

(Monday April 9th, 2018)

Subject: 2018 Upper Snake River Operations Update

Purpose: The purpose of this Operations Update is to provide information regarding Reclamation's operations as the season progresses. The operations identified are based on the best available data at the time and are subject to change as new information becomes available. For additional information and resources, please visit our website at: <https://www.usbr.gov/pn/hydromet/upperSnake/> .

Summary

With the snowpack expected to increase moderately this week above Palisades Dam a few changes are being made early this week to reach anticipated early May flood control targets for Jackson Lake Dam and Palisades Dam.

- **Jackson Lake Dam** discharge will be increased Tuesday (4/10) at 10 am from the current 1,500 up to 2,000 cfs.
 - **Palisades Dam** discharge will be increased today (4/9) at 5 pm to go from the current 16,000 cfs up to 18,000 cfs.
 - **American Falls Dam** discharges were increased today from 15,000 cfs to 17,000 cfs. Another increase will occur tomorrow (4/10) at 1 pm to go from 17,000 cfs to 19,000 cfs.
 - **Minidoka Dam** discharges will be increased tonight from the current 15,500 cfs to 17,000 cfs. Another increase will occur very early on Wednesday (4/11) morning to take discharges from 17,000 cfs to 19,000 cfs.
 - **Milner Dam** discharges are likely to go from approximately 12,700 cfs to 14,200 cfs tomorrow morning. Another increase will occur Wednesday morning to go from 14,200 cfs to approximately 16,200 cfs.
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