

Summer season ends at the end of September. The legal level then reverts to the winter level established by the court order which is 12 inches lower than the summer level. This means that the board will not be lowered until the summer season starts at the start of April **AND** the level falls to the established summer level. Any unauthorized altering of this such as cutting the cable suspending the board has severe penalties described below.

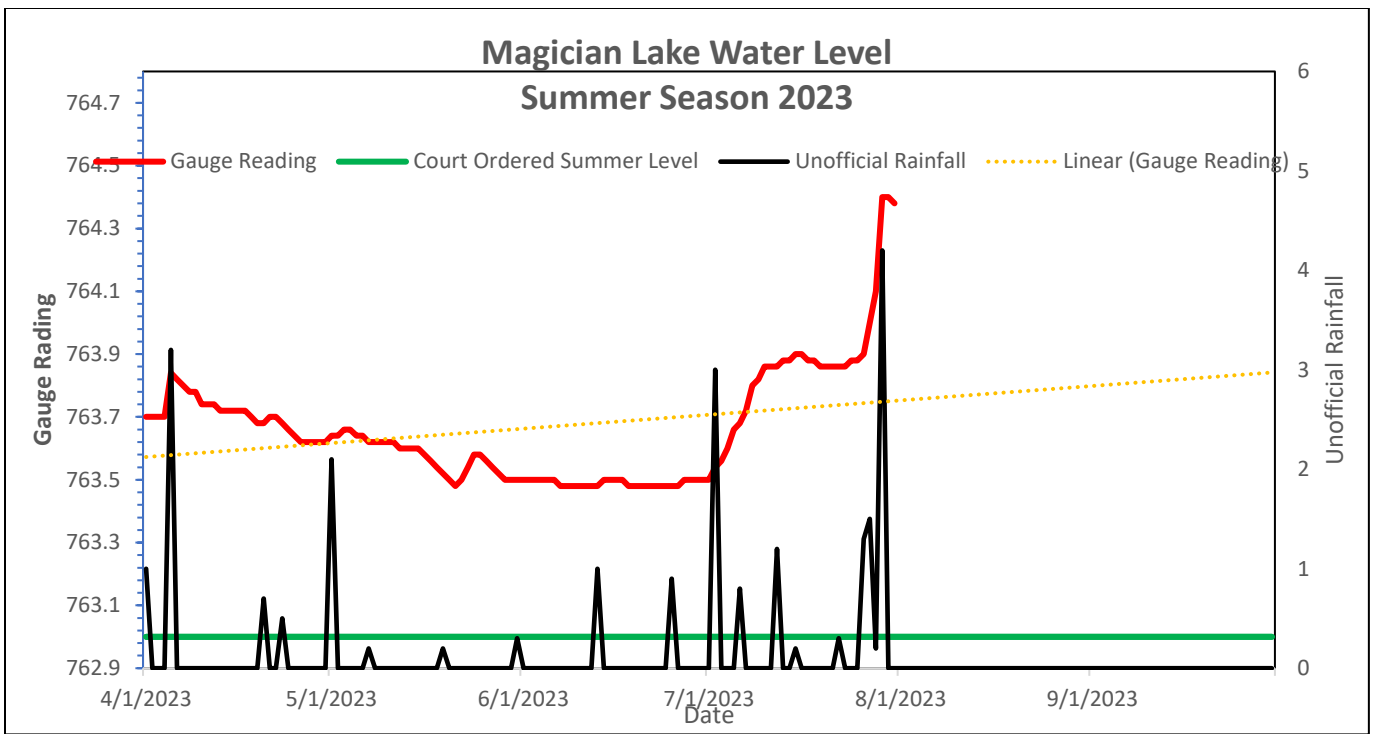
The graph below represents the current summer season. Below that is a summary of past years summer levels.

**324.30720 Unauthorized change of level; penalty.**

Sec. 30720. A person who is not authorized by a delegated authority or the department to operate a dam or other normal level control facility and who changes, or causes to change, the level of an inland lake, the normal level of which has been established under this part or any previous act governing lake levels, and for which the delegated authority or the department has taken steps to maintain the normal level, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both, and shall be required to pay the actual cost of restoration or replacement of the dam and any other property including any natural resource that is damaged or destroyed as a result of the violation.

**History:** Add. 1995, Act 59, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1995.

**Popular name:** Act 451



<b><u>2023 Summer Season</u></b>	Actual Reading	Difference from Summer Level in feet	Difference in inches
Maximum	764.4	1.4	16.8
Minimum	763.48	0.48	5.76
Average	763.66	0.66	7.9
Number of Days at or below court ordered level of 763	0	Unofficial rainfall (Summer only)	22.8

The last time it was at the summer level was Aug. 19, 2014.

The last time the board was intentionally lowered was April 1, 2015, for 4 days. Then, unauthorized damage to the board cable on or about May 31, 2021, resulted in the board being lowered. See above for penalties for this action.

# Yearly Summer Season Lake Level

