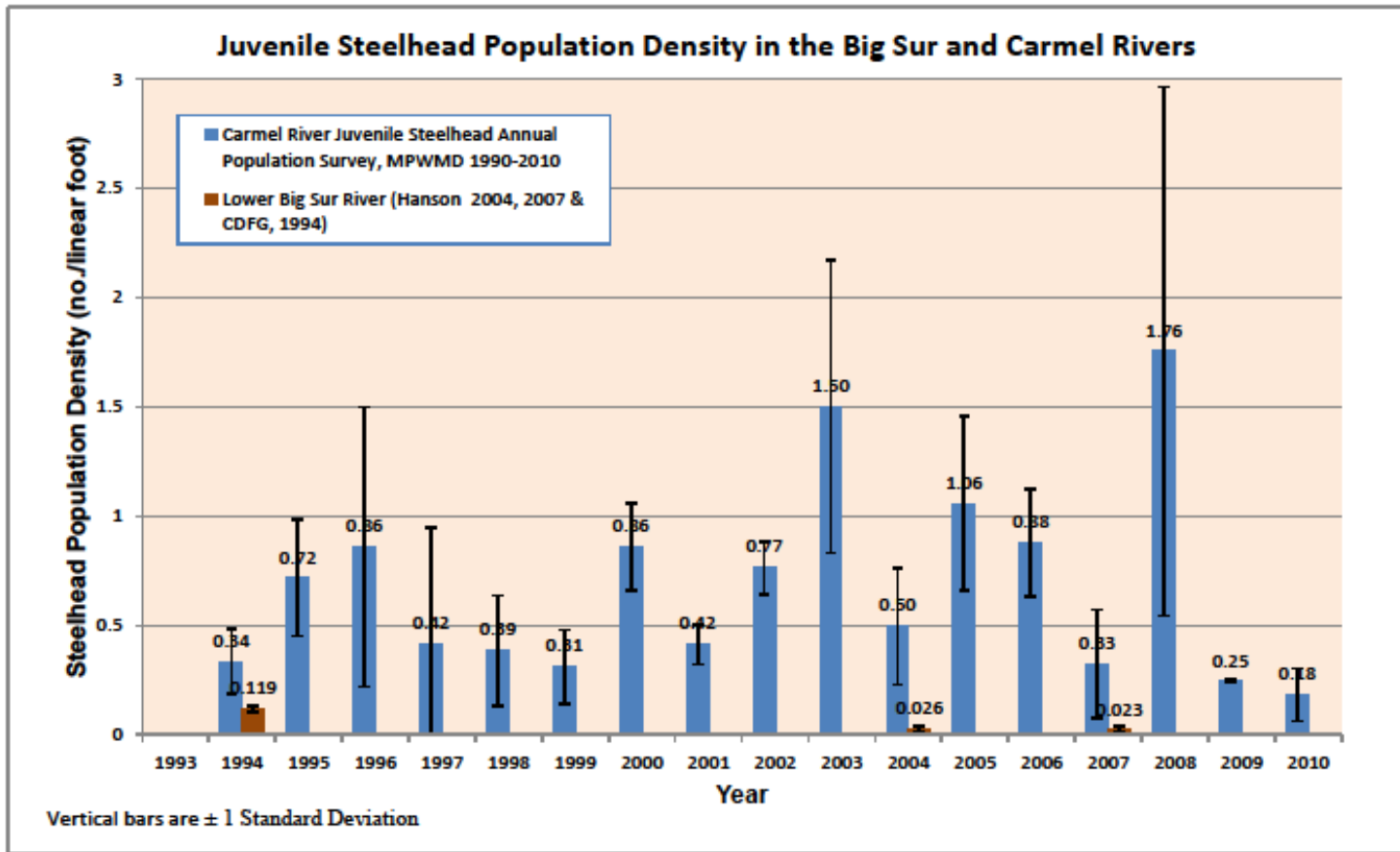


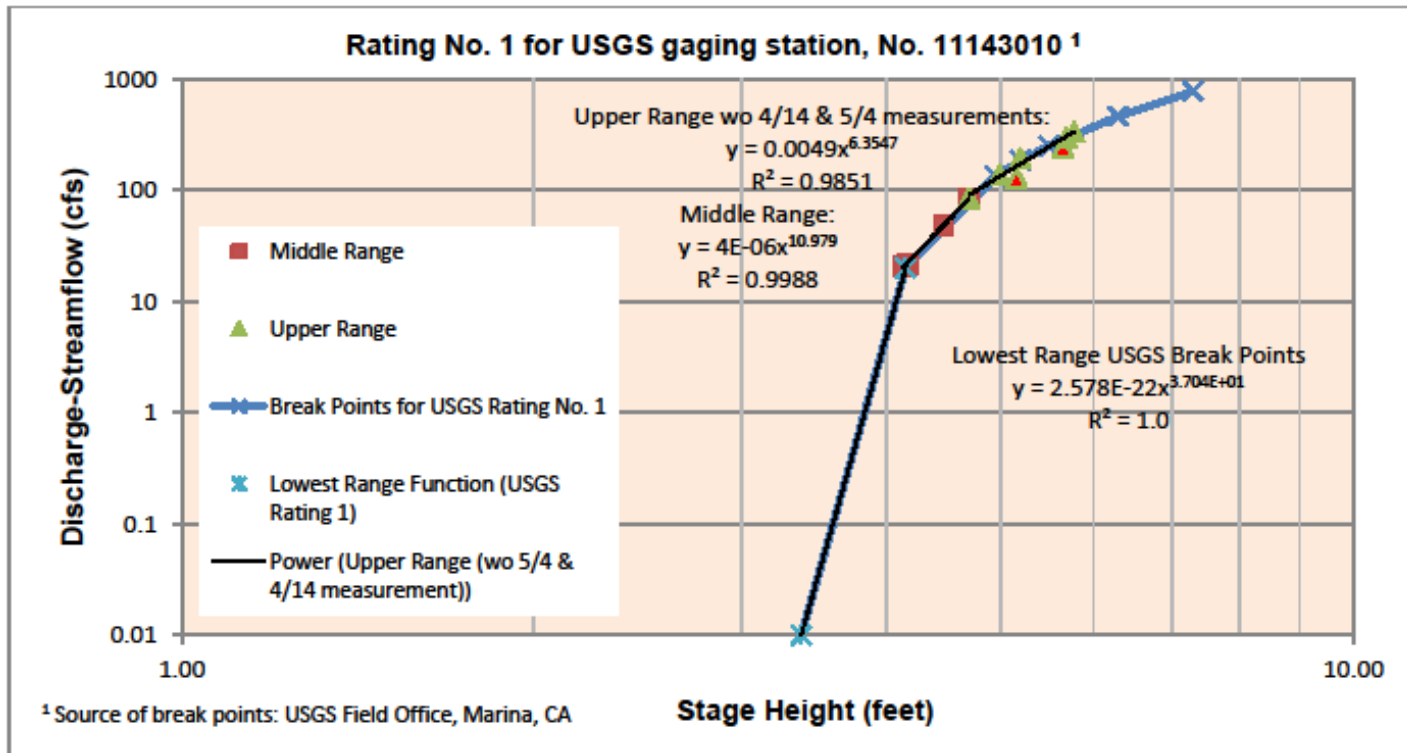
Rebuttal Testimony of David Dettman

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Number and density (number per foot) of juvenile steelhead/rainbow trout observed in each reach of the lower Big Sur River and Lagoon surveyed during 2004 and 2007. Source: ESR-21, Table 9 and ESR-24, Appendix B, unlabeled table, last page.

Reach	Number of Steelhead Observed							
	Lagoon	2/B	3/C	4/D	5/E	6/F	7/C	8/H
27-Jul-04	272	43	7	77	2	4	1	11
16-Oct-04	299	0	2	23	12	9	2	11
22-Oct-07	270	24	7	10	16	50	3	0
Average Abundance:	280	22	5	37	10	21	2	7
Length (ft)	553	738	1024	197	950	1146	312	306
Population Density Index: fish per linear foot								
27-Jul-04	0.492	0.058	0.007	0.391	0.002	0.003	0.003	0.036
16-Oct-04	0.541	0.000	0.002	0.117	0.013	0.008	0.006	0.036
22-Oct-07	0.488	0.033	0.007	0.051	0.017	0.044	0.010	0.000
Averages:	0.507	0.030	0.005	0.186	0.011	0.018	0.006	0.024
Annual Averages overall river reaches:			Average	Stdev				
27-Jul-04			0.072	0.142				
16-Oct-04			0.026	0.042				
22-Oct-07			0.023	0.020				





Simulated effect of incremental stage changes of 0.04 feet on discharge at the USGS gaging station No. 11143010 and flows below 20 cfs.

Break Points for USGS Rating No. 1		Simulated	Predicted	Delta Q ₋₀₄	% Reduction
Gage Height ¹	Discharge (cfs) ¹	Gage Height ²	Flow (cfs) ³		
3.38	0.01	3.38	0.01		
4.15	20	4.15	20.01		
4.95	134	4.12	15.30	4.72	-31%
5.2	185	4.08	10.66	4.64	-44%
5.5	250	4.04	7.40	3.26	-44%
6.3	464	4	5.12	2.28	-45%
7.3	778	3.96	3.53	1.59	-45%
		3.92	2.42	1.11	-46%
		3.88	1.66	0.77	-46%
		3.84	1.13	0.53	-47%
		3.8	0.77	0.36	-47%

¹ Source: Personal Communication, June 8, 2011, Jeff West; USGS hydrologist, USGS Field Office, Marina, CA.

² Simulated gage height below 4.12 based on progression of -0.04 foot change in stream elevation, described by P.D. Horton (Exhibit ESR-2) as the theoretical stage reduction associated with El Sur Ranch well production during 2007.

³ Predicted discharge based on USGS Rating No. 1 for lowest range of break points between 0.01 cfs @ Gage Height 3.38 feet and 20.0 cfs @ Gage Height 4.15 feet

Figure 11: Number of Adult Steelhead Migrating Downstream in Waddell Creek during weekly periods, 1933-1942.

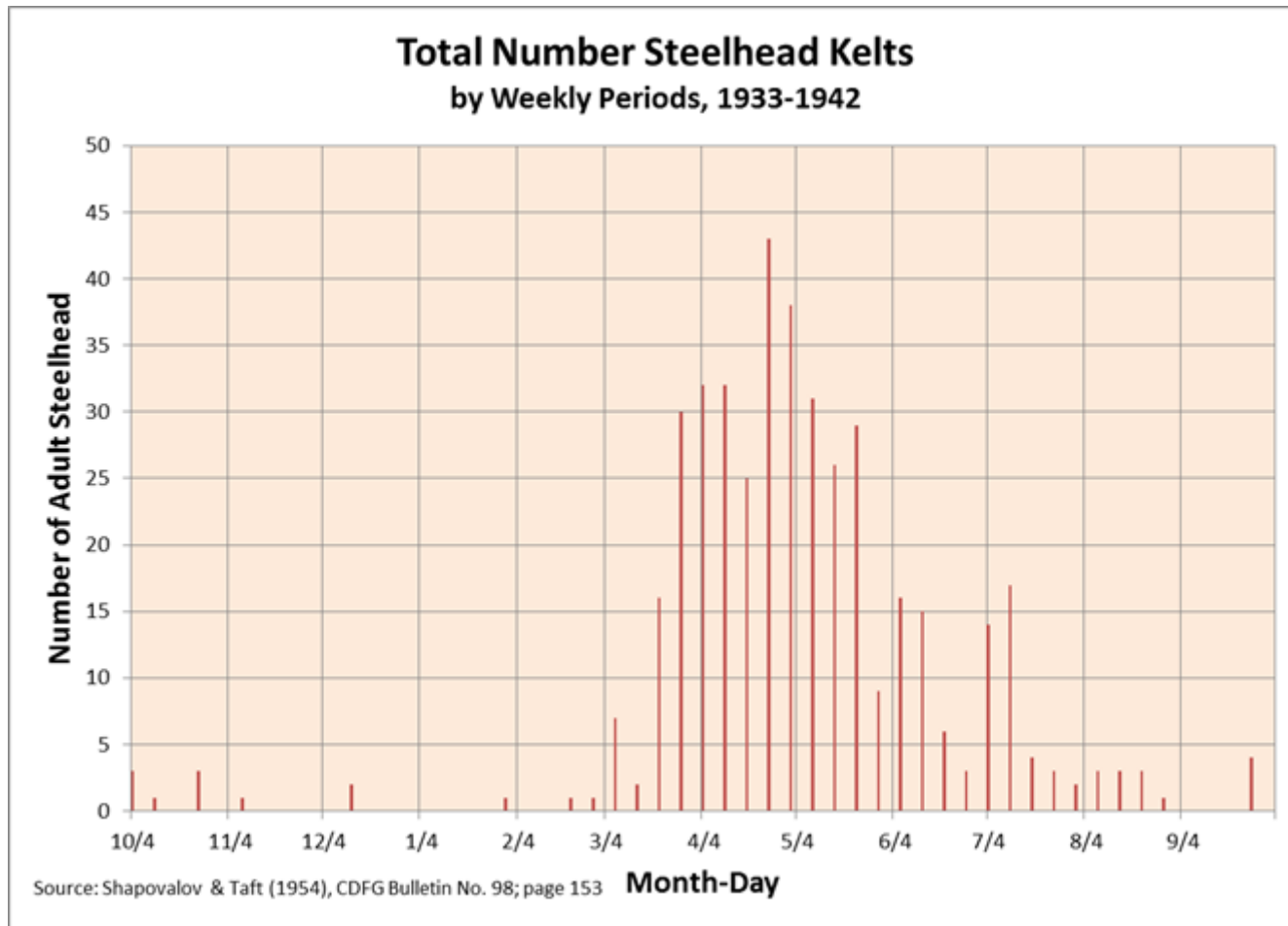


Figure 1: Dissolved oxygen (mg/L) measured at ten sites within the Santa Lucia region, extending from southernmost Salmon Creek to northernmost San Jose Creek, during the period 2001-2009.

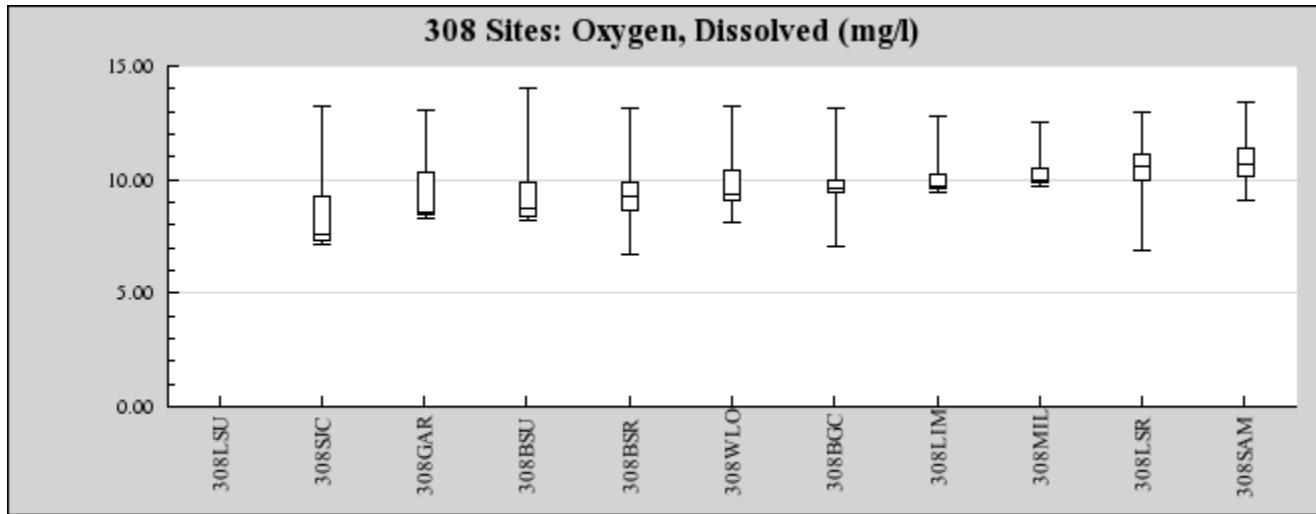


Figure 2: Dissolved oxygen (mg/L) measured at Andrew Molera State Park during the period 2001-2009.

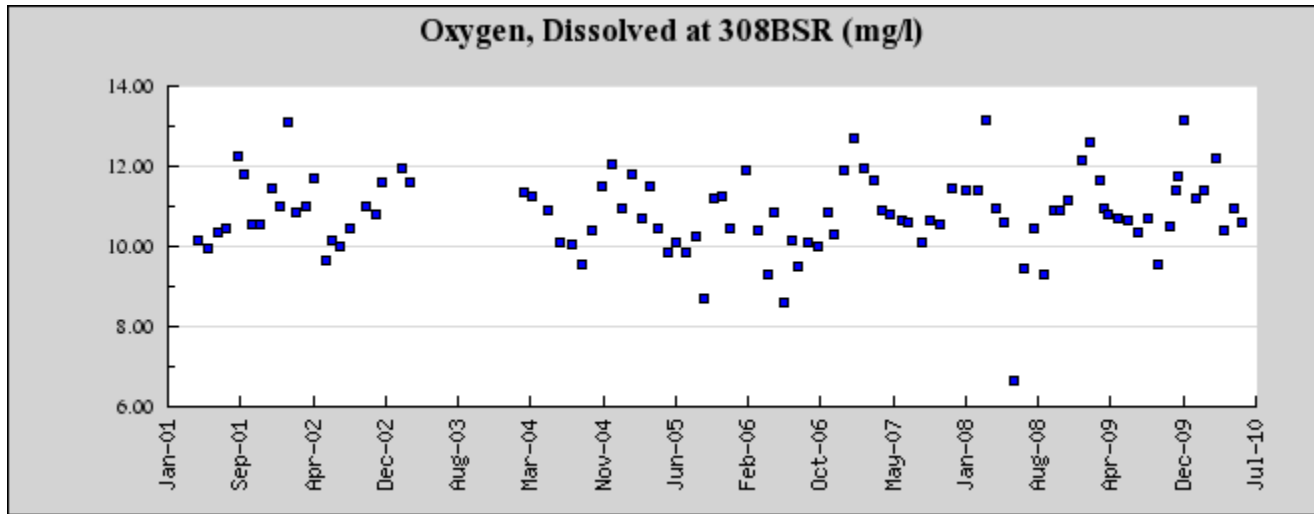


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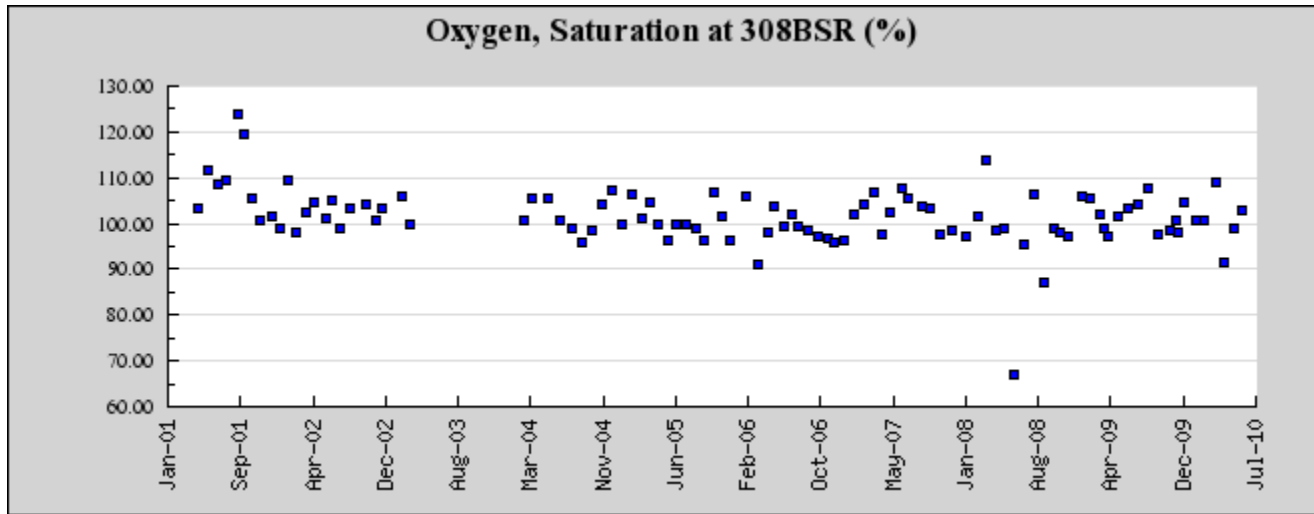


Figure 5: Mean daily dissolved oxygen levels at uppermost monitoring stations in the ESR Study Area, including Stations P4LS, P4RS, P4uLS, P5LS and reference Station VT-1 during September 2007 ESR pump tests

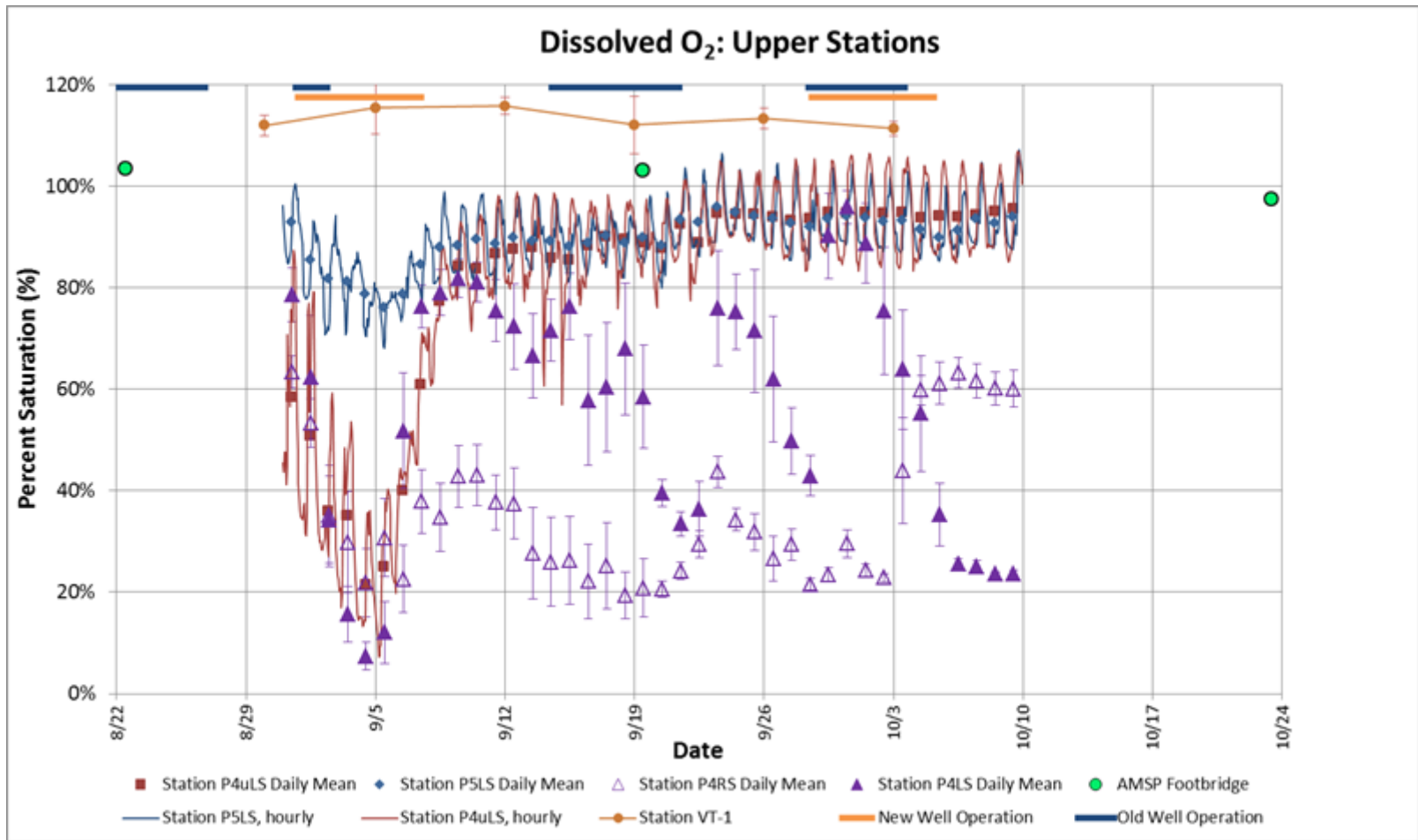


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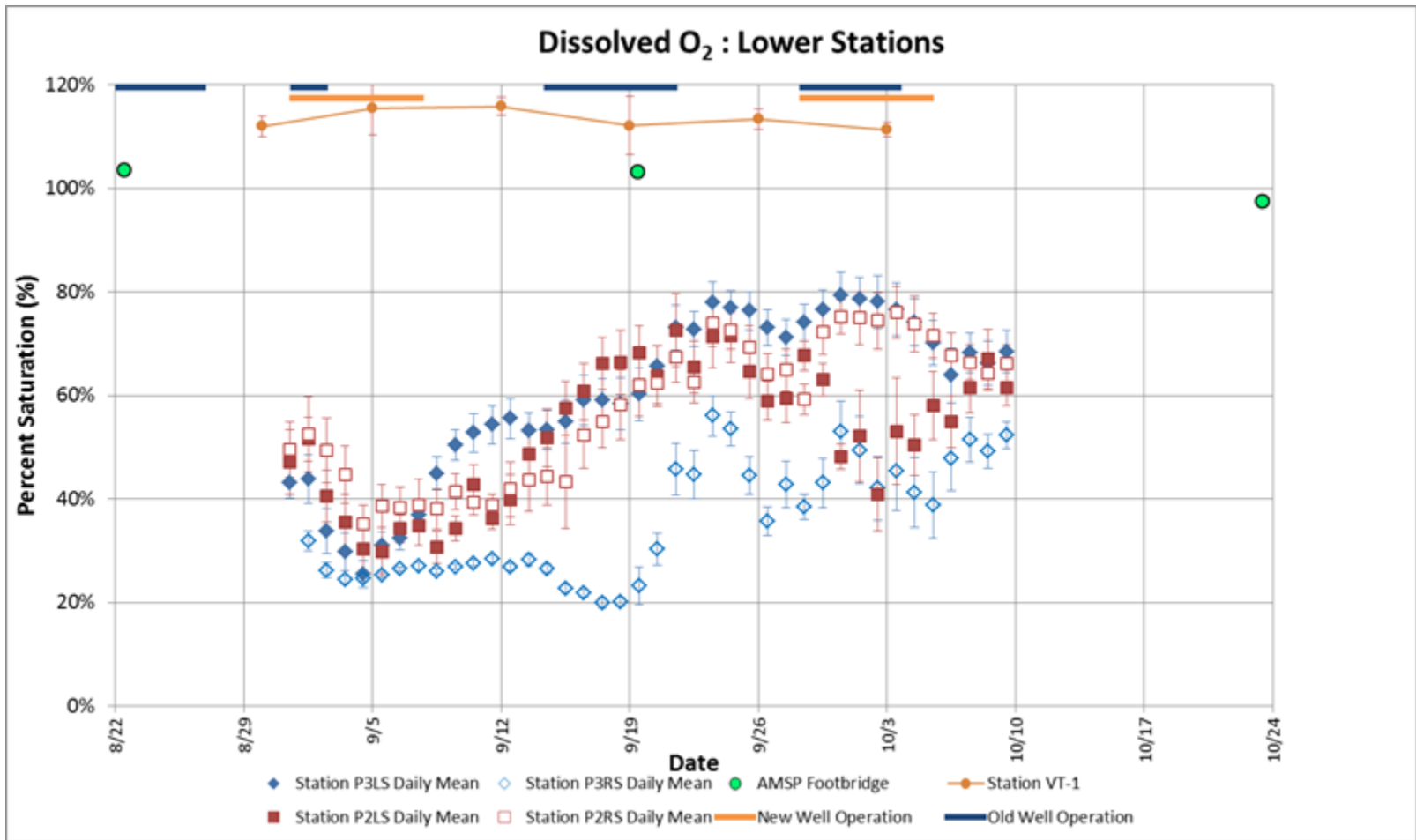


Figure 7: Diurnal fluctuation in dissolved oxygen measured upstream of Study Area during summers 2002, 2004-2007.

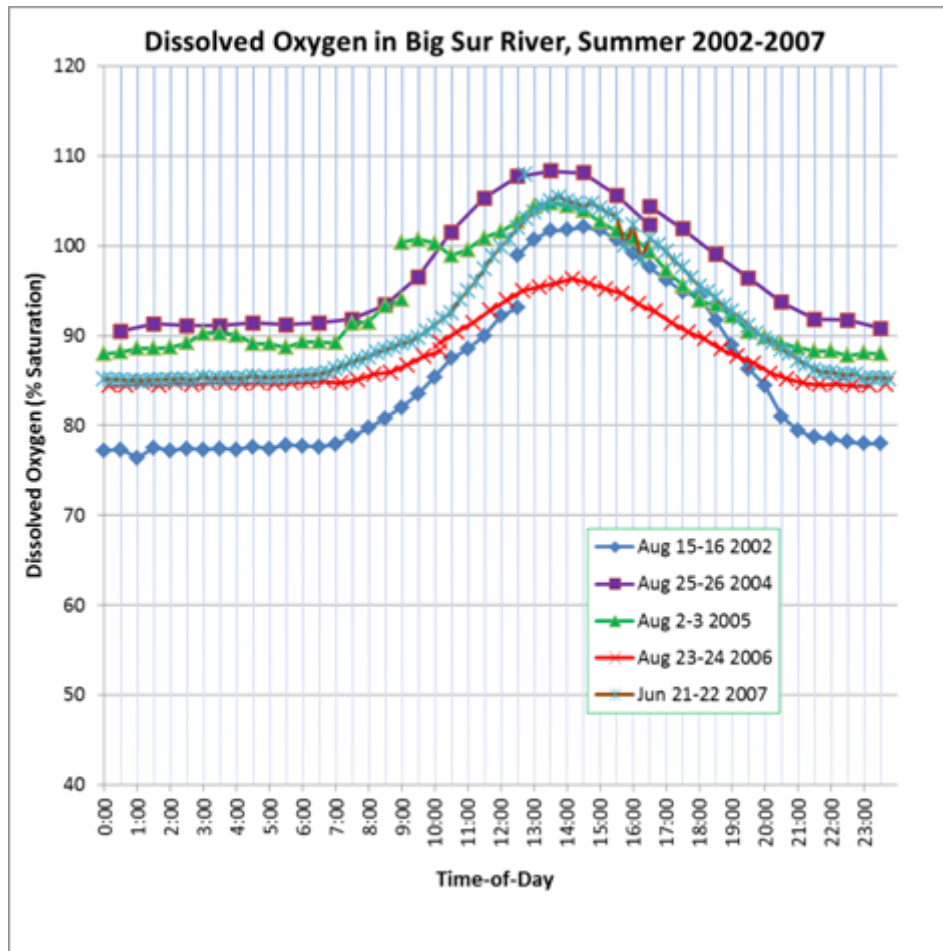


Figure 8: Diurnal dissolved oxygen fluctuation in the Big Sur River at selected ESR monitoring stations during ESR well pump tests, September 5-7(blue), September 19-21(green), and October 1-3, 2007(red). Spot measurements of DO at reference site VT-1 are plotted as green (9/19), blue (9/5) or red (10/3) squares.

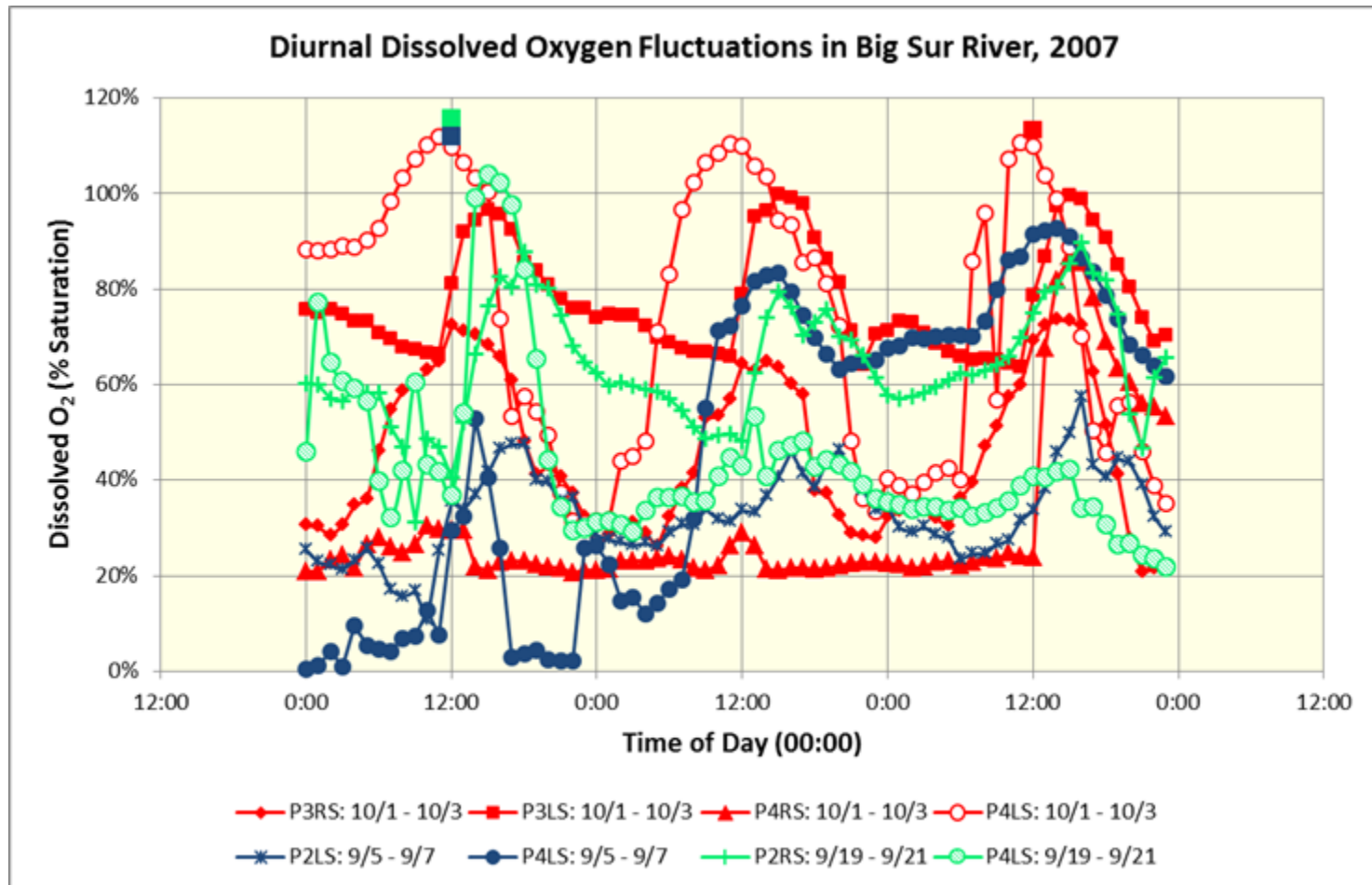


Figure 9: Dissolved oxygen levels measured in El Sur Ranch well water during late May through October 2006.

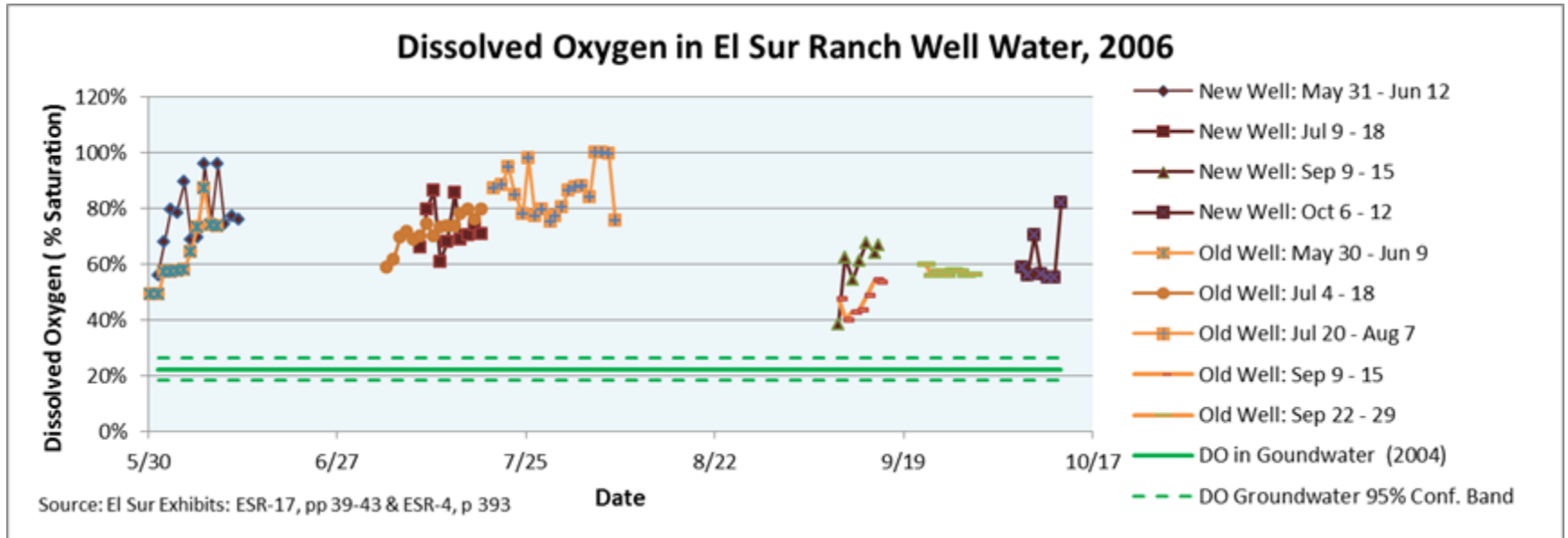


Figure 10: Dissolved oxygen levels measured in El Sur Ranch well water during late May through October 2007.

