

Oregon Water Supply Availability Committee

January 10, 2017

The final sunset of 2016 over Crater Lake

Photo courtesy of Lauren Austin (Snow Surveyor, Oregon NRCS)

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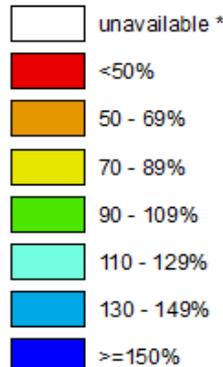
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Statewide SNOTEL Snowpack is 128% of normal

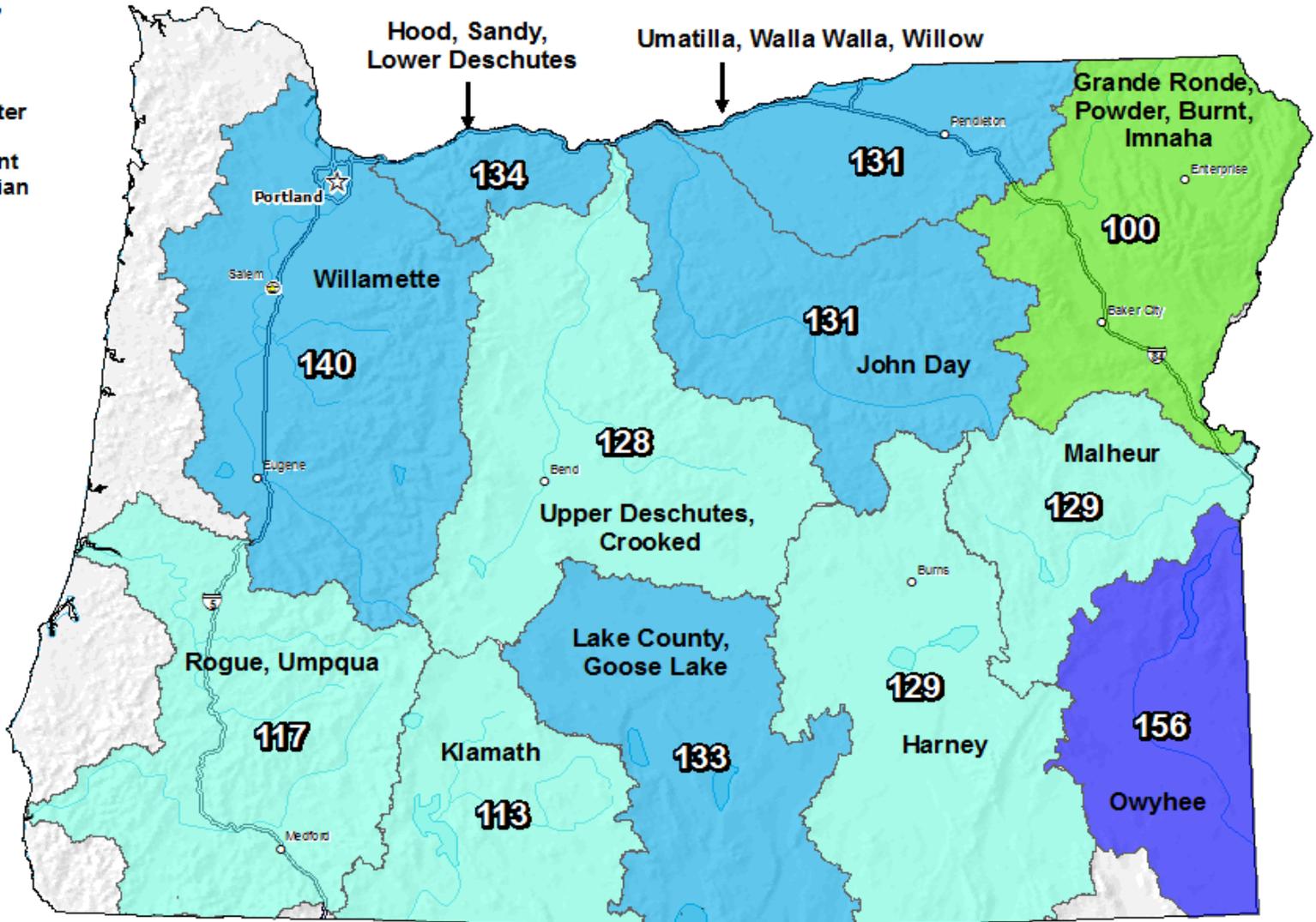
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Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Basin-wide Percent of 1981-2010 Median

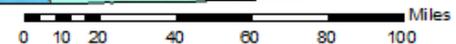


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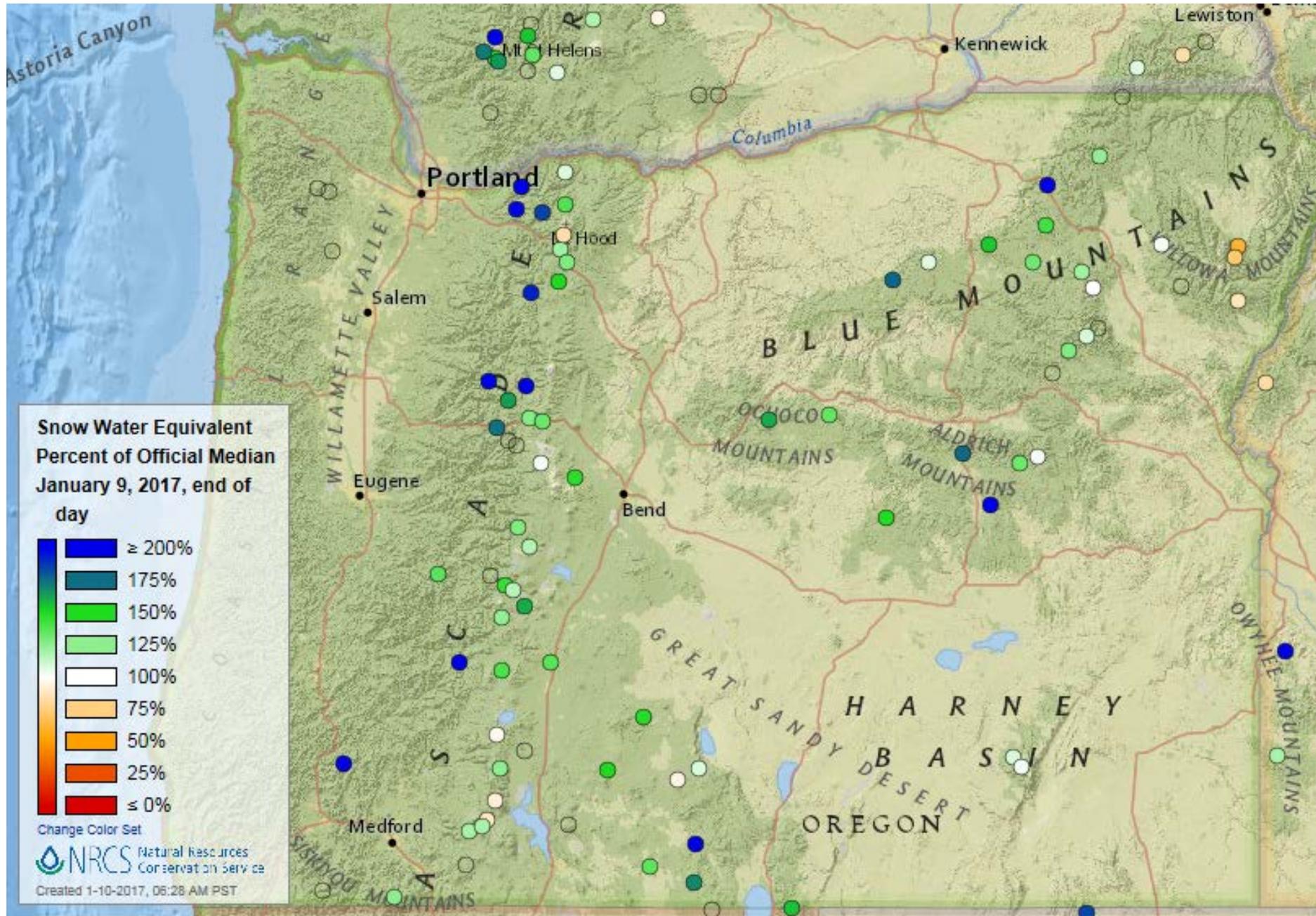


The snow water equivalent percent of normal represents the current snow water equivalent found at selected SNOTEL sites in or near the basin compared to the average value for those sites on this day. Data based on the first reading of the day (typically 00:00).



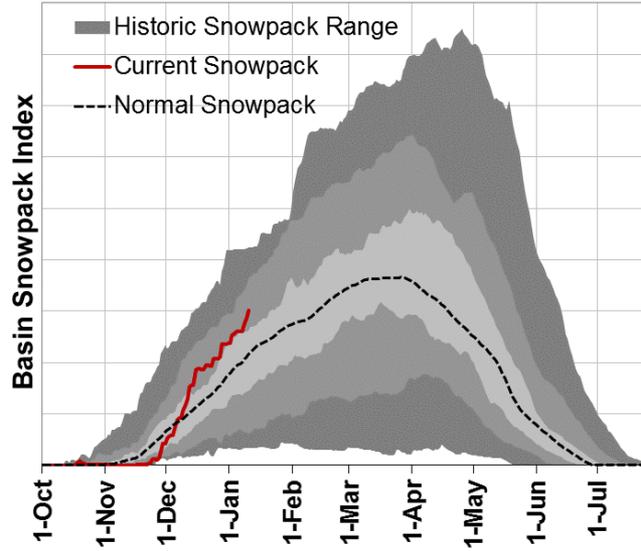
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Statewide Snowpack – January 10

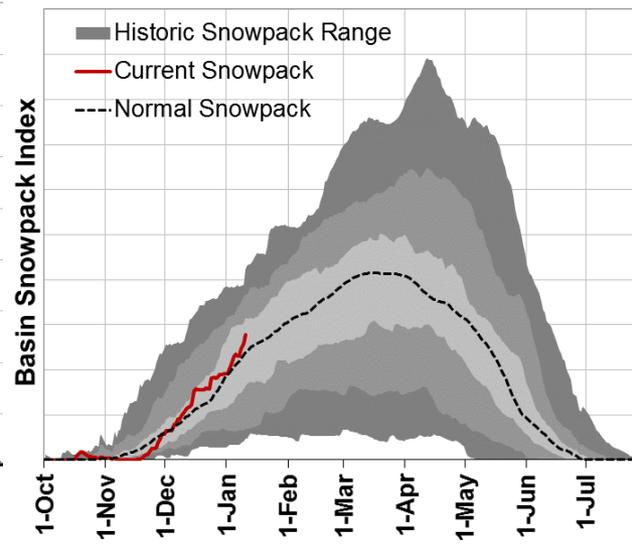


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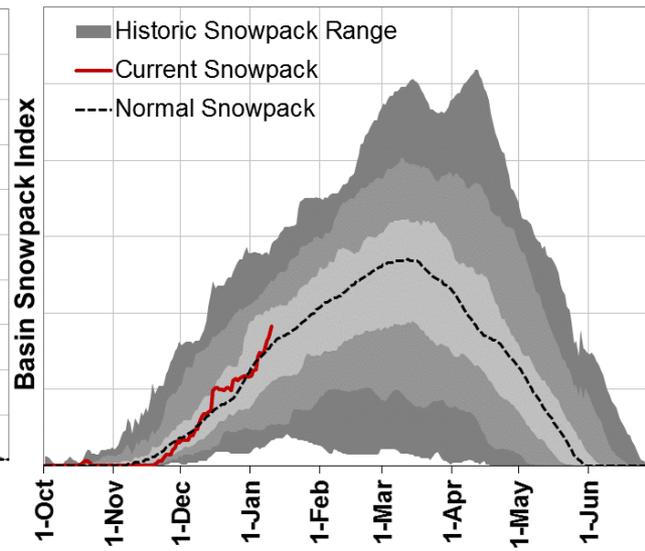
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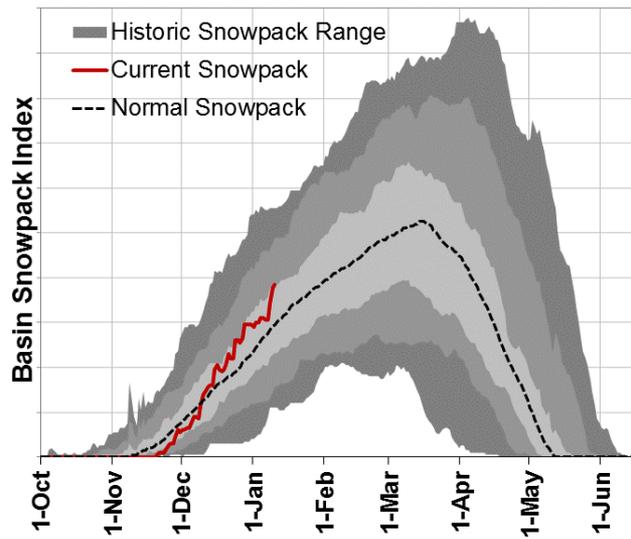
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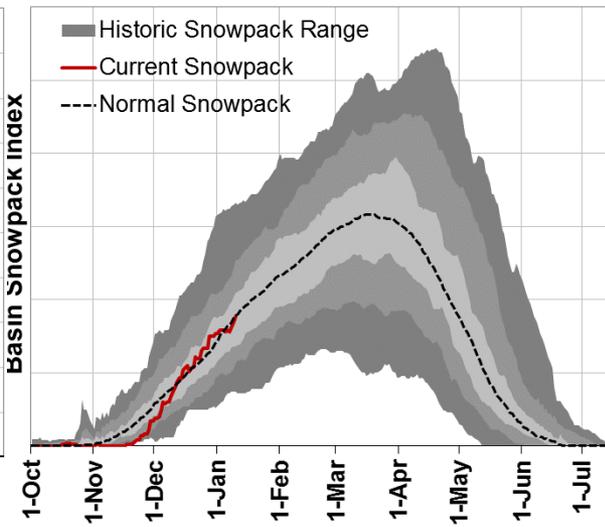
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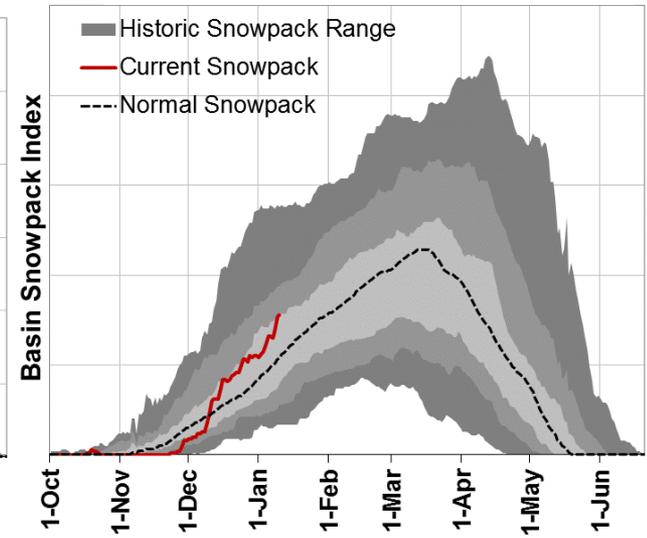
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Owyhee/Malheur

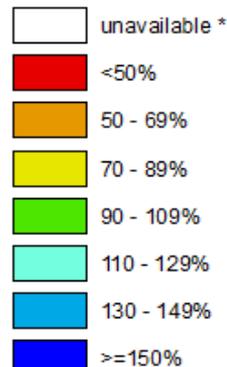


Statewide SNOTEL Precipitation is 124% of normal

Oregon SNOTEL Water Year (Oct 1) to Date Precipitation % of Normal

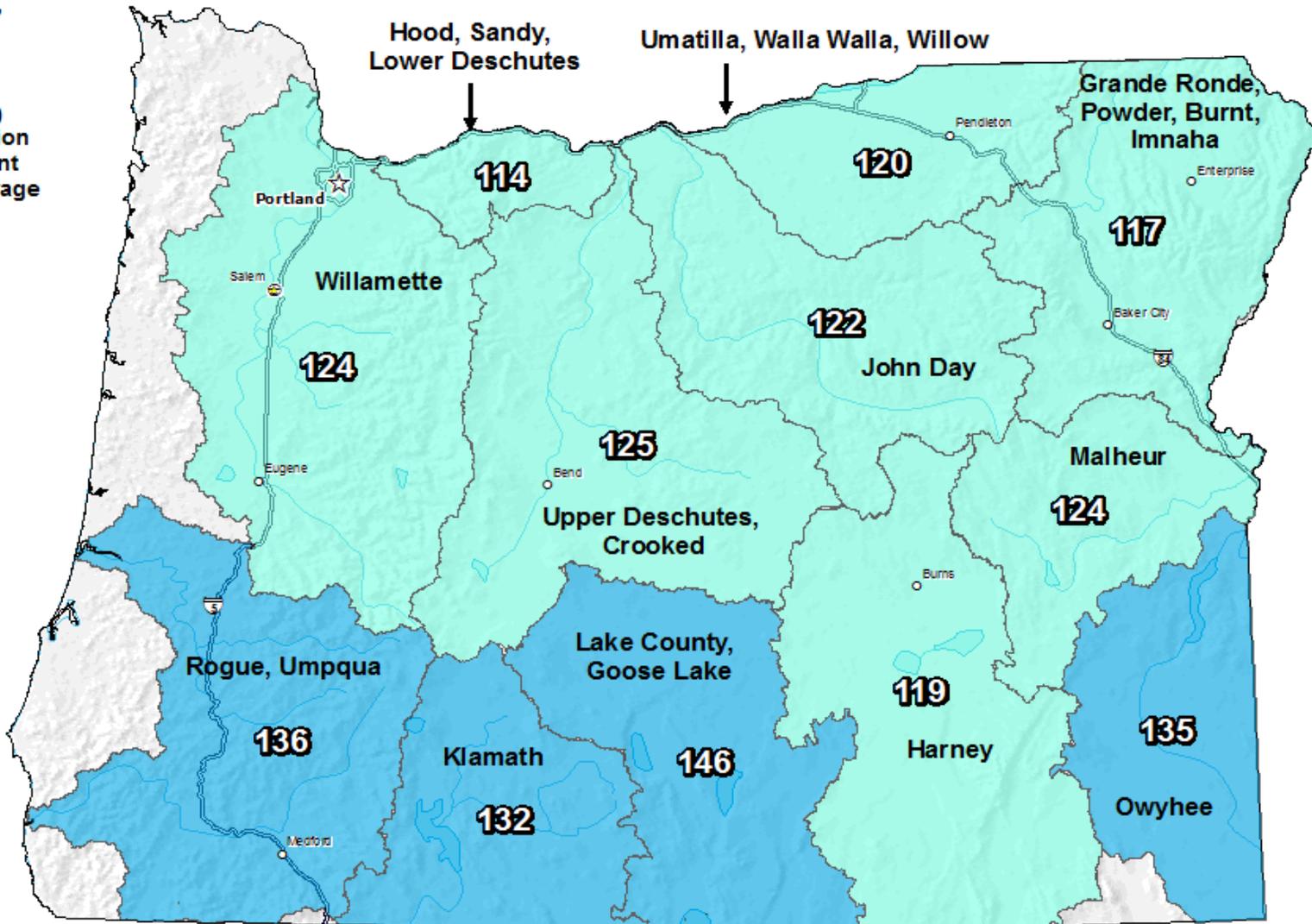
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Water Year (Oct 1)
to Date Precipitation
Basin-wide Percent
of 1981-2010 Average

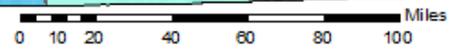


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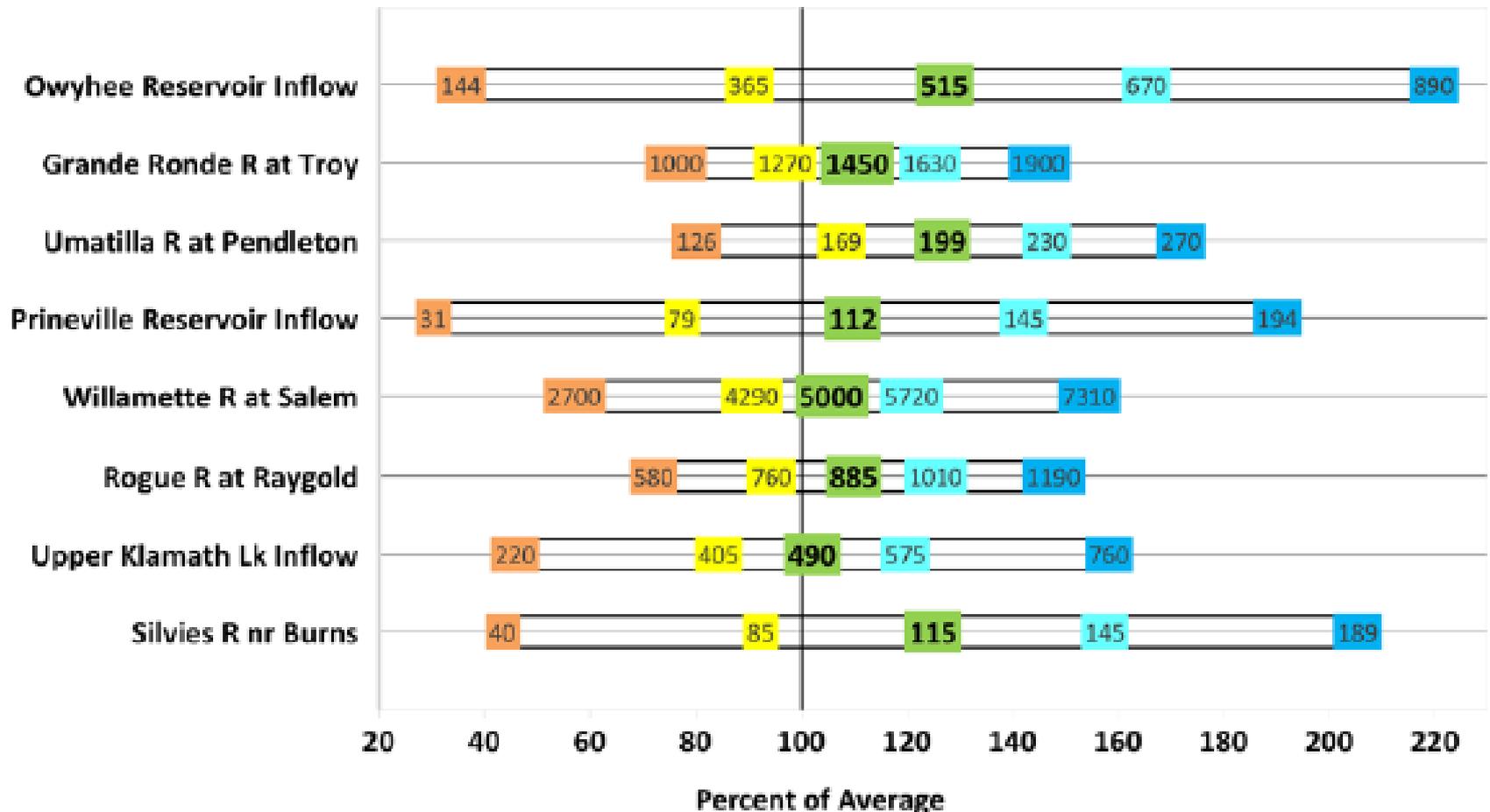
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Summary of Streamflow Forecasts across Oregon

April through September Forecast Volumes at a Selection of Streamflow Points
(Volumes listed in KAF)



Legend:

←-----Drier-----Future Conditions-----Wetter-----→

90% Exceedance Forecast (KAF)

There is a 90% chance that flows will exceed this volume.

70% Exceedance Forecast (KAF)

There is a 70% chance that flows will exceed this volume.

50% Exceedance Forecast (KAF)

There is a 50% chance that flows will exceed this volume.

30% Exceedance Forecast (KAF)

There is a 30% chance that flows will exceed this volume.

10% Exceedance Forecast (KAF)

There is a 10% chance that flows will exceed this volume.

To accompany the new forecast summary graphic, here are some helpful reminders about interpreting streamflow forecasts published in this document. For each forecast point, 5 possible streamflow volumes are predicted. Where the observed streamflow occurs within this spectrum depends on the range of future weather conditions. If water users wish to plan conservatively, they may lean toward using the 70% chance of exceedance forecast, or the drier forecast (which may be below average depending on the region). Conversely, if a water user believes future conditions will provide more water to the system, they could choose to use the 30% chance of exceedance forecast (the wetter forecast). This array of forecasts are shown above in the chart as well as on page 33.

Some of these forecasts assume that normal weather conditions will occur from now to the end of the forecast period. All forecasts are listed with units of 1000 acre-feet (KAF). This report contains data furnished by the Oregon Department of Water Resources, U.S. Geological Survey, NOAA National Weather Service and other cooperators. This report will be updated monthly, January through June.

Note: A select set of streamflow forecasts have been discontinued in the Rogue, Grande Ronde and Willamette basins. Please see each basin section for more information.

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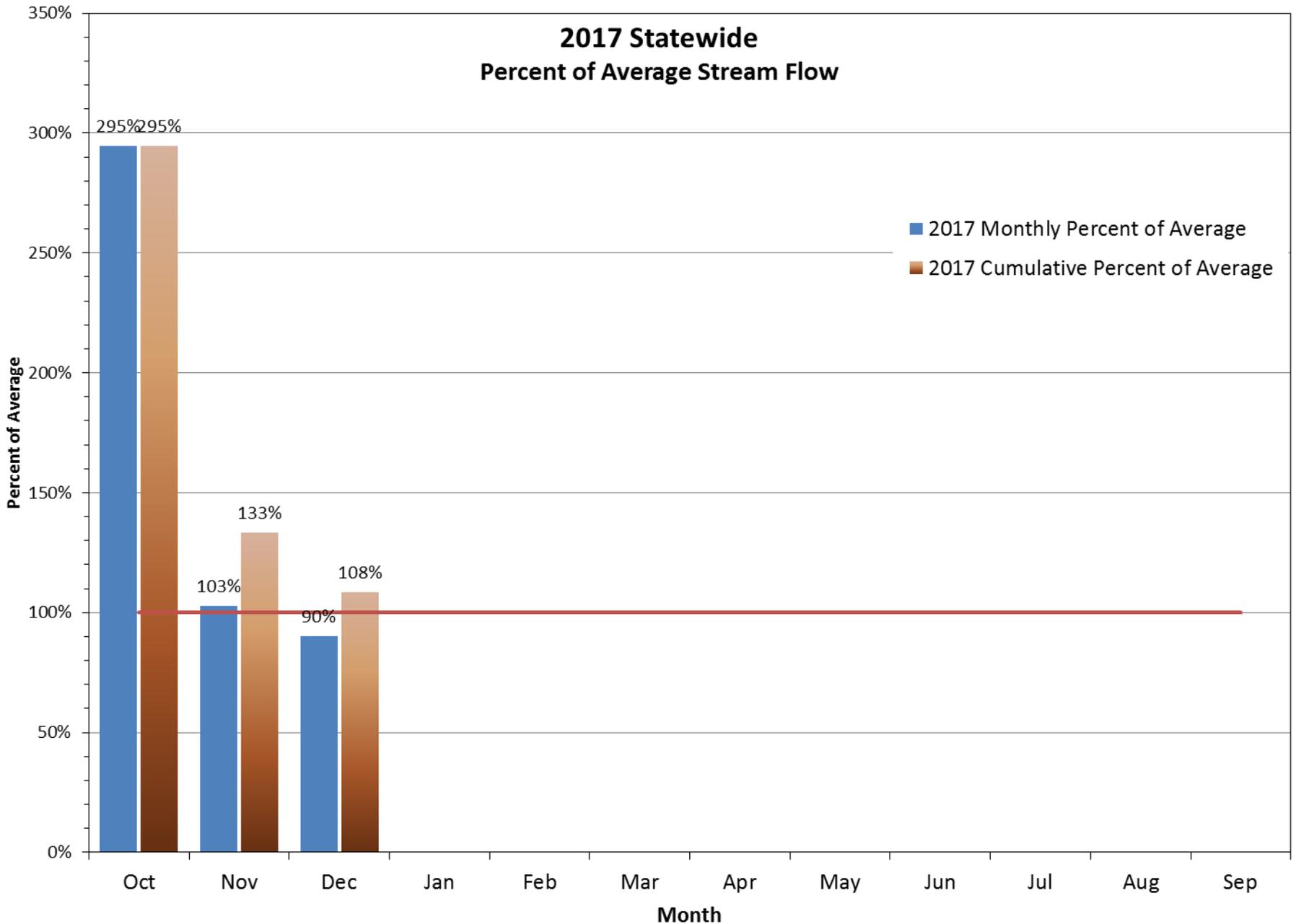
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Water Supply Availability Committee

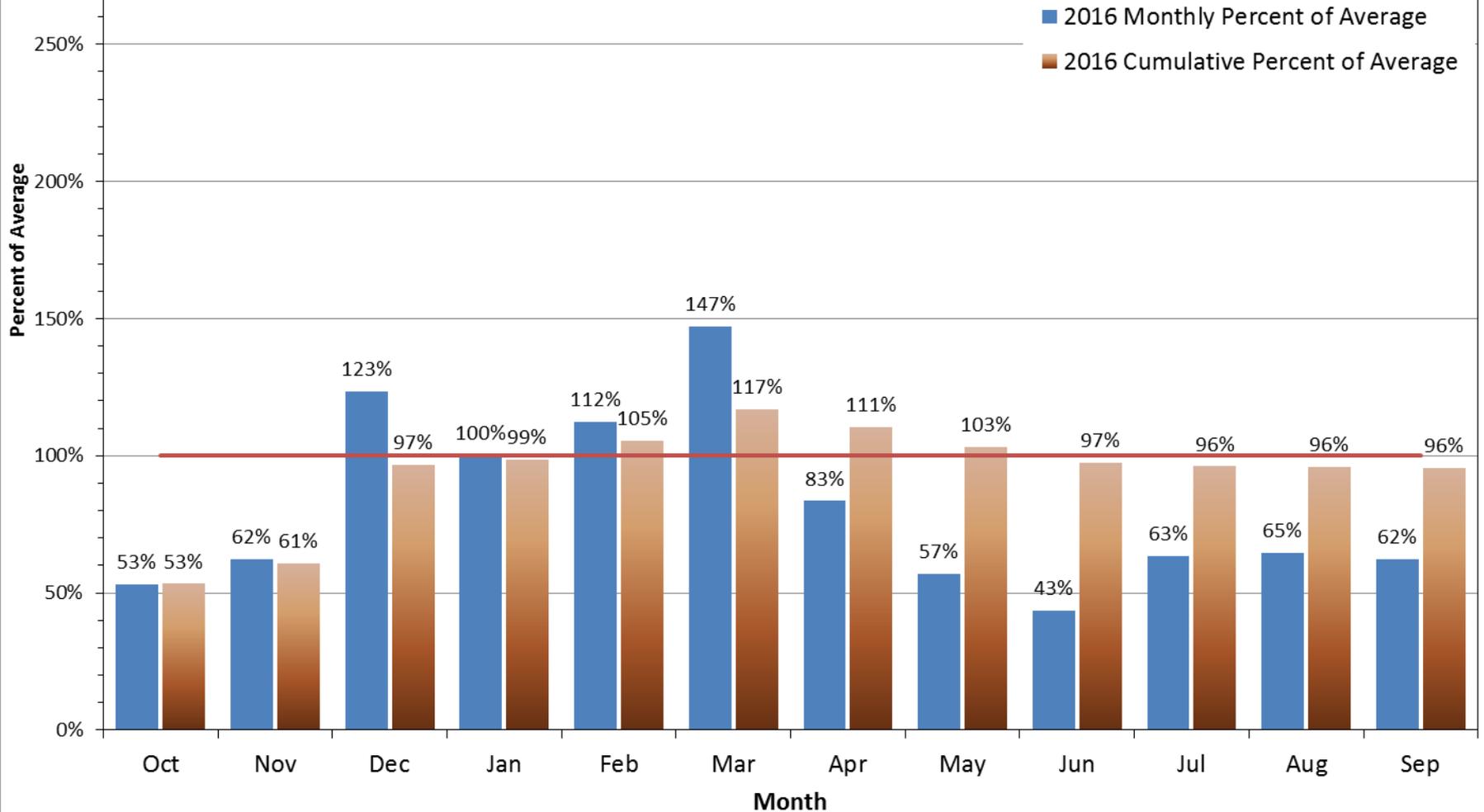


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2017 Statewide Percent of Average Stream Flow



2016 Statewide Percent of Average Stream Flow



Percent of Average Streamflow Month of December, 2016

Percent of Average Streamflow

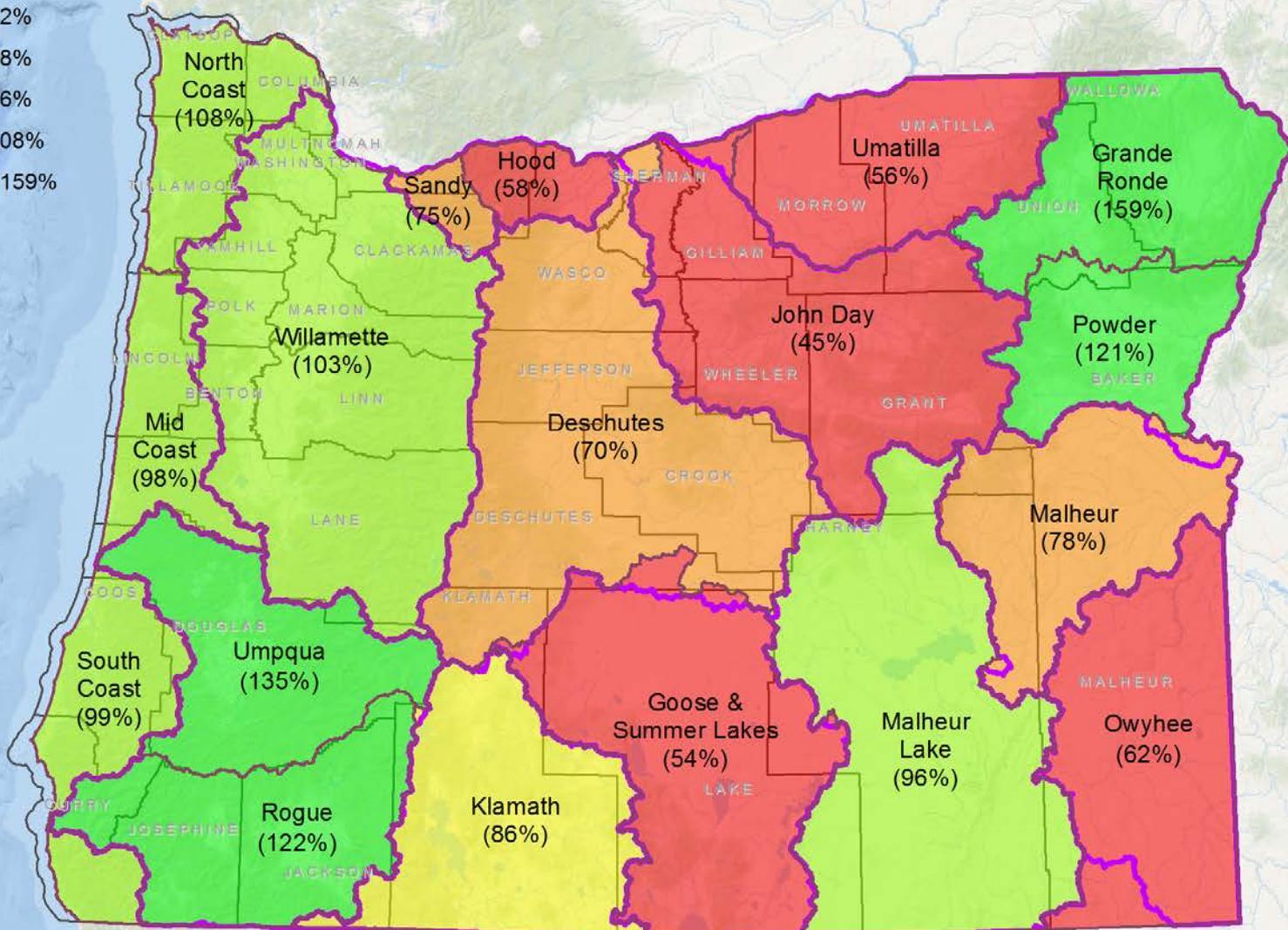
WRD Basin

- 45% - 62%
- 63% - 78%
- 79% - 86%
- 87% - 108%
- 109% - 159%

NRCS Basin



County



Average streamflow data are based on 30 years of record (1981-2010). All data represent free-flowing streams unaffected by significant man-made control structures such as dams or diversion works.

Percent of Average Streamflow Month of December, 2015

Percent of Average Streamflow

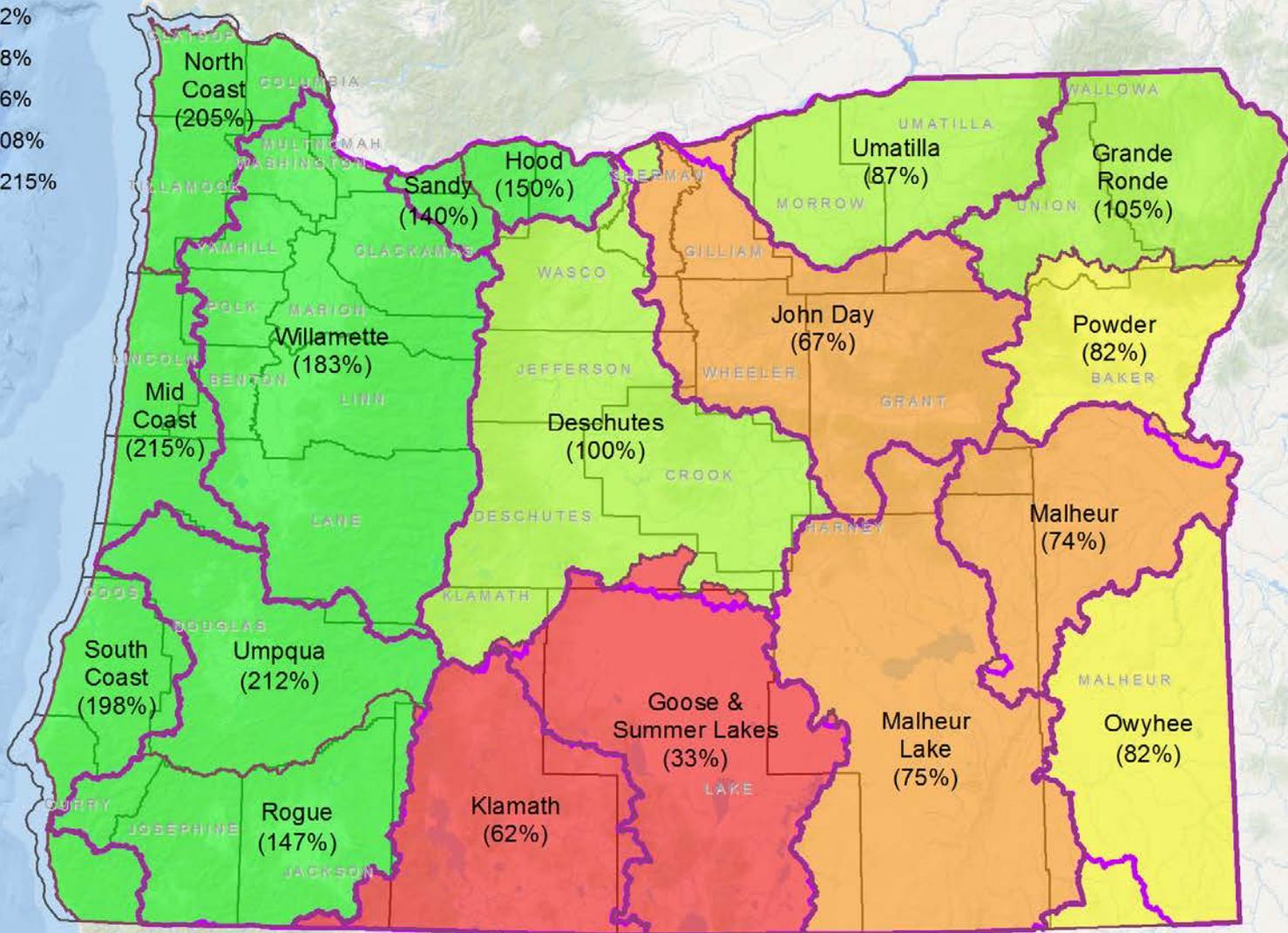
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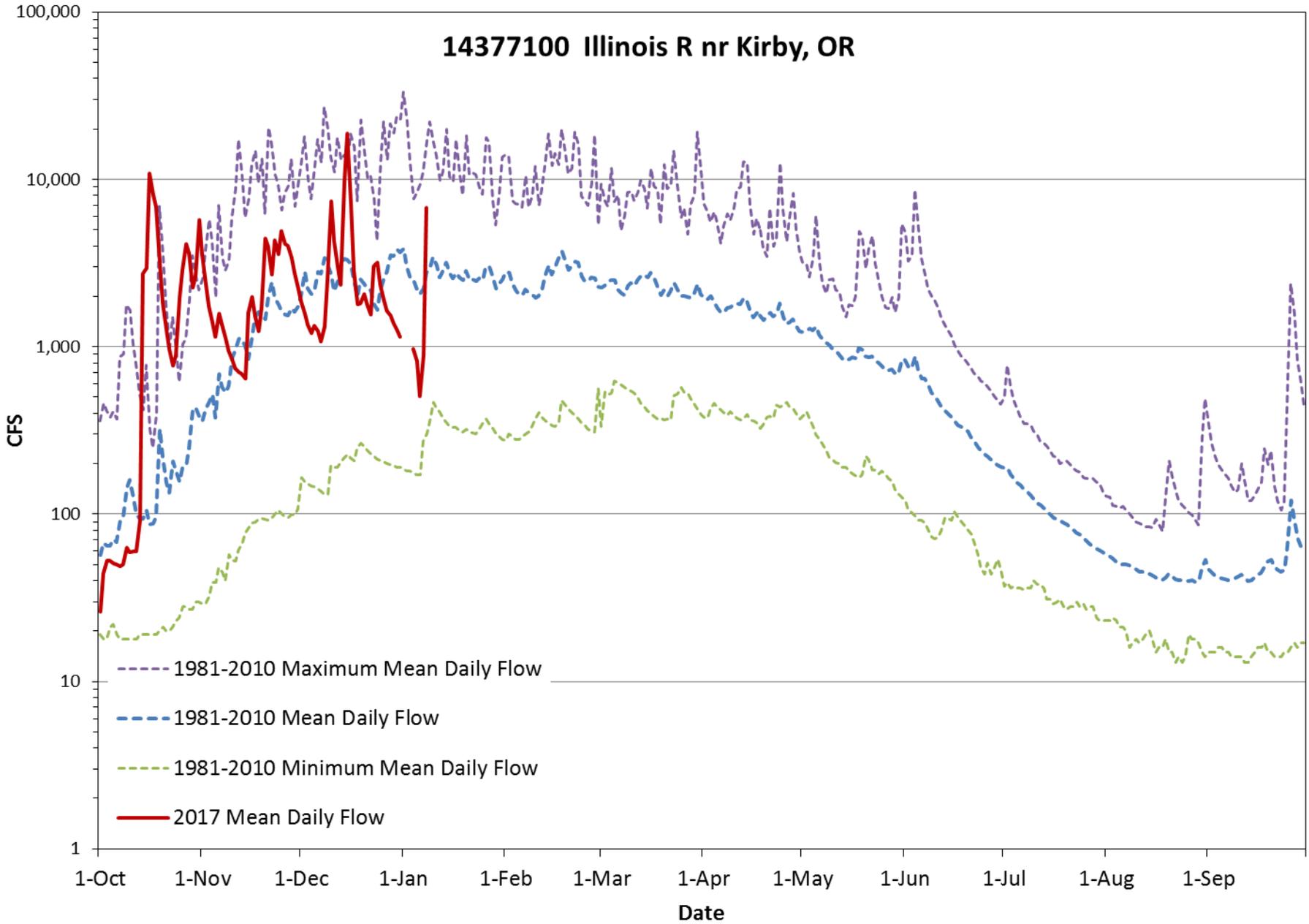
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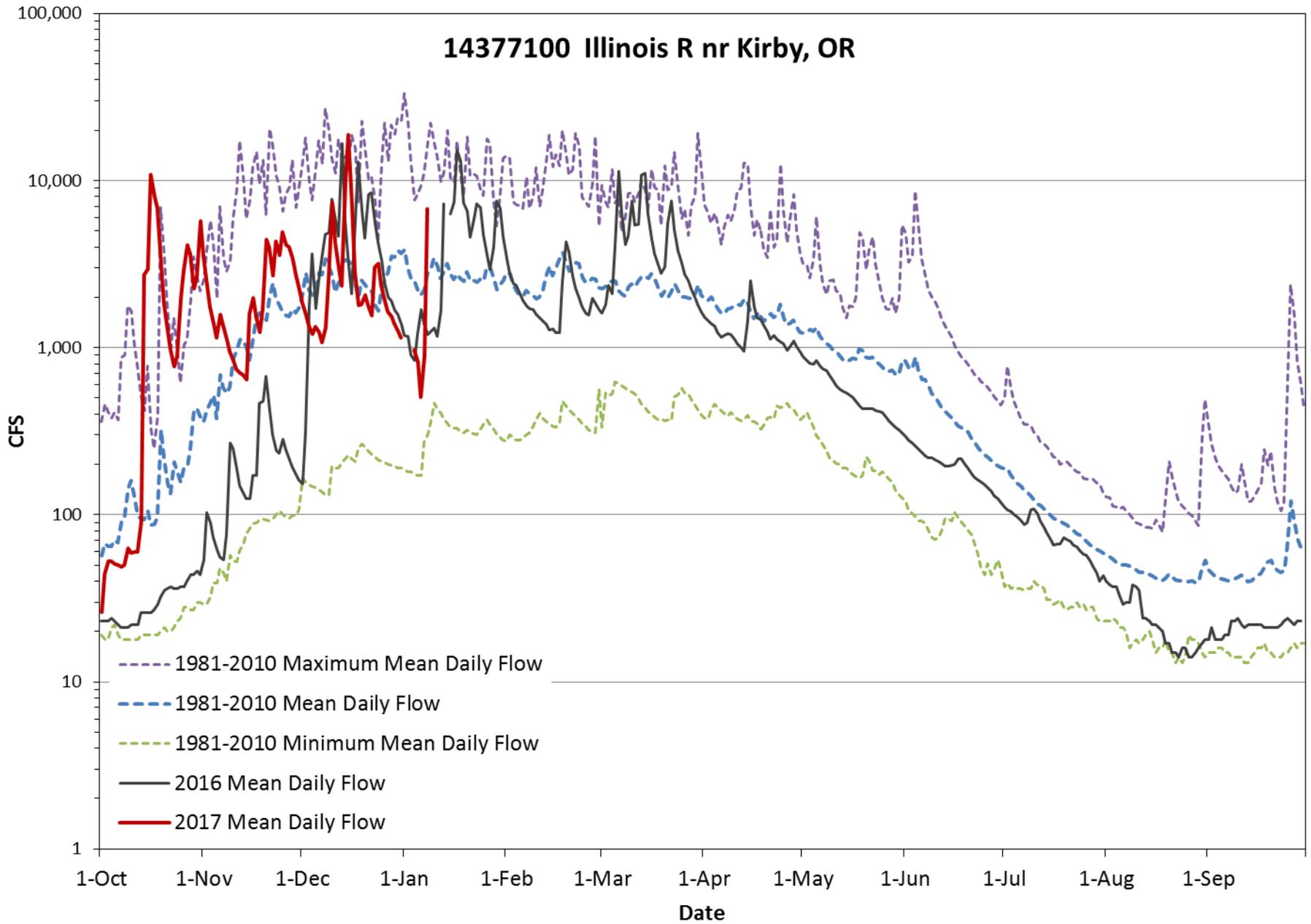
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Basin	Water Year % of average through December, 2016	% of average for December	% of average for 01/07/2017	# of data points
North Coast	165%	108%	25%	4
Willamette	138%	103%	34%	10
Sandy	103%	75%	23%	3
Hood	80%	58%	11%	3
Deschutes	86%	71%	61%	9
John Day	59%	45%	31%	7
Umatilla	63%	56%	75%	5
Grande Ronde	153%	159%	171%	3
Powder	112%	121%	89%	4
Malheur	88%	78%	142%	2
Owyhee	69%	62%	31%	1
Malheur Lake	79%	80%	79%	3
Goose & Summer Lakes	65%	54%	207%	5
Klamath	83%	86%	41%	5
Rogue	147%	122%	48%	5
Umpqua	142%	135%	46%	4
South Coast	162%	94%	51%	2
Mid Coast	154%	98%	28%	5
West Side	144%	105%	36%	33
East Side	85%	79%	85%	47
State	108%	89%	66%	80

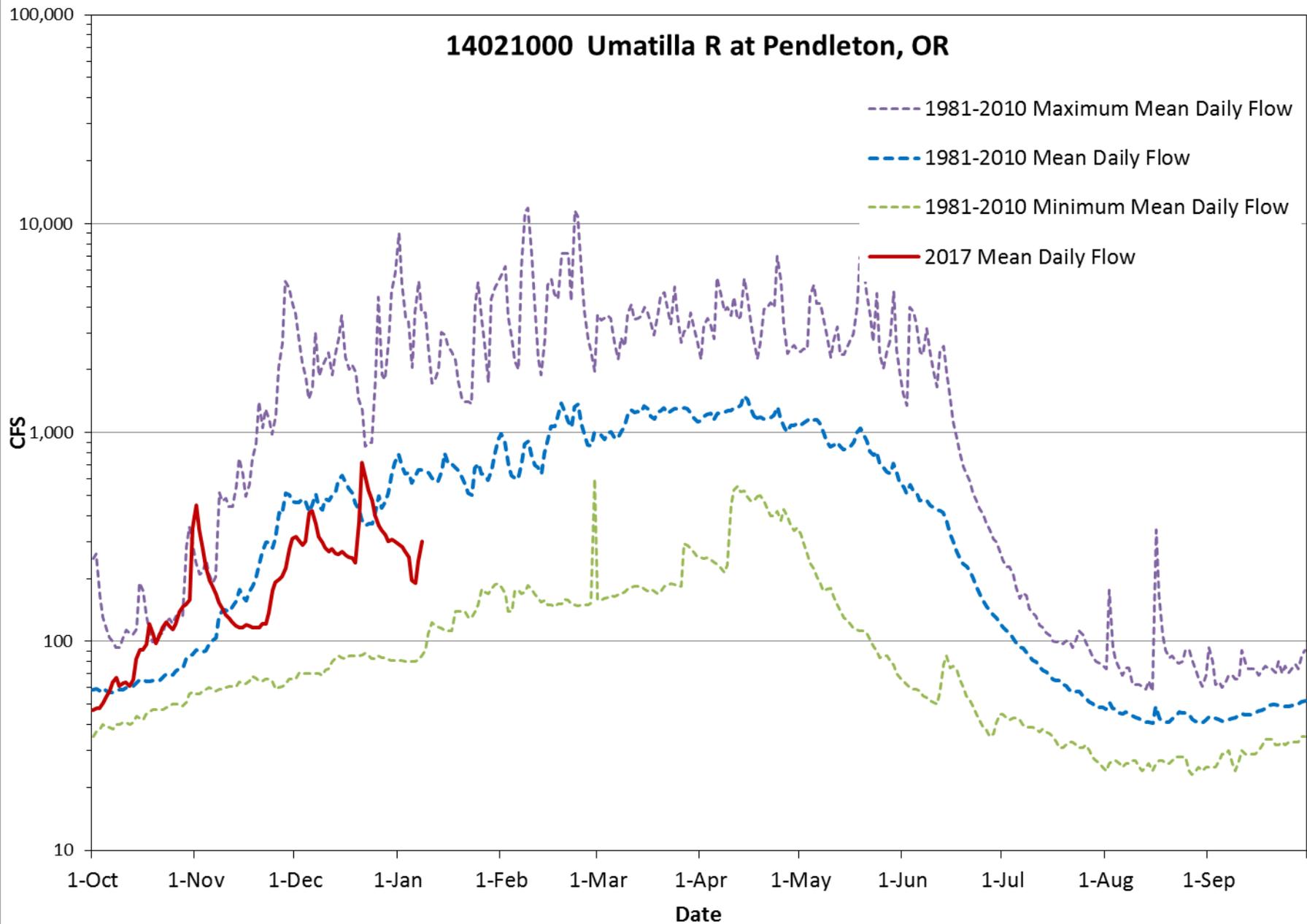
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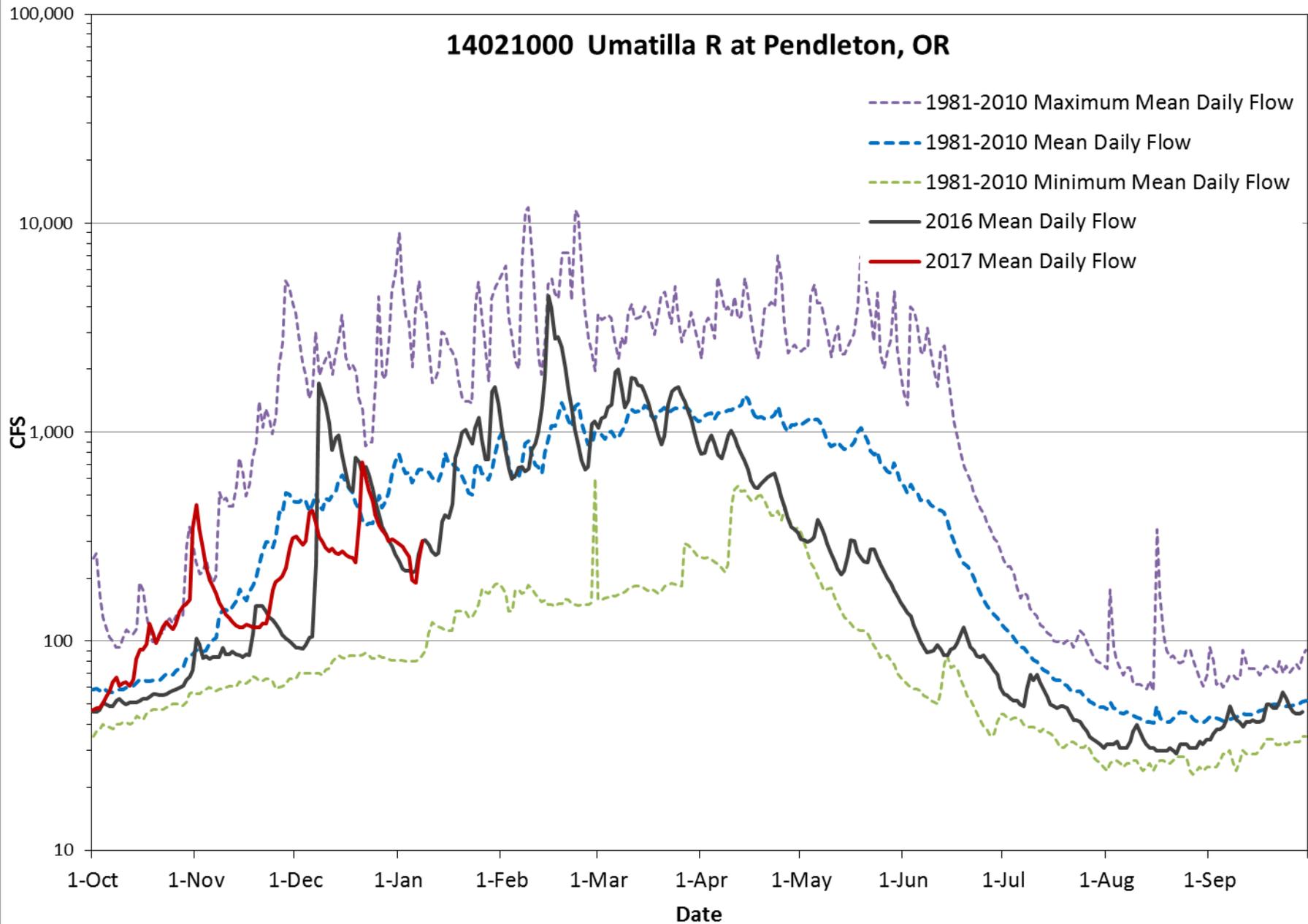
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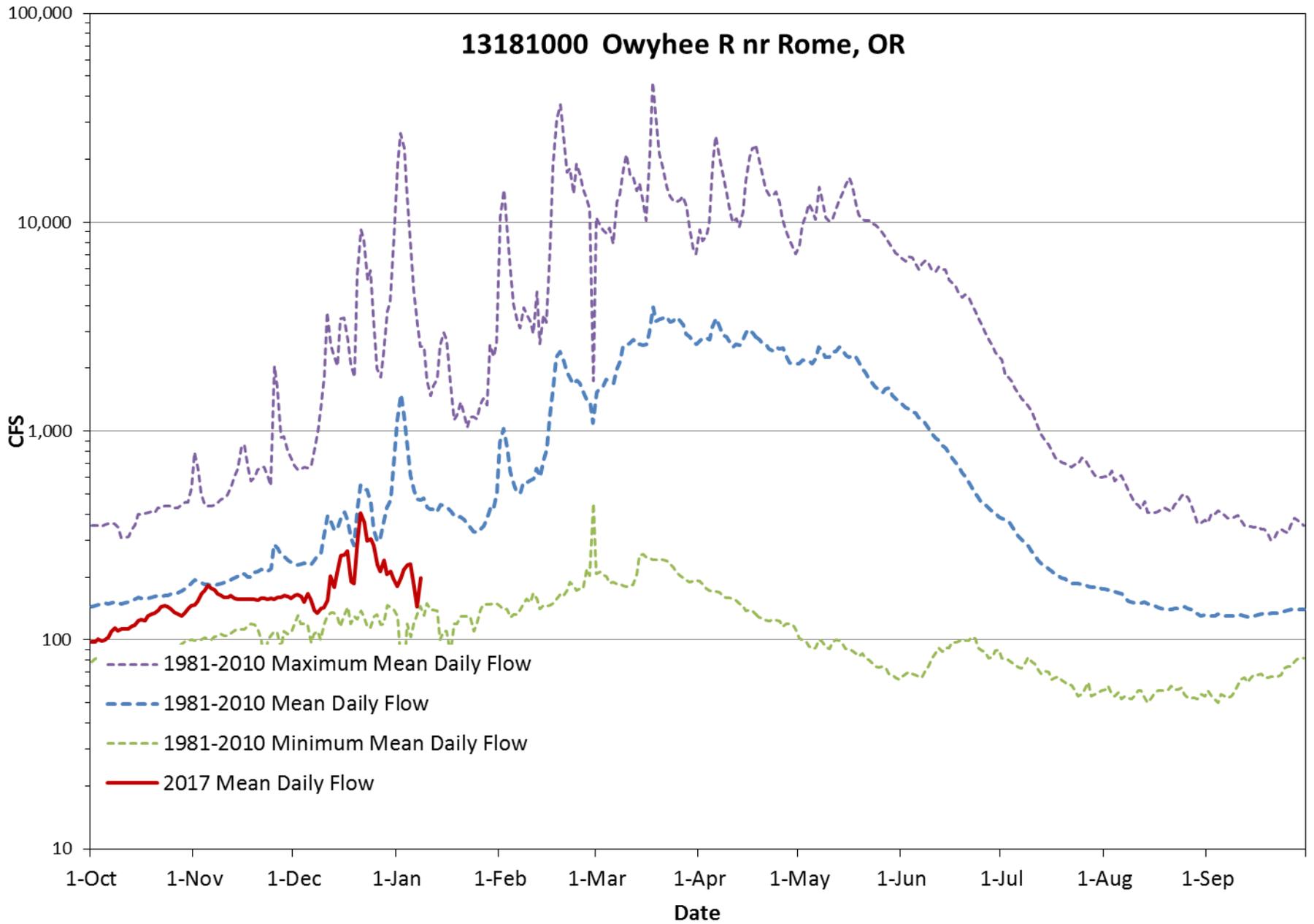
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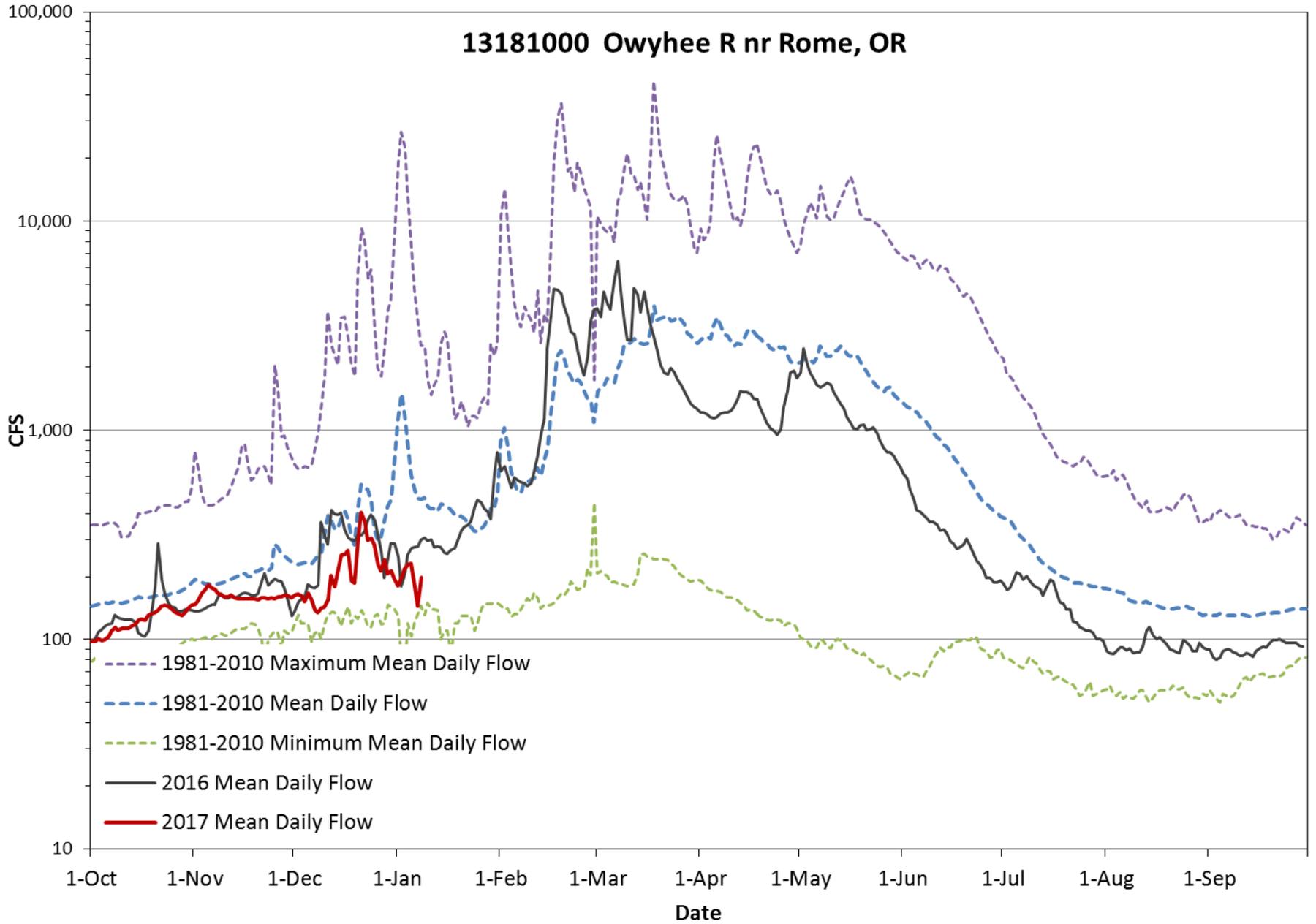
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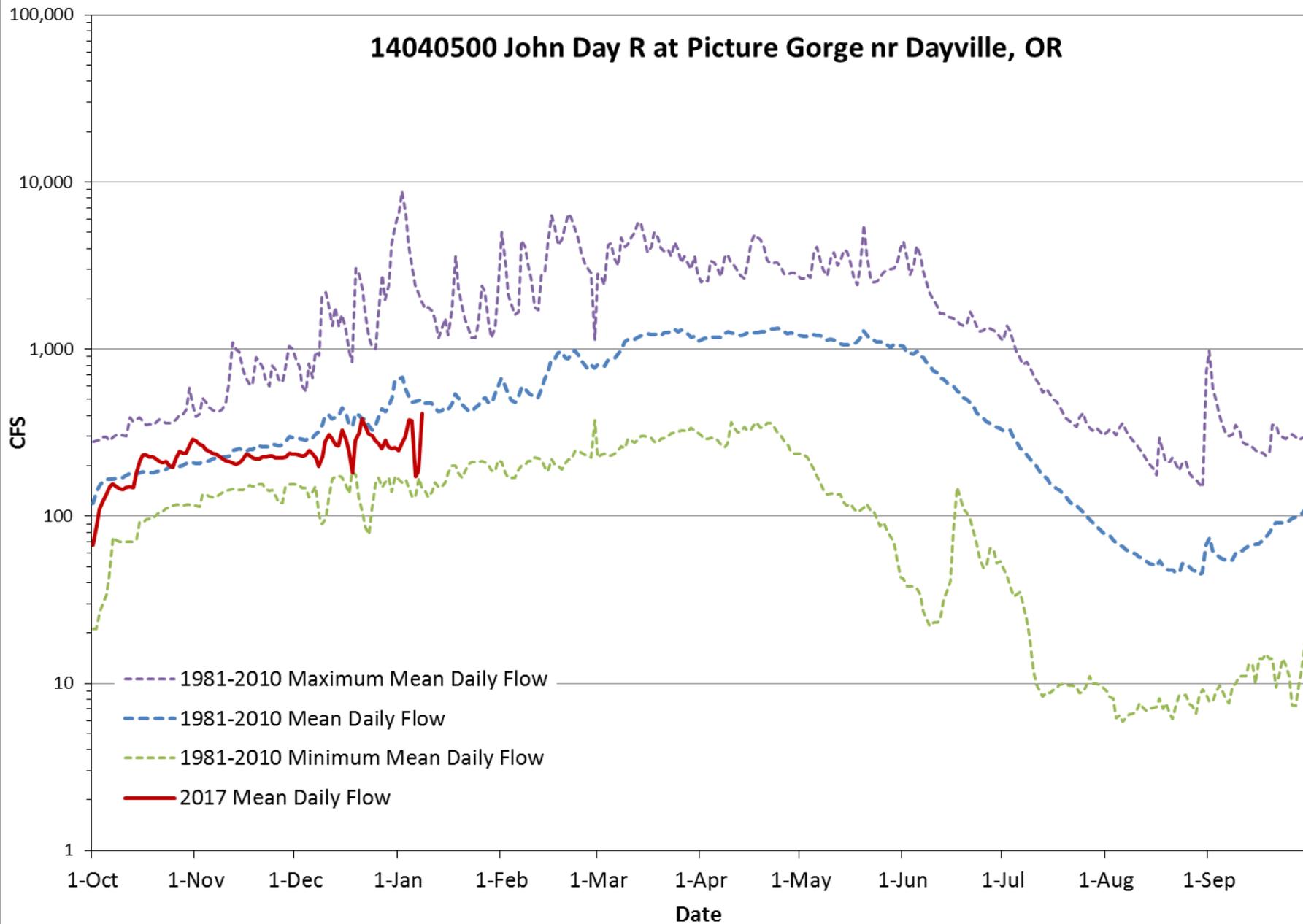
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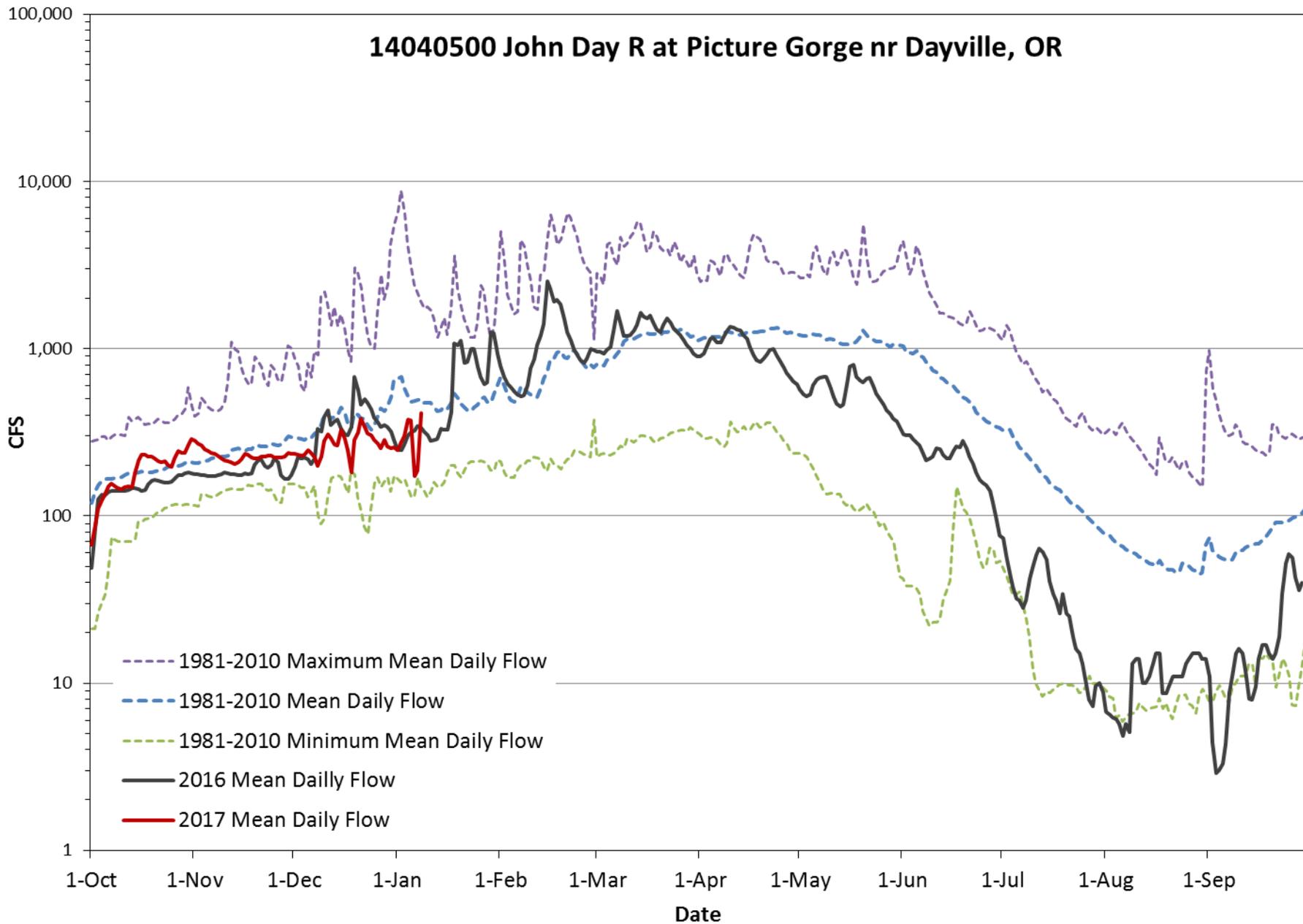
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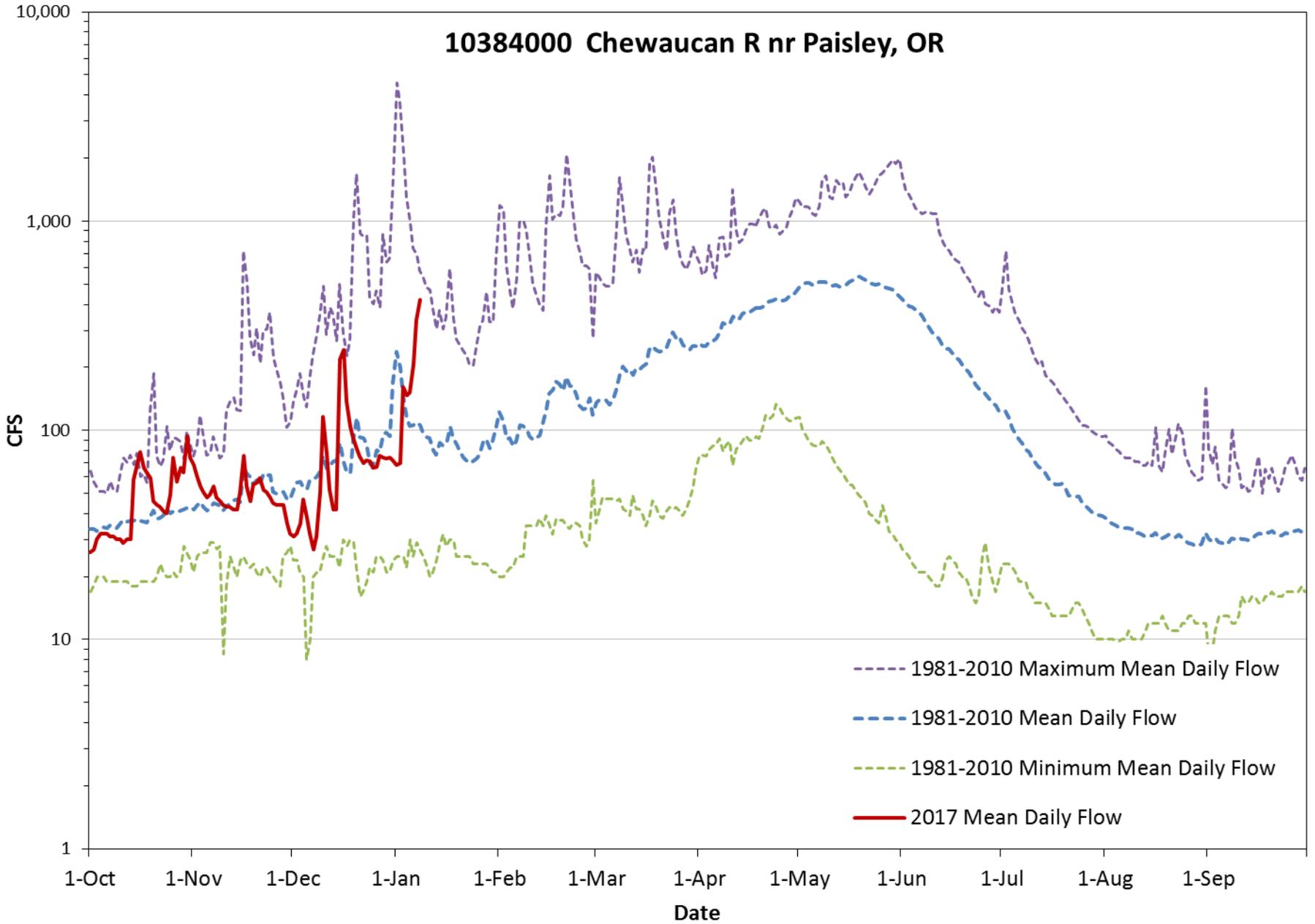
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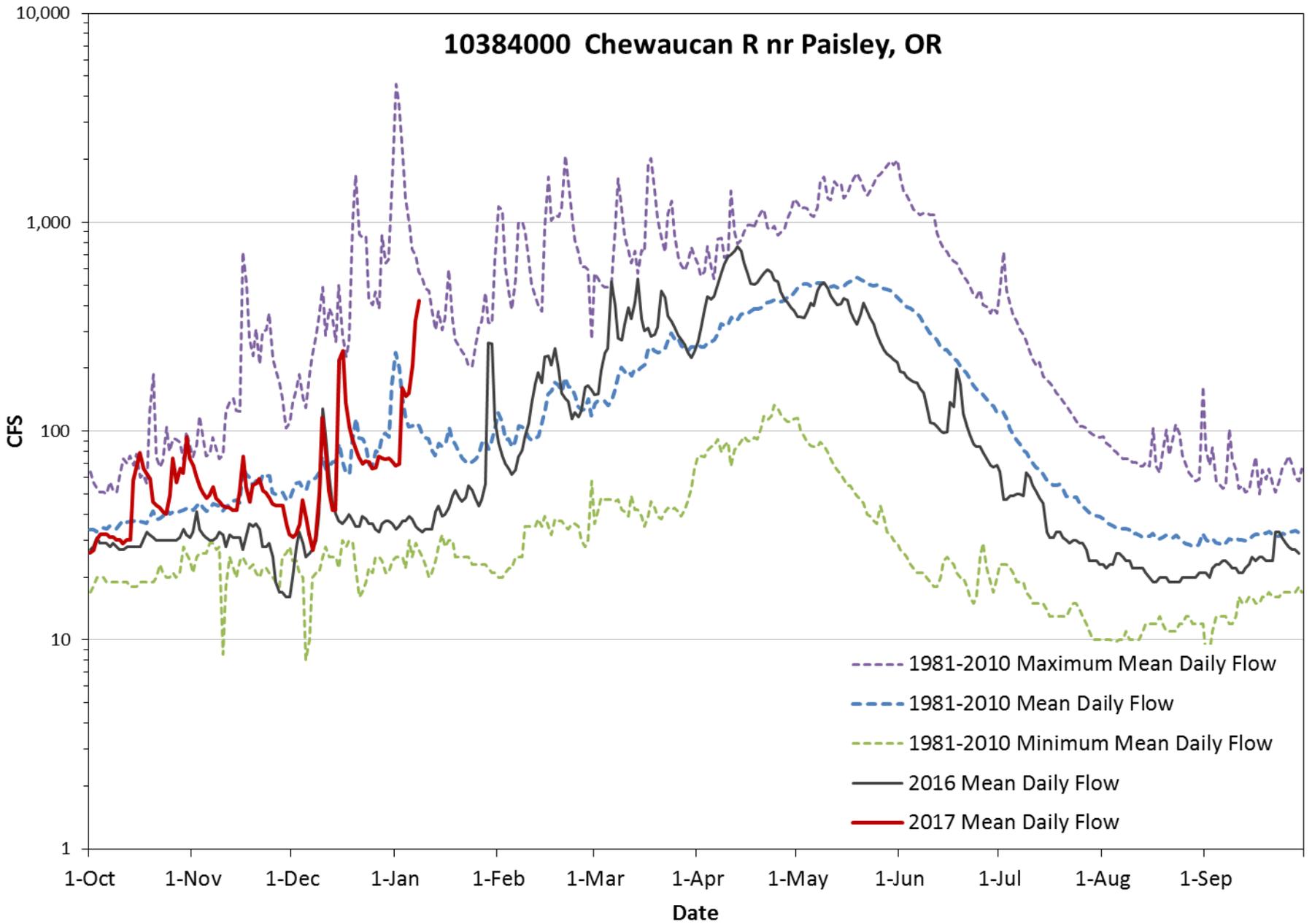
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Percent of Average Storage

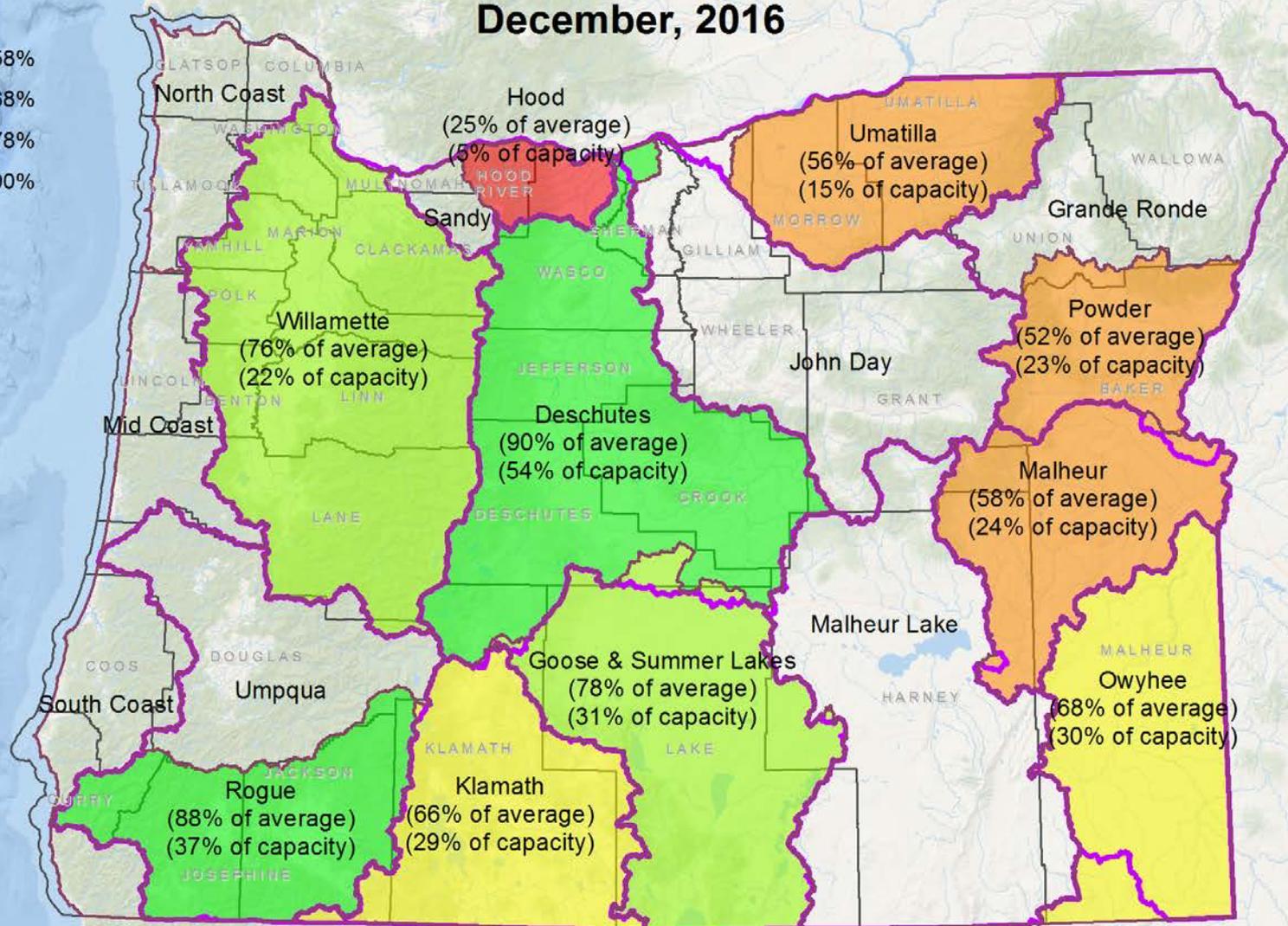
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- 32%
- 33% - 58%
- 59% - 68%
- 69% - 78%
- 79% - 90%

NRCS Basins

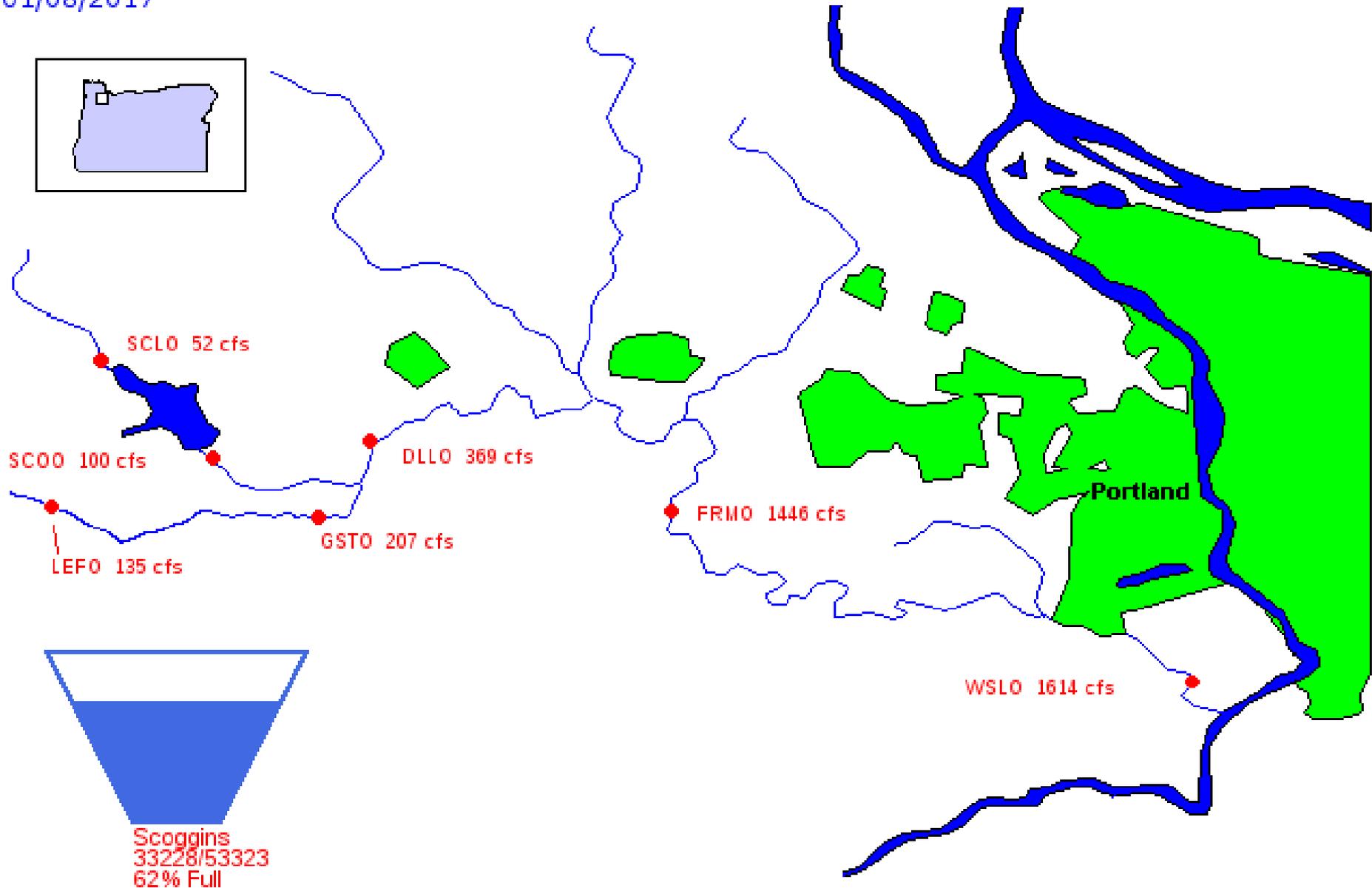
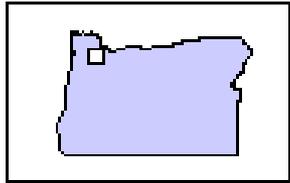


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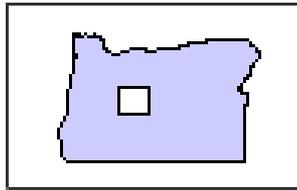


NRCS Basinwide Summary: January 1, 2017
(averages based on 1981-2010 reference period)

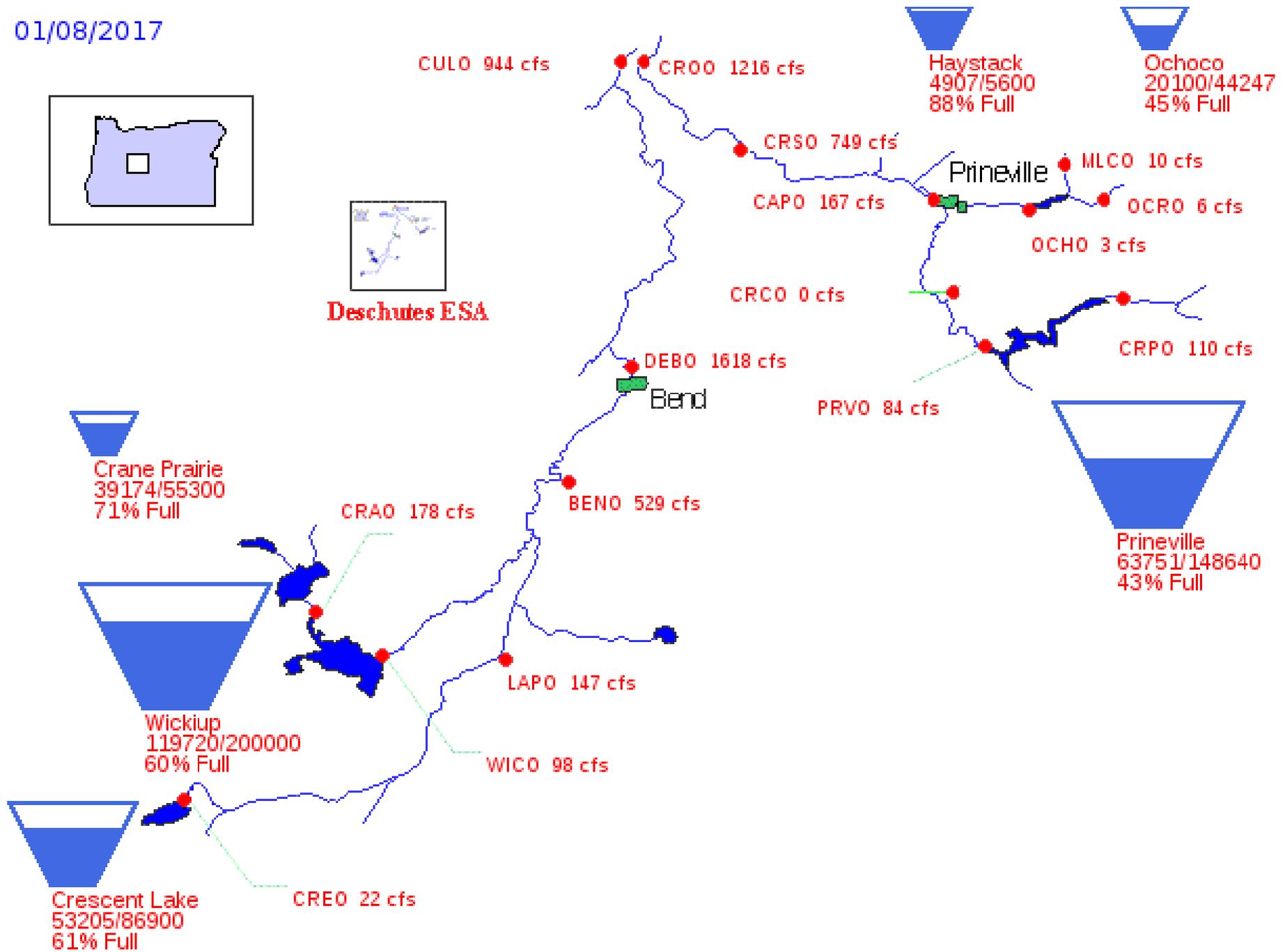
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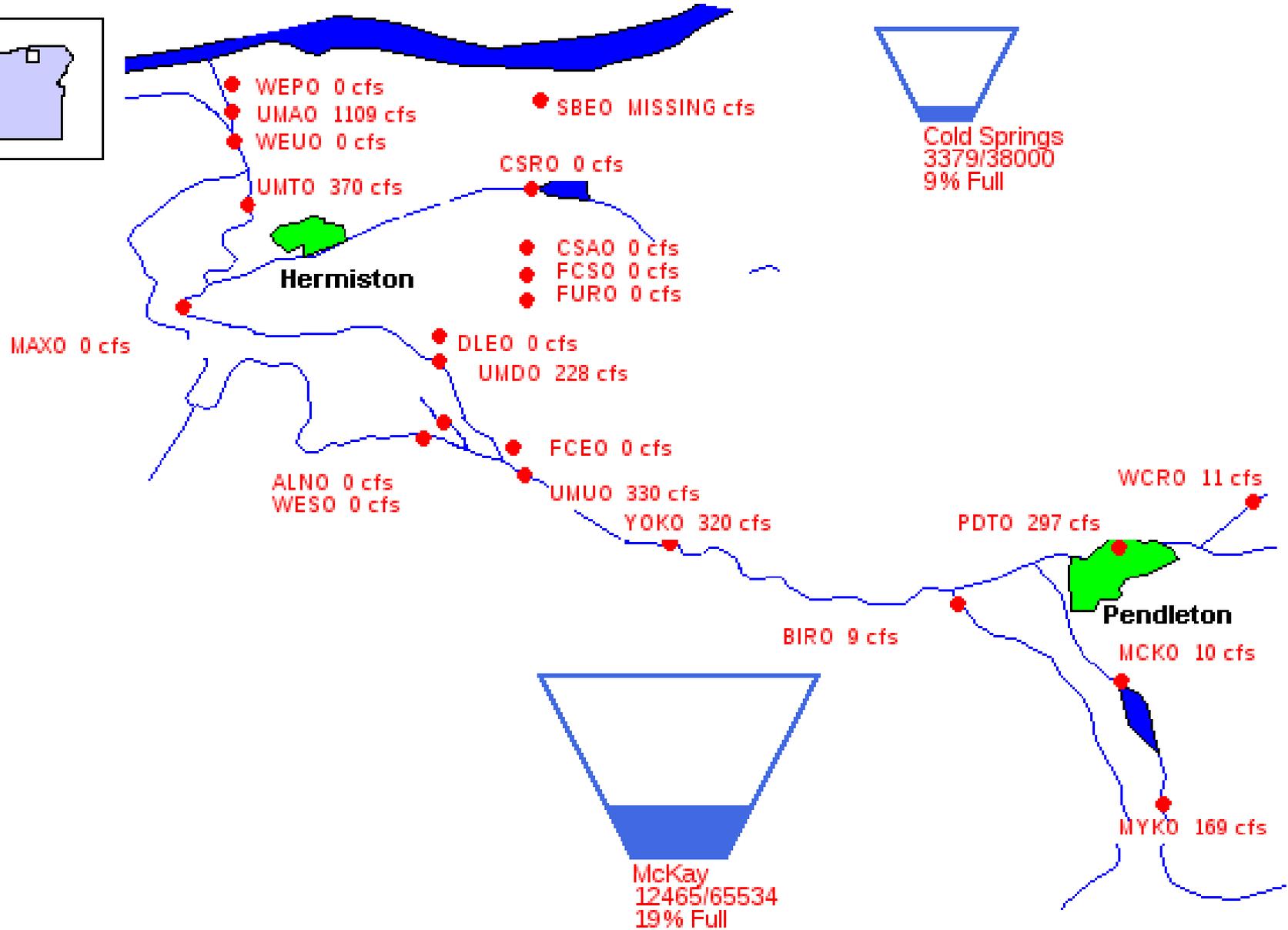
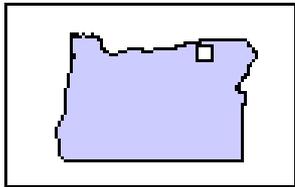
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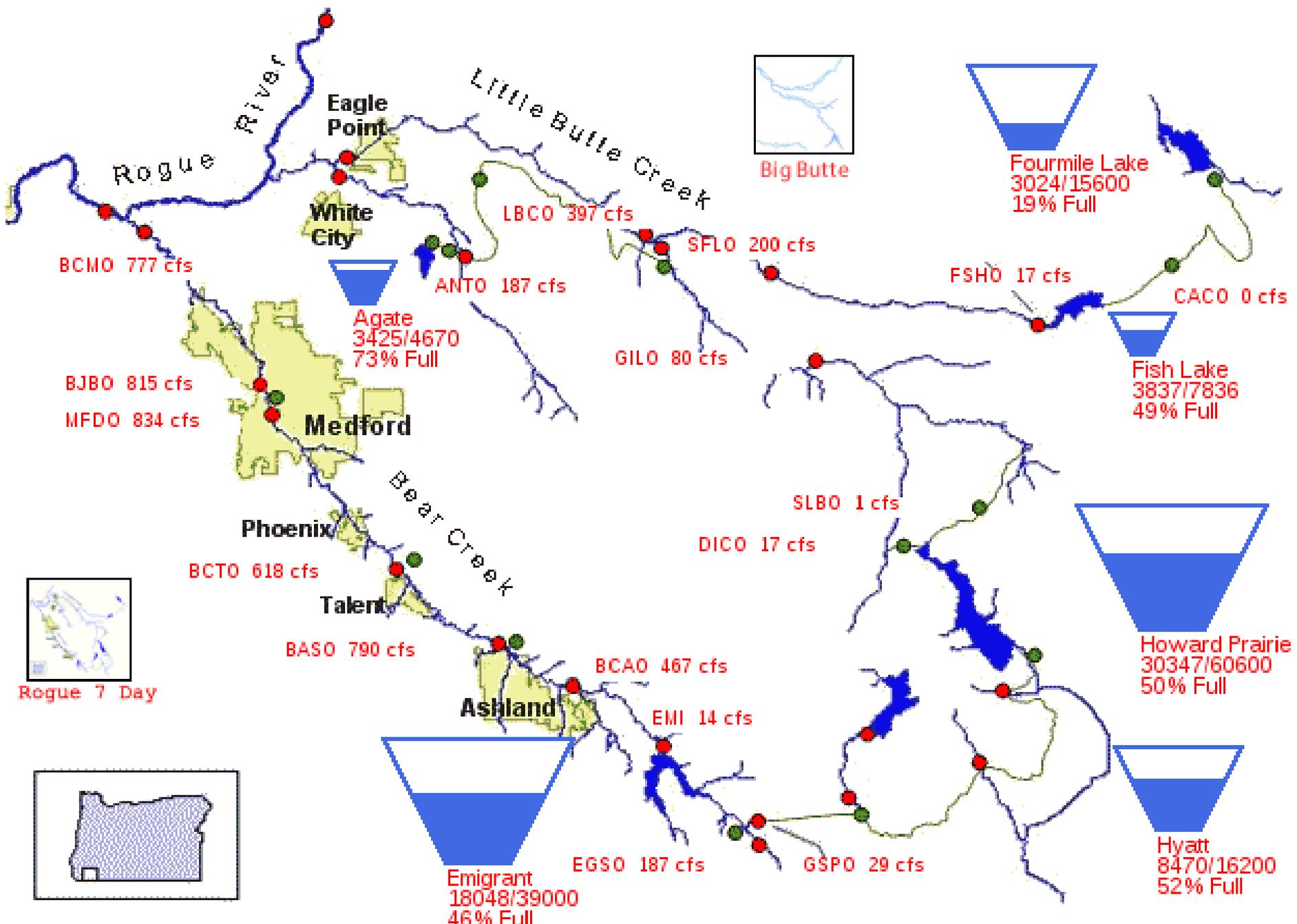


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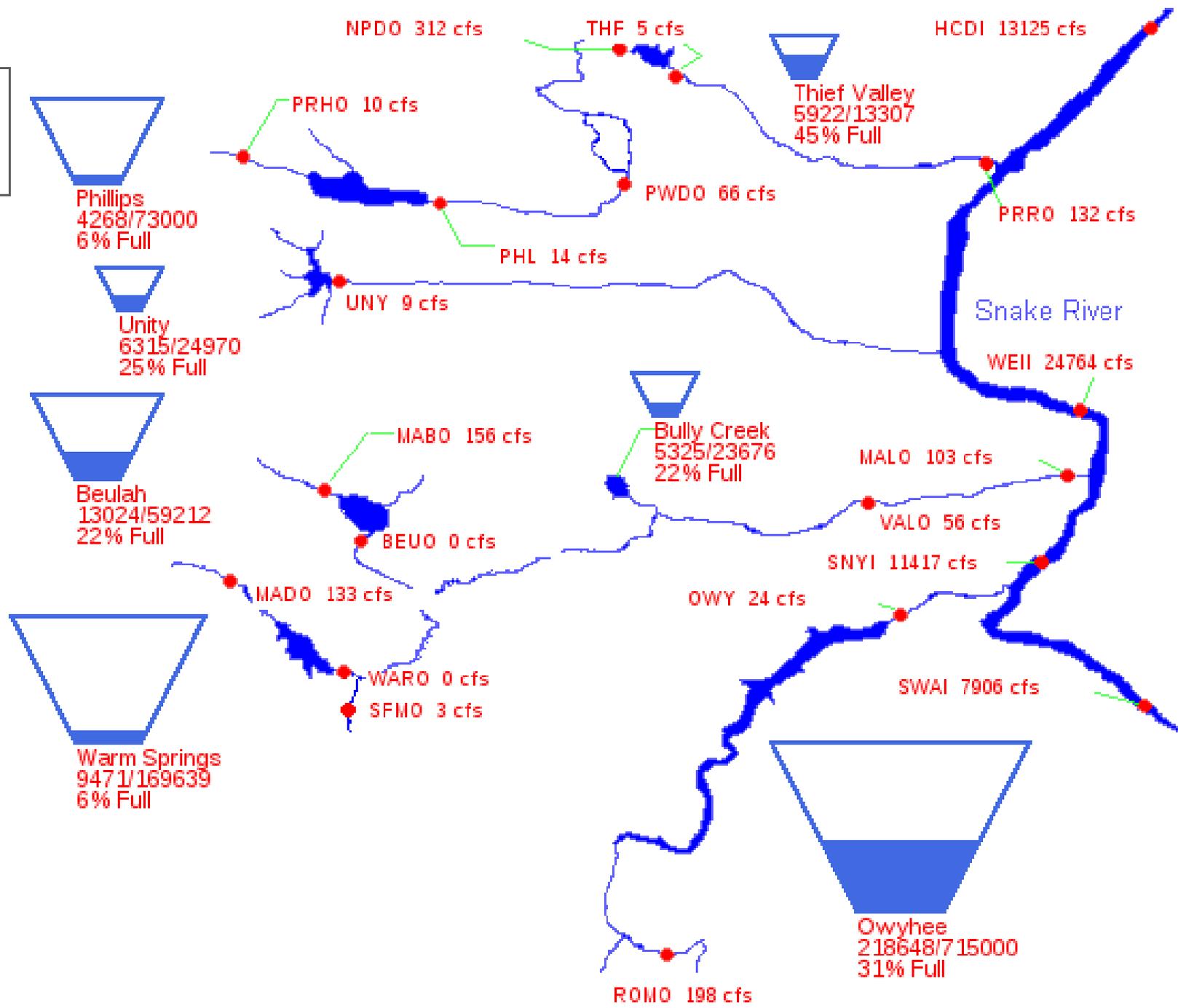
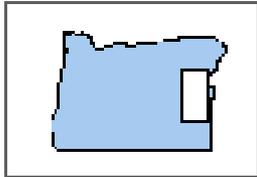


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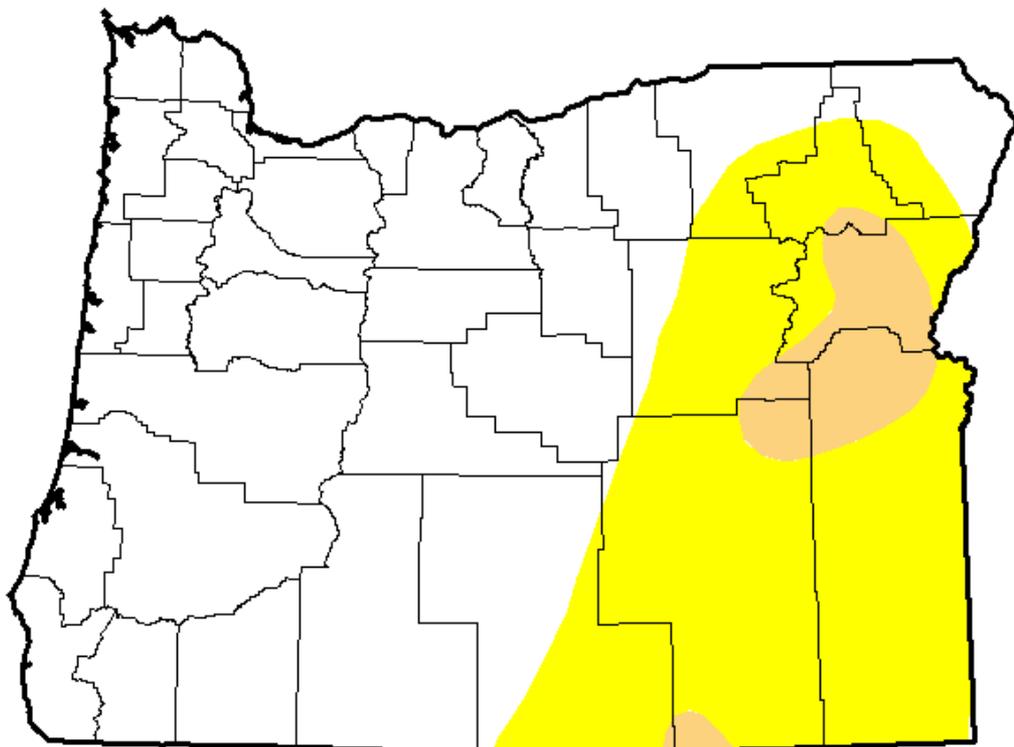
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U.S. Drought Monitor Oregon

January 3, 2017
(Released Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	65.31	34.69	5.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12/27/2016</i>	65.31	34.69	5.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10/4/2016</i>	0.00	100.00	50.28	12.30	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>1/3/2017</i>	65.31	34.69	5.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>9/27/2016</i>	0.00	100.00	50.59	12.30	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>1/5/2016</i>	14.52	85.48	76.99	44.33	6.35	0.00



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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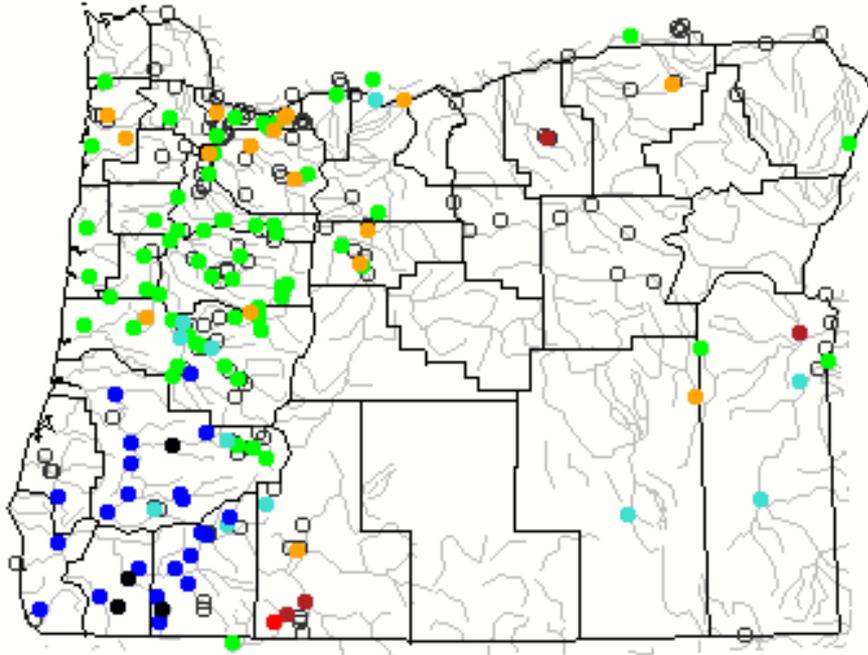
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Daily Streamflow Conditions

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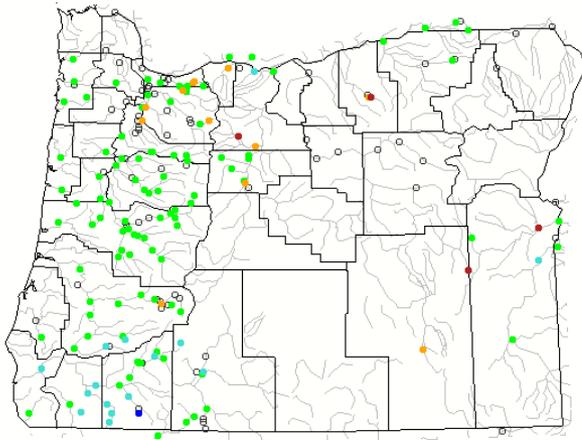


**USGS Current
Water Data for
Oregon**

Map of 28-day average streamflow compared to historical streamflow for the day of the year (Oregon)

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Sunday, January 08, 2017



Map of 28-day average USGS streamflow compared to historical streamflow for the day of the year (Oregon).

Most sites percentile class is “normal” or slightly above in parts of Southern Oregon or below normal in parts of Eastern Oregon



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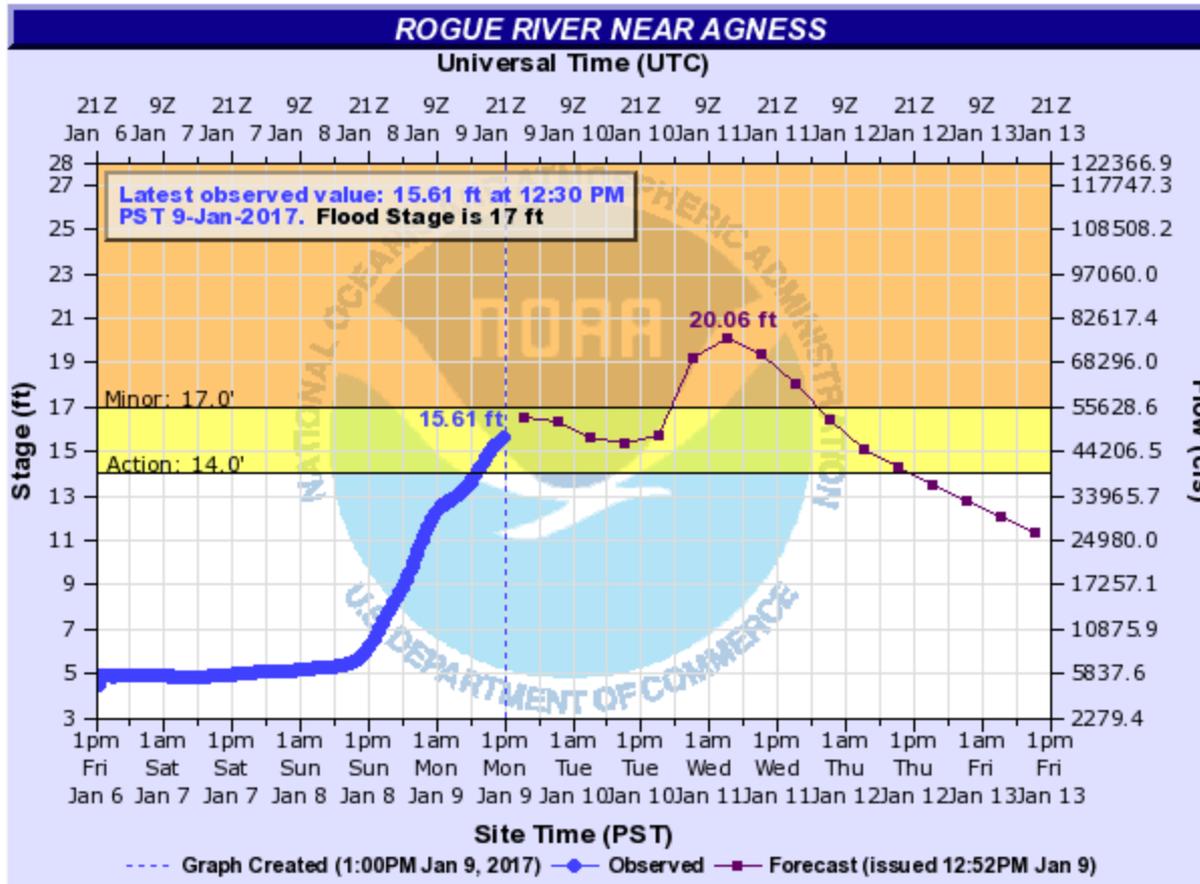
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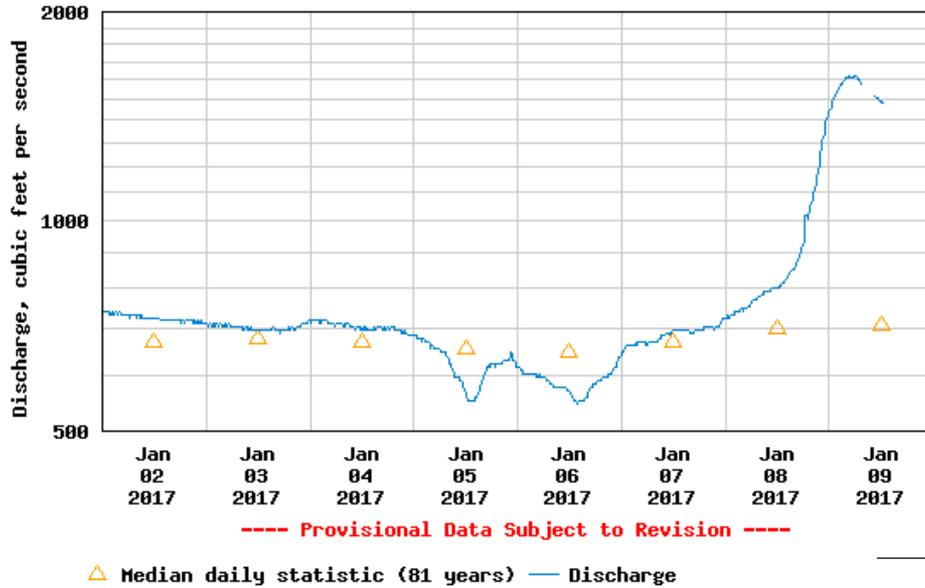
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Rogue River near Agness



USGS 14328000 ROGUE RIVER ABOVE PROSPECT, OR

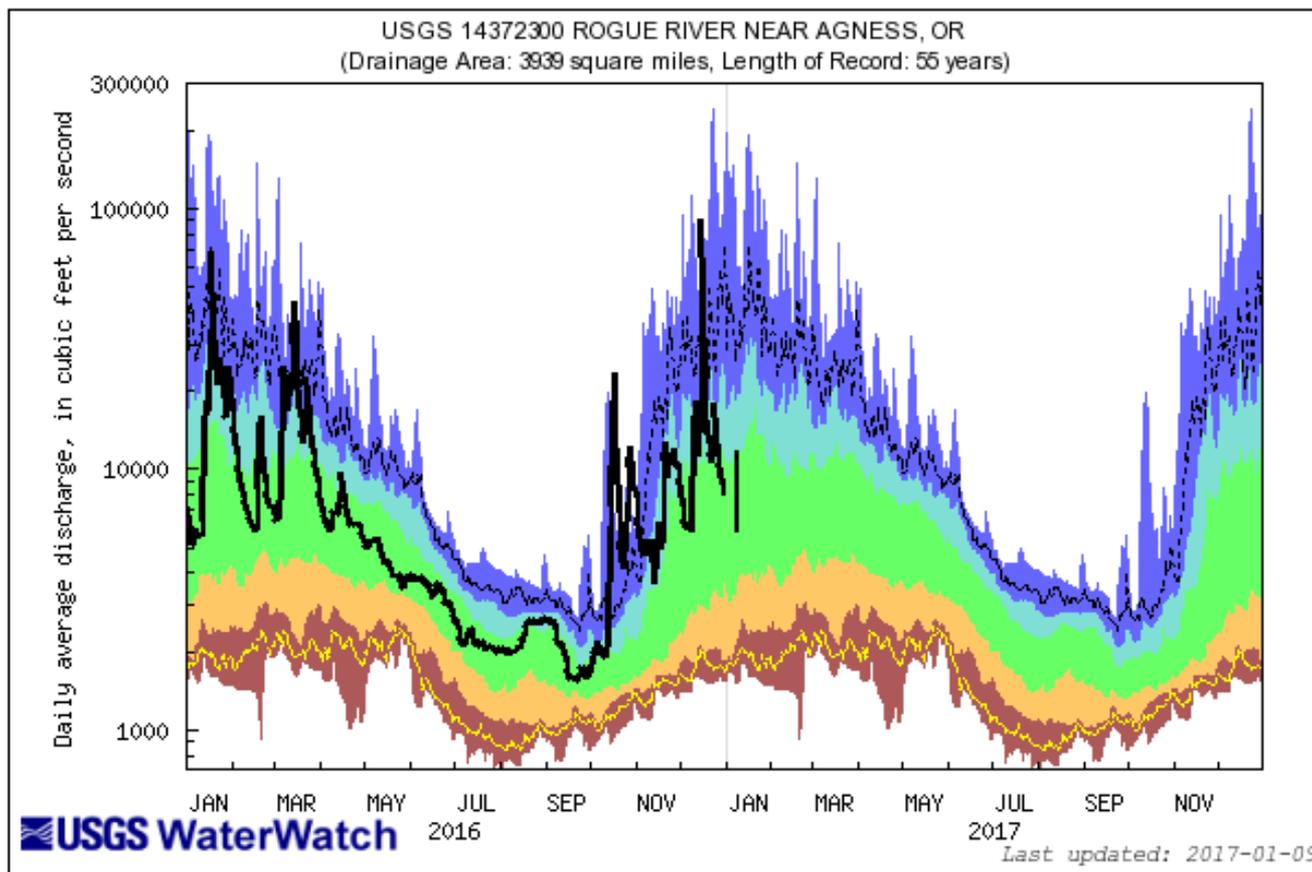


Rogue River Headwater site and Example of Inflow site

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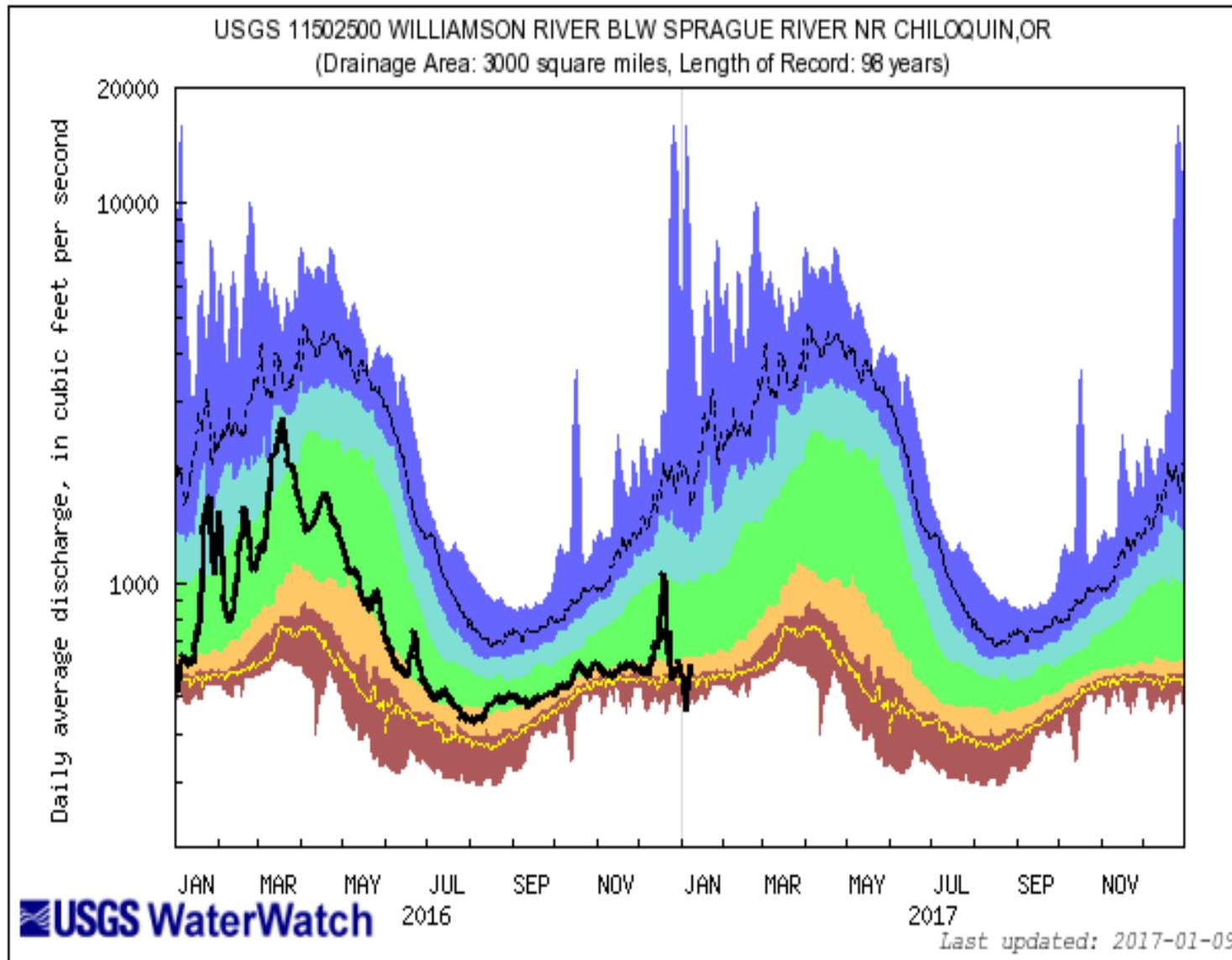
Jan 2016-Jan 2017 Rogue River Agness



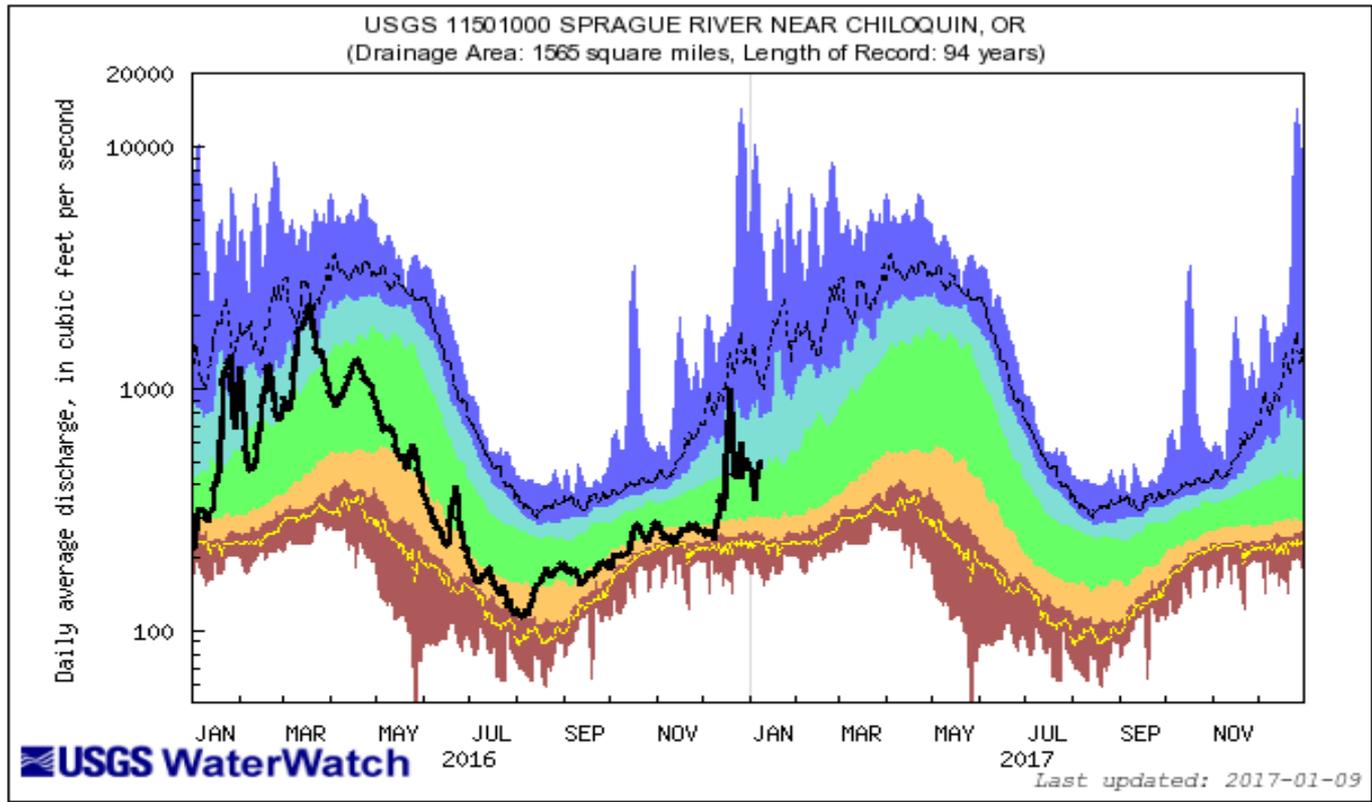
Explanation - Percentile classes						
lowest-10th percentile	5	10-24	25-75	76-90	95	90th percentile -highest
Much below Normal		Below normal	Normal	Above normal		Much above normal
						Flow

Cont.

Jan 2016-Jan 2017 Klamath

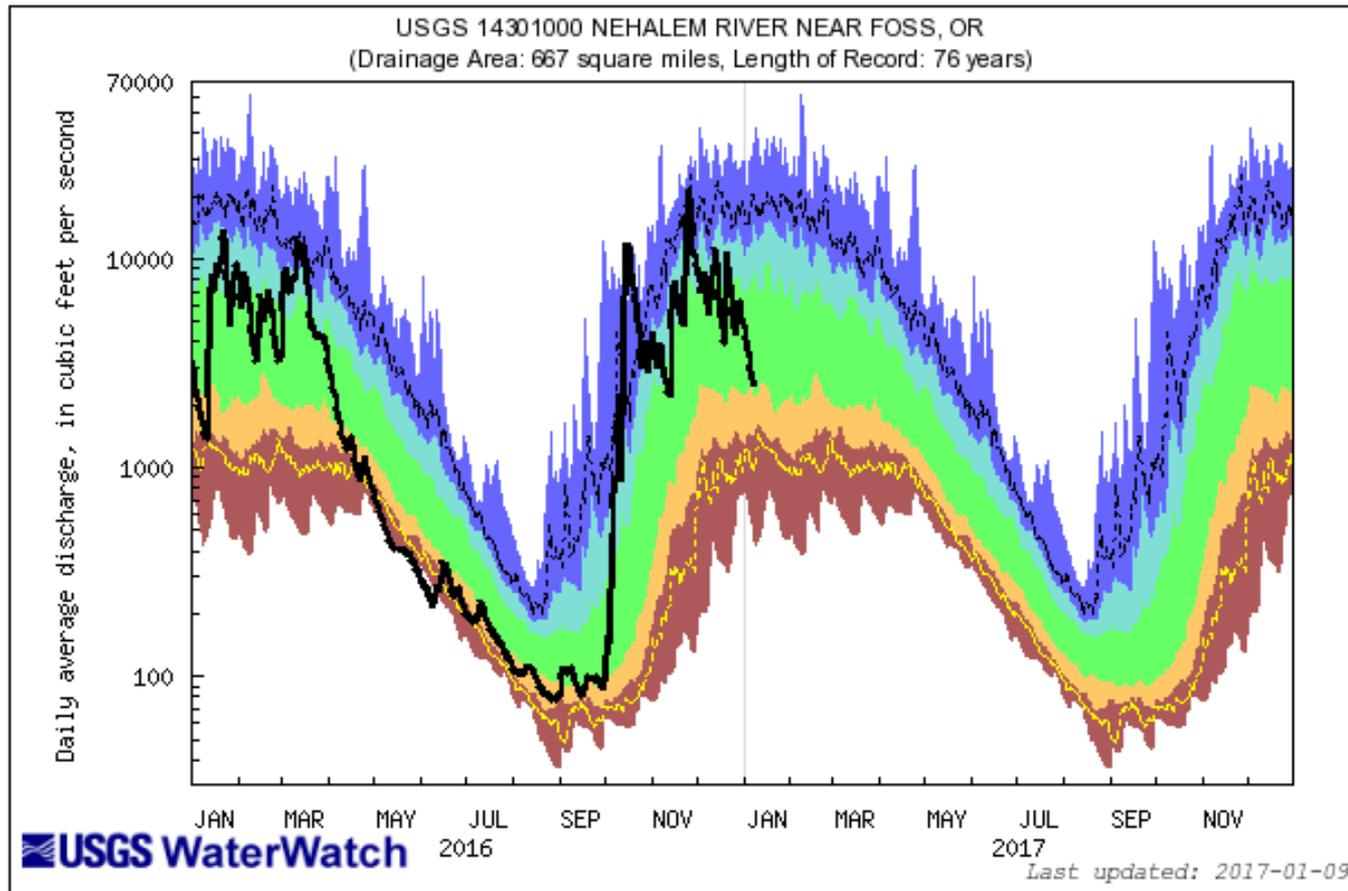


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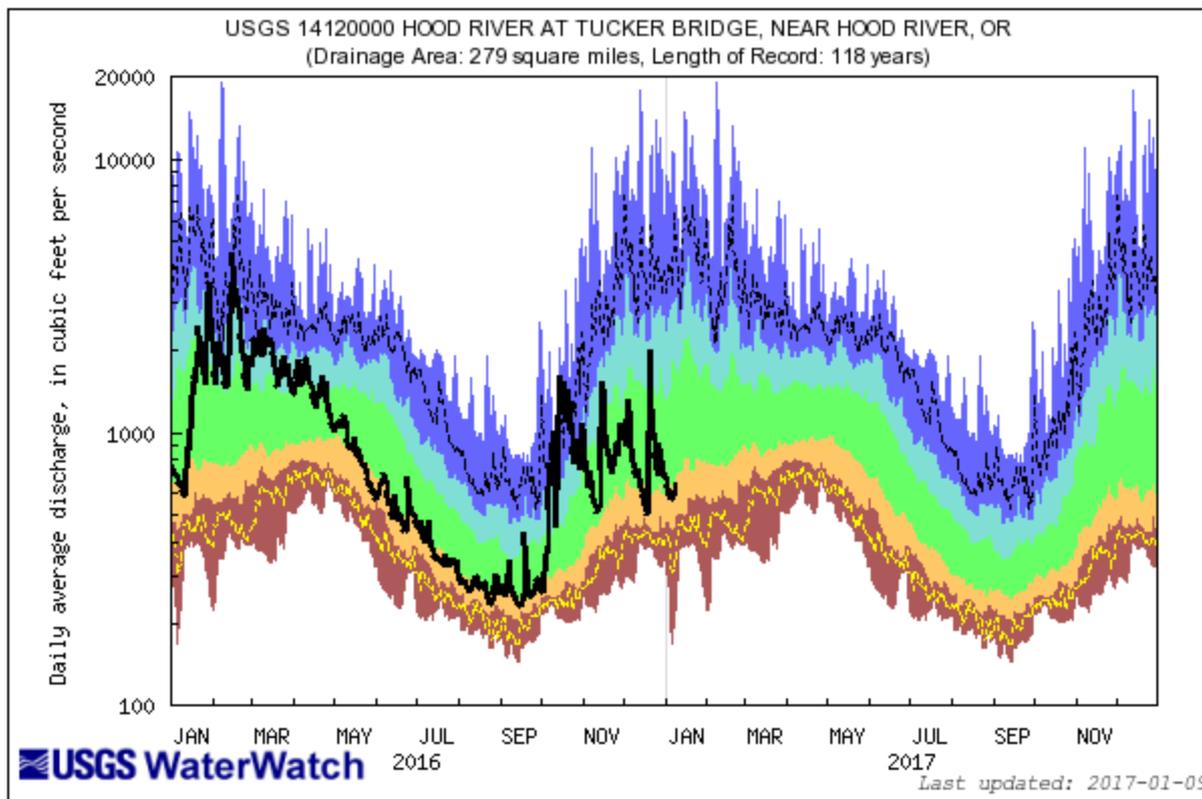
Explanation - Percentile classes							
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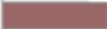
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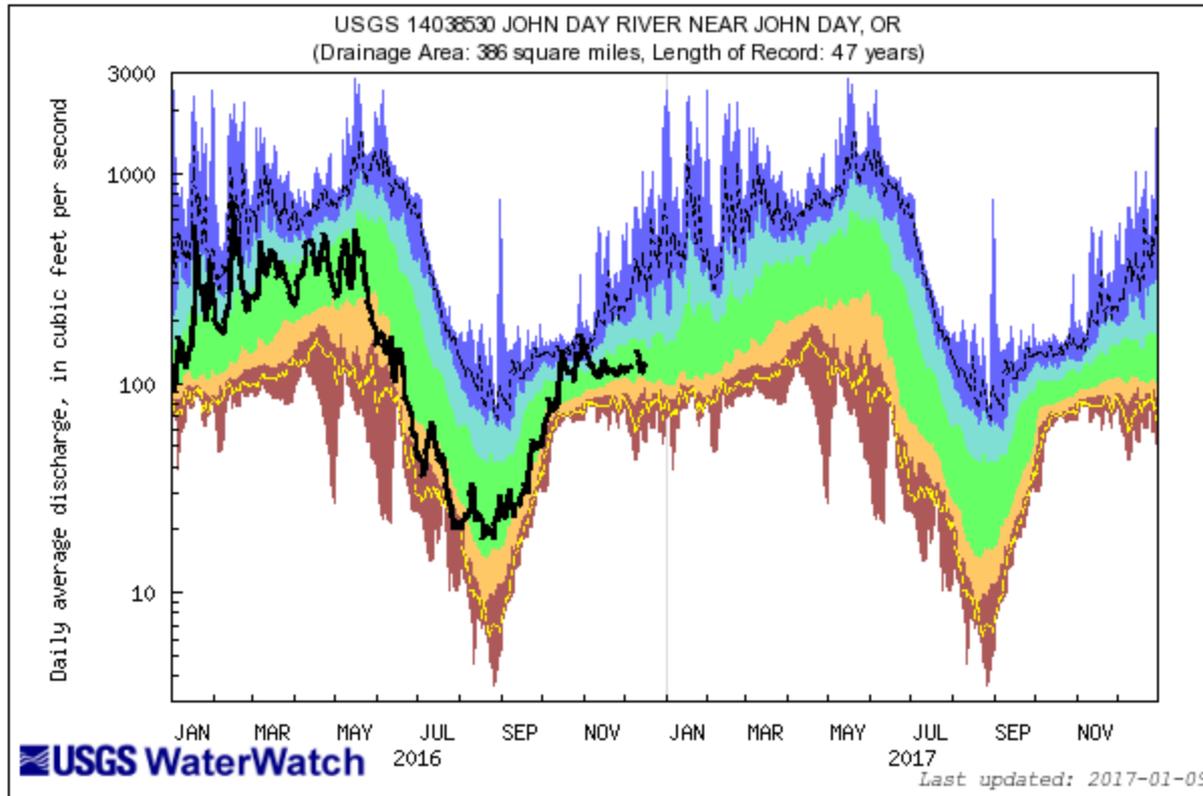
Cont. Jan 2016-Jan 2017 Hood River



Explanation - Percentile classes					
					
lowest-10th percentile	5	10-24	25-75	76-90	95 90th percentile-highest
Much below Normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	Flow

Cont.: The Year so Far

Jan 2016-Jan 2017 John Day



Explanation - Percentile classes						Flow
lowest-10th percentile	5	10-24	25-75	76-90	95	
Much below Normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

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Station	NRCS SWSI Basin	Monthly mean discharge		Change in dis- charge from previous month (percent)	Accumulated Runoff For the Period Oct. to Dec. Percent of average
		Cubic feet per second	Percent of average		
Donner Und Blitsen nr Frenchglen	Harney	34	57	-3	69
*) Deep Creek above Adel	Lake County	39	51	63	60
*) Chewaucan River near Paisley	Lake County	75	99	50	106
Williamson River near Chiloquin	Klamath	676	78	14	84
Owyhee River near Rome	Owyhee	216	61	34	69
*) NF Malheur River near Beulah	Malheur	58	92	0	100
Grande Ronde R at Troy	Grande Ronde Powder/Burnt	1,224	77	-1	99
Umatilla River nr Gibbon	Umatilla Lower John Day	142	71	39	86
John Day River at Service Crk	Upper John Day	643	58	25	72
*) Little Deschutes River nr LaPine	Upper Deschutes	90	63	-17	102
Hood River nr Hood River	Lower Deschutes Mt. Hood	847	68	4	96
Willamette River at Salem	Willamette	47,830	109	43	124
Wilson River near Tillamook	North Coast	2,390	96	-12	154
Umpqua River near Elkton	Rogue/Umpqua	20,120	140	185	151
Rogue River near Agness	Rogue/Umpqua	14,730	155	102	179
SF Coquille River at Powers	South Coast	1,827	97	-1	174
Chetco River near Brookings	South Coast	4,826	87	8	150

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 Percent of average computed using 30-year base period, water years 1981-2010.
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Coast, Willamette,
 Rogue and Umpqua
 above normal.

East Side sites lower
 (precipitation held in
 snow pack?)