



# SPILLWAY



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## Incident Update

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STATUS		
Incident Start Date: 02/07/2017	Incident Start Time: 2:00 PM	
Incident Type: Weather System	Description: Damage to the Oroville Spillway	
Incident Location: Oroville Dam, Canyon Dr. & Oroville Dam Rd, Oroville, CA 95966		
Structures Threatened: None	Structures Destroyed: None	Structures Damaged: None
RESOURCES		
Air Assets: 0	Other: N/A	Total Personnel: 596
Cooperating Agencies: Butte County Sheriff, Butte County CALFIRE, Oroville Police Department, CHP, Butte County OES, California State Parks, Caltrans, Oroville Fire Department, Butte County Public Works, PG&E, CAL FIRE, Army Corps of Engineers, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Oroville Hospital, Red Cross, California Conservation Corps, California National Guard, Bureau of Indian Affairs, CAL OES, Gridley-Biggs Police, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife.		
SITUATION		
Current Situation:	<p>The flood control spillway flows remain at 0 cubic feet per second (cfs). Inflows are approximately 15,000 to 20,000 cfs which has resulted in the lake rising from 843 feet to 845.6 feet elevation in the last 24 hours. Flows to meet fishery requirements are being met by releases through the Thermalito Diversion Dam and Thermalito Afterbay River Outlet. The total flow to the Feather River remains at 2500 cfs.</p> <p>Contractors continue to remove sediment and debris below the spillway. This operation will continue 24 hours per day. Approximately 110,000 cubic yards of material have been removed from the debris pile to date.</p> <p>To prepare Hyatt Powerplant for operation, reconfiguration of the powerlines connecting the plant to the grid continues. Work continues on the area below the emergency spillway, access roads, and various eroded areas created by emergency spillway runoff. Rock benches and check dams are being constructed to slow water and reduce erosion should the emergency spillway be required for use again.</p> <p>For information on lake conditions; including lake levels, inflows, and outflows you can visit the following website. <a href="http://cdec.water.ca.gov/cdecapp/resapp/resDetailOrig.action?resid=ORO">http://cdec.water.ca.gov/cdecapp/resapp/resDetailOrig.action?resid=ORO</a></p> <p>For more information on the Oroville Spillway Incident visit the following website; <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/oroville-spillway/index.cfm">http://www.water.ca.gov/oroville-spillway/index.cfm</a></p>	



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<b>Evacuation Centers:</b>	All evacuation centers supported by Butte County are now closed.
<b>Road Closures:</b>	<p>Oro-Dam East from Glen Drive to Canyon Drive. Oroville Dam Crest Road closed at the left abutment restrooms. Canyon Drive from Royals Oaks to Royal Oaks (at Upper Overlook).</p> <p>Canyon Drive from Oroville Dam Blvd East to Royal Oaks Drive is restricted to local residents only.</p> <p>DWR has partnered with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to address roads in Oroville and surrounding areas impacted by the trucks and heavy machinery driving through Oroville in response to the Spillway Emergency.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/news/newsreleases/2017/022517_road.pdf">http://www.water.ca.gov/news/newsreleases/2017/022517_road.pdf</a></p>
<b>Trail Closures:</b>	<p>The Oroville Wildlife Area is still on high alert due to the dynamic conditions of current weather fronts moving in, road closures due to flooding, and ongoing spillway repairs. In order to maintain the safety of staff and the public, the wildlife area will remain closed (except for the Chico field office and Thermalito Afterbay).</p> <p>Lake Oroville SRA has partially opened areas surrounding Lake Oroville SRA, excluding units normally closed due to current water levels and the area in front of the dam. The Thermalito Diversion Pool (Burma Day Use and Lakeland Day Use) and the Spillway Launch Ramp will remain closed. This includes those portions of the Brad Freeman and Dan Beebe trails leading from the SRA's Visitor Center to the City of Oroville. California State Parks Rangers are providing roving patrols due to a large number of contacts in the closed area.</p>