

# Oregon Water Supply Availability Committee

## December 11, 2018

Red Hill SNOTEL Site, Hood River County – December 2017

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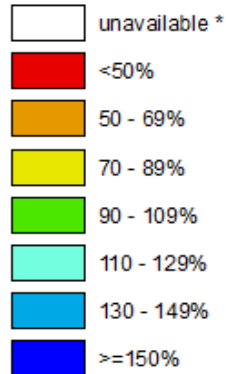


# Statewide SNOTEL Snow Water Equivalent is 57% of normal

## Oregon SNOTEL Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) % of Normal

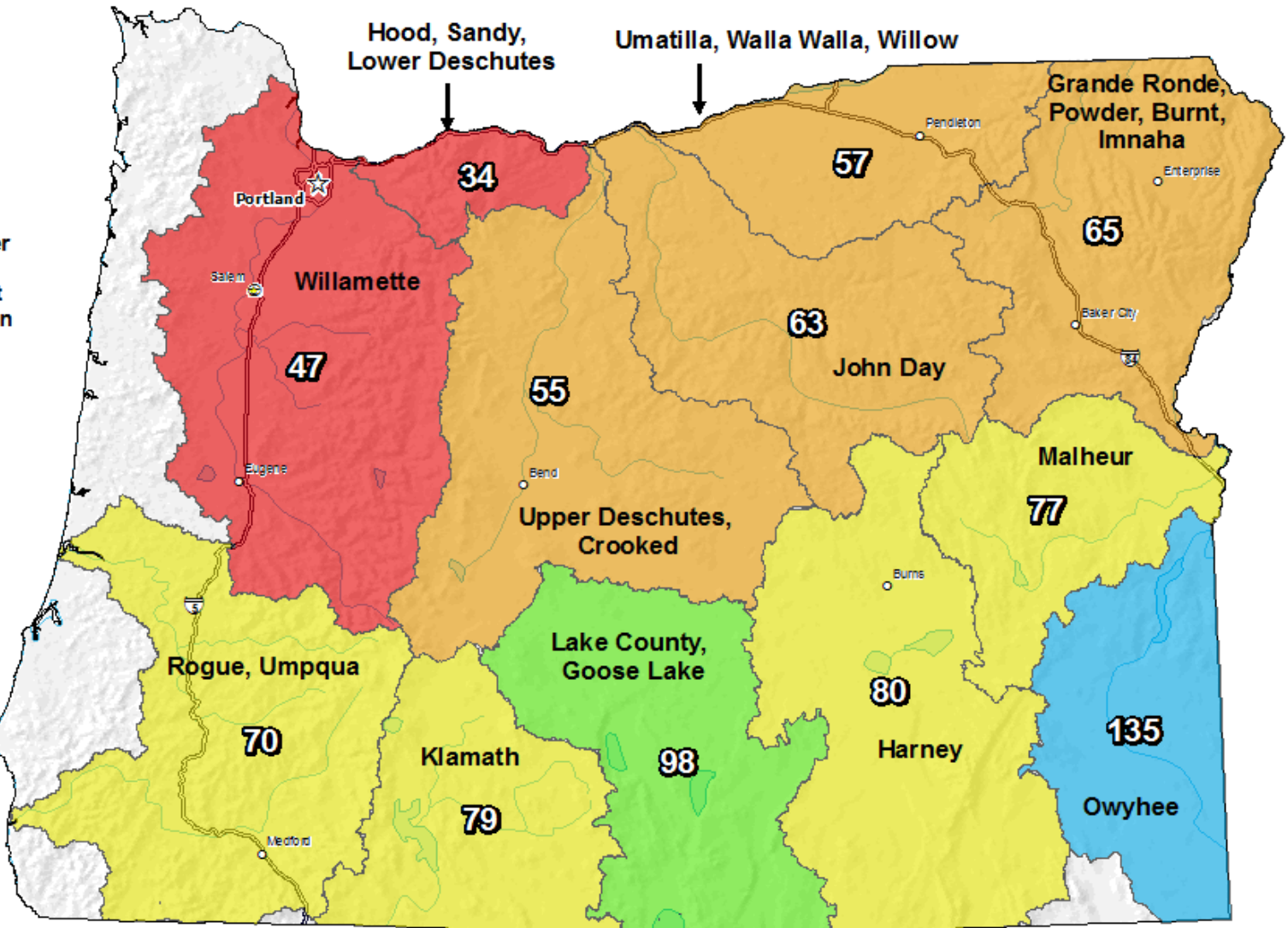
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Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Basin-wide Percent of 1981-2010 Median



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Subject to Revision



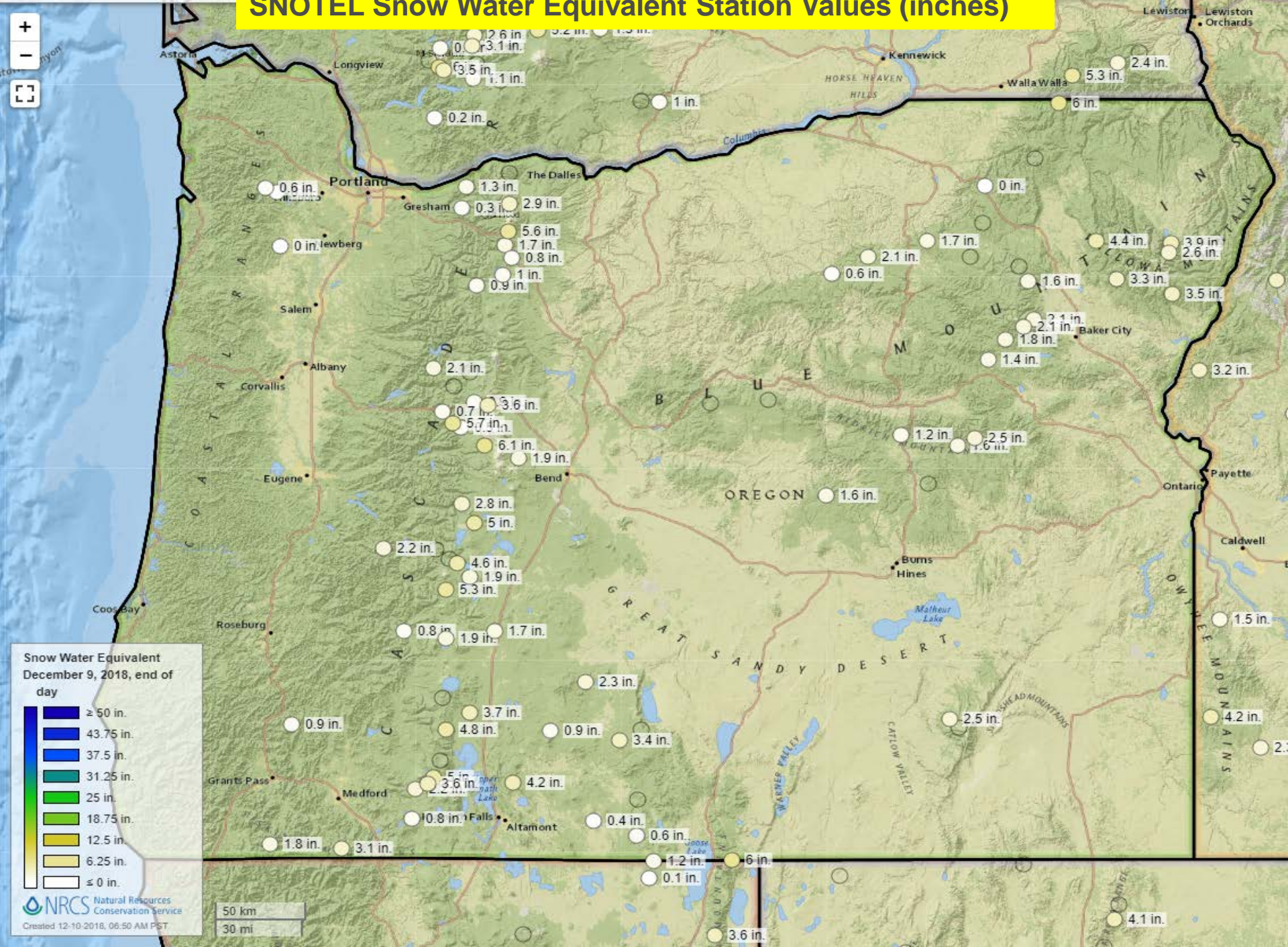
The snow water equivalent percent of normal represents the current snow water equivalent found at selected SNOTEL sites in or near the basin compared to the average value for those sites on this day. Data based on the first reading of the day (typically 00:00).



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# SNOTEL Snow Water Equivalent Station Values (inches)



**Snow Water Equivalent**  
December 9, 2018, end of day

Dark Blue	≥ 50 in.
Blue	43.75 in.
Light Blue	37.5 in.
Teal	31.25 in.
Green	25 in.
Light Green	18.75 in.
Yellow-Green	12.5 in.
Yellow	6.25 in.
White	≤ 0 in.

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50 km  
30 mi

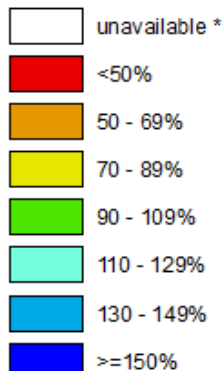


# Statewide SNOTEL Precipitation is 66% of normal

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

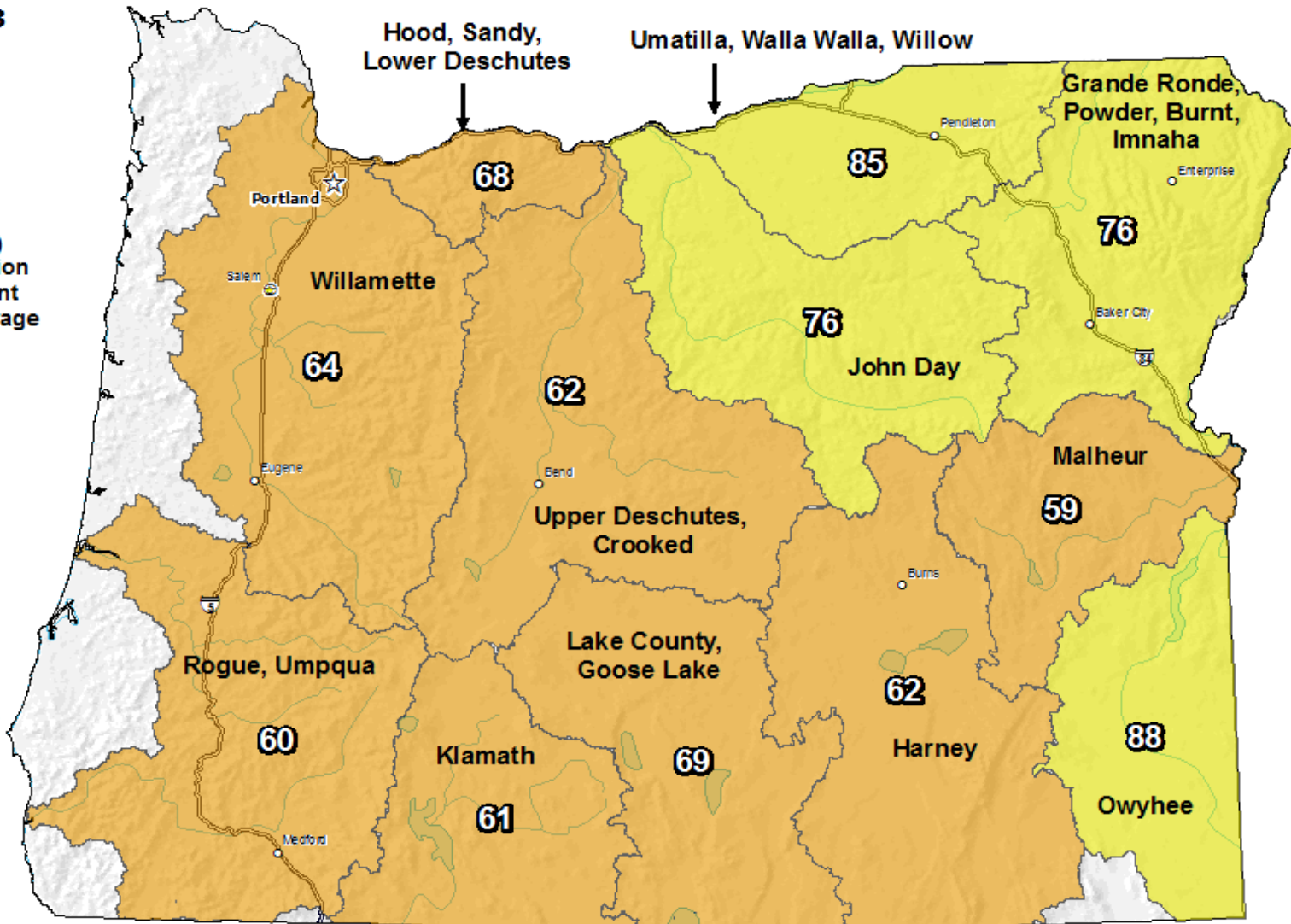
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Water Year (Oct 1) to Date Precipitation Basin-wide Percent of 1981-2010 Average



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The water year to date precipitation percent of normal represents the accumulated precipitation 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).

0 10 20 40 60 80 100 Miles

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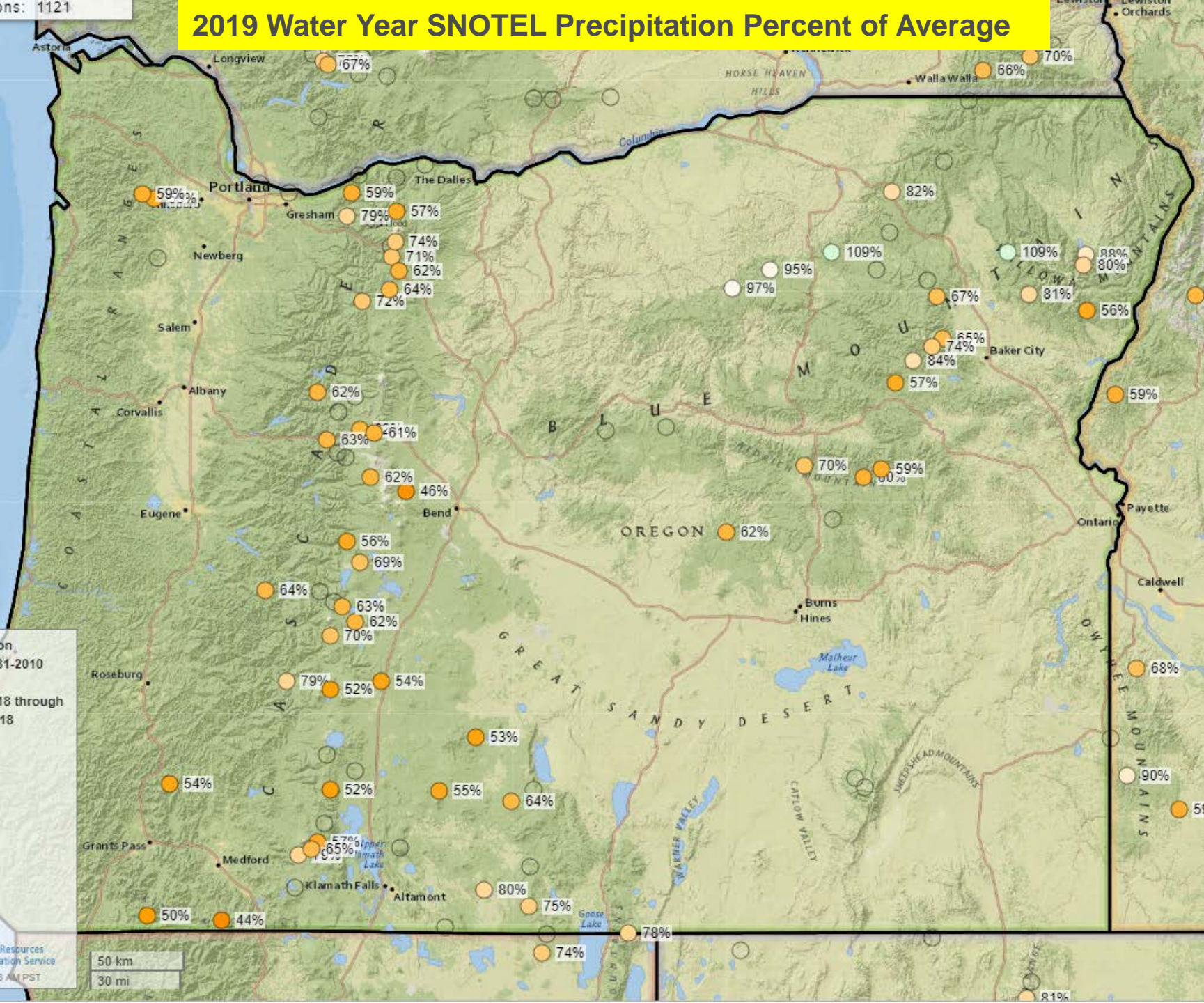
# 2019 Water Year SNOTEL Precipitation Percent of Average



71 day Precipitation  
Percent NRCS 1981-2010  
Average  
September 30, 2018 through  
December 9, 2018

- ≥ 200%
- 175%
- 150%
- 125%
- 100%
- 75%
- 50%
- 25%
- ≤ 0%

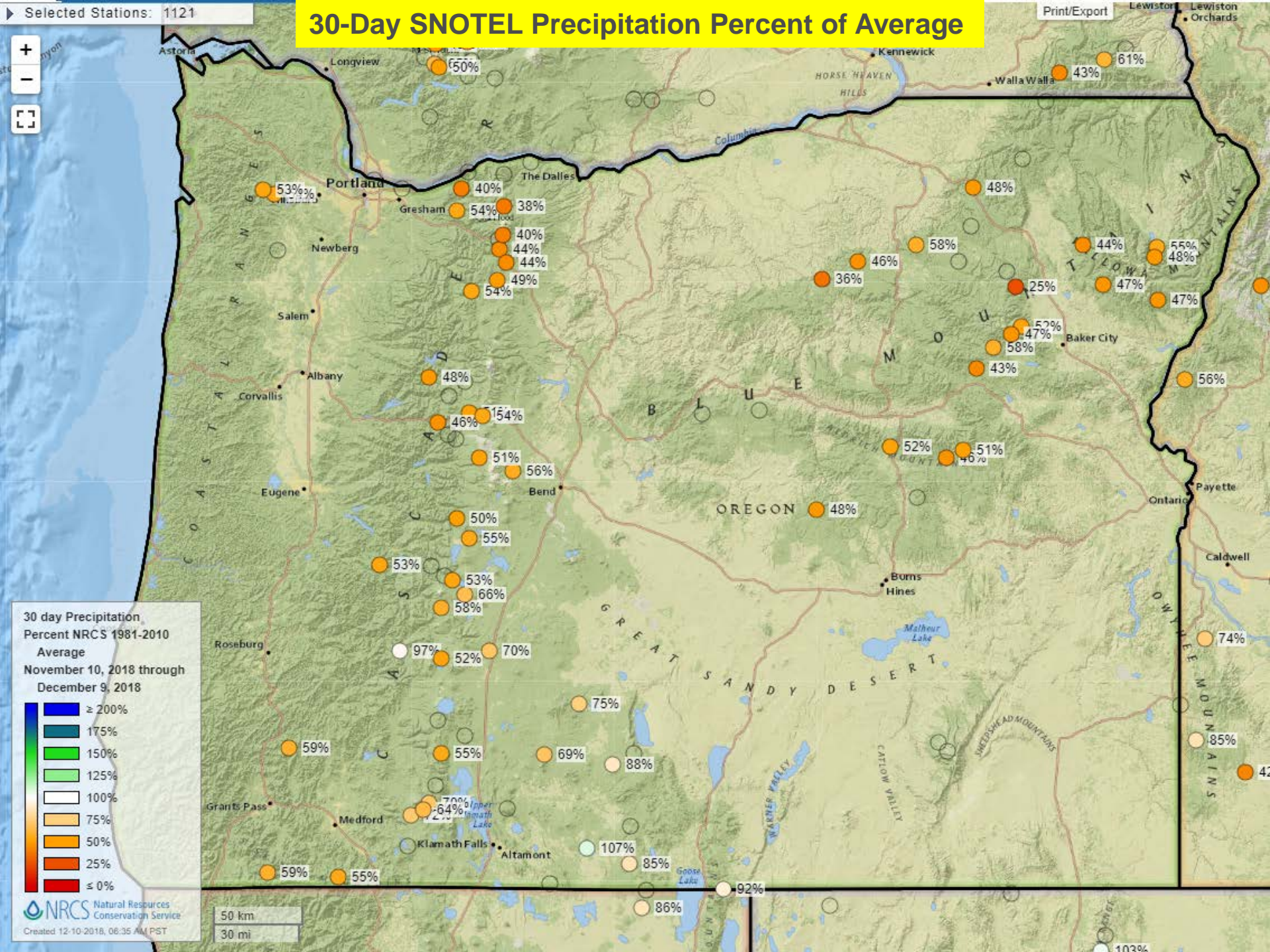
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50 km  
30 mi



# 30-Day SNOTEL Precipitation Percent of Average



**30 day Precipitation**  
Percent NRCS 1981-2010  
Average  
November 10, 2018 through  
December 9, 2018

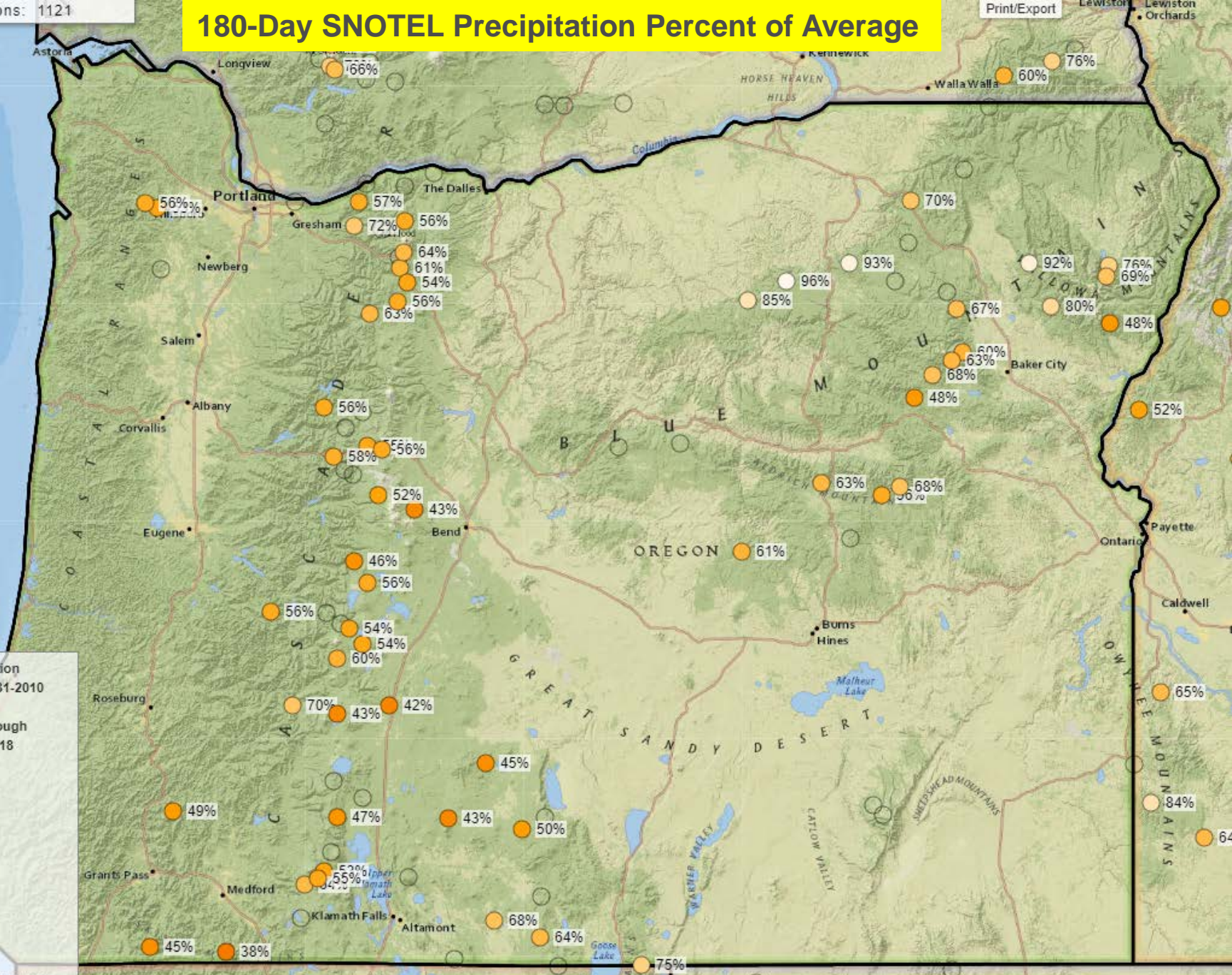
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Blue	175%
Green	150%
Light Green	125%
White	100%
Yellow	75%
Orange	50%
Red-Orange	25%
Red	≤ 0%

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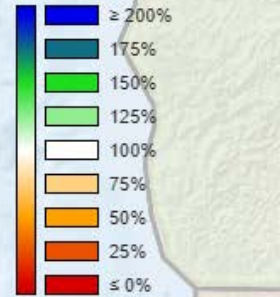
50 km  
30 mi



# 180-Day SNOTEL Precipitation Percent of Average



180 day Precipitation  
Percent NRCS 1981-2010  
Average  
June 13, 2018 through  
December 9, 2018



50 km  
30 mi



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# Oregon Water Supply Availability

*December 11, 2018*  
*National Weather Service Update*

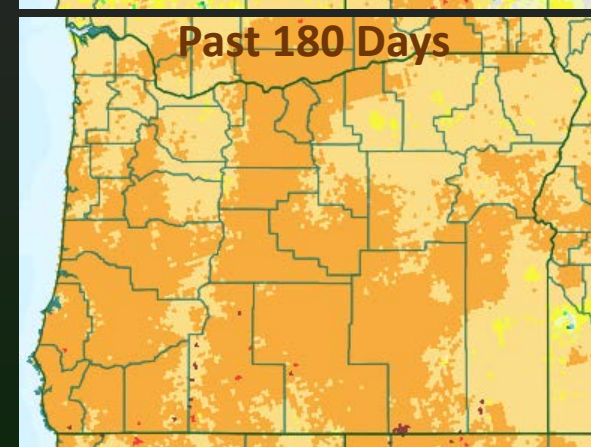
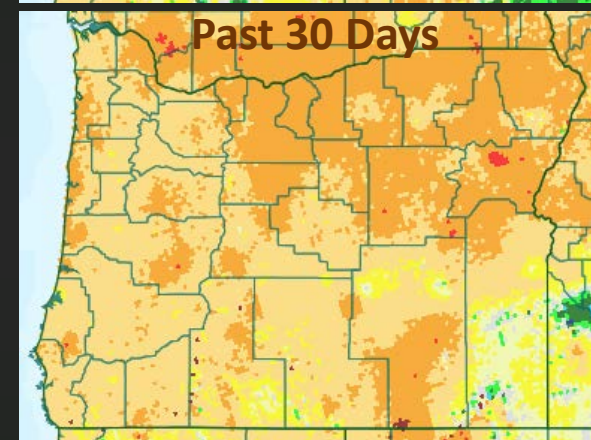
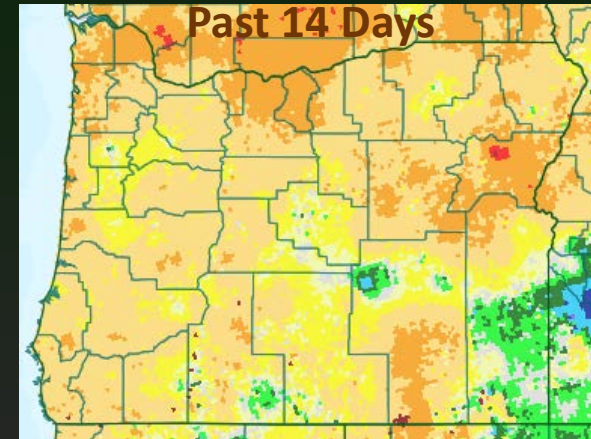
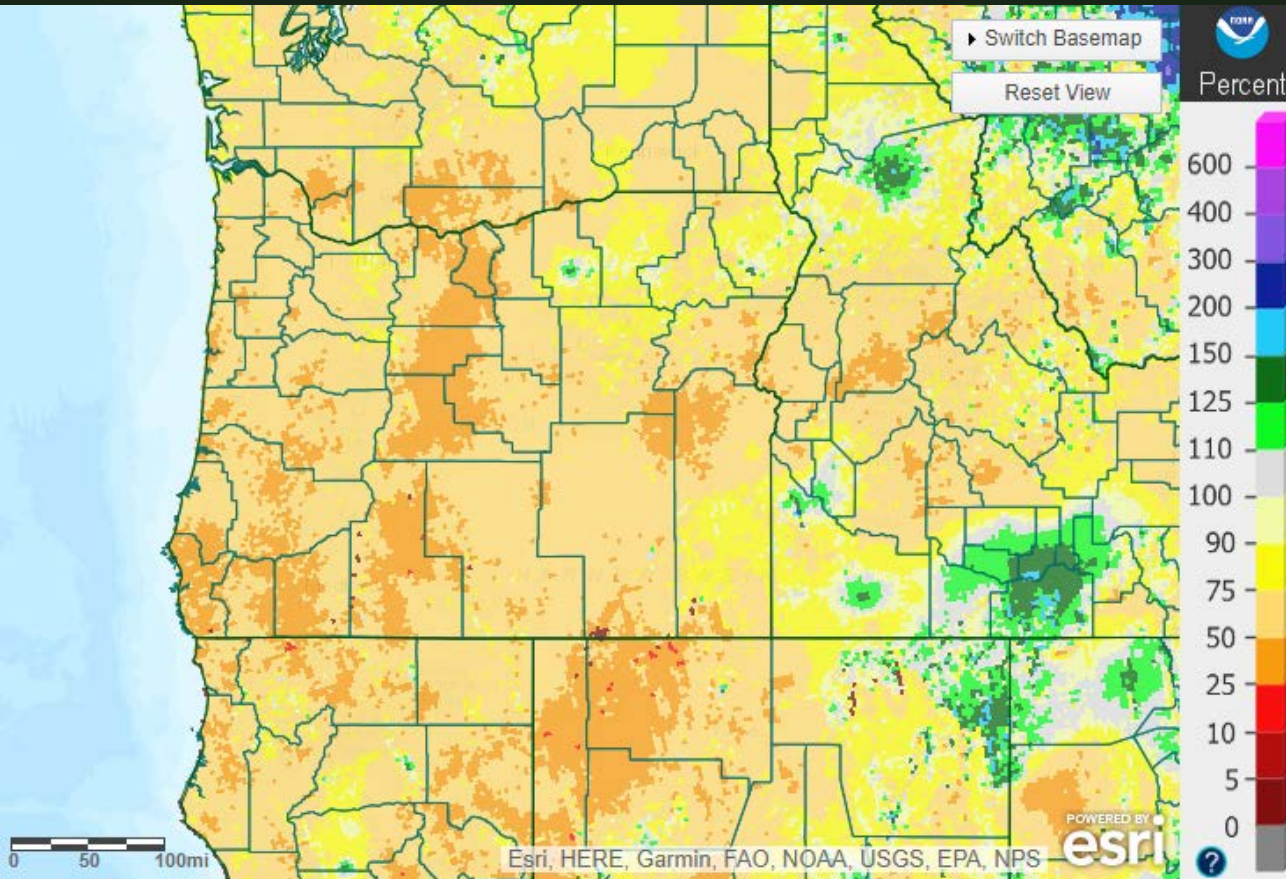
**Andy Bryant, NWS Portland &  
Northwest River Forecast Center Hydrologists**





# Precipitation % of Average

2019 Water Year thus far



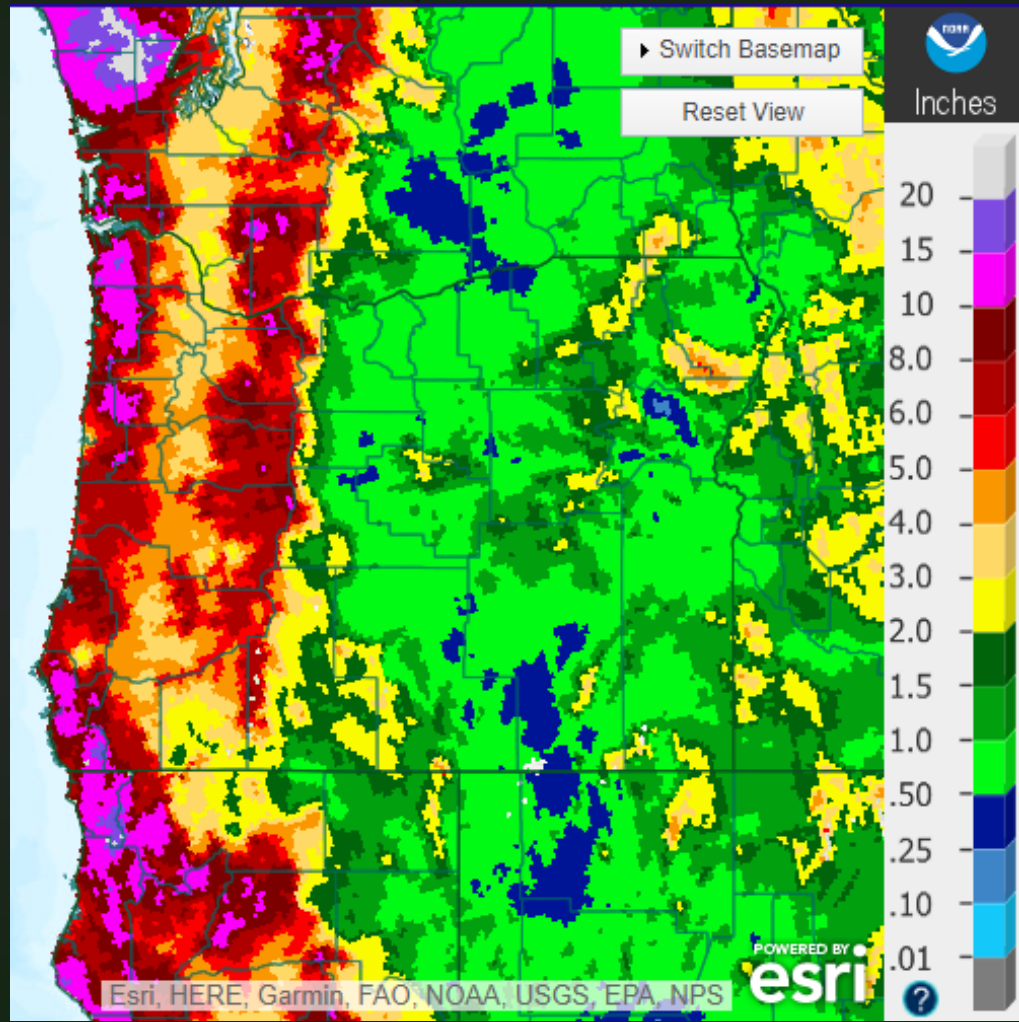
*Precipitation Data as of December 10, 2018*



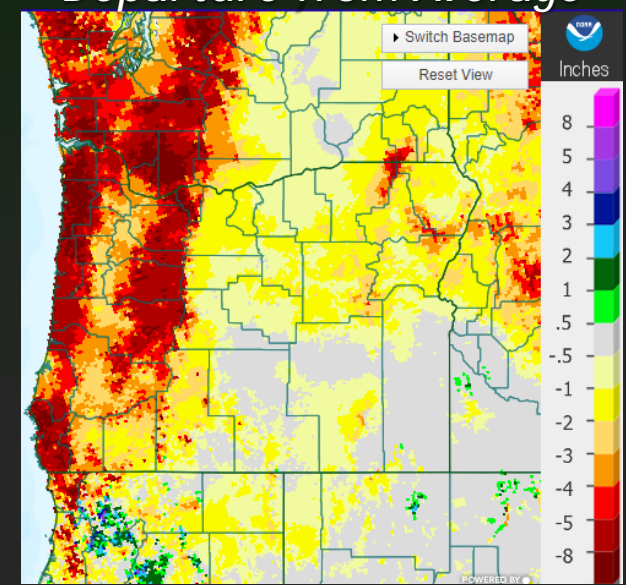


# Precipitation Past 30 Days

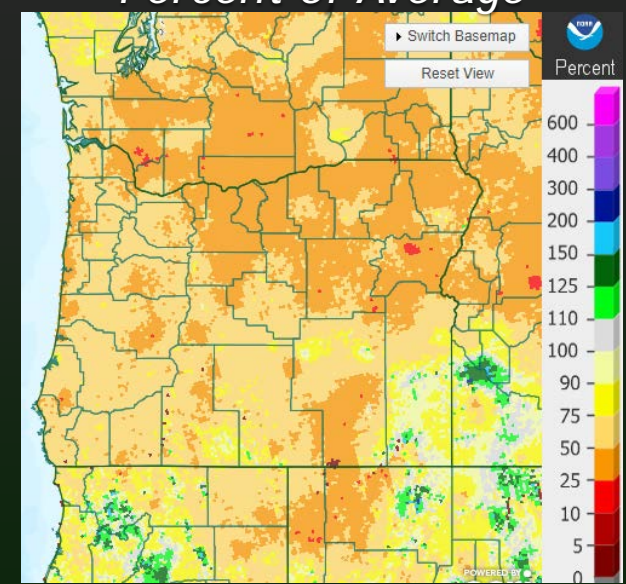
## Precipitation Totals



## Departure from Average



## Percent of Average



Precipitation Data as of December 10, 2018

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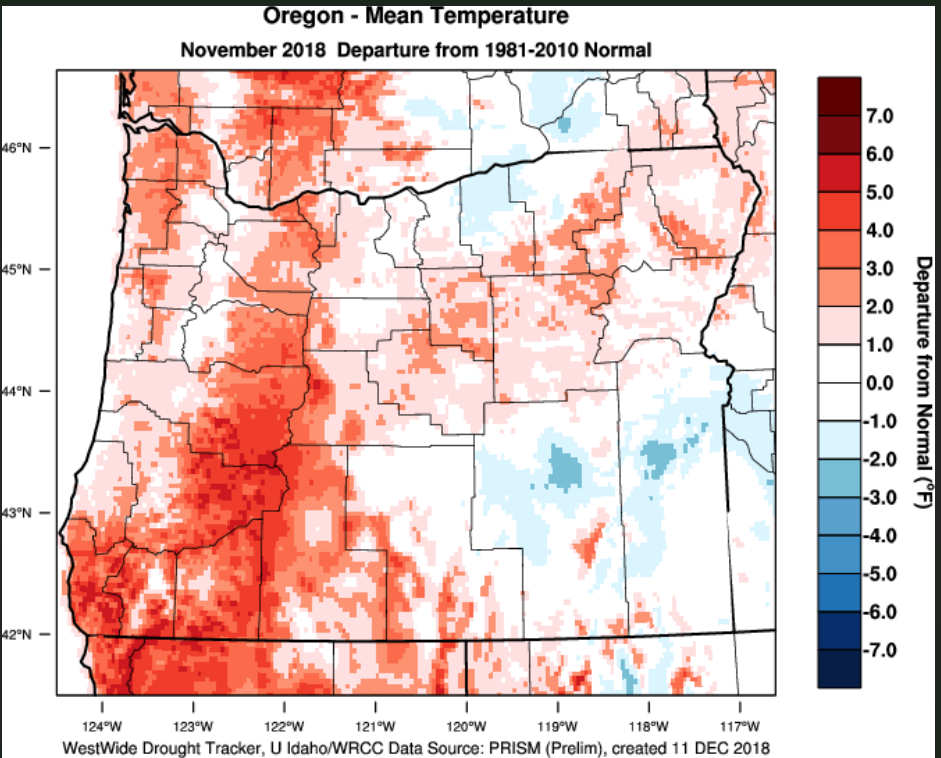
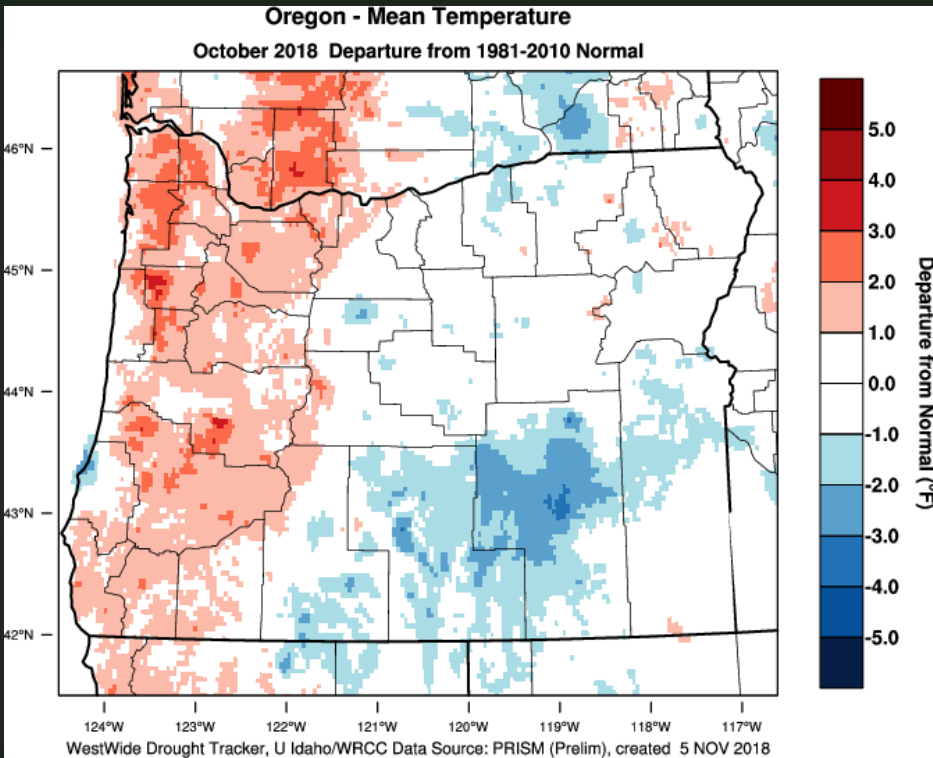




# Recent Temperatures

October 2018

November 2018



*Temperatures thus far in December are below average.*



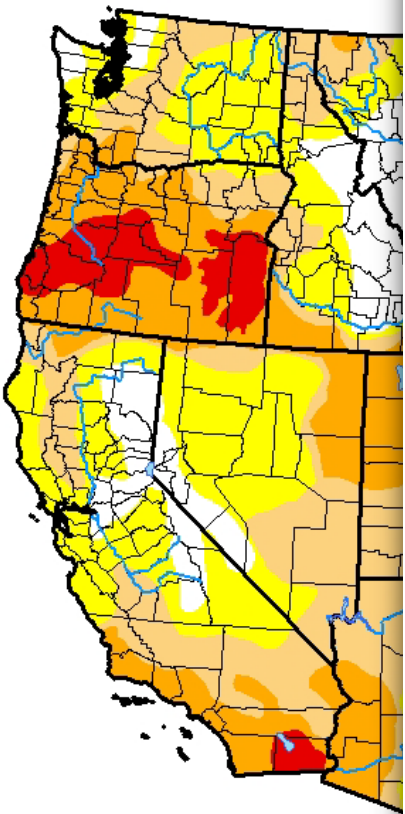


# Drought Monitor

**U.S. Drought Monitor**  
**West**

**October 30, 2018**

*(Released Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018)*

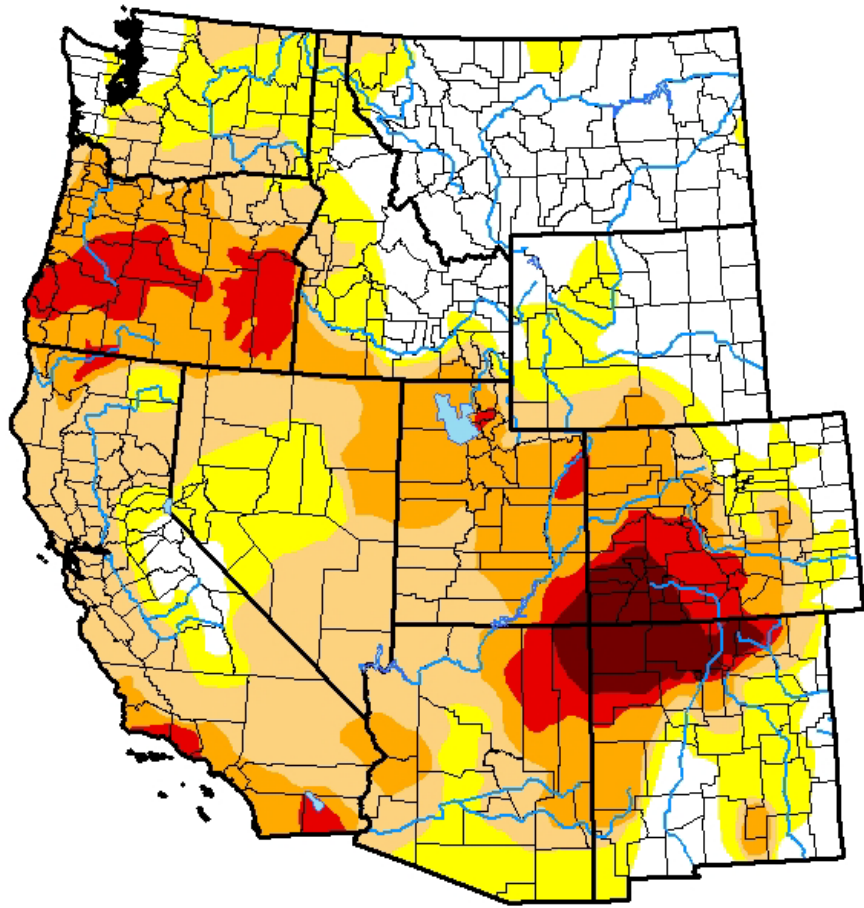


**U.S. Drought Monitor**  
**West**


**December 4, 2018**

*(Released Thursday, Dec. 6, 2018)*

Valid 7 a.m. EST



**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.*

**Author:**

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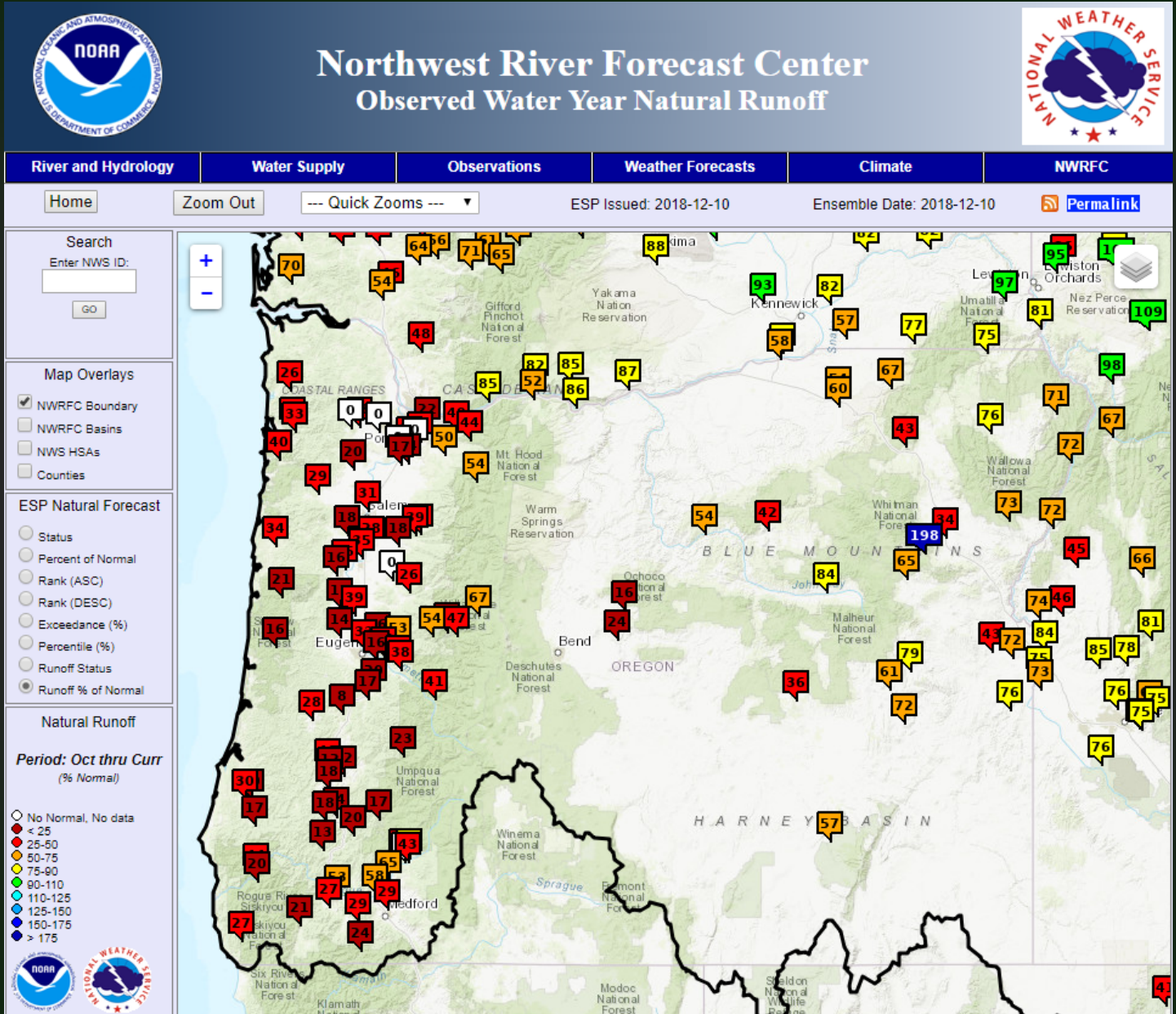


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# Observed WY19 Runoff thus far

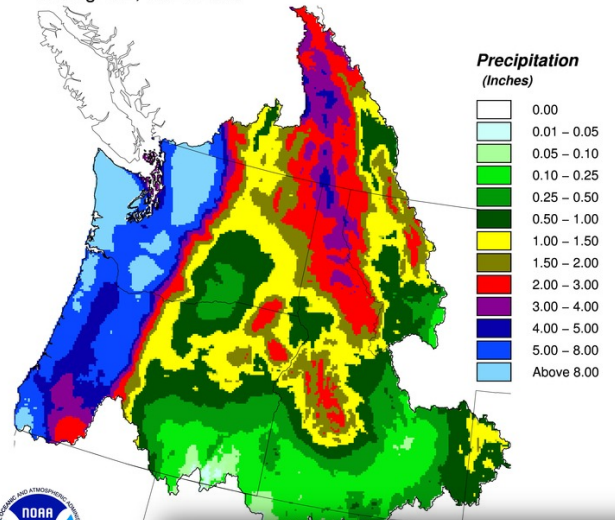




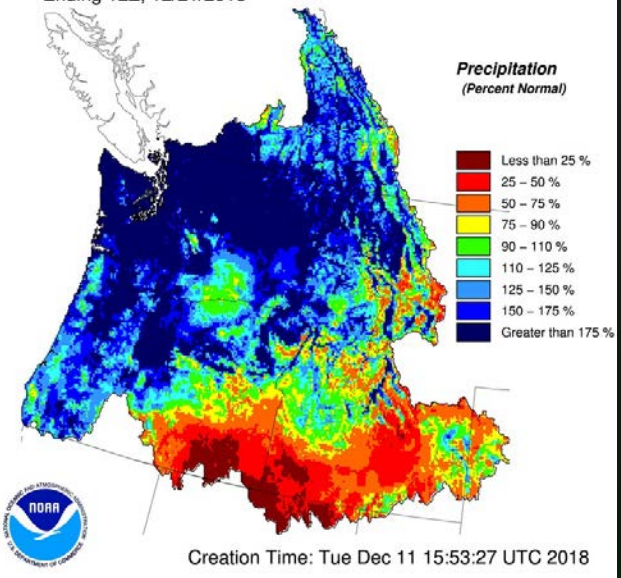


# Mid-December Outlook

10 Day QPF  
Ending 12Z, 12/21/2018

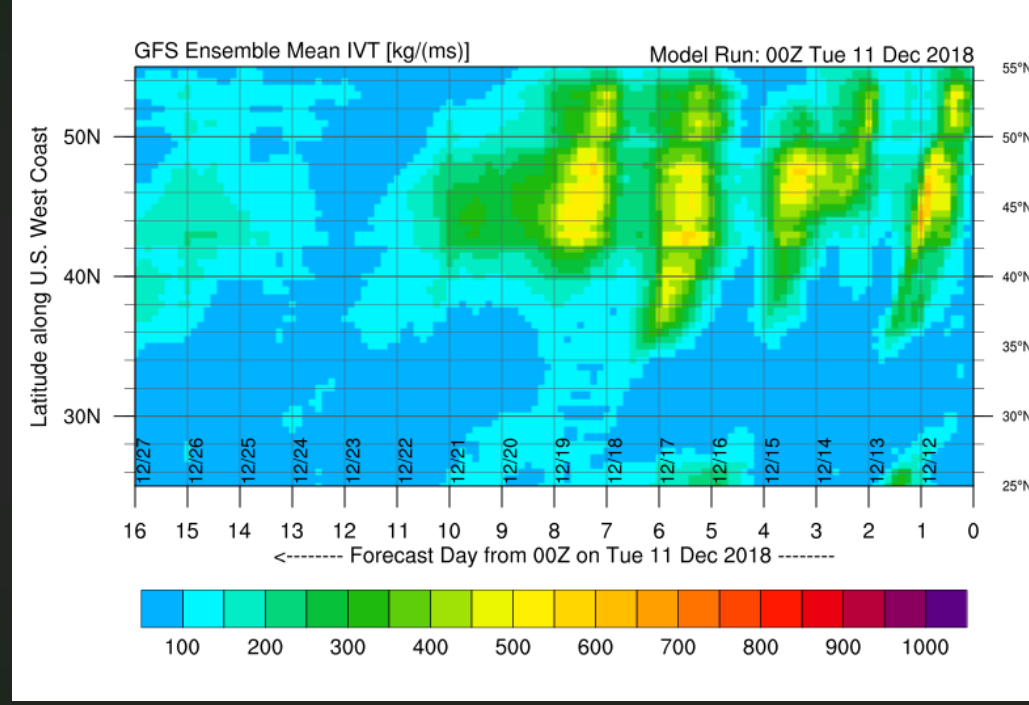


10 Day QPF (Percent of Climatology)  
Ending 12Z, 12/21/2018



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GFS Ensemble Mean - Integrated Vapor Transport  
*Indicates series of "beneficial" atmospheric rivers next 10 days*

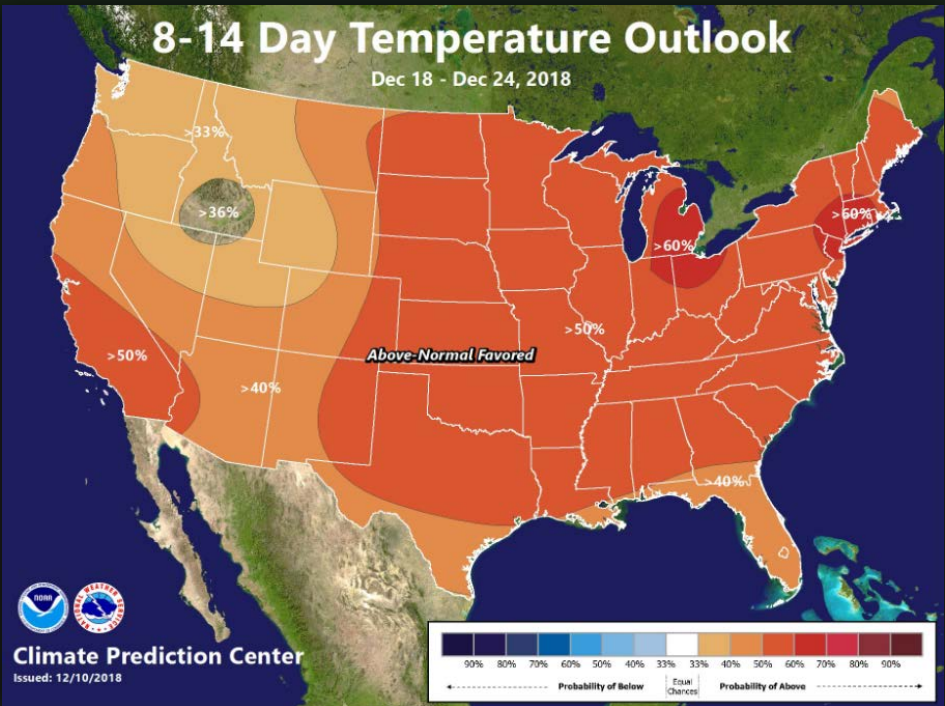
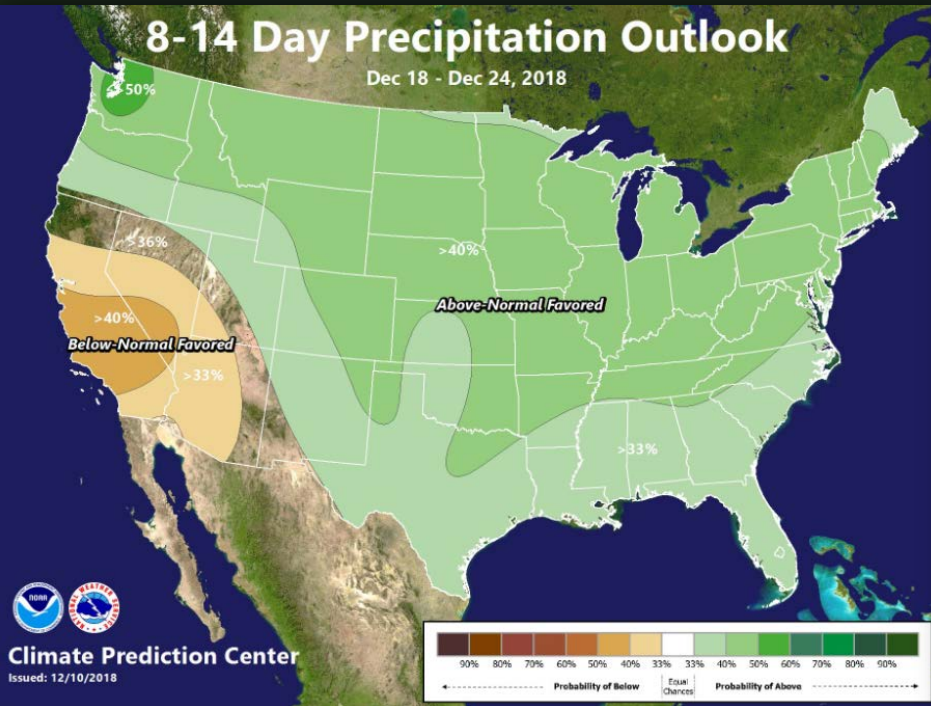


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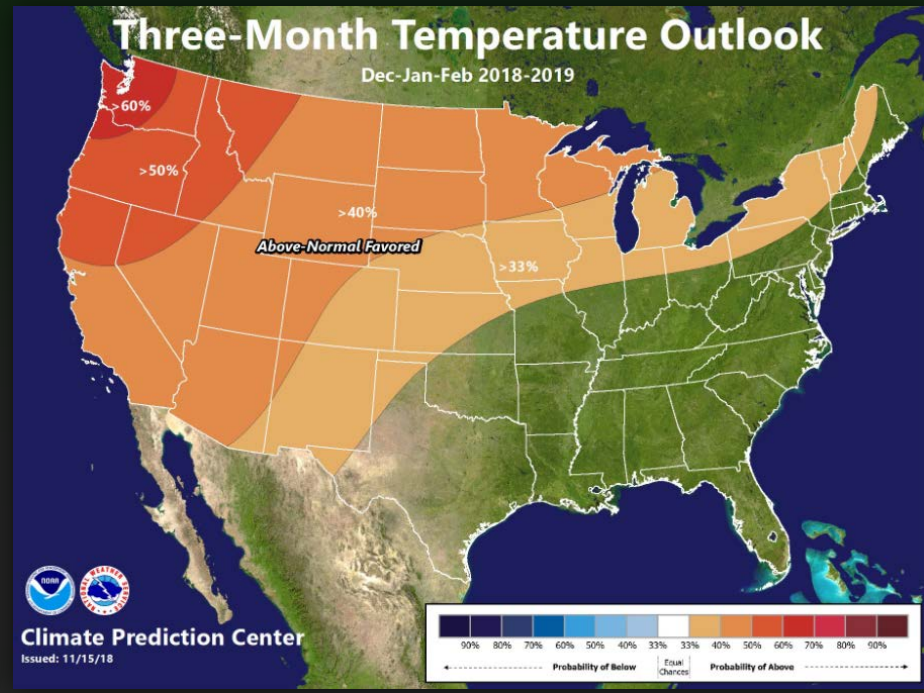
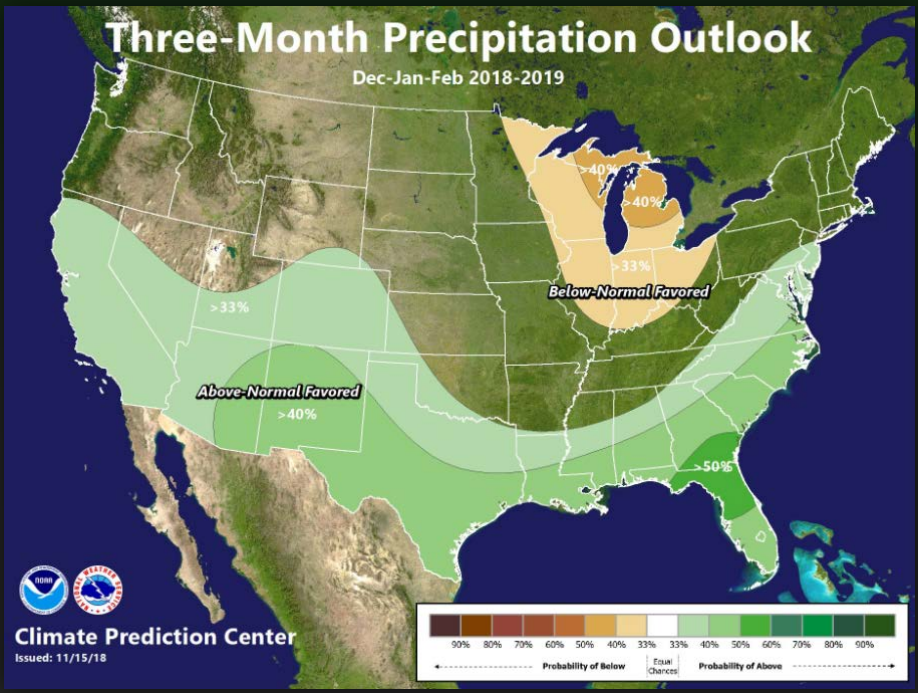
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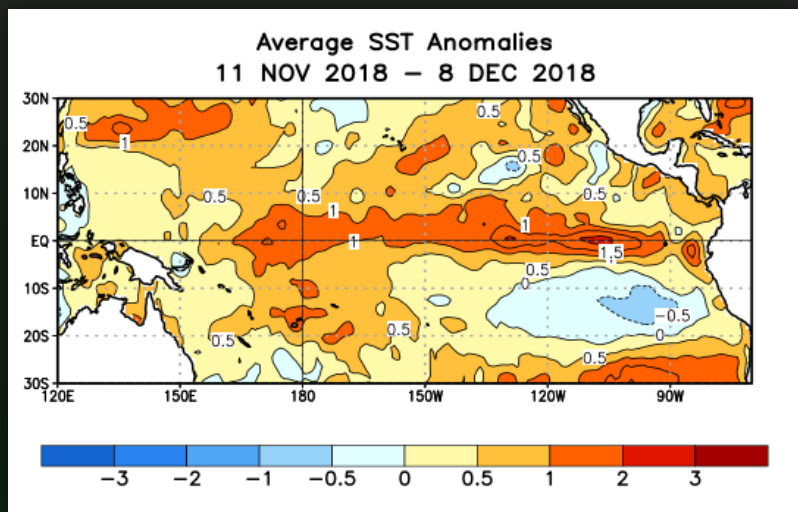




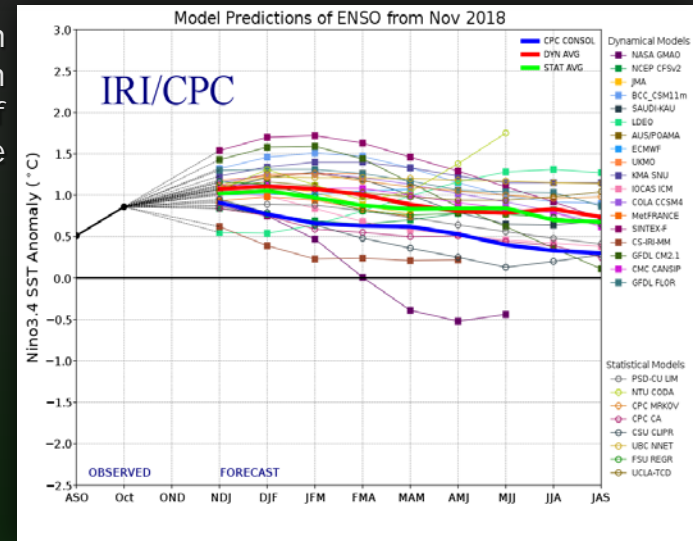
# Outlook for Dec 2018 - Feb 2019



[https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/images/sto/GIS\\_NEW/](https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/images/sto/GIS_NEW/)



ENSO Prediction based on consensus of model guidance



[iri.columbia.edu/our-expertise/climate/forecasts/enso/current/](http://iri.columbia.edu/our-expertise/climate/forecasts/enso/current/)

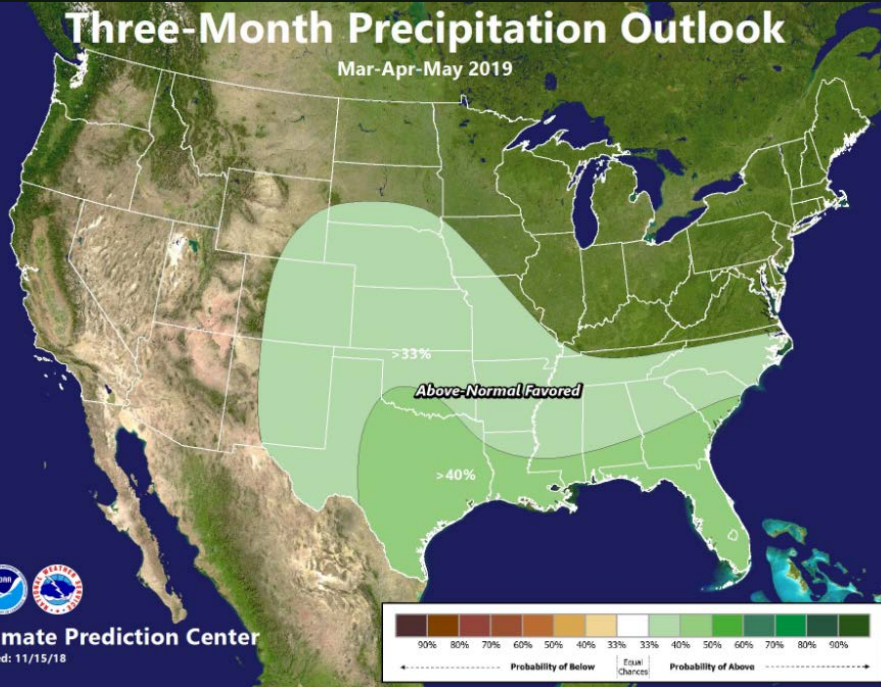




# Outlook for March-April-May 2019

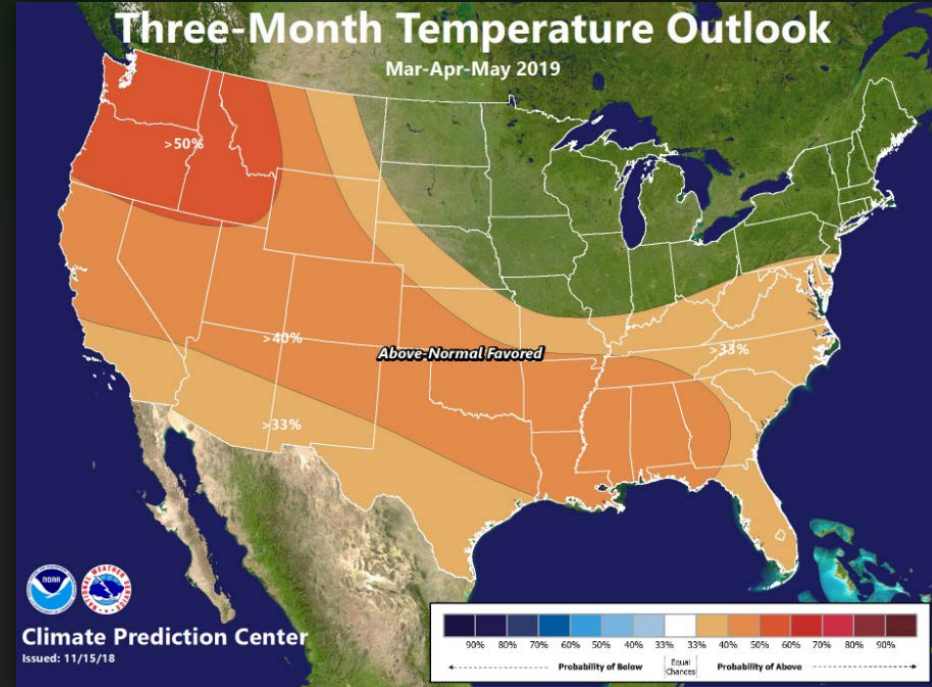
## Three-Month Precipitation Outlook

Mar-Apr-May 2019



## Three-Month Temperature Outlook

Mar-Apr-May 2019







# Oregon Water Supply Availability Meeting

**December 2018**

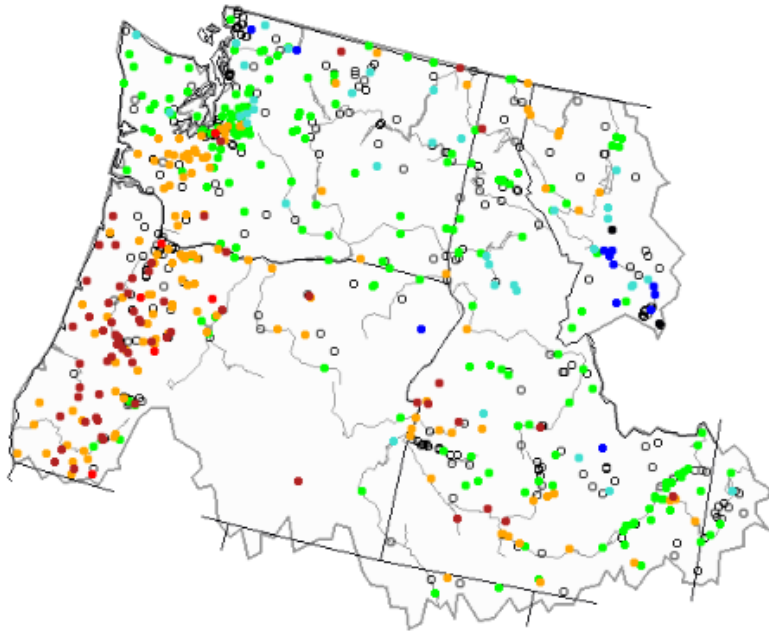
**USGS Update on Surface Water Conditions**

**Marc Stewart & Carrie Boudreau**

**Oregon Water Science Center**



November 2018



Search USGS streamgage

Choose a data retrieval option and select a location on the map

Single station  Nearest stations  Peak flow

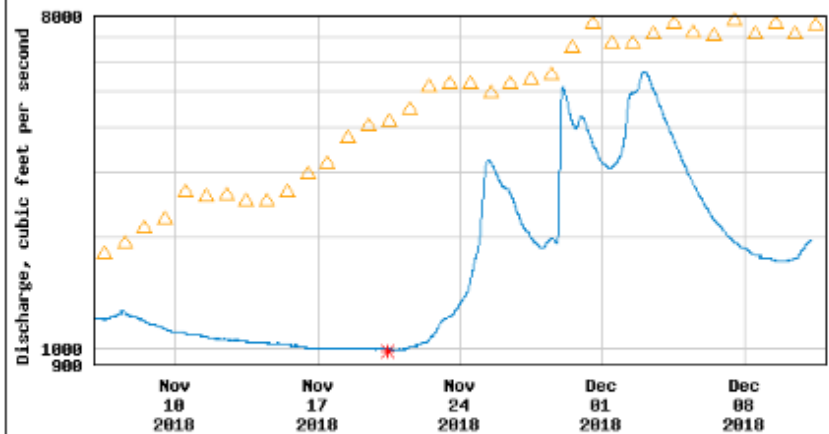
Explanation - Percentile classes

Low	<10	10-24	25-75	76-90	>90	High	Not-ranked
	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

Pacific Northwest Map of monthly (Nov) Stream compared to historical streamflow for month.



USGS 14321000 UMPQUA RIVER NEAR ELKTON, OR



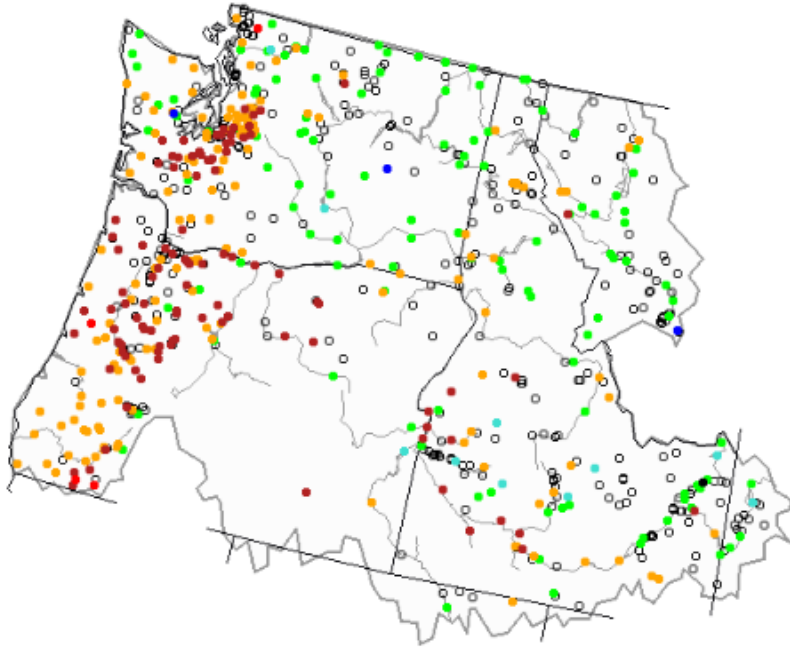
----- Provisional Data Subject to Revision -----

Median daily statistic (113 years) Measured discharge  
 Discharge





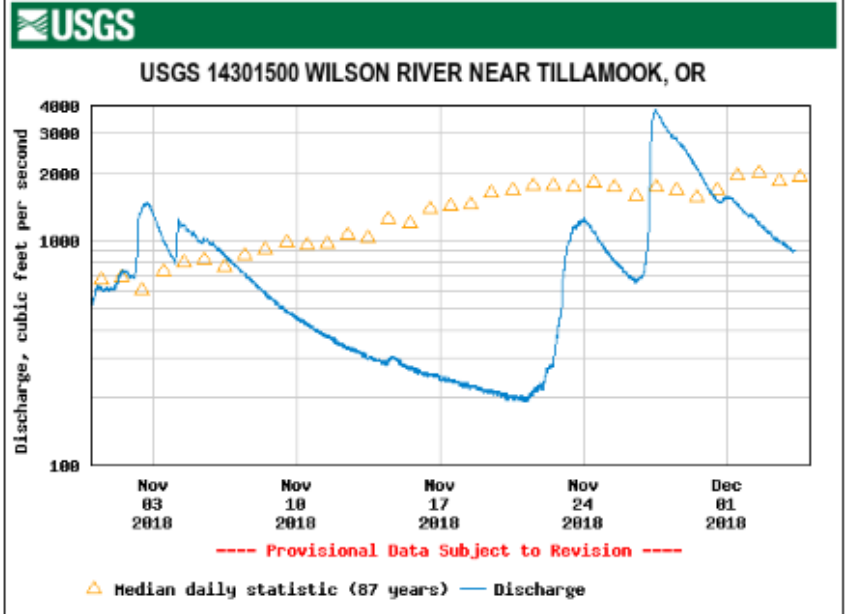
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Explanation - Percentile classes							
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Low	<10 Much below normal	10-24 Below normal	25-75 Normal	76-90 Above normal	>90 Much above normal	High	Not-ranked

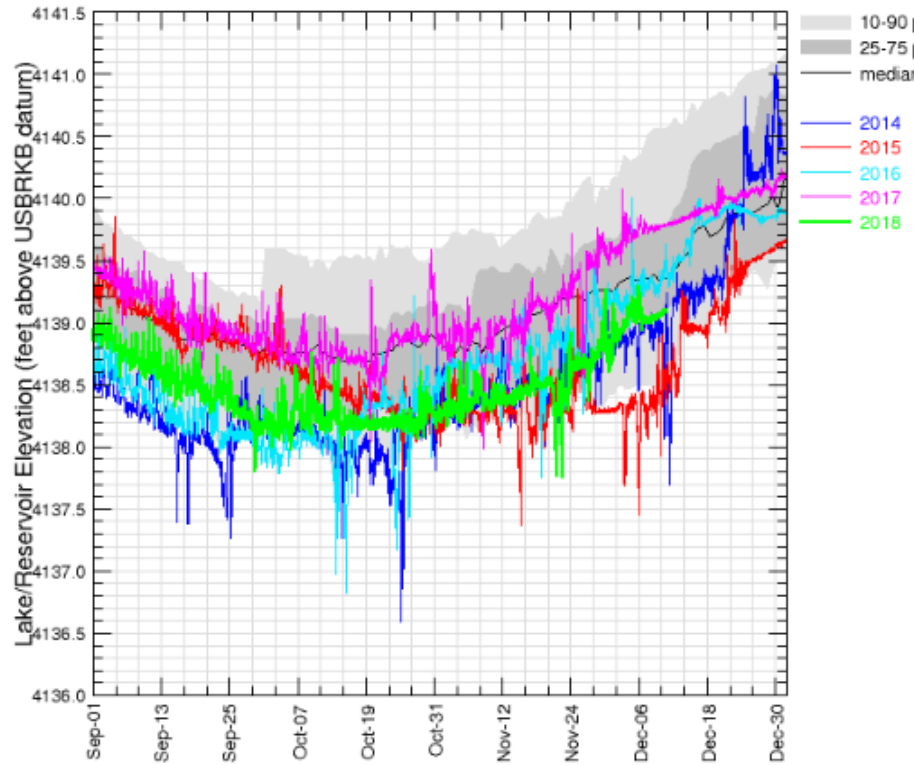
## Map of 7-day average streamflow compared to historical streamflow for the day of the year (Pacific Northwest)



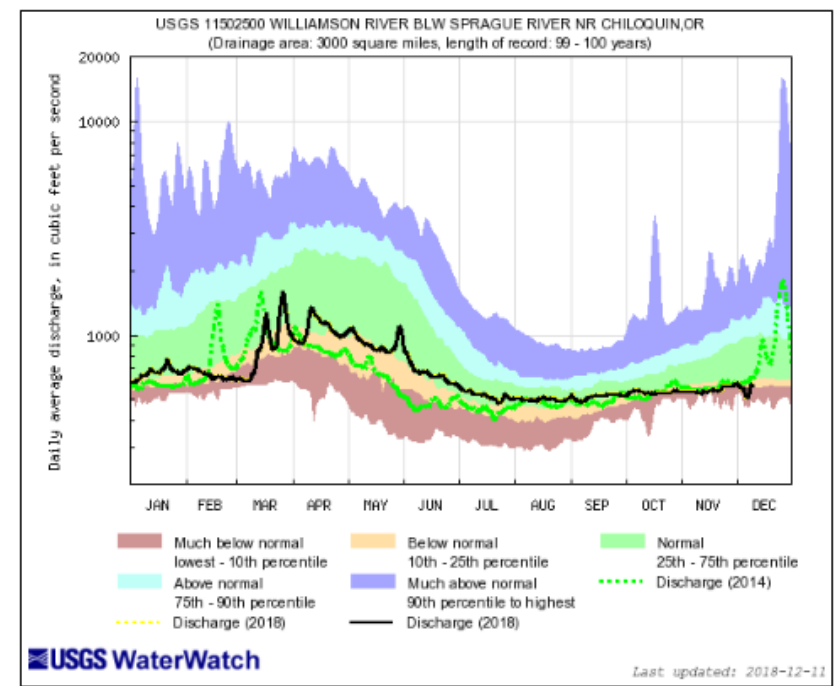


# Klamath Basin

Upper Klamath Lake near Klamath Falls, OR (11507000)  
Data from U.S. Geological Survey, Oct-01-2000 to Dec-10-2018



Tue Dec 11 10:45:38 2018



USGS WaterWatch

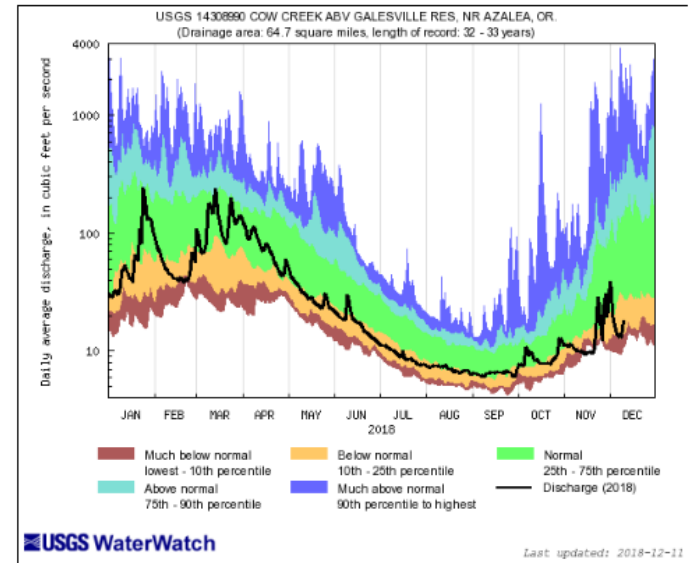
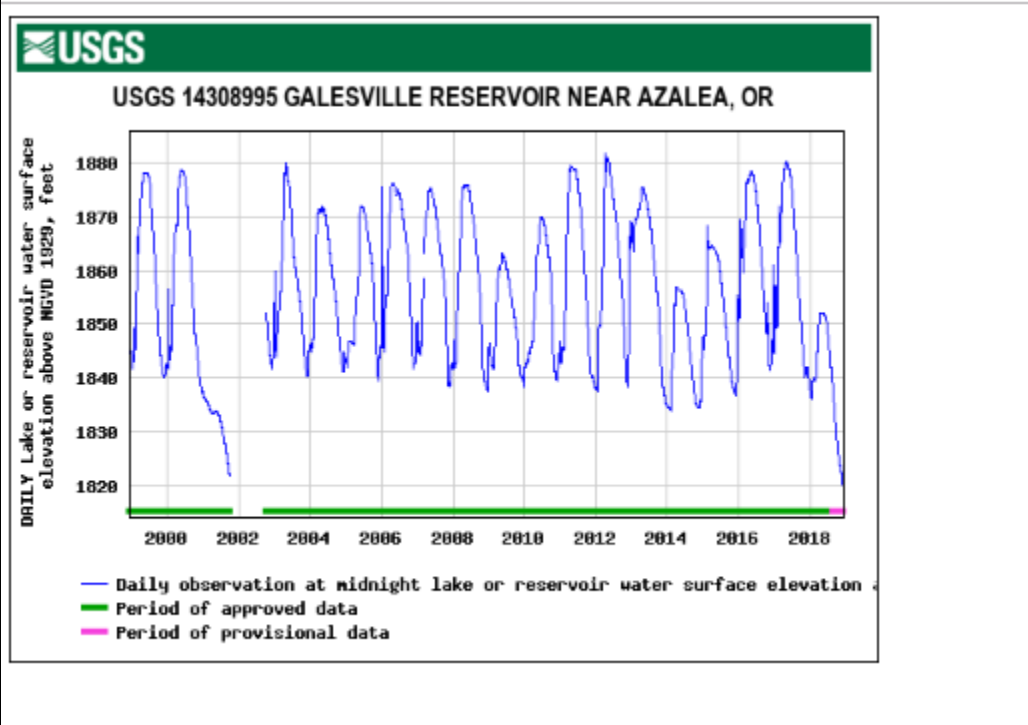
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Explanation - Percentile classes					Flow
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Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	





# Reservoirs



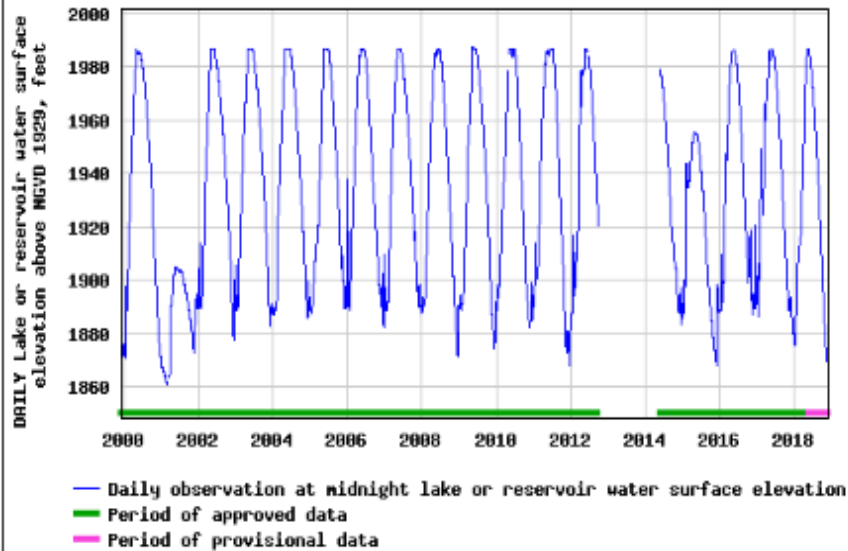
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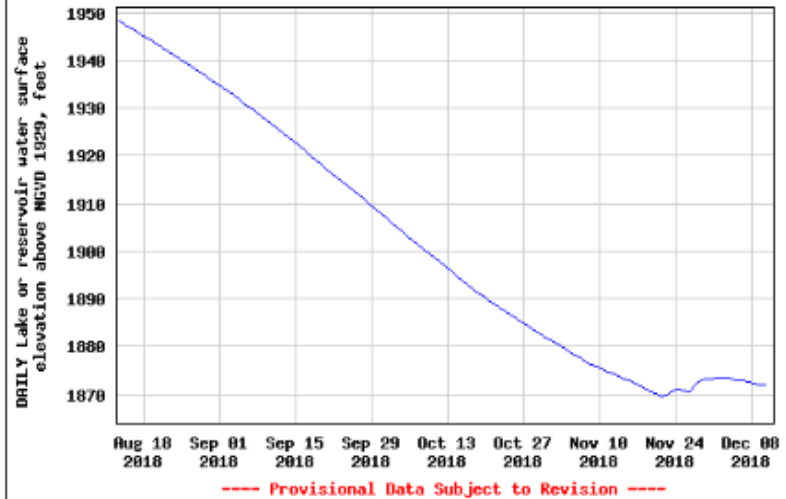
Explanation - Percentile classes					
lowest 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile - highest	Flow
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	



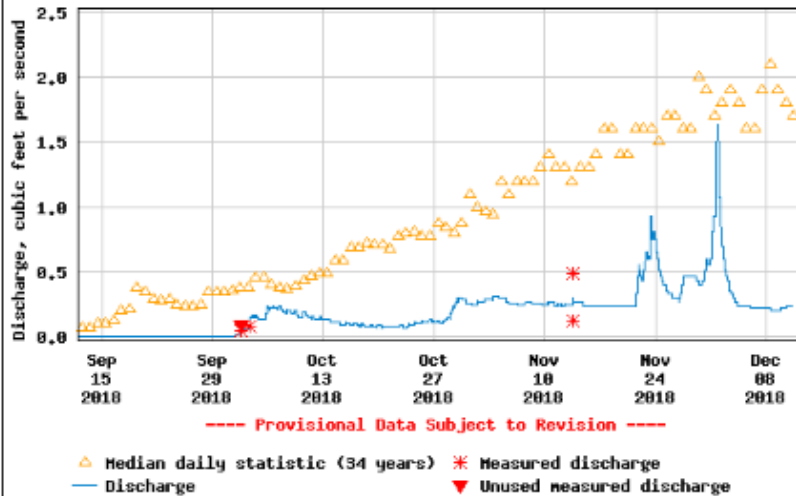
### USGS 14361900 APPLGATE LAKE NEAR COPPER, OR.



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### USGS 14362250 STAR GULCH NEAR RUCH, OR



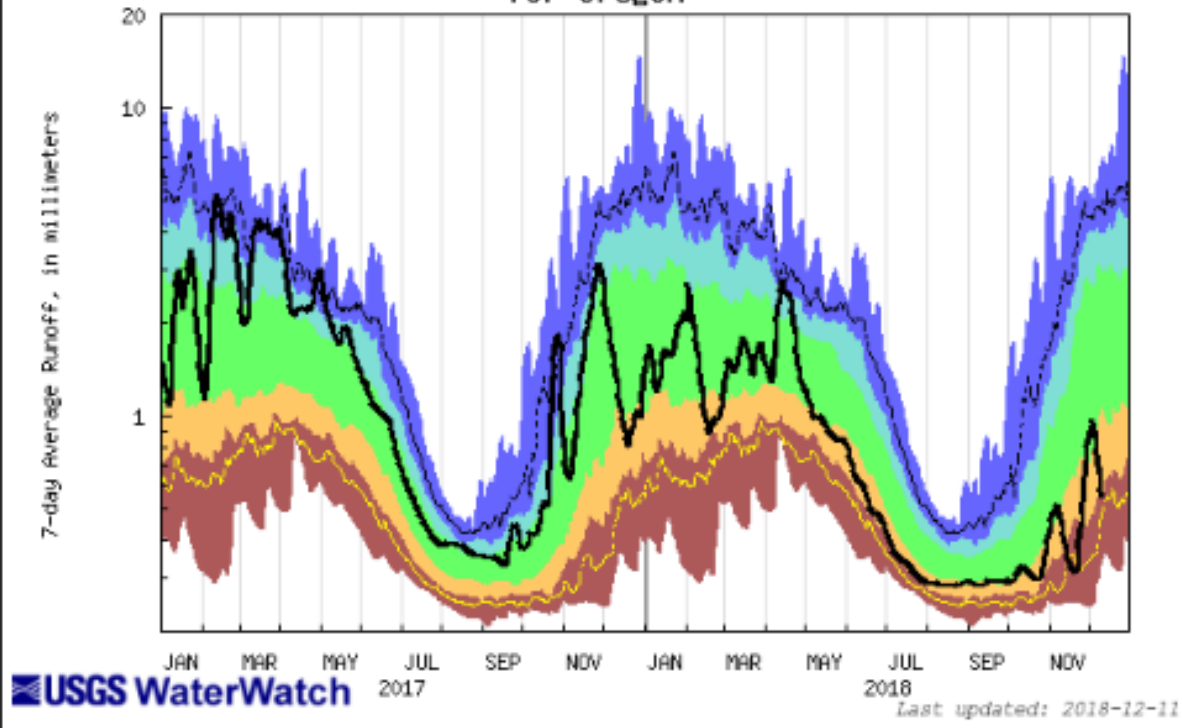









Station	NRCS SWSI Basin	Monthly mean discharge		Change in dis- charge from	Accumulated Runoff For the Period Oct. to Nov.
		Cubic feet per second	Percent of average	previous month (percent)	Percent of average
Donner Und Blitzen nr Frenchglen	Harney	28	58	-3	61
*)Deep Creek above Adel	Lake County	16	42	14	49
*)Chewaucan River near Paisley	Lake County	36	72	13	77
Williamson River near Chiloquin	Klamath	557	78	3	83
Owyhee River near Rome	Owyhee	148	70	20	73
*)NF Malheur River near Beulah	Malheur	47	81	-2	86
Grande Ronde R at Troy	Grande Ronde Powder/Burnt	890	77	23	84
Umatilla River nr Gibbon	Umatilla Lower John Day	78	64	50	75
John Day River at Service Crk	Upper John Day	337	56	36	60
*)Little Deschutes River nr LaPine	Upper Deschutes	65	64	14	71
Hood River nr Hood River	Lower Deschutes Mt.Hood	499	51	61	57
Willamette River at Salem	Willamette	8,364	30	8	40
Wilson River near Tillamook	North Coast	815	42	318	44
Umpqua River near Elkton	Rogue/Umpqua	1,511	24	39	33
Rogue River near Agness	Rogue/Umpqua	1,838	43	8	57
SF Coquille River at Powers	South Coast	200	21	700	20
Chetco River near Brookings	South Coast	801	27	603	26

All data should be considered provisional and subject to revision.  
Percent of average computed using 30-year base period, water years 1981-2010.  
(\*) provided by Oregon Water Resources Department

12/4/2018

Duration hydrograph of 7-day average runoff for Oregon



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	Runoff

**Provisional Data Statement**

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**Power Point “USGS Update on Surface Water Conditions”**

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Water Availability Report By: Tiffany Rae Jacklin

Pictures Marty Berry & Marc Stewart--- USGS ORWSC





Water Supply Conditions Report

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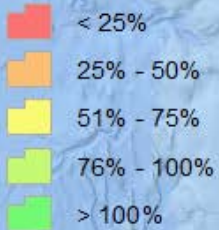


Ken Stahr  
Oregon Water Resources  
Department  
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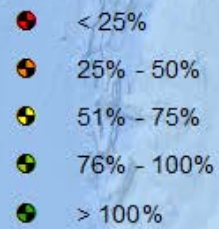


# Percent of Average Streamflow November - 2018

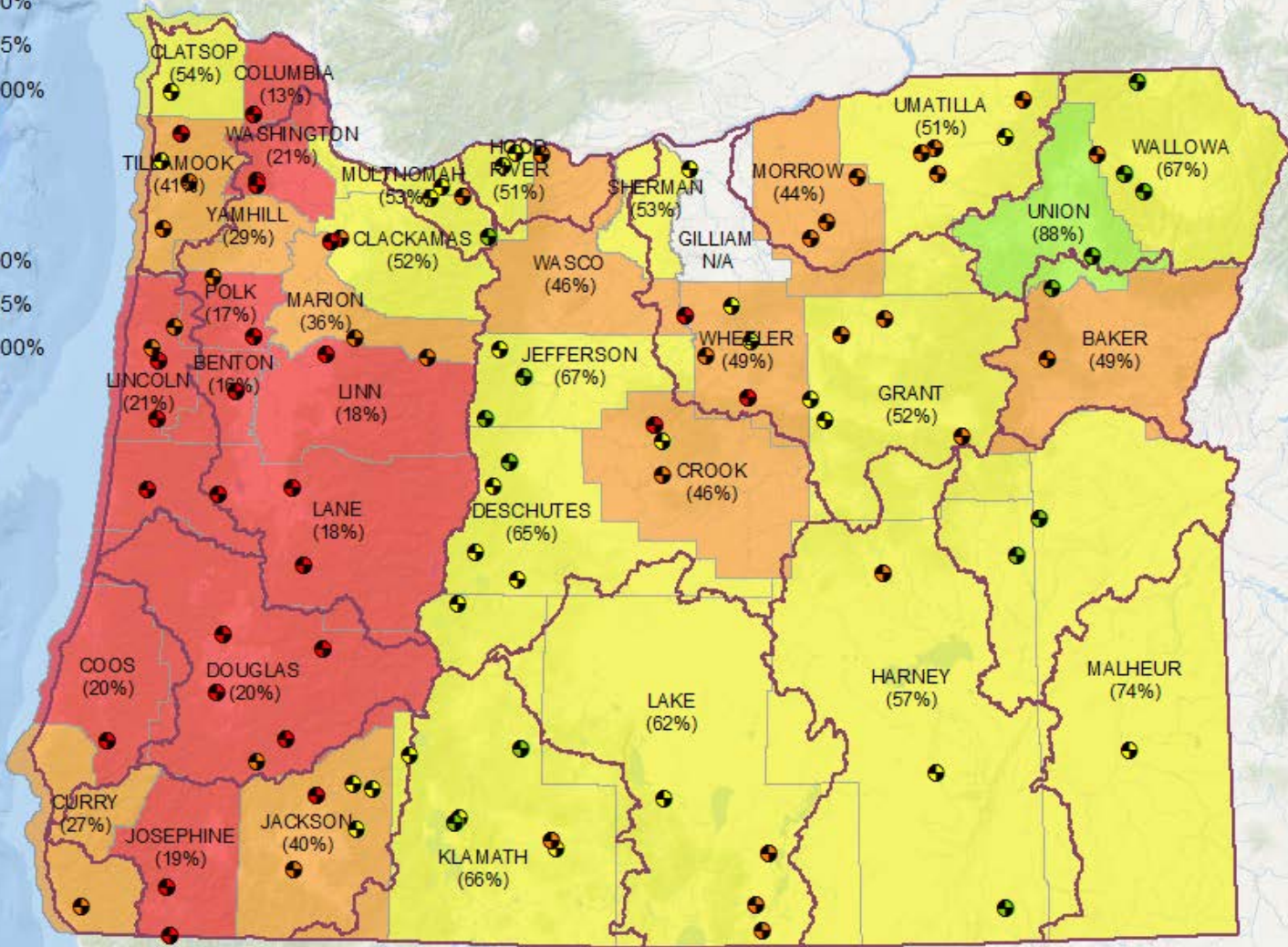
## County



## Stream gage



## WRD Basin



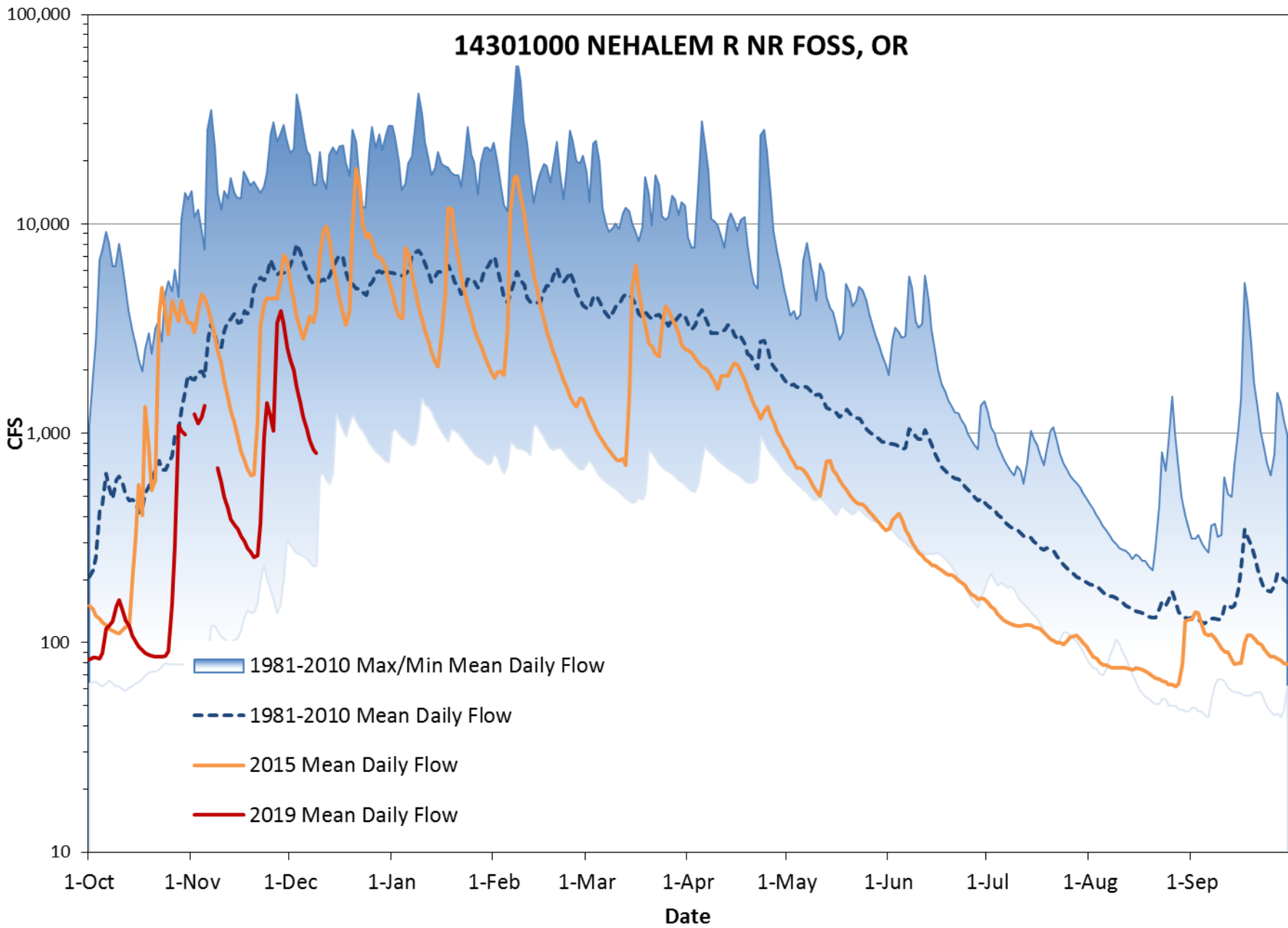
Average streamflow data are based on 30 years of record (1981-2010). All data represent free-flowing streams unaffected by significant man-made control structures such as dams or diversion works.





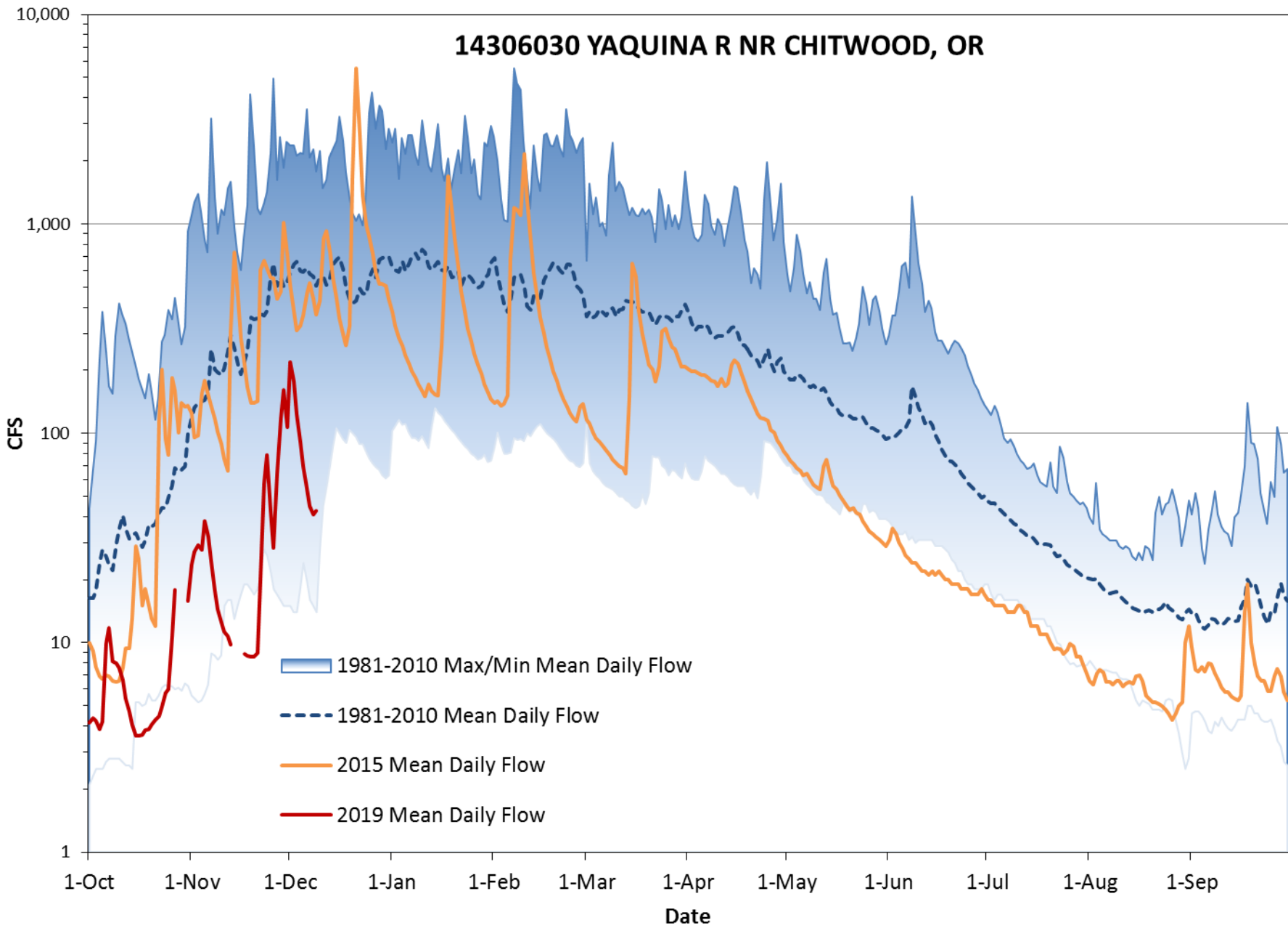
<b>Basin</b>	<b>Water Year % of average through November, 2018</b>	<b>% of average for November</b>	<b>% of average for 12/09/2018</b>	<b># of data points</b>
<b>West Side</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>East Side</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>85</b>

# 14301000 NEHALEM R NR FOSS, OR

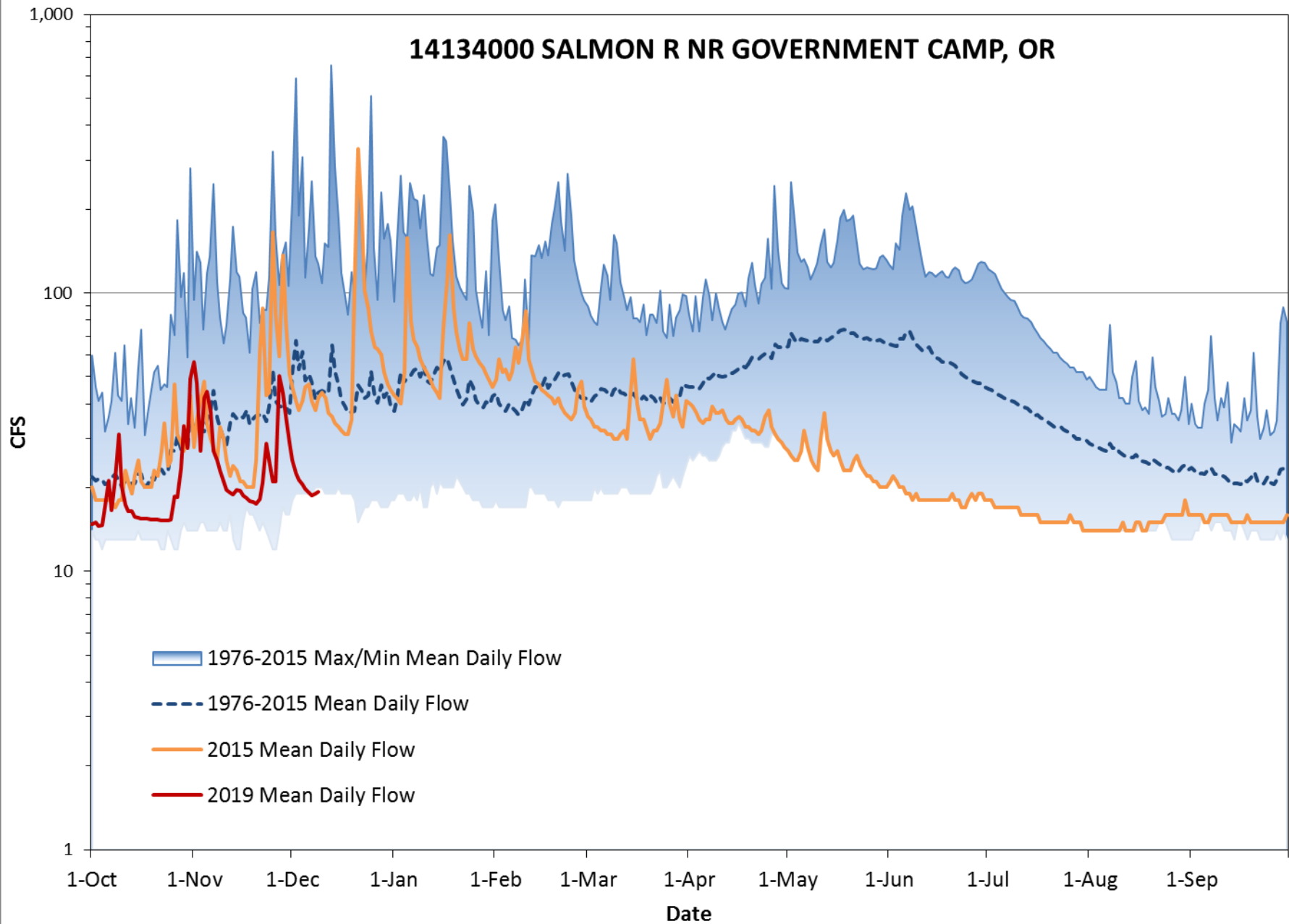




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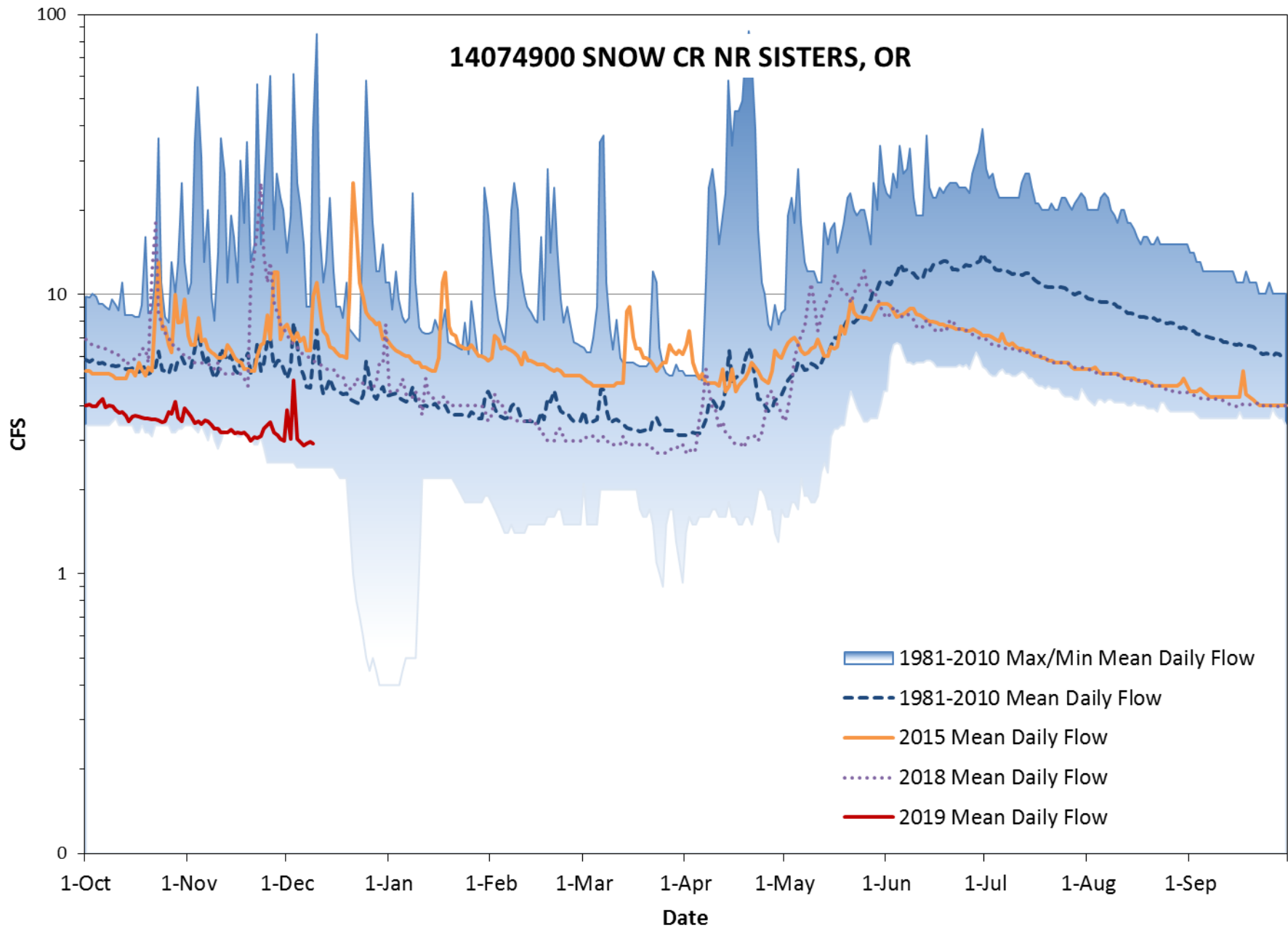


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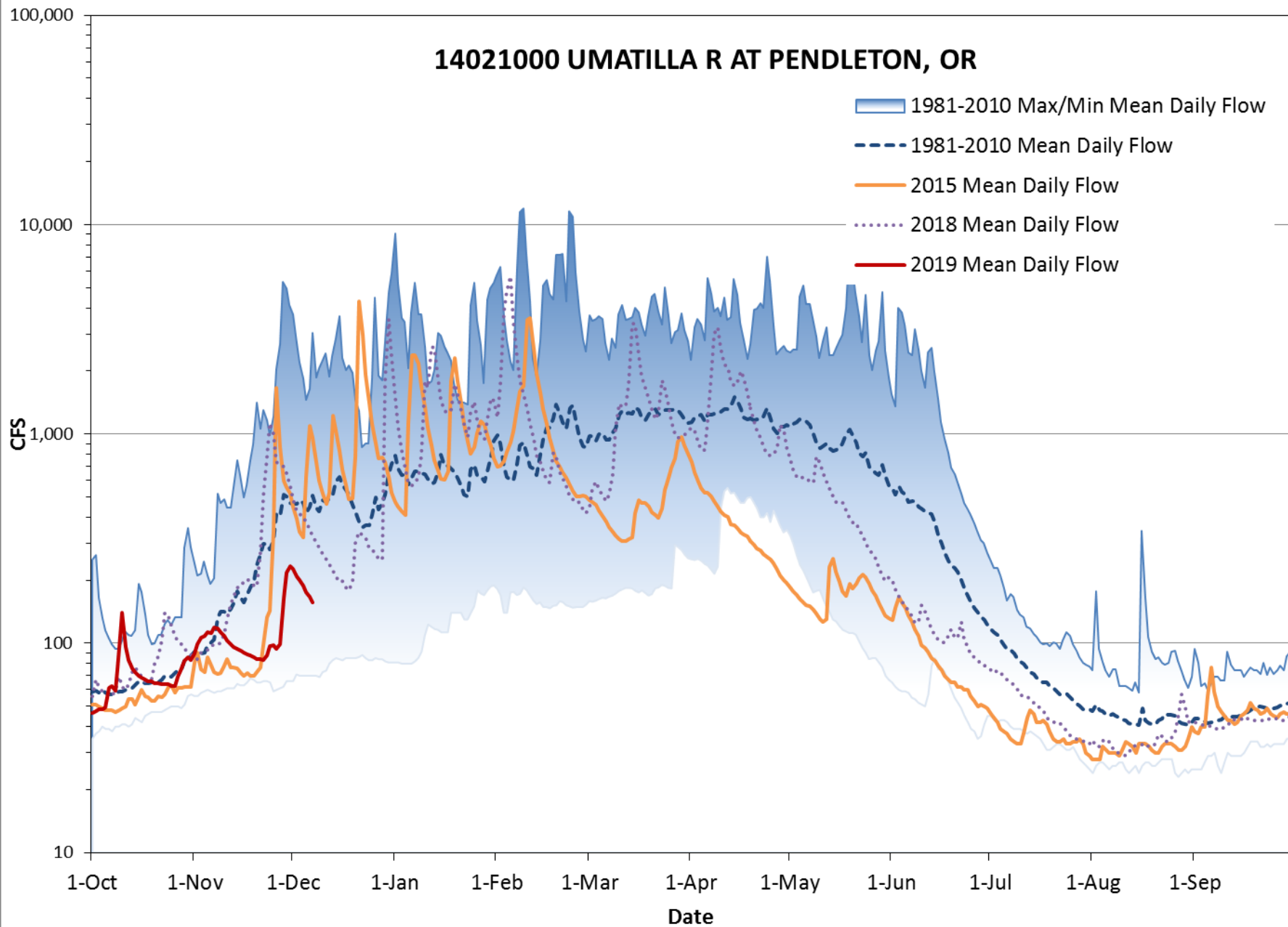




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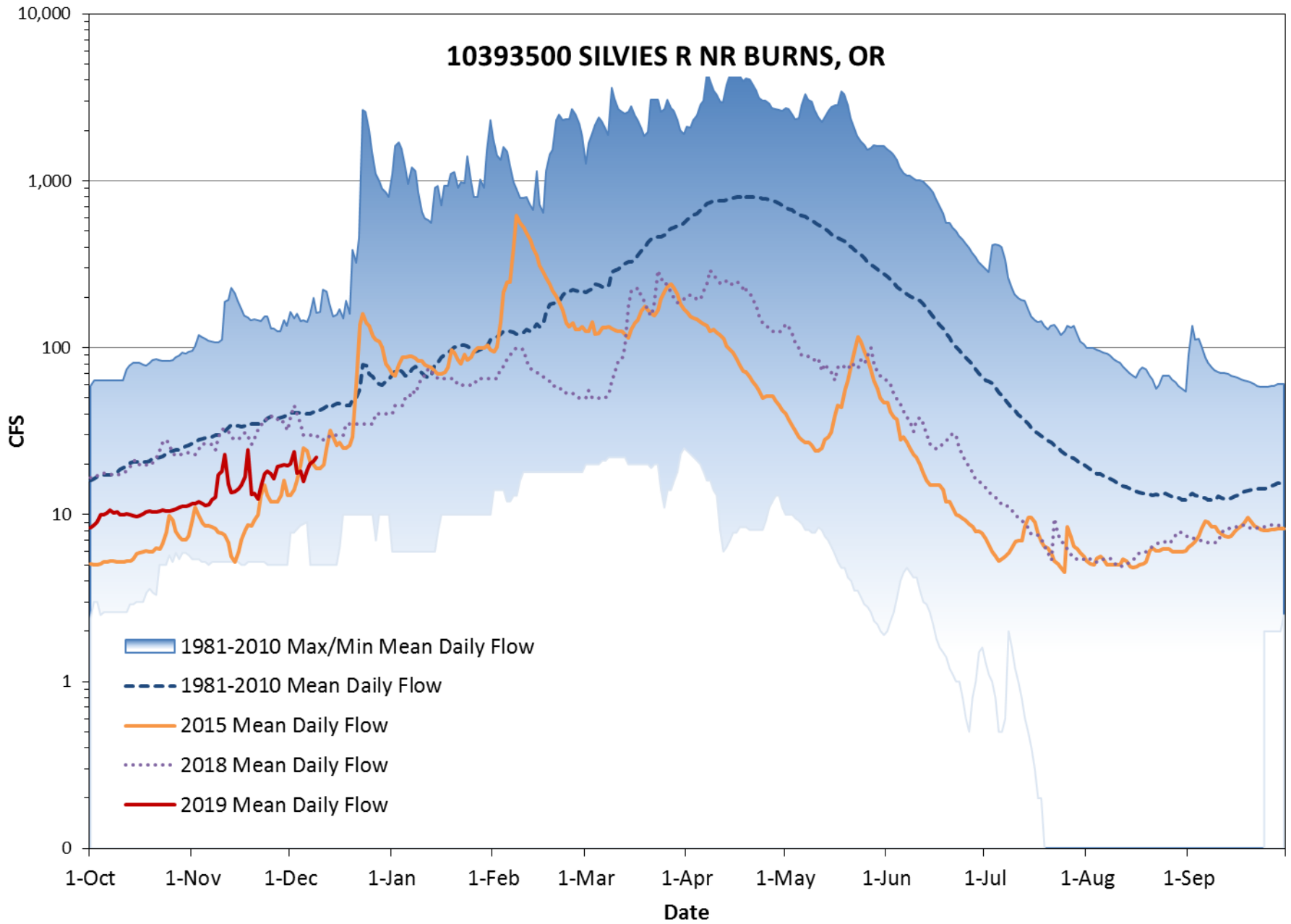


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**Thank you.**



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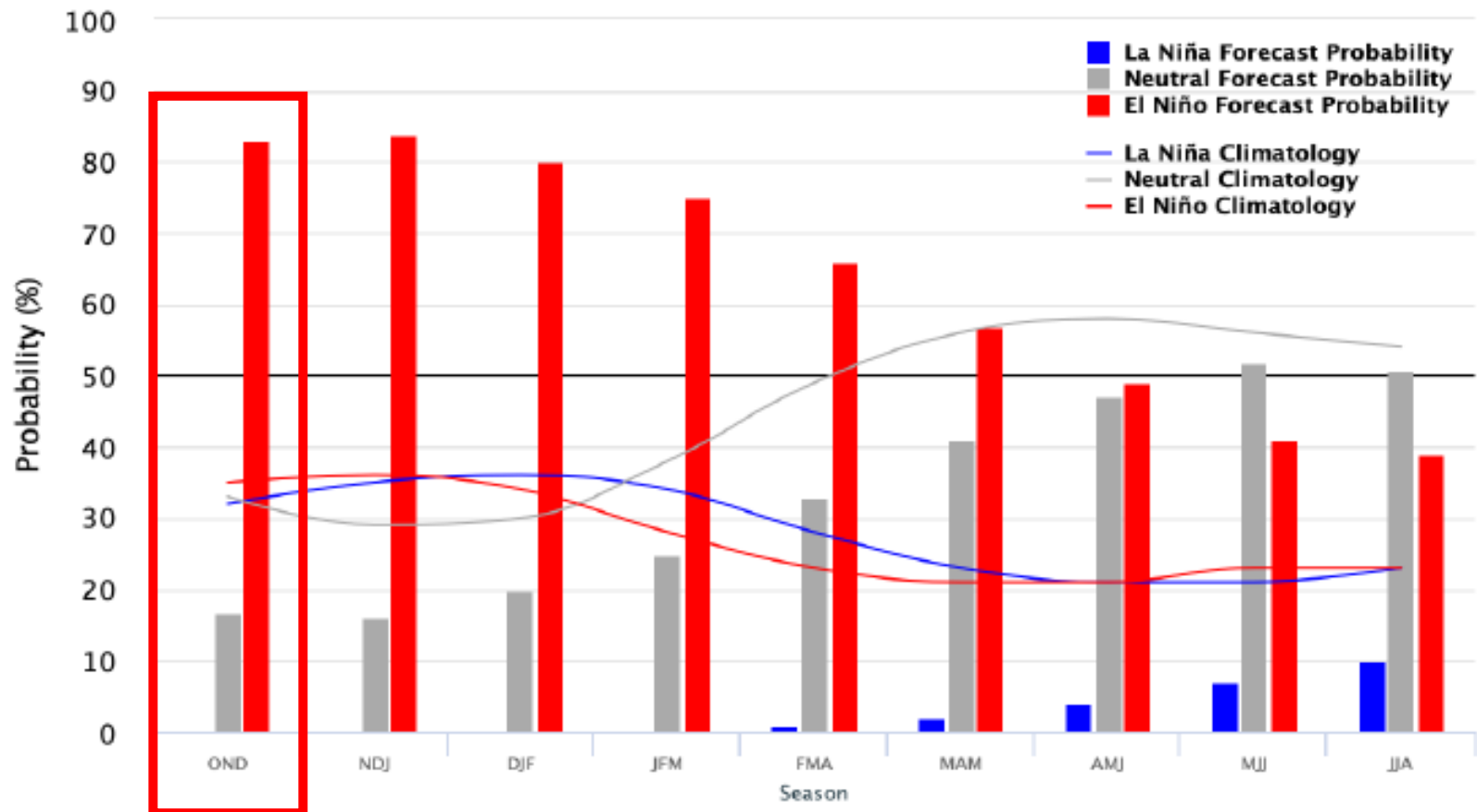
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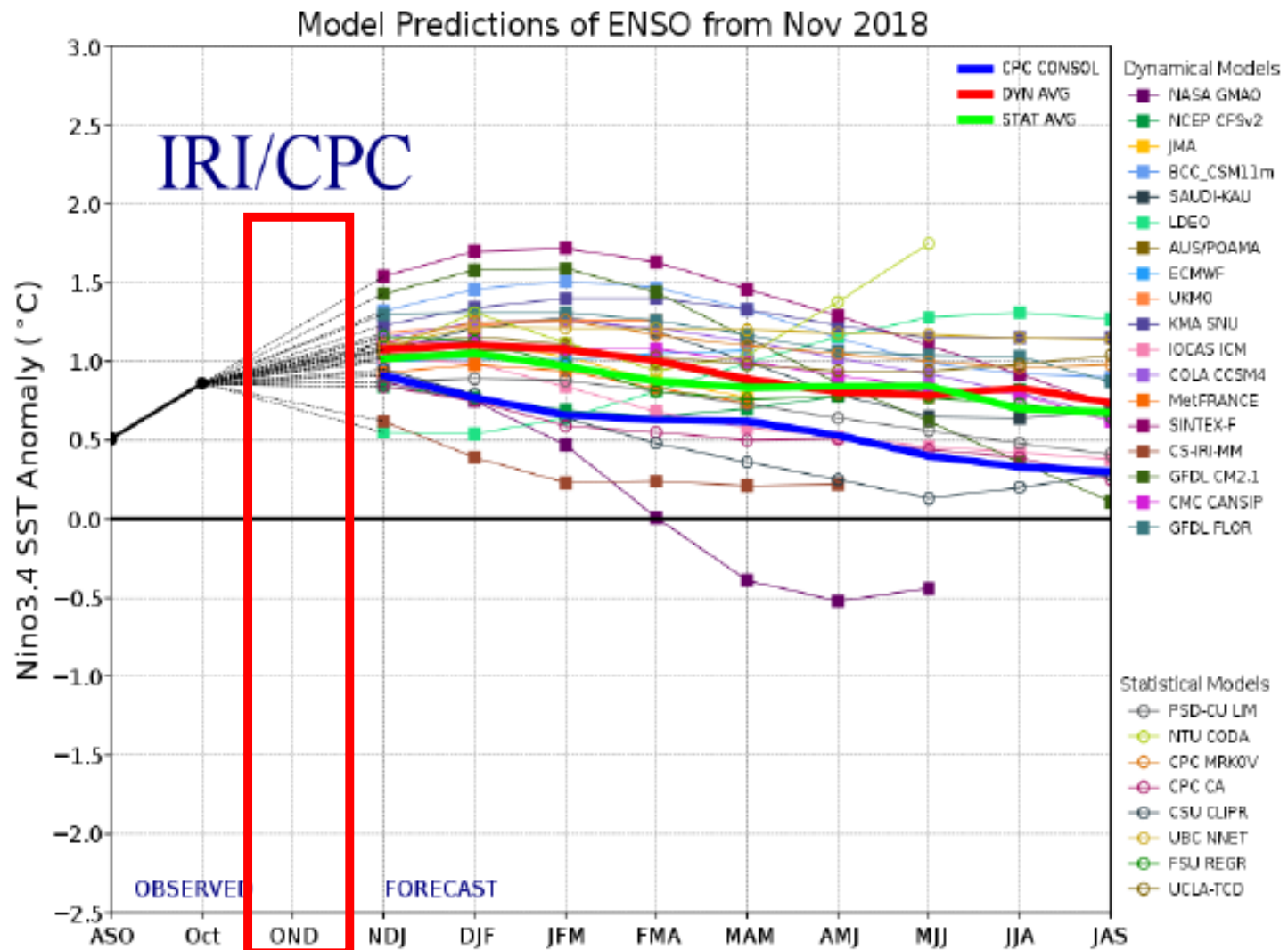
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### Early-November 2018 CPC/IRI Official Probabilistic ENSO Forecasts

ENSO state based on NINO3.4 SST Anomaly  
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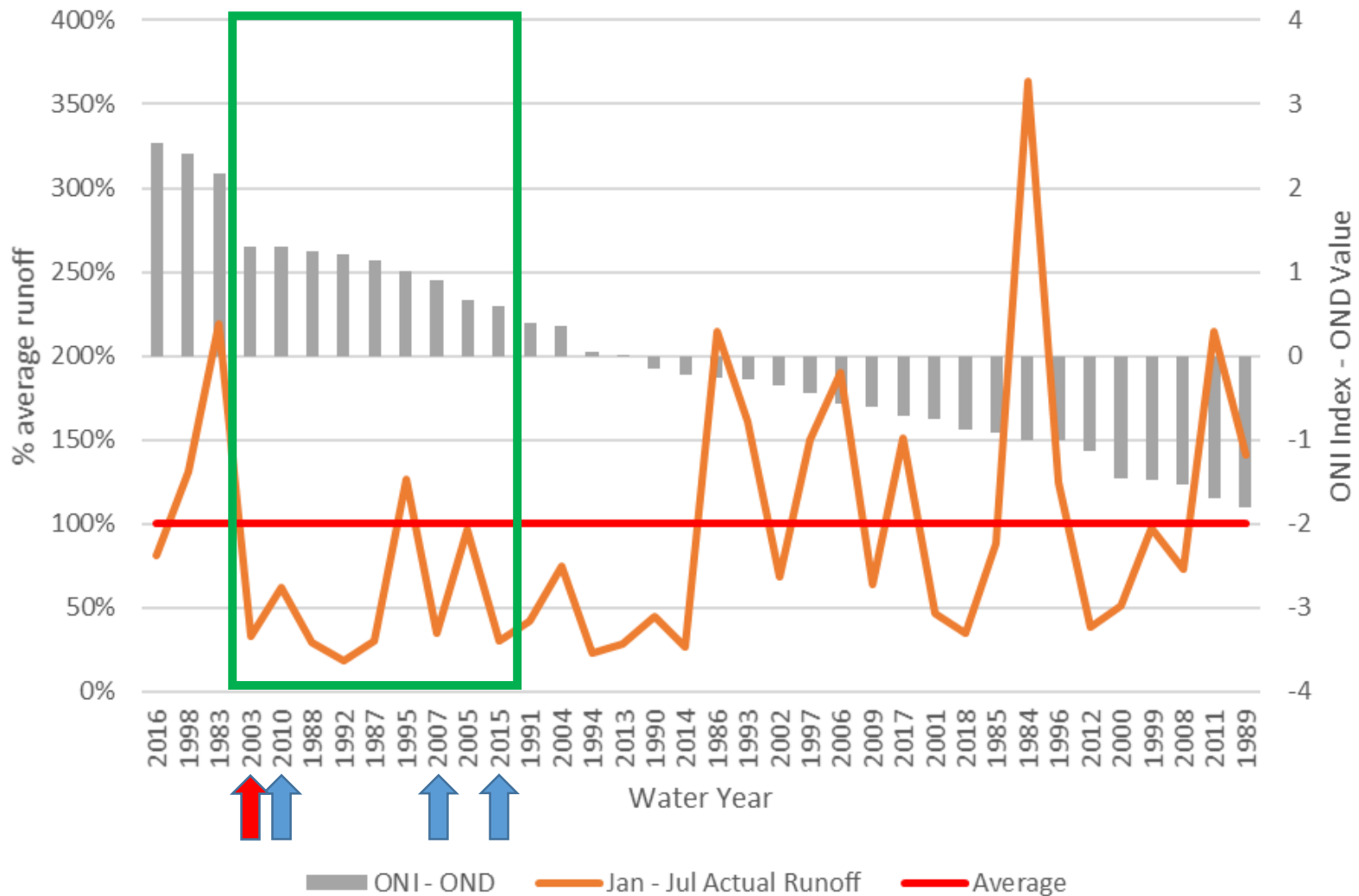
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2006	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.9
2007	0.7	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.8	-1.1	-1.4	-1.5	-1.6
2008	-1.6	-1.4	-1.2	-0.9	-0.8	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.7
2009	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6
2010	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	-1.4	-1.6	-1.7	-1.7	-1.6
2011	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.1	-1.1	-1.0
2012	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2
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2015	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.5	2.6
2016	2.5	2.2	1.7	1.0	0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6
2017	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-0.9	-1.0
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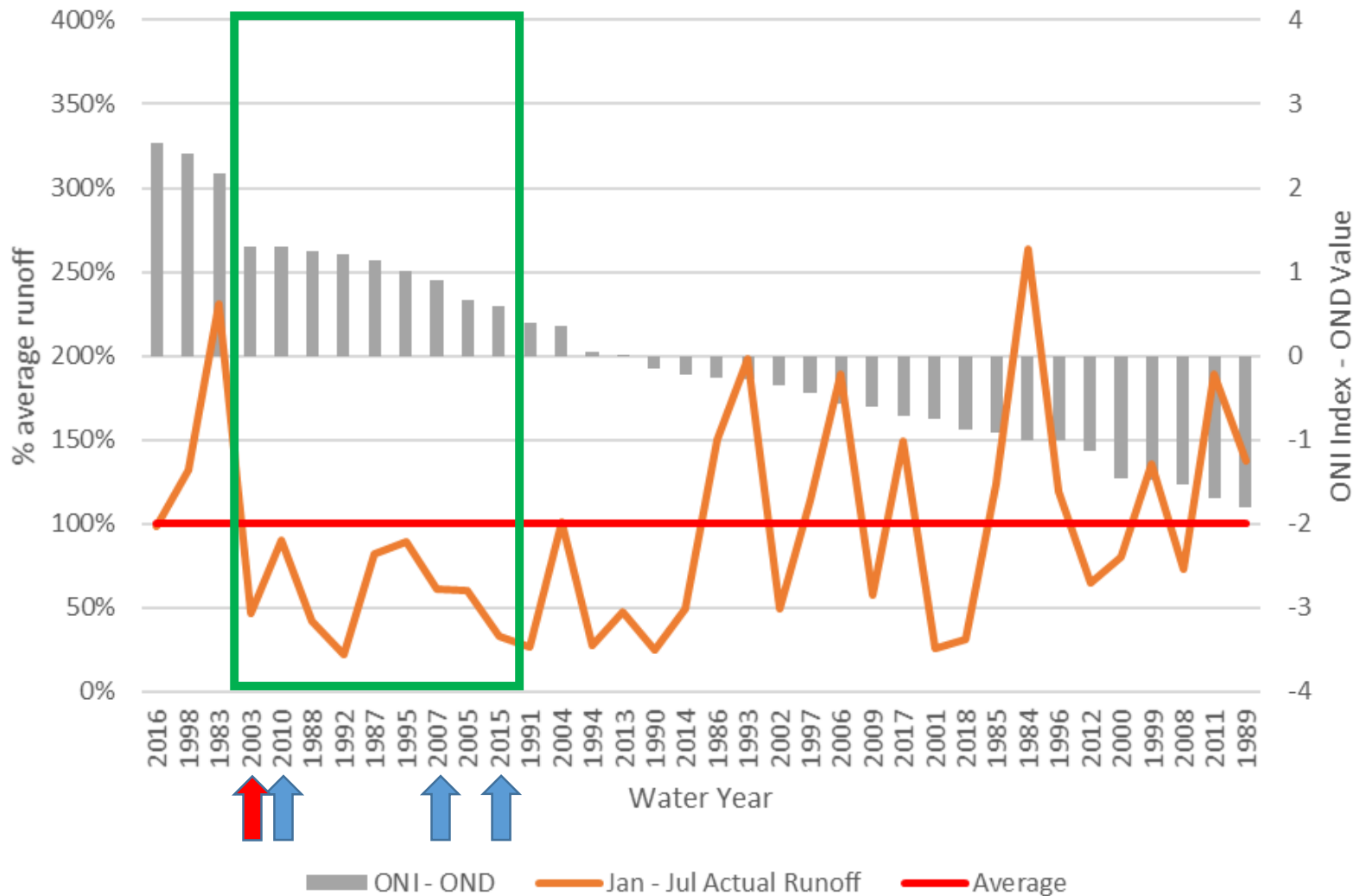
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Actual Jan-Jul runoff vs. ONI Index OND period  
Owyhee Dam Inflow - Period of Record 1983-2018



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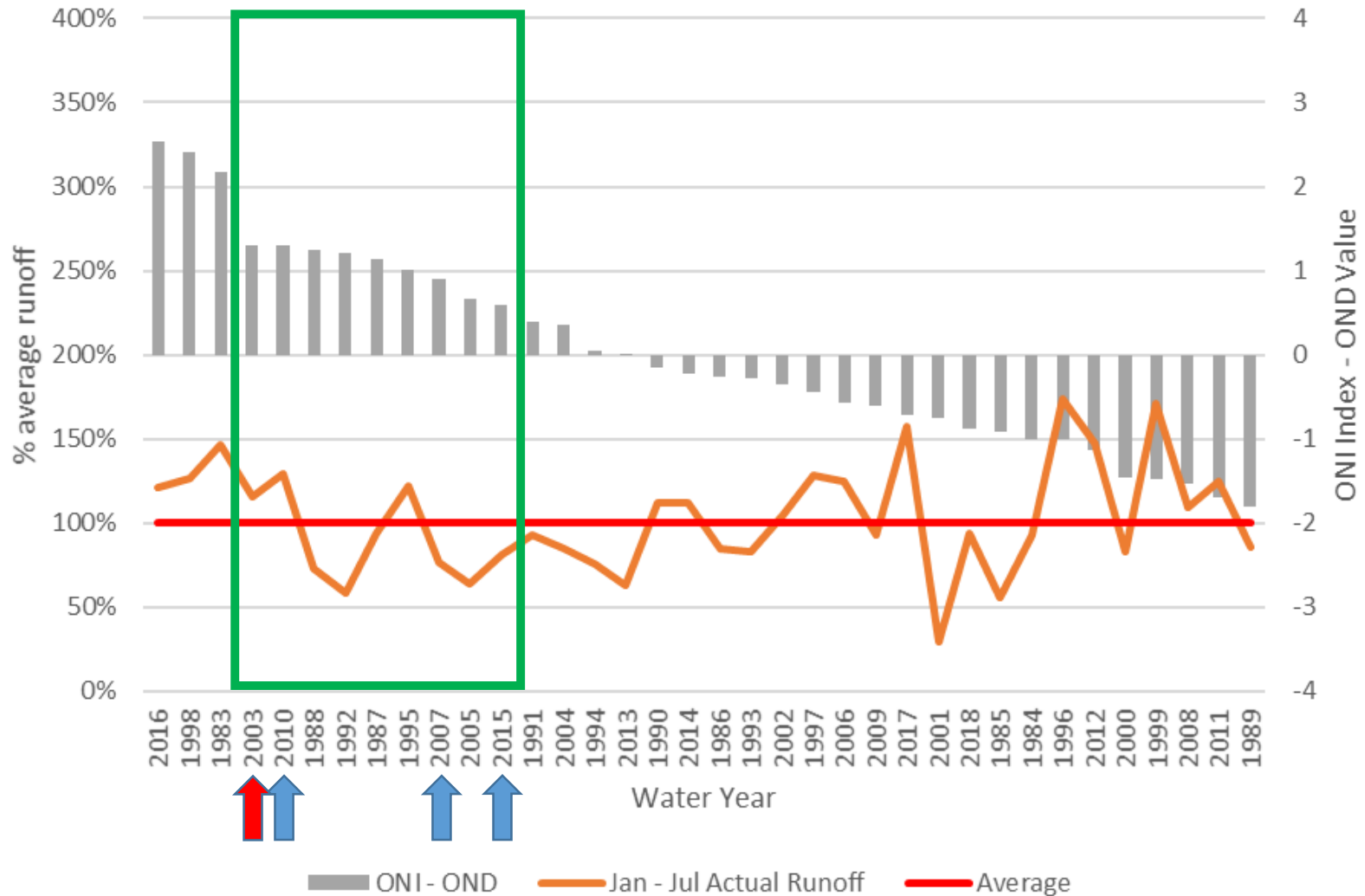
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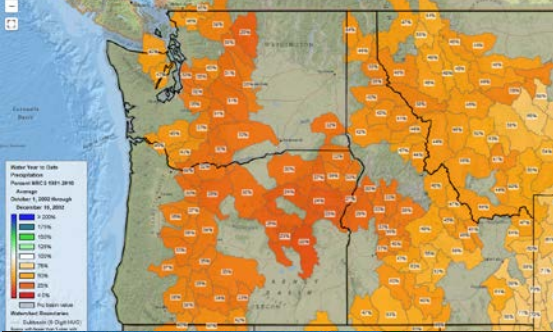




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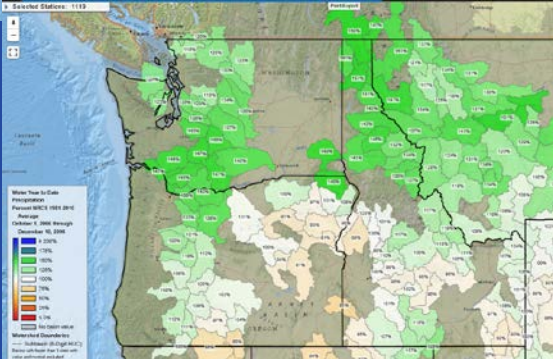
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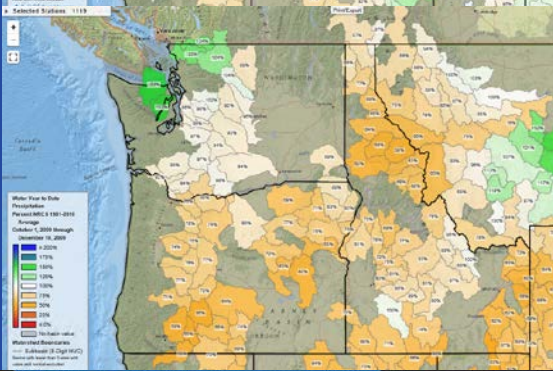


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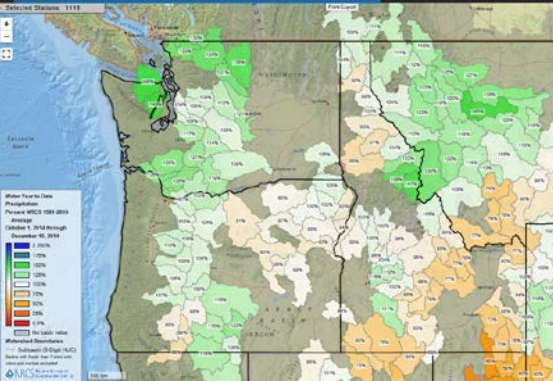
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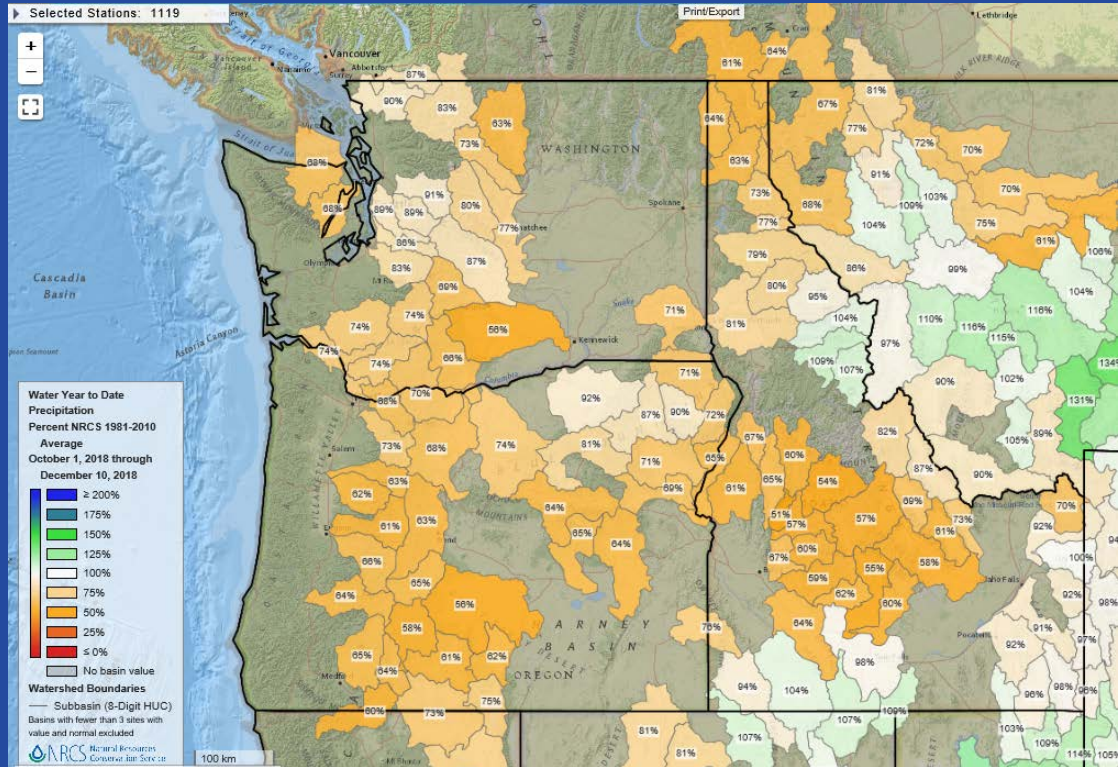
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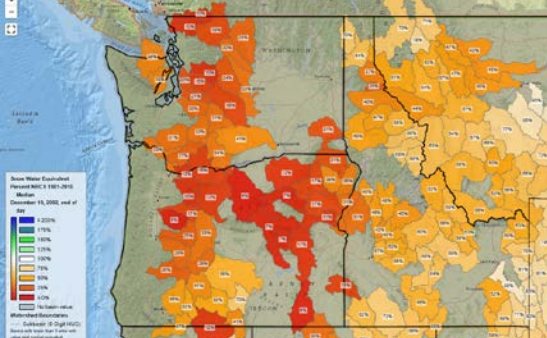


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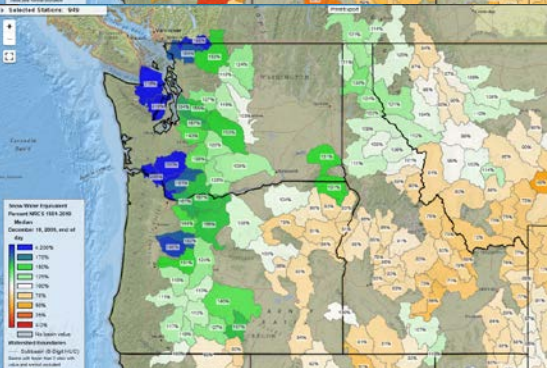
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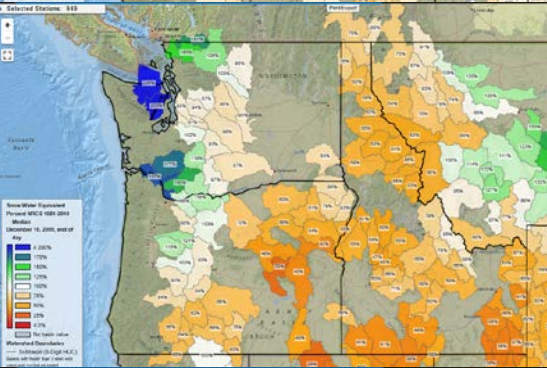


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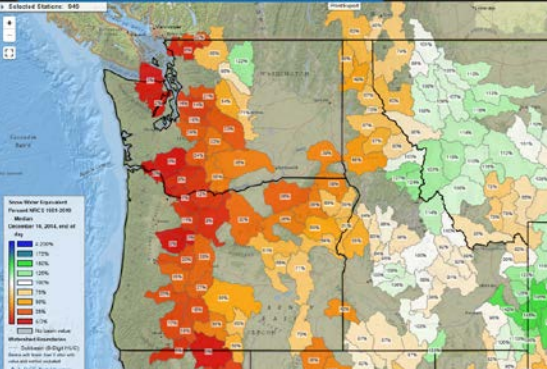
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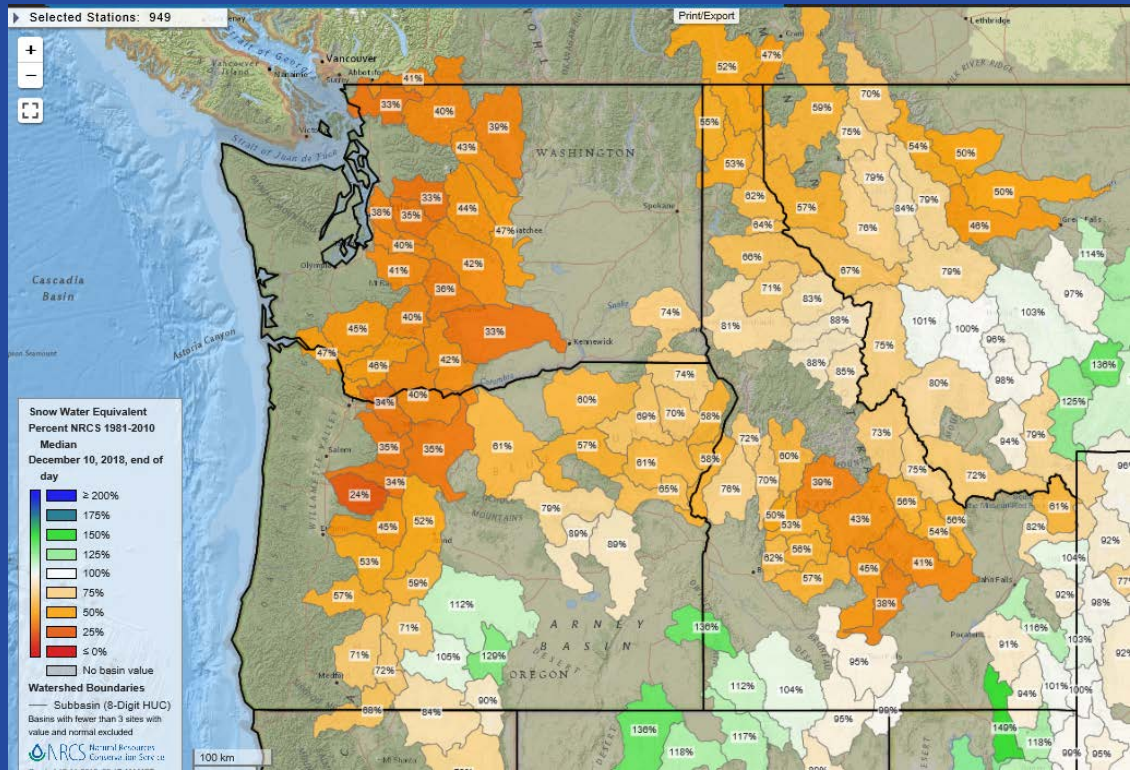
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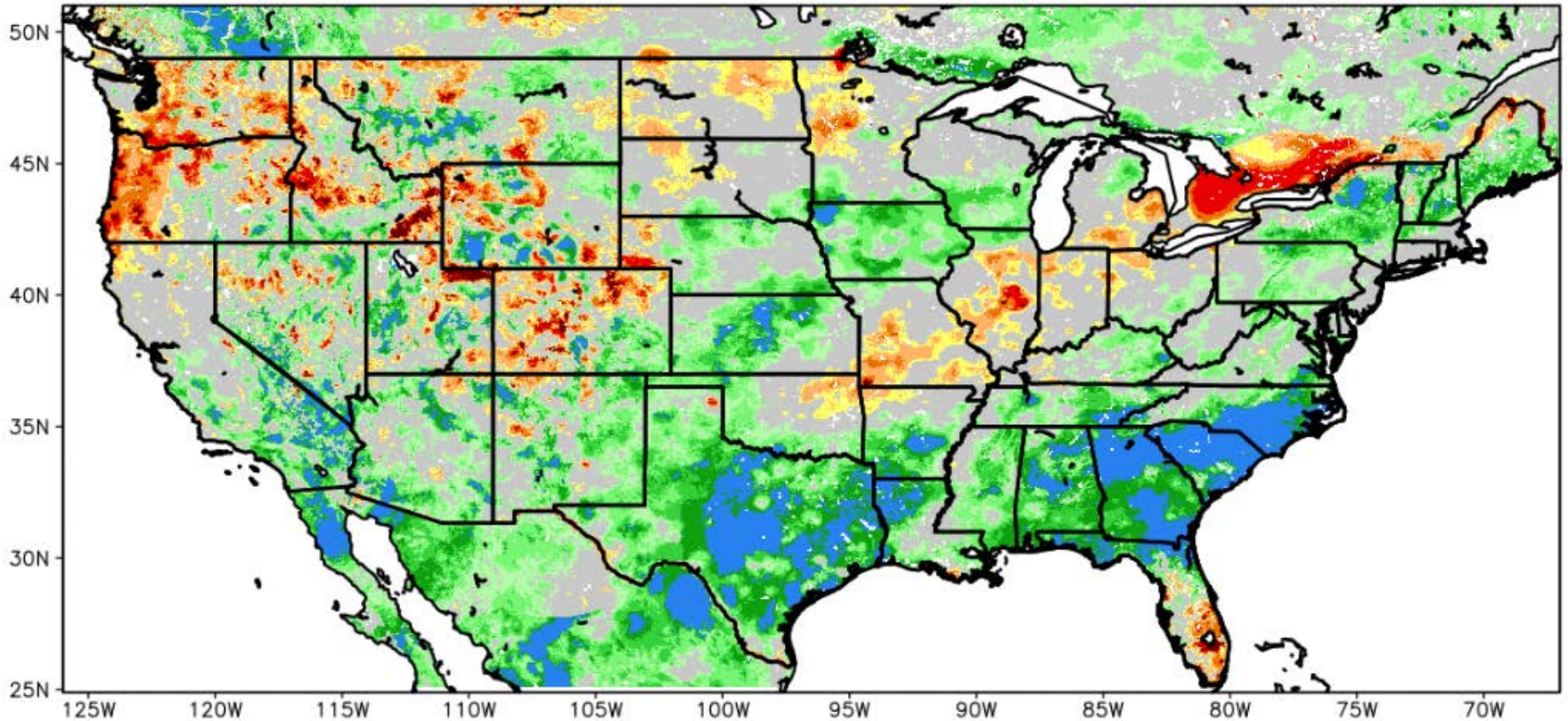


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# Soil Moisture – Dec 10 Percentile

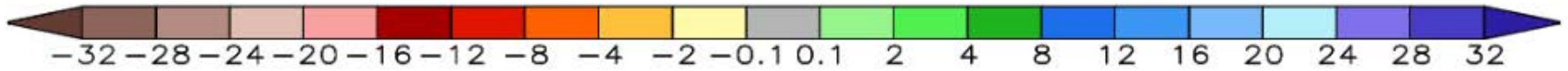
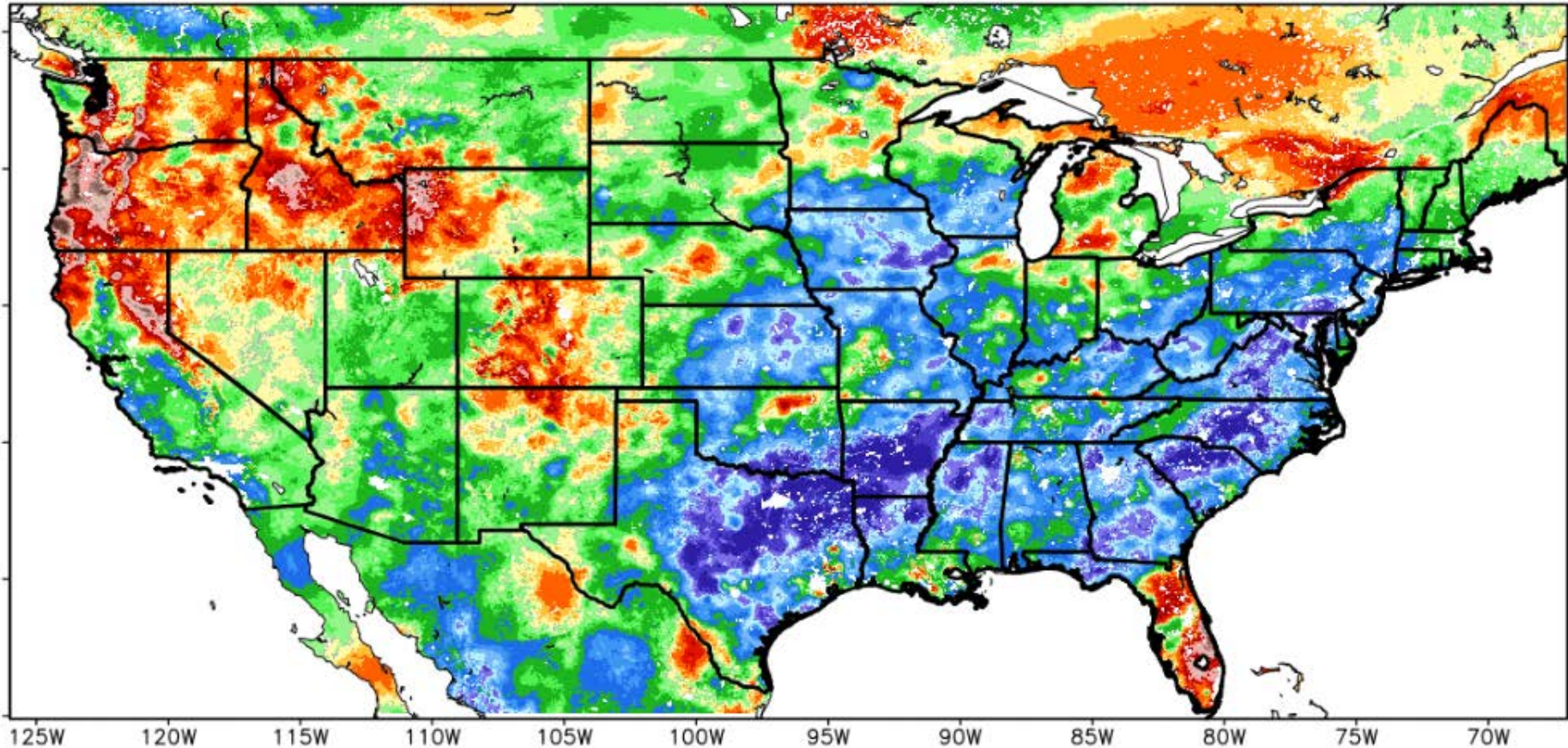
SPoRT-LIS 0–100 cm Soil Moisture percentile valid 10 Dec 2018





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1-Year Difference in Column Relative Soil Moisture (%) valid 12z 10 Dec 2018

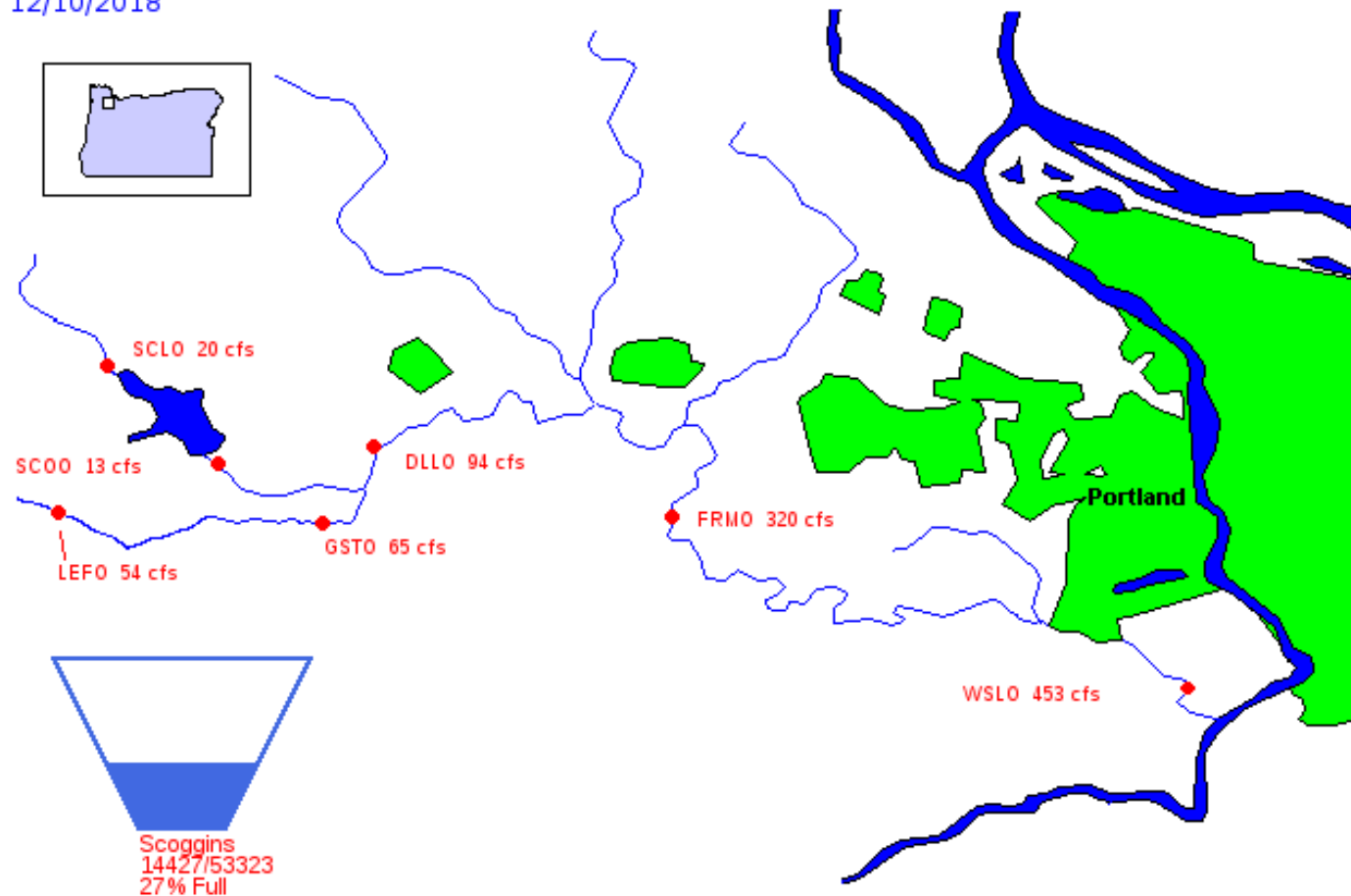


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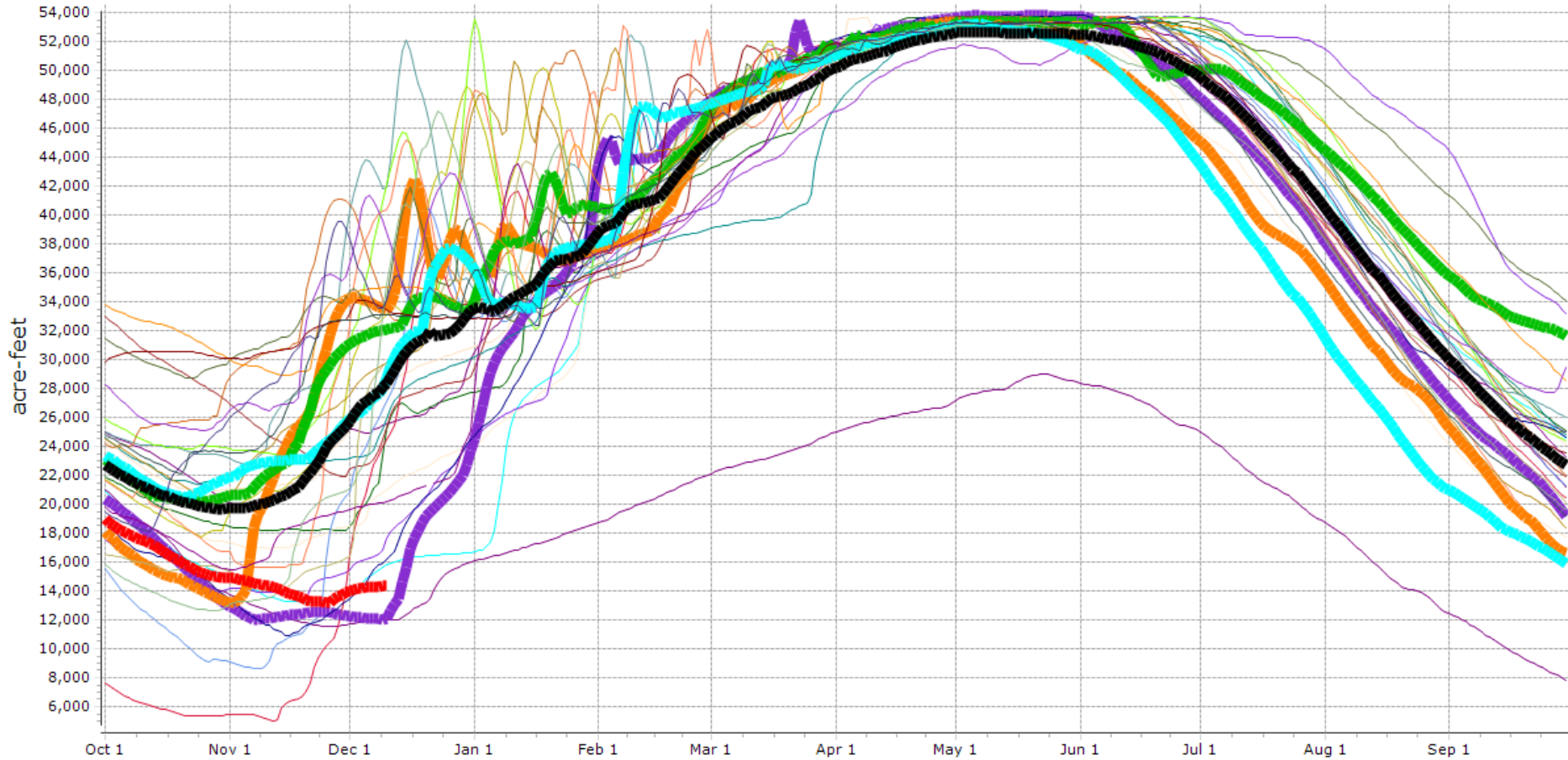
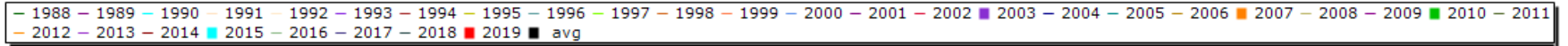


# Tualatin River Basin

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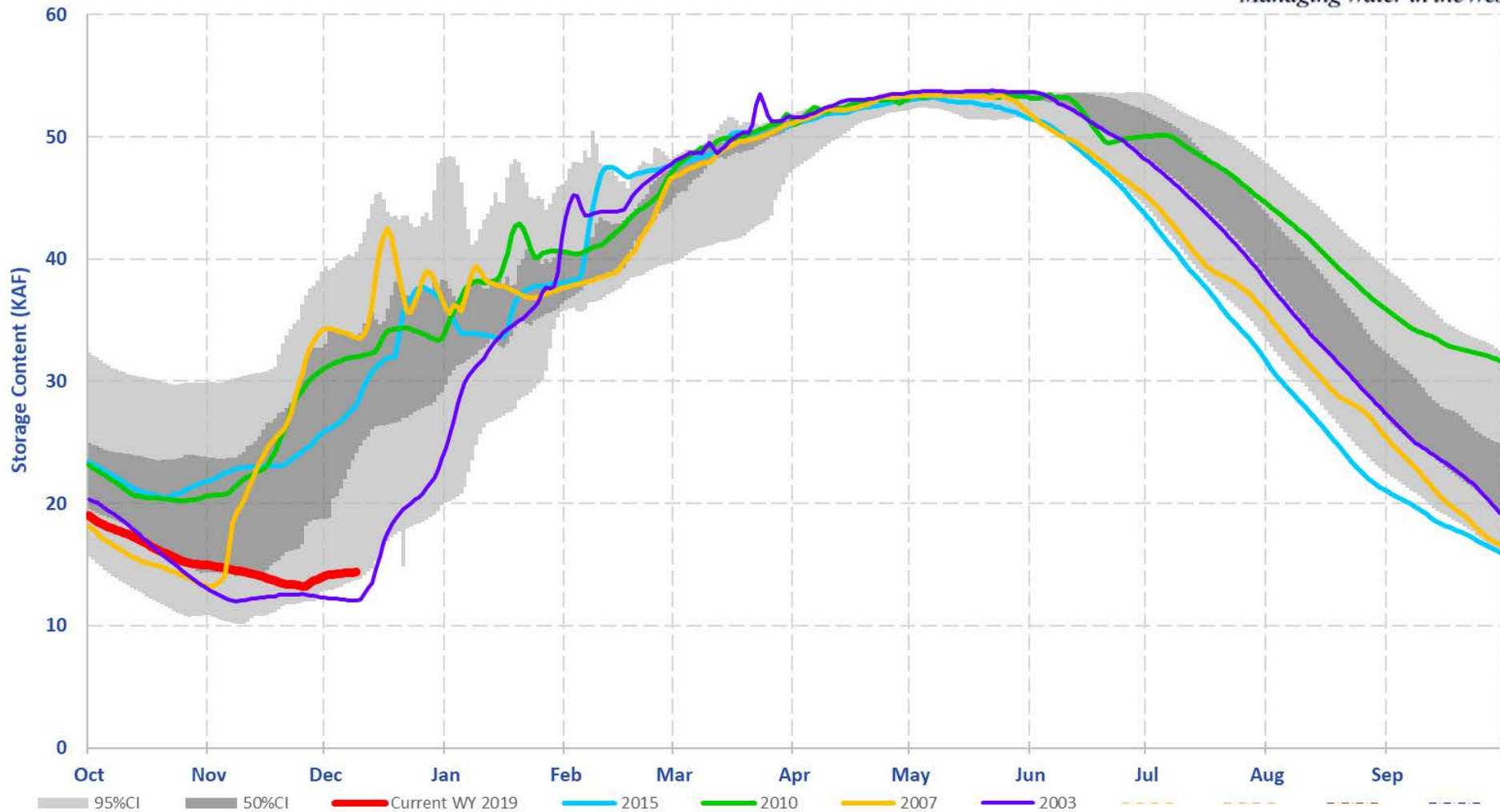




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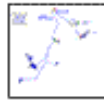
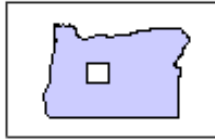
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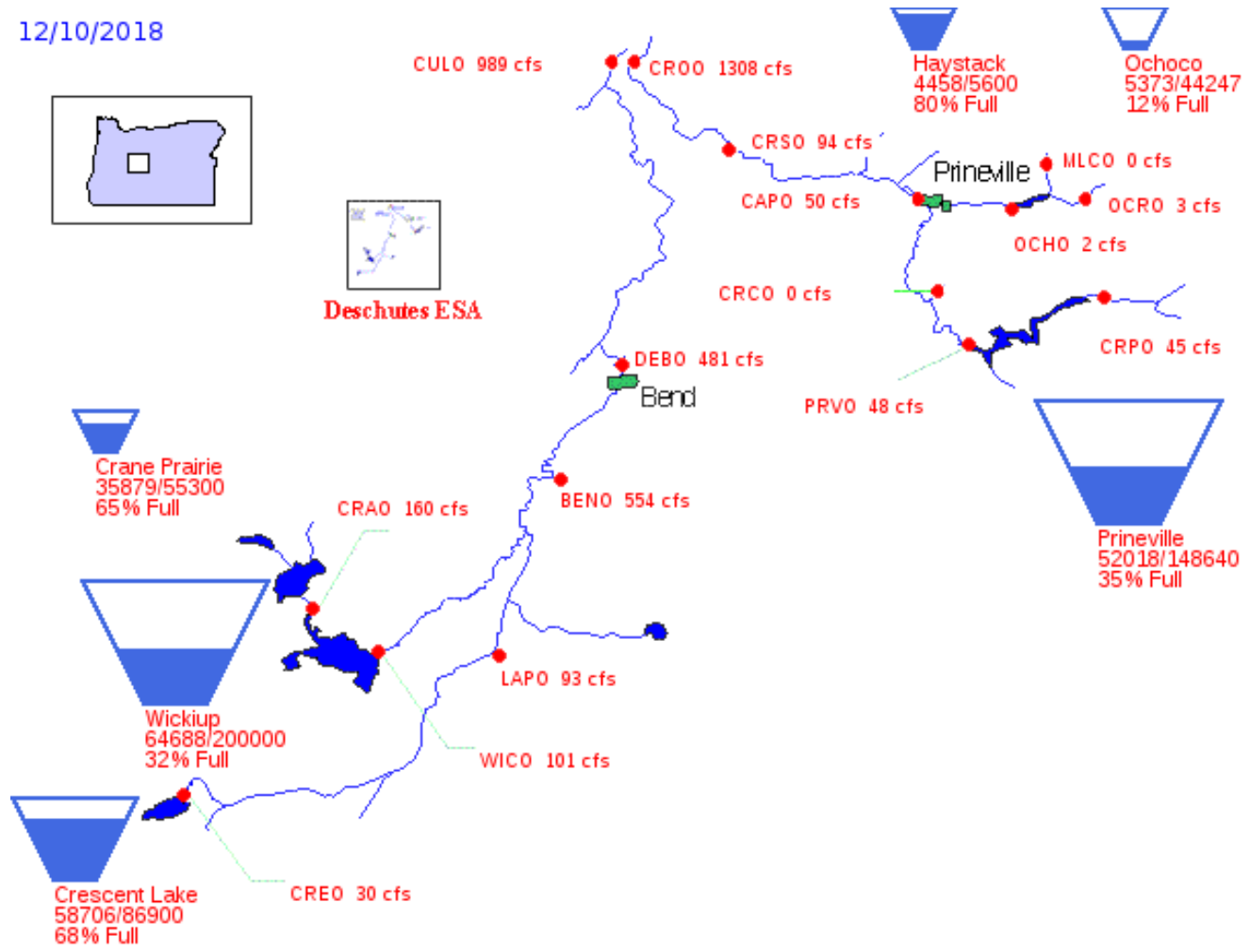


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Deschutes ESA

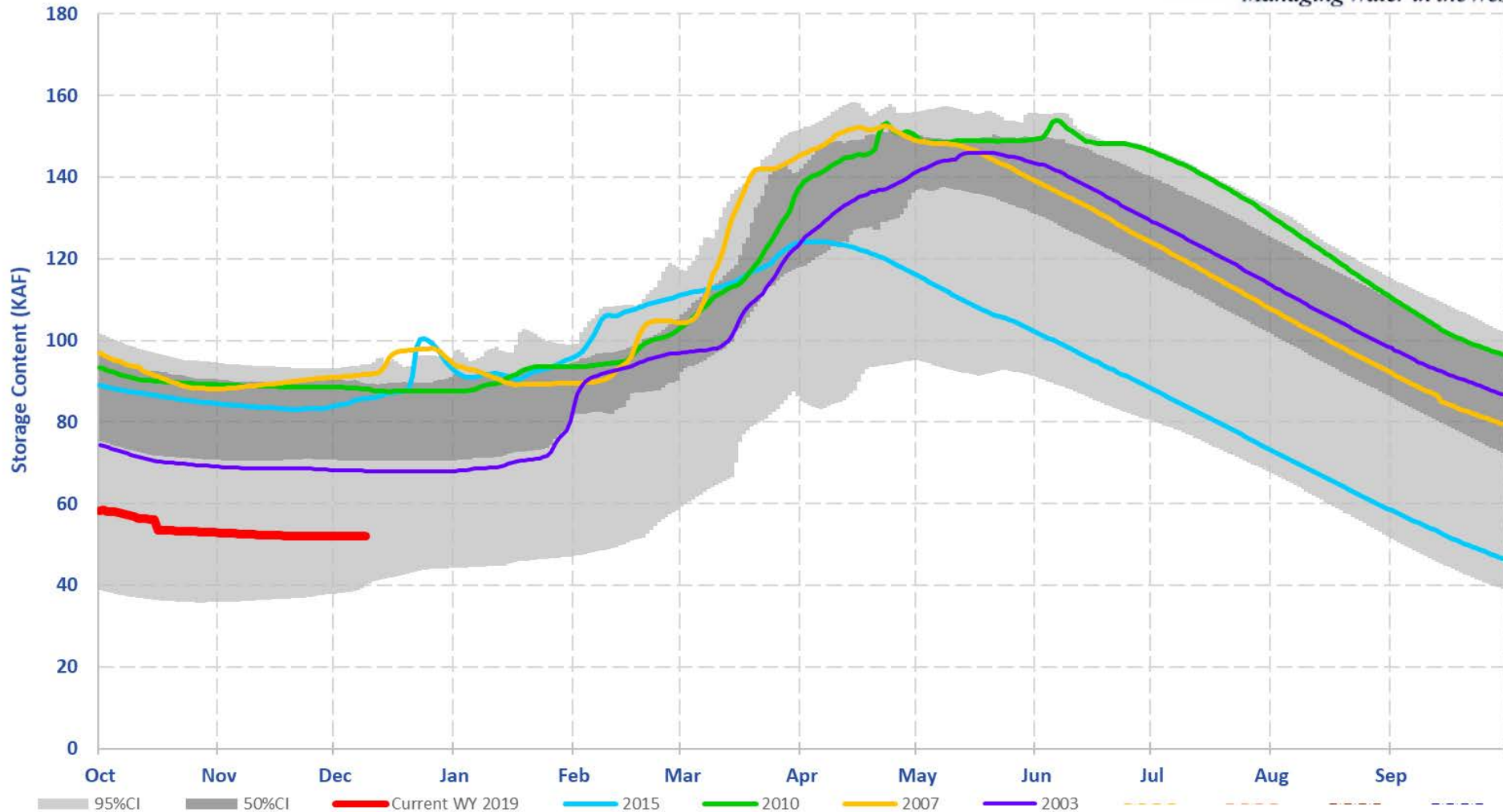




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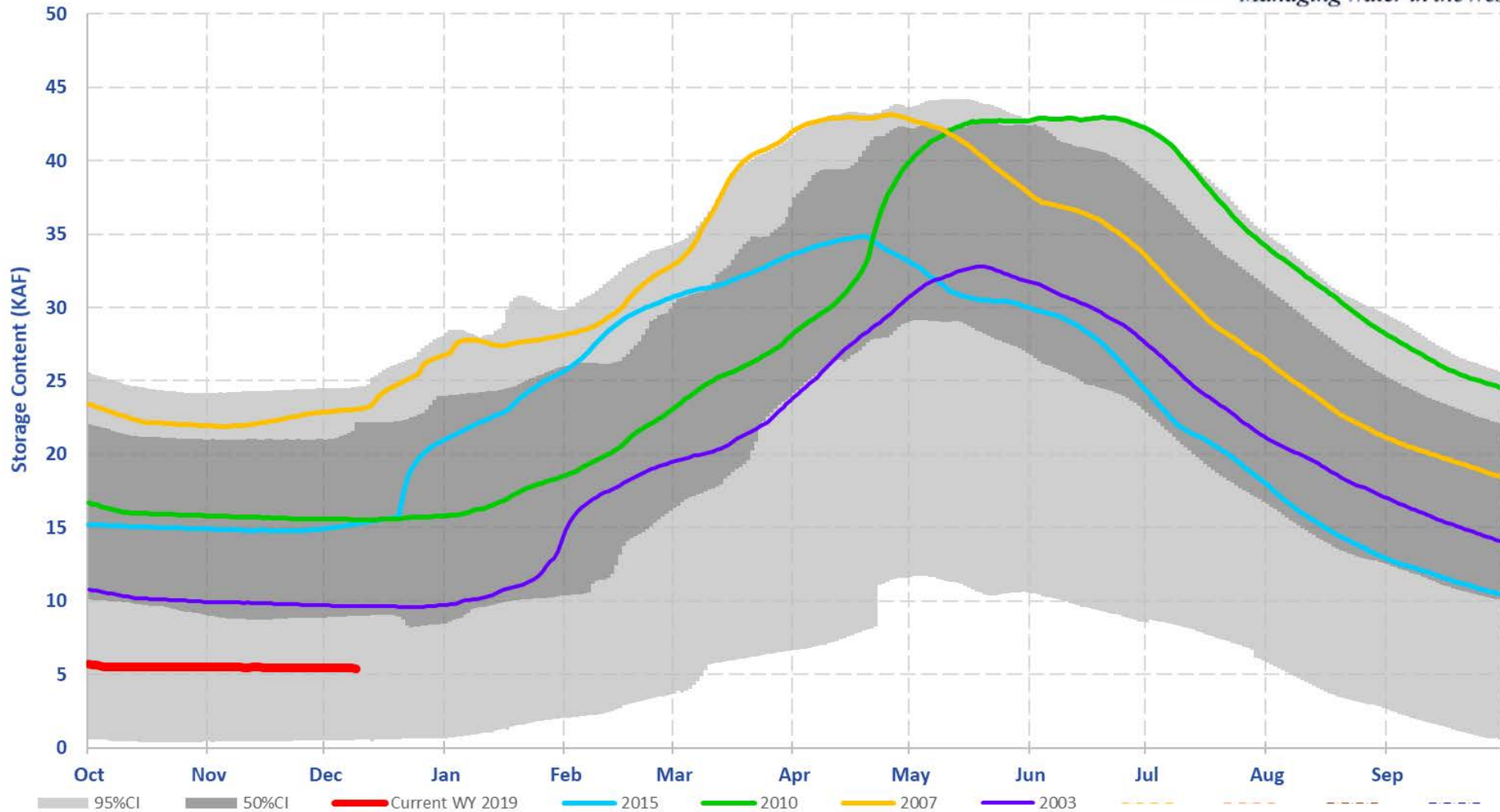
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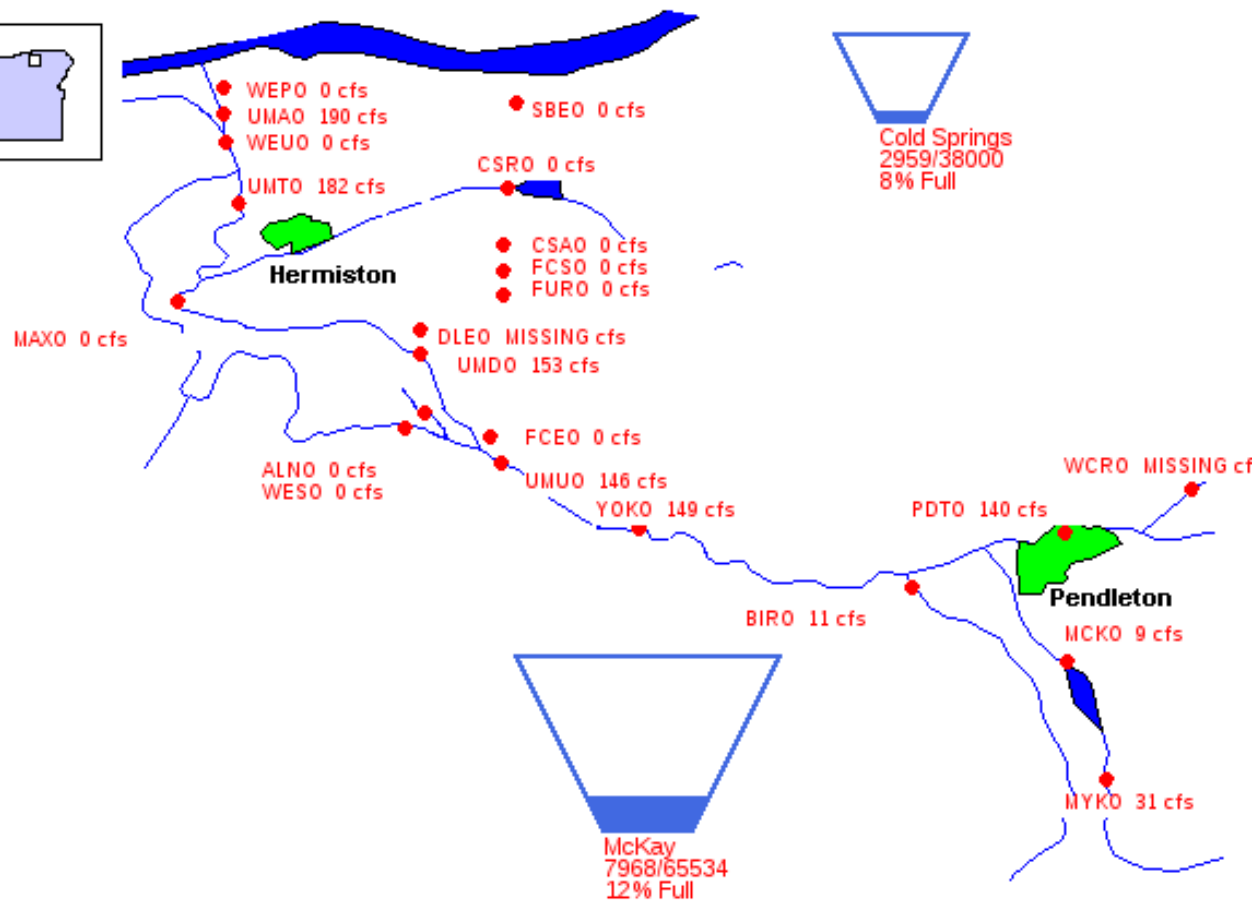
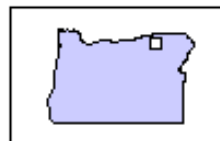
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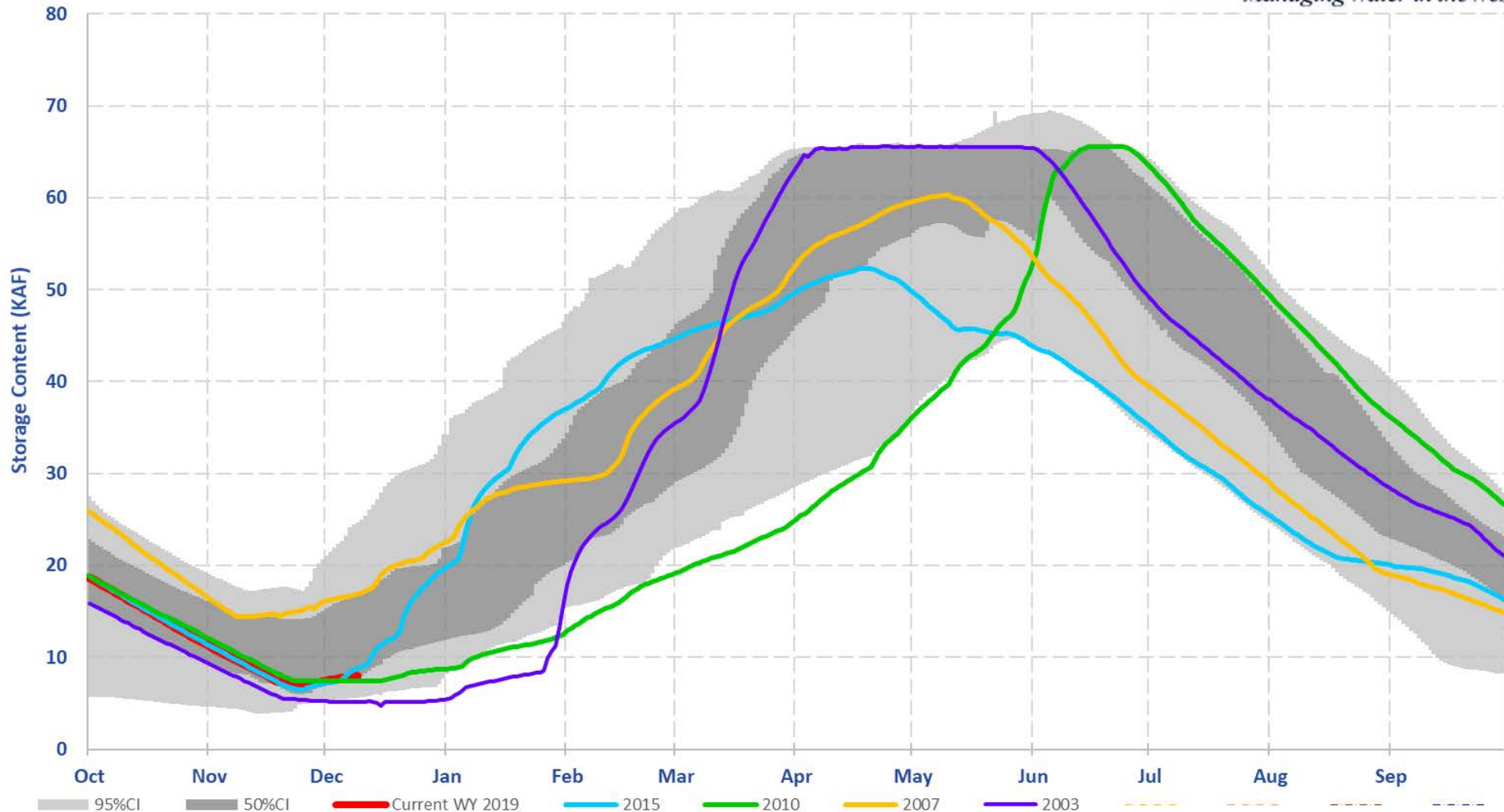
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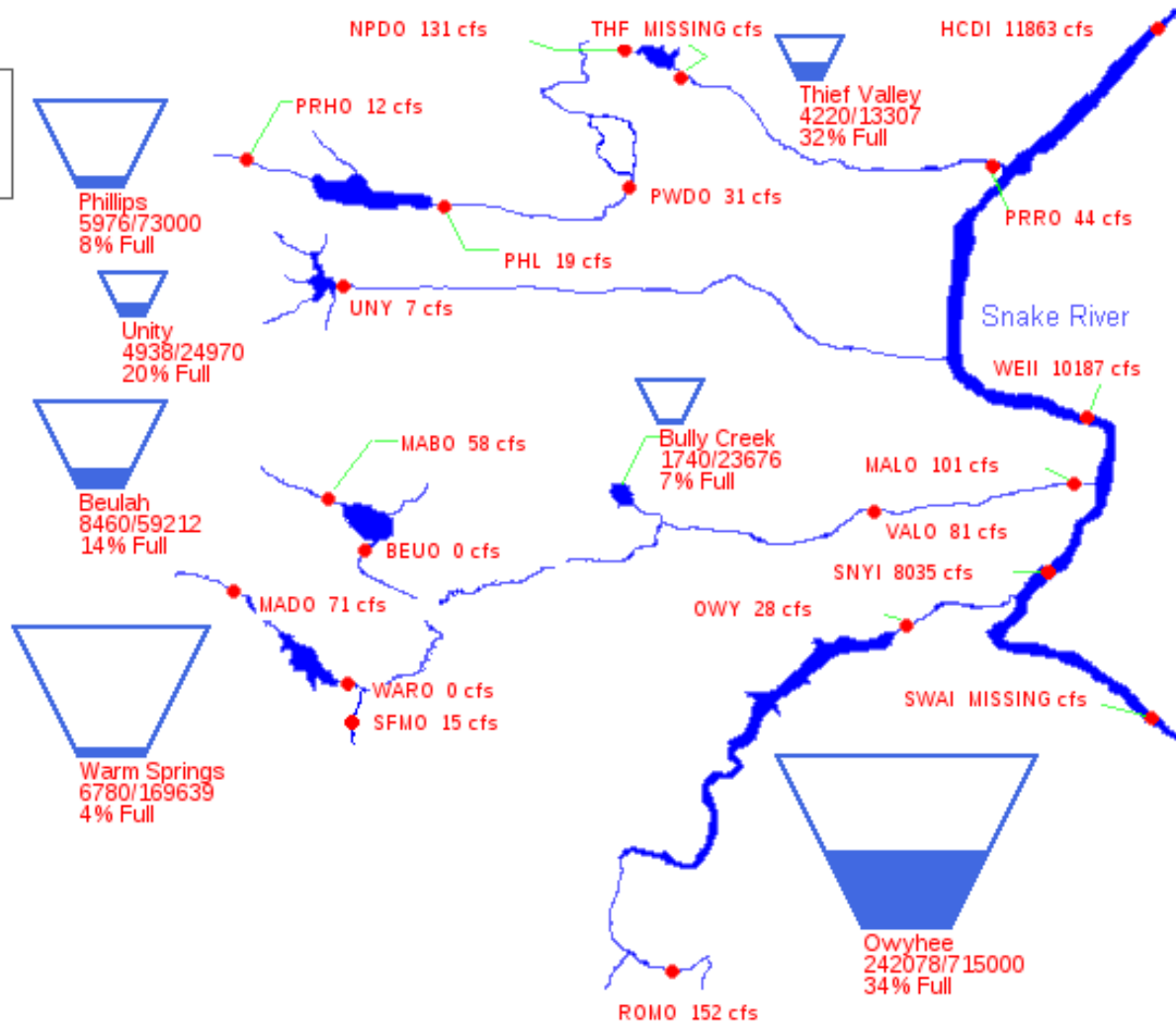
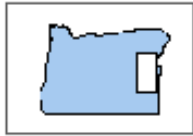
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# Southeastern Oregon

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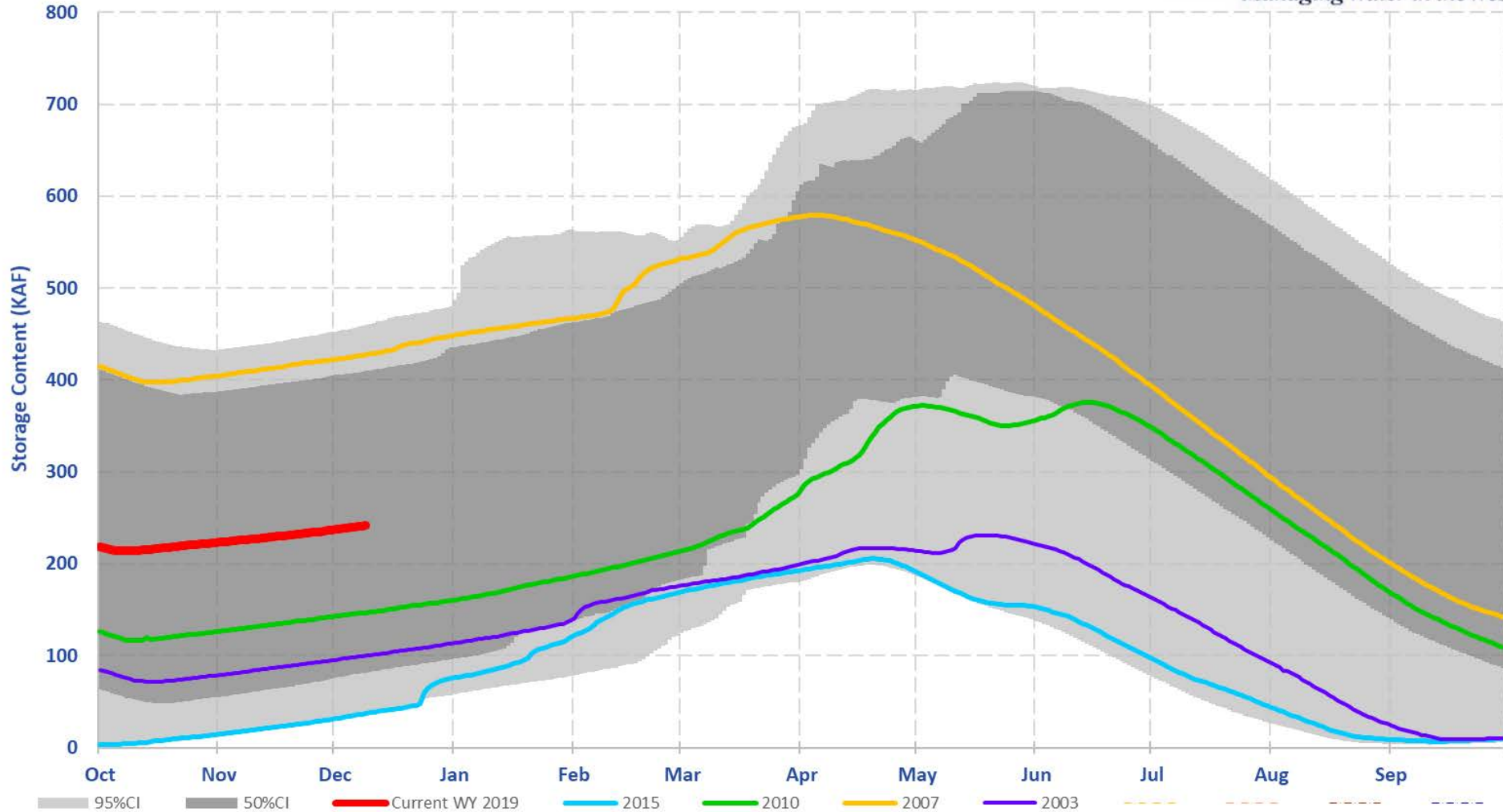




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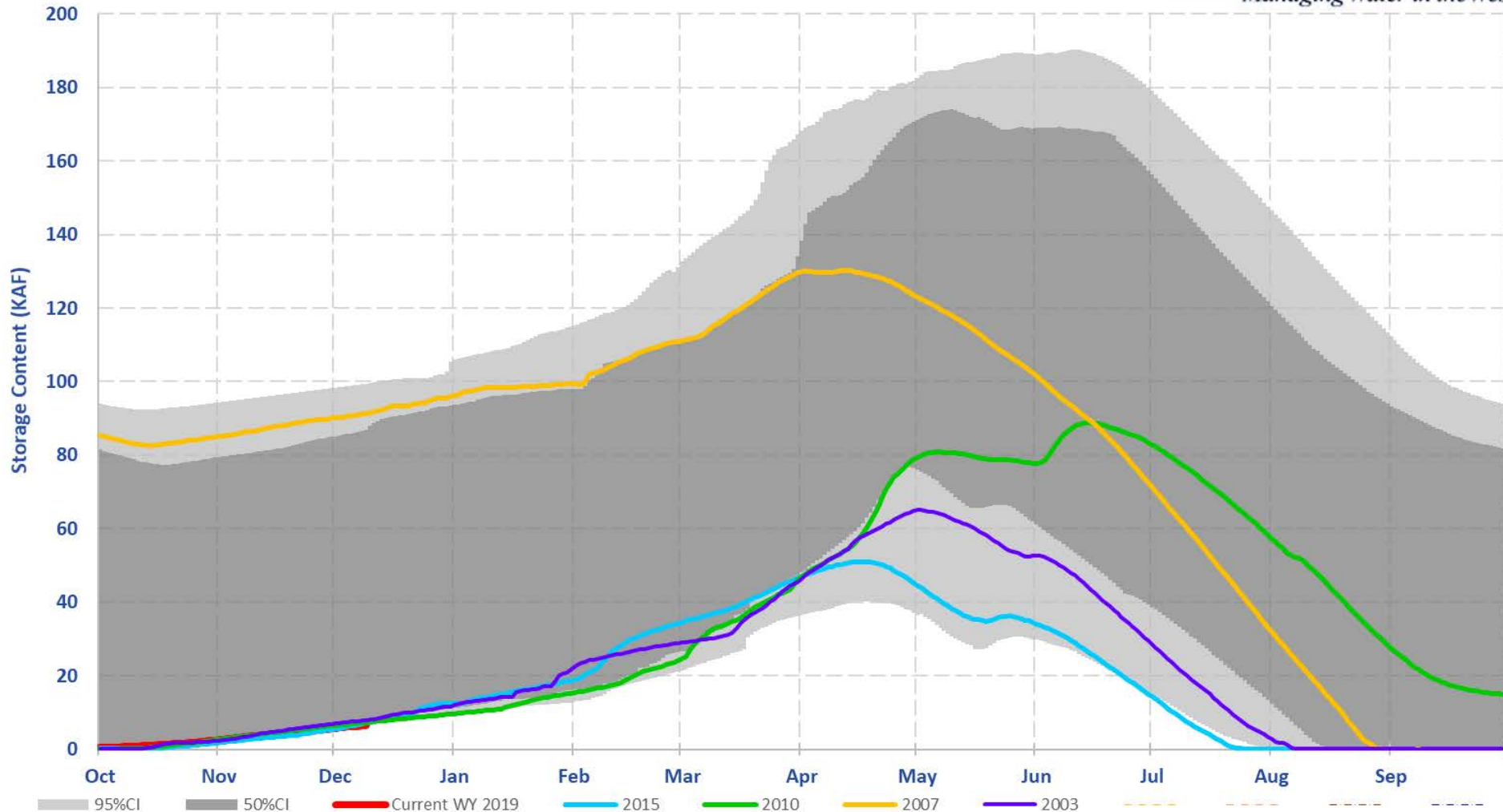
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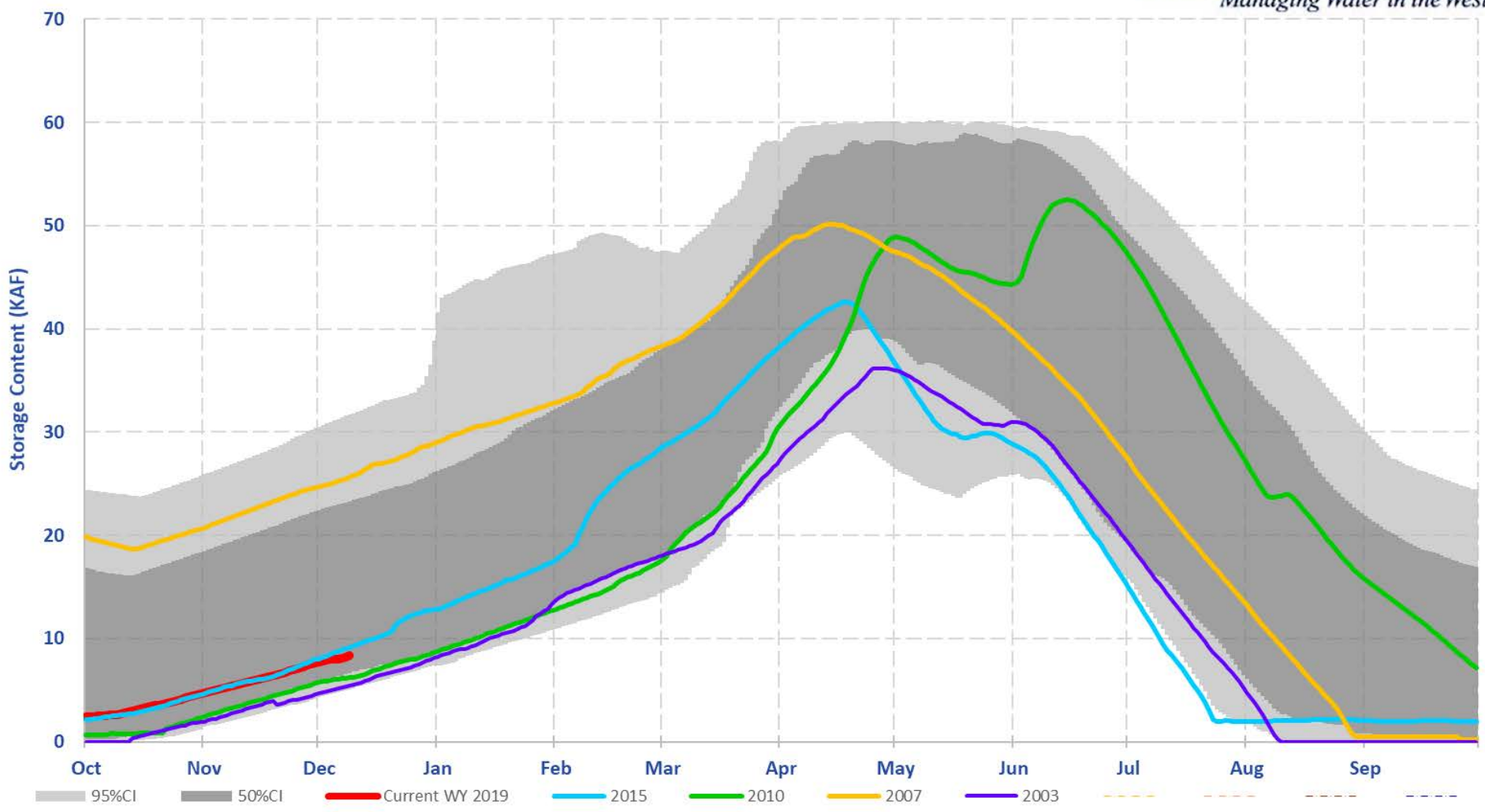
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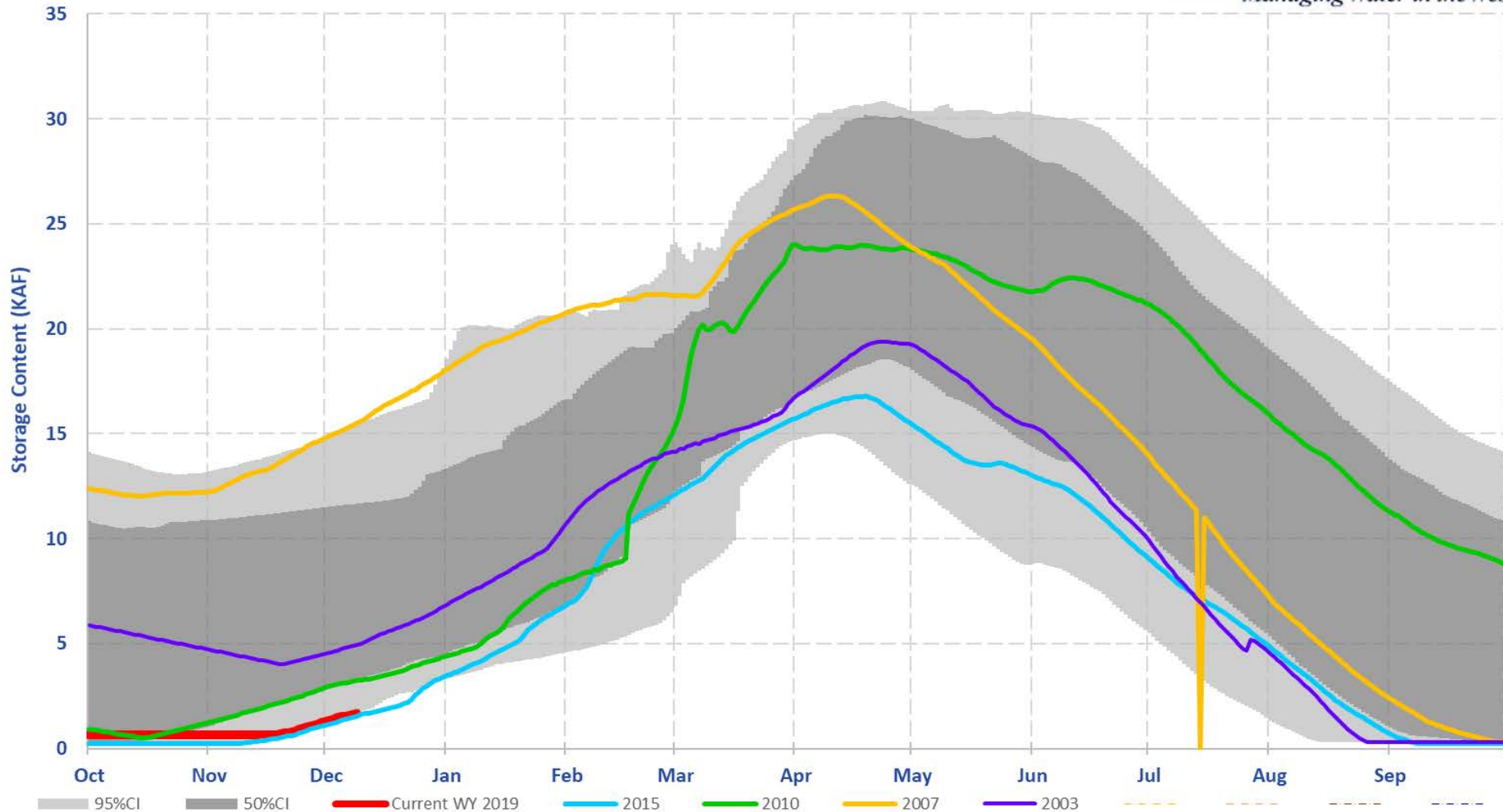




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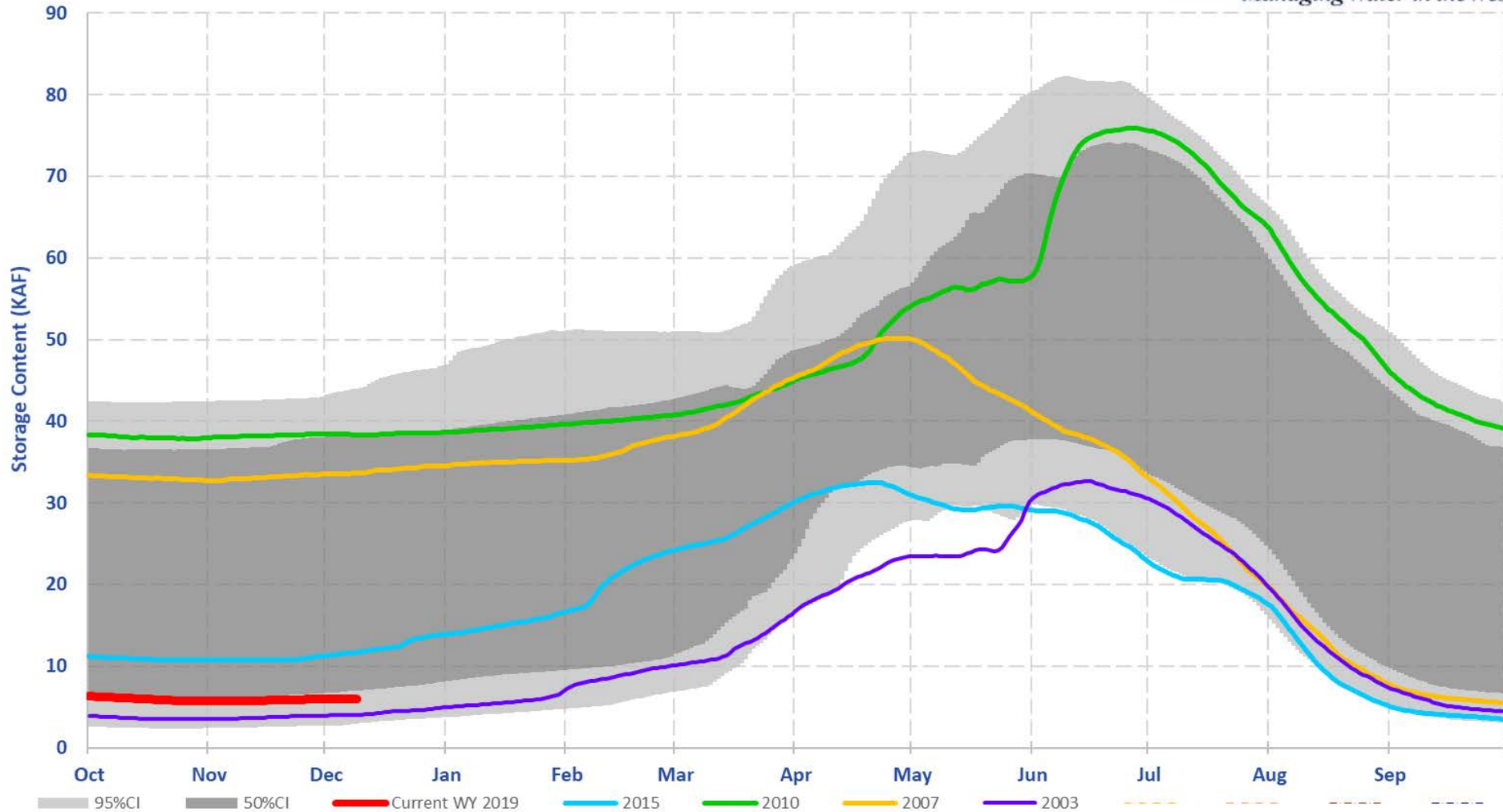
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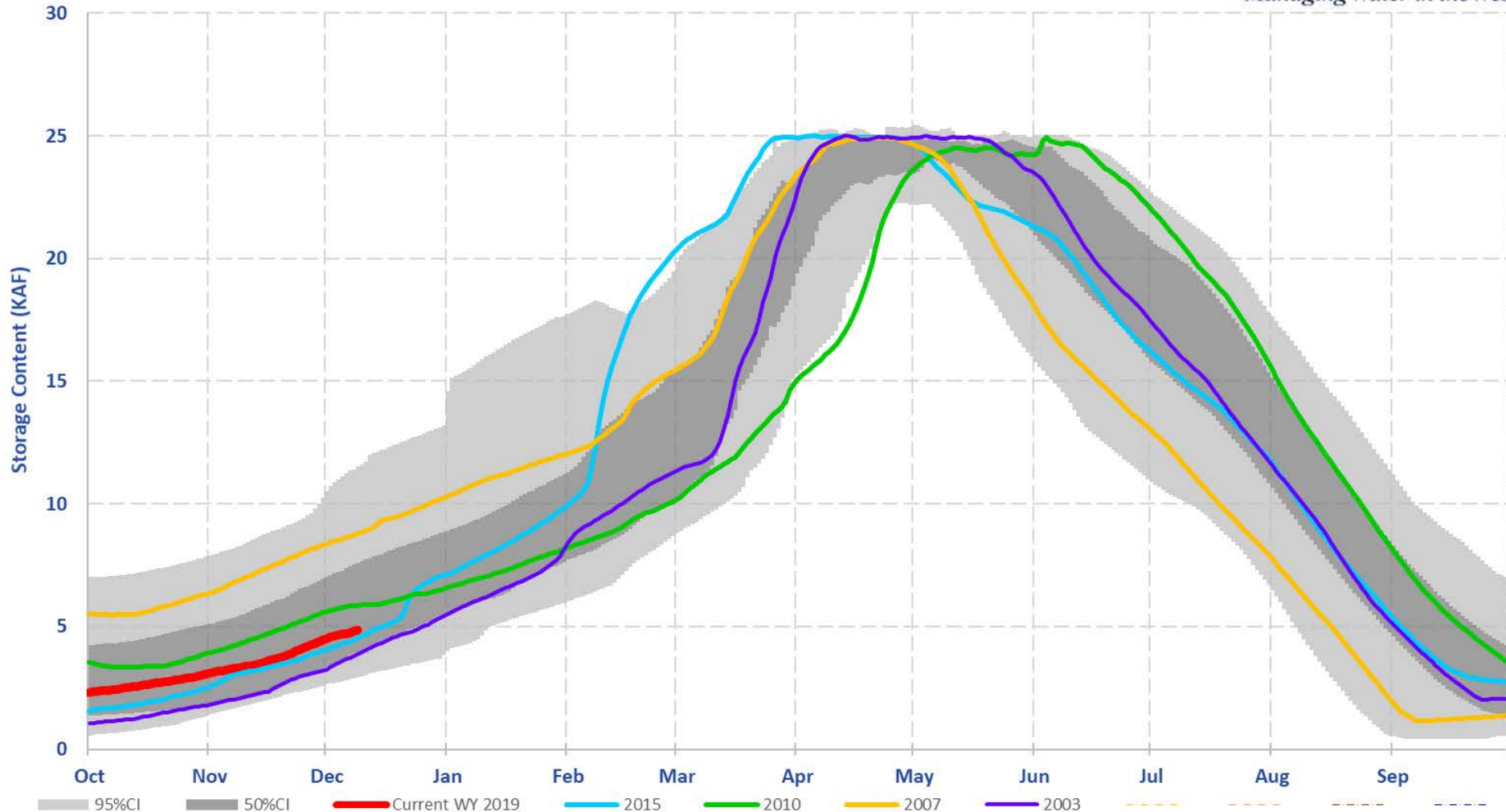
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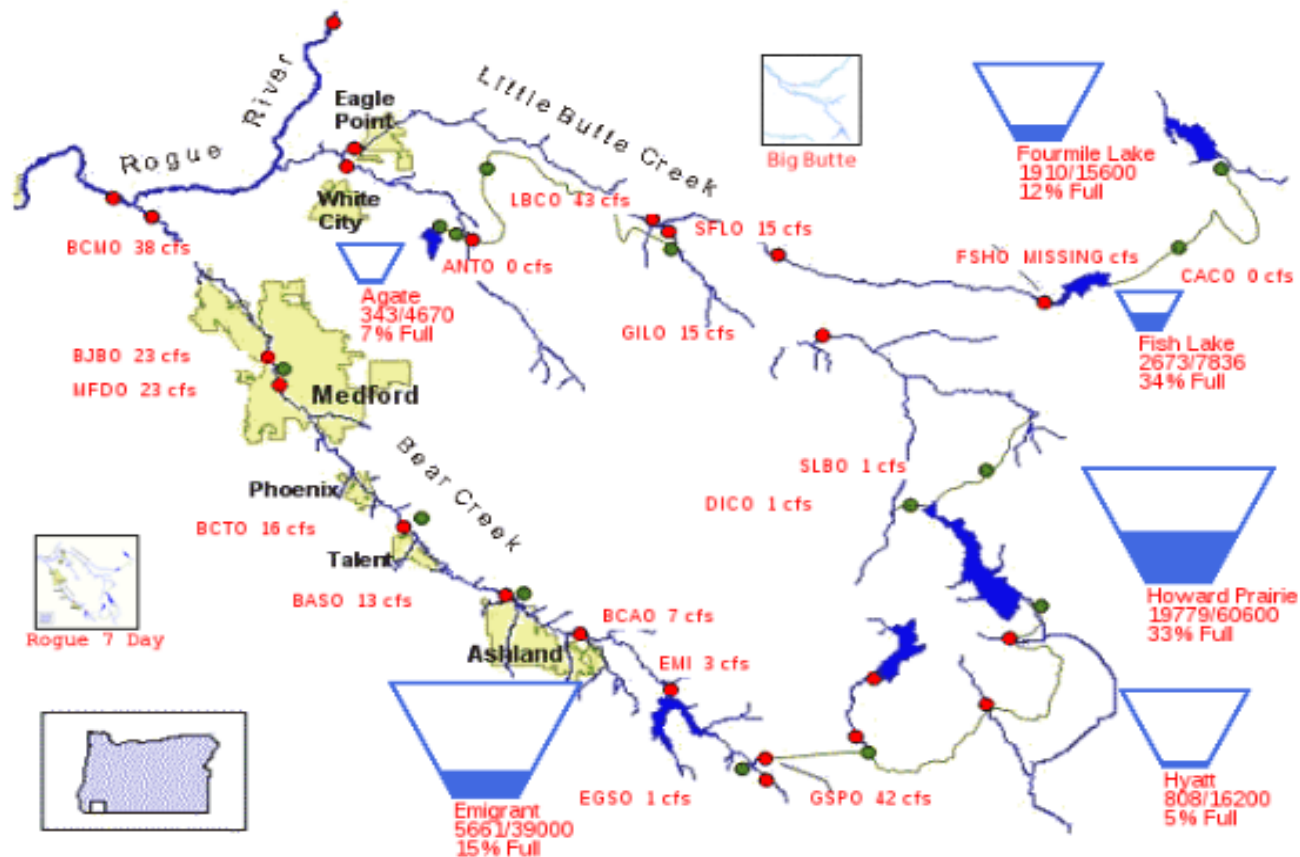




# Rogue River Basin

## US Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Northwest Region Bear Creek and Little Butte Creek Basins

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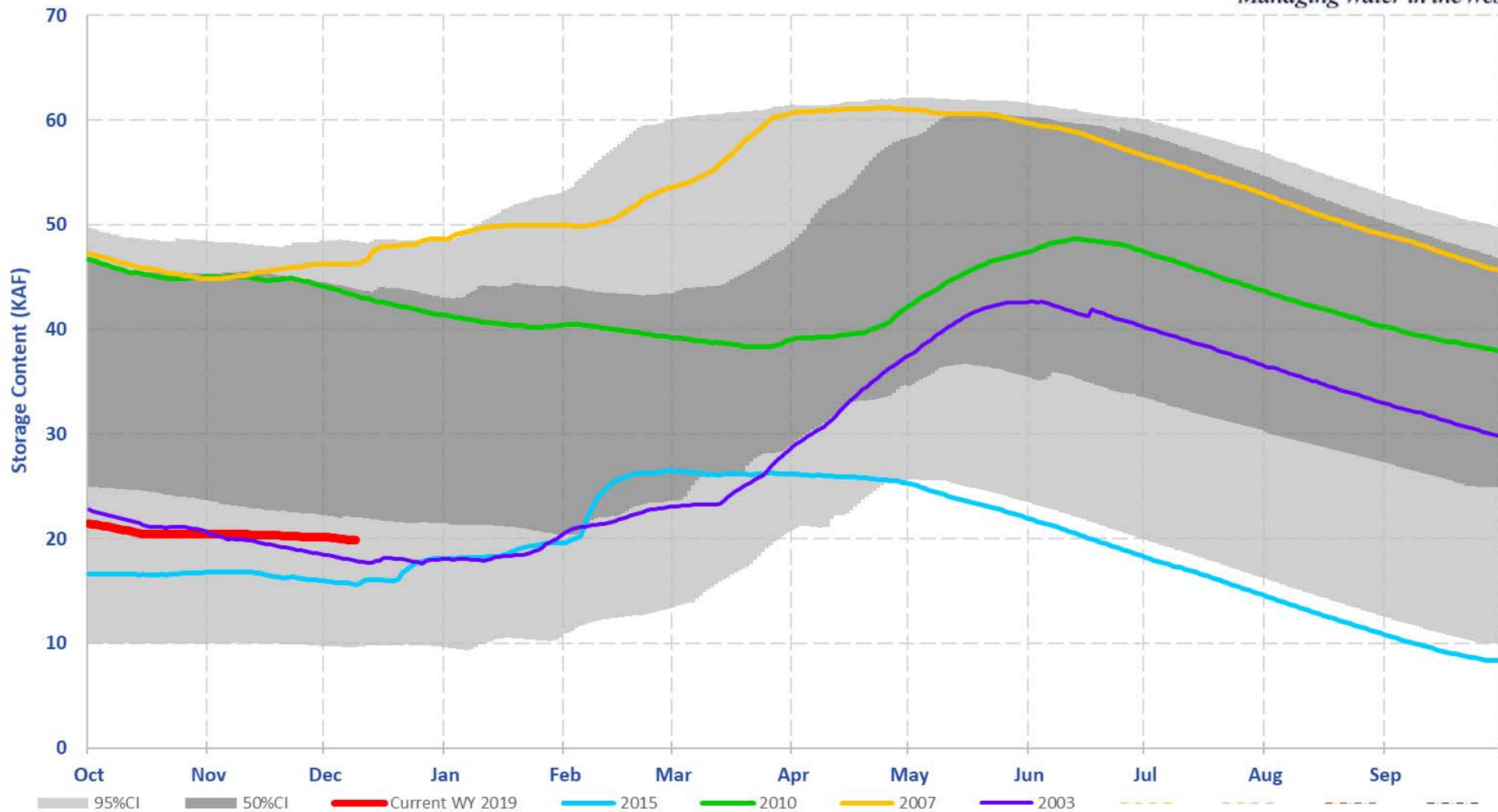


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# Rogue River Basin: Howard Prairie

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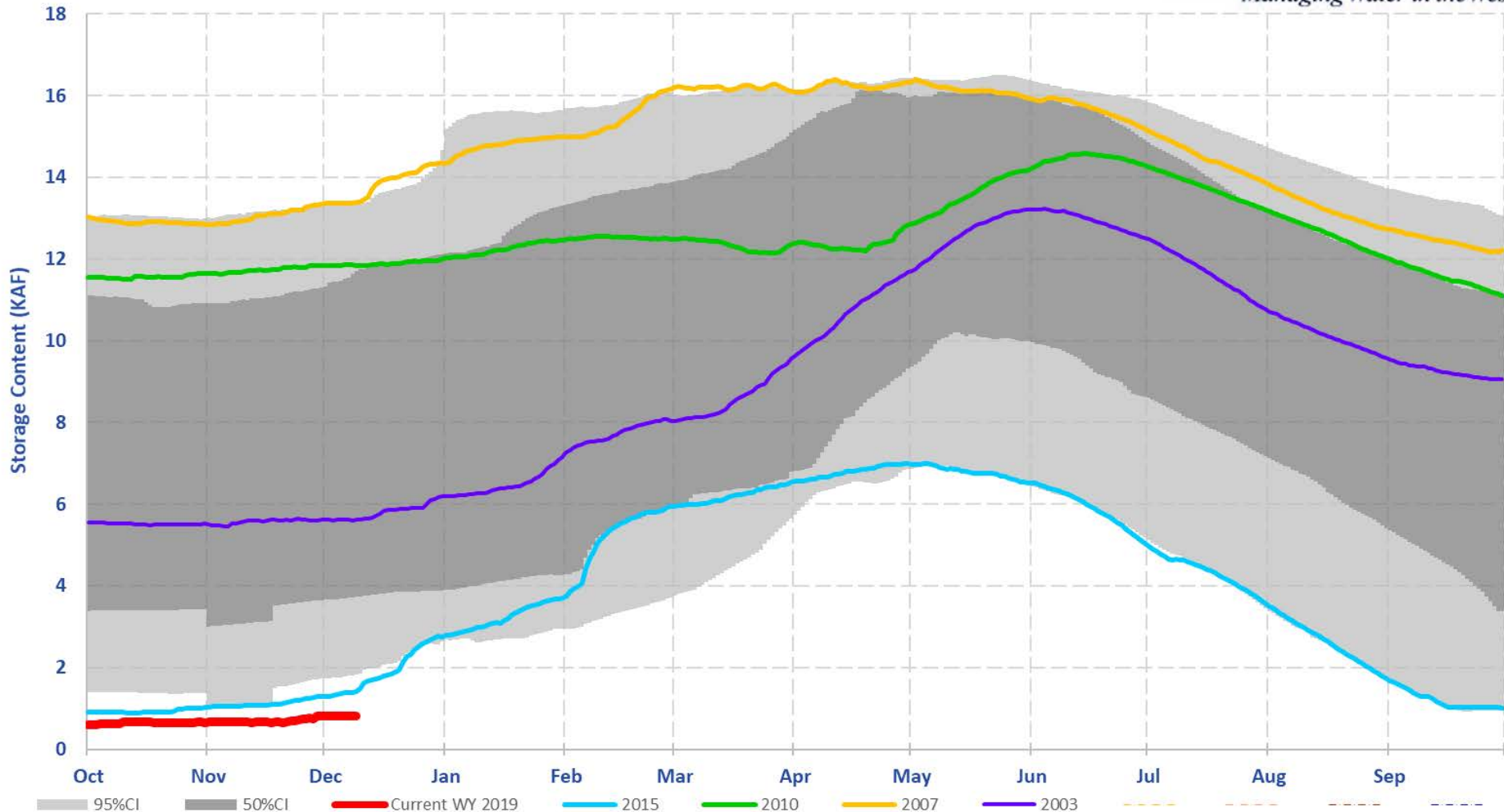
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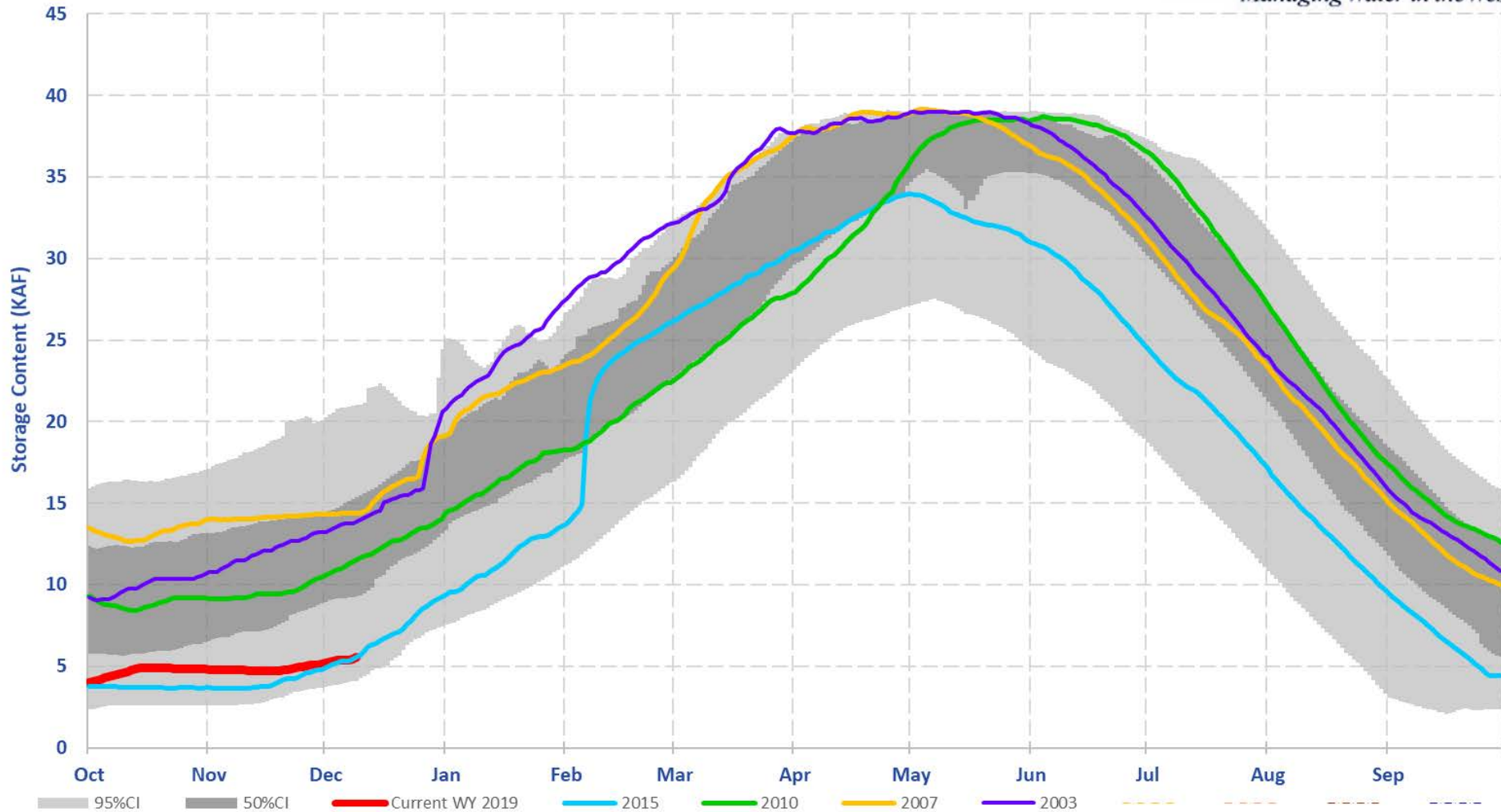




# Rogue River Basin: Emigrant

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