

# Truckee River Basin Water Group

Meeting Notes for Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 2023, 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM

**Location:** Truckee Donner Public Utility District, Board Room  
11570 Donner Pass Road  
Truckee, CA 96161

**Chairperson:** Hardy Bullock, Nevada County Supervisor

**Convener:** Truckee River Watershed Council, Beth Christman,  
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Time	Item
10:00	Call to Order – Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introductions</li><li>• Agenda Review</li></ul>
10:10	Standing Item: Committee Report Back <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No committees met since last meeting</li></ul> <p>Objective: Provide updates from Technical Response Team, Fish Team and any other ad hoc teams</p>
10:10	Streamflow and reservoir updates – Tom Scott, DWR <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Changes from previous forecast</li><li>• Streamflow and reservoir levels forecast</li><li>• Questions and discussion on projected operations</li></ul> <p>Objective: Provide latest information on projected reservoir operations and model output, increase TRBWG member knowledge about TROA</p> <p>Outcome:</p> <p><a href="#">See attached presentation.</a></p> <p>The Bureau of Reclamation noted that penstock maintenance will be required at Stampede dam this summer, likely in early July. The Bureau will try to increase the reservoir elevation prior to completing work so that they can have sufficient overflow to keep flows at 30 – 45 cfs below the dam as opposed to 10 – 15 cfs that would normally be released during the maintenance.</p> <p>Tom shared the website of the California-Nevada River Forecast Center that has information about flood stage for regional stream gages: <a href="https://water.weather.gov/ahps/region_forecast.php?rfc=cnrfc">https://water.weather.gov/ahps/region_forecast.php?rfc=cnrfc</a></p>

11:00	<p>Standing item: Suggestions for future agenda topics &amp; announcements</p> <p>Objective: Gather input from attendees for topics of interest</p> <p>Outcome: The following suggestions for future agenda items were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "10 minutes of TROA" – specific focus on as aspect of TROA each meeting</li> <li>• Fall stream releases – discussion of constraints and opportunities (in relation to potential opportunity for flushing flows to reduce algae populations in streams)</li> <li>• TRWC volunteer water quality monitoring program update</li> <li>• NDOW perspective on Truckee River Flows (update from Sam Sedillo)</li> <li>• Update on water rights work completed by TRWC and The Freshwater Trust</li> </ul> <p>Announcements: If anyone is interested in an update on access to the Truckee River at Hirschdale, please contact Hardy Bullock.</p>
11:10	<p>Standing item: Action Item report back</p> <p>Objective: capture key decisions, discussion points, and action items to include in meeting summary</p> <p>Outcome: none</p>
11:15	Adjournment – Chair

**2023 Meeting Dates:**

TRBWG – monthly\*

- January 25, 2023
- March 22, 2023
- April 26, 2023
- May 24, 2023
- June 28, 2023
- July 26, 2023
- September 27, 2023
- November 15, 2023

Technical Response Team

- TBD

Fish Team

- TBD

\*Note: no TRBWG meeting in February, August, October, or December