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Hello:

The Flaming Gorge Technical Working Group (FGTWG) met on July 6, 2012, and recommended higher summer releases through Flaming Gorge Dam during July through September. Reclamation has released an average of 1,300 cfs during July and August pursuant to the recommendations discussed at the FGTWG. The recommended releases during the month of September were 1,100 cfs.

Flaming Gorge is currently releasing an average daily rate of 1,300 cubic feet per second (cfs) and the reservoir elevation is 6022.13 ft. Flows at Jensen, Utah are averaging 1,440cfs and flows on the Yampa are below 100cfs and expected to remain there into the future. Utah Division of Wildlife Resources will be holding their fall fish assessment on September 4-5, after which releases will return to 1,300cfs on September 6, 2012, pursuant to the August 21, 2012, Flaming Gorge Notification.

Reclamation will reduce releases from 1,300 cfs to 1,100 cfs beginning September 7, 2012, over a four-day period according to the attached schedule. Releases will remain at 1,100 cfs until further notice.

Please note that hourly release schedules are an approximation of releases and all times identified are local time (Mountain Prevailing Time) and not hour ending. I anticipate releases will decrease in October to a steady release of 800 cfs, but any change in the current schedule will be officially communicated before implementation.

Flaming Gorge information for the last five days is below. Please be aware that all data is provisional and subject to change.

Flaming Gorge	Elev (ft)	Inflow (cfs)	Unreg Inflow (cfs)
08/31/12	6,022.19	1,113	426
09/01/12	6,022.17	1,111	577
09/02/12	6,022.15	1,111	465
09/03/12	6,022.13	1,109	502
09/04/12	6,022.09	736	205

Additional FG data and information can be found here: http://www.usbr.gov/uc/water/rsvrs/ops/crsp_40_fgd.html

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Flaming Gorge Dam Release Schedule

	9/7/2012	9/8/2012	9/9/2012	9/10/2012
Time (MPT)	Release (cfs)	Release (cfs)	Release (cfs)	Release (cfs)
0:00	810	810	810	810
1:00	810	810	810	810
2:00	810	810	810	810
3:00	810	810	810	810
4:00	810	810	810	810
5:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
6:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
7:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
8:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
9:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
10:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
11:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
12:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
13:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
14:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
15:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
16:00	1,280	1,220	1,160	1,090
17:00	1,690	1,620	1,560	1,500
18:00	1,690	1,620	1,560	1,500
19:00	1,690	1,620	1,560	1,500
20:00	1,690	1,620	1,560	1,500
21:00	1,690	1,620	1,560	1,500
22:00	1,310	1,190	1,060	910
23:00	810	810	810	810
Average	**1,249**	**1,200**	**1,152**	**1,098**

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