



DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY NOTES*

LEE VINING, FERC PROJECT NO. 1388

OPERATIONS MODEL TWG MEETING

JUNE 2, 2026 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

**These meeting notes are documentation of general discussions from the meeting held on the above-noted date and focus on stakeholder questions and comments. These notes are not a verbatim account of proceedings and do not represent any final decisions or official documentation for the project or participating agencies.*

AGENDA

- Review State Water Board's questions on operations model

ATTENDEES

Relicensing Team Members

Matthew Woodhall, SCE
Finlay Anderson, Kleinschmidt
Carissa Shoemaker, Kleinschmidt
Bret Hoffman, Kleinschmidt

Technical Working Group Members & Interested Parties

Tristan Leong, US Forest Service (USFS)
Michael Wiese, USFS
Adam Cohen, State Water Board
Graham Meese, California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
Beth Lawson, CDFW

OPERATIONS MODEL DISCUSSION

- Bret and Adam shared screens and viewed the operations model. Adam had posed questions via email. Discussed target flows below Poole, making sure Tioga and Saddlebag dates align. Matching settings and scenarios to make sure they are looking at the same thing.
- Discussion about if Saddlebag is typically drained all the way down and if it matches what the model is showing (MINQ vs MINQ/Drain). Historic record shows that Saddlebag almost never draws all the way down to 562 feet. Driven by Sales Agreement and if LADWP calls for the water.
- Discussion about operations setting valves and leaving them over the winter.
- Agencies have interest in buffering peak flows in some way, if agencies require higher MIFs SCE will optimize on top of whatever else is available. Mass balance on the total amount SCE is taking out.
- Agencies need to write their terms and conditions quickly now that the REA is out (55 days remaining).
- Operations Mode 4 is recommended by Bret to use in the operations model.

5.0 SCHEDULE AND ACTION ITEMS

- Adam will set up another model call for next week (6/11).
- Relicensing team will set up another TWG before REA deadline.
- Bret and Adam will figure out their modeling disconnect via email.
- CDFW will send scenarios to Bret for him to run.