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Caution Urged along Feather River in Oroville

Flows through City Higher Than Usual

Flows on the Feather River through Oroville are higher than usual, and anglers, swimmers, kayakers, and other river users are asked to use caution this holiday weekend.

The flow in the section of the Feather River that runs through Oroville increased this week from 3,200 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 4,000 cfs as the Department of Water Resources releases water from Lake Oroville to meet water supply needs downstream. Visitors to the river are urged to wear properly fitting life jackets and be aware of the increased risk from higher, stronger currents.

Flows through Oroville are expected to stay at 4,000 cfs for a couple of weeks. Flows also were increased through the Thermalito Afterbay River Outlet downstream of Oroville. The total flow in the Feather River below the Afterbay River Outlet is now 9,000 cfs. People are advised to be careful around the cold, swift water.

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Every Californian should take steps to conserve water. Find out how at SaveOurWater.com.

