

## WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS UPDATE 2/6/23

You can now access Updates on our website: <https://www.rrfc.net/weekly-water-supply-conditions-update>



*Ukiah Valley, 2/5/23 by CJ Watt*

### **Reservoir Storage & Operations ([More info here](#)):**

Water supply information below and **attached** provided by Sonoma Water.

National Weather Service updates **attached**.

The February Abacela Weather-Climate Summary and Forecast is now available [here](#),

## Lake Mendocino

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Current Storage (acre-feet)	80,795
Target Water Supply Storage Curve (acre-feet)	68,400
% of Target Water Supply Storage Curve	118.12%
7-day change (acre-feet)	+742

## Lake Pillsbury

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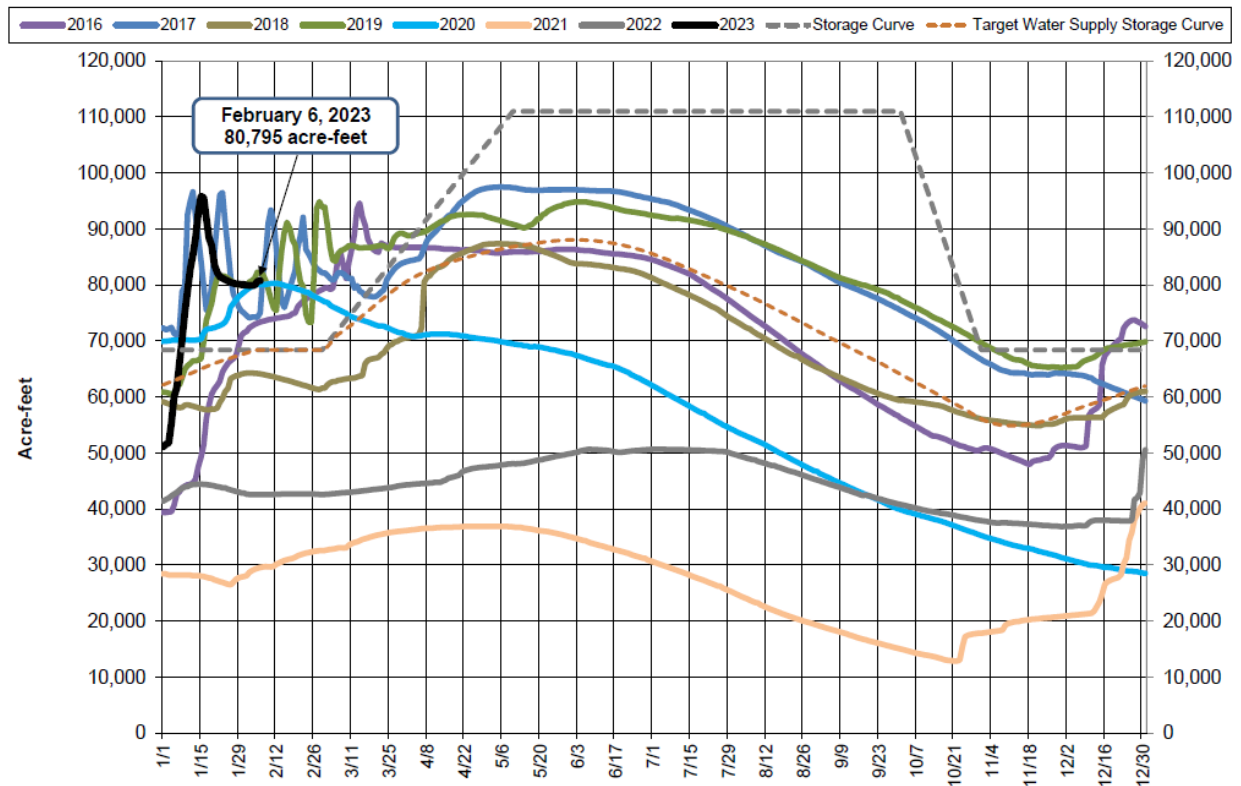
Current Storage (acre-feet)	57,517
Target Storage Curve (acre-feet)	35,419
7-day change (acre-feet)	+279

## Lake Sonoma

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Current Storage (acre-feet)	240,610
Target Storage Curve (acre-feet)	245,000
% of Water Supply Pool	98.21%
7-day change (acre-feet)	+2,494

### Lake Mendocino Storage





*Lake Mendocino, 1/8/23 by CJ Watt*

## **Grant Funding Opportunity**

### **Reclamation makes \$80 million available for watershed health**

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is making approximately [\\$80 million in funding](#) available for water management and restoration projects that will result in significant benefits to ecosystem or watershed health. A maximum grant of \$3 million is available for each project; work on projects must be completed within three years. The funding is being made available as part of Reclamation's [WaterSMART program](#).



## **New Job Opportunity**

Mendocino County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) is seeking a well-organized water resources professional to work in the Water Resources Program. The Water Resources Project Manager will assist the Assistant Executive Director in the development of projects for watershed restoration, water conservation, monitoring and other related projects. The position will involve project development, project management, field work, grant writing, and working directly with partnering organizations.

[The full job description can be viewed here.](#)

## **Equity Initiatives and Clean Energy Access Grant Program**

The California Public Utilities Commission is holding an informational webinar on the draft Equity Initiatives and Clean Energy Access Grant Program (draft grant program) on February 15, 2023, from 10 a.m. – noon. **Background:** AB 179 (Ting) signed by Governor Gavin Newsom appropriates \$30,000,000 in funding to expand the scope of public participation to include community-based organizations that have

not historically engaged with matters before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The purpose of the funding is to increase the breadth and depth of voices providing input on issues affecting state residents, especially those in diverse and low-income communities, hard to reach customers, tribal communities, individuals with access and functional needs, and frontline communities experiencing the impact of climate change. CPUC staff will provide an overview of the draft grant program and a Q&A session will provide attendees with an opportunity to share their opinions and ask questions on the issues discussed. Comments on the draft grant program may be submitted to [outreach@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:outreach@cpuc.ca.gov) until 5 p.m. on February 27, 2023.

**Registration:** <https://cpuc.webex.com/weblink/register/r80f73f4e4e1298fec46f875b3f086390>

### **In the press:**

- [CA Water eNews 2/1/23](#)
  - [Maven's Notebook, Feb 3, 2023](#)
  
  - Read the [Sonoma County Sustainable Management Quarterly Newsletter for February 2023](#).
  - [Wine Spectator - Did the Pineapple Express End California's Drought?, 1/31/23](#)
  - [LA Times - How do you track an atmospheric river? Climb aboard this highflying reconnaissance jet, 2/1/23](#)
  - [San Fran Chronicle - Recent rains are 'nowhere near' what California might see in the future, climate expert says, 2/1/23](#)
  - [CA Water Education Foundation - Water Leaders Class Examines Ways to Leverage Green Infrastructure to Help Manage CA's Water, 2/1/23](#)
  - [Russian River Watershed Association blog-New Year Brings New Opportunities for Safe Medicine Disposal, 1/2/23](#)
  - [PBS - 15 Native American tribes to receive \\$580 million in federal money for water rights settlement, 2/2/23](#)
  - [US Dept of Interior-Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Supports \\$580 Million Investment to Fulfill Indian Water Rights Settlements, 2/2/23](#)
  - [CounterCurrents.org - Rain and Heat, Fire and Snow - Life in a Destabilized California, 2/6/23](#)
  - [Times of San Diego - Restored Flood Plain Helped Small California Town Survive Atmospheric River, 2/6/23](#)
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- Recharge:
- [Public Policy Institute of CA \(PPIC\) - Can Nine Atmospheric Rivers Recharge California's Groundwater?, 2/6/23](#)
  - [YouTube video of A Watershed Moment: Realizing Our Recharge Potential](#). Sustainable Conservation CEO Ashley Boren and Director of Resource Stewardship Dr. Daniel Mountjoy to discuss what all of our recent storms mean

for groundwater recharge in 2023 and beyond, and how we can better prepare for future wet and dry times to ensure a safe and sustainable water future for California.

**Other resources & information:**

- [Mendocino County Water Agency Drought page](#)
- [SWRCB Russian River drought information page](#)
- [SaveOurWater.com](#)
- [SaveWater.ca.gov](#) to report water waste, such as leaks and overwatering.
- [Water Rights Enforcement Complaints Program](#) and/or [Cal EPA Complaint System](#) to report concerns of unauthorized diversions, violations of water rights, diversions impacting fisheries, etc. Reports can be made anonymously.
- Visit Sonoma Water's website for information on [current water supply levels](#) and [Temporary Urgency Change Petitions](#).

Elizabeth Salomone, General Manager

**Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control  
& Water Conservation Improvement District**

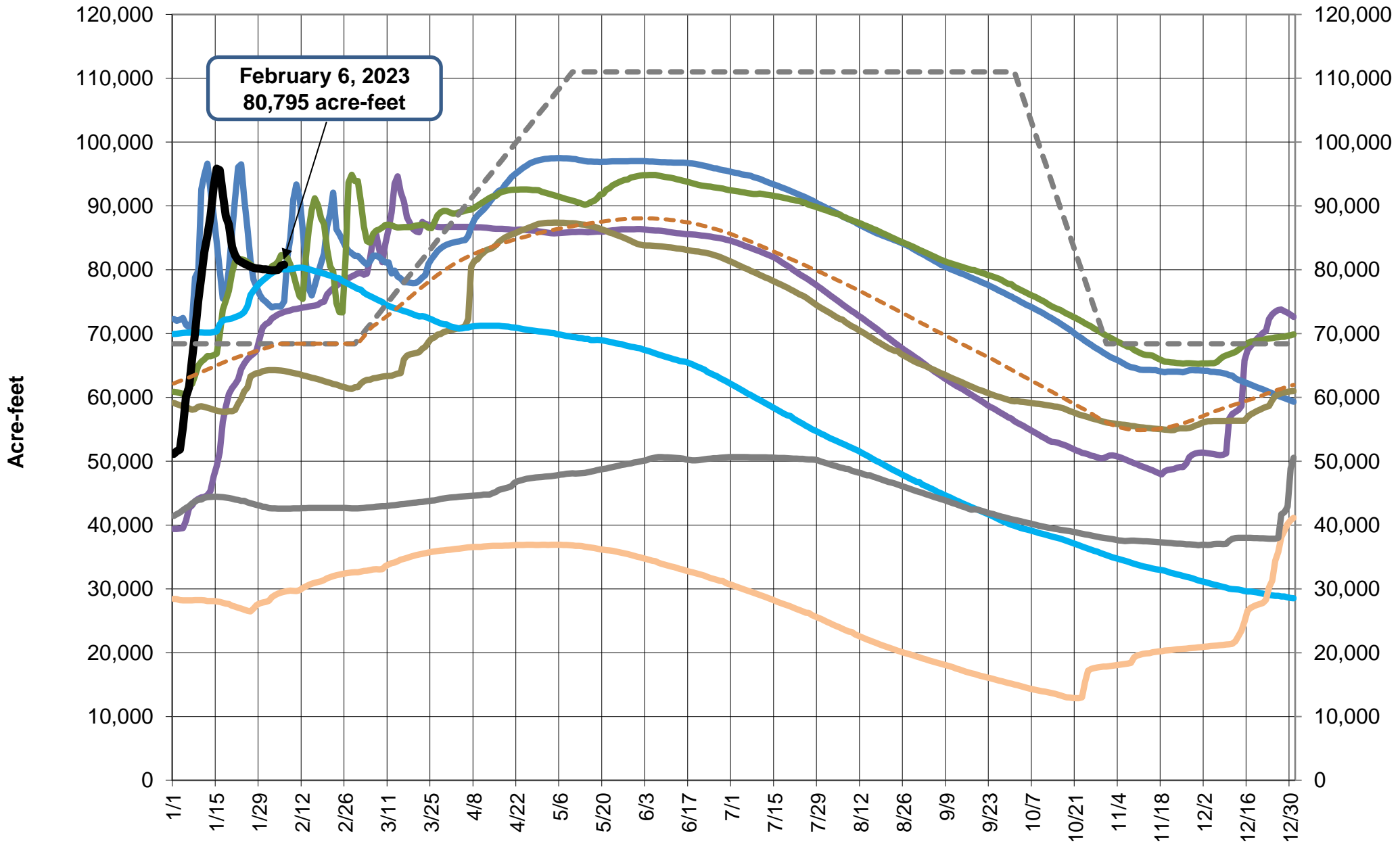
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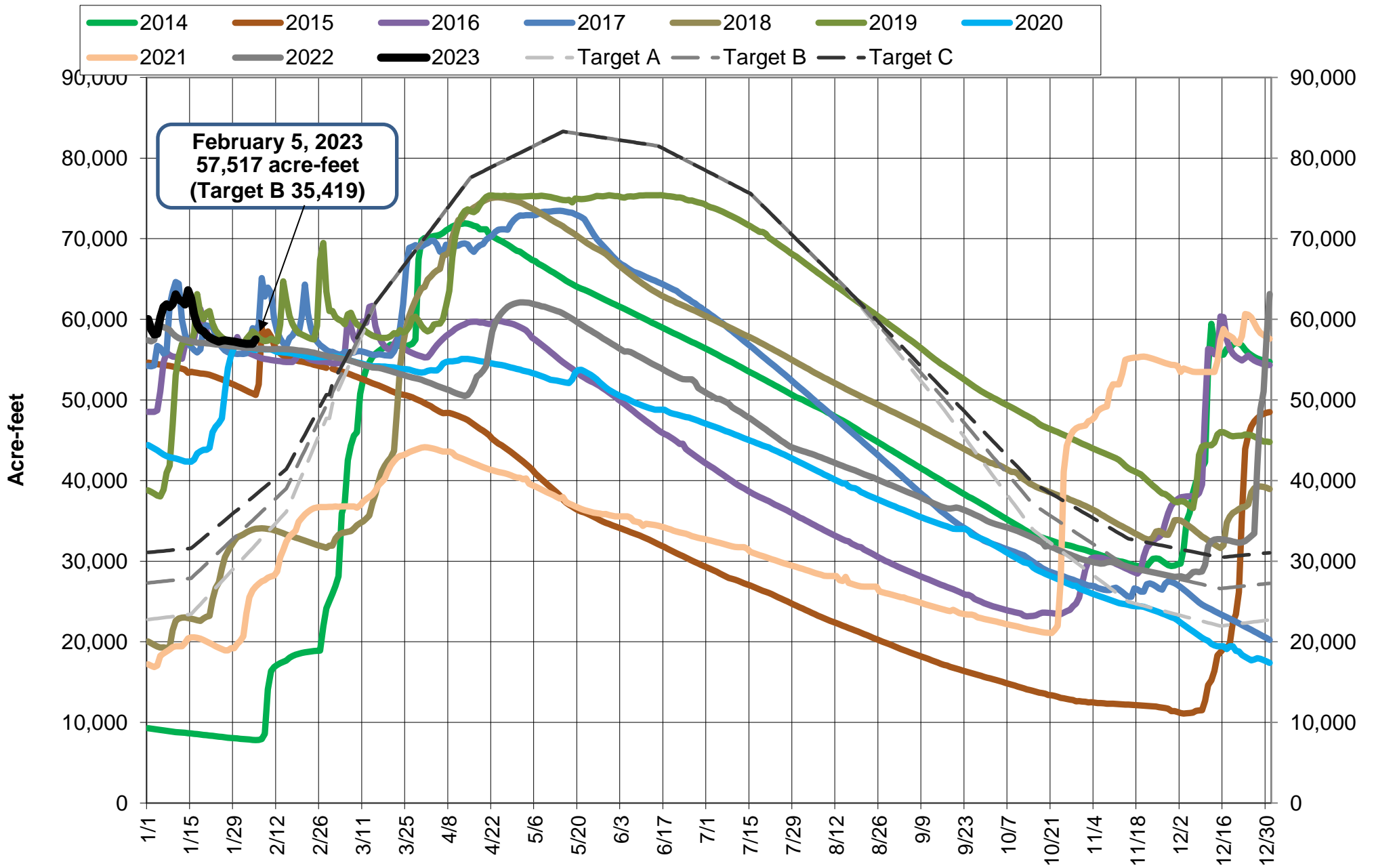


# Lake Mendocino Storage

— 2016 — 2017 — 2018 — 2019 — 2020 — 2021 — 2022 — 2023 — Storage Curve — Target Water Supply Storage Curve

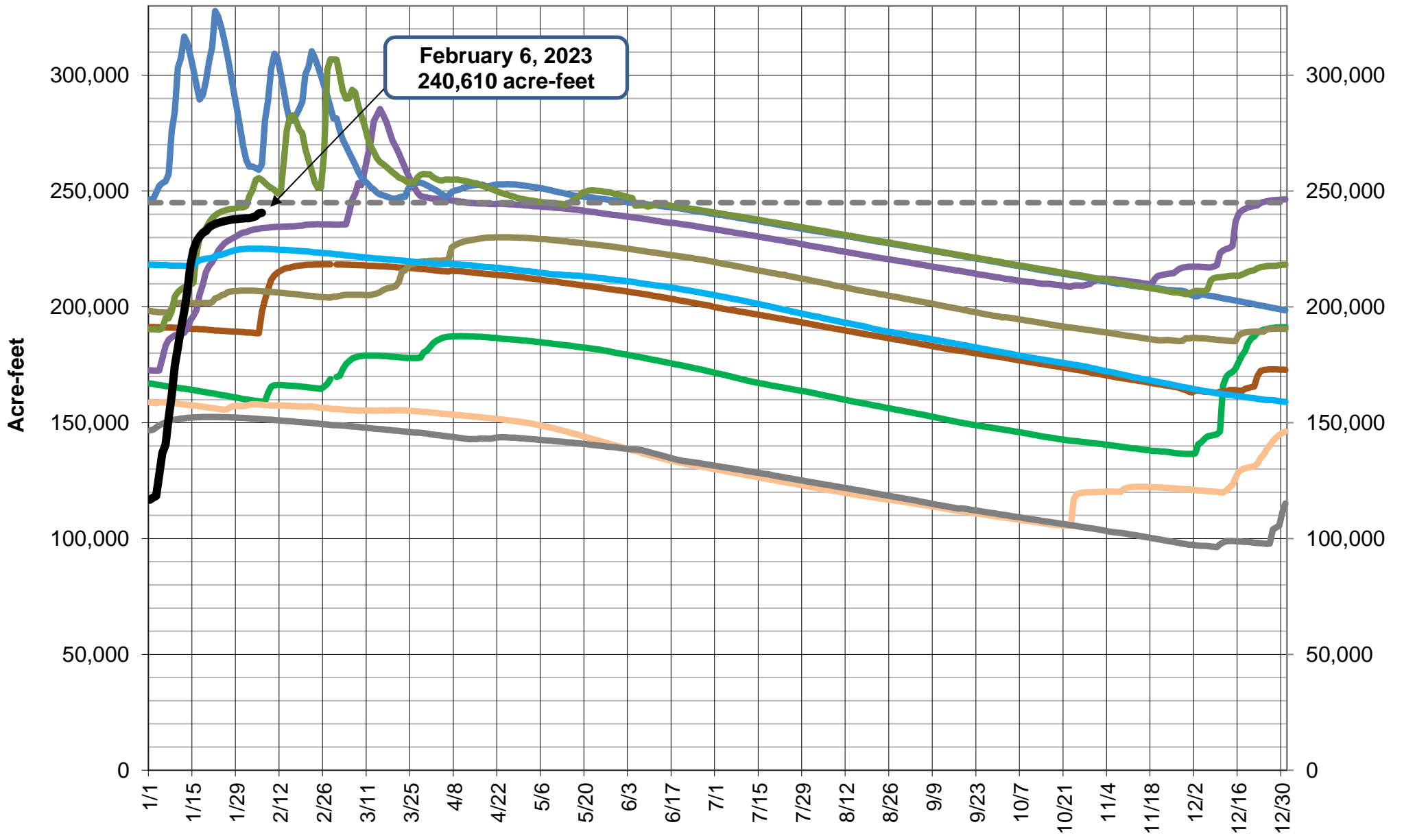


# Lake Pillsbury Storage and Target Storage Scenarios



# Lake Sonoma Storage

— 2014 — 2015 — 2016 — 2017 — 2018 — 2019 — 2020 — 2021 — 2022 — 2023 — - - - Storage Curve

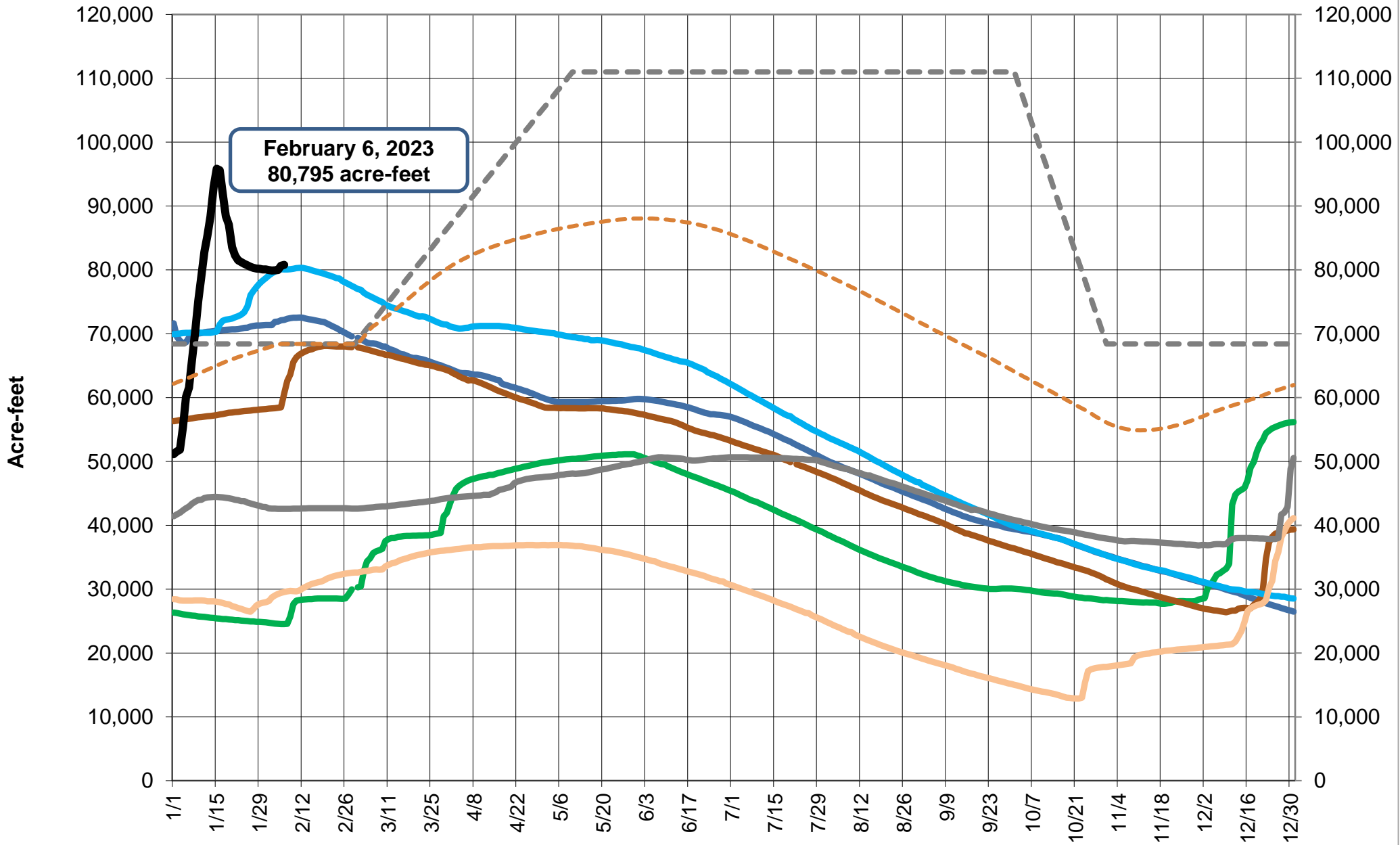


February 6, 2023  
240,610 acre-feet



# Lake Mendocino Storage - Drought Years

— 2013   
 — 2014   
 — 2015   
 — 2020   
 — 2021   
 — 2022   
 — 2023   
 - - - Storage Curve   
 - - - Target Water Supply Storage Curve



**February 6, 2023**  
**80,795 acre-feet**