

Cape Fear River Basin Model Update

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Historical Flows



80 years of flow data



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Vision of Water Resources		Operation			
Flow-Aug. Pool	Minimum Release	Guidelines	Re	lease water to meet gton target flow of:	
>100 %	40 cfs	600 cfs			
80-100 %	40 cfs	600 cfs			
60-80 %	40 cfs	450-600 cfs			
40-60 %	40 cfs	300-450 cfs			
20-40 %	200	10000	Drou	Jordan Lake	
0-20 %	100 cfs		Drought Protocol		

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Operations Guidelines

Examples

Quantity and timing of specific flows

- Aquatic habitats
- Water quality protection
- ✓ Intake coverage
- Recreation

Reservoir water level limits and timing

- Structural limits
- Aquatic habitat protection
- ✓ Intake coverage
- Boat ramp access
- Authorized purposes and storage allocations





Primary Sources of Water Use Data Water Use

Water Withdrawal Registrations
 Agriculture > 1,000,000 gallons per day
 Non-agriculture > 100,000 gallons per day

Local Water Supply Plans
 Local Government Water Systems
 Other Large Community Water Systems

Annual Use Reporting due by April 1



Water Use

Water and Treatment Sharing





Water Use

Seasonal Use Pattern







Water Use

Estimated Future Demands

2006 Supply and Demand Projections





Major Assumptions

Future withdrawals will come from current intake locations

- Future wastewater discharges will be the same percent of withdrawals at the same locations
- Sellers will continue to meet buyers' needs
 - Local utilities are the best judges of future system growth
- Future flows will be within the range of flows in the historical record



How often? What's the chance?

Evaluation Criteria











What questions need answering?

- What's the chance of getting ________ amount of water at ______?
 - How much and when is water needed for the various services we expect the basin to provide?



Desired additions:

- Rocky River Siler City
 Link discharges to withdrawals
- Water Shortage Response Plans
 - Ecological flow nodes
- Flow pattern options



Review System information:

- Operating protocols for multi-source water systems
 - How are choices made between sources
- Future wastewater discharge volumes/locations
- Review/update reservoir storage data
- Review intake location/elevation data
- Projections to 2060
- WSRP details
- New connections or buy-sell arrangements

Hydrologic Model

Cape Fear River Model Schematic





