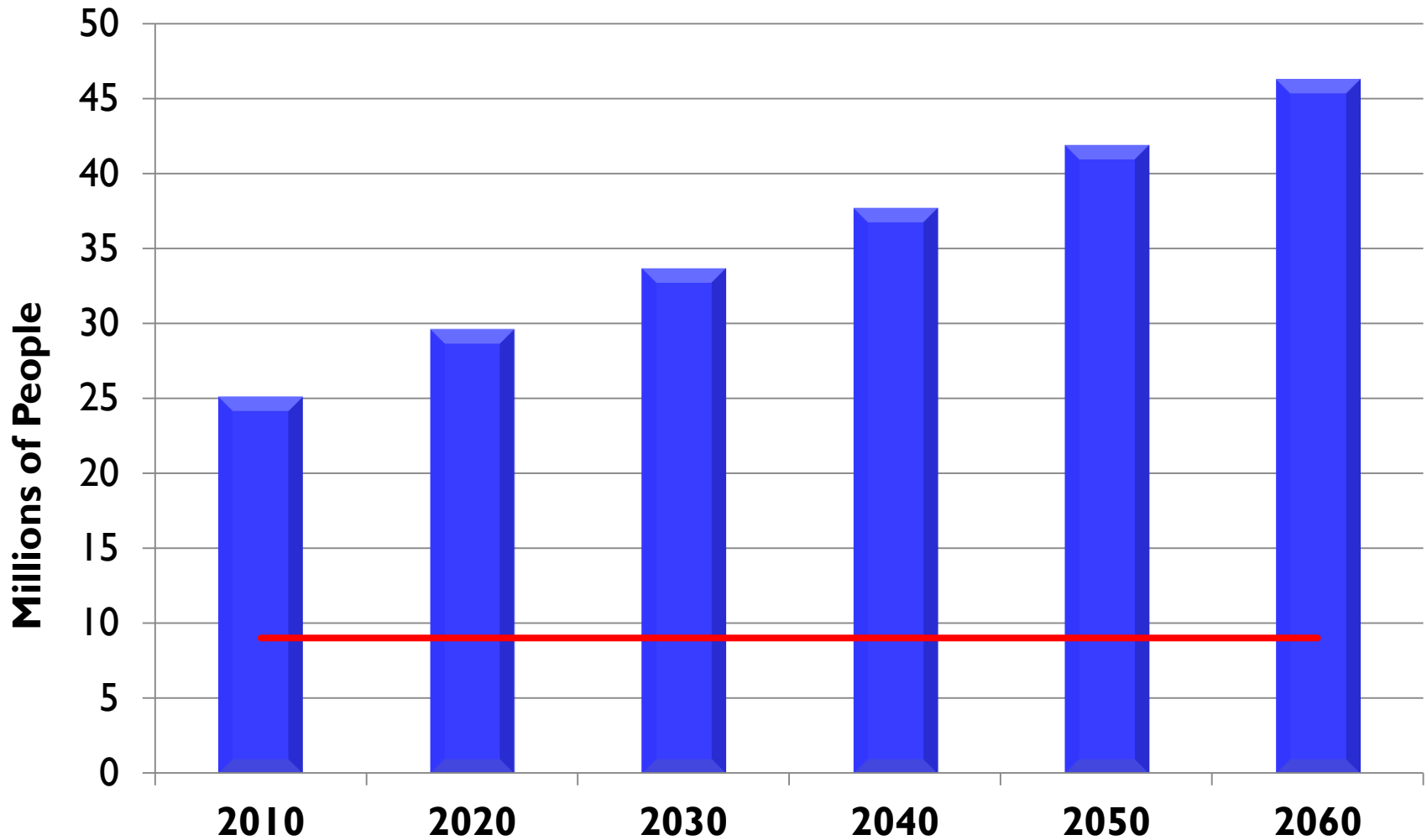


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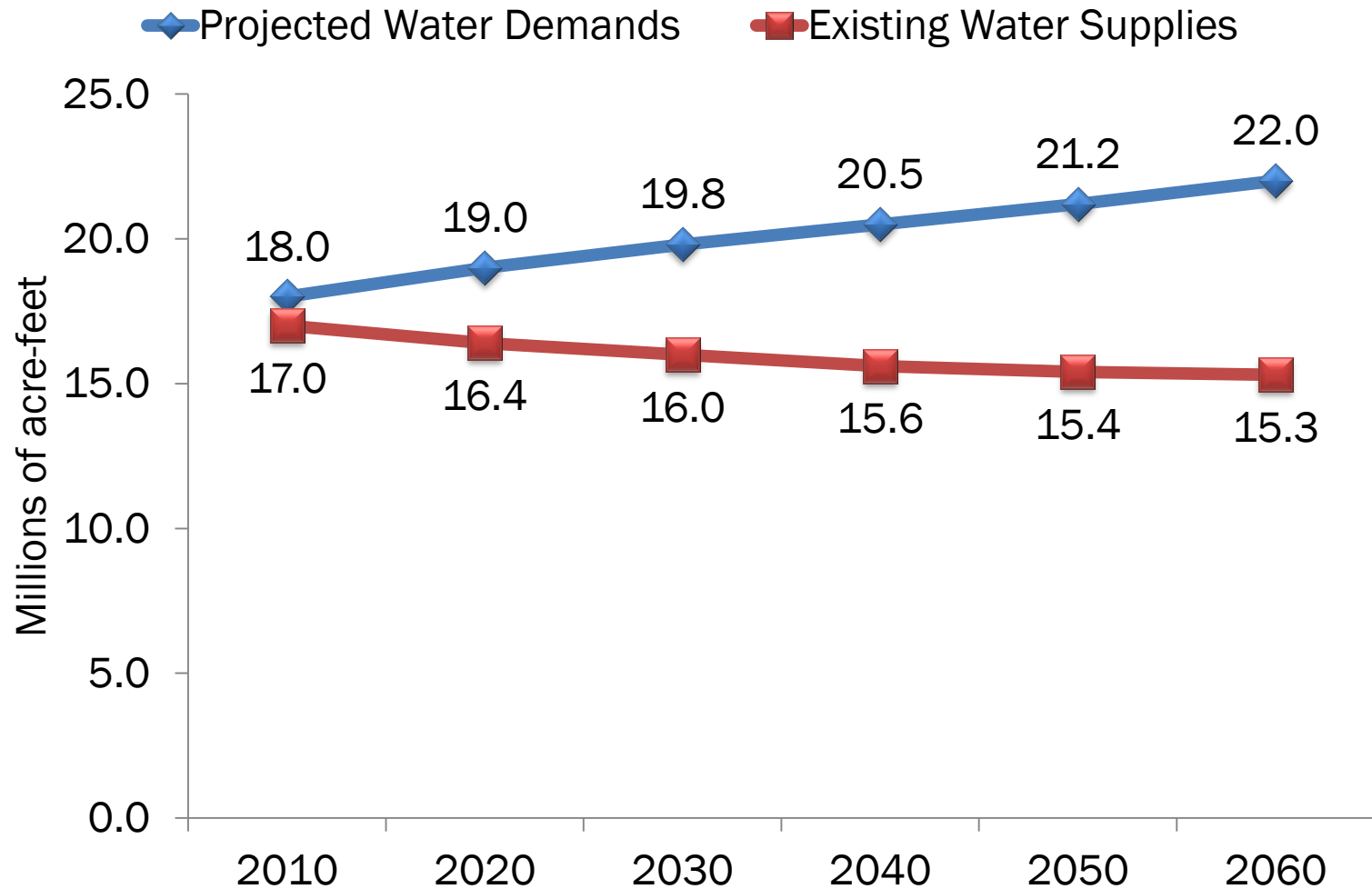


# Projected Texas Population

The Redline represents the **Texas population of the 1950's**, when the existing water supply projects we rely on today were conceived and undertaken.

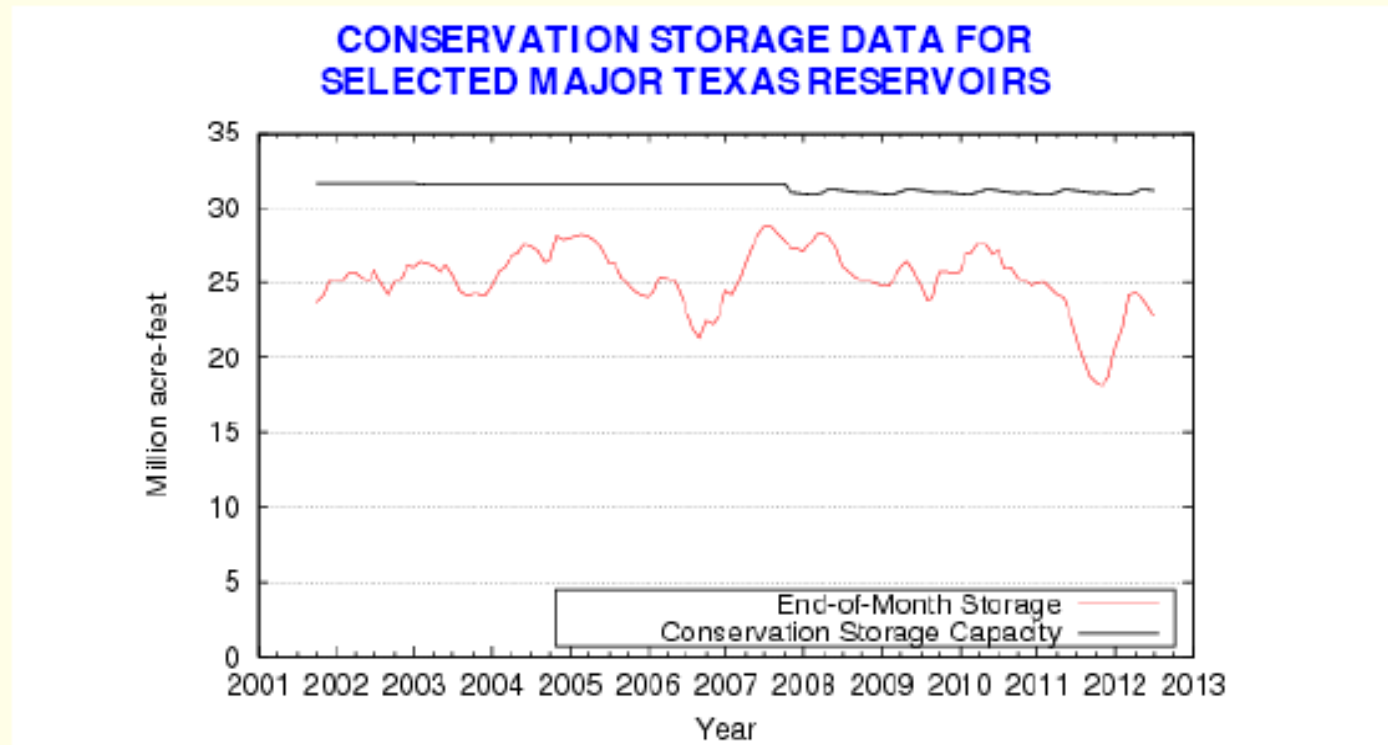


# Projected Water Demands and Existing Supplies



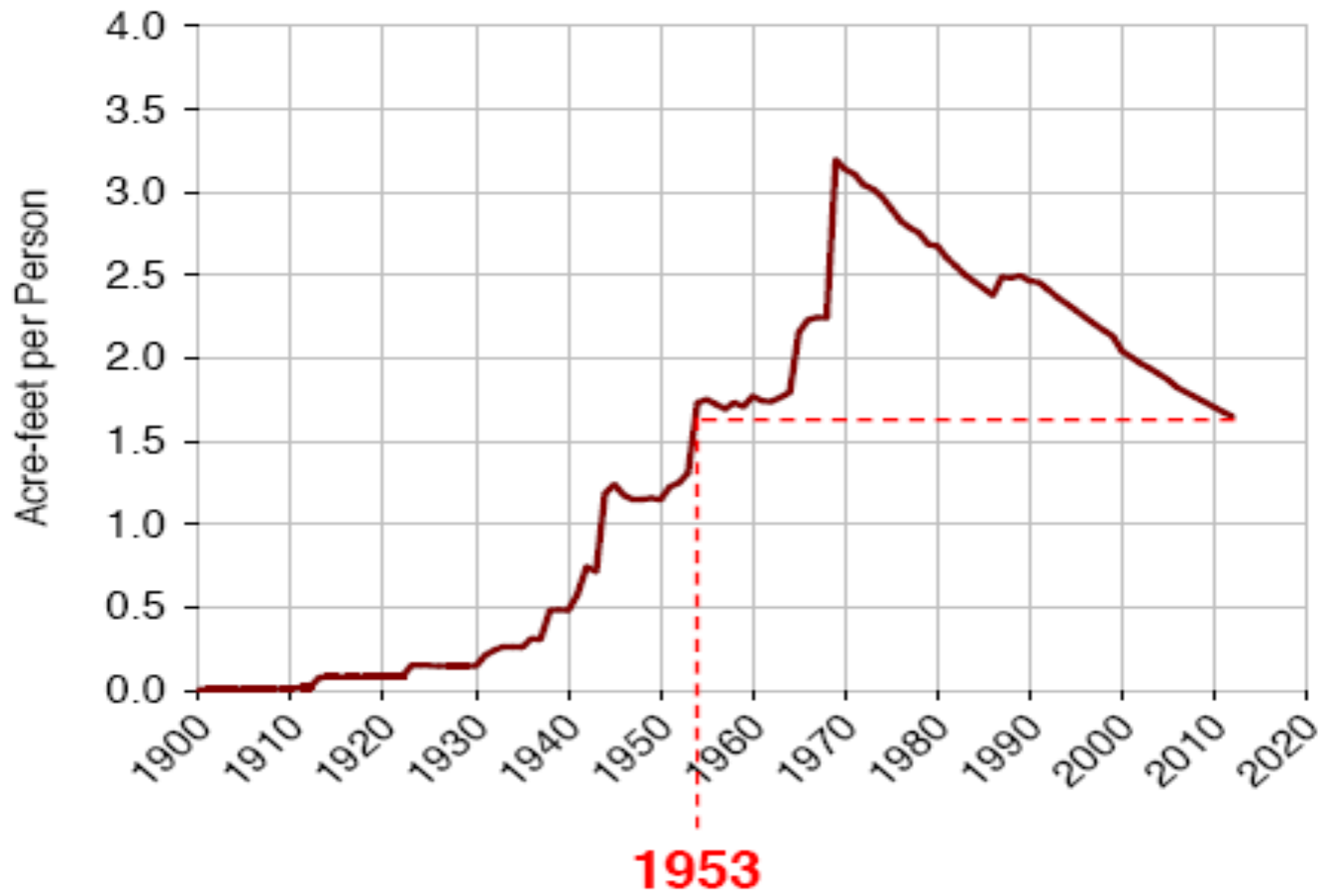
# Current Texas Reservoir Storage

In July total storage in 109 of the state's major water supply reservoirs was 23 million acft\*, or 73% of total conservation storage capacity.



Source: TWDB

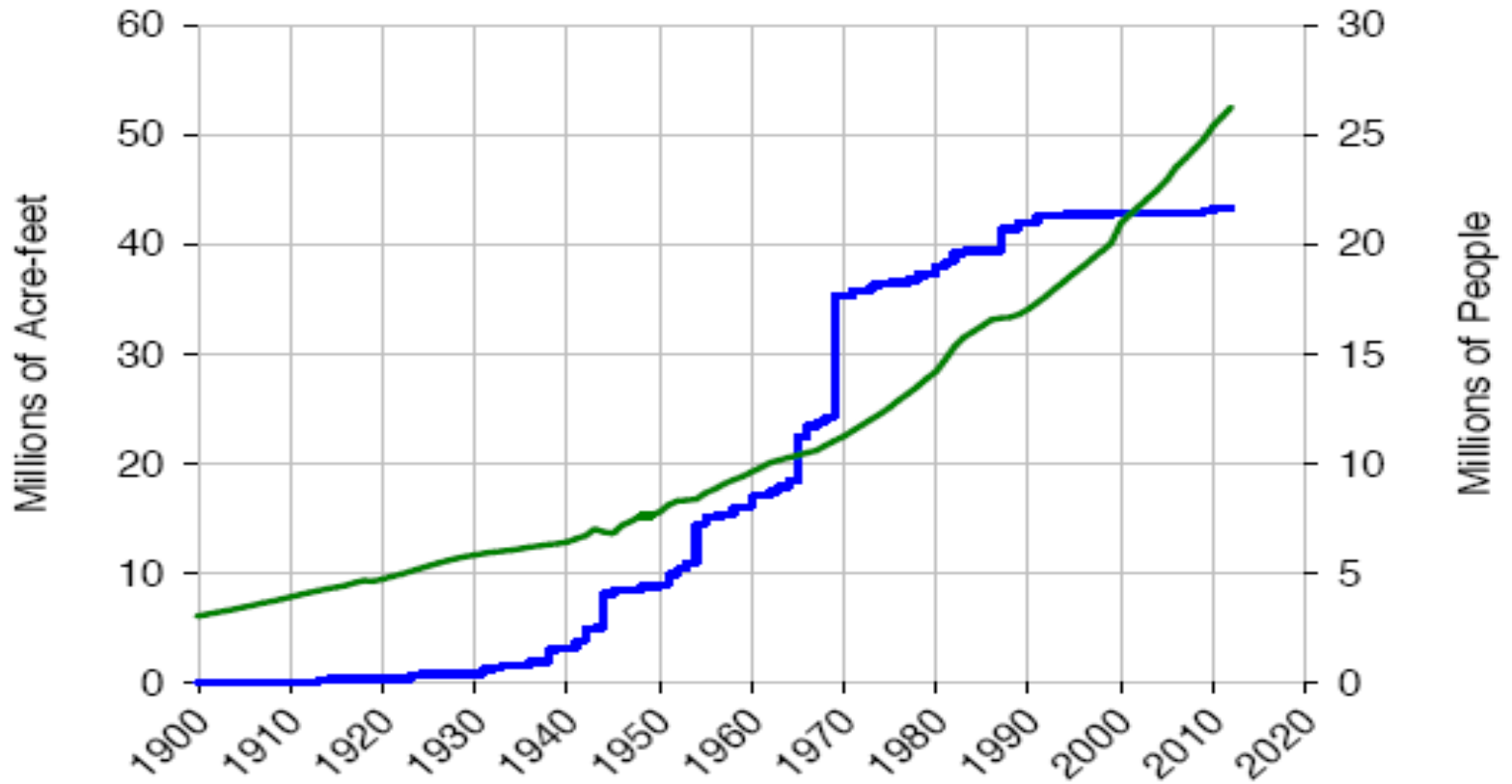
### Texas Reservoir Storage Capacity per Capita



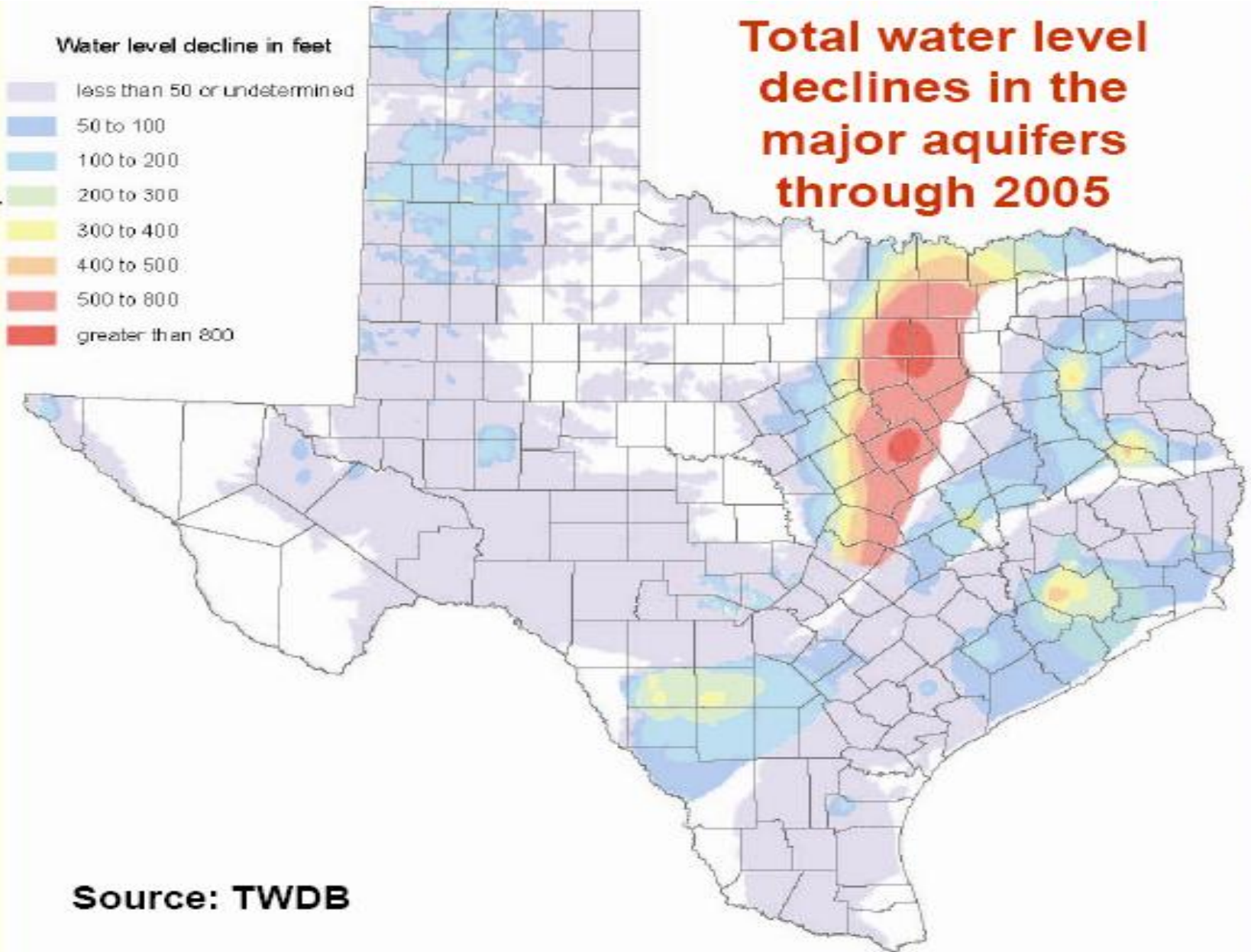
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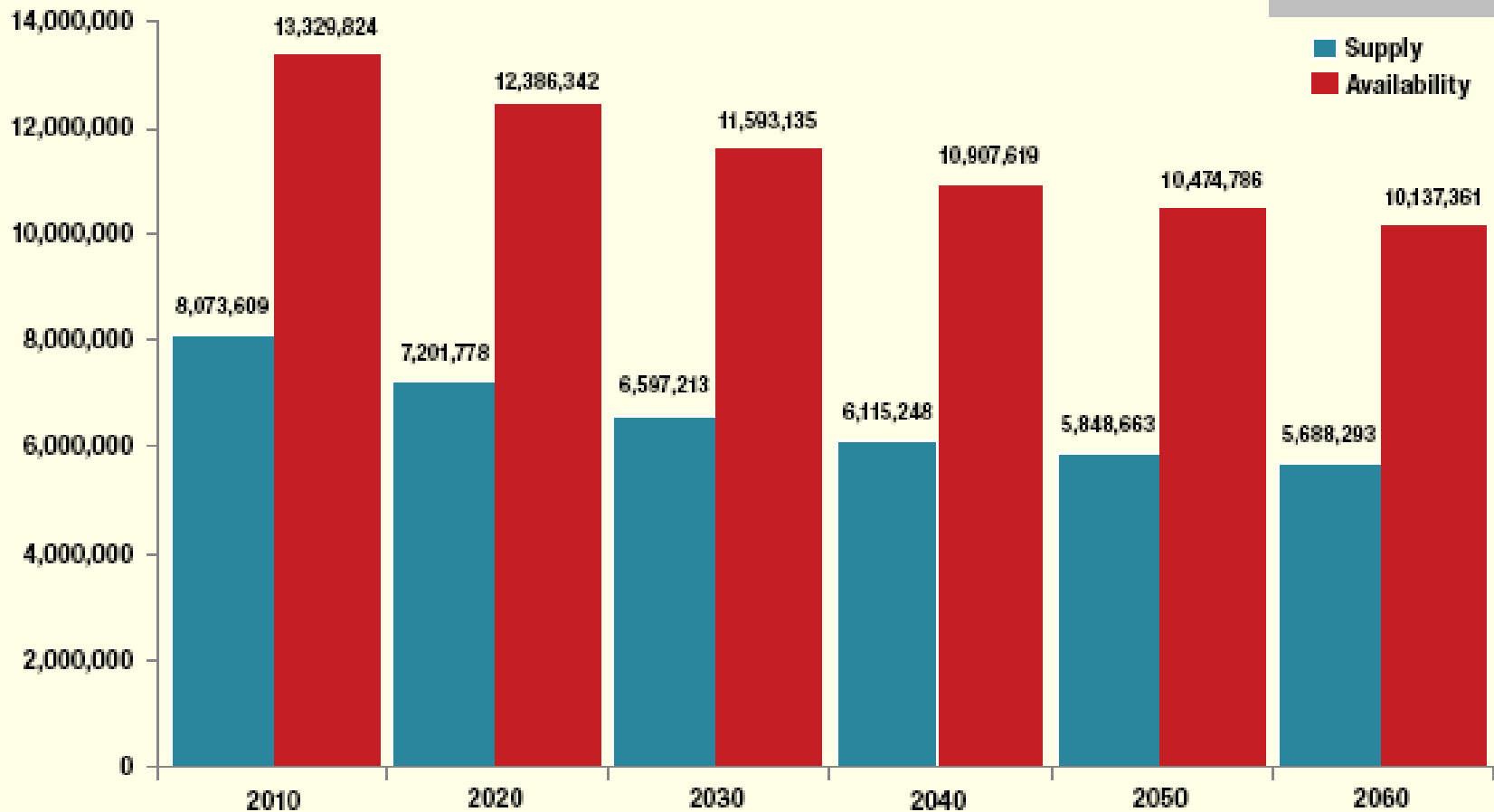
## Texas Reservoir Storage Capacity and Population



## Total water level declines in the major aquifers through 2005



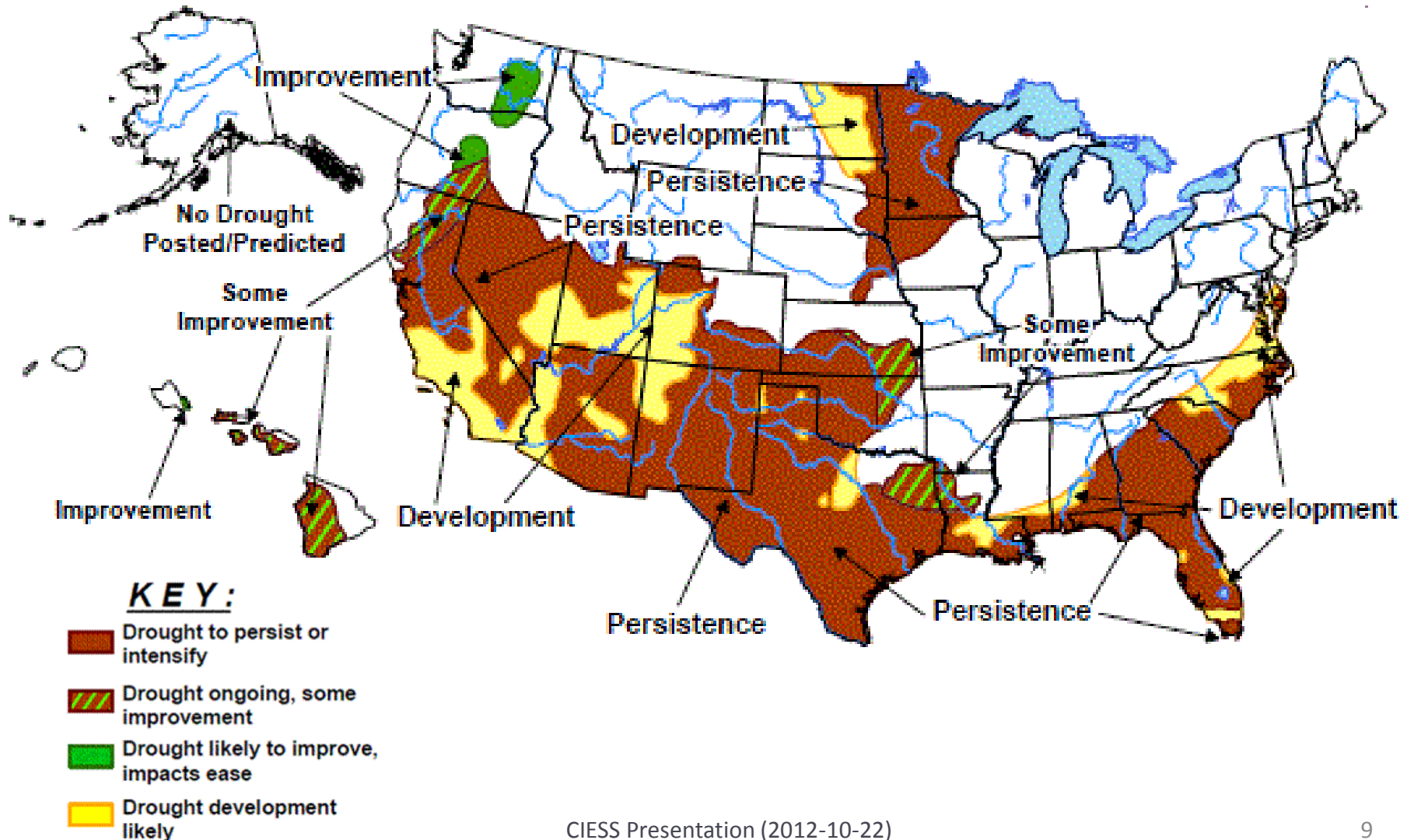
**FIGURE 5.7. PROJECTED EXISTING GROUNDWATER SUPPLIES AND GROUNDWATER AVAILABILITY THROUGH 2060 (ACRE-FEET PER YEAR).**



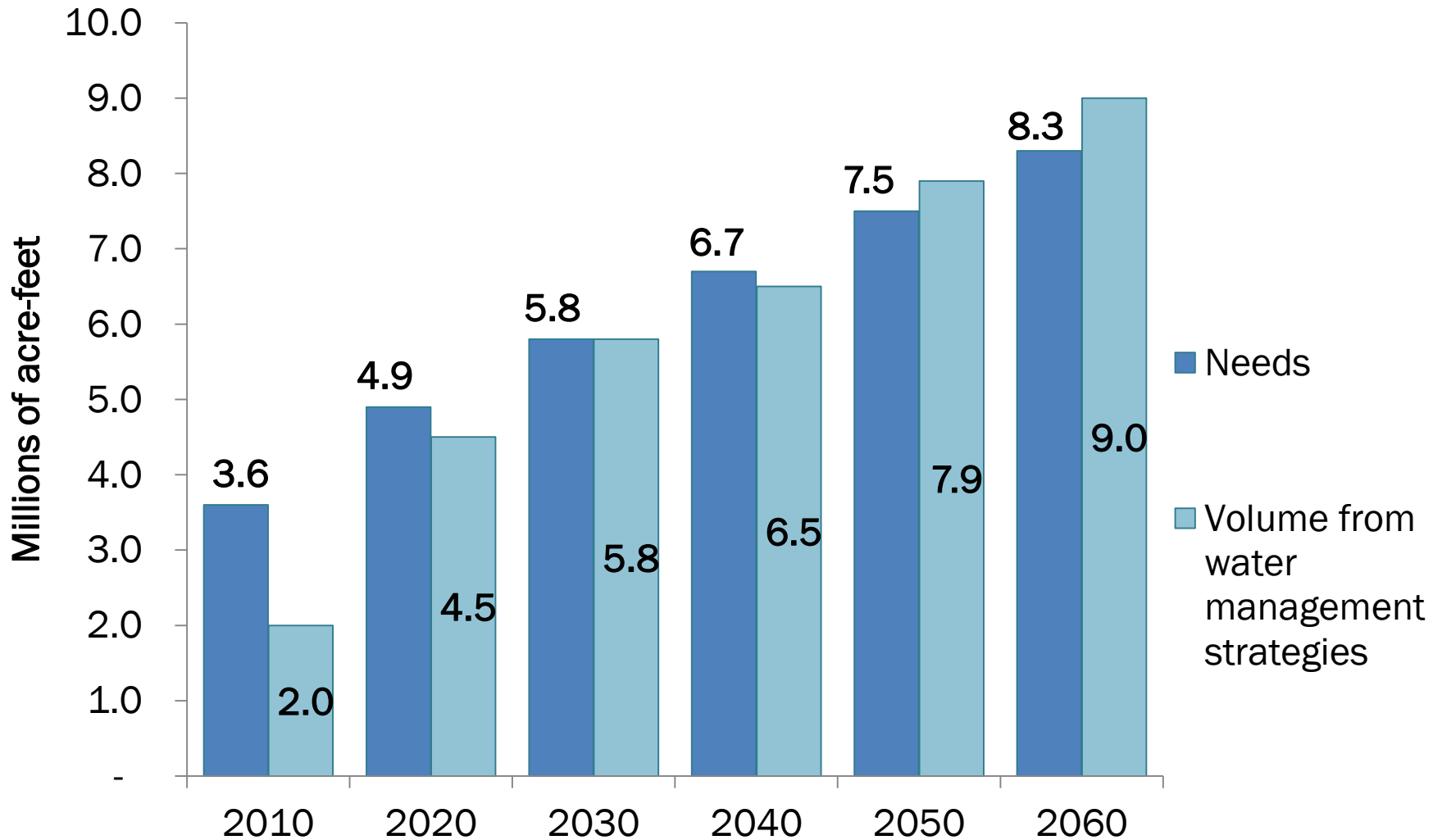
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# U. S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

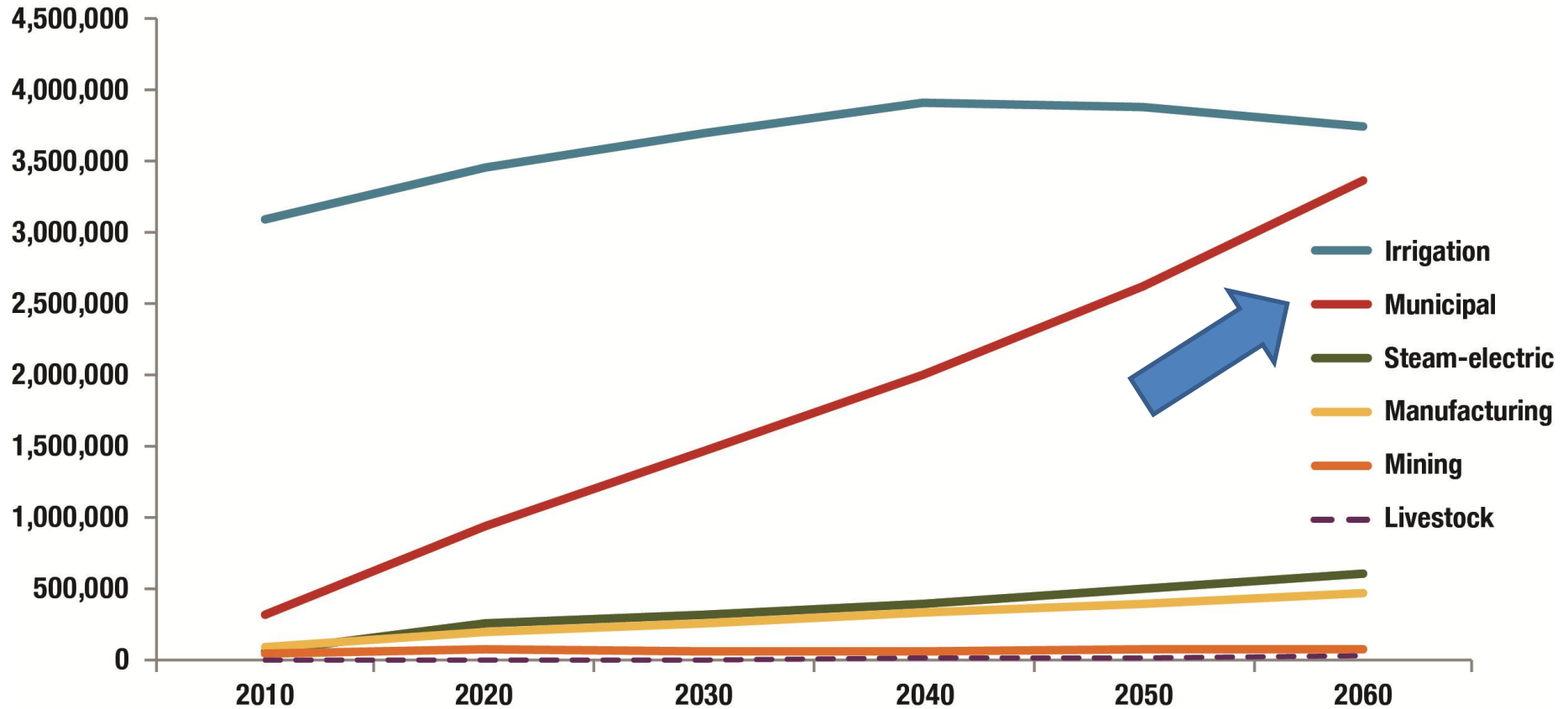


## Projected Needs for Additional Water and Water Supplies from Water Management Strategies



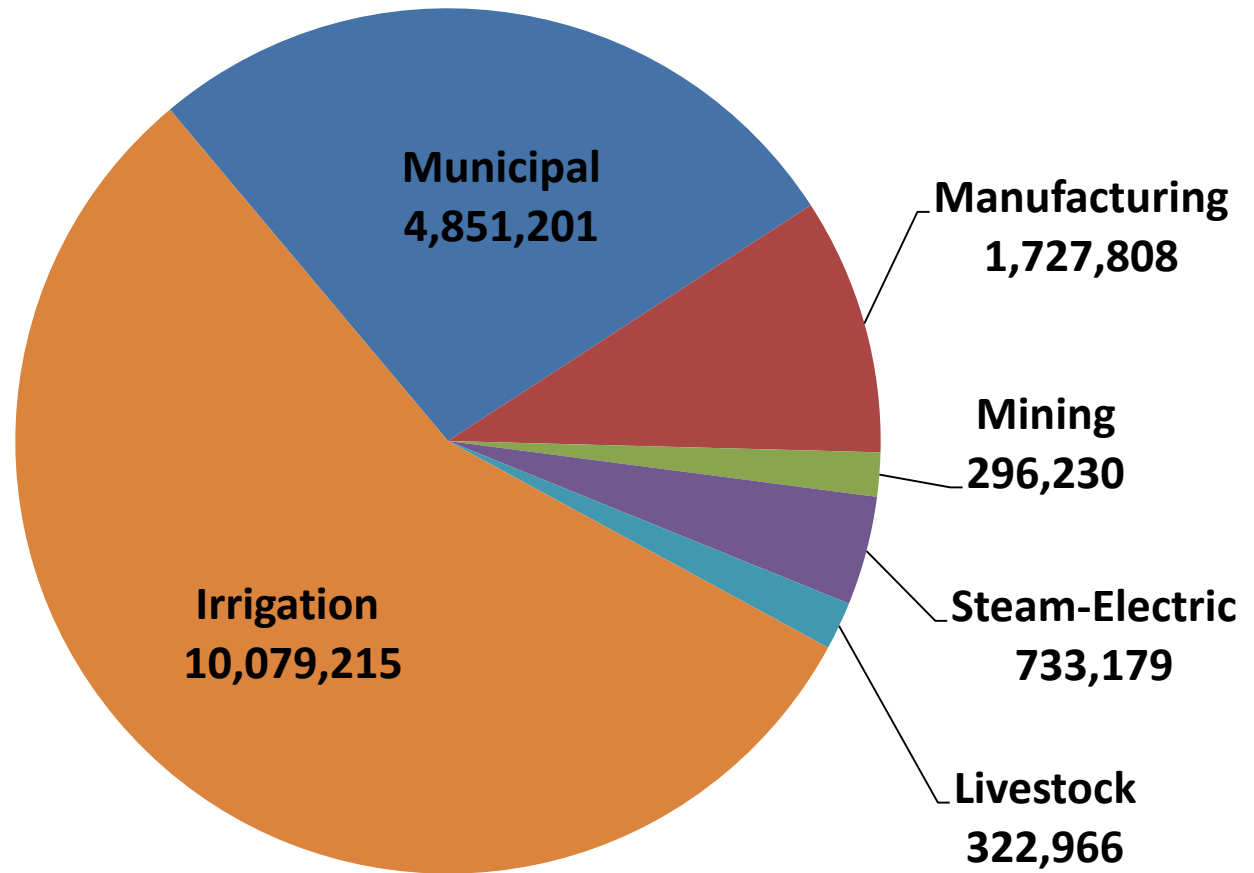


# Projected Water Needs By Use Category (Acre-Feet Per Year)



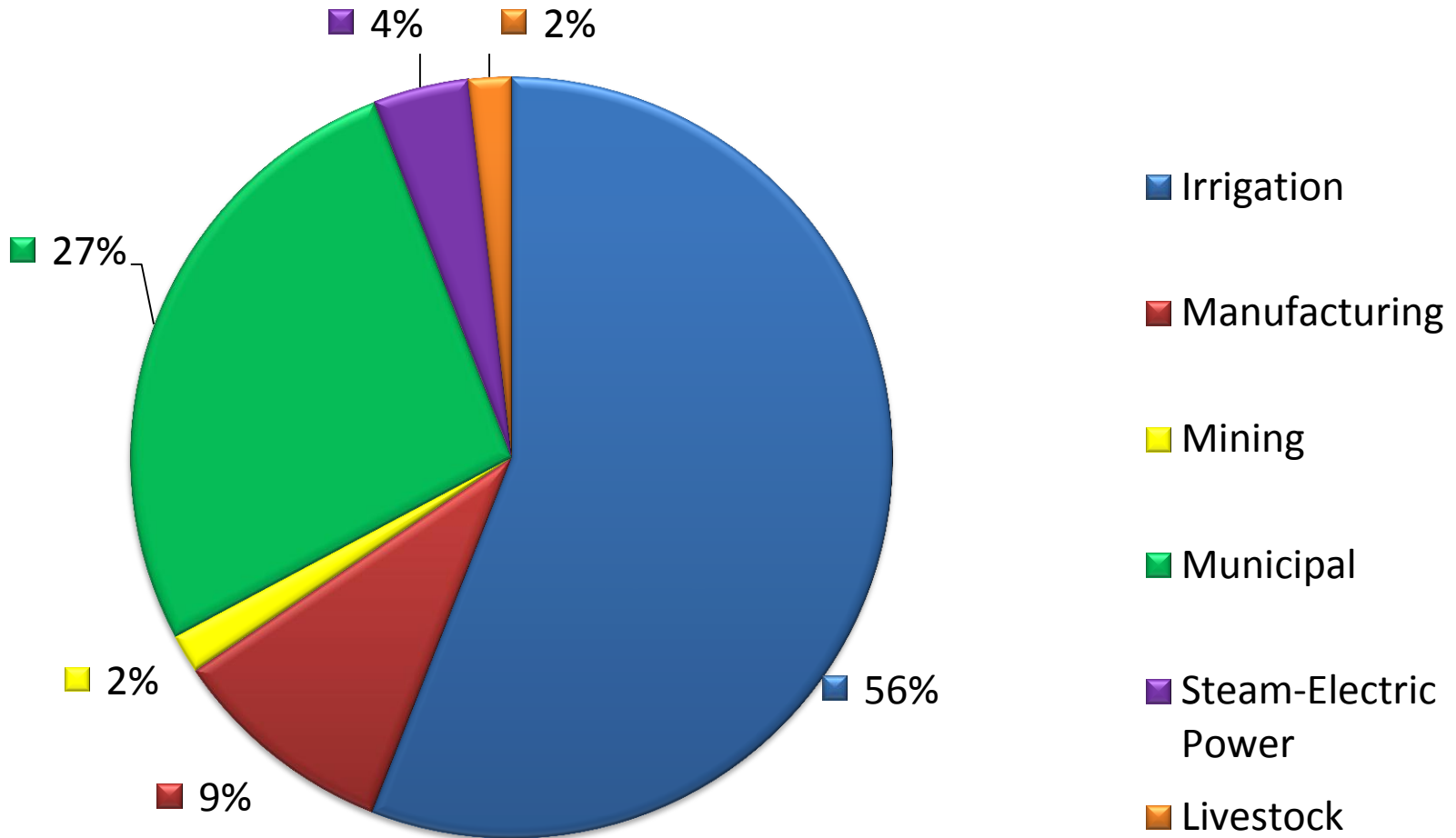


# 2010 Water Demand Projections by Use Category (Acre-Feet Per Year)

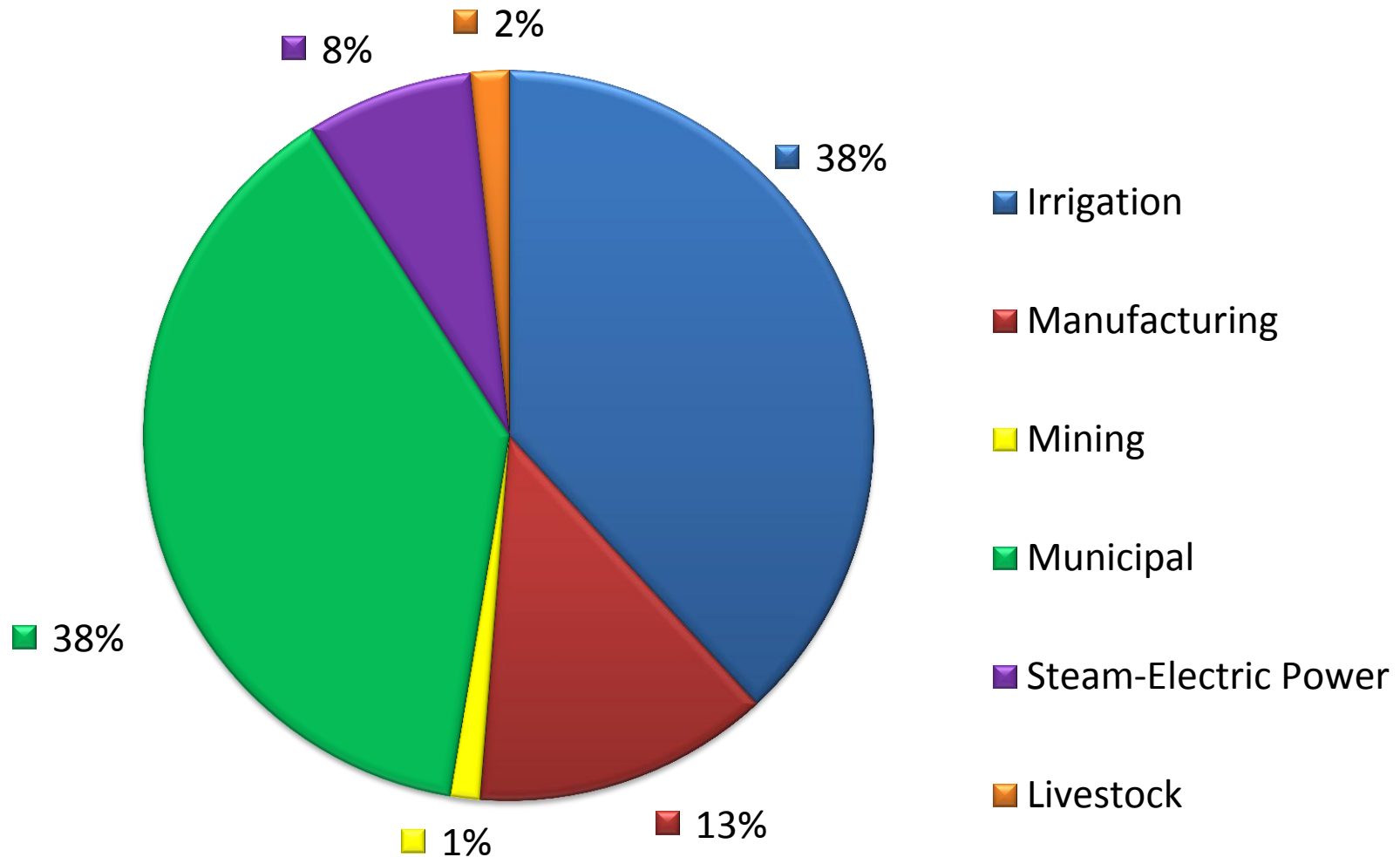




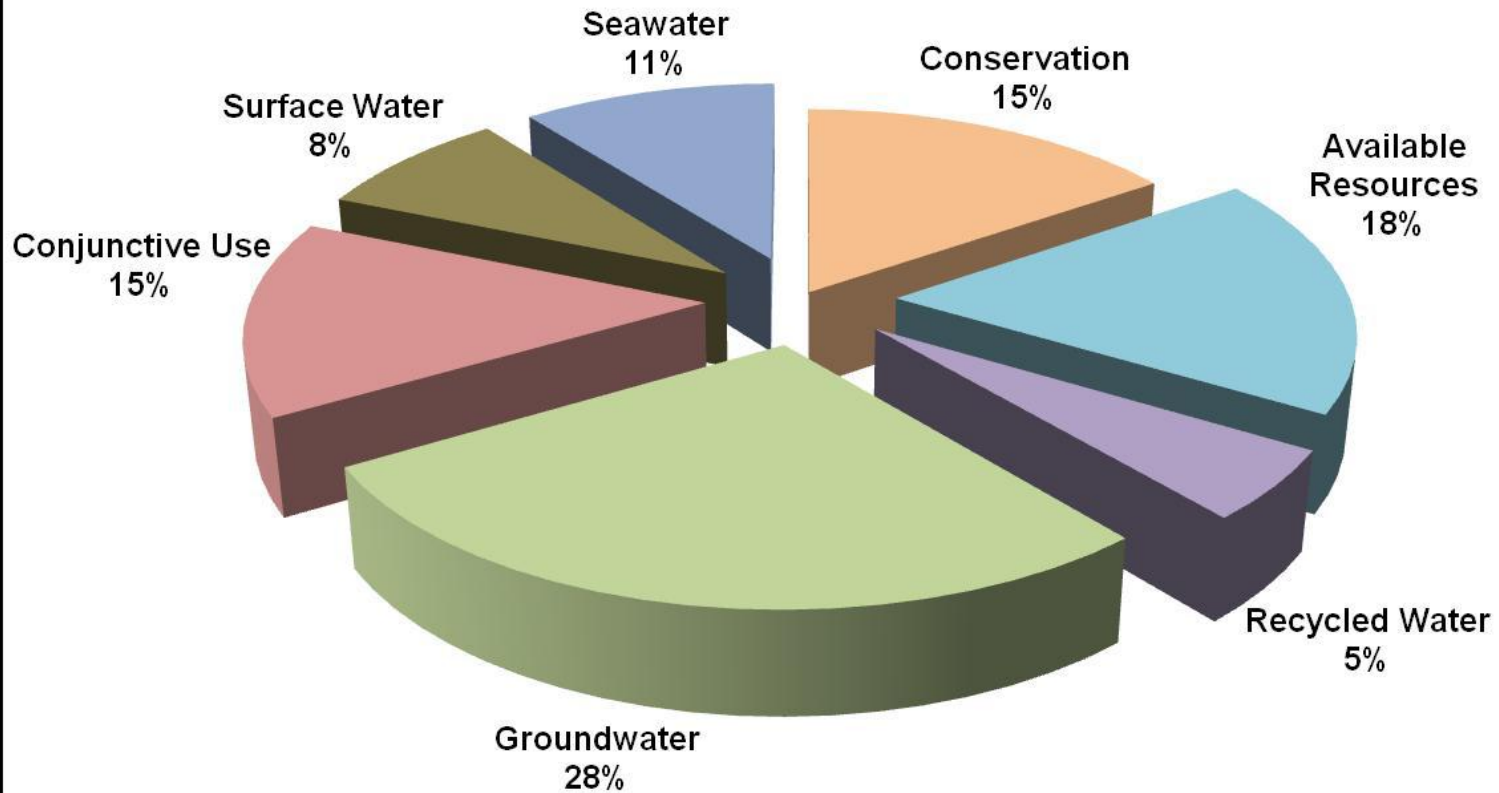
# 2010 Water Demand Projections by Use Category (By Percentage)



# 2060 Water Demand Projections by Use Category (By Percentage)



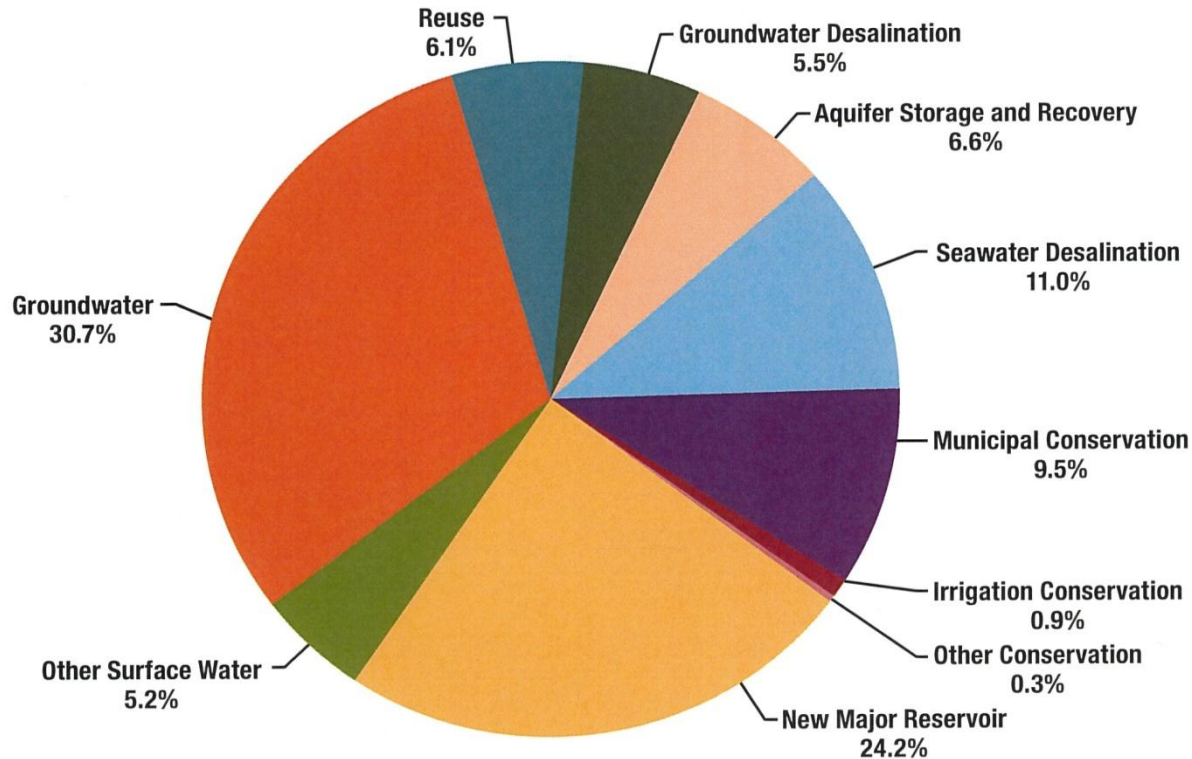
# Region L -Sources of New Supply



**53% of the New Supply is Based on Hope in Conservation Strategies.**

# Region L – Management Strategies

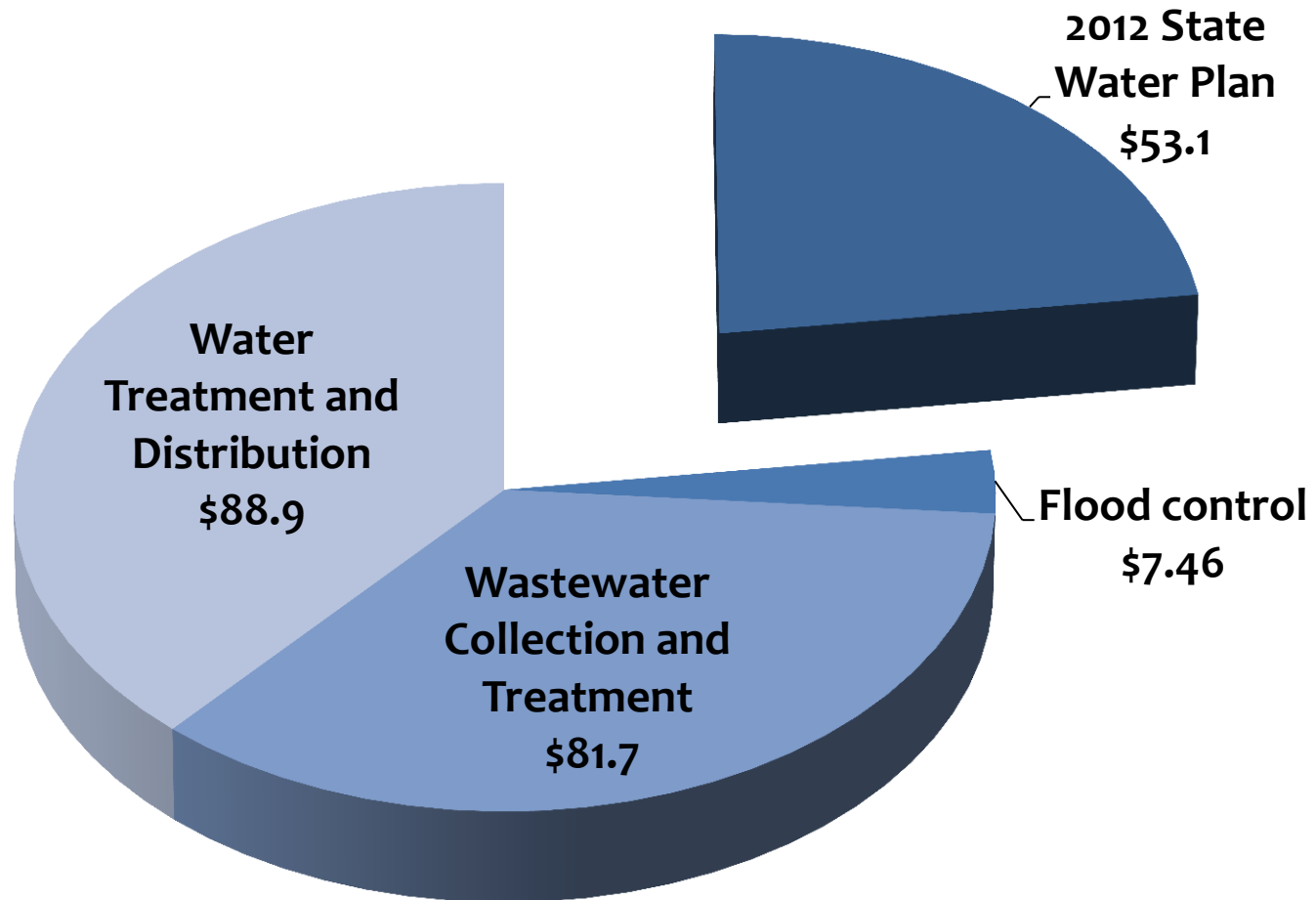
FIGURE L.4. 2060 RECOMMENDED WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES—RELATIVE SHARE OF SUPPLY.



**24% of the Strategy is Based on a New Major Reservoir that Cannot be Permitted under TCEQ's Recently Adopted Environmental Flows.**



# Total Capital Costs for Texas Water Infrastructure: \$231 Billion



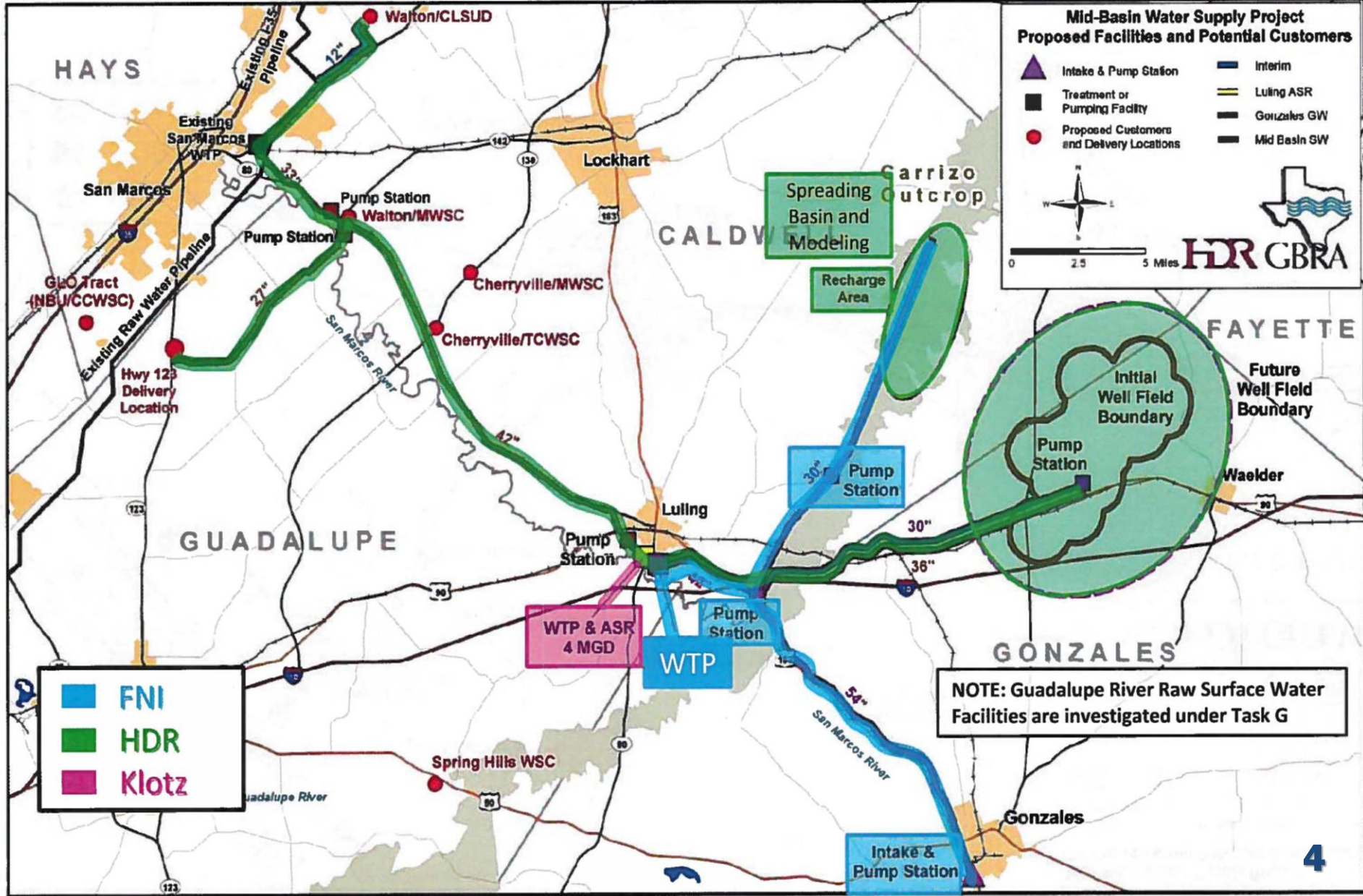
# What if we do nothing?

If drought of record conditions recur and water management strategies are not implemented, in 2060 the state could face

- water needs of 8.3 million acre-feet
- 83% of population short of water in drought
- \$116 billion in lost income
- \$9.8 billion in lost state and local business taxes
- 1.1 million lost jobs
- 1.4 million reduced population
- 403,000 fewer students in Texas schools

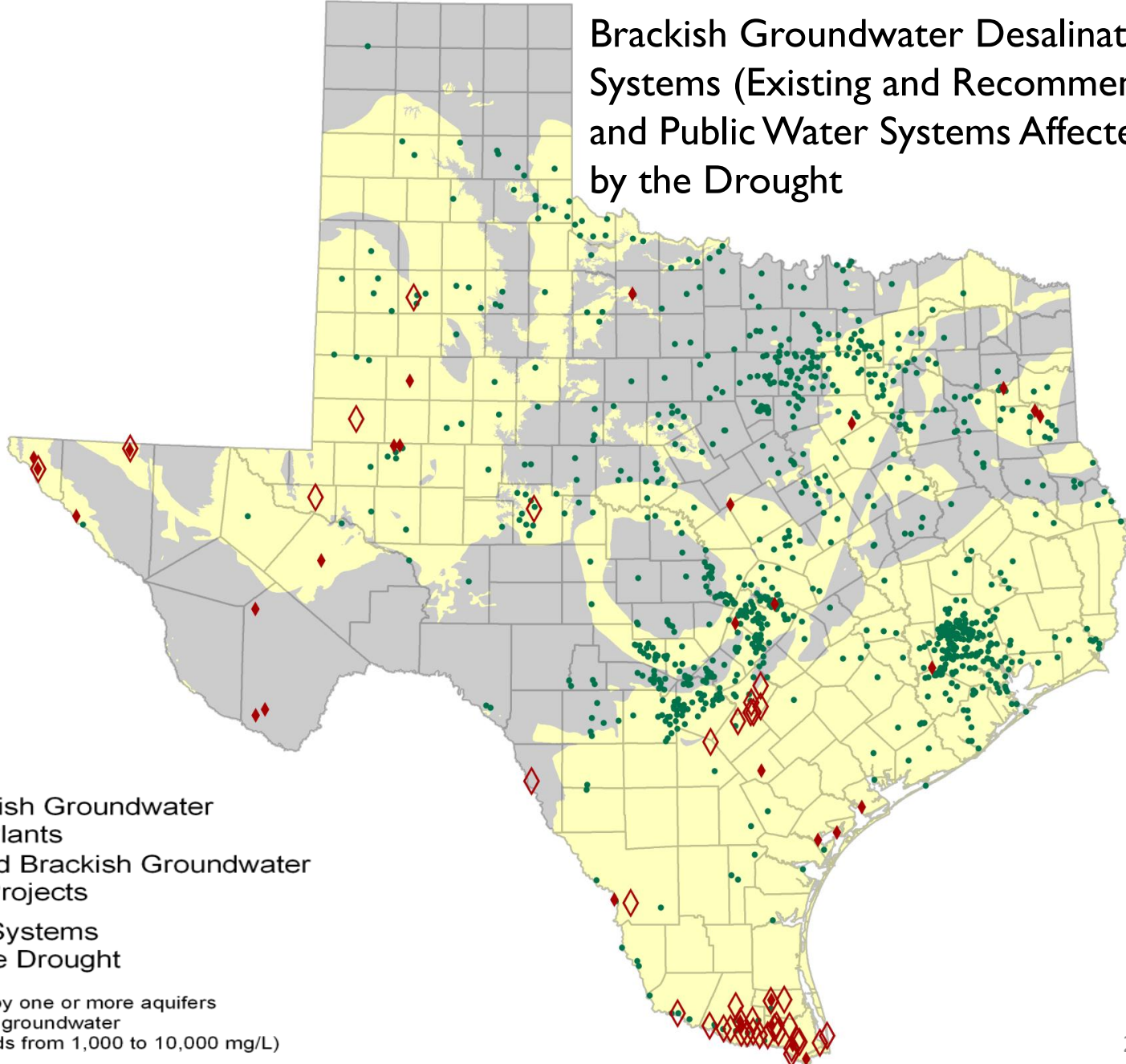
**So What are we doing?**

# GBRA Mid-Basin Water Supply Project



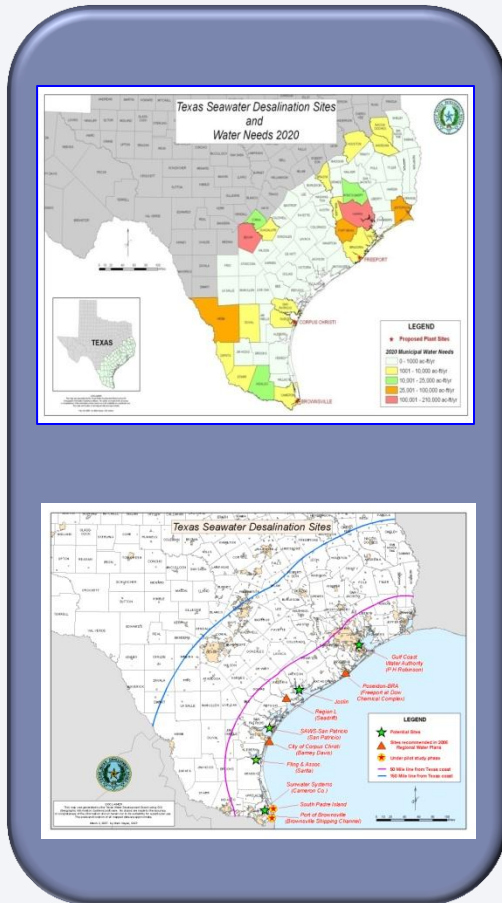
Note: Location of WTP will be determined during individual water supply option studies.

# Brackish Groundwater Desalination Systems (Existing and Recommended) and Public Water Systems Affected by the Drought



- ◆ Existing Brackish Groundwater Desalination Plants
  - ◇ Recommended Brackish Groundwater Desalination Projects
  - Public Water Systems Affected by the Drought
- Regions underlain by one or more aquifers containing brackish groundwater (total dissolved solids from 1,000 to 10,000 mg/L)

# Opportunities for seawater desalination



- ▶ Access to a plentiful source
  - ▶ 367 miles of coast
  - ▶ Multiple sites for locating desalination plants
- ▶ Proximity to [large] demand centers
  - ▶ ~ 2/3 of the state's population located within 150 miles of the coast
- ▶ Need for supply diversity
  - ▶ Vulnerability of existing sources
- ▶ Cost-effective technology
  - ▶ New water

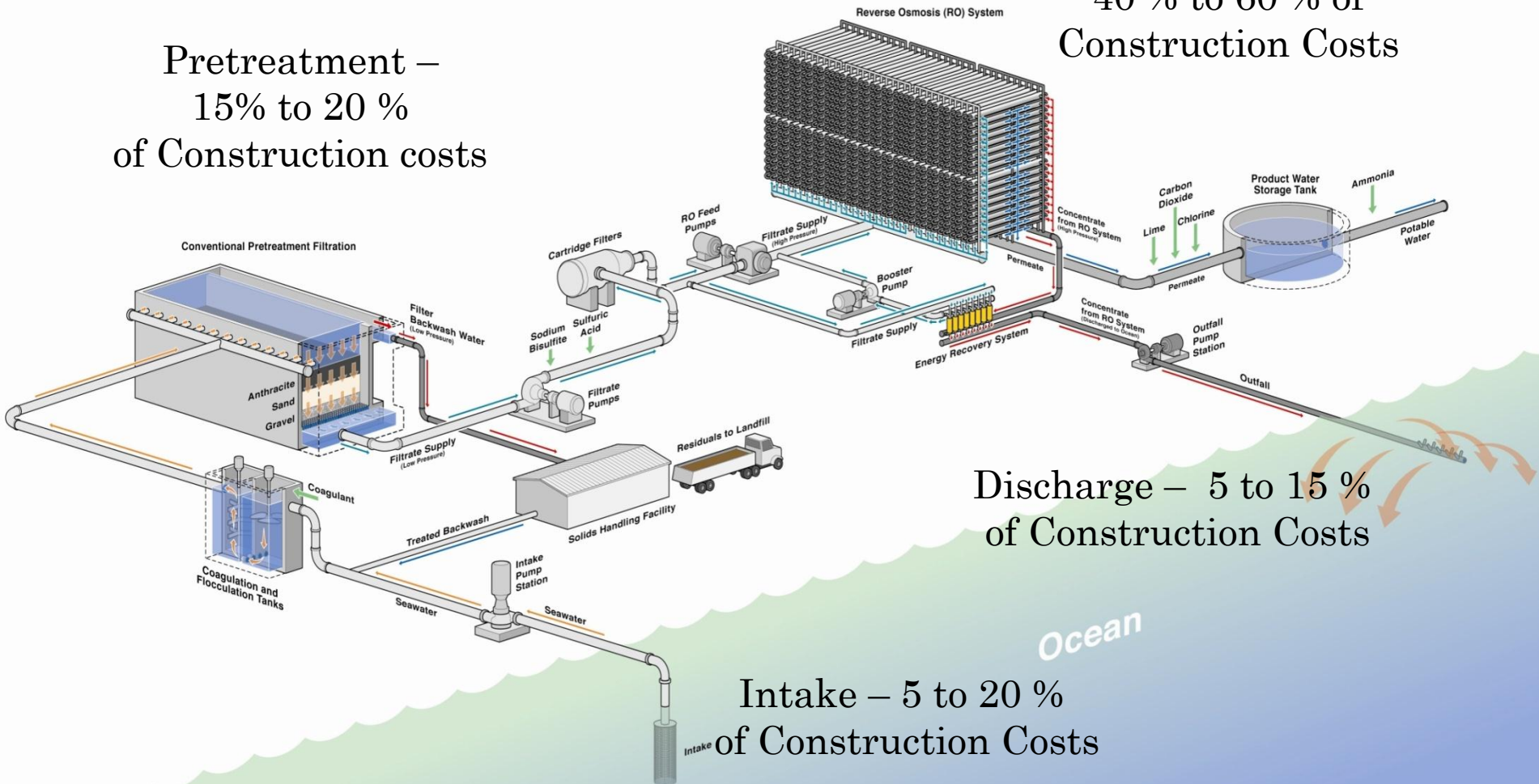
# Seawater Desalination Plant – Construction Costs

Pretreatment –  
15% to 20 %  
of Construction costs

RO System –  
40 % to 60 % of  
Construction Costs

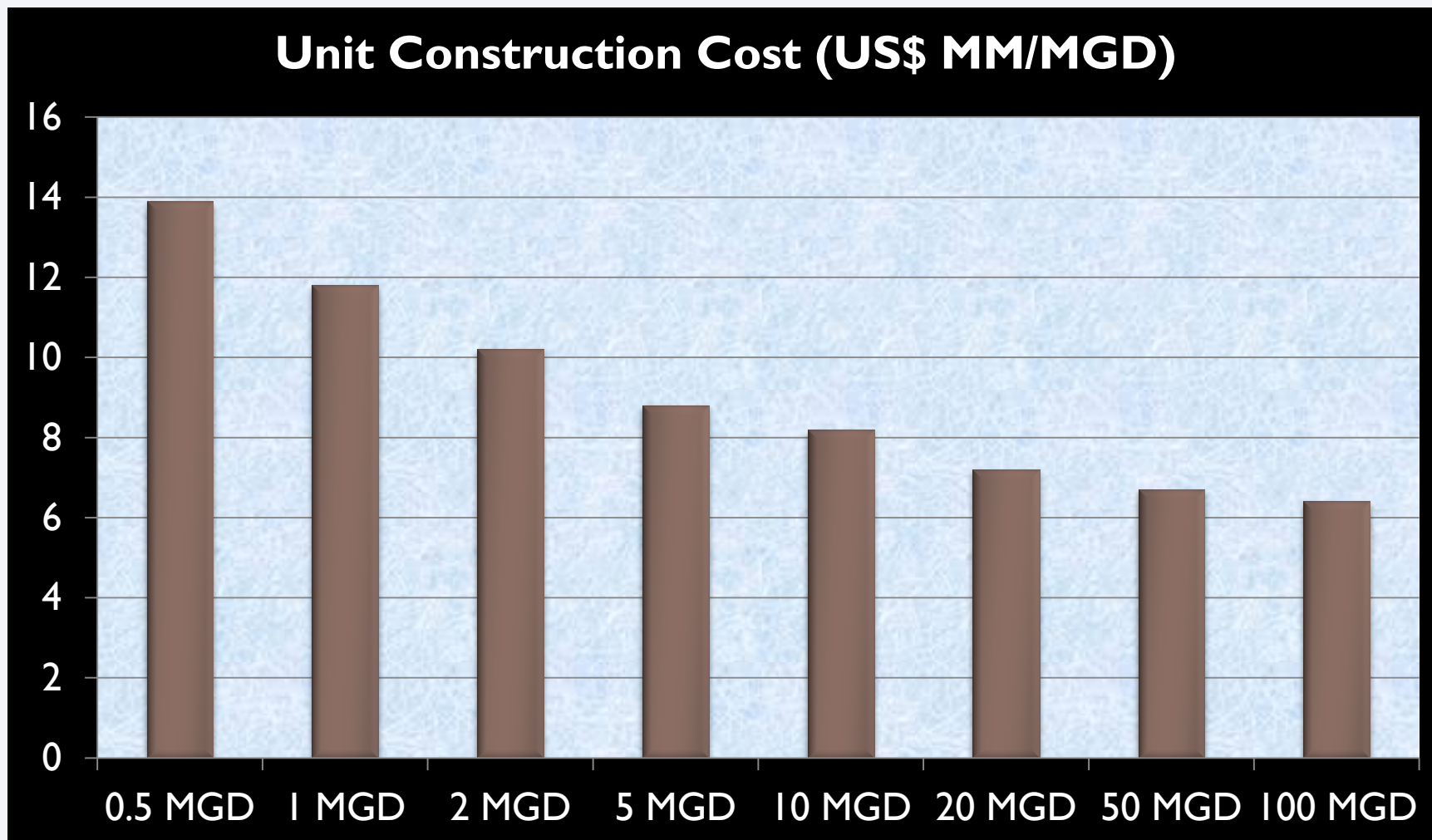
Discharge – 5 to 15 %  
of Construction Costs

Intake – 5 to 20 %  
of Construction Costs



# Desalination Plant Construction Cost as Function of Capacity

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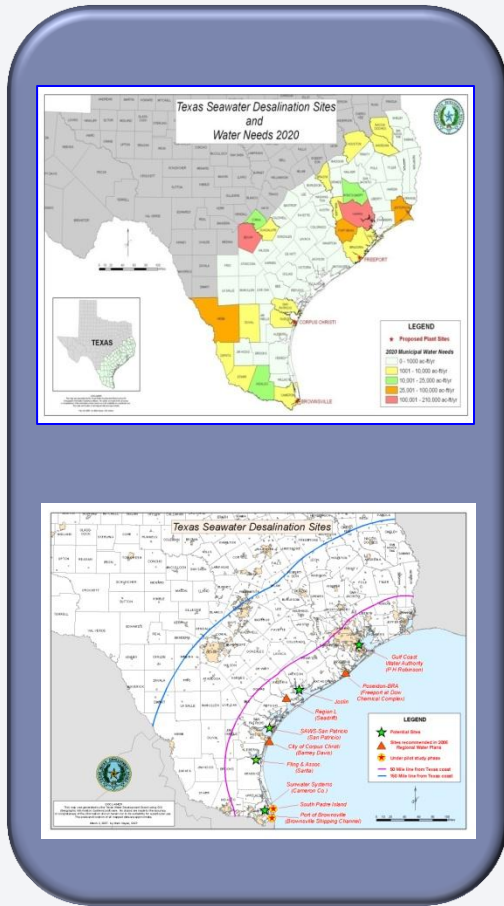


# Seawater Desalination: Present Status & Future Forecasts

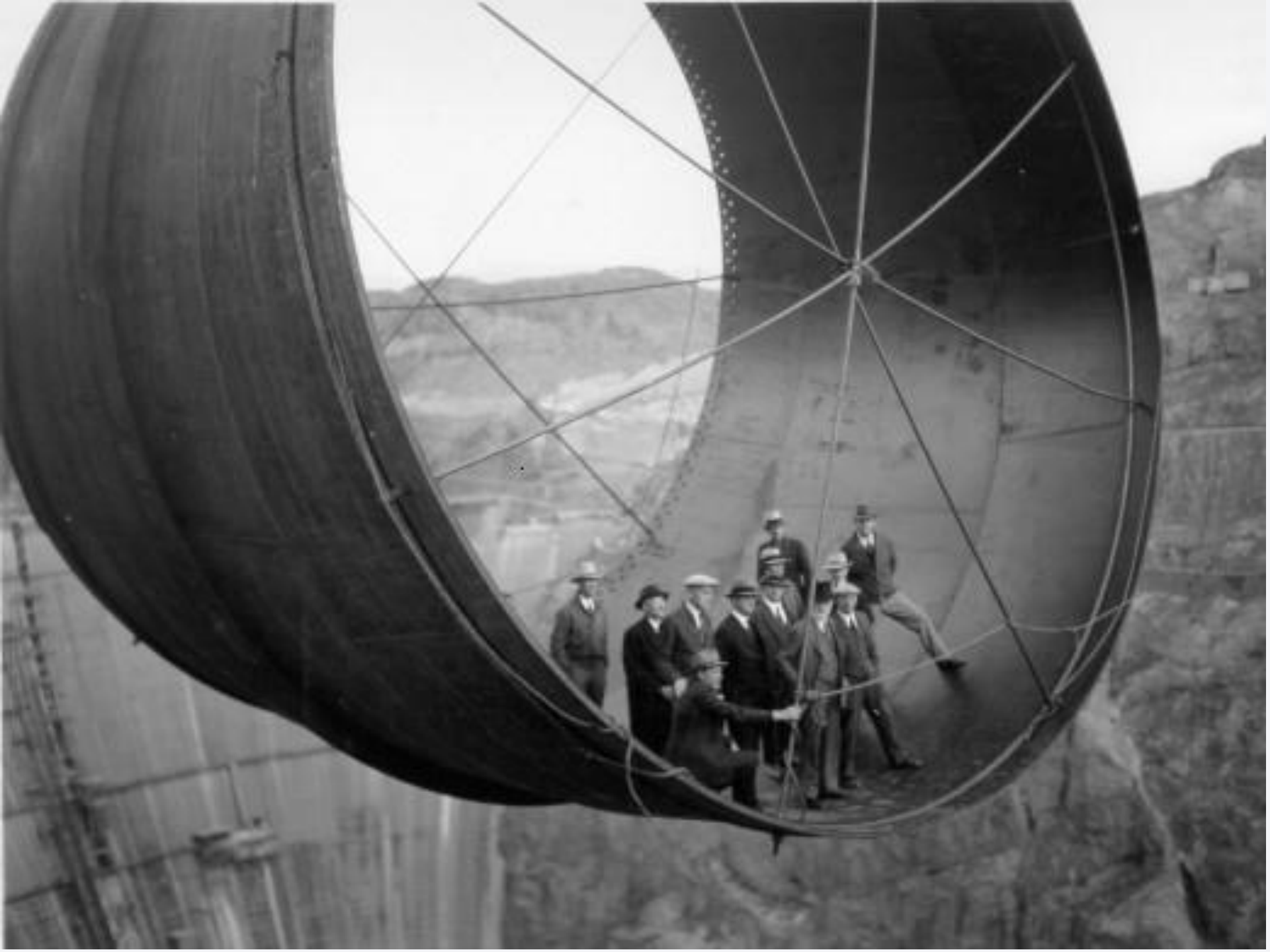
Parameter	Today	Within 5 Years	Within 20 Years
Cost of Water (2010 US\$/kgal)	US\$2.0-3.0	US\$1.5-2.5	US\$1.0-1.5
Construction Cost (Million US\$/MGD)	4.5-8.0	4.0-6.5	2.0-3.5
Power Use of SWRO System (kWh/kgal)	9.5-10.5	8.0-10.0	5.0-6.5
Membrane Productivity (gallons/day/membrane)	6,500-12,500	9,000-15,000	25,000-40,000
Membrane Useful Life (years)	5-7	7-10	10-15
Plant Recovery Ratio (%)	45-50	50-55	55-65



# Obstacles to Gulf Coast Desalination



- ▶ Those Invested in Other Approaches
  - ▶ Reuse, Conservation, Brackish Desal
  - ▶ Political Manipulation of Existing Resources
- ▶ Stakeholder “Buy-In”
  - ▶ May Require a Financial Model (PPP, BOO, etc.) incompatible with the traditional
  - ▶ Large Projects Require Many Participants
- ▶ Environmental & New Paradigm Sentiment
  - ▶ **However** Seawater Presents Fewer Environmental Risk Than Other Alternatives
- ▶ Challenge of New Technology
  - ▶ The Least Significant Obstacle



# Guadalupe Blanco River Authority

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