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Southern California Water Supply Update

January 22, 2025

Wildfires Devastate Southern California



Credit: CNN

Background on Metropolitan



Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Nation's **largest** wholesale
water provider

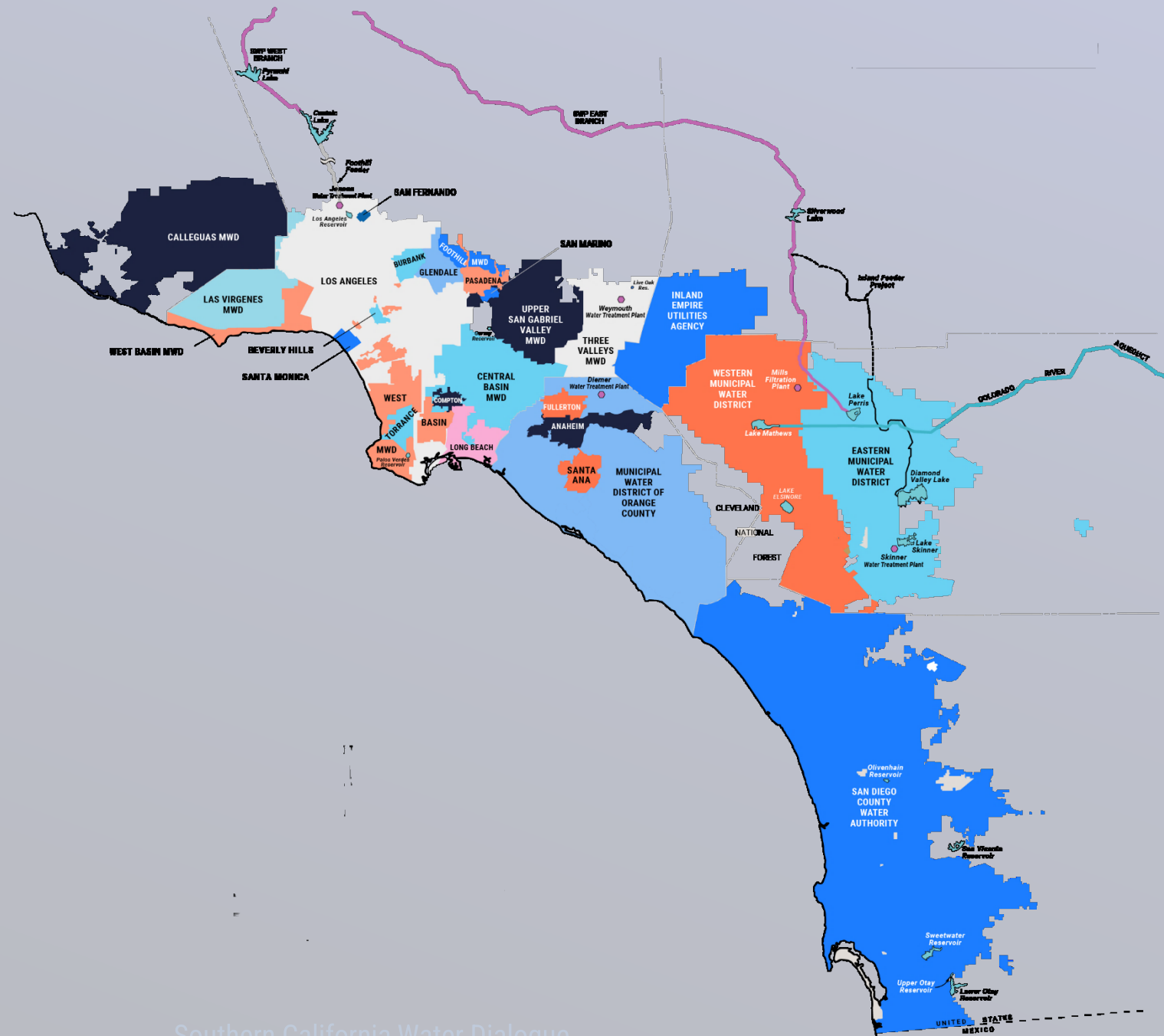
26 member agencies

Six counties

~18.5 million people served

5,200 square miles

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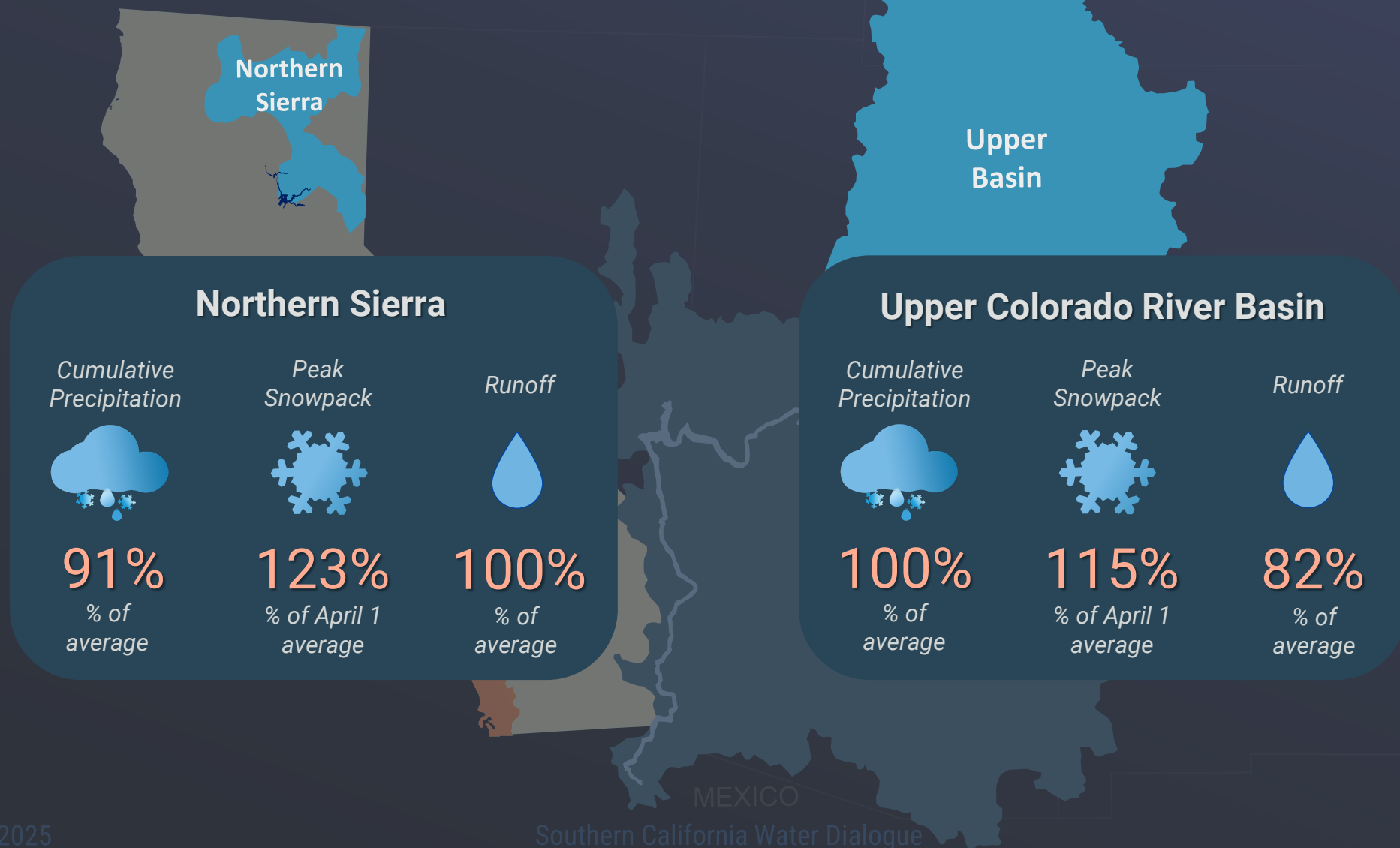
MWD Service Area's Sources of Supplies





2024 Recap

Water Year 2024 Hydrologic Conditions



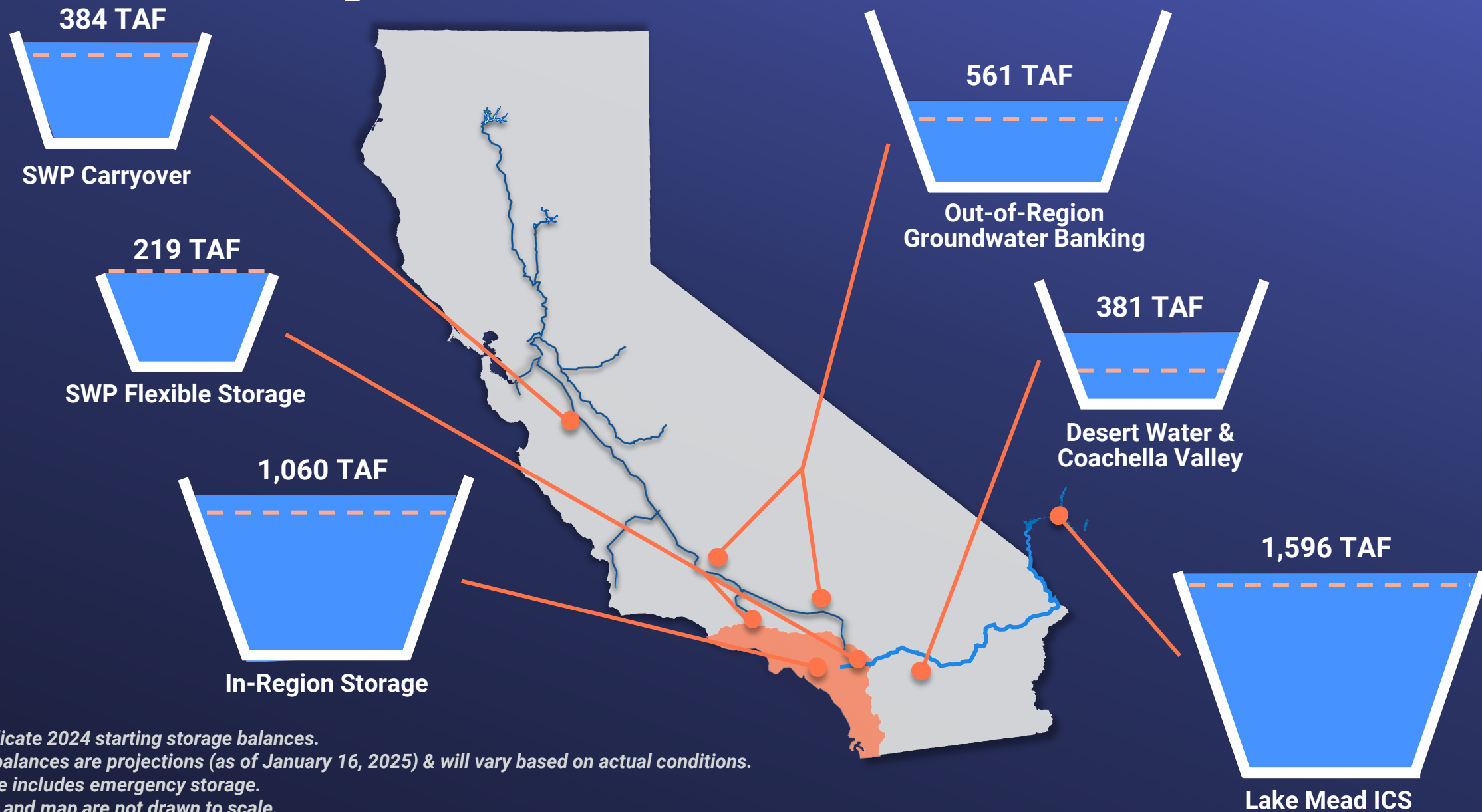
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Metropolitan's 2024 Storage Actions

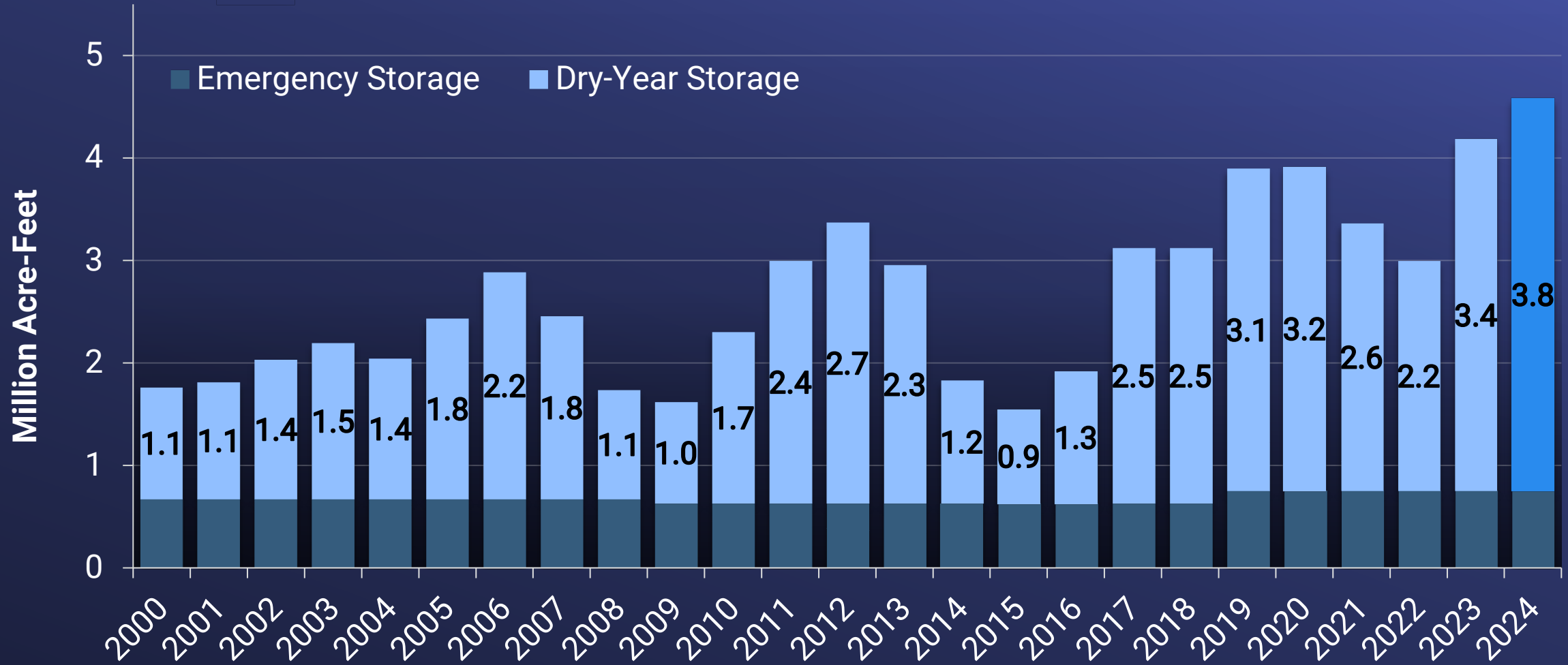


Notes:

- 1) Dashed lines indicate 2024 starting storage balances.
- 2) Ending storage balances are projections (as of January 16, 2025) & will vary based on actual conditions.
- 3) In-region storage includes emergency storage.
- 4) Storage buckets and map are not drawn to scale.

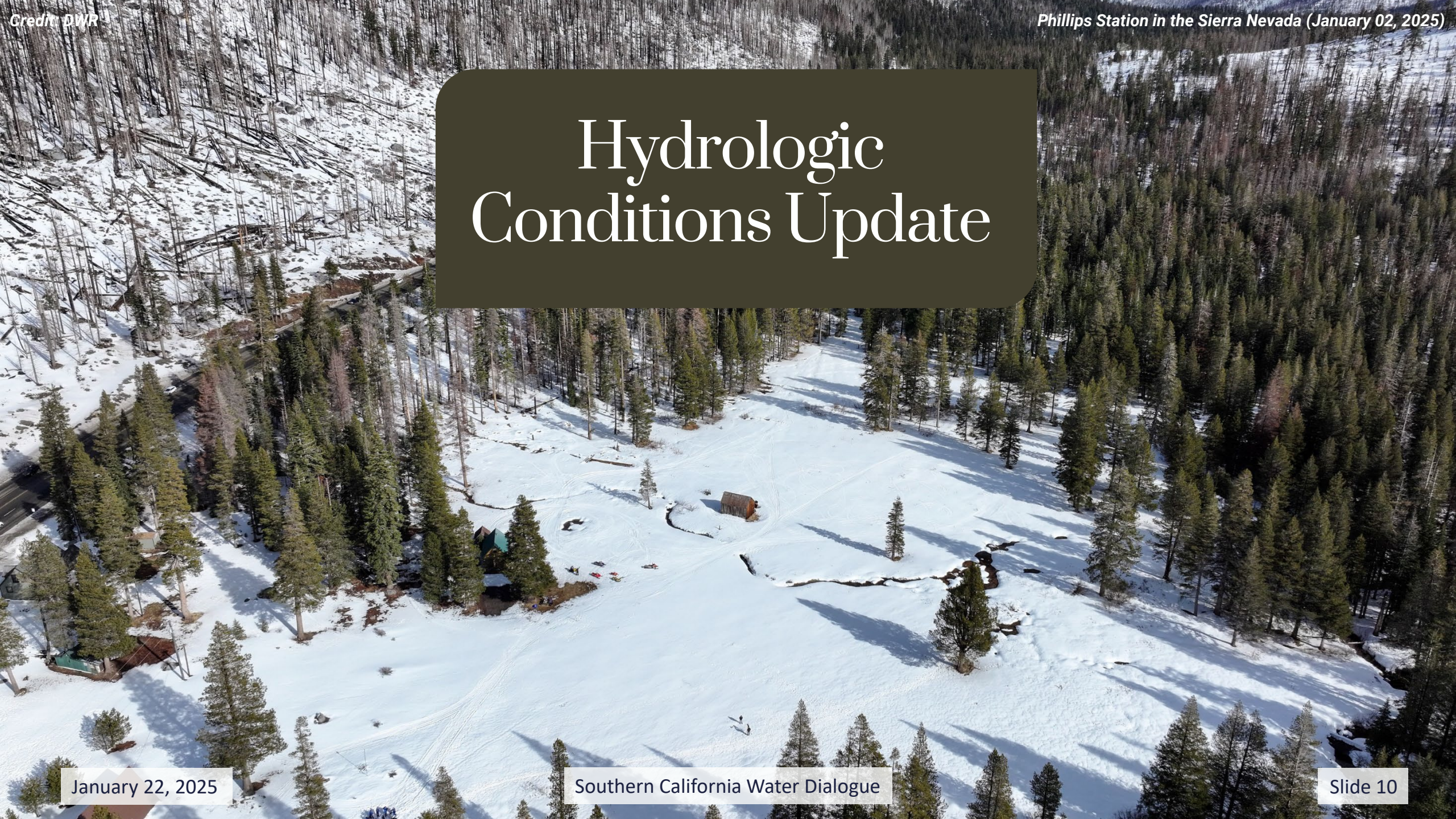
Metropolitan Ends CY 2024 with Record-High Storage

End-of-Year Balances



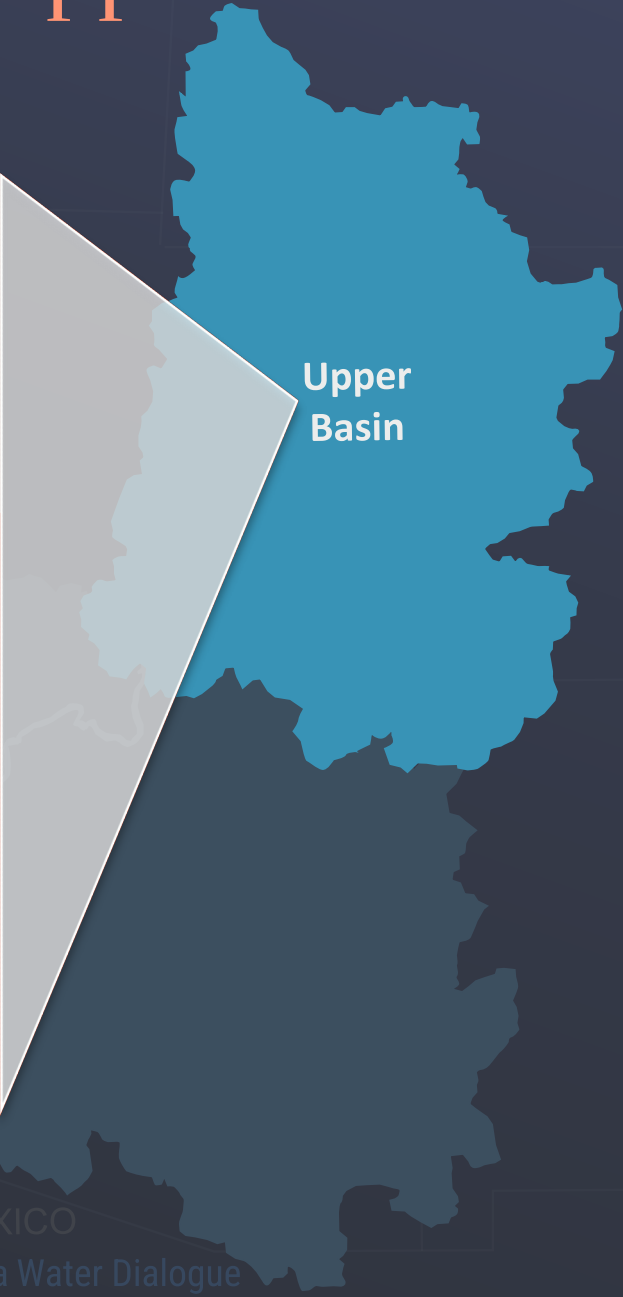
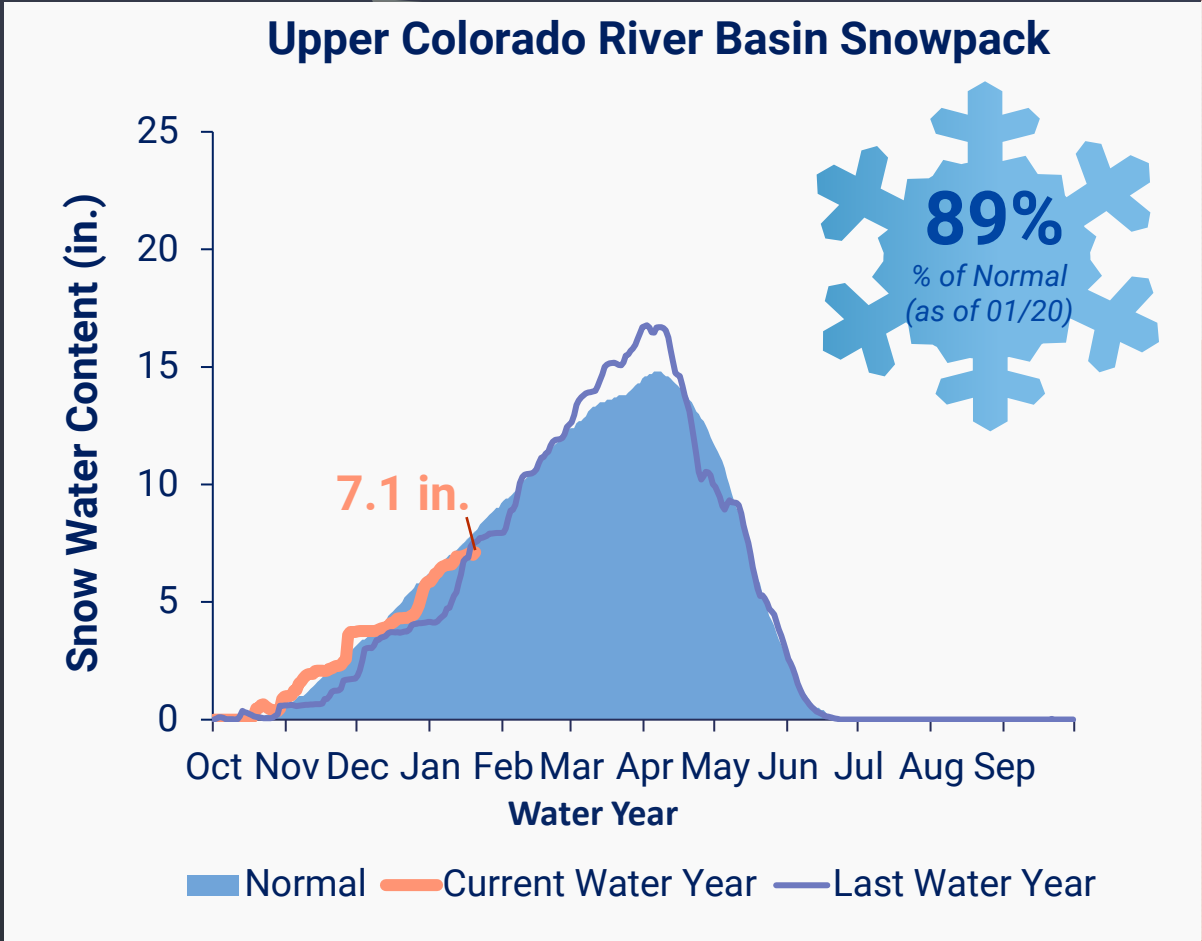
Note:

2024 end-of-year balance is preliminary as it is subject to USBR final accounting.



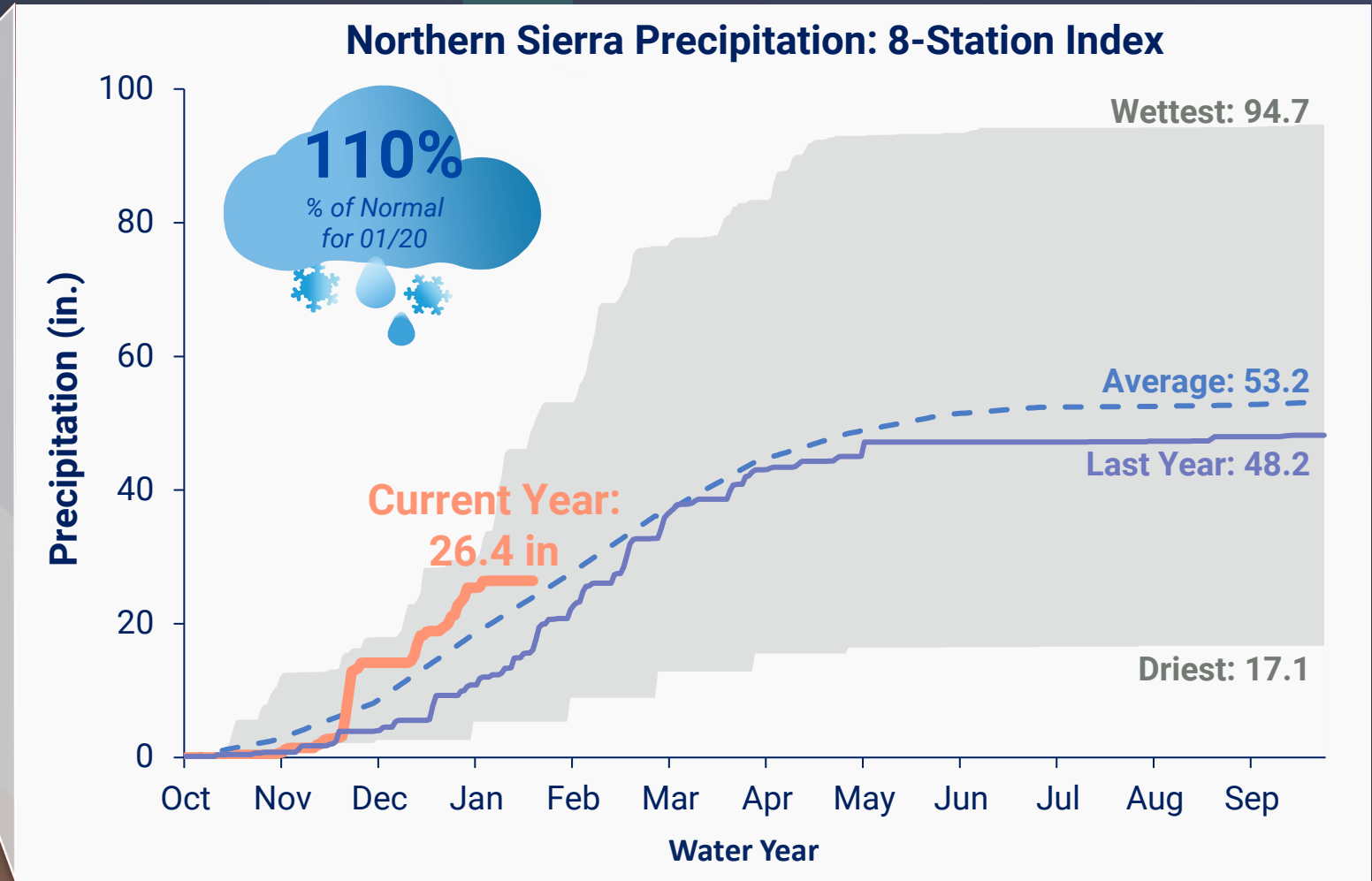
Hydrologic Conditions Update

Below Normal Snowpack in Upper Colorado River Basin

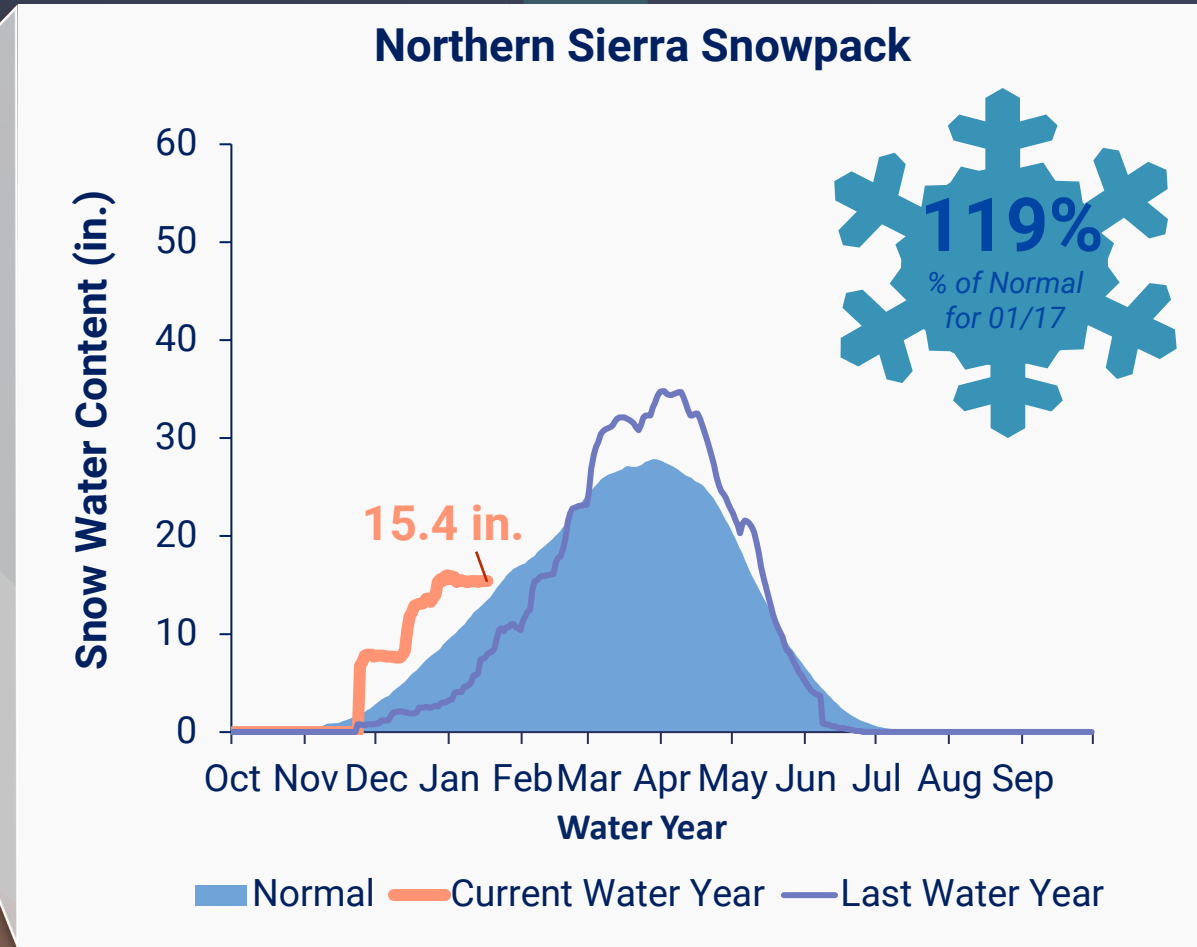


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Above-Average Precipitation for Northern Sierra



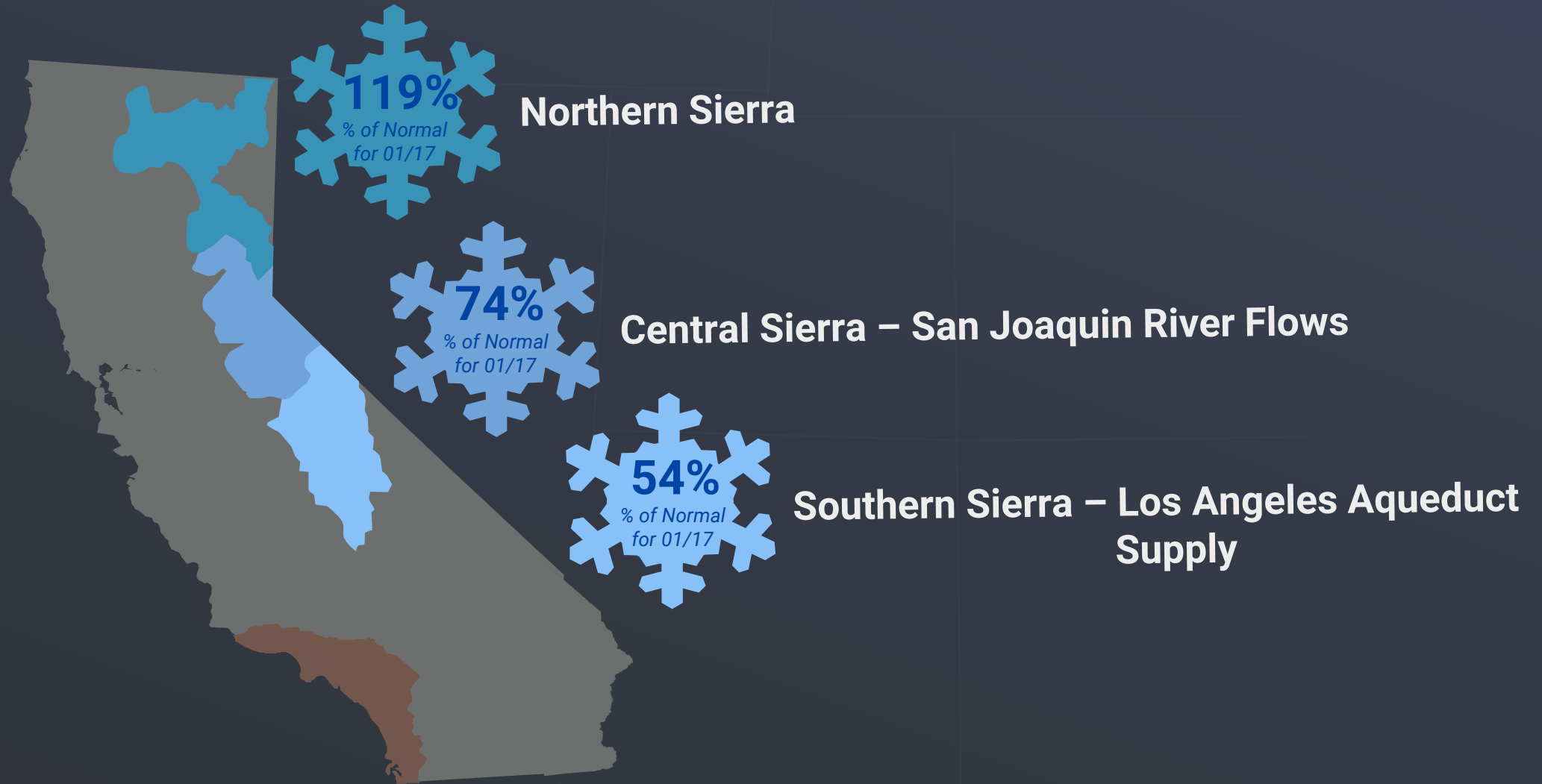
Dry January Conditions Continue for Northern Sierra Snowpack



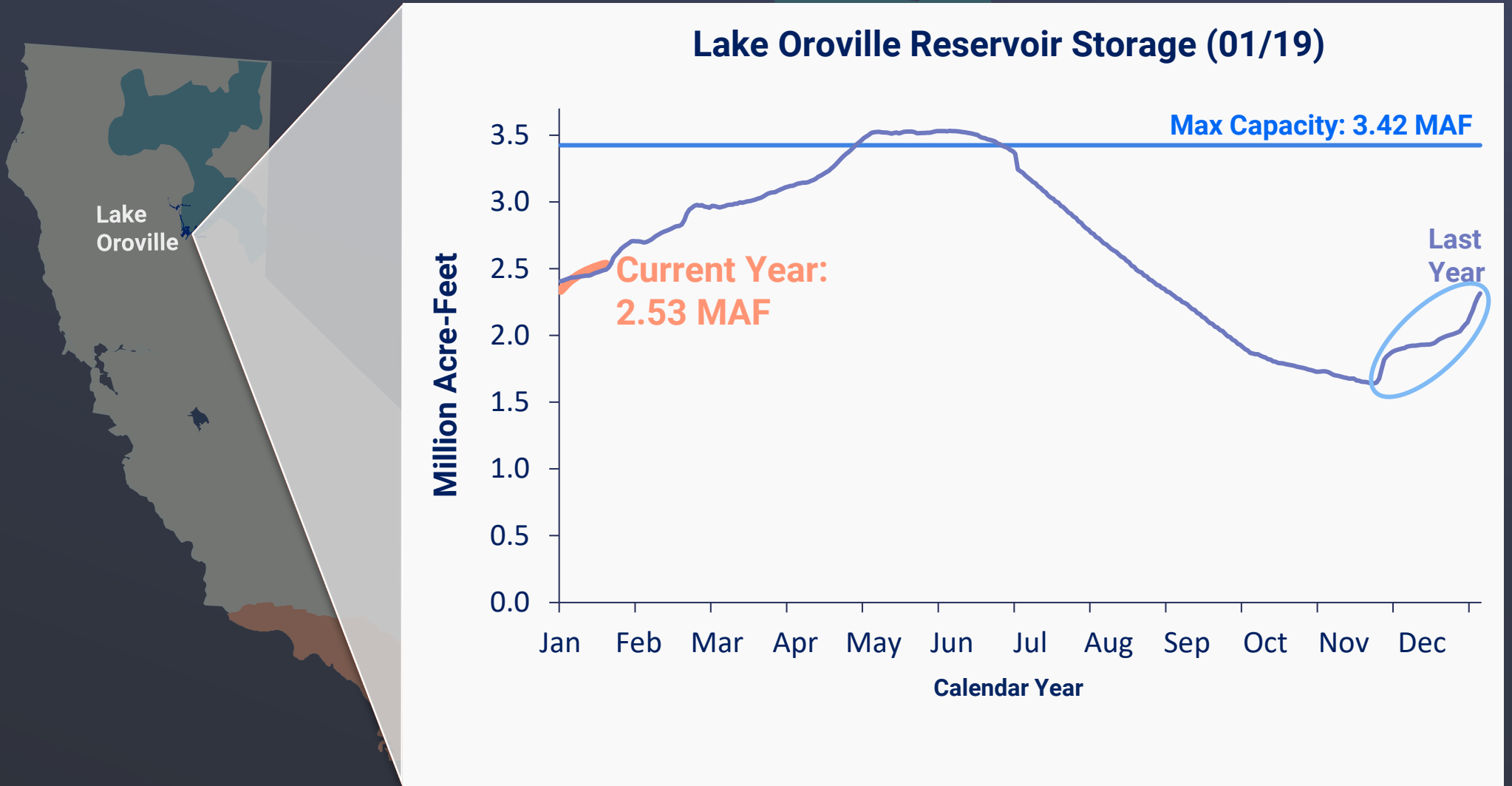
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Snowpack Conditions throughout Sierra Nevada



Winter Storms Bolster Storage Levels in Lake Oroville



An aerial photograph of a large, deep blue reservoir. A long, white truss bridge spans the width of the reservoir in the middle ground. The surrounding landscape consists of rolling hills and mountains. The left side of the reservoir is bordered by dense, green forested hills. The right side shows a mix of green and brown, suggesting some areas of fire or drought. In the background, more forested mountains rise under a clear blue sky. The water in the foreground is a deep teal color, while the water further back is a lighter blue.

Metropolitan's Water Surplus & Drought Management

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Credit: DWR

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SWP Update

SWP Table A Allocation Increases to 15%

- SWP Allocation increased from 5% to 15%
- Update reflected improved hydrologic conditions from late November and early December 2024 storm events
- Incorporated latest storage level information
- Additional increases to the SWP Allocation may occur
- DWR continues to assess precipitation, snowpack, and storage levels as Water Year 2025 conditions develop



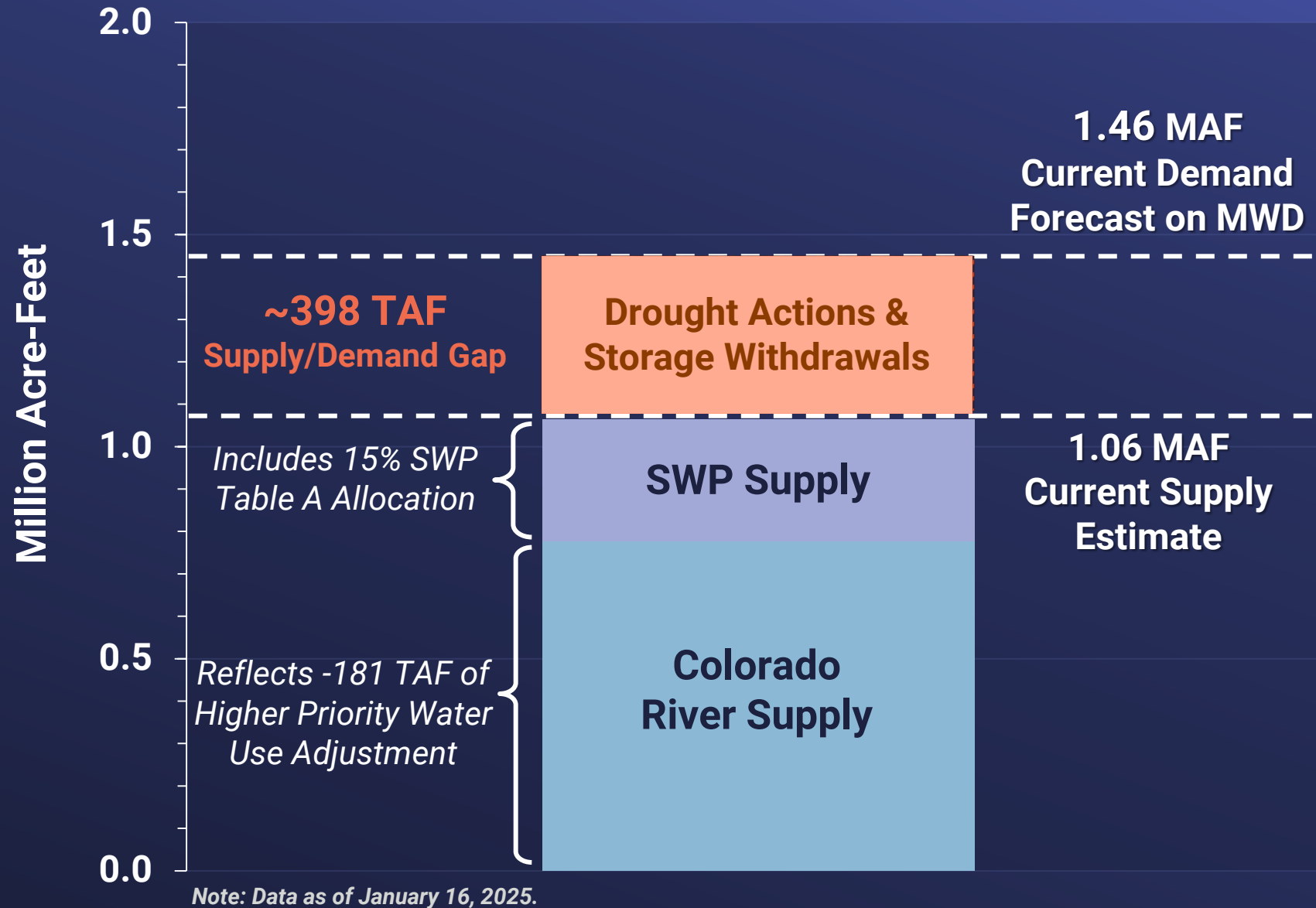
Colorado River Update

- No impacts to Metropolitan's Colorado River supplies anticipated in the short term
 - Lake Mead operating in a Tier I Shortage Condition during CY 2025
 - No cutbacks to Metropolitan's Colorado River supplies expected in CY 2026
- Long-term outlook contains significant amount of uncertainty

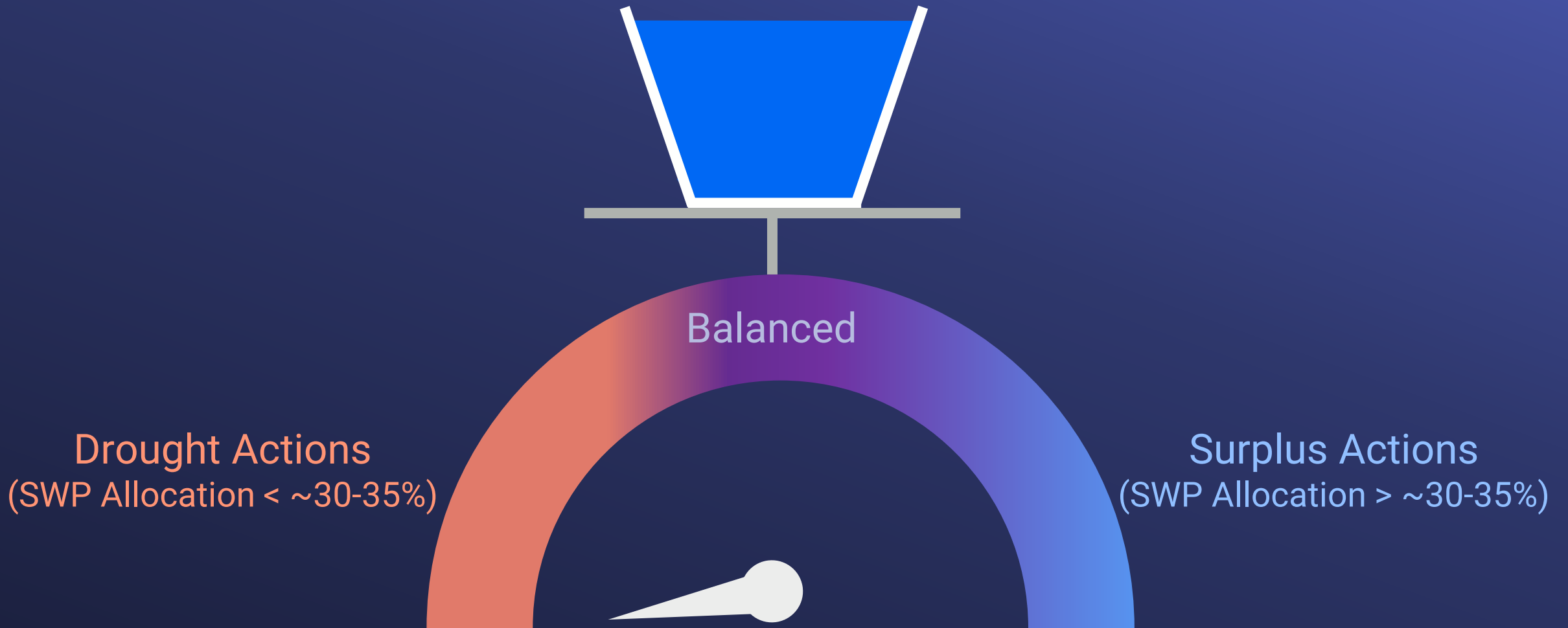


- Several documents and agreements scheduled to expire at the end of 2026
- USBR undertaking multi-year NEPA process to identify range of alternatives and operations for Lakes Powell & Mead

2025 Water Supply/Demand Balance: **Regional View**



Planning for 2025 Across SWP Allocations



Note: Information as of January 2025. Assumes current trend demand on Metropolitan and forecasted Colorado River supplies.

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Recent Developments by Metropolitan

Actions taken by Metropolitan to help advance towards Metropolitan's targets on core supply, storage, and flex supply:



Accepted up to **\$125.4 million** in grant funding for **Pure Water Southern California**



Approved investing **\$141.6 million** for planning and studies related to **Delta Conveyance Project**



Authorized agreements for **water transfer options** for three years with agencies in the **Sacramento Valley**



Accepted up to **\$82 million** in federal funding to expand the **Antelope Valley- East Kern High Desert Water Bank**



*Metropolitan and Antelope Valley-East Kern
Water Agency High Desert Water Bank*

