

# Lake Chelan Lake Levels

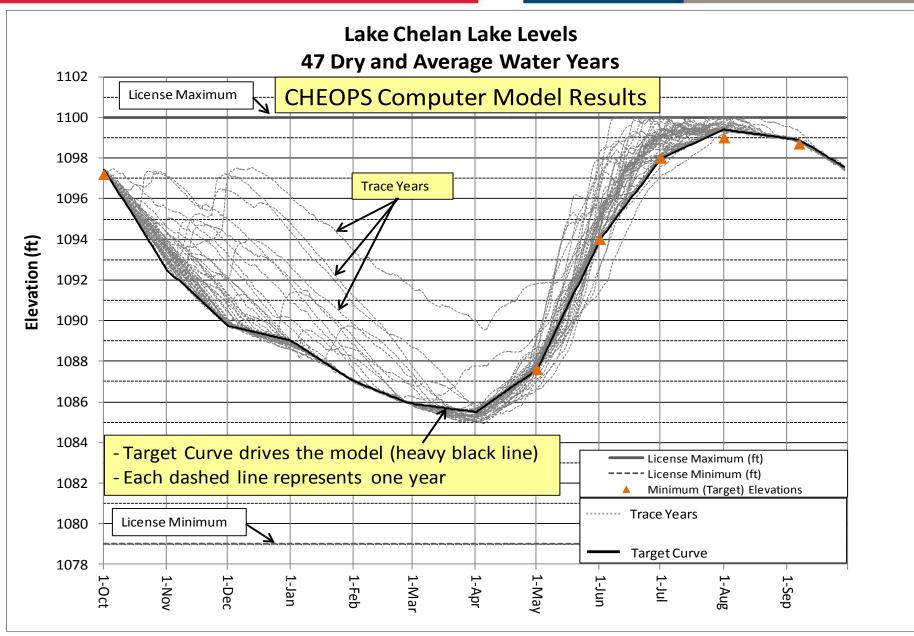
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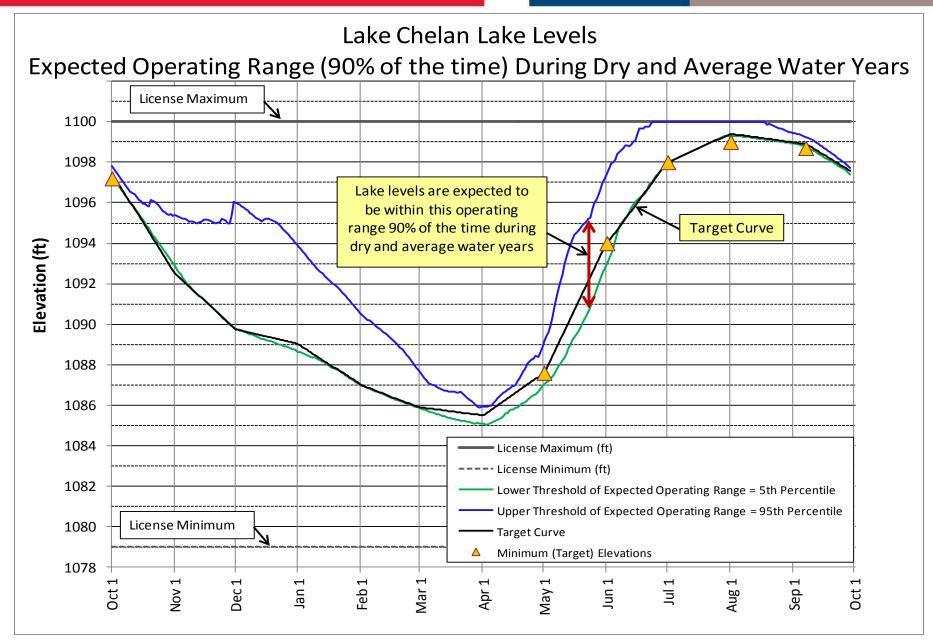


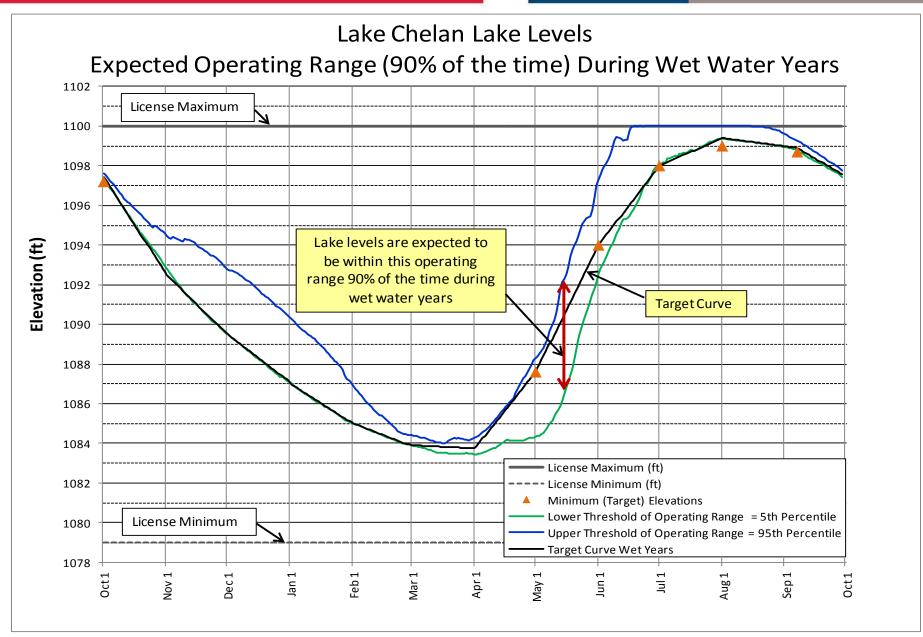
# **Community Update**

- 1. Background
- 2. Evaluate Oct. 1 lake level target
- 3. Improve modeling
- 4. Improve communication
- 5. Look ahead
- 6. Questions and answers





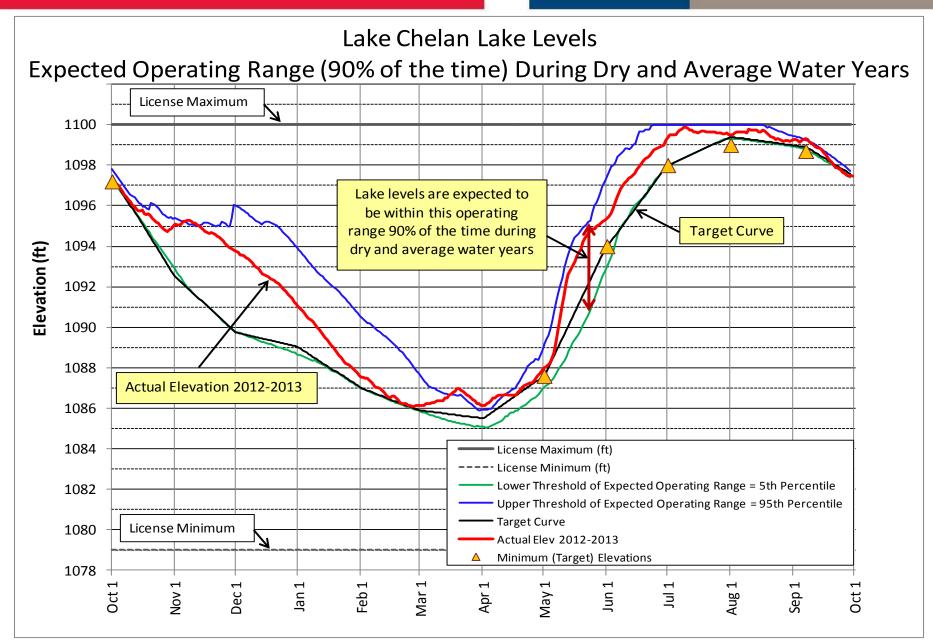




## **Operating Guidelines**

- Formalize operating strategies
- Primary Operating Guideline goals
  - 1. Meet FERC operating (license) requirements
  - 2. Meet intent of the Lake Chelan Comprehensive Settlement Agreement
  - Provide consistent approach to lake level operations year to year
  - Manage Lake Chelan lake levels within expected operating ranges





## Modeling Improvements and Operating Guidelines

- Benefits
  - Operate with more confidence in future outcomes
  - Better forecast of future lake levels
  - Operate with more consistency
  - 90% probability that lake levels will be within expected operating ranges
  - Improved probability of meeting minimum (target) elevations



## Lake Level Plan - Expected Path for Evaluating Oct 1 Target Change Estimated Schedule and Decision Milestones

As of 10/8/2013

Public Outreach	Settlement Party Technical Discussions	Environmental Review	License Amendment Preparation	FERC Processing and Approval
Public meetings to discuss lake level management  Oct. 10, 2011  Feb. 27, 2012  Oct. 9, 2012  Oct. 8, 2013	Technical discussions with Settlement Parties  Identify impacts of Oct. target change  Information needs  Regulatory requirements  Determine other components of the license that require revision	Environmental analysis  Information gathering and studies if needed  Develop mitigation measures as appropriate  Confirm filing requirements	Prepare and file Non-capacity License Amendment Application with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)	FERC processing
2 years	6 months	6 months - 2 years	6 months	6 months

Decision Point

Settlement Party
Pursue License Amendment Go/No Go
Expected by April 2014

Settlement Parties to evaluate technical information and potential impacts, costs, and risks to the Project License. In addition, Chelan PUD to evaluate impacts to customer/owners.

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100% consensus of all settlement parties required to proceed to license amendment process.





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#### Lake Chelan Lake Levels – website links

**Current Lake Level Data** 

http://www.chelanpud.org/lake-chelan-lake-levels.cfm

Lake Level Discussions:

http://www.chelanpud.org/9555.html

### **License and Compliance – website links**

Lake Chelan Licensing and Compliance

http://www.chelanpud.org/licensing-compliance.html

Lake Chelan Relicensing

http://www.chelanpud.org/relicense/

Lake Chelan License Implementation:

http://www.chelanpud.org/lake-chelan-implementation.html

