

SUMMARY OF
FIRST YEAR FFMP MODIFICATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS
AND
CHANGES FOR INCORPORATION IN THE REVISED FFMP AGREEMENT
PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE RIVER MASTER
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- 1. Temporary Increase in the Controlled Releases from New York City's Pepacton, Cannonsville, and Neversink Reservoirs.** Purpose – To facilitate the release of excess water from these reservoirs while a corrective maintenance inspection of a portion of the Delaware Aqueduct was conducted. Effective – February to March, 2008.
- 2. Temporary Wet Spring Releases Schedule Adjustment for April 2008, Pepacton, Cannonsville, and Neversink Reservoirs.** Purpose – To better protect Delaware River Basin communities by authorizing, subject to certain reservoir-storage criteria, releases of water greater than those specified in FFMP Table 3. Effective – April 15-30, 2008.
- 3. Temporary Thermal Releases Program for Fishery Protection.** Purpose – To allow for emergency releases of water from Cannonsville Reservoir, subject to specific air-temperature based triggering criteria, to provide additional thermal protection for the mainstem Delaware River downstream to near Hancock, New York. Effective – June 9-11, 2008.
- 4. An Interim Excess Release Quantity Extraordinary Needs Bank for an Emergency Thermal Releases Program for Fishery Protection.** Purpose – Essentially a continuation of temporary program 3., above. To allow for emergency releases of water from Cannonsville Reservoir, subject to specific air-temperature based triggering criteria, to provide additional thermal protection for the mainstem Delaware River downstream to near Hancock, New York. Effective – July 1 to September 15, 2008.
- 5. Temporary Releases Program for 2008 Rondout West Branch Tunnel Shutdown.** Purpose – To facilitate the release of excess water from Pepacton, Cannonsville, and Neversink Reservoirs while necessary underwater repair work is performed at a dewatering shaft of the Delaware Aqueduct. Effective – October 1, 2008 to May 1, 2009.

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- 1. Revised “Tailwaters Habitat Protection and Discharge Mitigation Program” releases tables (Table 3) to allow for increased reservoir releases for fisheries habitat protection needs in late May and early September.**
- 2. Revised FFMP Sections 16 and 17 to clarify the meaning of “temporary” releases schedules during periods of maintenance and repair of New York City Delaware Basin Reservoirs and appurtenant infrastructure.**