

*Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control
& Water Conservation Improvement District*

STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item 6, Water Supply Conditions

Monday, March 3, 2025

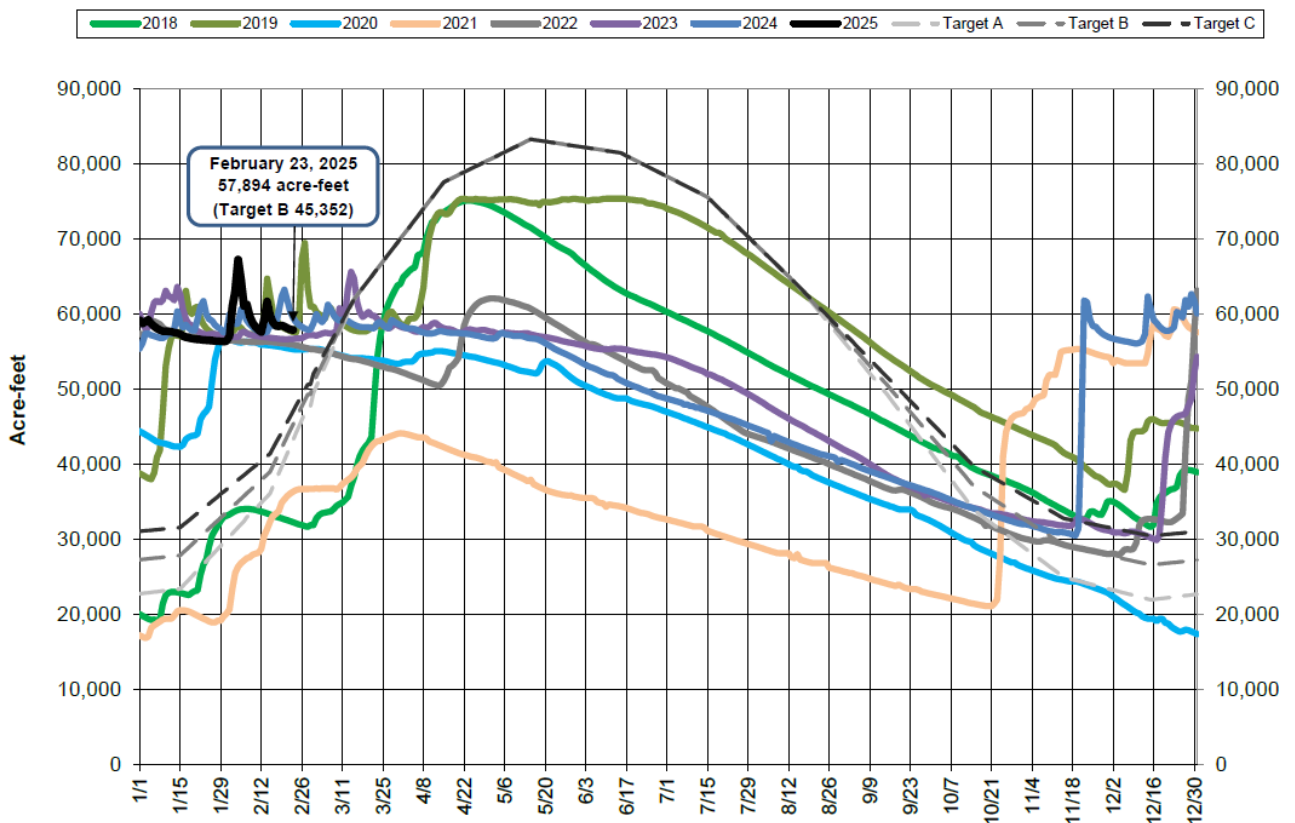
The Strategic Plan relevant priorities are: **Security** through ensuring reliable, resilient, and available sources of water; **Advocacy** in support of equitable water resource stewardship; and **Use** of water in effective and beneficial ways as a public resource, all in alignment with the District’s Mission to steward water resources for the benefit of people and the environment.

Operations of the Trans-Basin Diversion Through PG&E Owned “Potter Valley Project”

There are currently no Federal Energy Resources Commission (FERC) approved flow variances in place. Minimum instream flow in the East Branch Russian River is 35 cfs.

PG&E has submitted a temporary license flow amendment (previously referred to as a temporary flow variance) to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for the Potter Valley Project 2025 operations. It has also submitted an Application for Non-Capacity License Amendment. More information: <https://rffc.specialdistrict.org/updates>

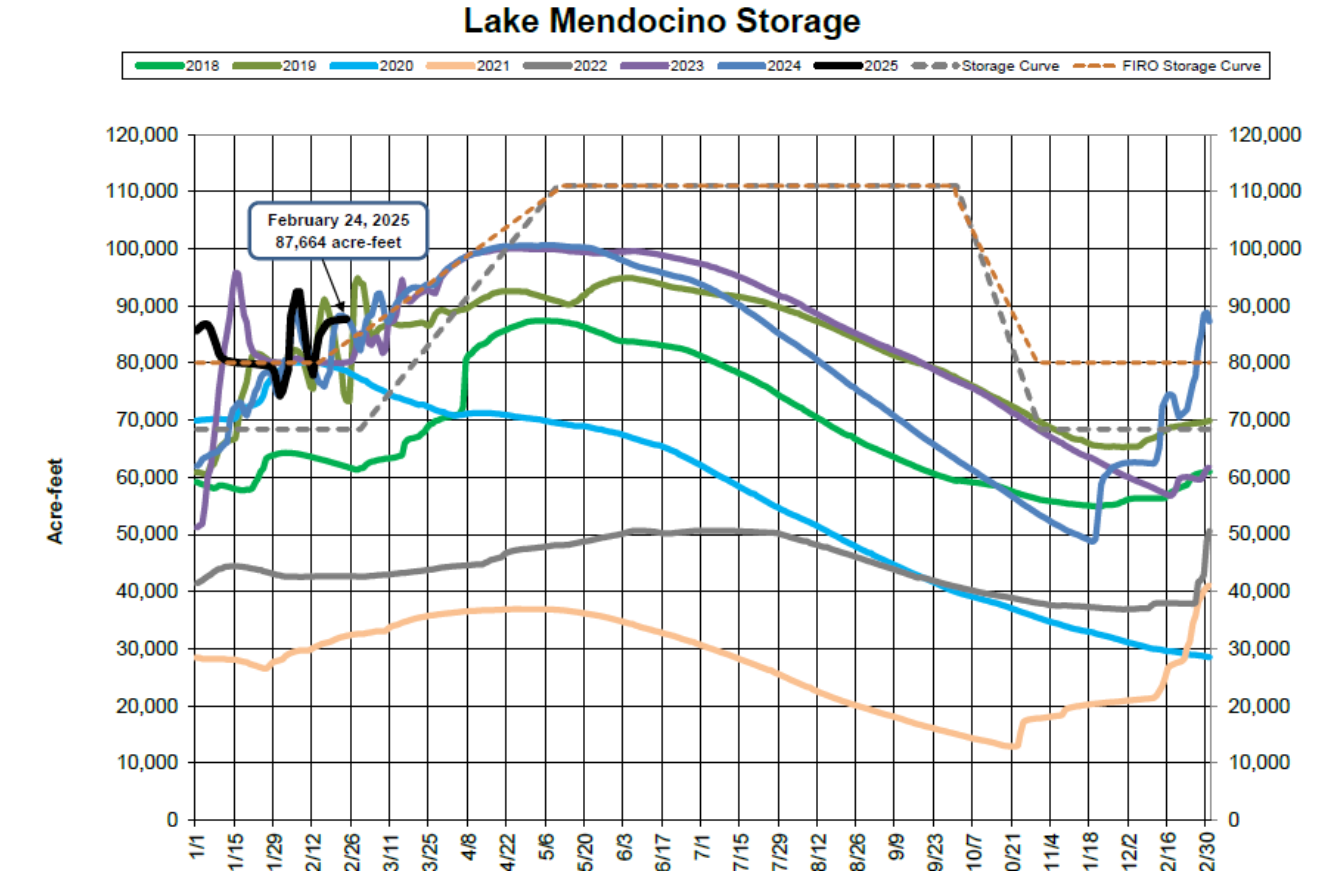
Lake Pillsbury Storage and Target Storage Scenarios



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Lake Mendocino and the Mainstem Upper Russian River

Lake Mendocino storage level was 87,664 acre feet (af) on February 24, 2025, up from 88,961 af on December 30, 2024. Sonoma Water Agency’s Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP) was approved on October 31, 2024 (for more information see <https://www.rrfc.net/updates-on-russian-river-and-lake-mendocino> or Sonoma Water’s TUCP webpage: www.sonomawater.org/tucp.)



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