






FFMP Implementation Performance



Release Year 2023-2024
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Data Sources

All data used in the analysis are provisional.

Final/approved data are available from:

NYC Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP)

Office of the Delaware River Master (ODRM)

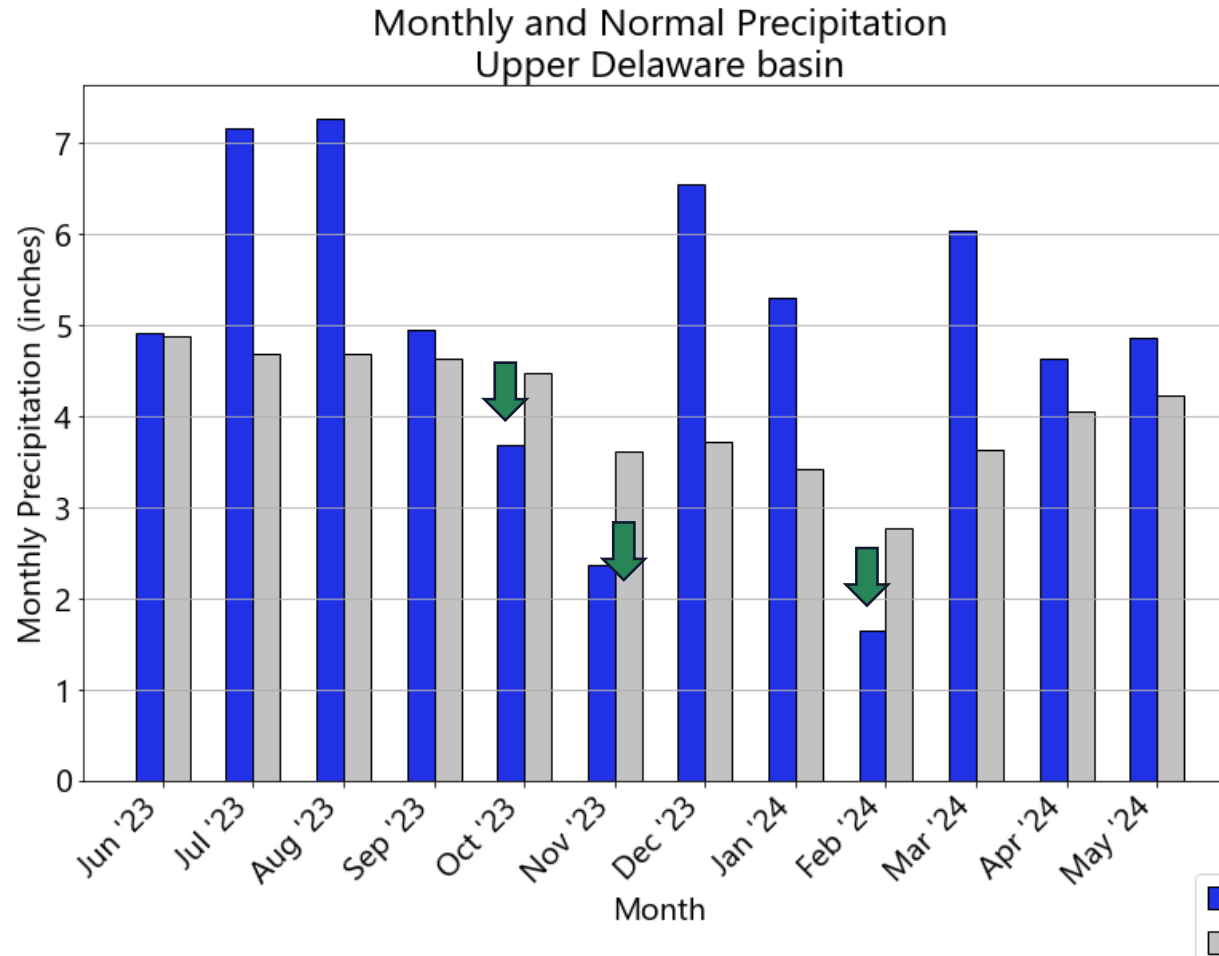
United States Geological Survey (USGS)

FFMP Performance Goals

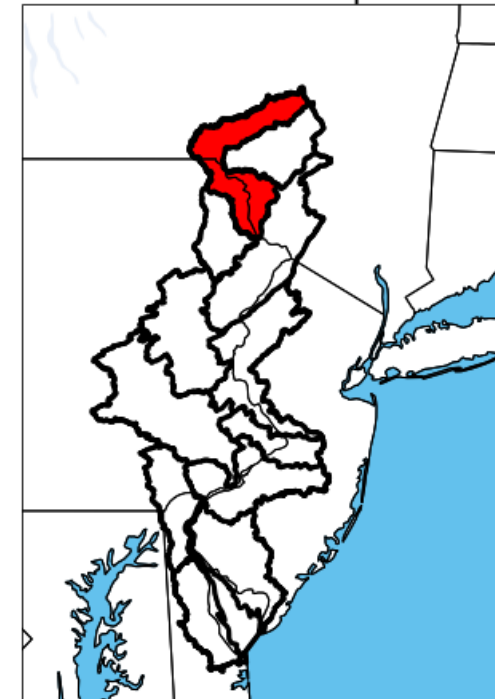
- Manage Droughts
- Maintain Flow Objectives
- Provide enhanced conservation releases
- Maintain desirable tailwater temperatures
- Minimize spills with Conditional Seasonal Storage Objective (CSSO)

Precipitation – Upper Basin

Above average precipitation occurred for most of the year.



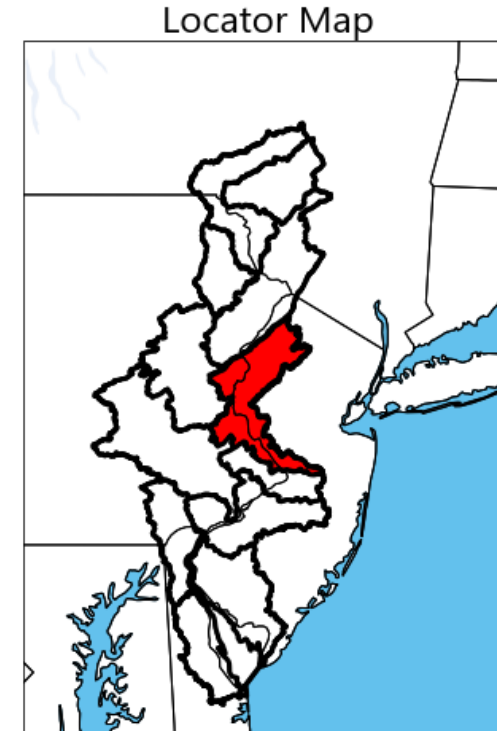
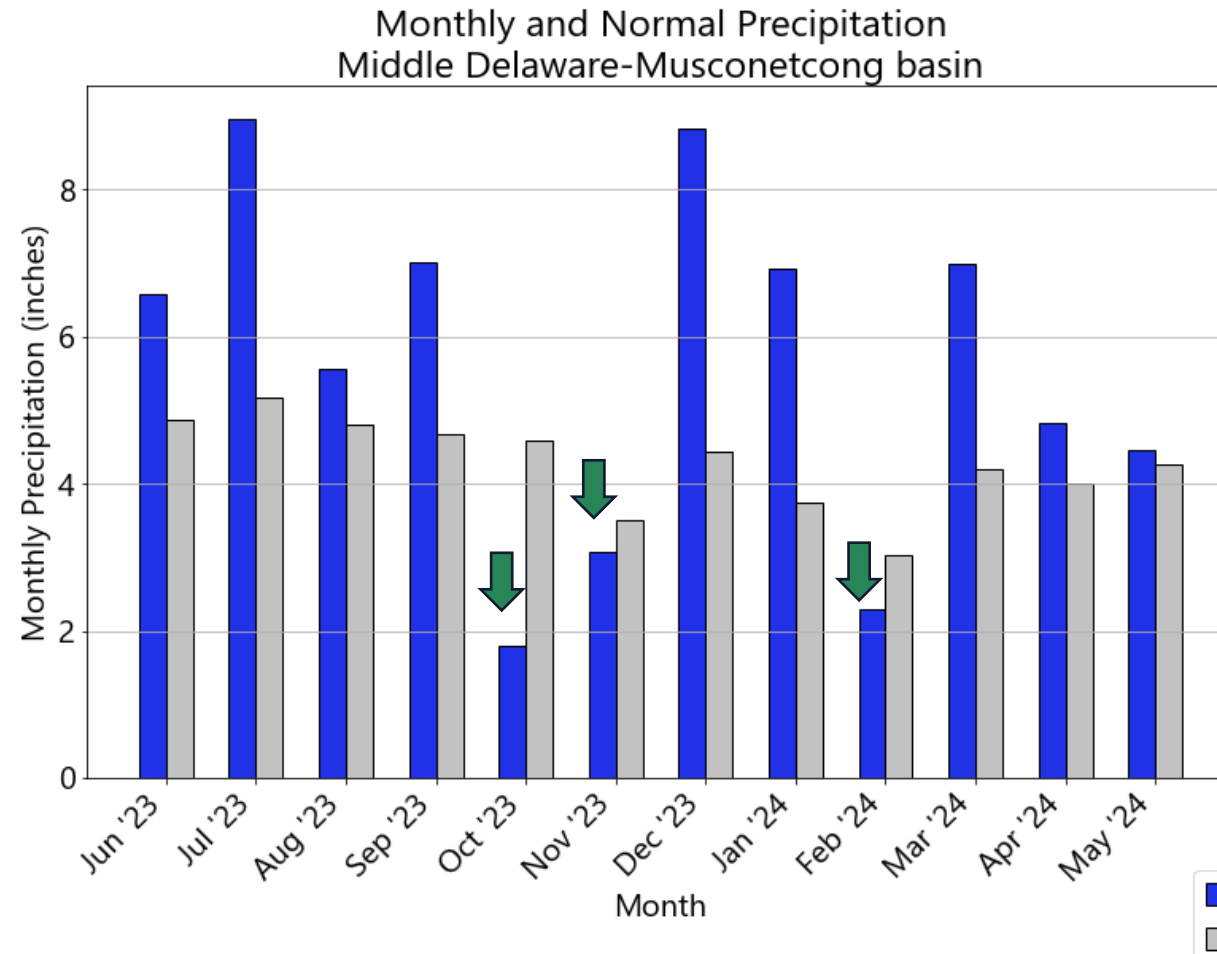
Locator Map



Source: ACIS, USGS HUC: 02040101
Monthly Normal is based of 4 stations in the
Upper Delaware basin

Precipitation – Middle Basin

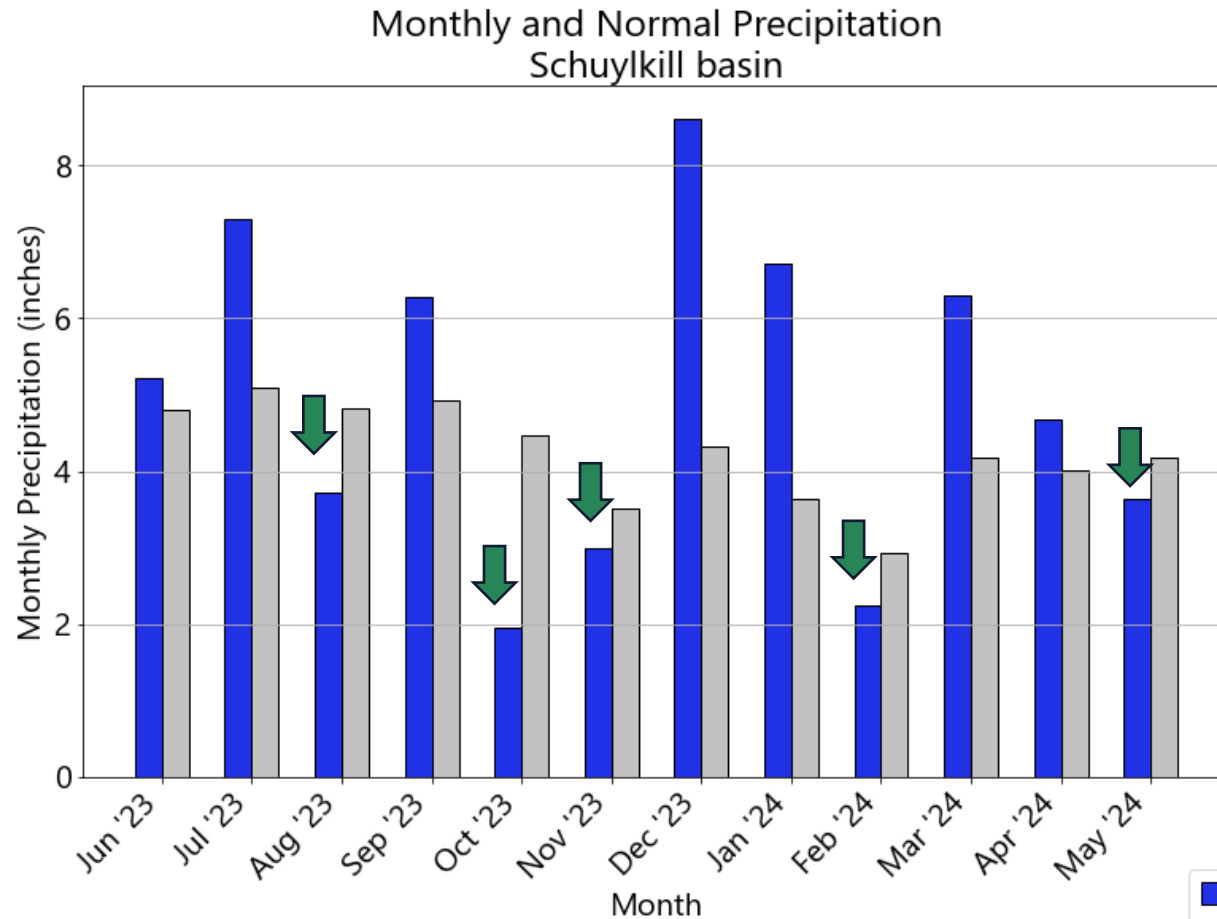
Above average precipitation occurred for most of the period.



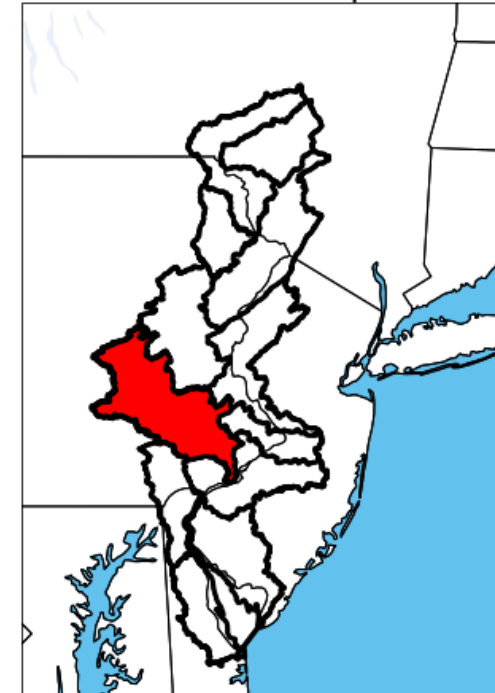
Source: ACIS, USGS HUC: 02040105
Monthly Normal is based on 8 stations in the
Middle Delaware-Musconetcong basin

Precipitation – Lower Basin

Above average precipitation occurred for most of the period.



Locator Map

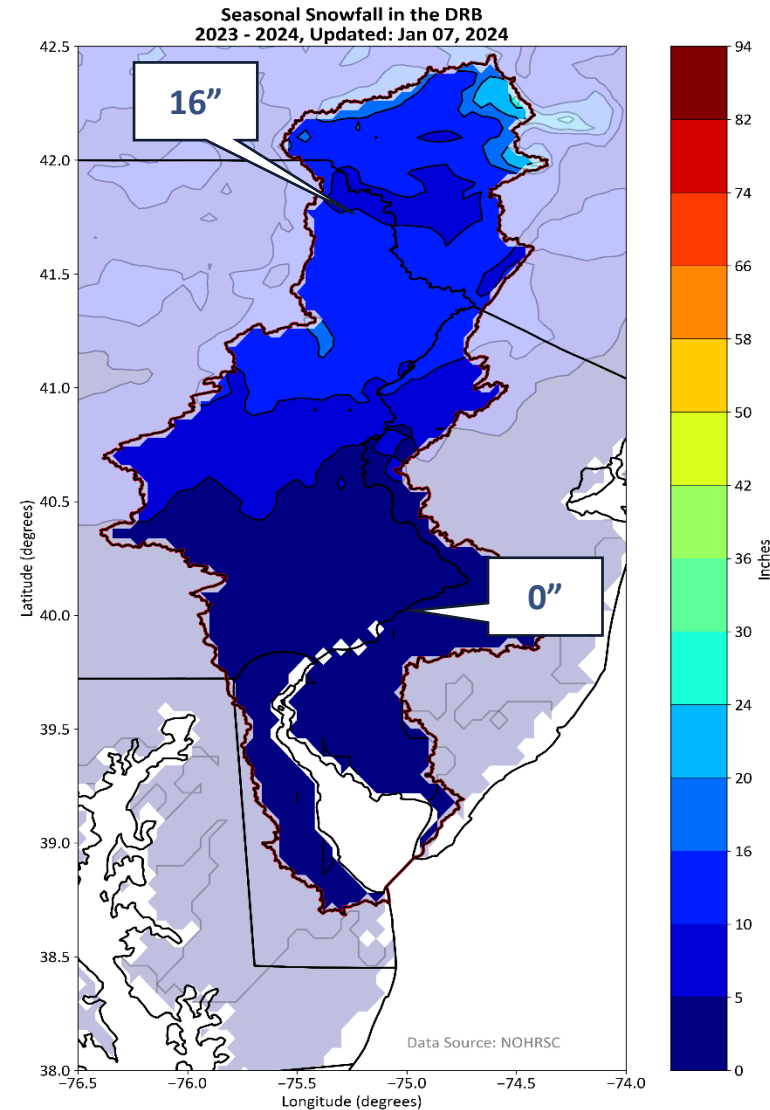


Source: ACIS, USGS HUC: 02040203
Monthly Normal is based of 20 stations in the Schuylkill basin

■ Monthly Observed Precipitation
■ Monthly Normal (1991 - 2020)

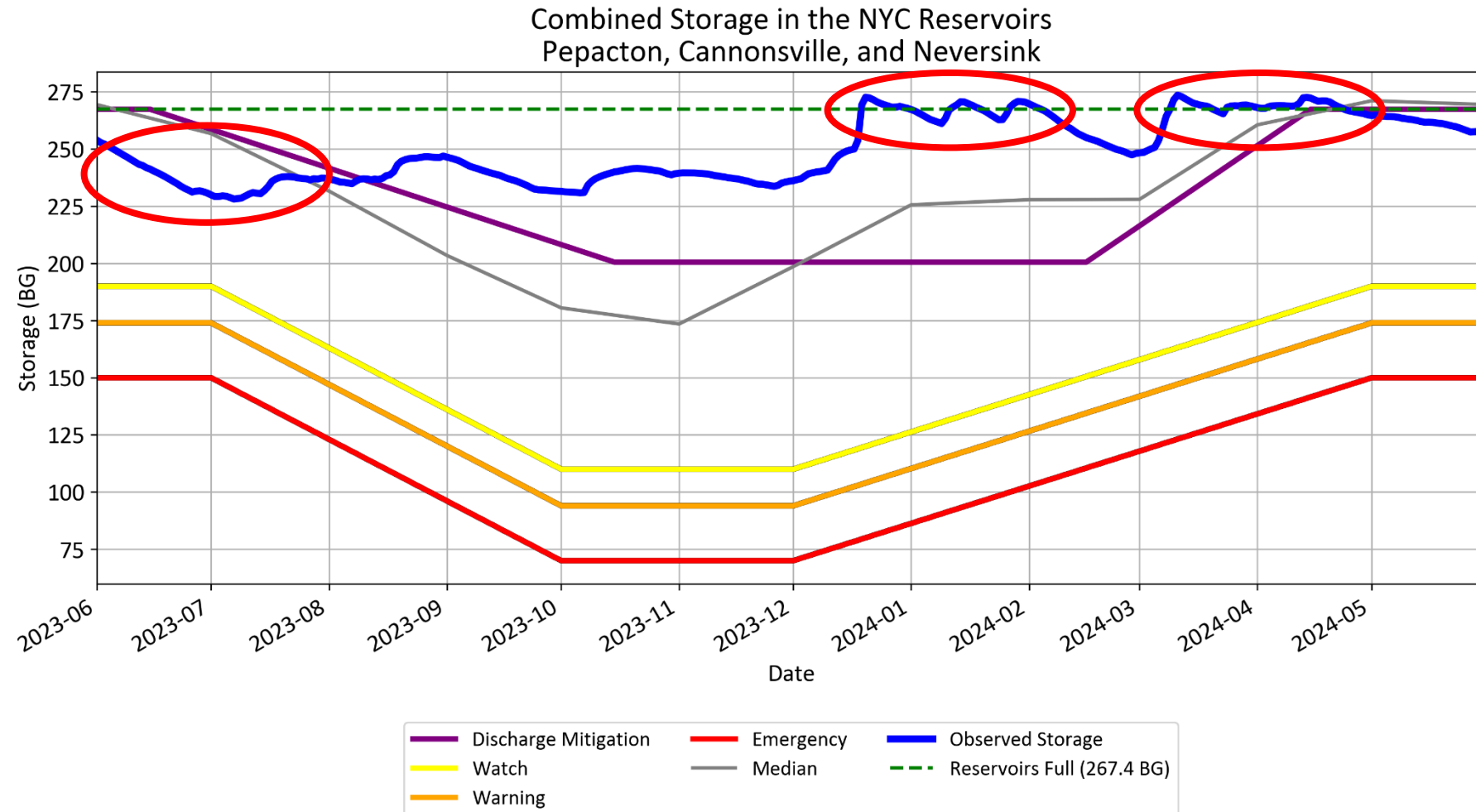
Snowfall

Some snow in the Upper Basin, but below normal for the season.



New York City Reservoir Storage

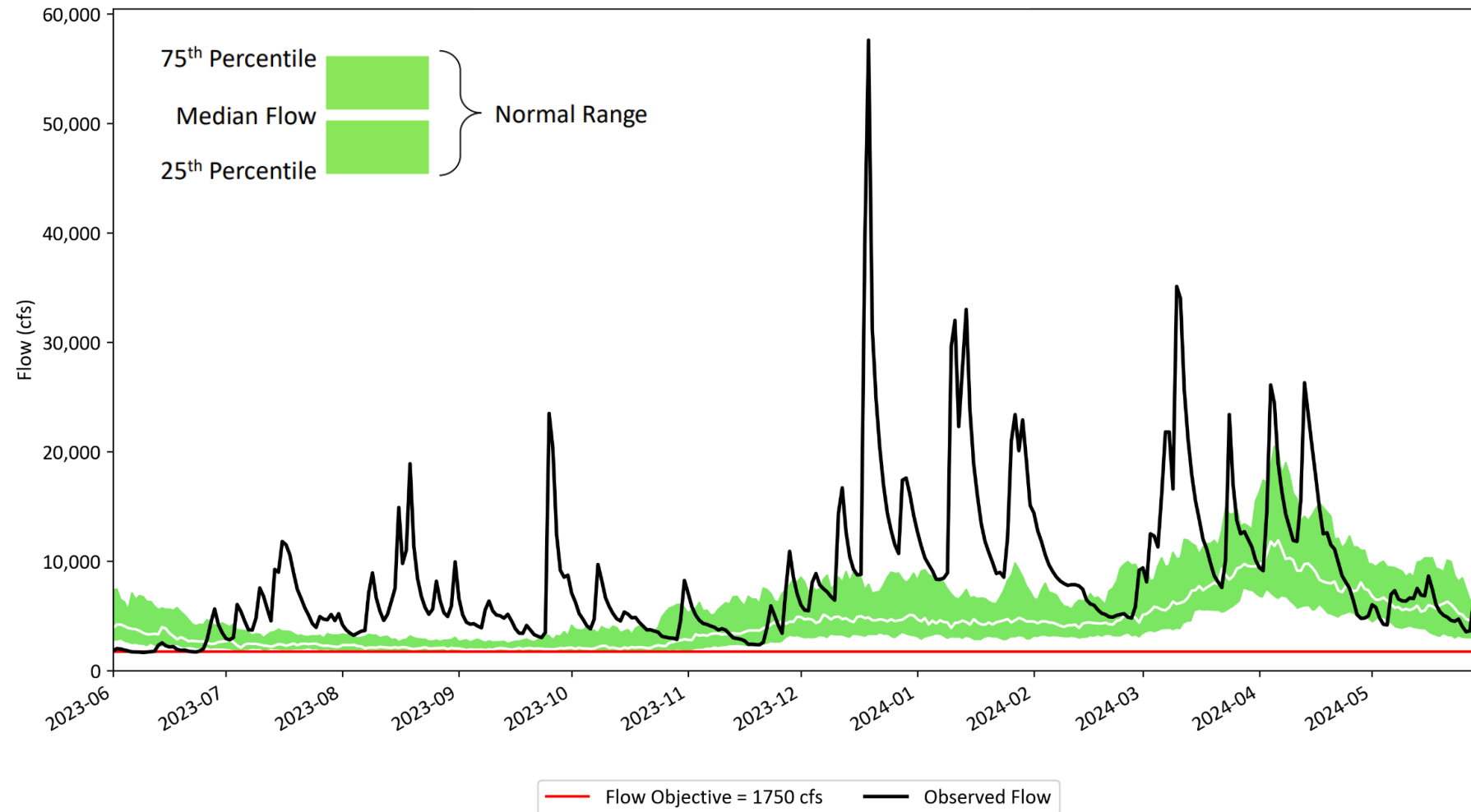
Combined reservoir storage stayed above the median for most of the period.



Data Source: NYCDEP

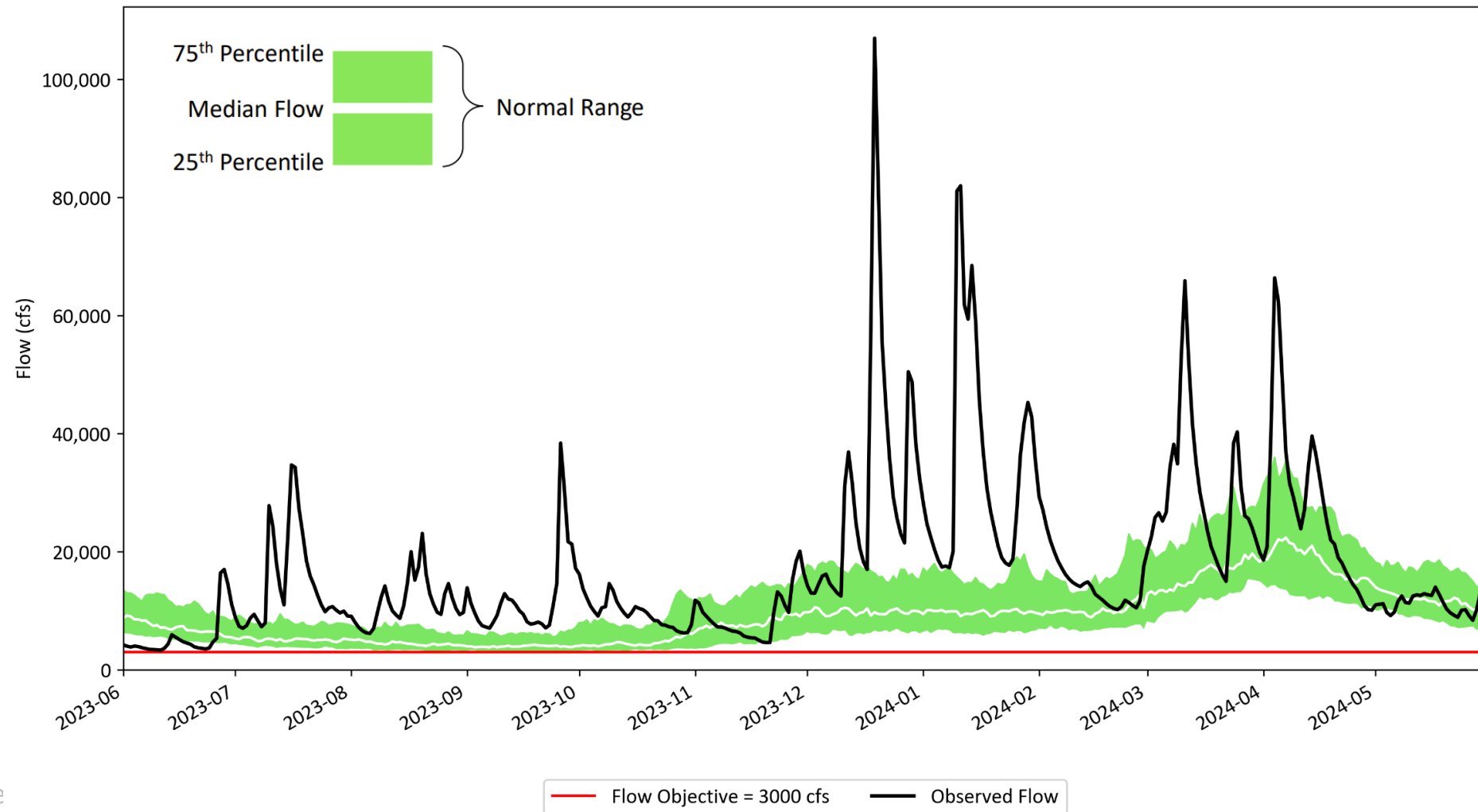
Flow at Montague, NJ

Flow was generally above average due to above average precipitation.



Flow at Trenton, NJ

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Flow Objectives

No water more than conservation releases was needed to meet Montague or Trenton flow objectives.

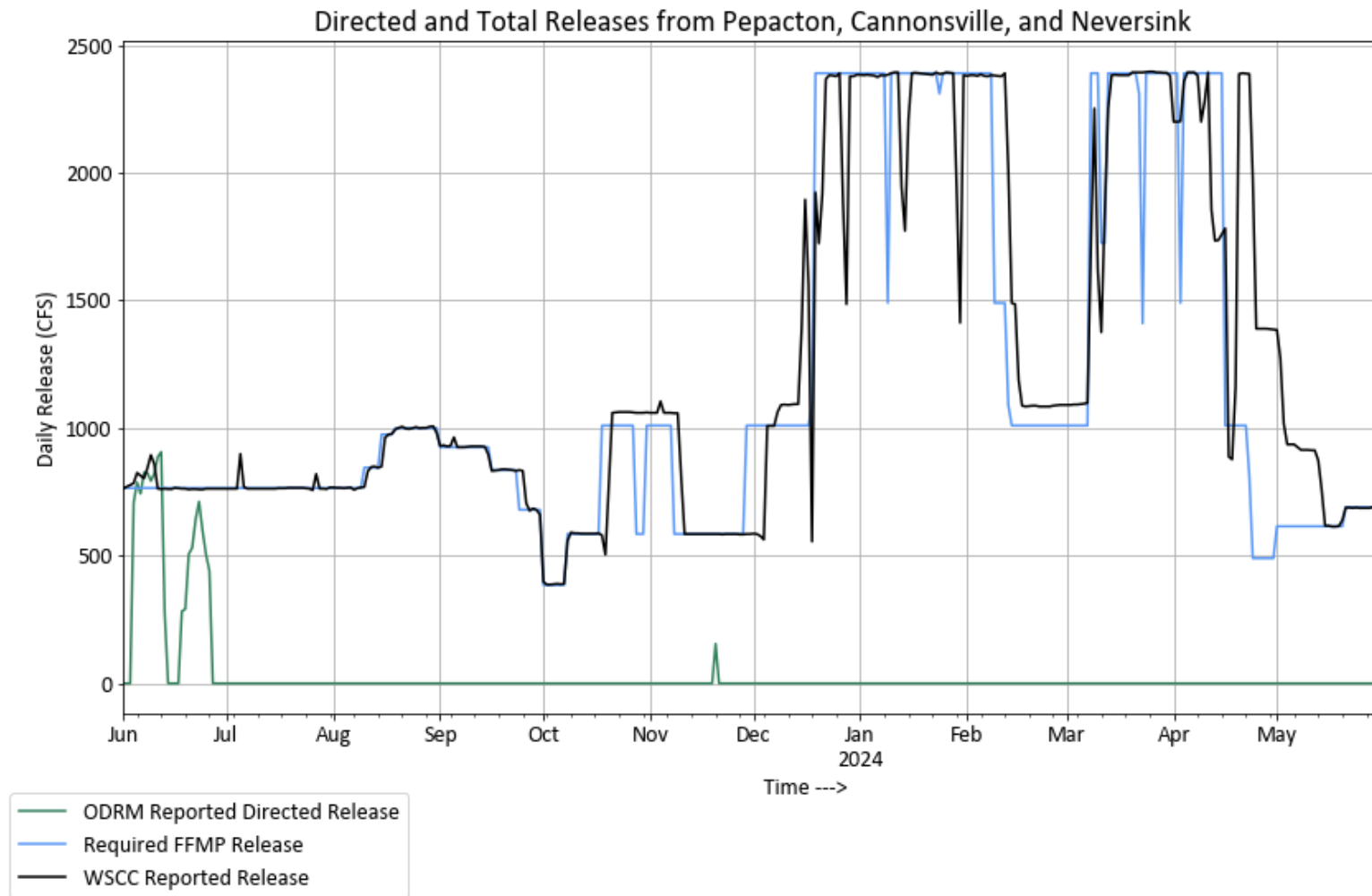
Water Released from NYC to Meet Flow Objectives (MG)	
Montague*	12,238
Trenton	0
Total	0

Water Released from Lower Basin to Meet Trenton Flow Objectives (MG)	
Beltzville	0
Blue Marsh	0
Total	0

*Releases made to meet the Montague Flow Objective, called directed releases, include the conservation release for the days when water is needed.

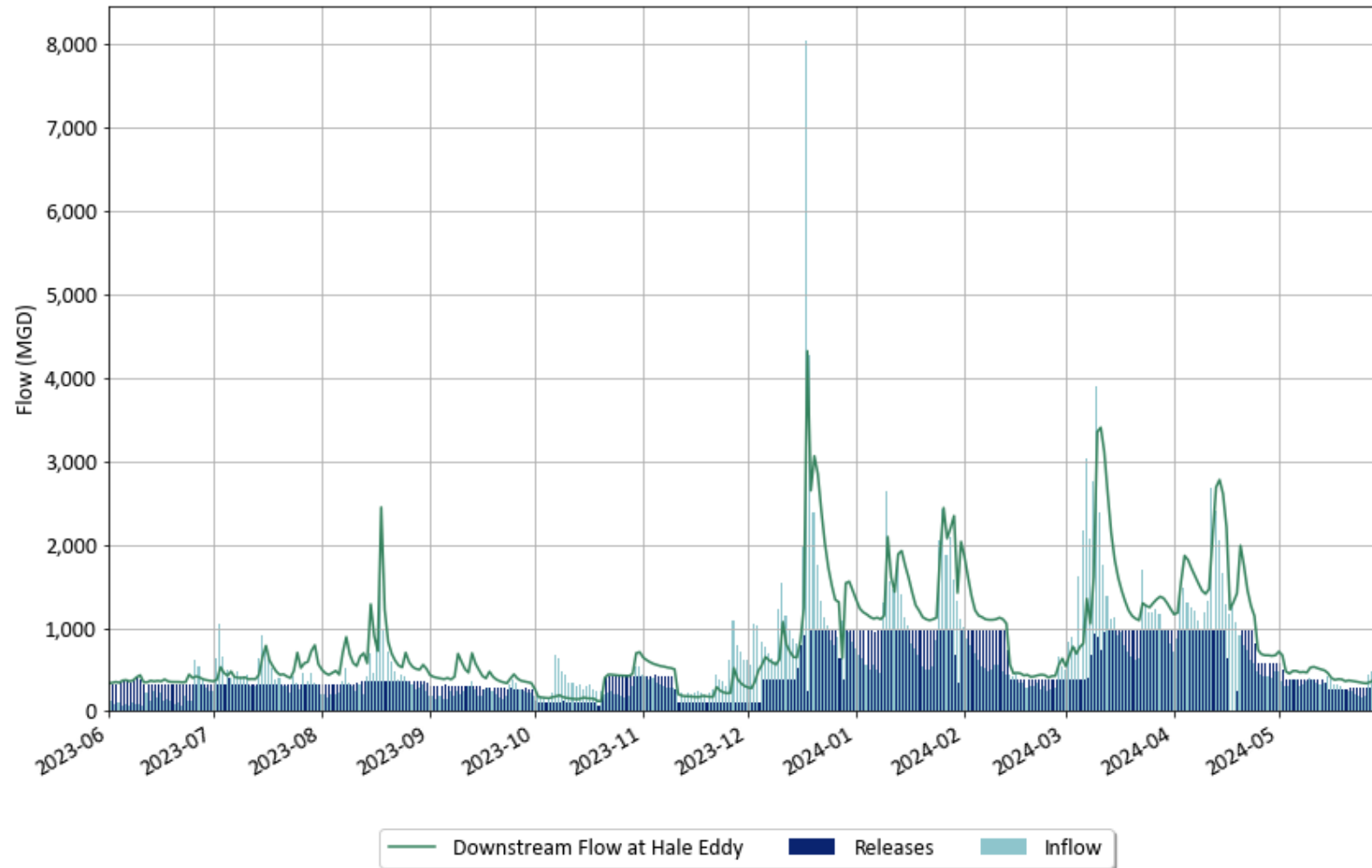
Combined Release History

All conservation releases for 2023-2024 followed table 4G.



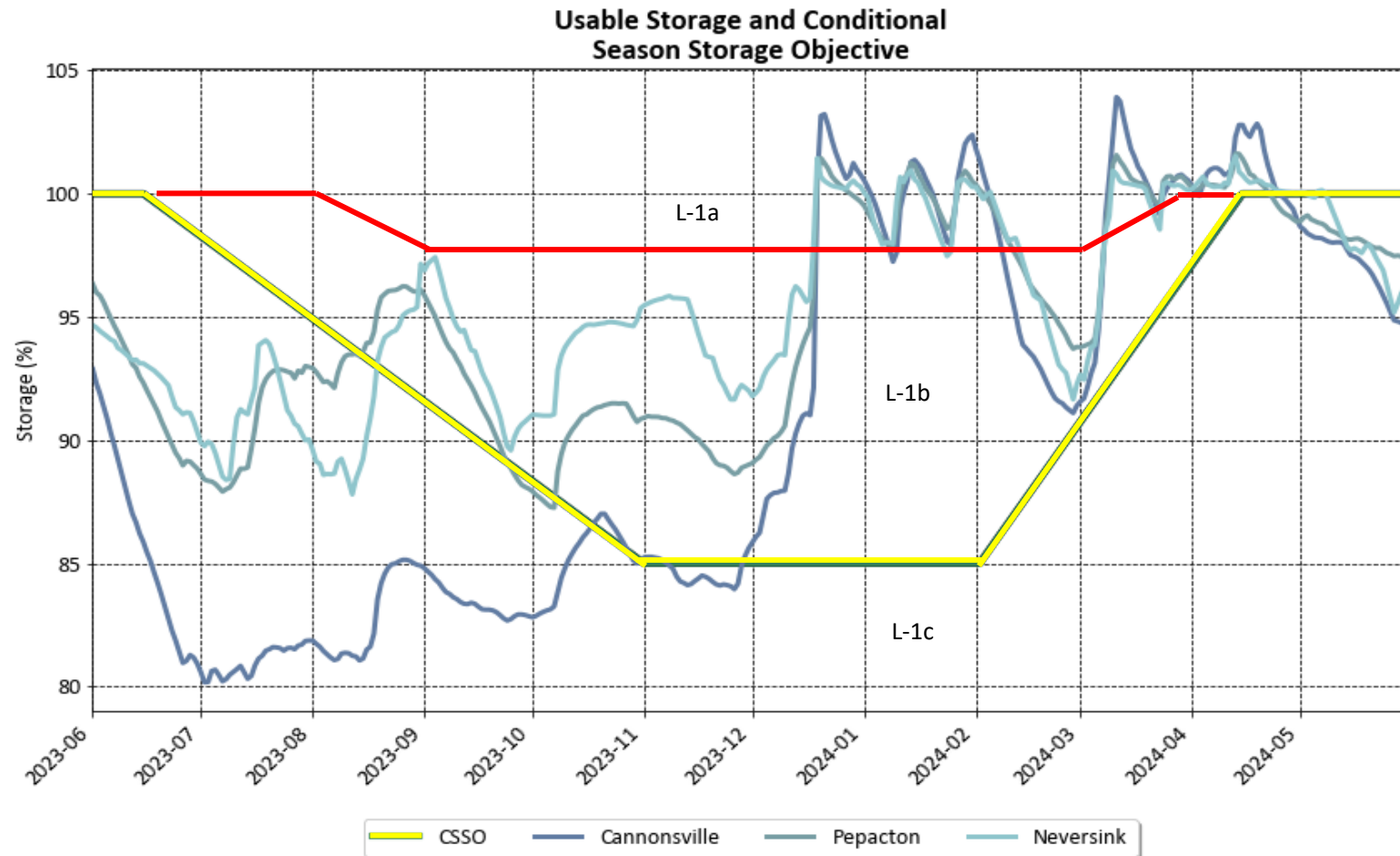
Cannonsville: Inflow, Releases and Downstream Flow

High flows led to discharge mitigation releases between January and May.



Discharge Spill Mitigation

Discharge mitigation releases were made throughout the January – May 2024.

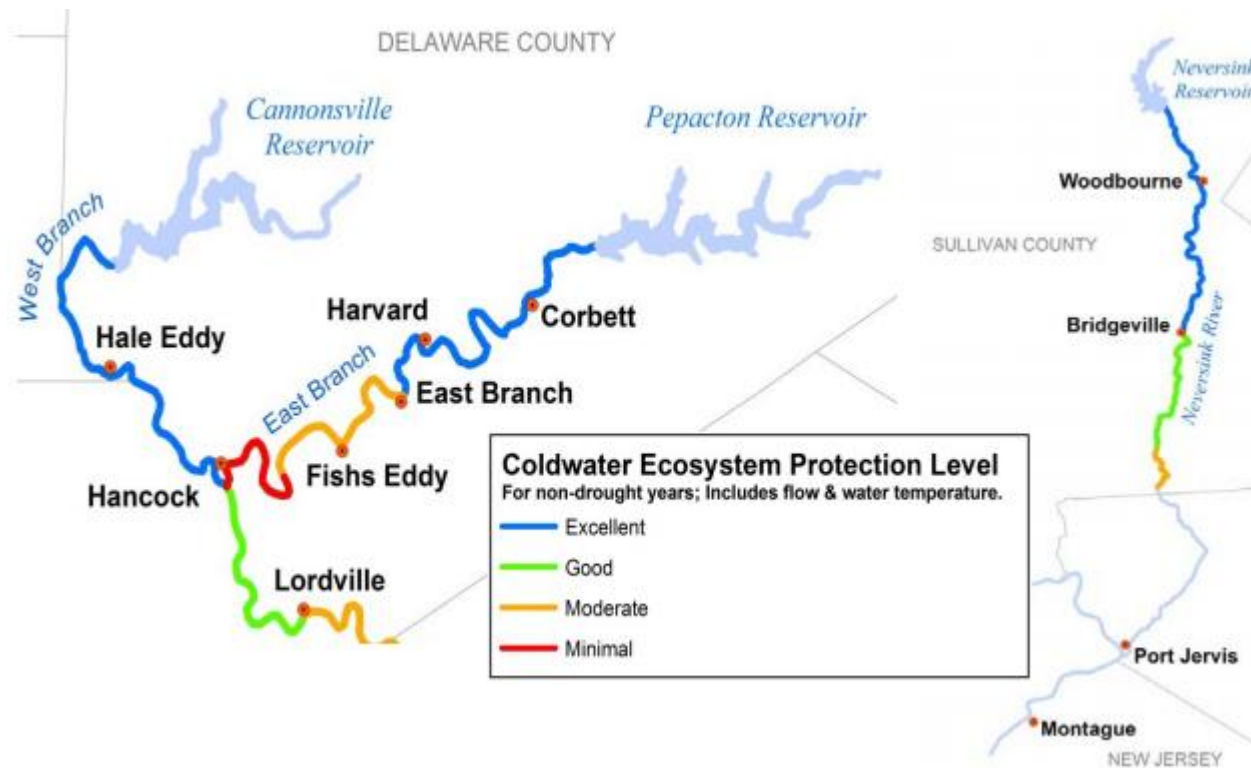


FFMP Bank Use

Thermal releases were made for 3 days during 3 events in July 2023, and September 2023. A total of 234 cfs-days was used.

FFMP 2017 Bank	Used	Size
NJ Diversion Amelioration Bank	0	of 2,545 cfs-days
Rapid Flow Change Mitigation Bank	0	of 1,000 cfs-days
Thermal Mitigation Bank	234	of 2,500 cfs-days
Trenton Equivalent Flow Objective Bank	0	of 9,423 cfs-days
NJ Diversion Offset Bank*	0	cfs-days

Habitat Protection (Temperature)



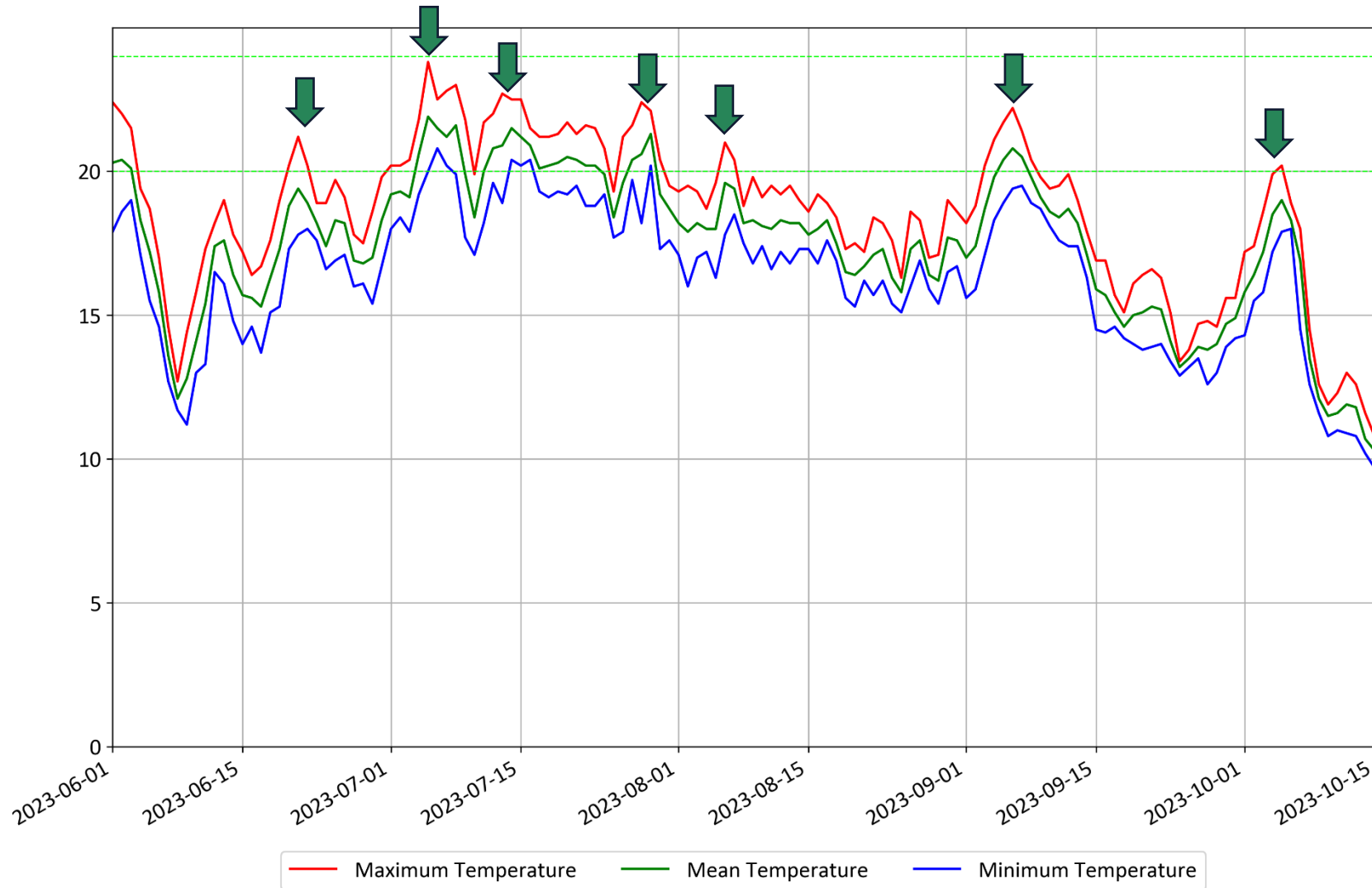
- **Goals for Excellent Habitat:**
 - Summer Temperature typical less than 20 °C
 - Rare Exceedances of 24 °C

Air Temperature

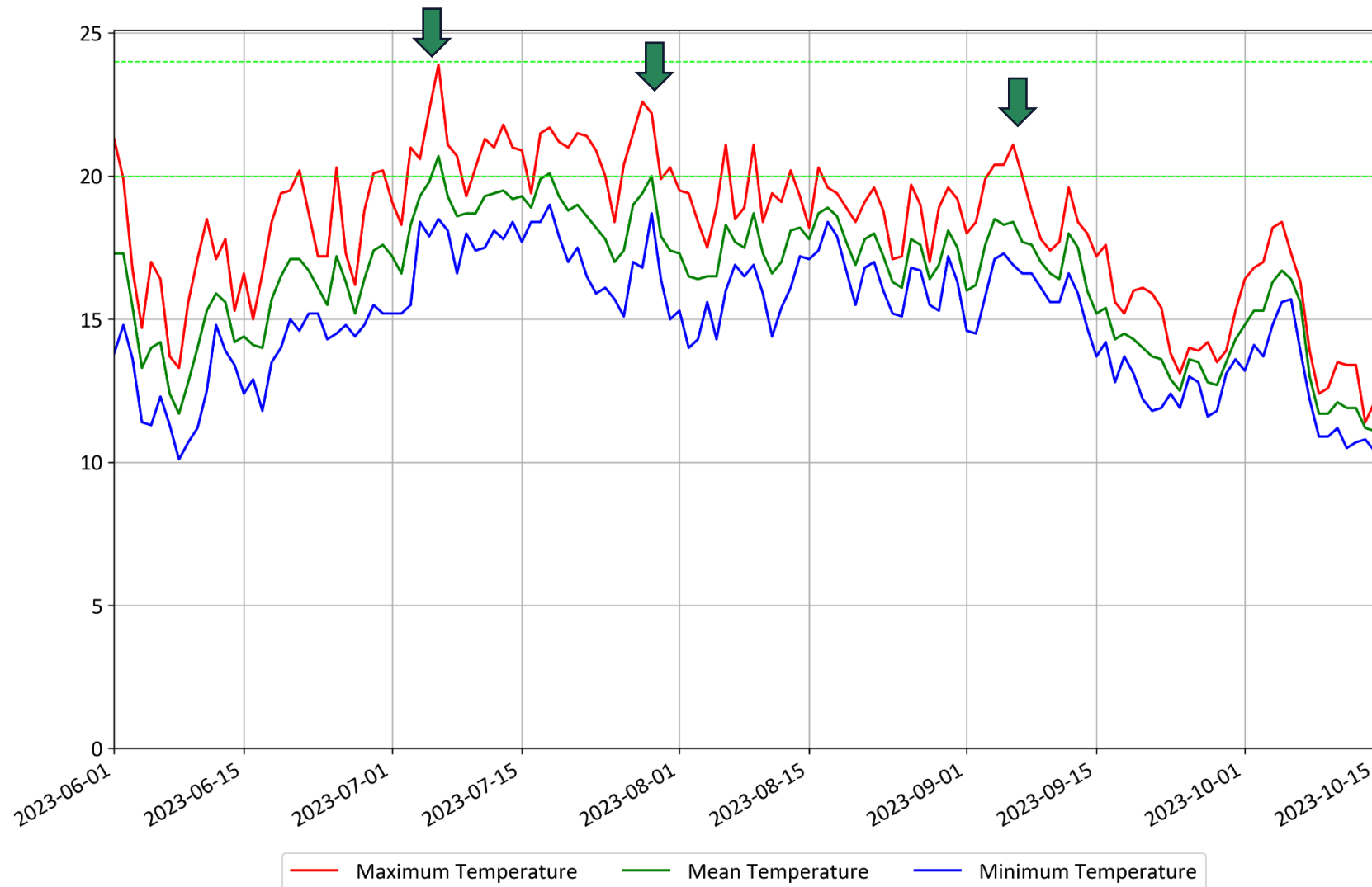
Bridgeville, Hancock, Harvard and Lordville had several exceedances of above **20°C** .

Location	Exceedances of 24 ⁰ C		Exceedances of 20 ⁰ C	
	Days Maximum Temperature above 24 ⁰ C	Days Average Temperature above 24 ⁰ C	Days Maximum Temperature above 20 ⁰ C	Days Average Temperature above 20 ⁰ C
Hale Eddy	0	0	0	0
Harvard	0	0	1	0
Hancock	0	0	2	0
Lordville	0	0	50	26
Bridgeville	0	0	38	2

Water Temperature at Lordville

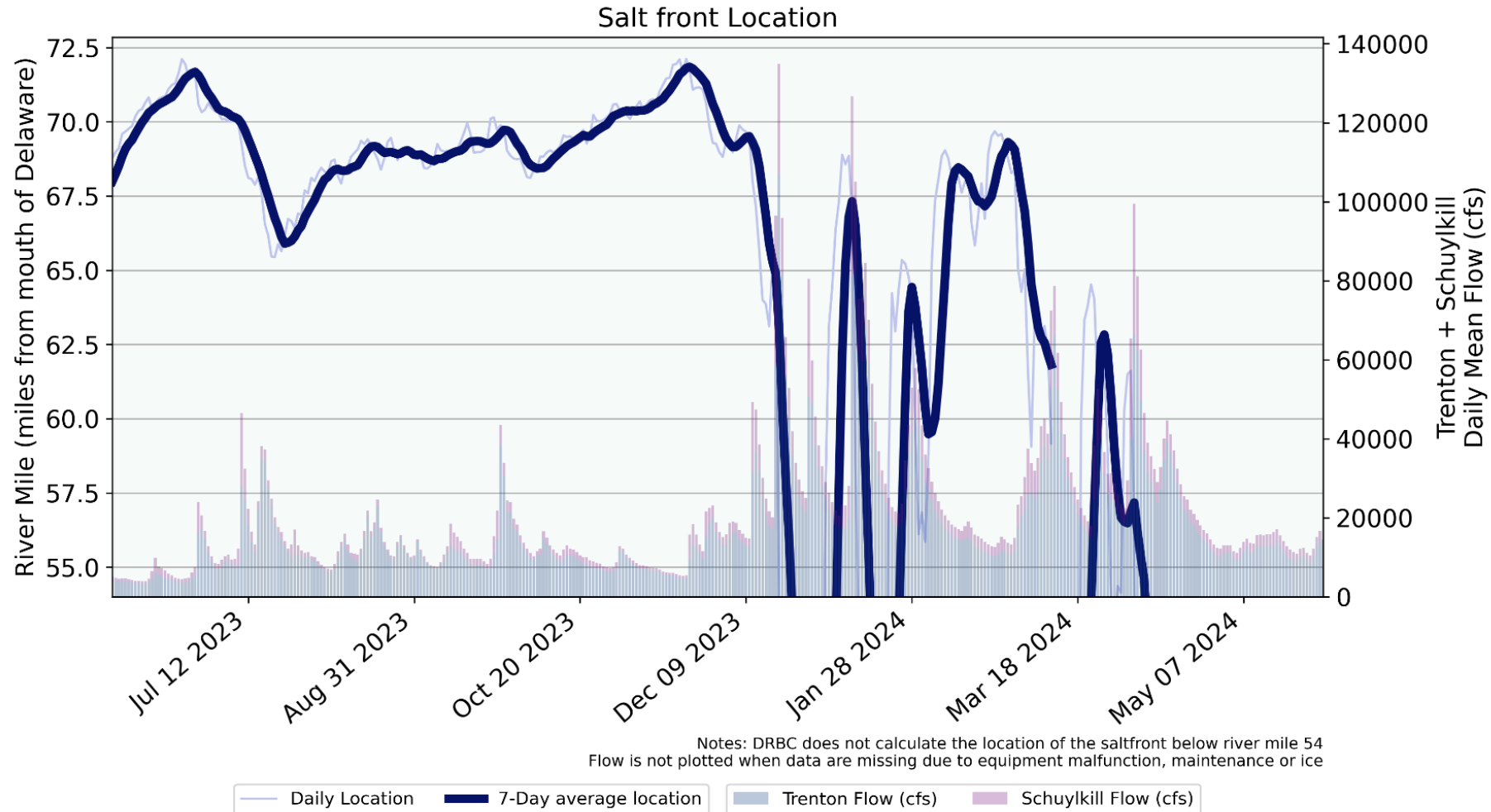


Water Temperature at Bridgeville



Salinity Management

No drought emergency occurred during this FFMP release year.



Summary FFMP 2023-2024

- Normal operations were in effect for the release year.
- Montague and Trenton flow objectives were met within operational constraints (weather forecasts, power generation)
- Conservation releases followed Table 4G for the entire release season.
- Thermal mitigation releases were only required on 3 days.
- Discharge mitigation releases were required at all three reservoirs due to the above average rainfall and inflow.

Questions?



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