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Feather River Flows to Increase Today through City of Oroville

SACRAMENTO – The Department of Water Resources (DWR) this afternoon will increase Feather River flows through the City of Oroville. Anglers, swimmers and others are advised that both the velocity and elevation of the river will increase beginning about 2 p.m. today.

Flows in the low flow section of the Feather, which runs through the middle of Oroville, will be increased in increments from 1,500 cubic feet a second (cfs) to 2,500 cfs. The increase is expected to last into next week.

The increased release from Lake Oroville will allow DWR to reduce the flows from the Ronald B. Robie Thermalito Pumping-Generating Plant bypass gate that have been scouring the access road to the plant.

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