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SACRAMENTO RIVER DROUGHT STATUS

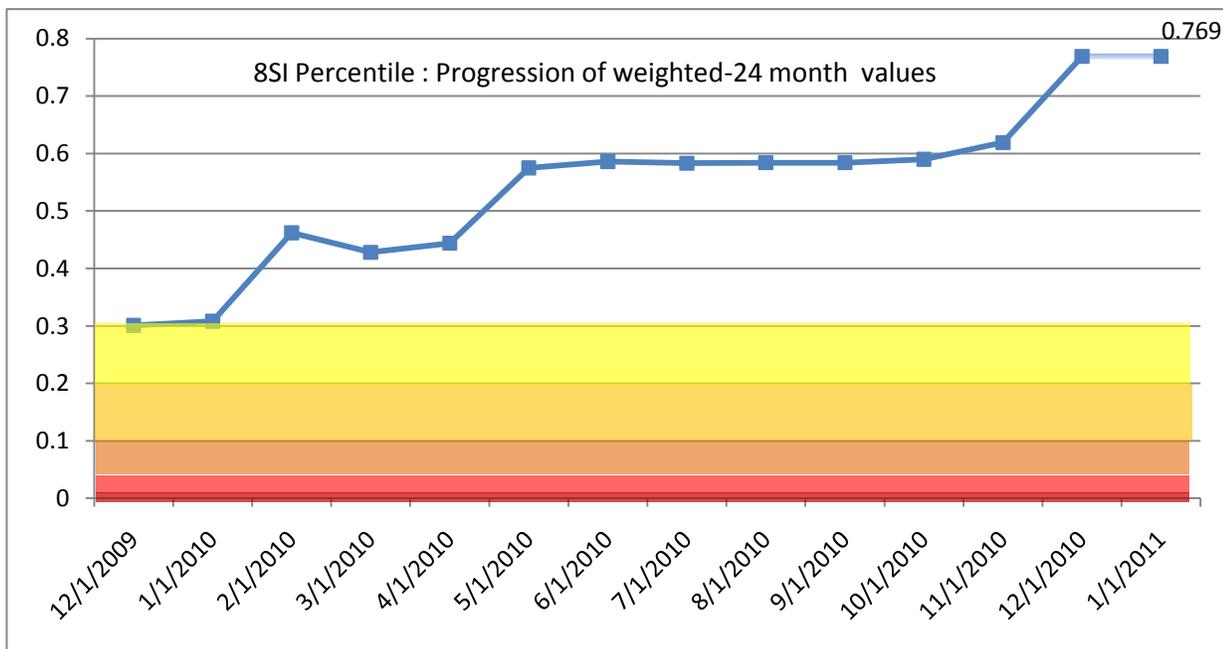
Based on 8 Station Index (8SI) Percentiles



Current 8SI for WY2010:	16.21 inches
Median 8SI to date:	7.61 inches
Current WY Percentile:	0.869

<u>8SI Percentiles</u>	<u>As of Dec 1</u>	<u>Projected for Dec 31</u>
Past 24 months (weighted) *	0.769	0.769
Past 12 months	0.779	0.844
Past 24 months	0.691	0.704

<u>Percentile</u>	<u>Drought Monitor Category</u>	
0.00 - 0.02	D4	Drought - Exceptional
0.02 - 0.05	D3	Drought - Extreme
0.05 - 0.10	D2	Drought - Severe
0.10 - 0.20	D1	Drought - Moderate
0.20 - 0.30	D0	Abnormally Dry
0.30 +		Normal



Notes:

Data is preliminary and subject to change. The 8SI is computed by the California Dept. of Water Resources (see http://cdec.water.ca.gov/cgi-progs/current/PLOT_ESI.pdf)

The 8SI is the average accumulated precipitation for 8 rain gauges in Northern California (Mt. Shasta, Shasta Dam, Mineral, Brush Creek, Quincy, Sierraville, Blue Canyon, Pacific House)
Period of Record : WY1921 - WY2009

* The weighted 24 month percentile assigns a 70% weight to the past 12 months and a 30% weight to the past 13-24 months.

WY = Water Year (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30)

