

**February 2, 2026: LIP Stage -1 Normal**

High Rock HWEL = NME plus 1.9 = 615.8 USGS Datum (NGVD29), 646.85 YAD

Current 3-mo rolling avg. inflows = 1960 cfs

	USGS Gage			
	Yadkin River at Yadkin College 2116500	South Yadkin River Mocksville 2118000	Abbotts Creek at Lexington 2121500	Rocky River near Norwood 2126000
November	1539	216	9	199
December	1515	165	40	190
January	1586	205	44	173
3 mo. avg.	1547	195	31	187

Hist. 3-mo rolling average inflows = 5200 cfs (Inflow Ratio = 37.7)

Drought Index Ratio =  $(0+1+2)/3$  = 1.33

Last Month LIP Stage = Stage -1

**Evaluation Criteria for LIP Stage Implementation:**

The LIP *must* be implemented beginning at Stage 0 and, if the combination of conditions becomes more severe, the Stages *must* increase in one Stage increments.

Stage 0: High Rock HWEL < NME minus 0.5 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < NME minus 0 **AND** US Drought Monitor => 0 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < NME minus 0 **AND** Average Inflow < 0.48 **NO**

Stage 1: High Rock HWEL < NME minus 1 **AND** US Drought Monitor => 1 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < NME minus 1 **AND** Average Inflow < 0.41 **NO**

Stage 2: High Rock HWEL < NME minus 2 **AND** US Drought Monitor => 2 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < NME minus 2 **AND** Average Inflow < 0.35 **NO**

Stage 3: High Rock HWEL < NME minus 3 **AND** US Drought Monitor => 3 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < NME minus 3 **AND** Average Inflow < 0.30 **NO**

Stage 4: High Rock HWEL < 1/2 of NME minus CRWE **AND** US Drought Monitor => 4 **NO**  
**OR** High Rock HWEL < 1/2 of NME minus CRWE **AND** Average Inflow < 0.30 **NO**

**Evaluation Criteria for Recovery (If Previous LIP Stage ≠ Stage -1)**

Recovery from this LIP will be triggered by any of the three following conditions:

- Condition 1: If all three triggers associated with a lower numbered LIP Stage are met on the first of the month, the LIP recovery will be a general reversal of the staged approach on the first of each month.  
**OR**
- Condition 2: If High Rock Reservoir water elevations return to at or above the NME PLUS 2.5 ft, the LIP will be discontinued immediately.  
**OR**
- Condition 3: If High Rock Reservoir water elevations return to at or above the NME for 2 consecutive weeks, the LIP will be discontinued immediately.