

Water-Data Report 2006

01511000 WHITNEY POINT LAKE AT WHITNEY POINT, NY

Upper Susquehanna Basin
Chenango Subbasin

LOCATION.--Lat 42°20'34", long 75°57'57" referenced to North American Datum of 1927, Broome County, NY, Hydrologic Unit 02050102, on left bank at control-gate structure for Whitney Point Dam on Otselic River, 0.3 mi upstream from spillway, 0.9 mi upstream from mouth, and 1.0 mi north of Whitney Point.

DRAINAGE AREA.--257 mi².

SURFACE-WATER RECORDS

PERIOD OF RECORD.--October 1942 to September 1985 (mean daily elevations and month-end contents), October 1985 to current year (month-end elevations and contents).

REVISED RECORDS.--WSP 2103: Drainage area.

GAGE.--Water-stage recorder. Datum of gage is NGVD of 1929 (levels by Corps of Engineers). Prior to October 1970, published as "Whitney Point Reservoir at Whitney Point".

COOPERATION.--Capacity table furnished by Corps of Engineers.

REMARKS.--Lake is formed by earthfill dam with concrete spillway, completed by Corps of Engineers in 1942 for flood control; first used for flood regulation on Mar 9, 1942. Usable capacity 86,440 acre-ft between elevations 950.0 ft (sill of gates) and 1,010.0 ft (crest of spillway). Dead storage, 28 acre-ft. Figures given herein represent total contents. Discharge is controlled by operation of three gates. Water is stored during high flows and released when downstream conditions warrant. Lake is for flood control and recreation. Telephone and satellite gage-height and precipitation telemeters at station.

EXTREMES FOR PERIOD OF RECORD.--Maximum contents, 73,560 acre-ft, Apr 5, 2005, elevation 1,005.76 ft; minimum, 36 acre-ft, Sep 2-4, 1953, elevation 950.4 ft.

EXTREMES FOR CURRENT YEAR.-- Maximum contents, 58,270 acre-ft, Jun 30, elevation 999.57 ft; minimum, 5,005 acre-ft, Feb 8, elevation, 965.78 ft.

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| Date | Elevation (feet) | Contents (acre-feet) | Change in contents (equivalent in ft³/s) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Sept. 30 | 973.34 | 13,117 | -- |
| Oct. 31 | 973.25 | 13,002 | -1.9 |
| Nov. 30 | 978.48 | 20,062 | +119 |
| Dec. 31 | 966.46 | 5,668 | -234 |
| CAL YR 2005 | -- | -- | +0.3 |
| Jan. 31 | 966.27 | 5,481 | -3.0 |
| Feb. 28 | 966.00 | 5,215 | -4.8 |
| Mar. 31 | 966.09 | 5,304 | +1.4 |
| Apr. 30 | 973.57 | 13,409 | +136 |
| May 31 | 973.03 | 12,723 | -11 |
| June 30 | 998.80 | 56,576 | +737 |
| July 31 | 973.10 | 12,812 | -712 |
| Aug. 31 | 973.33 | 13,104 | +4.7 |
| Sept. 30 | 972.95 | 12,625 | -8.0 |
| WTR YR 2006 | -- | -- | -0.7 |