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Lake Winnebago Outlook – July 7, 2014

The level of Lake Winnebago held around 3.05 ft over the holiday weekend which is where it's at today. Inflows measured at Oshkosh averaged 5,400 cfs while outflows were around 4,500 cfs. Evaporation was quite high and accounted for the 900 cfs outflow deficit.

Showers and thunderstorms are likely tonight with up to an inch of rain expected. As with any thunderstorm, locally higher rainfall amounts are always possible. By Wednesday, sunshine and cooler temps in the mid 70s will return to the basin. Evaporation is once again expected to be rather high.

In order to keep up with declining inflows and keep the lake at summer pool, Neenah closed 1.5 tainter gates and the Corps opened 0.5 a gate at Menasha to compensate. The new gate setting is 1 gate open at Menasha and 0.5 gate open at Neenah. The 0.5 gate will remain open at Neenah throughout the summer to maintain flow in the Neenah channel. Outflows at Appleton are expected to be around 4,500 cfs.

Tonight's rain or lack thereof will determine our next gate move. If the basin receives heavy rain, we'll open gates; if the rain misses basin, we'll be prepared to close. Please check this page for updates.