

# New Hydrologic Forecasts for CalSim 3

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# CalSim 3 Streamflow Forecast Needs

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- Forecasted monthly inflows at major river locations required by forecast-based allocations and operations in CalSim 3
- DWR Bulletin 120 (B120) or statistically equivalent forecasts
- Forecast for the entire model simulation period of WY 1922-2021
- Monthly forecasts made on the fly for sequential model run and position analysis



# DWR B120 Forecast

- Median monthly flow forecasts available from WY 1969
- Other exceedance flow forecast available from WY 1999
- Hybrid forecast method
  - Statistical + Engineering judgement and manual adjustment
  - Forecast methods have been evolving over time
- Data used in the forecast
  - Precipitation, snowpack, historical unimpaired flow records, and other basin information



# Existing Flow Forecast for CalSim 2&3

- Monthly flow forecasts were developed at all 11 major locations in 2003 using the historical data up to WY 2001.
- Only historical unimpaired flows and precipitation were used for the forecast development. The unimpaired flows and precipitation were the only data went back to WY 1922 at the time.
- Statistical method only
- Forecast DLL to automate the forecasts on the fly
- Forecasts were extended to WY 2015 without updating forecast equations.



# New Flow Forecast for CalSim 3

- Monthly flow forecast at all 11 major locations for WY 1922-2021.
- Forecasts were developed based on the unimpaired flows, precipitation, vapor pressure deficit (VPD), and temperature for WY 1922-2021. The VPD and temperature recently became available from PRISM
- Statistical method only
- Forecasts statistically equivalent to B120
- Forecast DLL to automate the forecasts on the fly



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# Forecast Development Example

## Seasonal Flow Forecast



# Oroville February-September Seasonal Forecast

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 97		
				F( 3, 93) = 1074.86		
Model	4.7611328	3	1.58704427	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Residual	.137315051	93	.001476506	R-squared = 0.9720		
				Adj R-squared = 0.9711		
Total	4.89844785	96	.051025498	Root MSE = .03843		

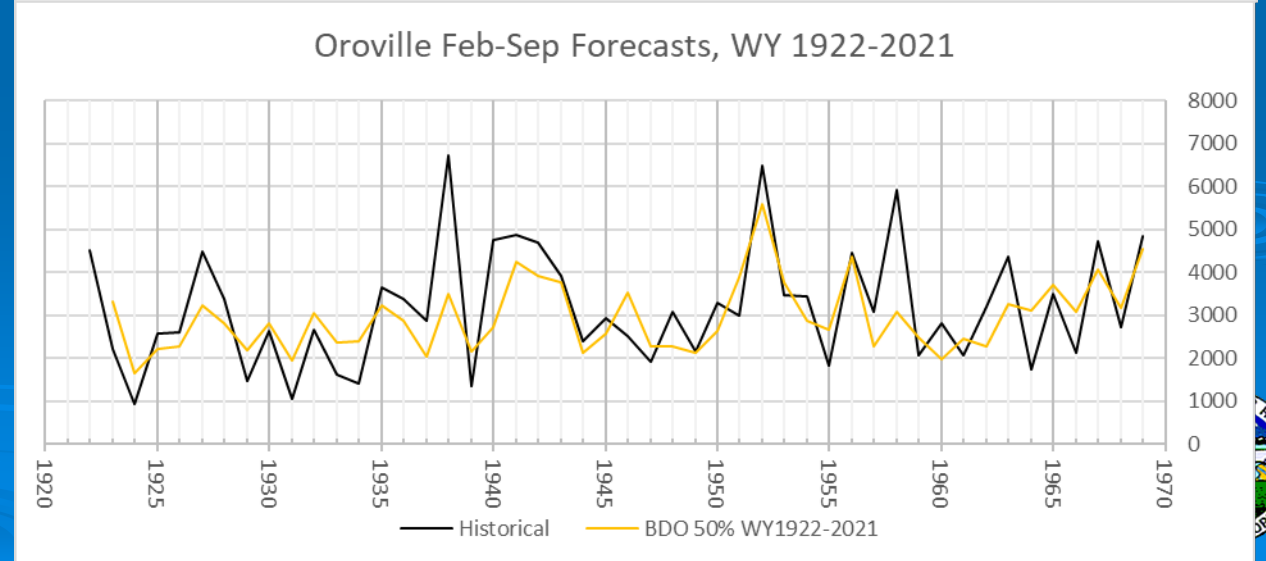
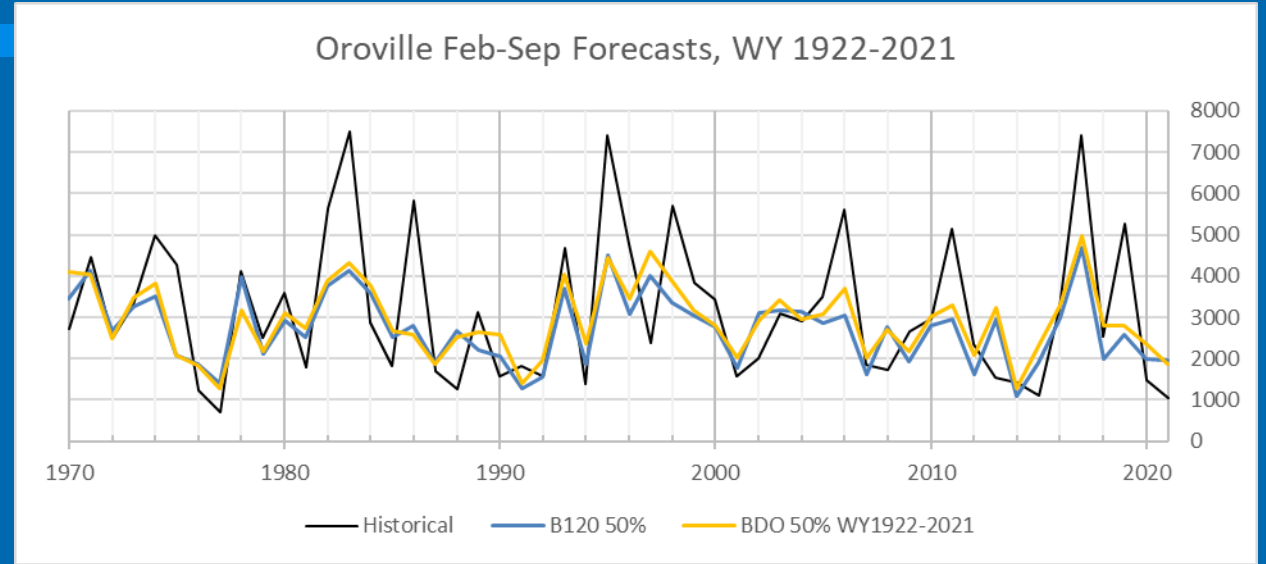
  

LgQ_ann	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
LgQ_oct_jan	.0986253	.0222289	4.44	0.000	.0544831	.1427676
LgP_ann2	.1453565	.027851	5.22	0.000	.09005	.200663
LgP_ann	1.331292	.0431674	30.84	0.000	1.24557	1.417014
_cons	.905618	.0611465	14.81	0.000	.7841933	1.027043

$$P_{Ann} = P_{Oct-Jan} + P_{50\%, Feb-Sep}$$

$$Q_{Feb-Sep} = Q_{ann} - Q_{Oct-Jan}$$

	All WY Types R^2	W R^2	BN&AN R^2	D&C R^2
B120 1970-2021	0.54	0.11	0.69	0.05
MSO 1970-2021	0.52	0.04	0.66	0.12
MSO 1922-1969	0.50	0.07	0.02	0.12
MSO 1922-2021	0.51	0.04	0.10	0.13
B120 1992-2021	0.56	0.18	0.66	0.04
MSO 1992-2021	0.58	0.08	0.70	0.04





# Oroville March-September Seasonal Forecast

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 97	
Model	4.79133447	7	.684476353	F( 7, 89) =	568.73
Residual	.107113382	89	.001203521	Prob > F =	0.0000
				R-squared =	0.9781
				Adj R-squared =	0.9764
Total	4.89844785	96	.051025498	Root MSE =	.03469

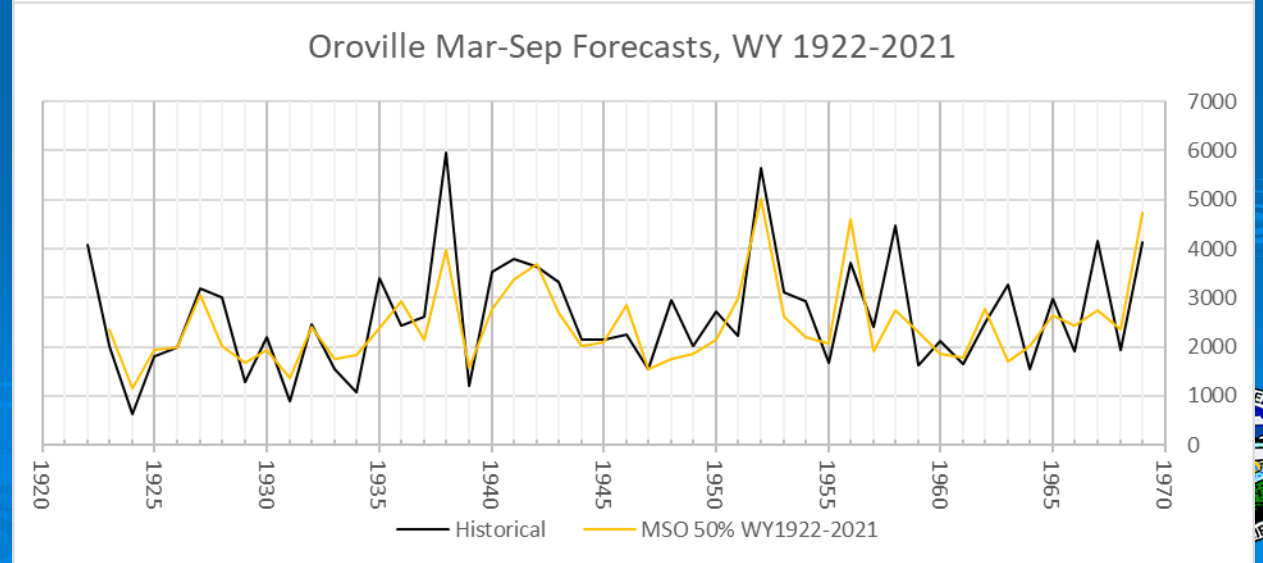
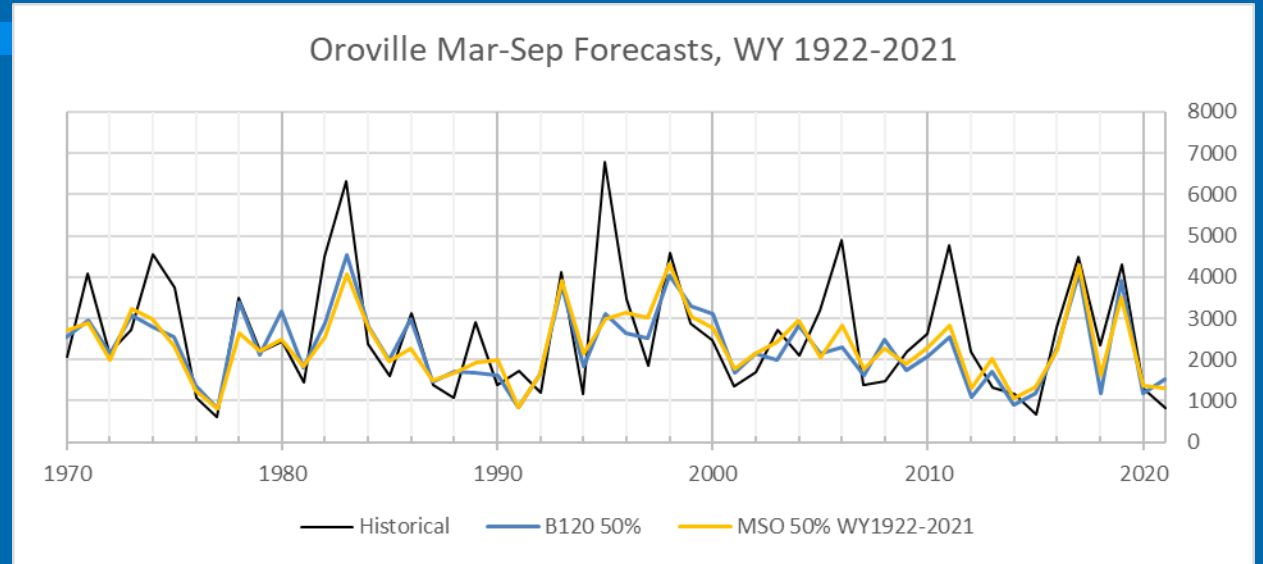
  

LgQ_ann	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
LgP_ann2	.1139394	.0274536	4.15	0.000	.0593896	.1684892
LgP_oct_feb	-.2045681	.0735161	-2.78	0.007	-.350643	-.0584932
LgQ_oct_feb	.2173415	.0418629	5.19	0.000	.1341609	.3005221
LgP_jan	.0312784	.0113212	2.76	0.007	.0087833	.0537734
LgP_ann	1.28809	.0570352	22.58	0.000	1.174762	1.401417
LgVPD_dec	-.0967291	.0300174	-3.22	0.002	-.156373	-.0370852
LgT_feb	-.370126	.1246917	-2.97	0.004	-.6178858	-.1223662
_cons	1.524595	.196824	7.75	0.000	1.13351	1.91568

$$P_{Ann} = P_{Oct-Feb} + P_{50\%, Mar\_Sep}$$

$$Q_{Mar\_Sep} = Q_{ann} - Q_{Oct\_Feb}$$

	All WY Types R^2	W R^2	BN&AN R^2	D&C R^2
B120 1970-2021	0.57	0.20	0.32	0.12
MSO 1970-2021	0.58	0.14	0.35	0.19
MSO 1922-1969	0.62	0.34	0.01	0.69
MSO 1922-2021	0.58	0.18	0.10	0.35
B120 1992-2021	0.50	0.03	0.35	0.24
MSO 1992-2021	0.54	0.00	0.41	0.31



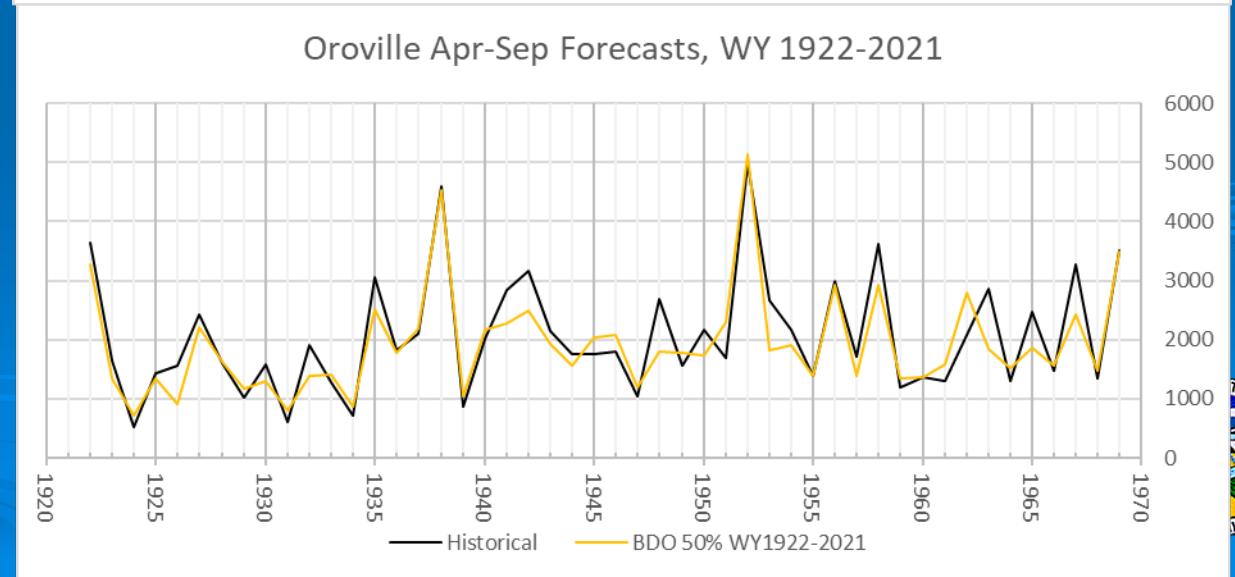
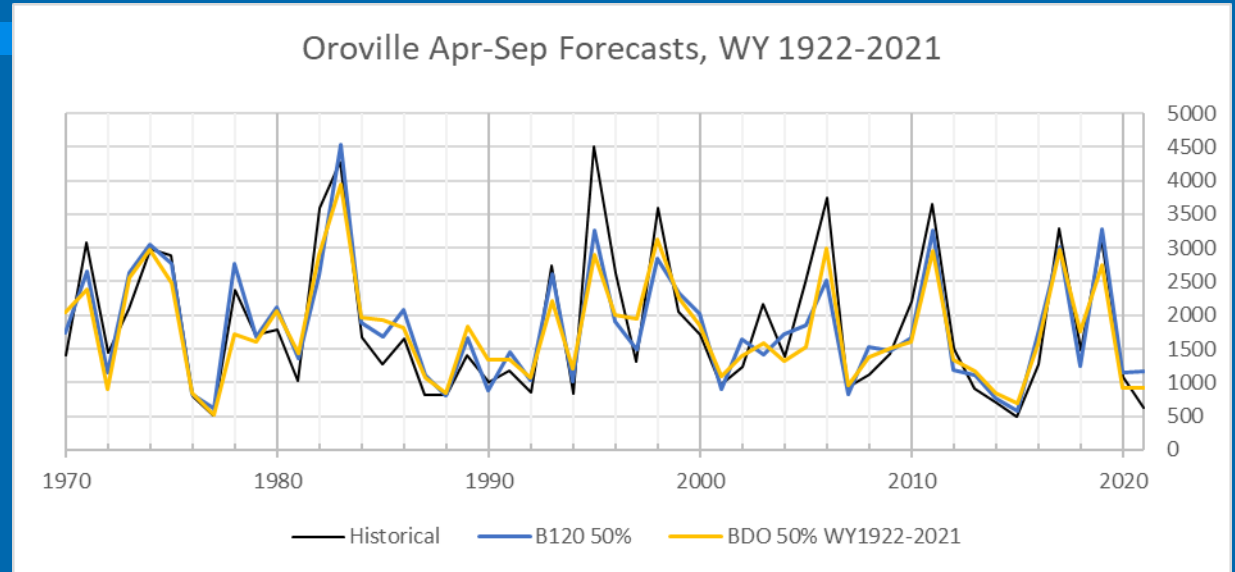
# Oroville April-September Seasonal Forecast

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 97		
Model	4.81342364	5	.962684728	F( 5, 91) =	206.78	
Residual	.423653914	91	.004655538	Prob > F	= 0.0000	
Total	5.23707755	96	.054552891	R-squared	= 0.9191	
				Adj R-squared	= 0.9147	
				Root MSE	= .06823	

LgQ_apr_sep	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
LgP_ann	2.017243	.1442639	13.98	0.000	1.73068	2.303805
LgT_mar	-1.26712	.2042117	-6.20	0.000	-1.672761	-.8614784
LgT_feb	-.6785365	.2074544	-3.27	0.002	-1.090619	-.2664538
LgQ_oct_mar	-.4522716	.0849062	-5.33	0.000	-.6209273	-.2836159
LgQ_ann_l	.1388111	.0352378	3.94	0.000	.0688156	.2088066
_cons	4.033981	.4920631	8.20	0.000	3.056558	5.011404

	All WY Types R^2	W R^2	BN&AN R^2	D&C R^2
B120 1970-2021	0.83	0.68	0.40	0.73
MSO 1970-2021	0.83	0.75	0.23	0.76
MSO 1922-1969	0.84	0.90	0.57	0.53
MSO 1922-2021	0.83	0.71	0.44	0.56
B120 1992-2021	0.84	0.66	0.35	0.64
MSO 1992-2021	0.87	0.72	0.29	0.72



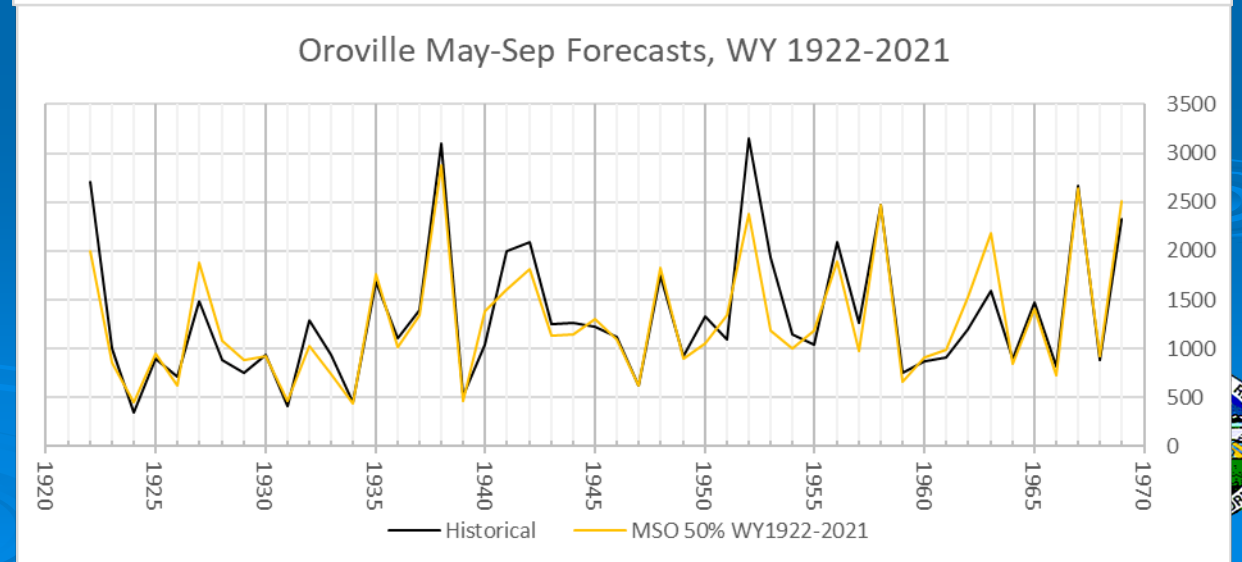
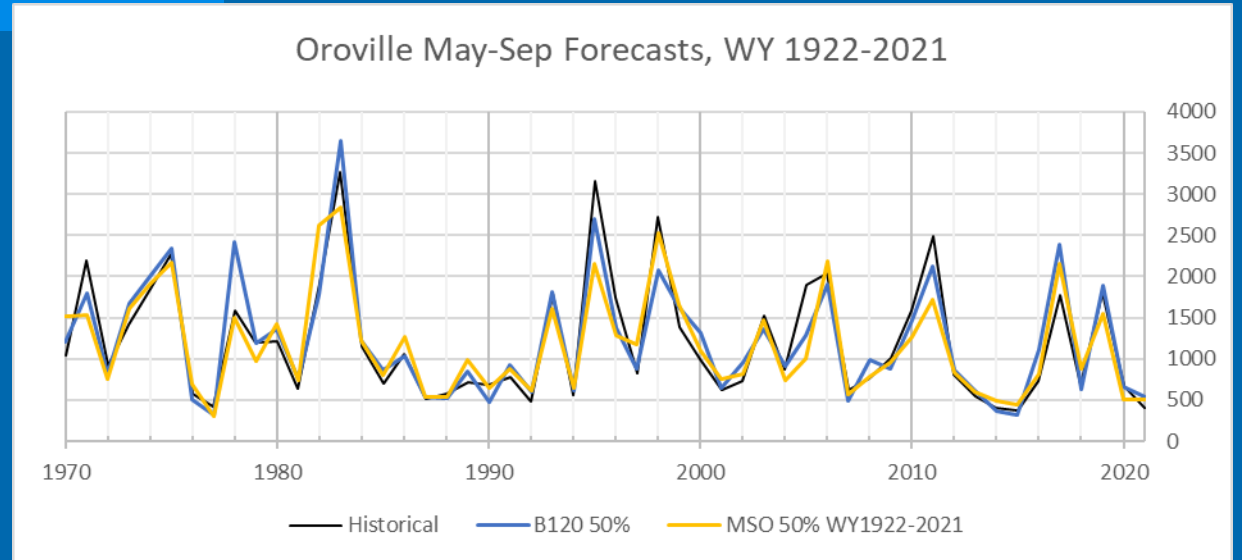
# Oroville May-September Seasonal Forecast

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 97		
Model	4.89160349	4	1.22290087	F( 4, 92) = 201.55		
Residual	.558209625	92	.006067496	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Total	5.44981312	96	.056768887	R-squared = 0.8976		
				Adj R-squared = 0.8931		
				Root MSE = .07789		

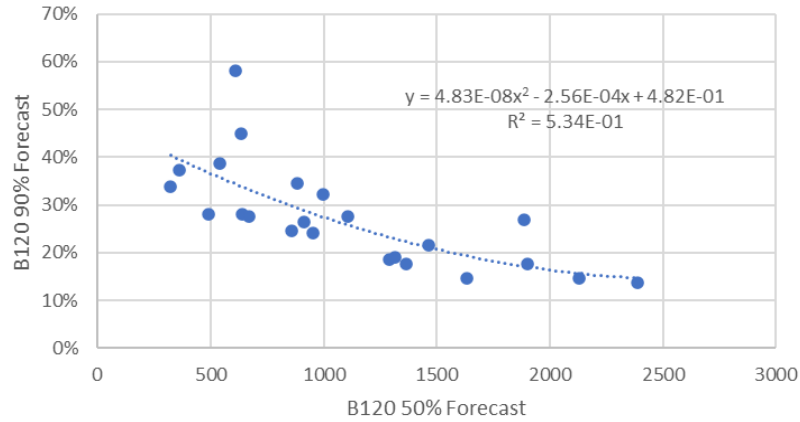
LgQ_may_sep	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
LgT_apr	-1.774594	.2506619	-7.08	0.000	-2.27243	-1.276758
LgP_ann	1.031163	.0618047	16.68	0.000	.9084138	1.153913
LgT_mar	-1.598979	.2185879	-7.32	0.000	-2.033114	-1.164845
LgVPD_feb	-.3039585	.0611304	-4.97	0.000	-.4253688	-.1825482
_cons	6.977278	.5190114	13.44	0.000	5.946476	8.008079

	All WY Types R^2	W R^2	BN&AN R^2	D&C R^2
B120 1970-2021	0.87	0.79	0.52	0.67
MSO 1970-2021	0.81	0.55	0.50	0.70
MSO 1922-1969	0.86	0.61	0.70	0.84
MSO 1922-2021	0.83	0.58	0.62	0.80
B120 1992-2021	0.87	0.69	0.66	0.69
MSO 1992-2021	0.81	0.50	0.55	0.76

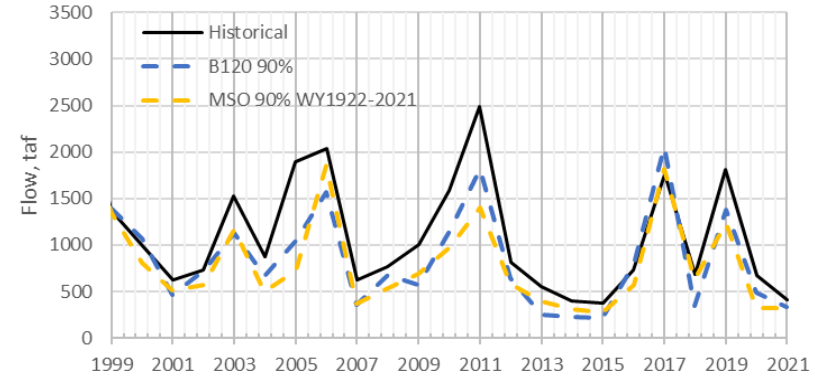


# Seasonal Flow Forecast at Other Exceedance Levels

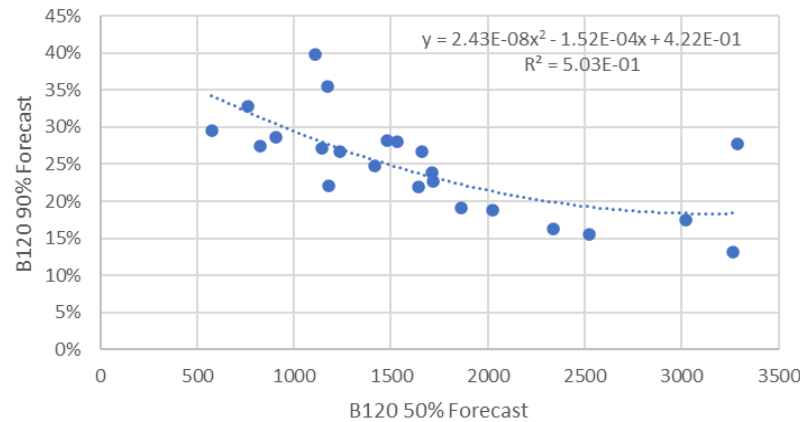
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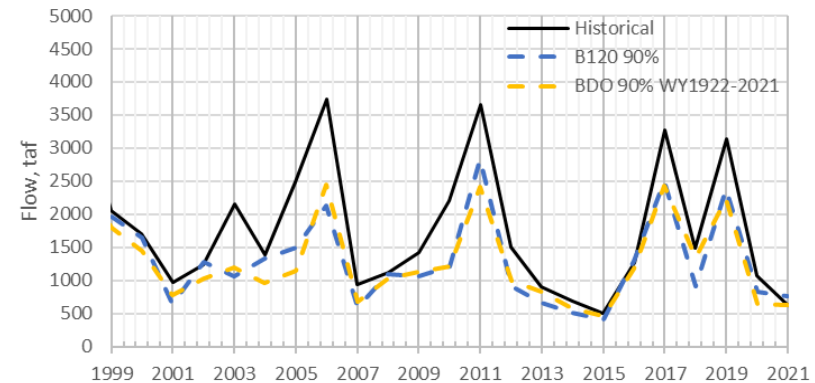
Oroville 90% May-Sept Forecast, MSO vs B120



Oroville 90% Apr-Sept Forecast Equation



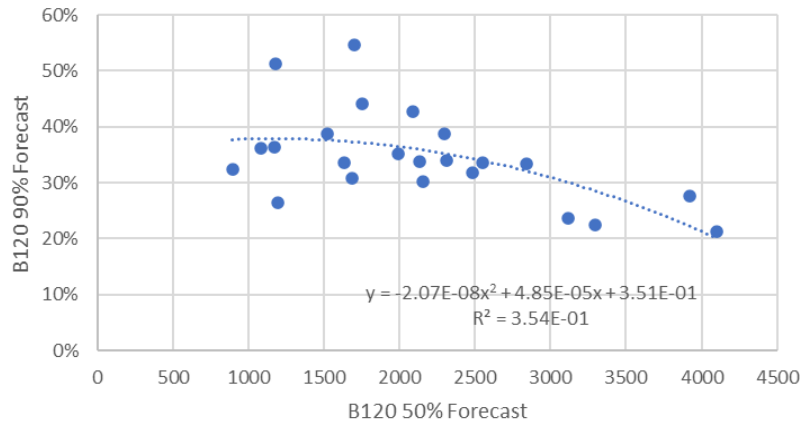
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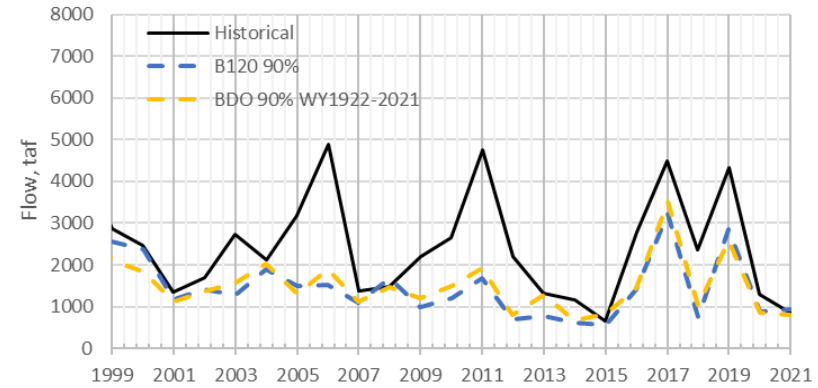
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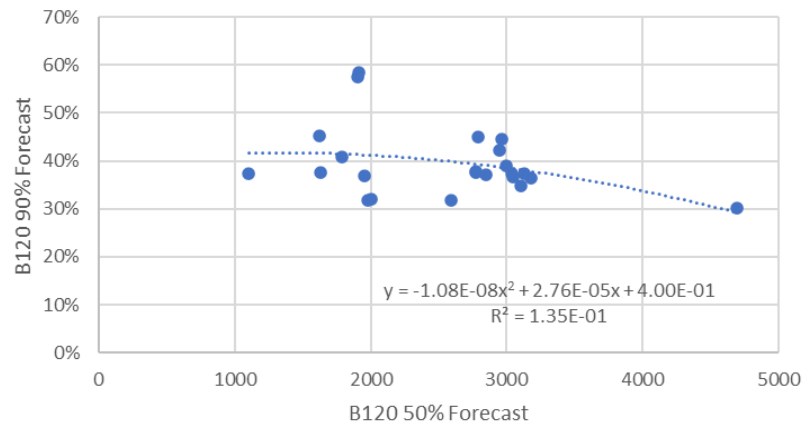
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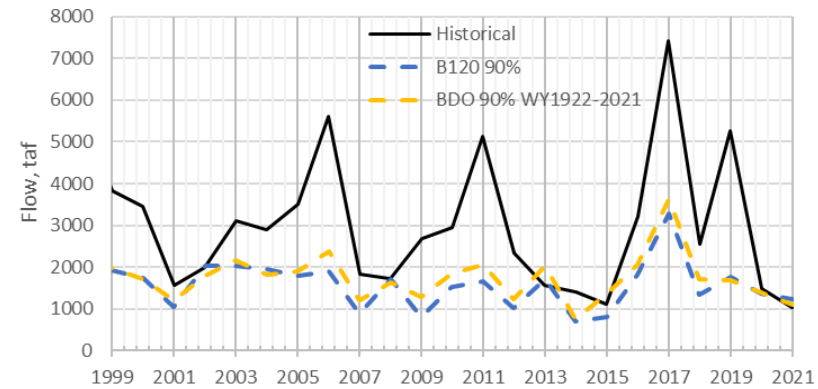
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Oroville 90% Feb-Sept Forecast Equation



Oroville 90% Feb-Sept Forecast, MSO vs B120



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# Forecast Development Example

## Monthly Flow Forecast





# Monthly Flow Disaggregation With Multivariate Regression

The form of multivariate regression is

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{monthly}} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{seasonal}} + \mathbf{e}$$

Where

$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{monthly}}$  is a  $n \times 1$  matrix of monthly inflows;

$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{seasonal}}$  is the seasonal total inflow;

$\mathbf{B}$  is a  $n \times 1$  coefficient matrix;

$\mathbf{e}$  is a  $n \times 1$  error matrix and  $E(\mathbf{e})=0$ ;

$n$  is the number of months in the season ending in September.



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# Comparison with B120 Forecast





# Oroville Monthly Flow Forecast SSE Comparison B120 vs. MSO

	Forecast Date	Source	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
B120: WY 1970-2021 MSO: WY 1970-2021	1-Feb	B120	478	463	309	299	208	64	62	76
		MSO	501	426	296	303	209	63	27	28
	1-Mar	B120		433	296	269	185	62	64	76
		MSO		421	289	278	191	59	27	29
	1-Apr	B120			234	195	137	43	68	76
		MSO			217	221	159	45	24	28
	1-May	B120				163	109	40	68	76
		MSO				188	141	43	28	31
B120: WY 1970-2021 MSO: WY 1922-2021	1-Feb	B120	478	463	309	299	208	64	62	76
		MSO	421	369	291	292	184	56	26	24
	1-Mar	B120		433	296	269	185	62	64	76
		MSO		365	279	264	170	52	27	25
	1-Apr	B120			234	195	137	43	68	76
		MSO			212	197	141	42	27	27
	1-May	B120				163	109	40	68	76
		MSO				163	121	40	29	29



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Questions?

