

# Water Supply Update

**Board of Directors** 

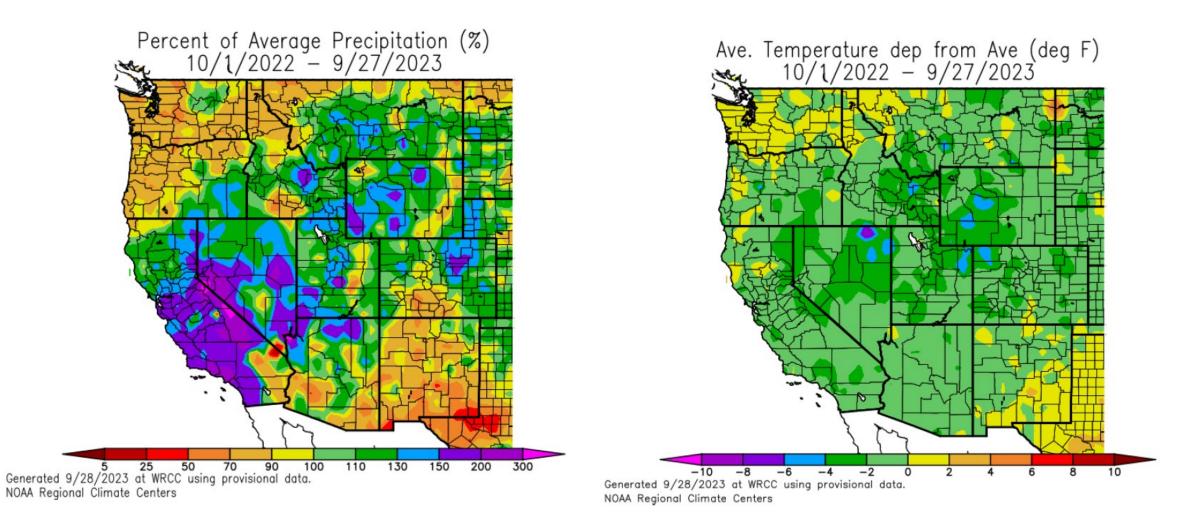
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#### **Overview**

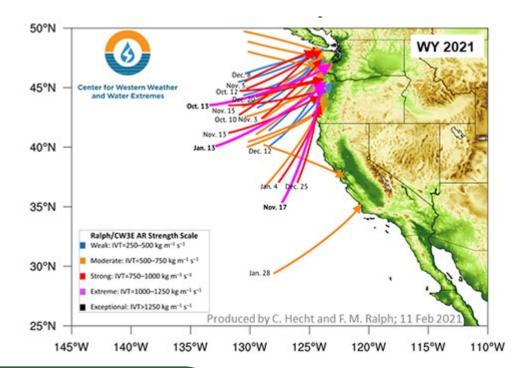
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#### Looking Back on Water Year 2023: Wetter and Cooler

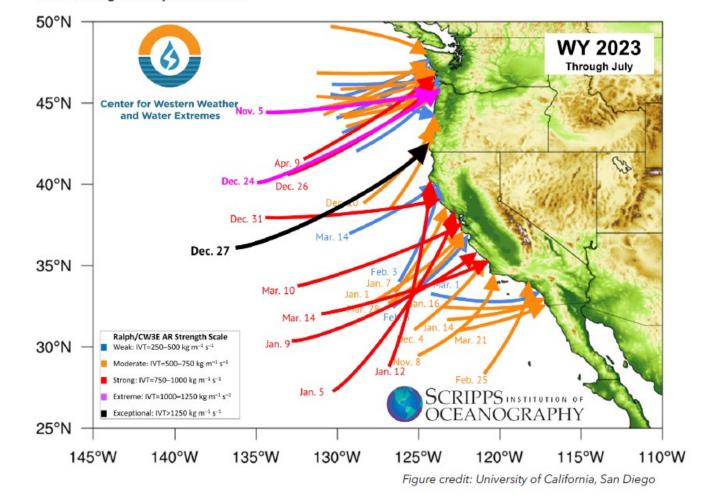


#### Water Year 2023: Atmospheric Rivers

California received about half of annual precipitation between December 26th – January 19th



Land-falling Atmospheric Rivers



#### Water Year 2023: Water Supply Conditions Improved State-wide

Lake Oroville - State Water Project Largest Reservoir

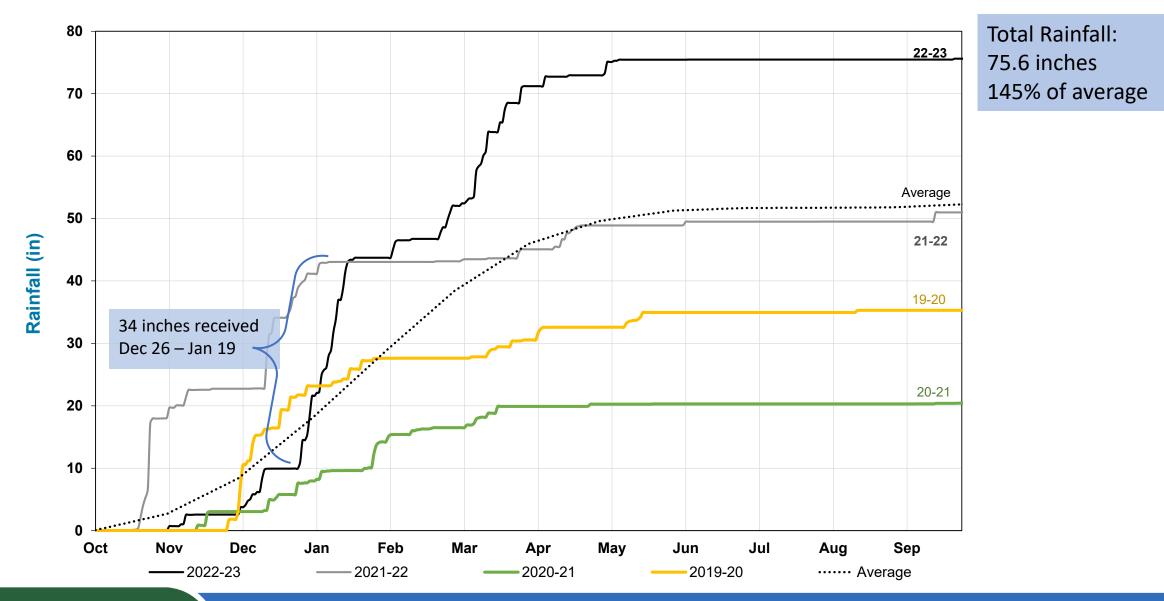


December 21, 2022

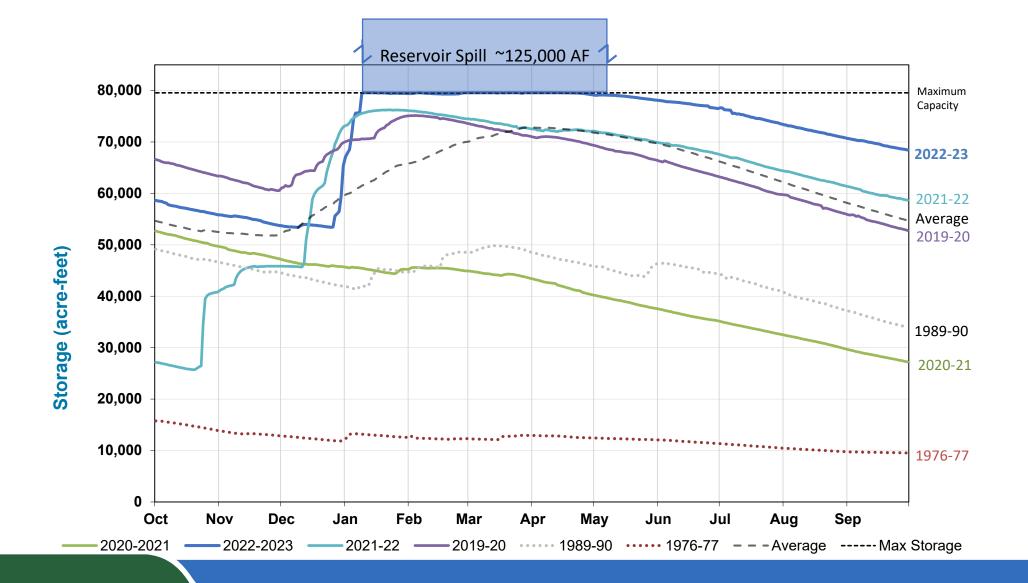


June 12, 2023

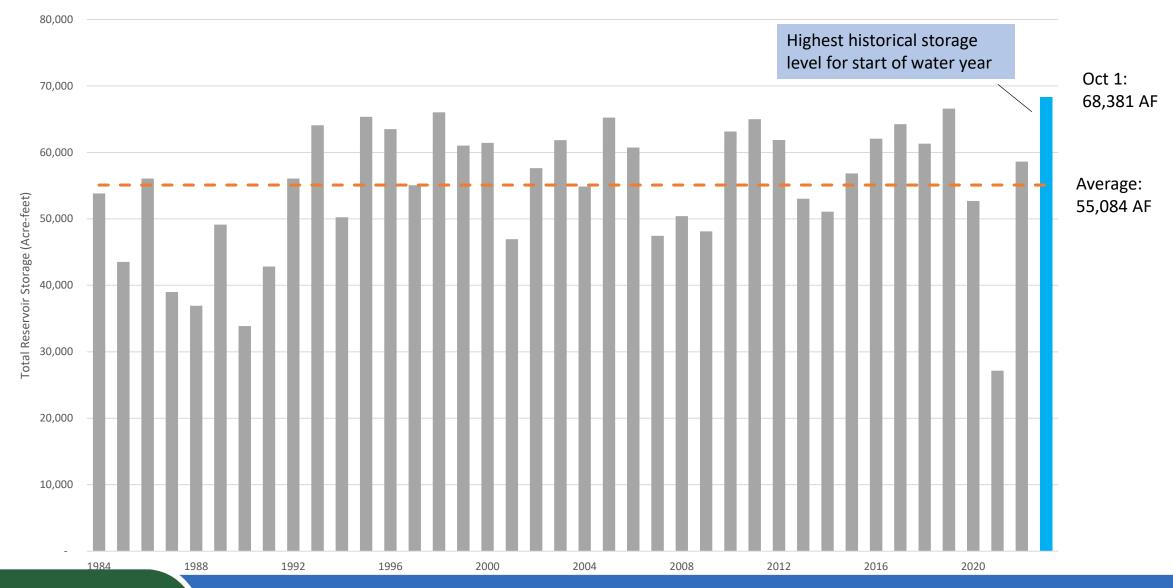
#### Water Year 2023: MMWD Cumulative Rainfall (Lake Lagunitas)



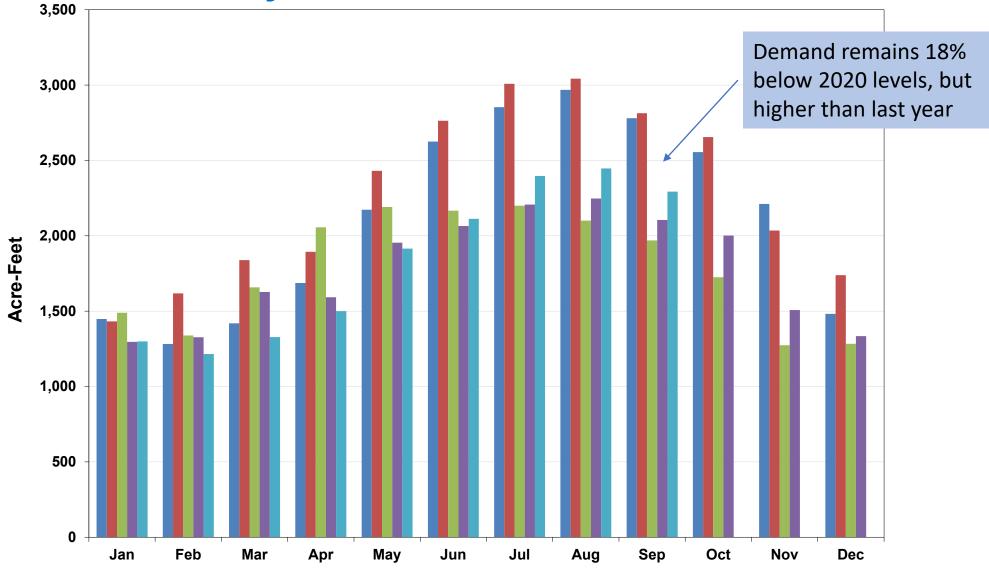
#### Water Year 2023: MMWD Total Reservoir Storage



#### Total Reservoir Storage: Start of Water Year 2024

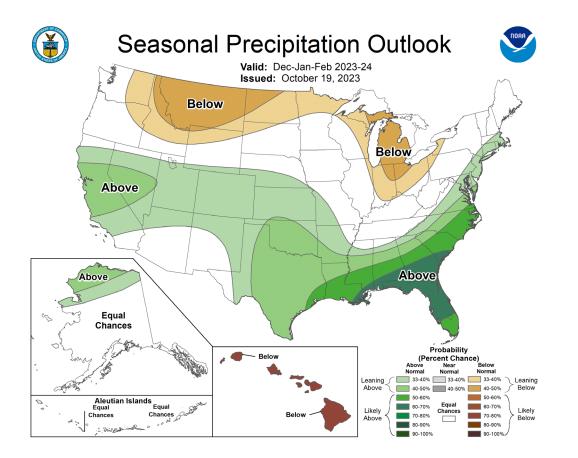


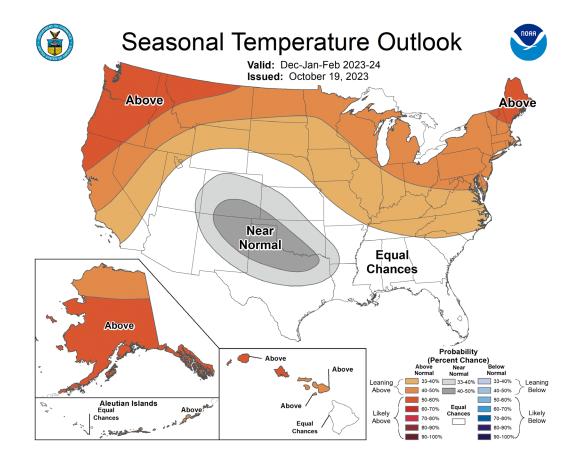
#### **Monthly Potable Water Production**



■2019 ■2020 ■2021 ■2022 ■2023

#### Seasonal Forecast: NOAA





# **Precipitation Outcomes with El Niño**

- Historical El Niños have produced wetter than average years across the state
- Southern California is typically impacted greater than Northern California
- Marin historically receives above average precipitation

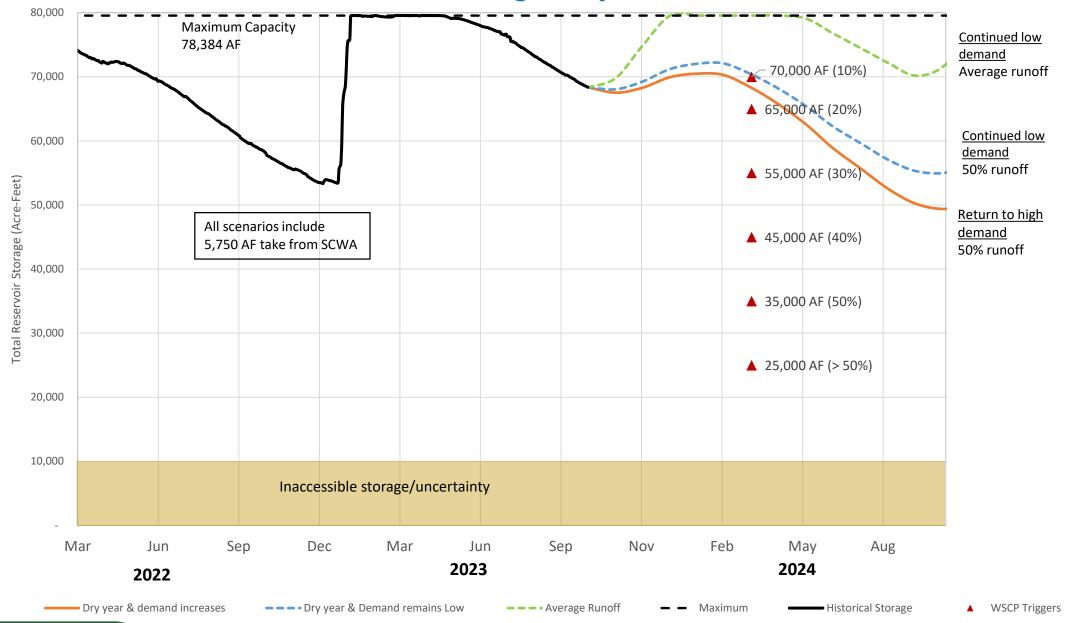
Туре	Average Annual Rainfall	
All years	52.0 inches	
La Niña	50.8 inches	
El Niño	57.0 inches	



California precipitation during strong El Niño years compared to average

Credit: Jack Lee, SF Chronicle; Jan Null Golden Gate Weather Services

#### **Reservoir Storage Projections**



## **Adapting Operational Strategy for WY 2024**

- Current operating strategy maximize purchase of supplemental water from Sonoma
- The favorable reservoir storage projections support the phased reductions of purchases of supplemental water

Month	SCWA (Acre-feet)	Reservoirs (Acre-feet)
July	1,131	1,267
August	1,140	1,307
September	1,146	1,147
October (to date)*	804	732
Total	4,221**	4,453

\*FY 2024 total through October 22, 2024.

\*\*Minimum take from SCWA for FY 2024 is 5,750 acre-feet

## **Summary**

- Reservoir storage at highest historical level for this time of year
- Expect wet winter due to forecasted El Niño
- Conservation levels remain at 18-20% compared to 2020
- Adjust operational strategy for purchase of supplemental supply