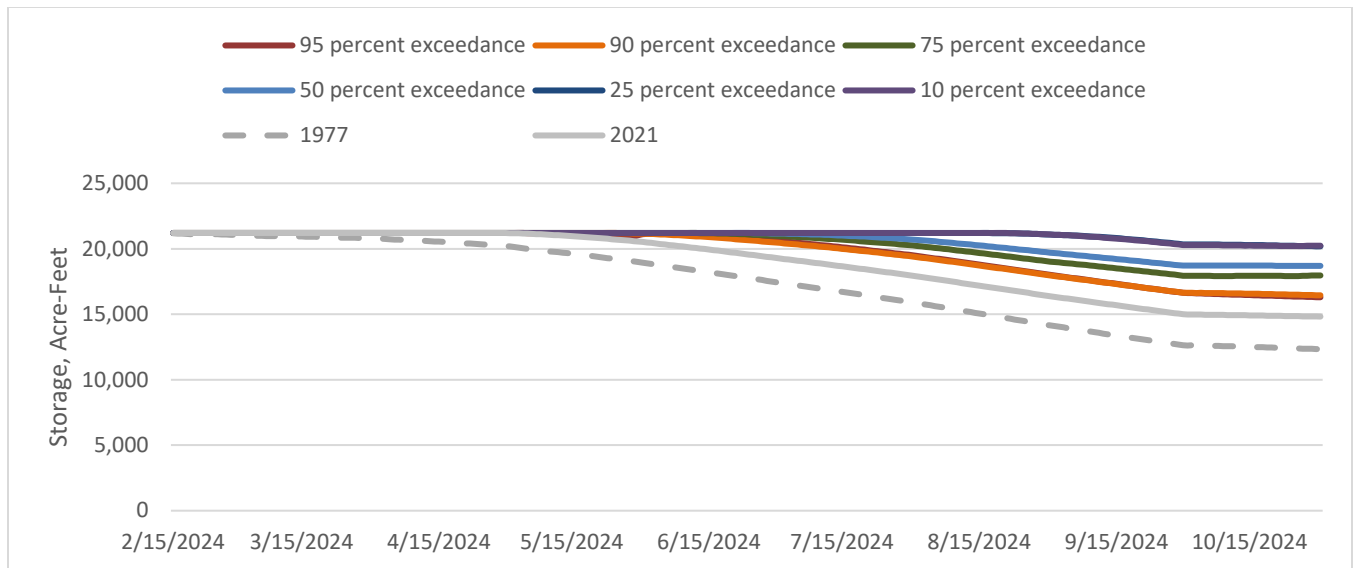
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Total Inflow to Stumpy Meadow Reservoir, Remainder of Water Year



Stumpy Meadow Reservoir Storage



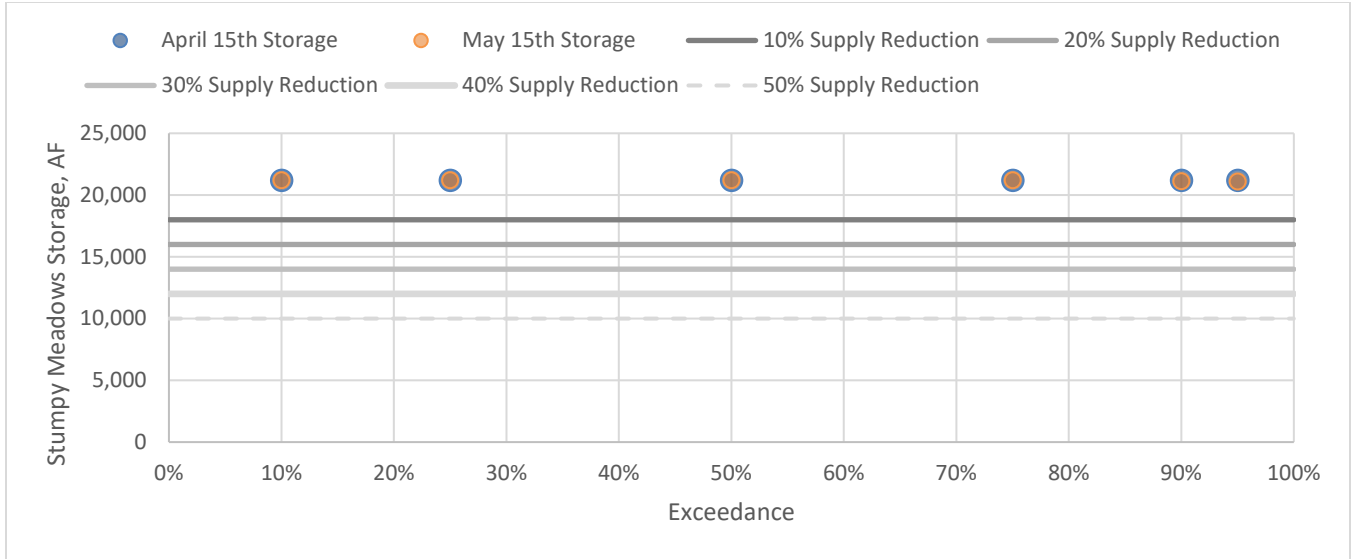
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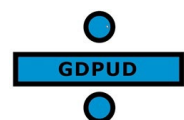
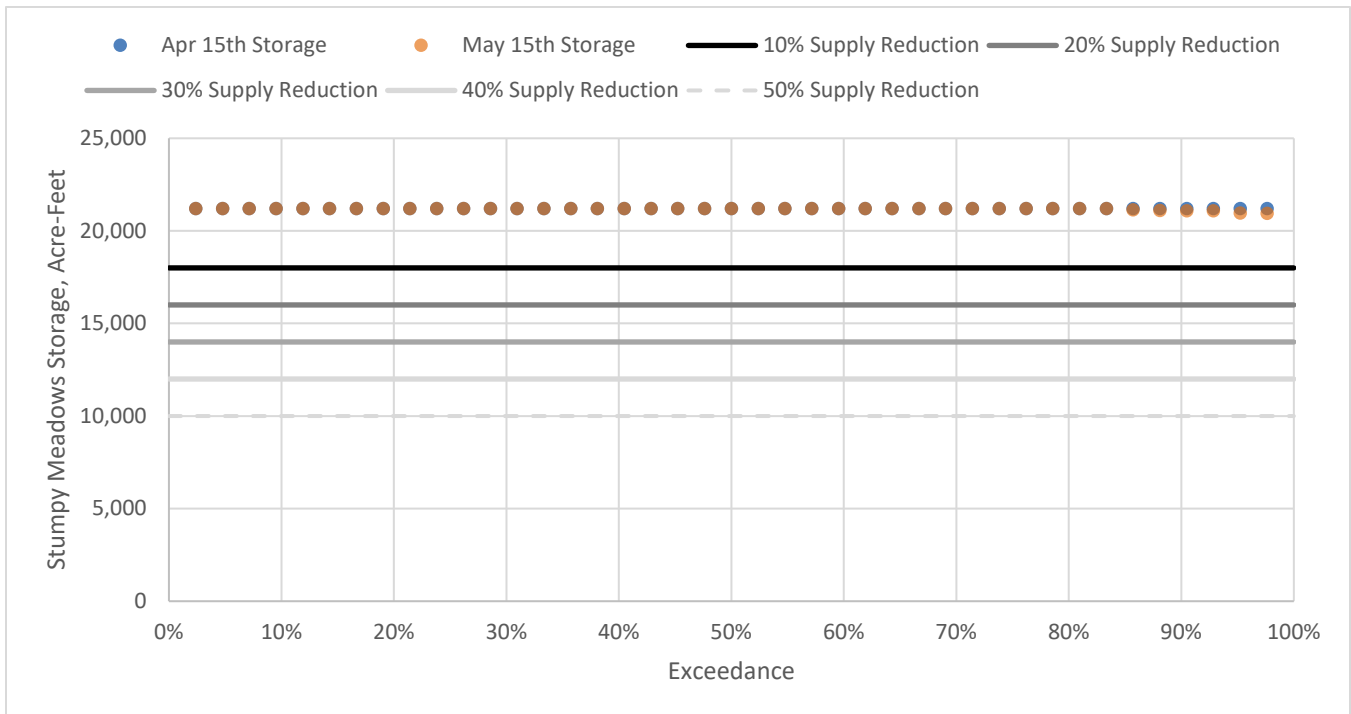
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Delivery Capability



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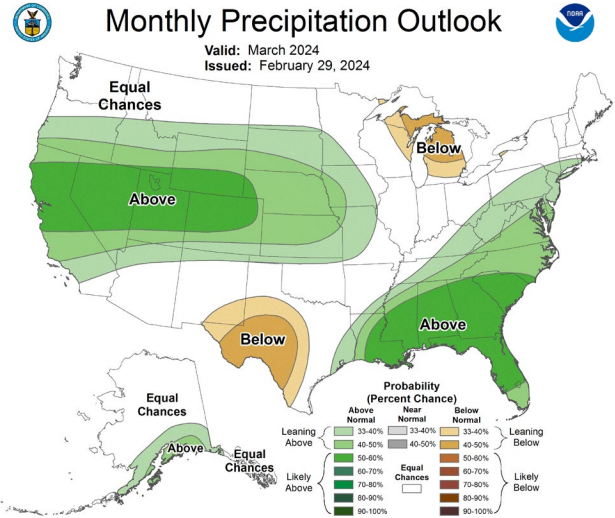
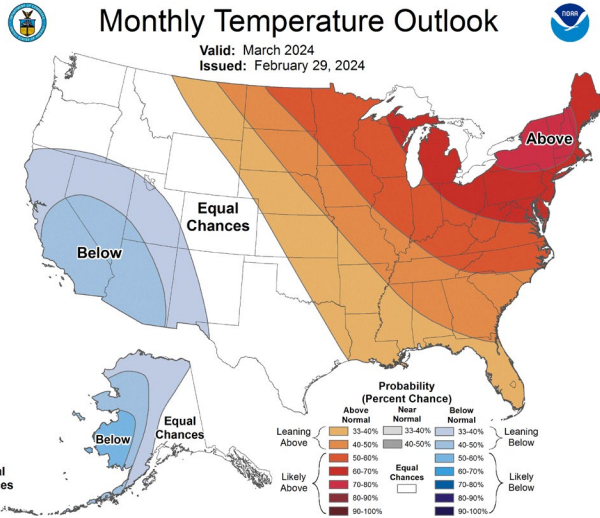
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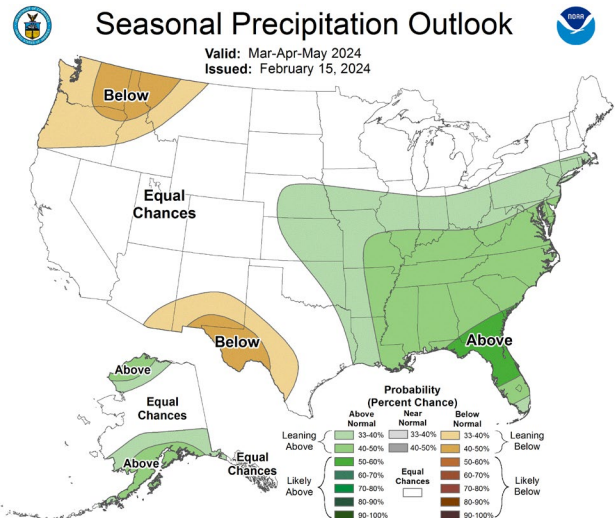
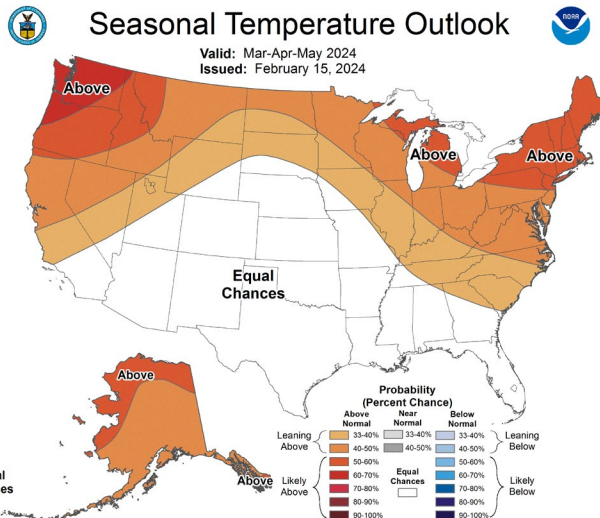
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30-Day Outlook



90-Day Outlook



Temperature and precipitation outlooks have remained the same over the last 30-days. Outlooks indicate short-term above average rainfall and long-term above average temperature. Impact to District operations indicate heavy vegetation growth as a result of above normal to normal precipitation with above average temperature. California Data Exchange Center (CDEC) March 12, 2024, Bulletin 120 (B120) recorded American River Watershed at 86% of average. With reasonable certainty the District can expect a lower than average spring runoff. Snow course measure collected from nearest station at Robbs Valley recorded 98% of average snow pack. Based on a review of weather forecast, staff recommends a normal irrigation season (May 1 through September 30). This will also provide the District critical time to complete any maintenance prior to the 2024/2025 winter season.

