

1 Q. Can the simulation period be modified to reflect either the full hydraulic
2 record or the 30-year average? (NP-36 NLH, Page 1, Line 8 to 11) If yes,
3 provide the forecast average hydraulic production based on the most recent
4 30 years of data. If no, why?

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7 A. If a 30-year average hydrologic record were used (1976-2005 inclusive), the
8 simulated production would be approximately 4487 GWh. Note that the
9 issues of load limitations and ability to inject hydraulic production into the
10 system described in NP 123 NLH persist, irrespective of length of hydraulic
11 record.