

# **Salt River Navigability**

**Presentation to ANSAC**

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## Definition of Navigability

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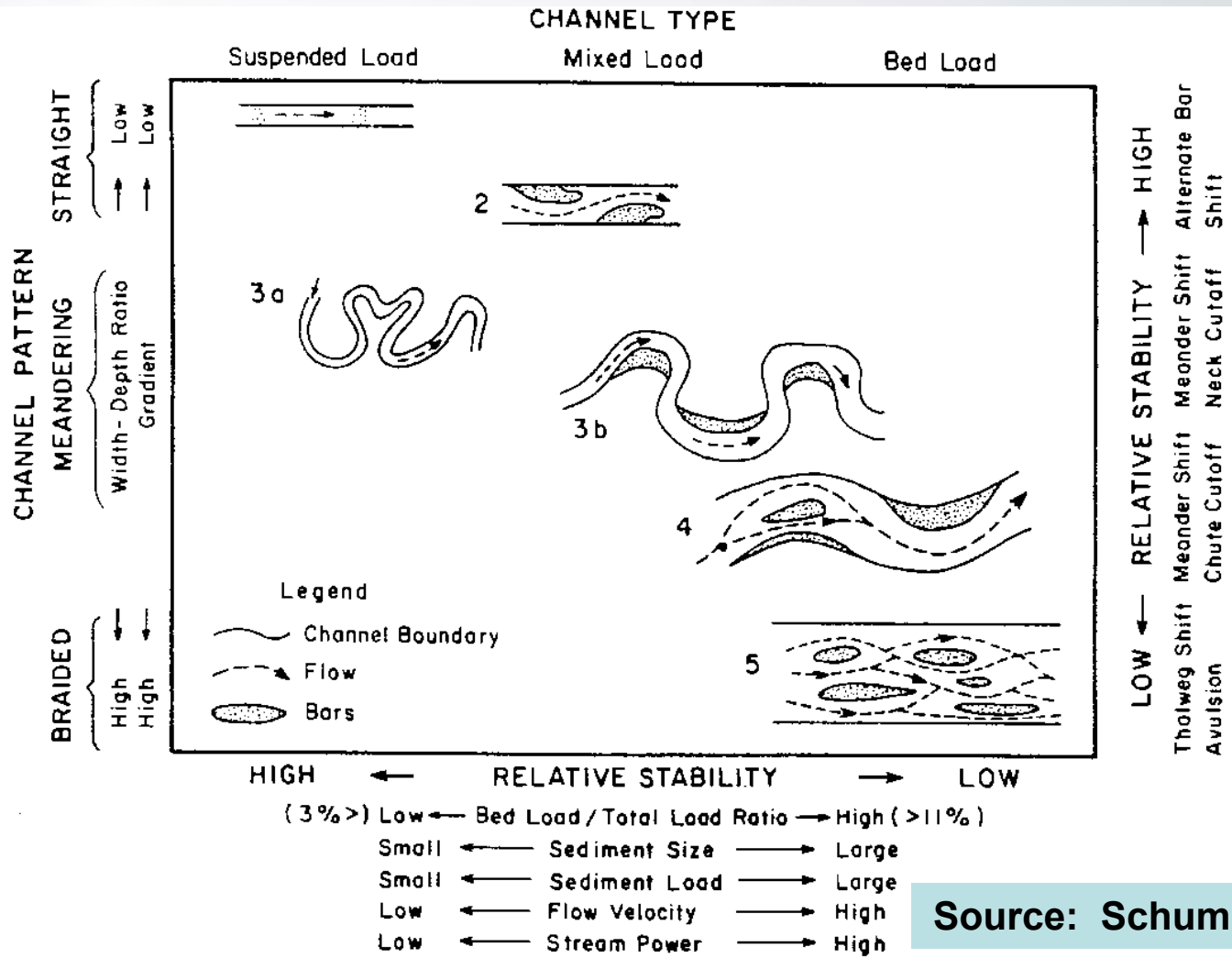
“Navigable” or “navigable watercourse” means a watercourse that was in existence on February 14, 1912, and at that time was used or was susceptible to being used, in its ordinary and natural condition, as a highway for commerce, over which trade and travel were or could have been conducted in customary modes of trade and travel on water.

# Definition of Navigability

## ■ PPL Montana

- *...evidence [of present-day, primarily recreational use] must be confined to that which shows the river could sustain the kinds of commercial use that, as a realistic matter, might have occurred at the time of statehood.*

# Channel Classification Relevant to Gila River Navigability



Source: Schumm (1981)



# Examples of Channel Types

Single-thread “Navigable” Channel  
U.S. v Utah





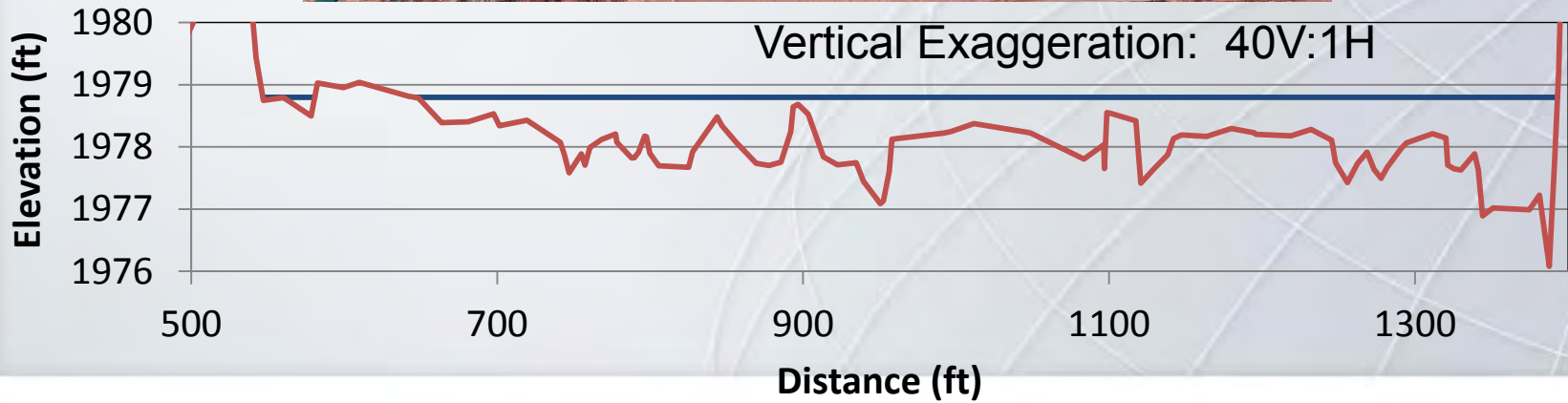
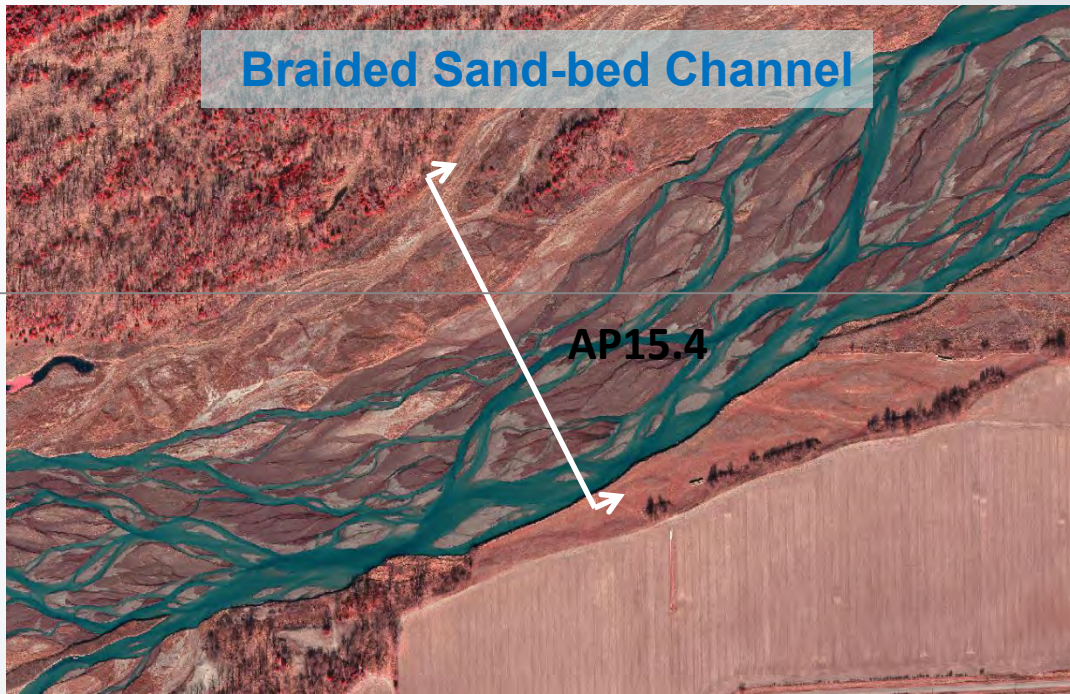
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Single-thread Meandering Channel





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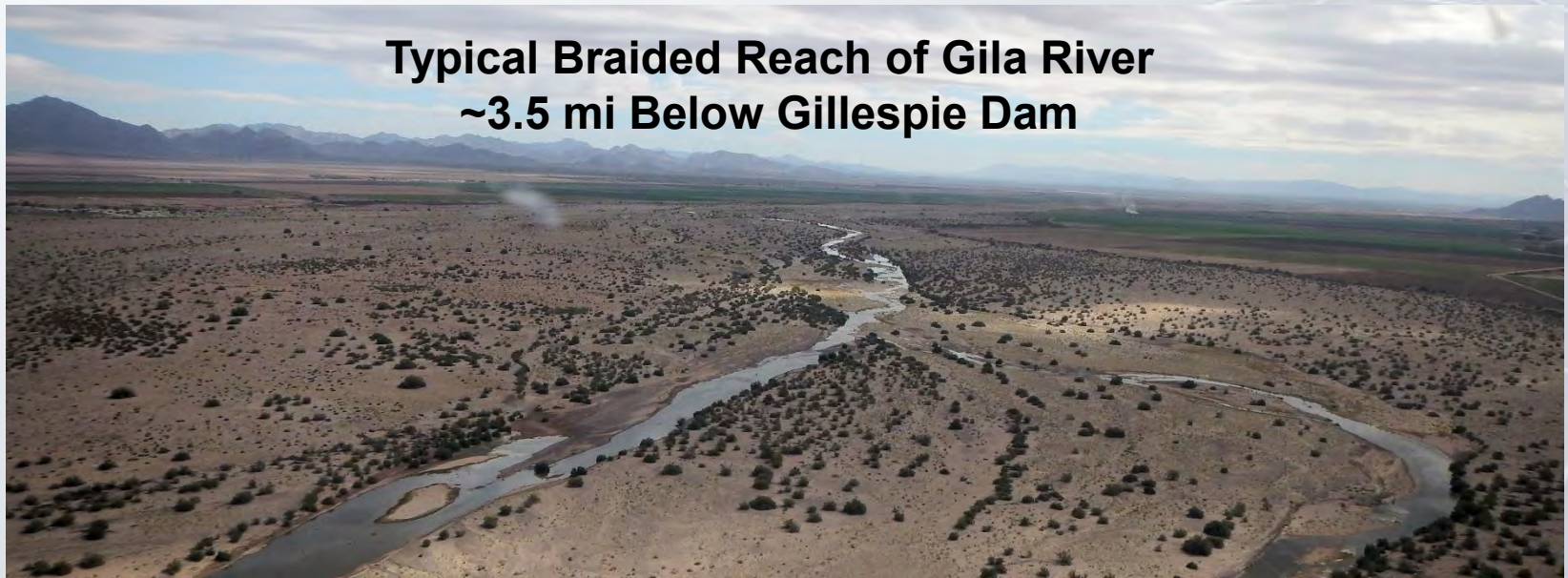
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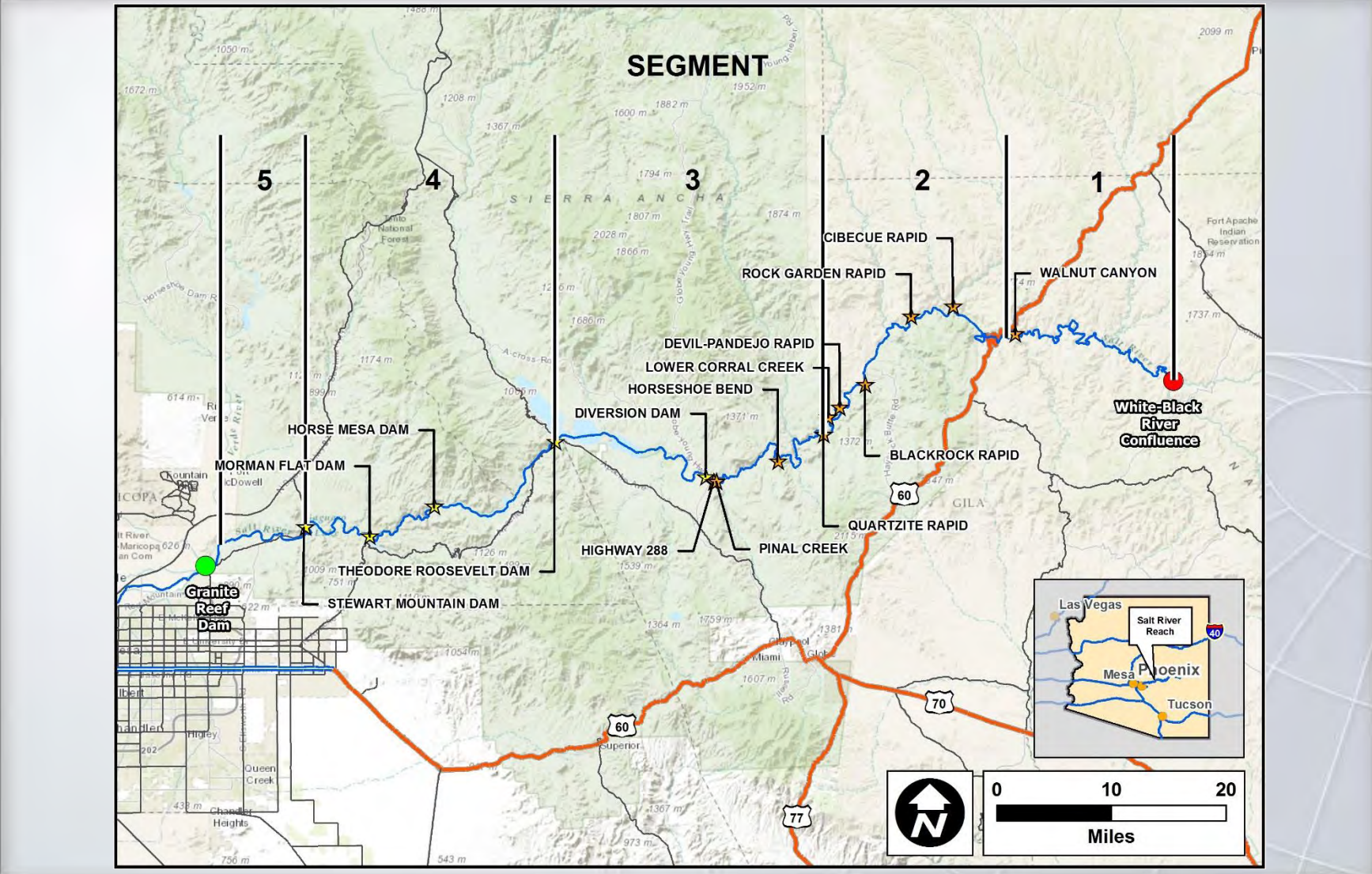
# Channel Pattern IS Relevant to Navigability

- Braided channels:
  - Wide, shallow cross section
  - Multiple, unstable (i.e., shifting) channels
  - NOT conducive to boating



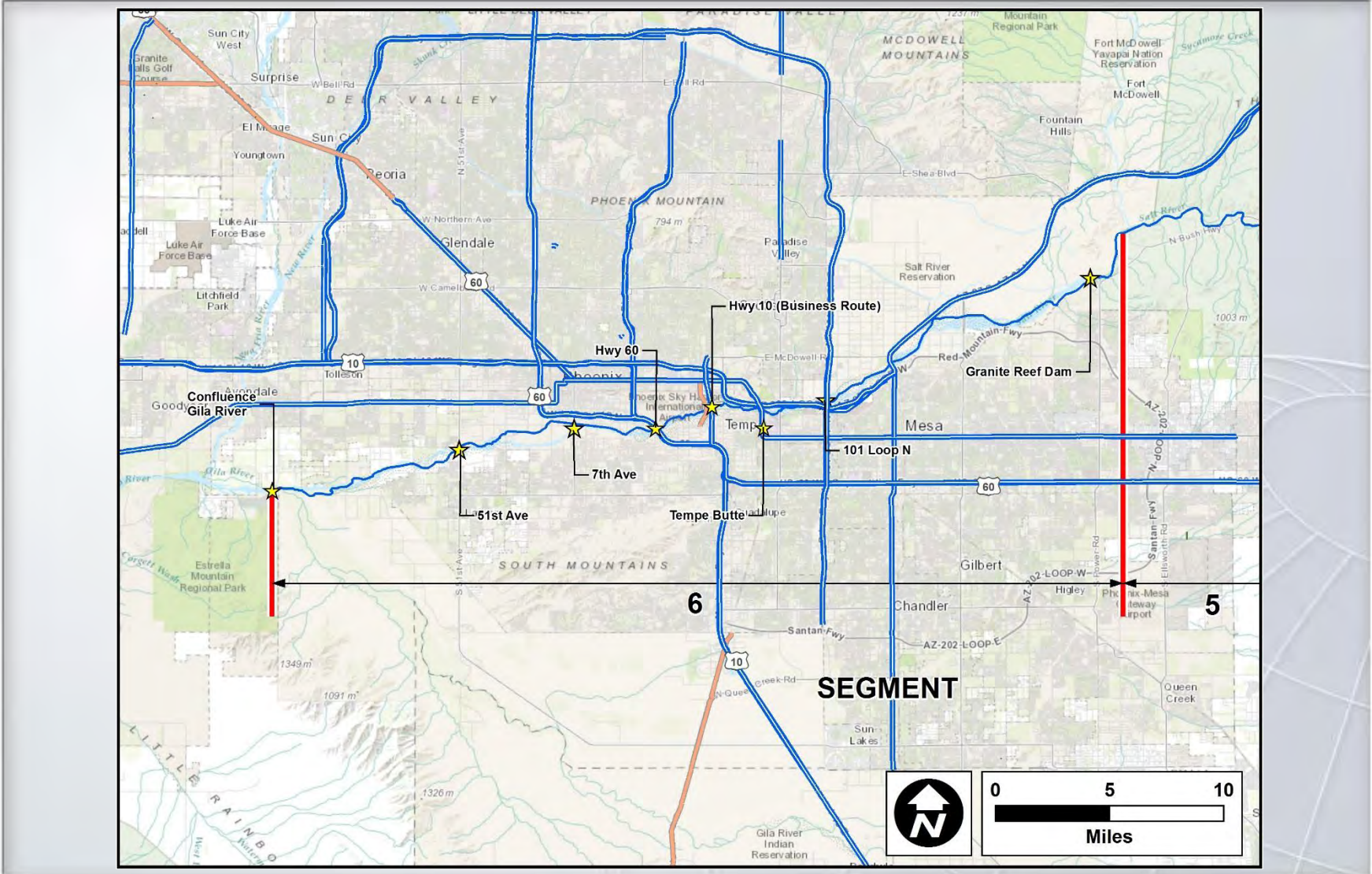


# Upper Salt River Segments and Key Features

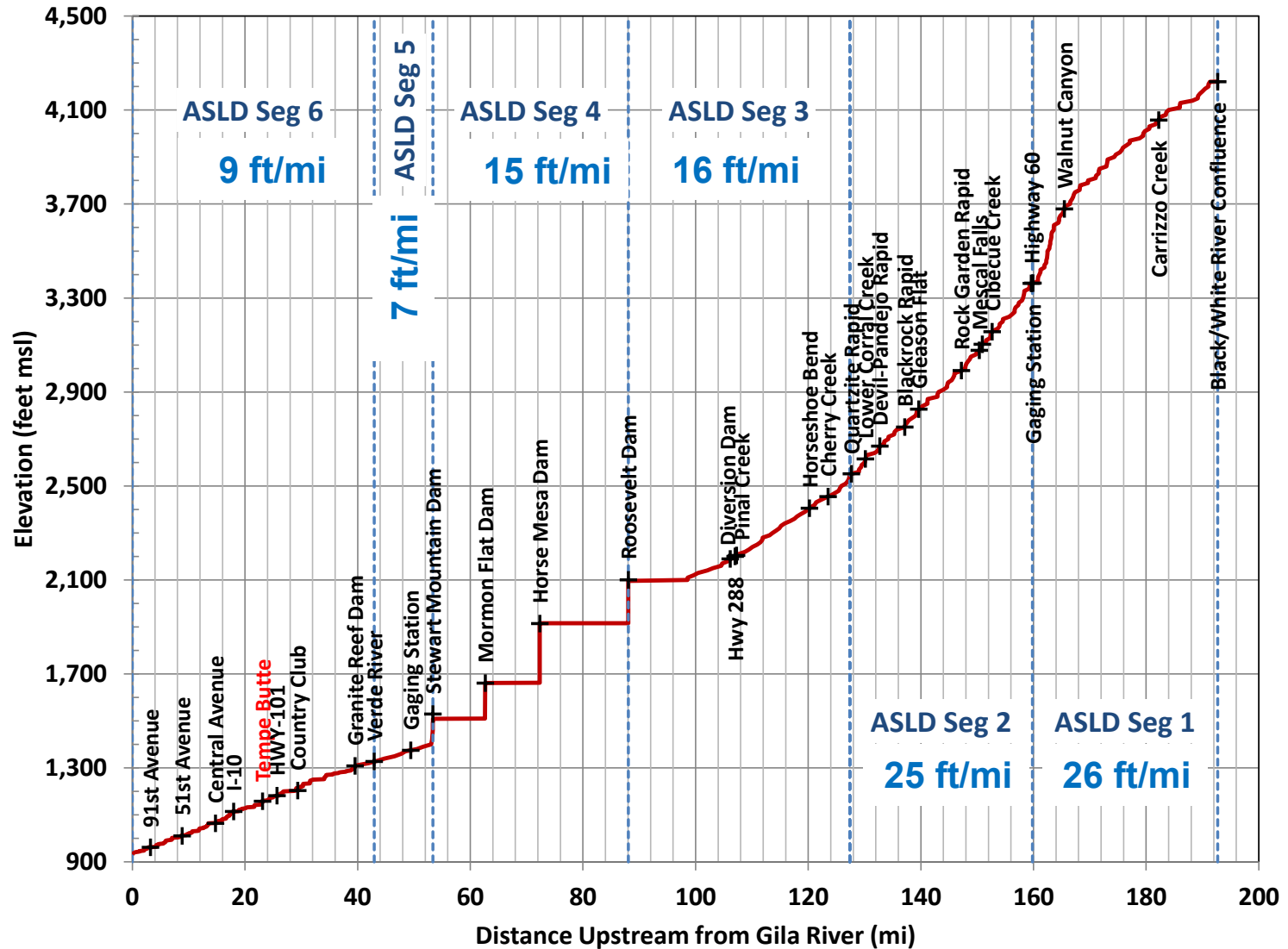




# Lower Salt River Segments and Key Features



# Longitudinal Profile



# **UPPER SALT**

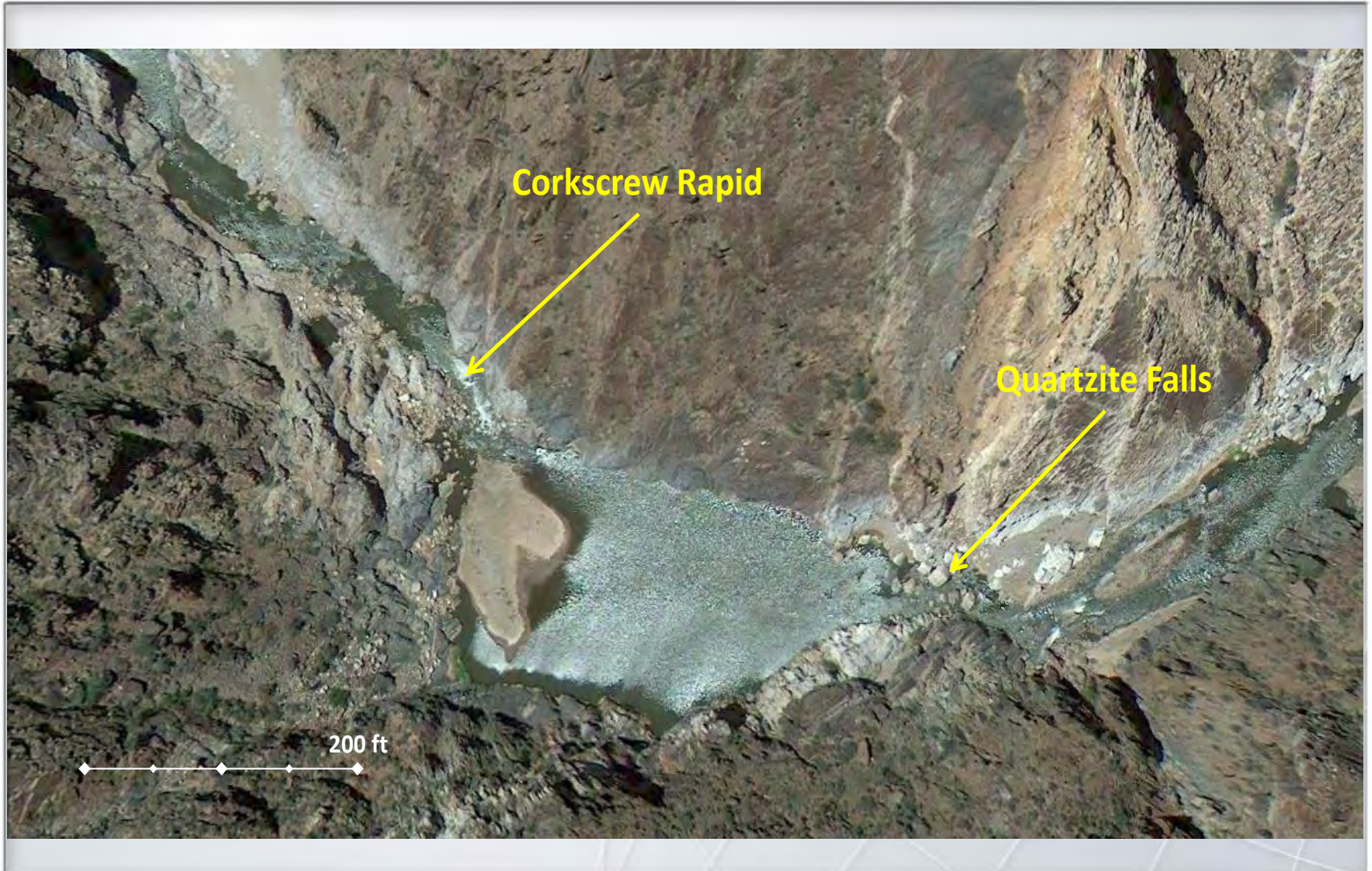
**SEGMENT 2**

**SEGMENT 3**

**UPSTREAM FROM ROOSEVELT RESERVOIR**

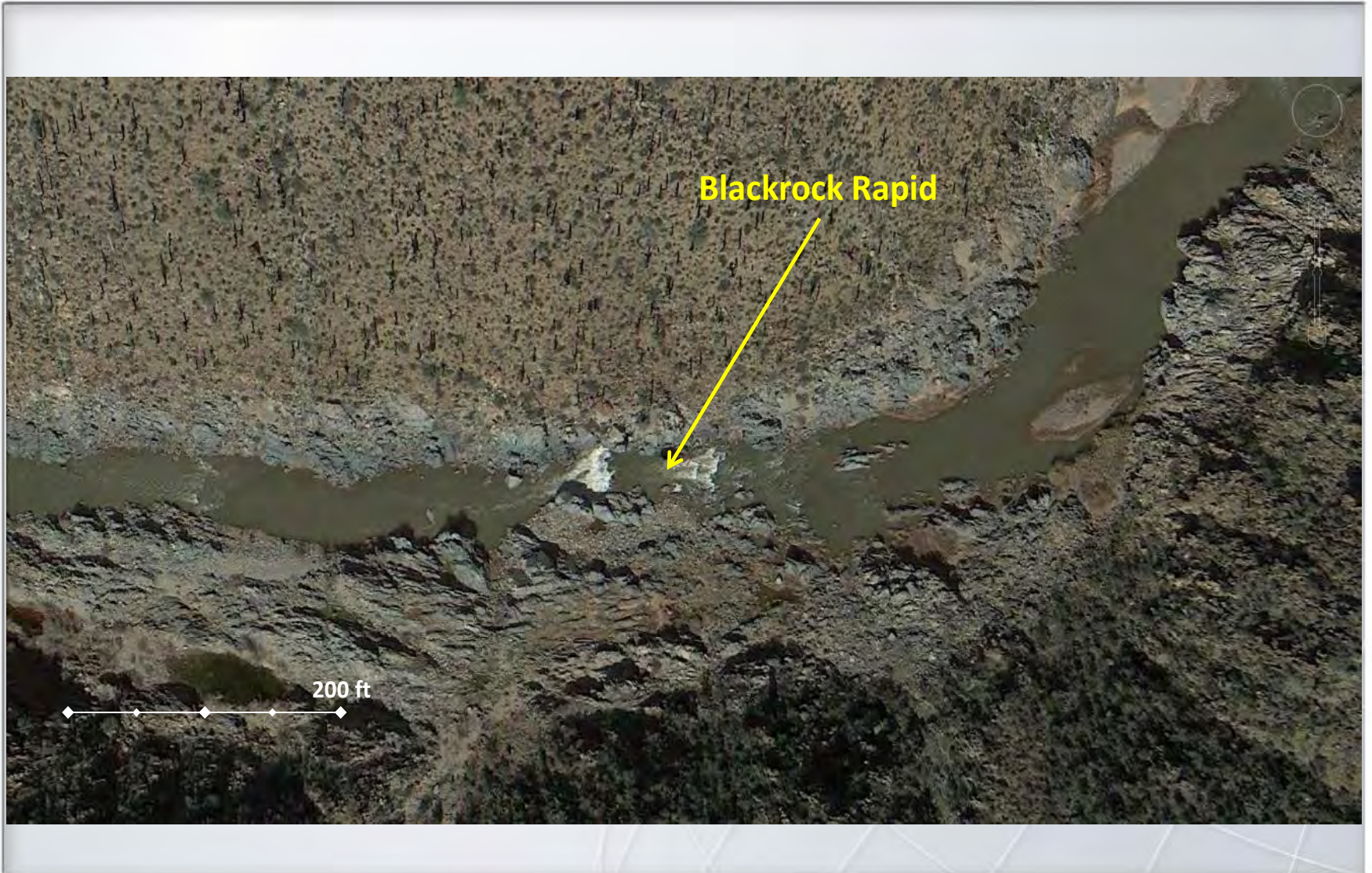


# Corkscrew Rapid and Quartzite Falls (~RM 80)





# Blackrock Rapid (RM 97.6)





# Lower Corral Creek and Rapid (~RM 90.6)





# Devil-Pandejo Rapid and Unnamed Tributary (~RM 93.2)





# Horseshoe Bend Rapid (~RM 81)



Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, IGP, Swisstopo, and the GIS User Community



# Upper Salt River (RM 105)





# Quartzite Falls

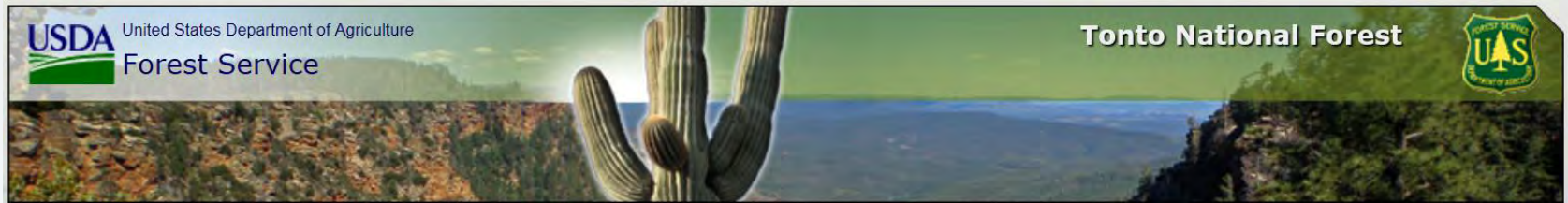




# Gleason Flats and Gleason Rapid



# USFS Salt River Permit Website



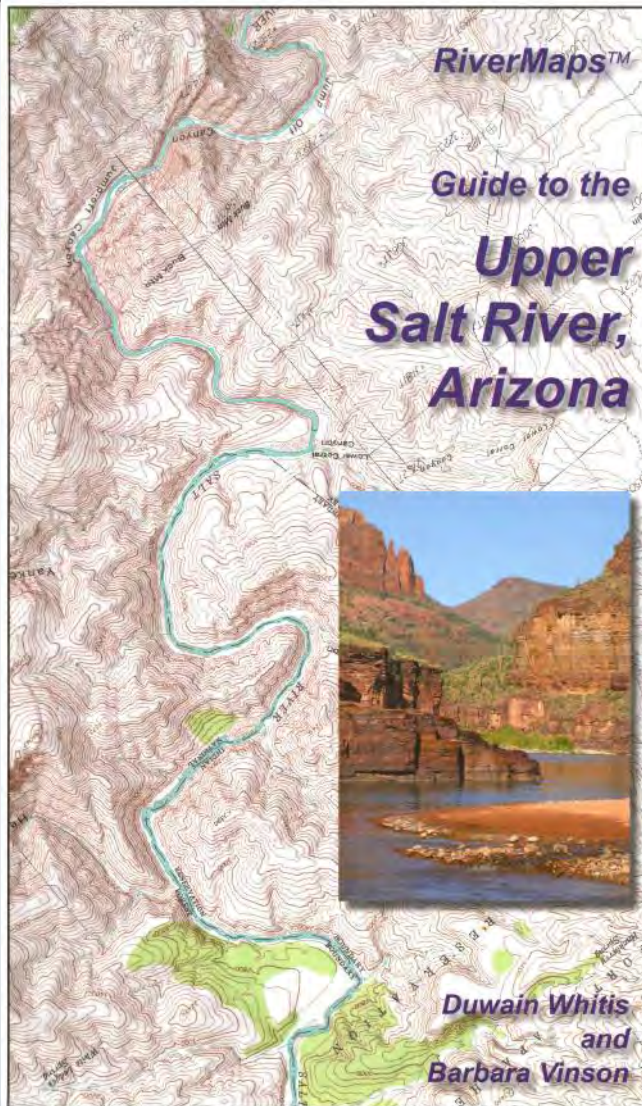
*The Salt River Canyon is a very remote and potentially dangerous place. The river is a solid Class III-IV run, and is not recommended for novices and beginners.*

*([http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/tonto/passes-permits/?cid=fsbdev3\\_018757](http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/tonto/passes-permits/?cid=fsbdev3_018757))*



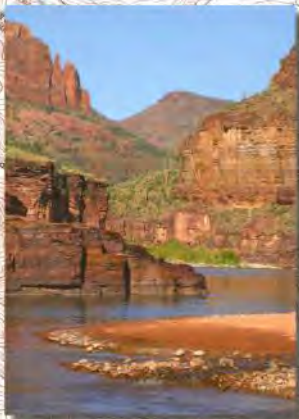
# Upper Salt River Recreation Opportunity Guide USFS (1995)

*There are several rapids which can go to a solid Class IV at certain water levels. This river is usually run in small rafts and in kayaks. It is **not** suitable for... open canoes, etc. It is also unsuitable for large rafts.*



**RiverMaps™**

**Guide to the  
Upper  
Salt River,  
Arizona**



**Duwain Whitis  
and  
Barbara Vinson**

**General Information**

Just a short two and one-half hour drive from central Phoenix is a special river that relatively few boaters get to enjoy, mainly due to its short unpredictable season. The upper Salt River is known for its challenging whitewater. Sonoran desert flora and fauna, and stunning geology. Located north of Globe, Arizona, the section of river described in this guidebook flows through more than 52 miles of canyon scenery with elevations ranging from 2,200 feet near the take-out at State Highway 288 to more than 5,400 feet in the high parts of the canyon near the put-in at U.S. Highway 60. With an average gradient of almost 22 feet per mile, the river tumbles through 33 named rapids, many of which are rated class III or IV. Much of the river is encompassed by the 32,100-acre Salt River Canyon Wilderness on one or both sides.

The river has its headwaters in the White Mountains of eastern Arizona. The White and Black rivers originate on the northwest and southeast slopes, respectively, of Baldy Peak, Arizona's second highest mountain at 11,401 feet. The two streams merge approximately 33 twisting river miles upstream from U.S. Highway 60 to form the Salt River. From the confluence, the river flows free for 93 miles before succumbing to the dead impoundment of Theodore Roosevelt Lake, part of the infrastructure that provides water to the Phoenix metropolitan area. What little water manages to pass through the series of impoundments and diversions below Theodore Roosevelt Dam flows through Phoenix to the Gila River and on to the lower Colorado River at Yuma, Arizona.

The boating season for the Salt typically begins in early March and runs through April with anything from dangerously high water to rock-scraping low water possible. Suggested water levels based on the USGS Chrysoptic gage near the put-in at U.S. Highway 60 are 1,200-3,000 cfs for rafts and at least 400 cfs for inflatable kayaks. Experienced boaters can run light rafts as low as 600 cfs and inflatable kayaks as low as 250 cfs, but rafts will be dodging and scraping rocks, and the portages for inflatable kayaks at Black Rock and Corkscrew are strenuous. Higher levels become increasingly hazardous.

The upper Salt River can be divided into two sections. The upper part from U.S. Highway 60 to Mile 9.3 is paralleled by a dirt road on river right with multiple access points to the river. This section is commonly run by commercial and private boaters as a day trip. The remainder of the river is typically run as a multi-day trip even though intermediate access points at Gleason Flat near river mile 19 can shorten the trip and do not require a Forest Service permit (more on this below). The complete run from U.S. Highway 60 to State Highway 288 is commonly run in three to five days depending on the water level and amount of day hiking your group chooses to do.

The upper Salt River through the Salt River Canyon Wilderness (river mile 19.3 to State Highway 288) is administered by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Tonto National Forest. USFS regulations require special recreation permits for private boaters taking river trips from March 1 through May 15, the prime boating season. Permits are issued through a lottery, and applications are taken on-line from November 15 through the close of business on January 31. The link to the lottery application and a list of current requirements can be found on the USFS website (a search for "Tonto National Forest Salt River" should allow you to find the website more easily than typing the very cumbersome URL, which is subject to change.) Cancelled permits are available on-line beginning on February 1. Refer to the USFS website for information on how the cancellation system works.

Tonto National Forest currently has the following river trip regulations:

- A boat tag must be attached to every watercraft used.
- Group size is limited to no more than fifteen people in the wilderness section (mile 19.6 to Highway 288) and 25 people from Hoodoo River Access to Gleason Flat (mile 9.3 to mile 19.6). The day section is 100 limited (mile 0 to mile 9.3).
- Groups must have a fire pan in their possession. Self-supporting kayak trips must have a fire blanket or fire pan in their possession. All fires must be contained within these items.
- Wood collection is limited to dead and down material only. Cutting or stripping limbs from trees is strictly prohibited.
- All trips must possess a portable toilet system to collect all solid human waste for proper disposal at an appropriate waste facility. All solid human waste must be carried out of the river corridor.
- Motorized boats and equipment are prohibited within the Salt River Canyon Wilderness.
- Possession or transportation of any part of native plants is prohibited.
- Littering is strictly prohibited. Pack out all food remains, and trash.

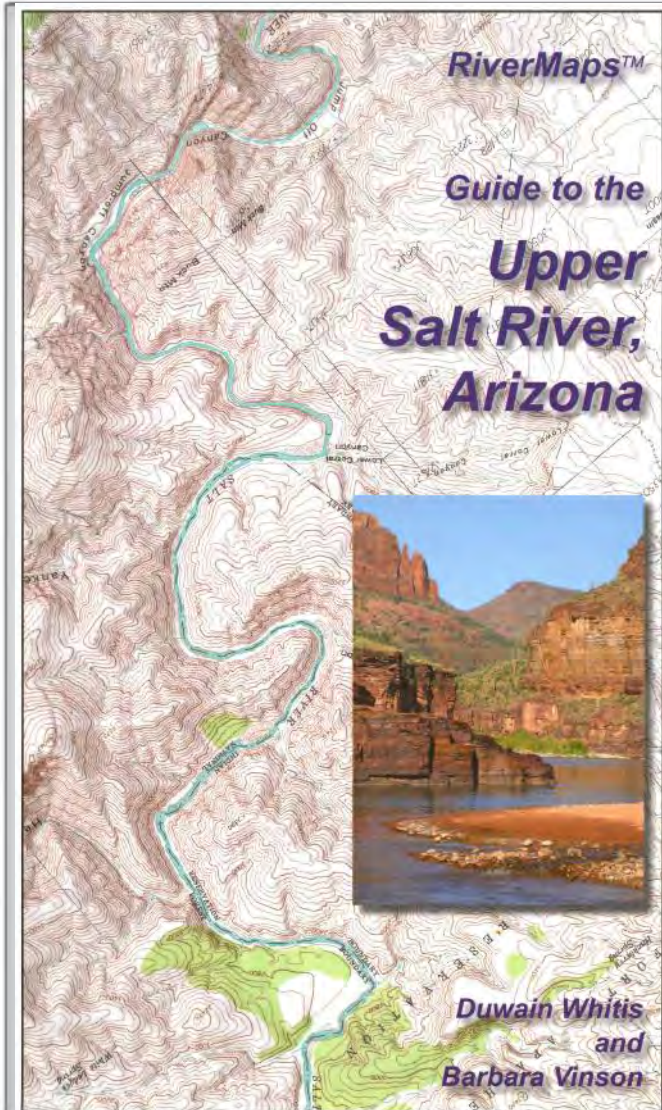
The right side of the river upstream of U.S. Highway 60 to river mile 29.0 is within the White Mountain Apache Tribal Lands. Recreation permits issued by the White Mountain Apache Tribe (WMAT) are required for whitewater boaters utilizing the portion of river flowing through the reservation. Whitewater boating is prohibited by the tribe upstream from the U.S. Highway 60 bridge. During the spring boating season, a self-serve permit kiosk is located next to the access road between the Highway 60 bridge and the put-in, and permits are \$20 per person for each day you are within reservation lands. You can also call the tribal recreation office at 928-338-4385 or purchase your permit on-line. WMAT boating regulations are similar to USFS regulations, but no boat tag is required.



Black Rock Rapid at 600 cfs.

The usual put-in and take-out are easily accessed from U.S. Highway 60 and State Highway 288, respectively. The White Mountain Apache Tribe has several campgrounds along the first nine miles of the





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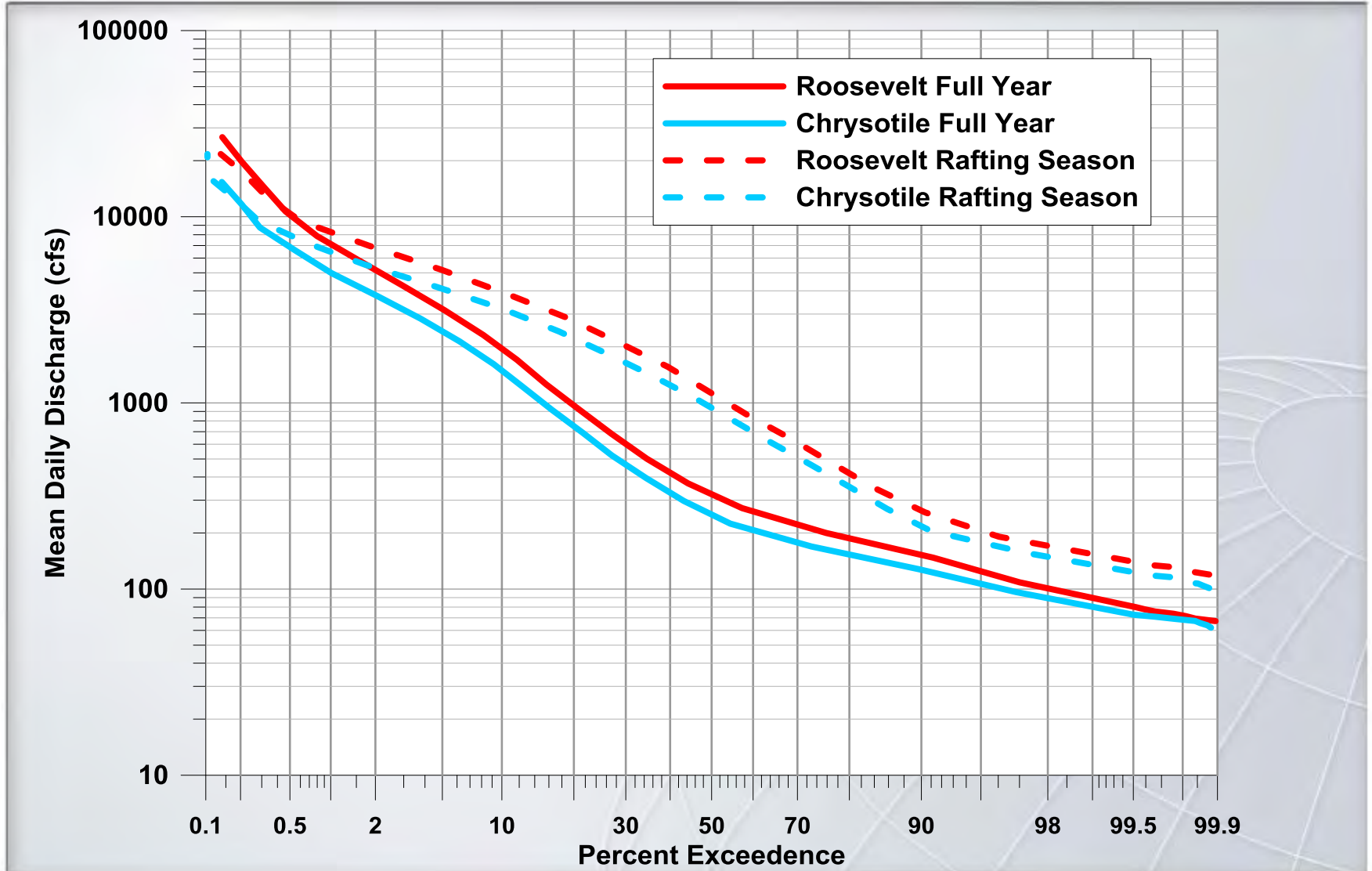
# Rafting companies canceling seasons due to dry Arizona winter

“The Salt is a very fickle character,” said **Donnie Dove**, owner of Canyon Rio Rafting, one of the four commercial outfitters with an Upper Salt River permit. “She is quite spectacular and quite beautiful, but if there’s no water, there’s no fun.”

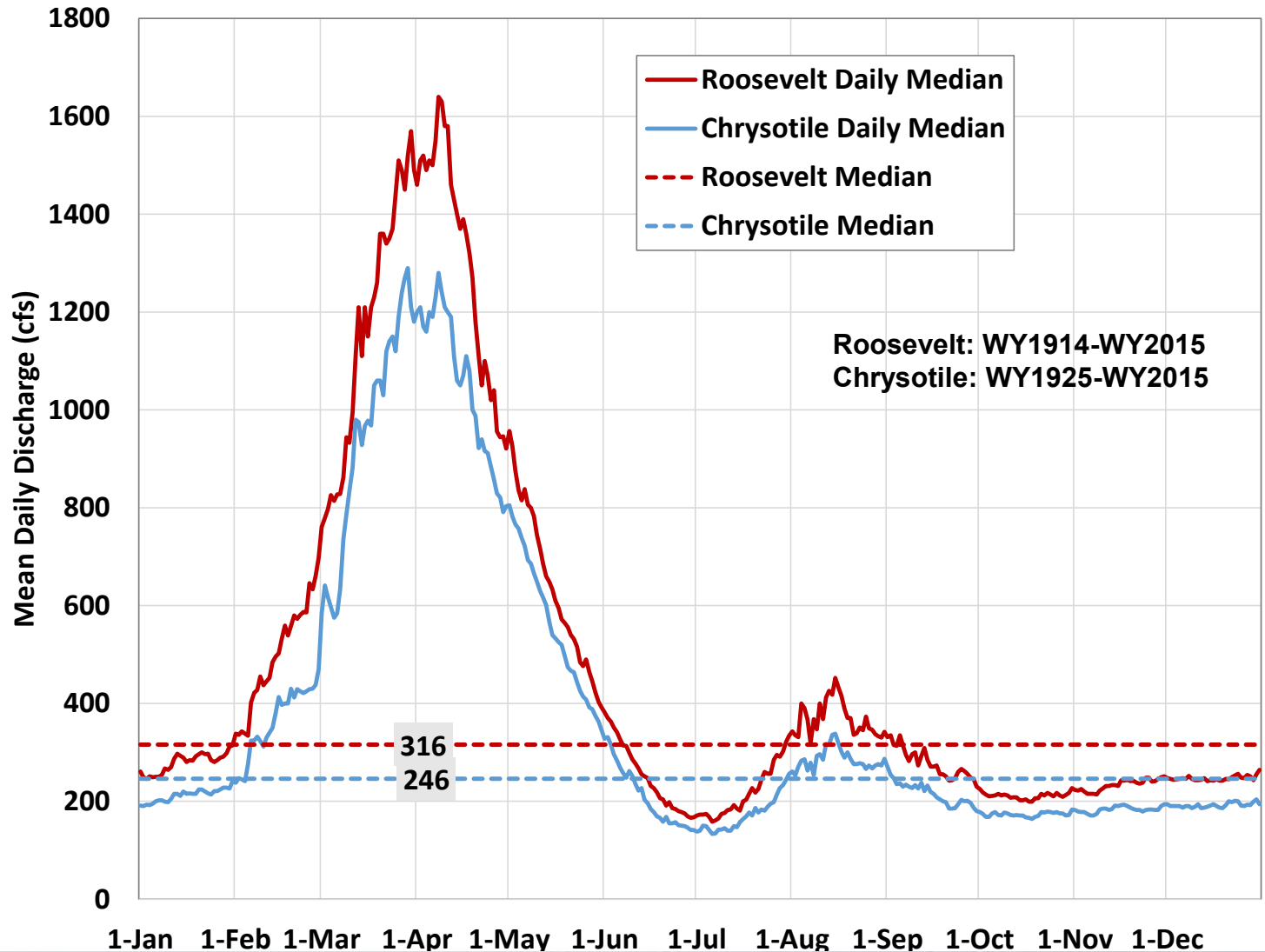
“The higher the flow, the more rocks that are covered and the bigger the waves,” said **Joe Greiner**, owner of the company, who anticipates flows of less than 300 cubic feet per second. “We need an absolute minimum of 400 cfs to get the boats out without having to drag it out over the rocks.”

[http://tucson.com/business/local/rafting-companies-canceling-seasons-due-to-dry-arizona-winter/article\\_c76c1762-e6f8-5d87-9981-b5537108b628.html](http://tucson.com/business/local/rafting-companies-canceling-seasons-due-to-dry-arizona-winter/article_c76c1762-e6f8-5d87-9981-b5537108b628.html)

# Mean Daily Flow-duration Curves

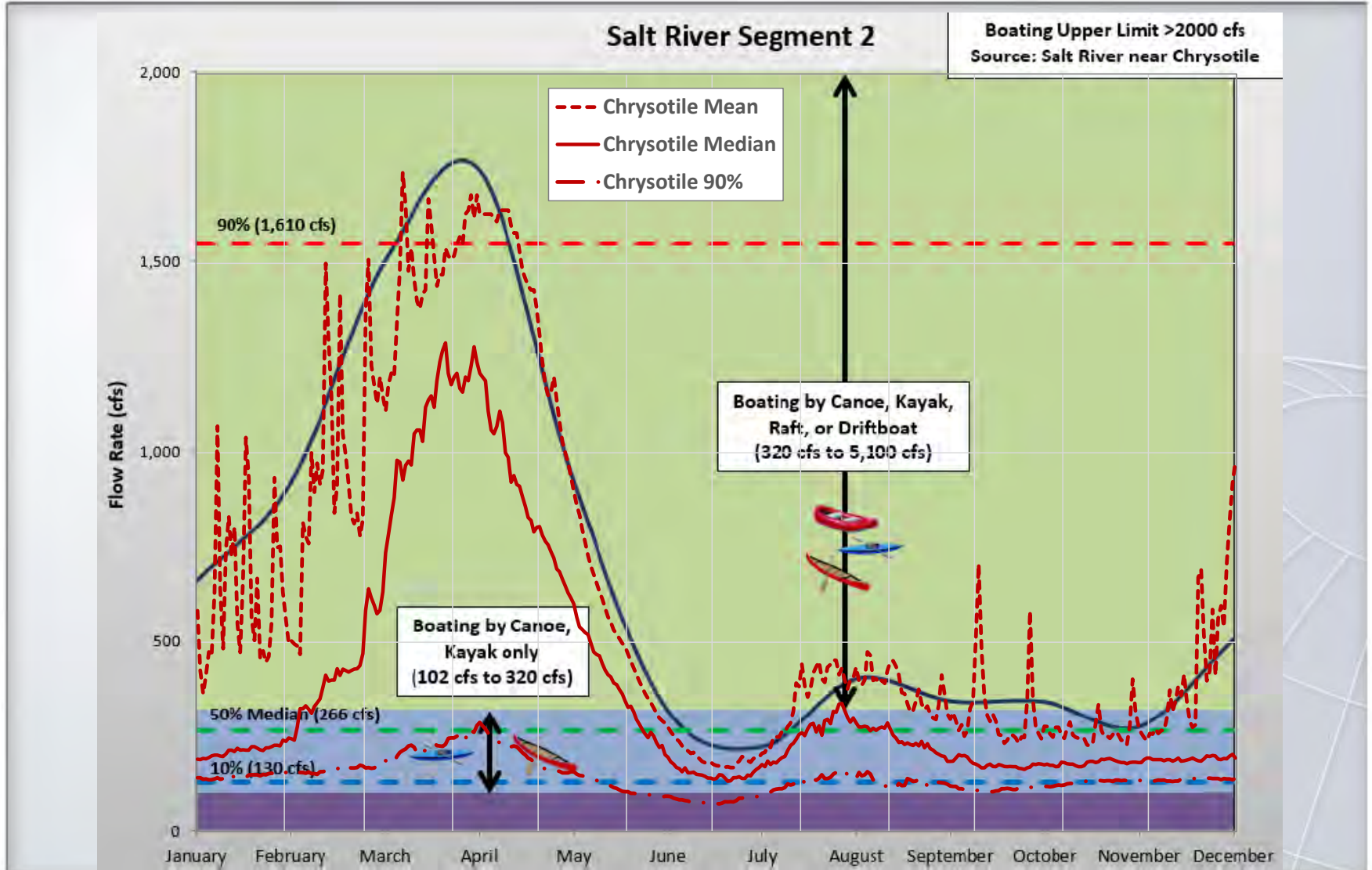


# Annual Hydrographs

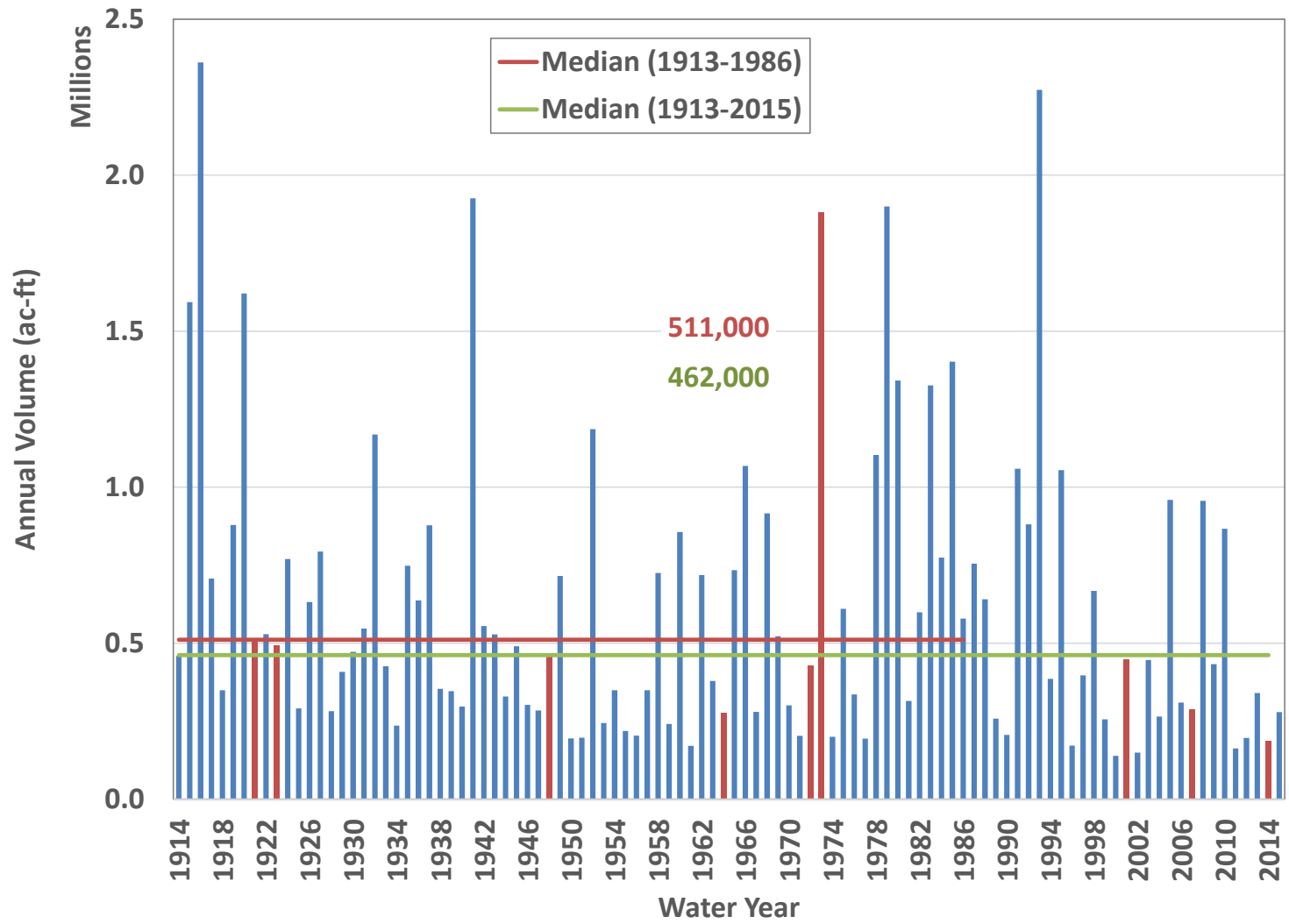




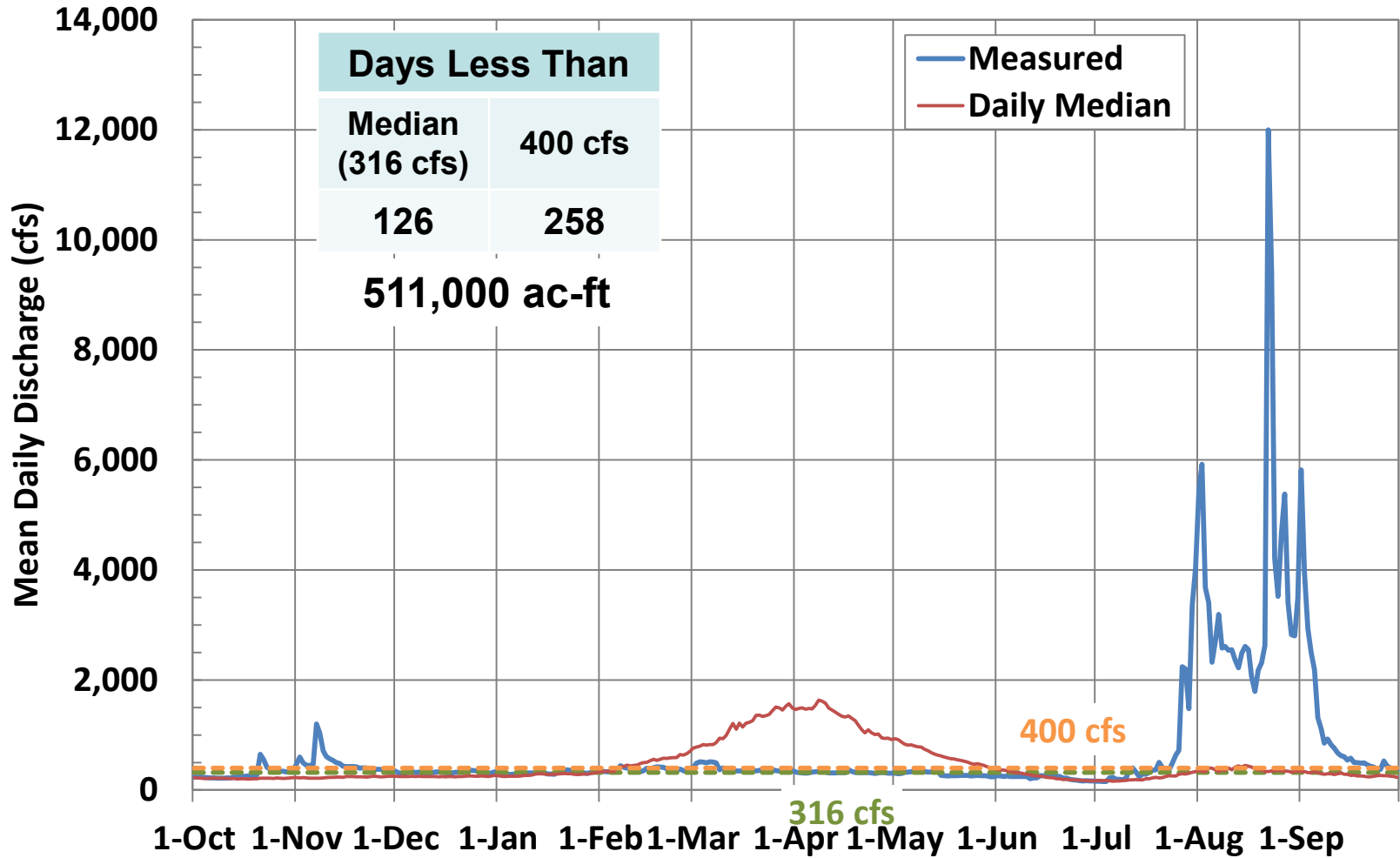
# Segment 2 Hydrographs



# Annual Runoff Volume at Roosevelt Gage

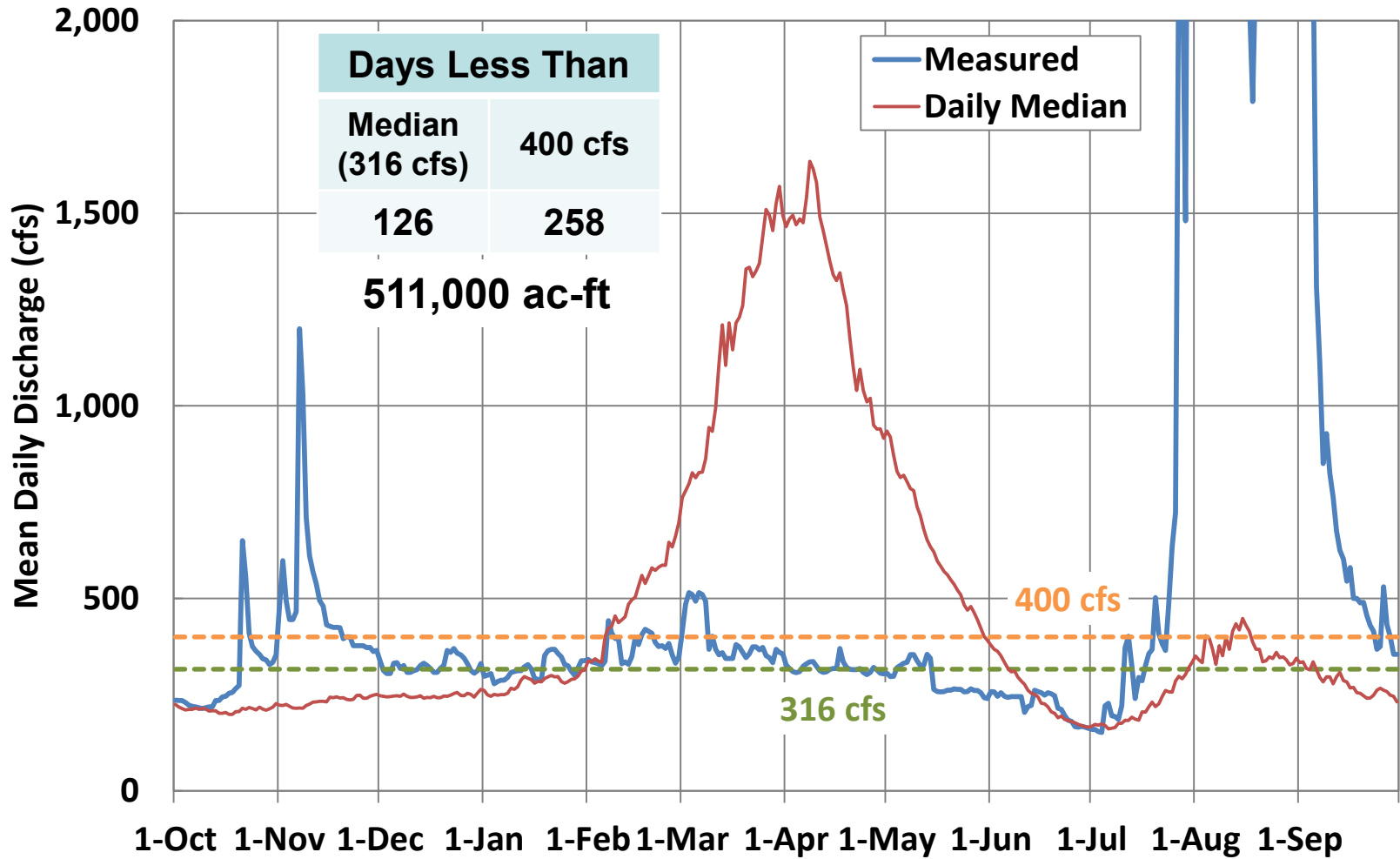


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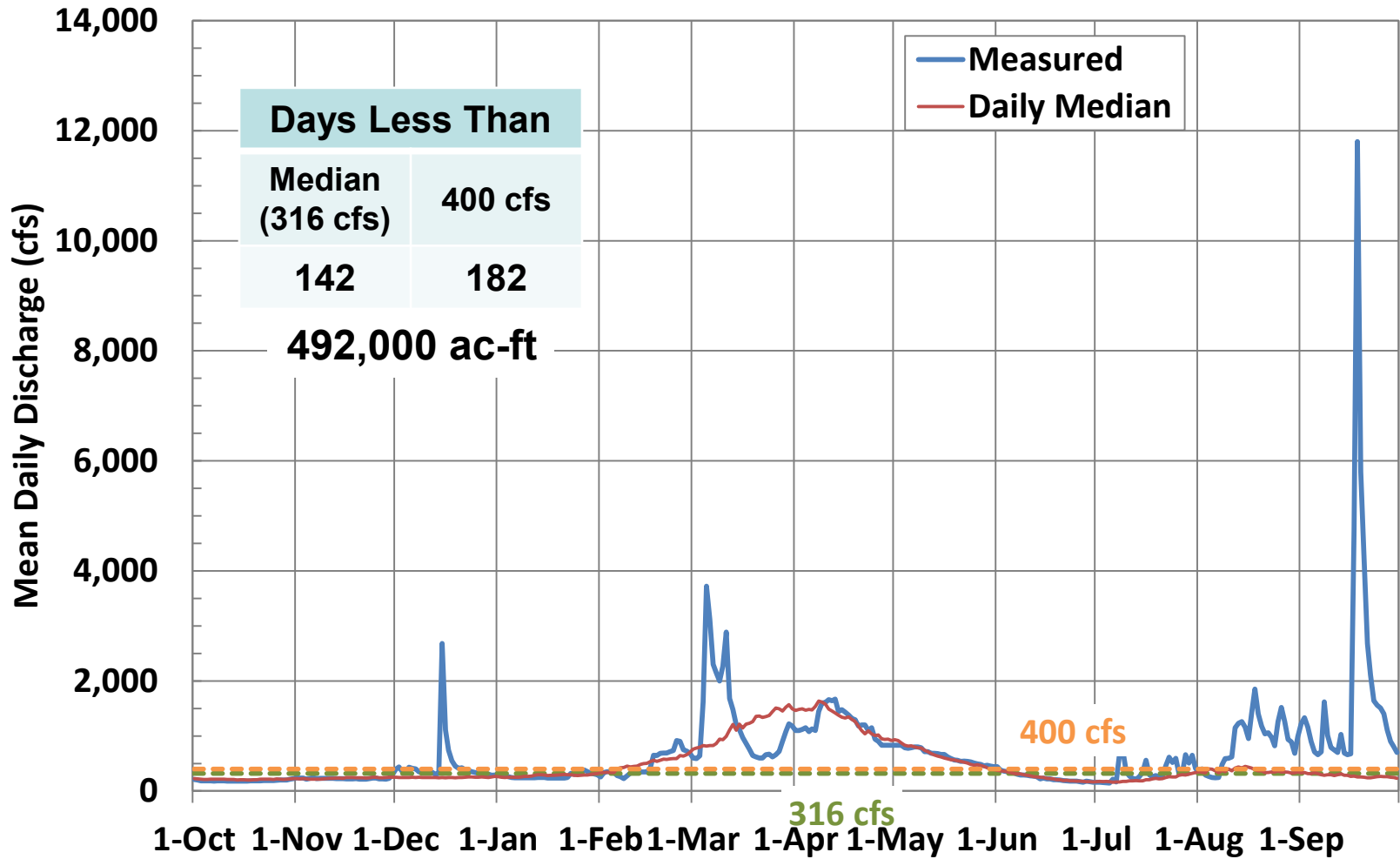




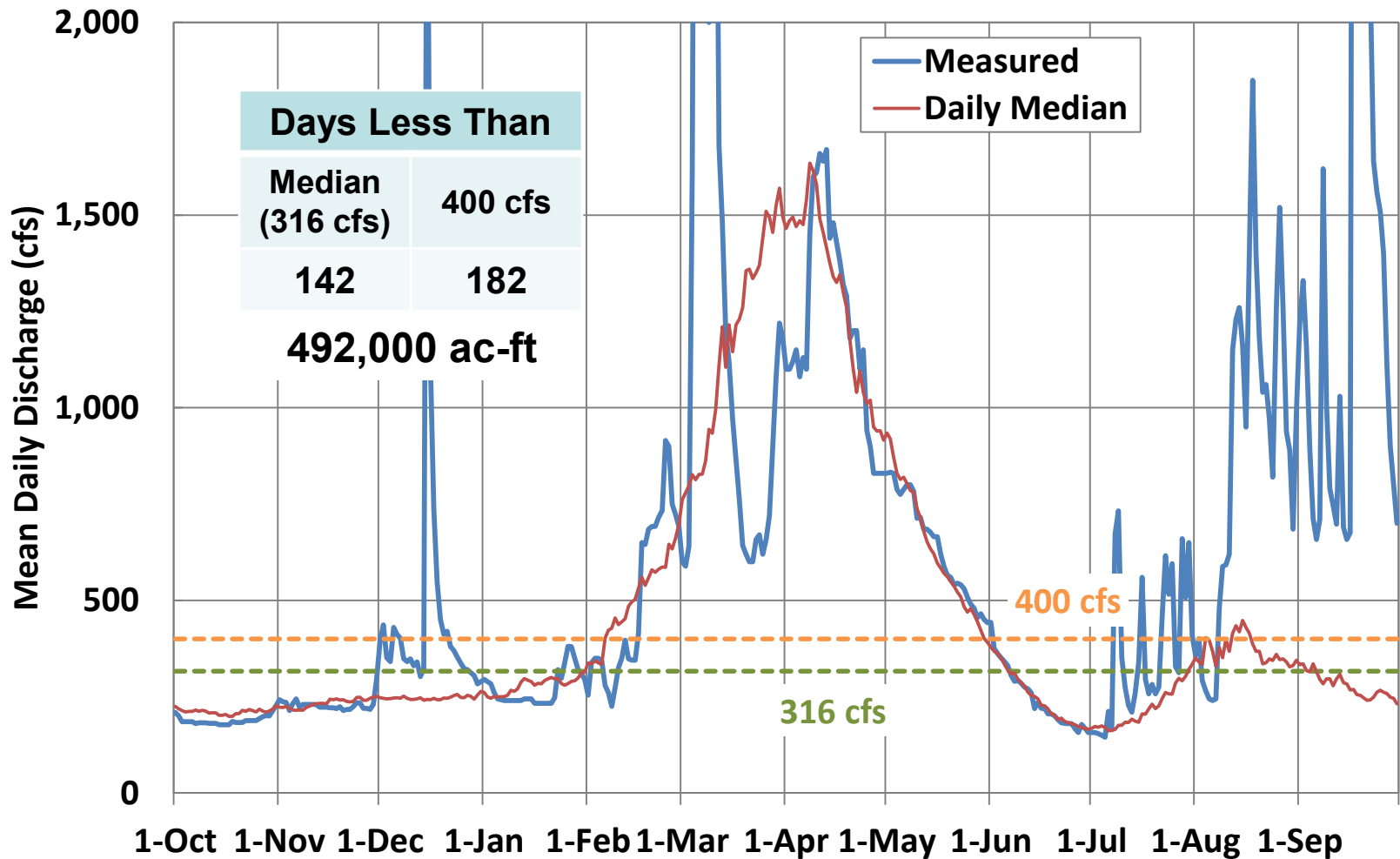
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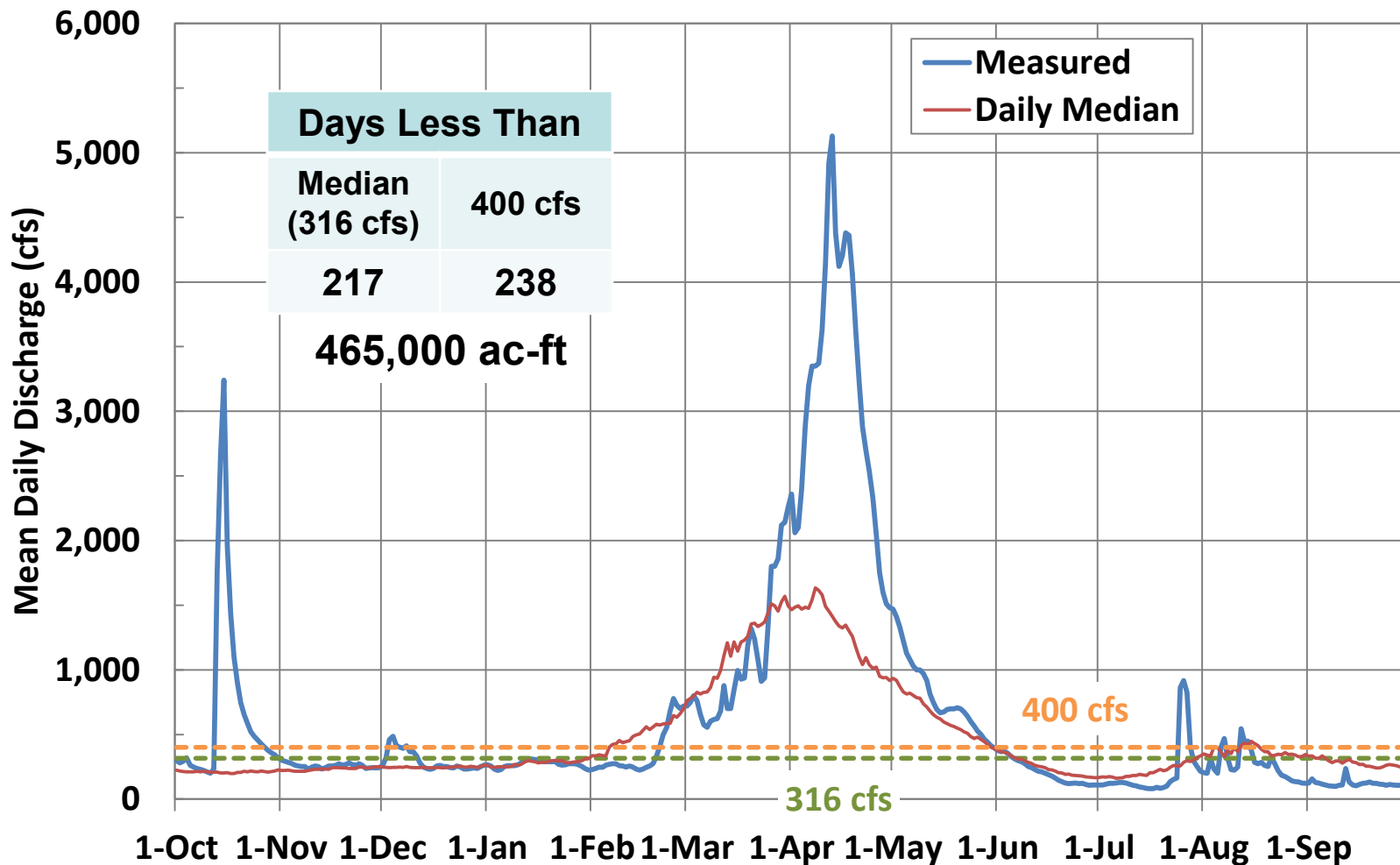
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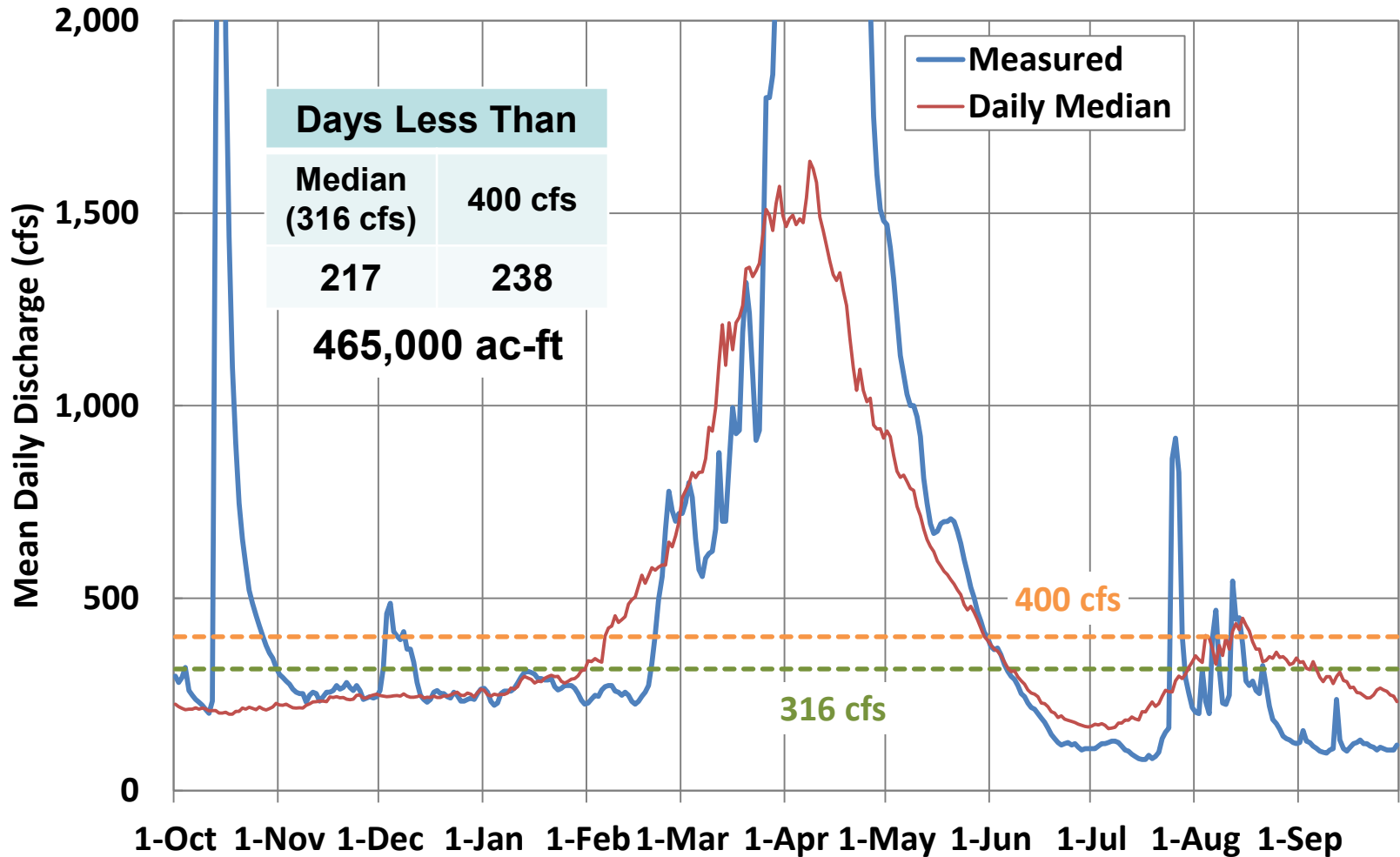
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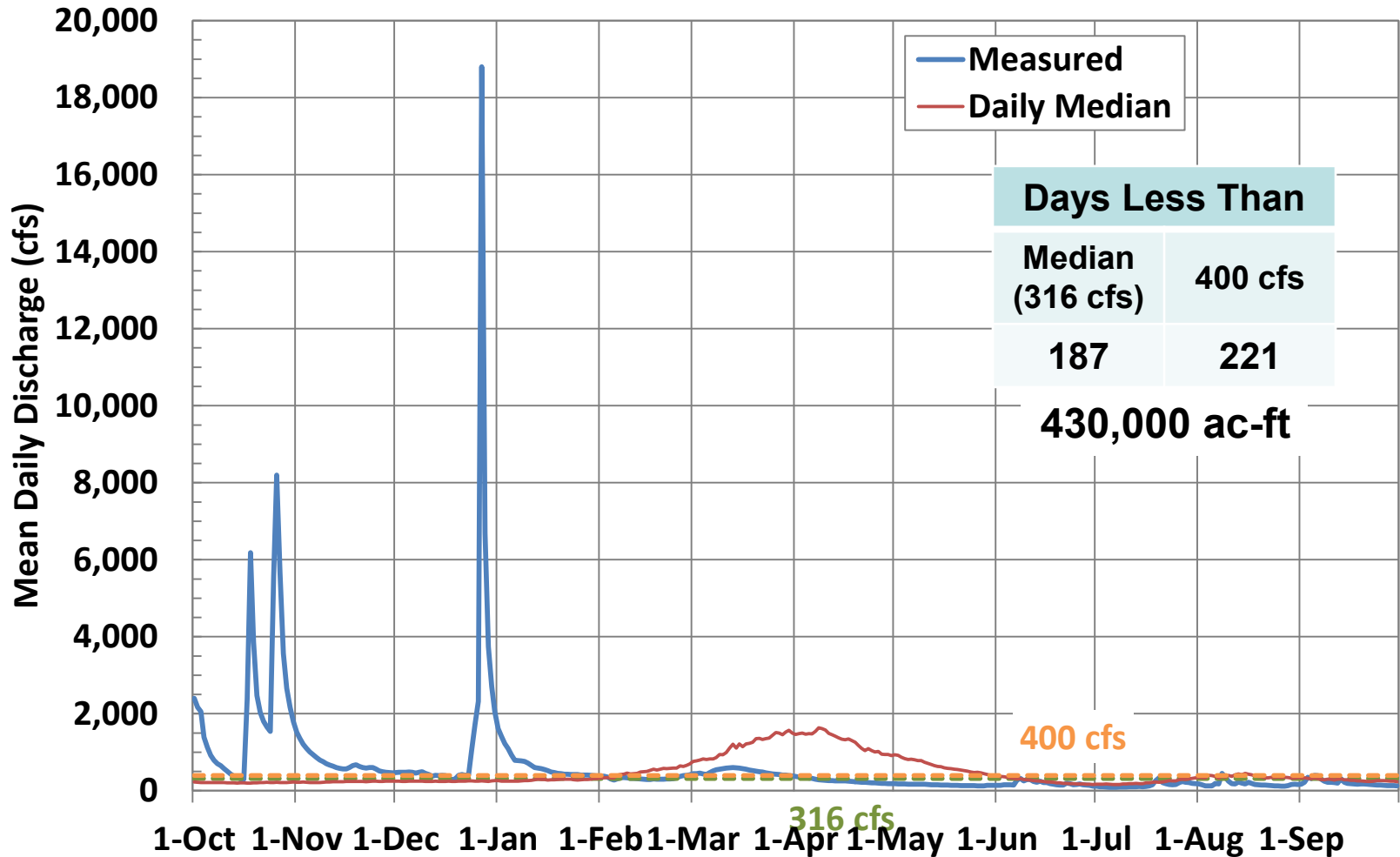
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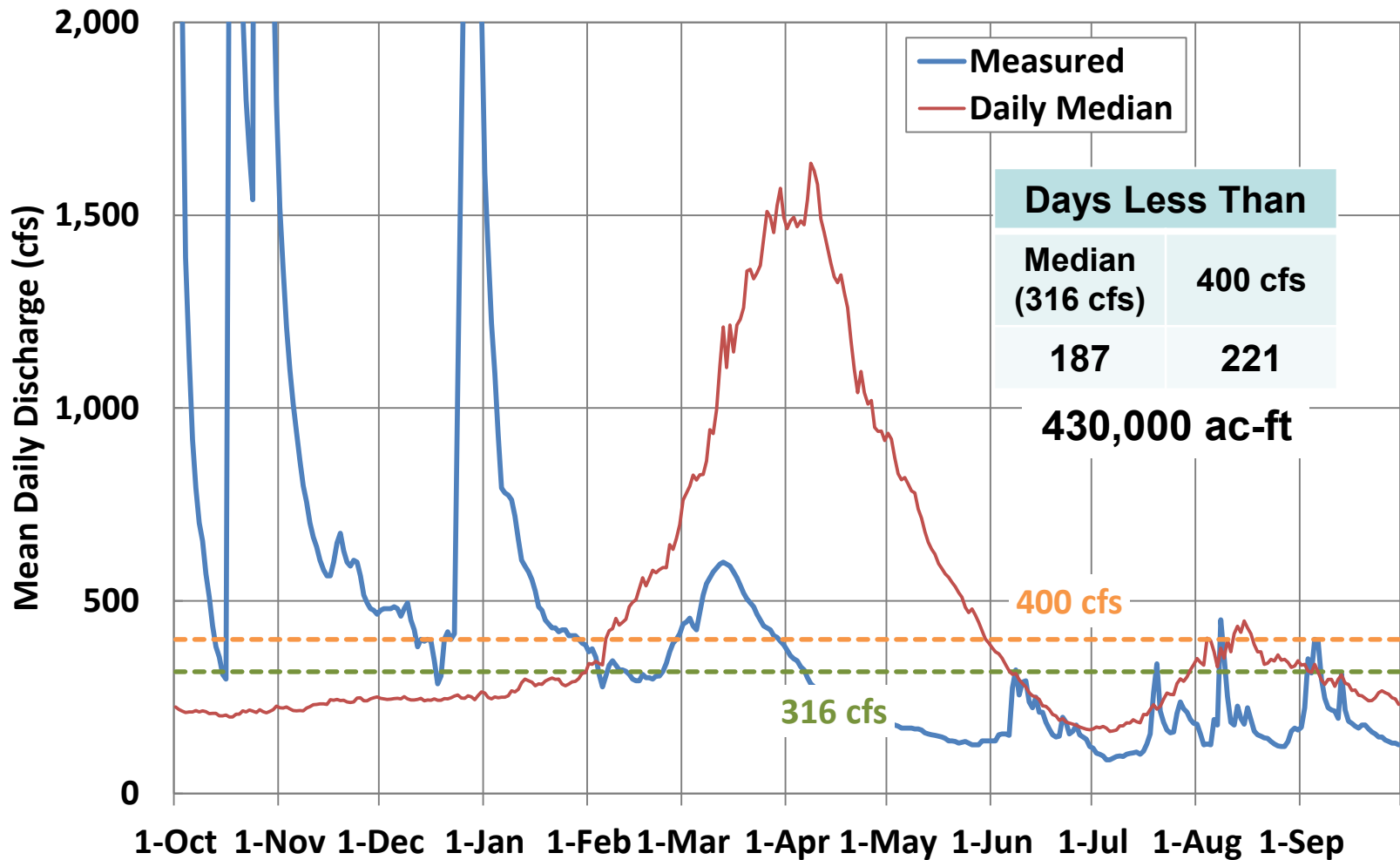


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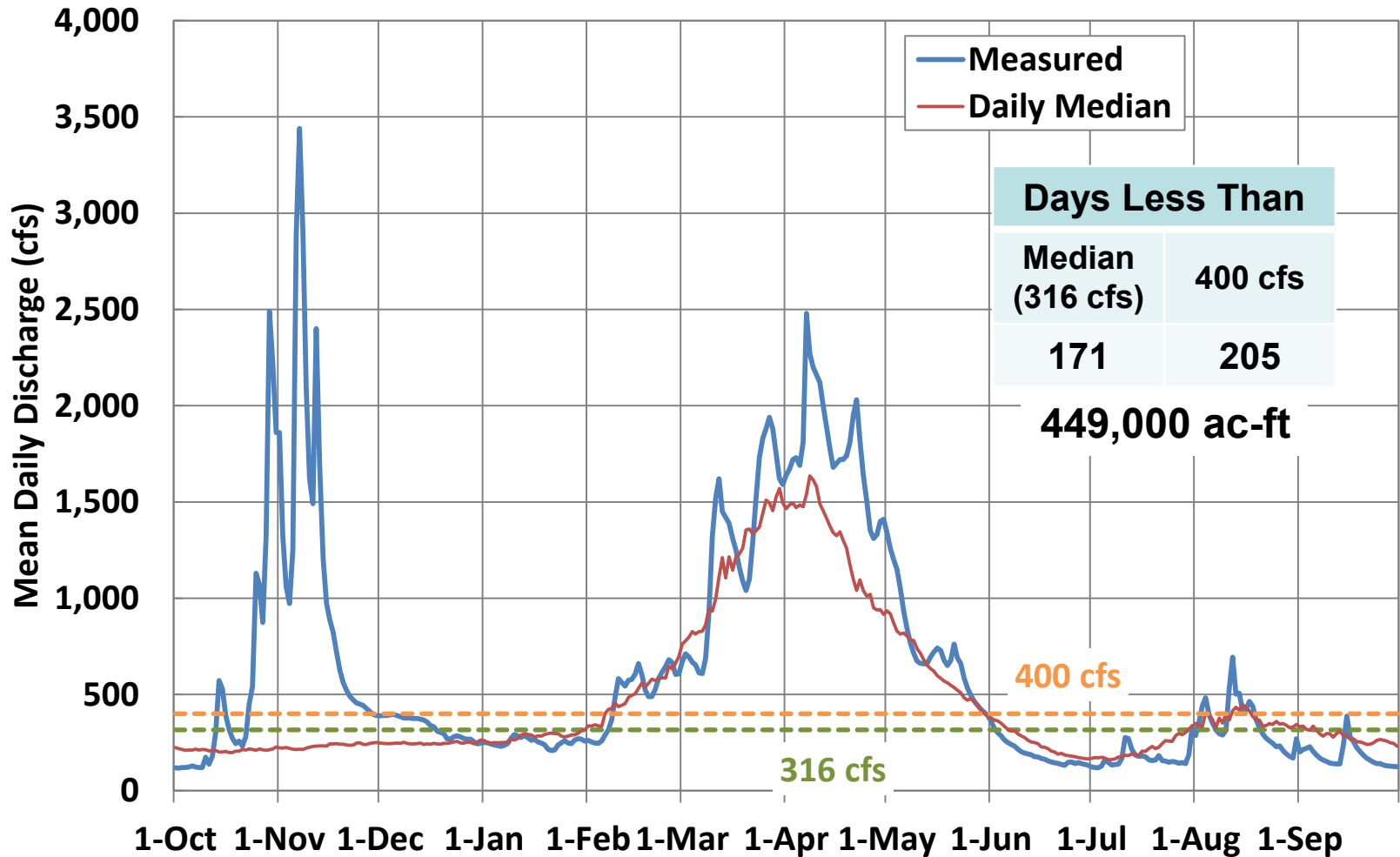




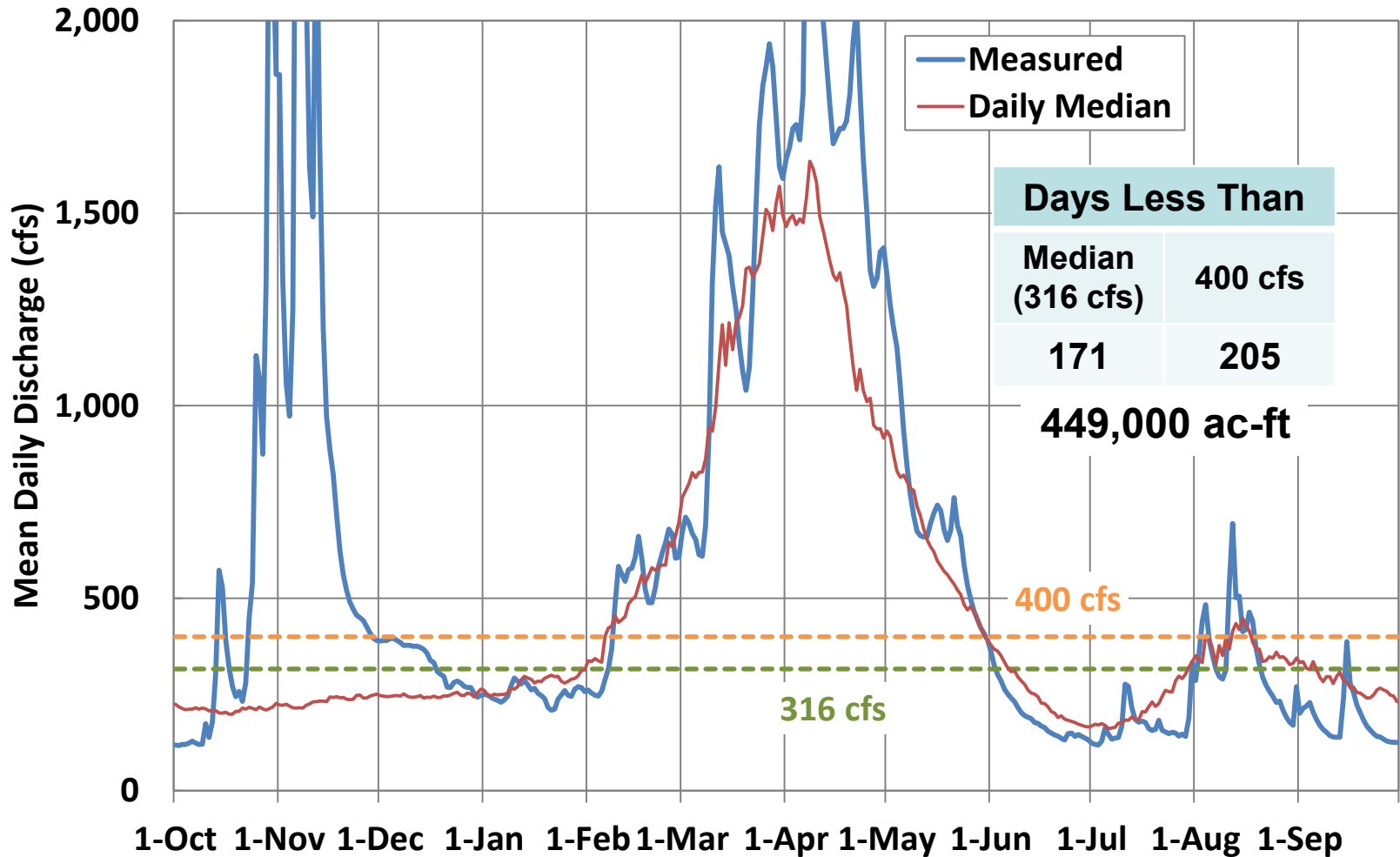
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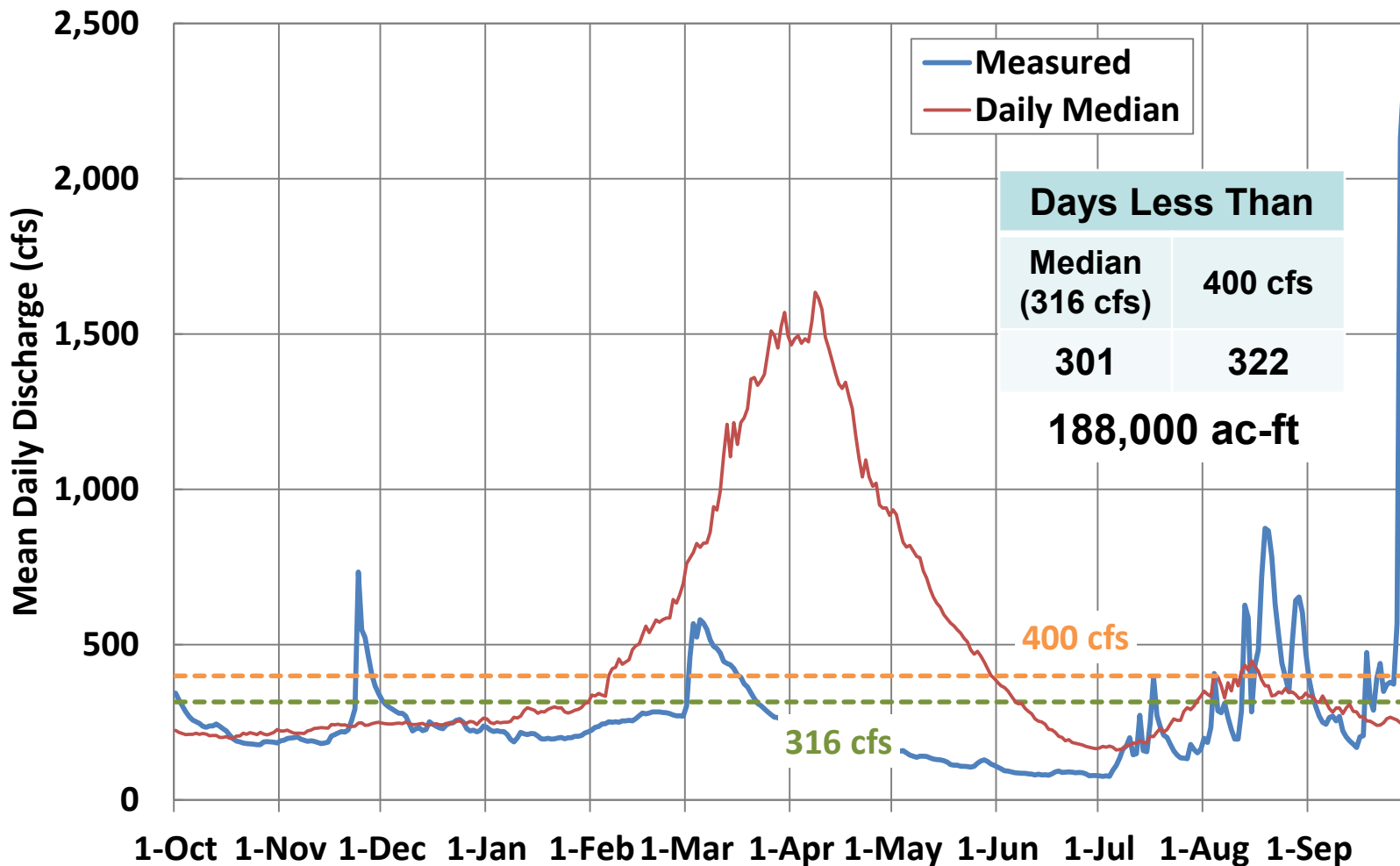


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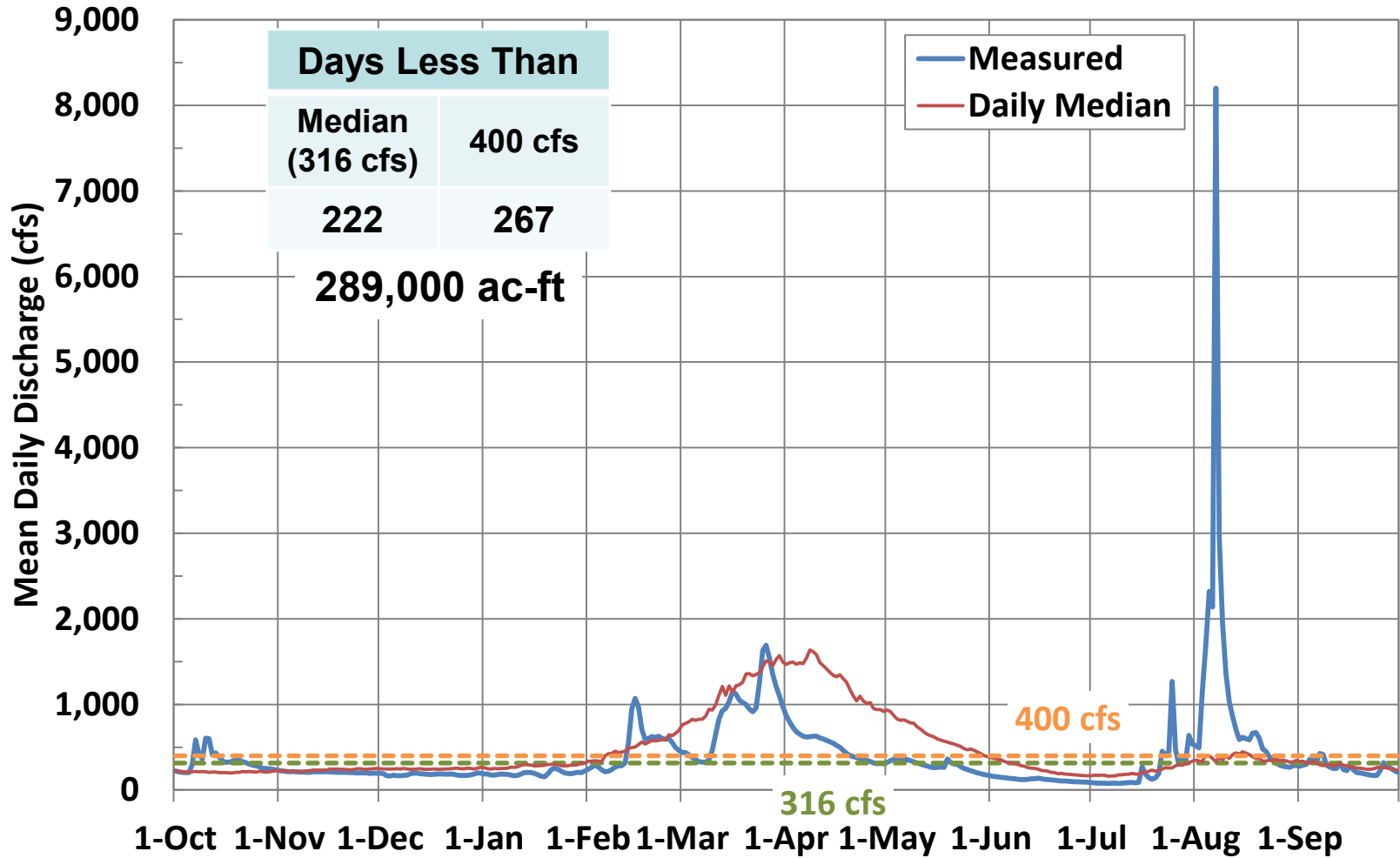




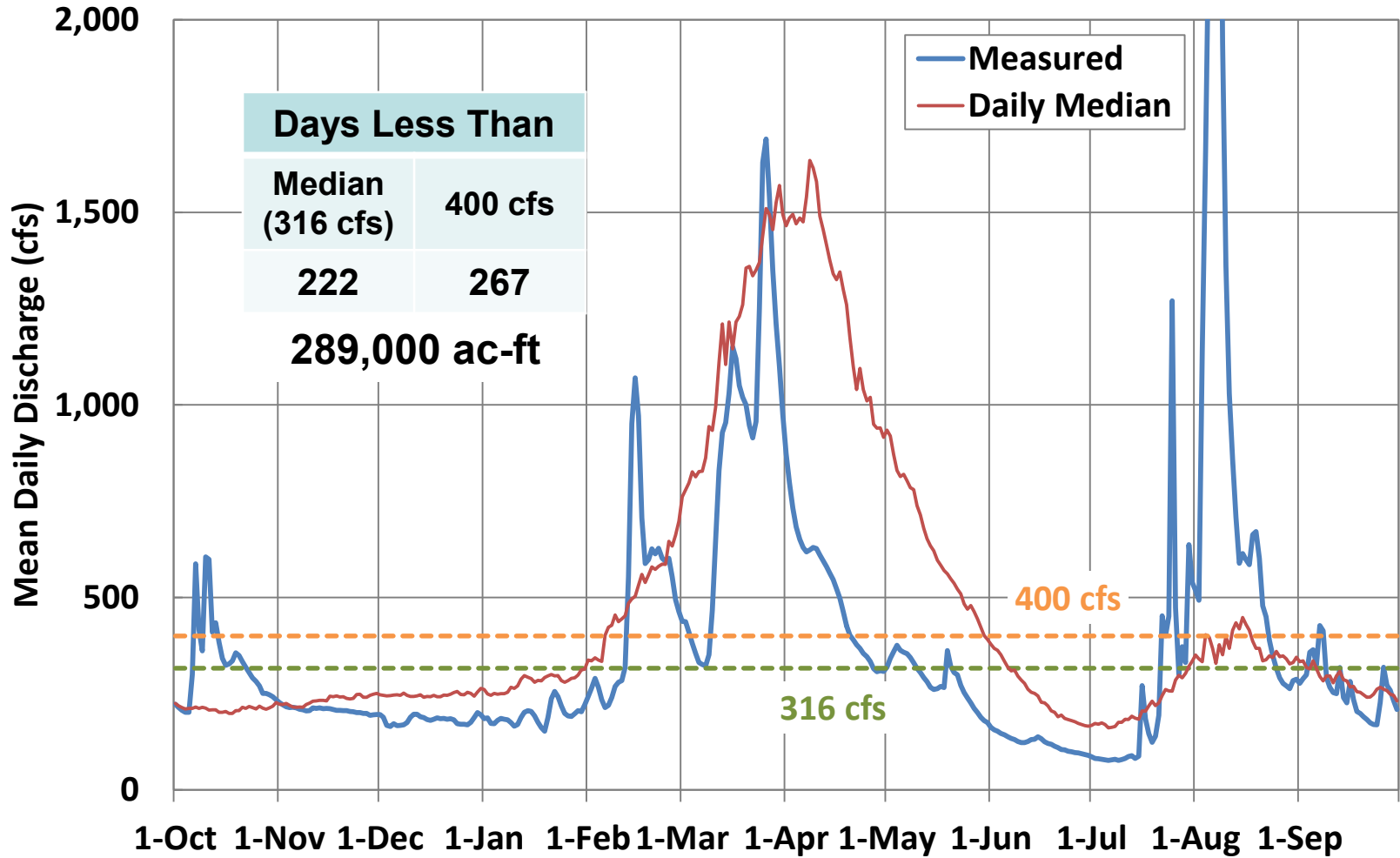
# Actual Flows 2014 (95%)



# Actual Flows 2007 (75%)

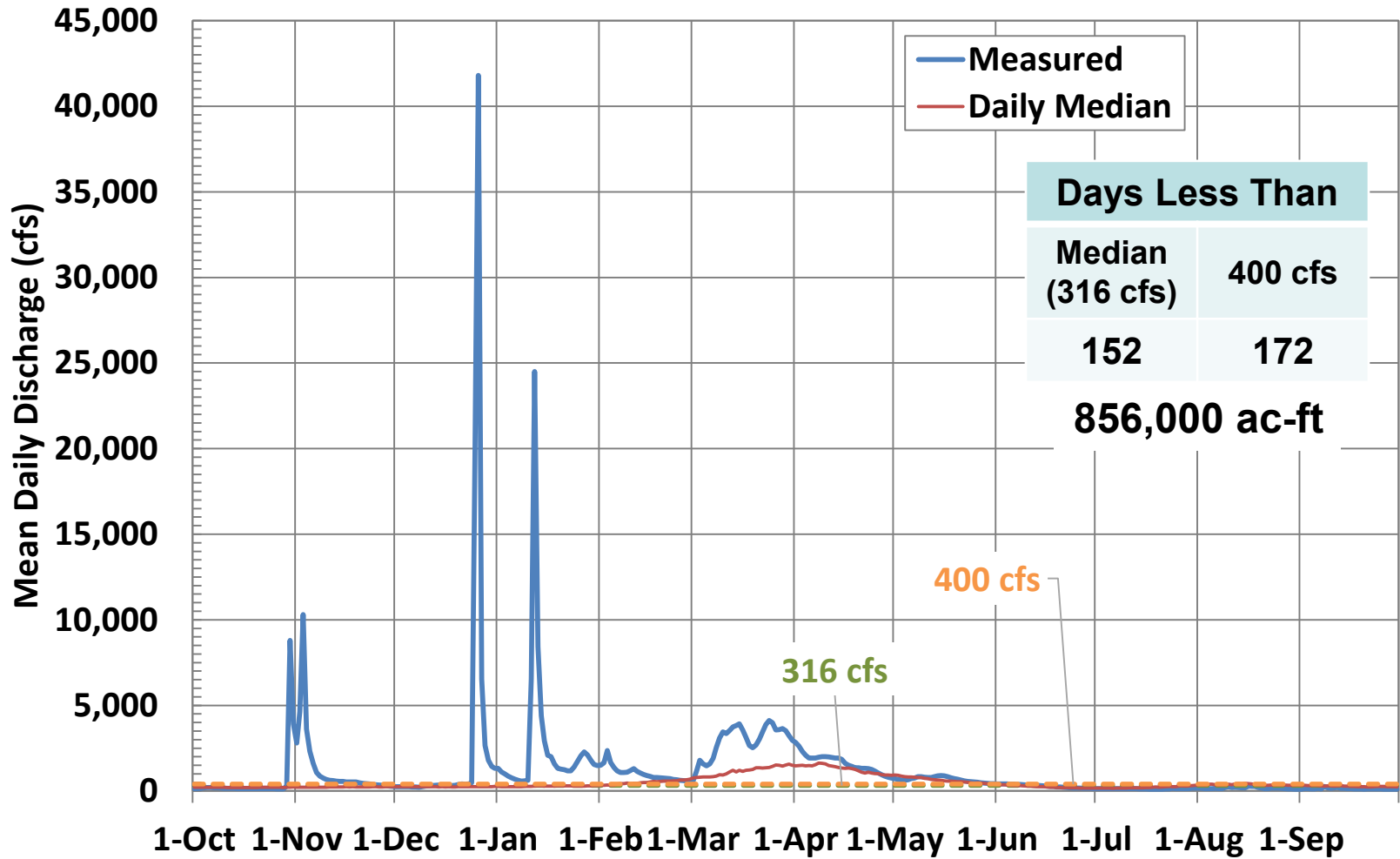


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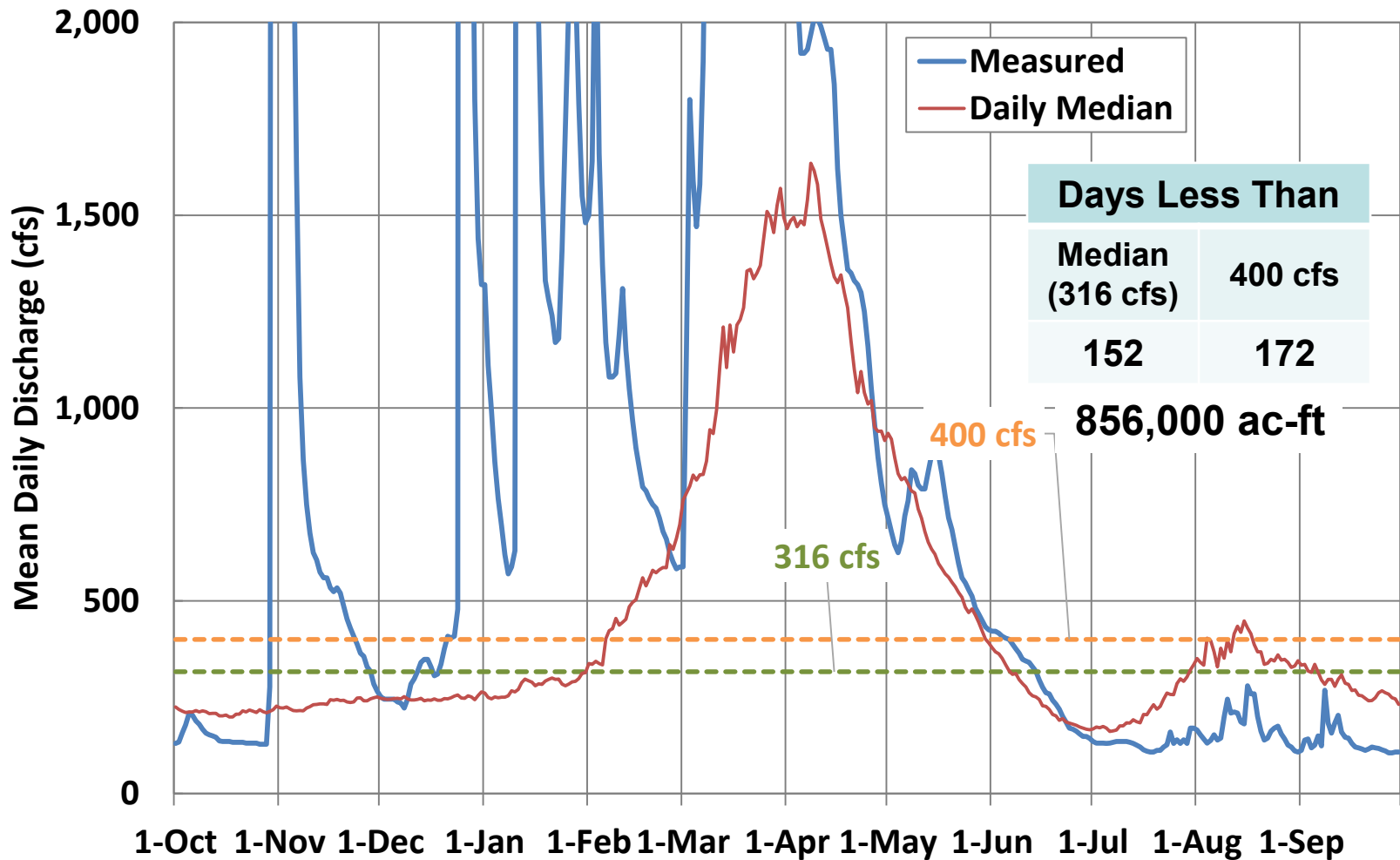




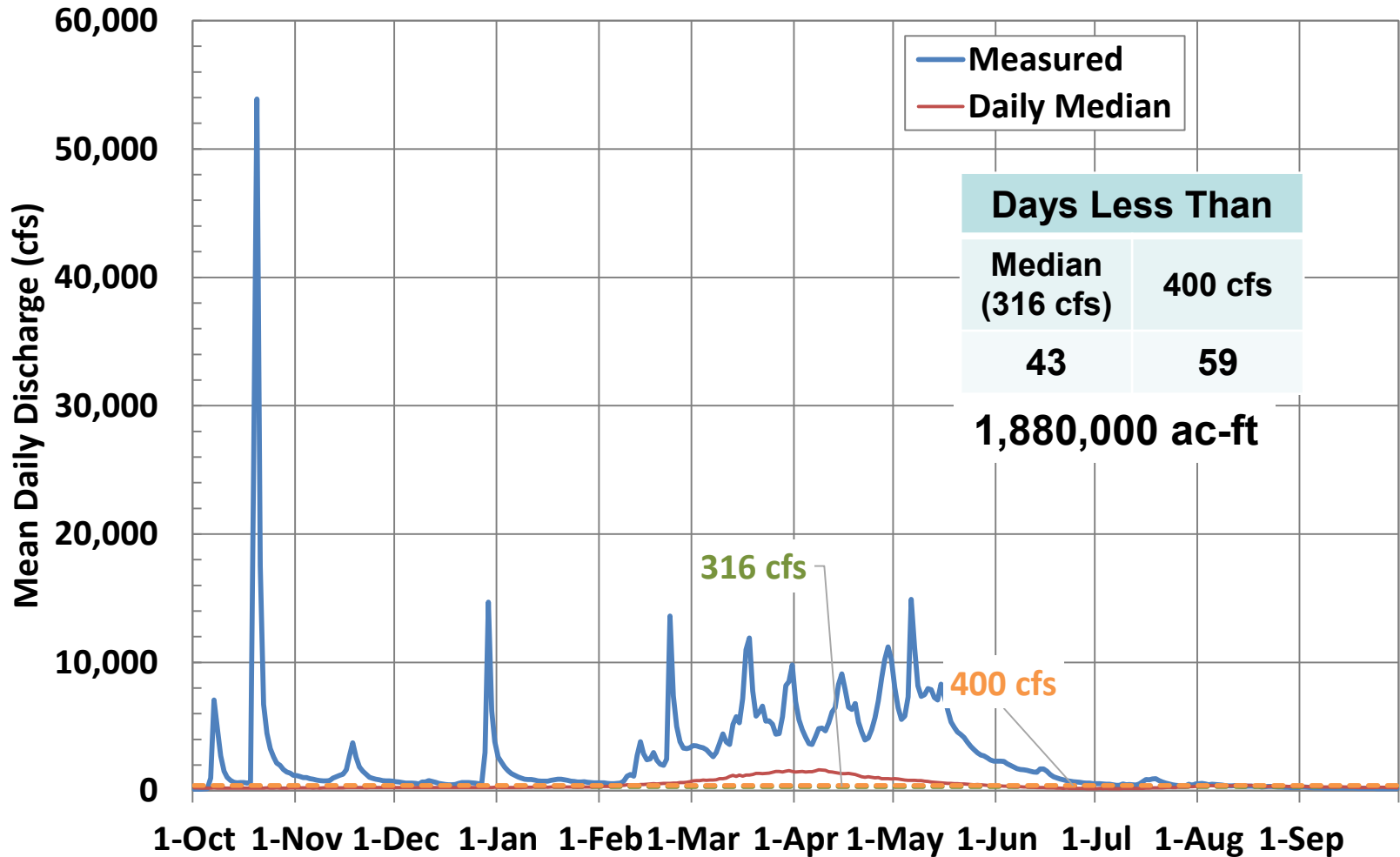
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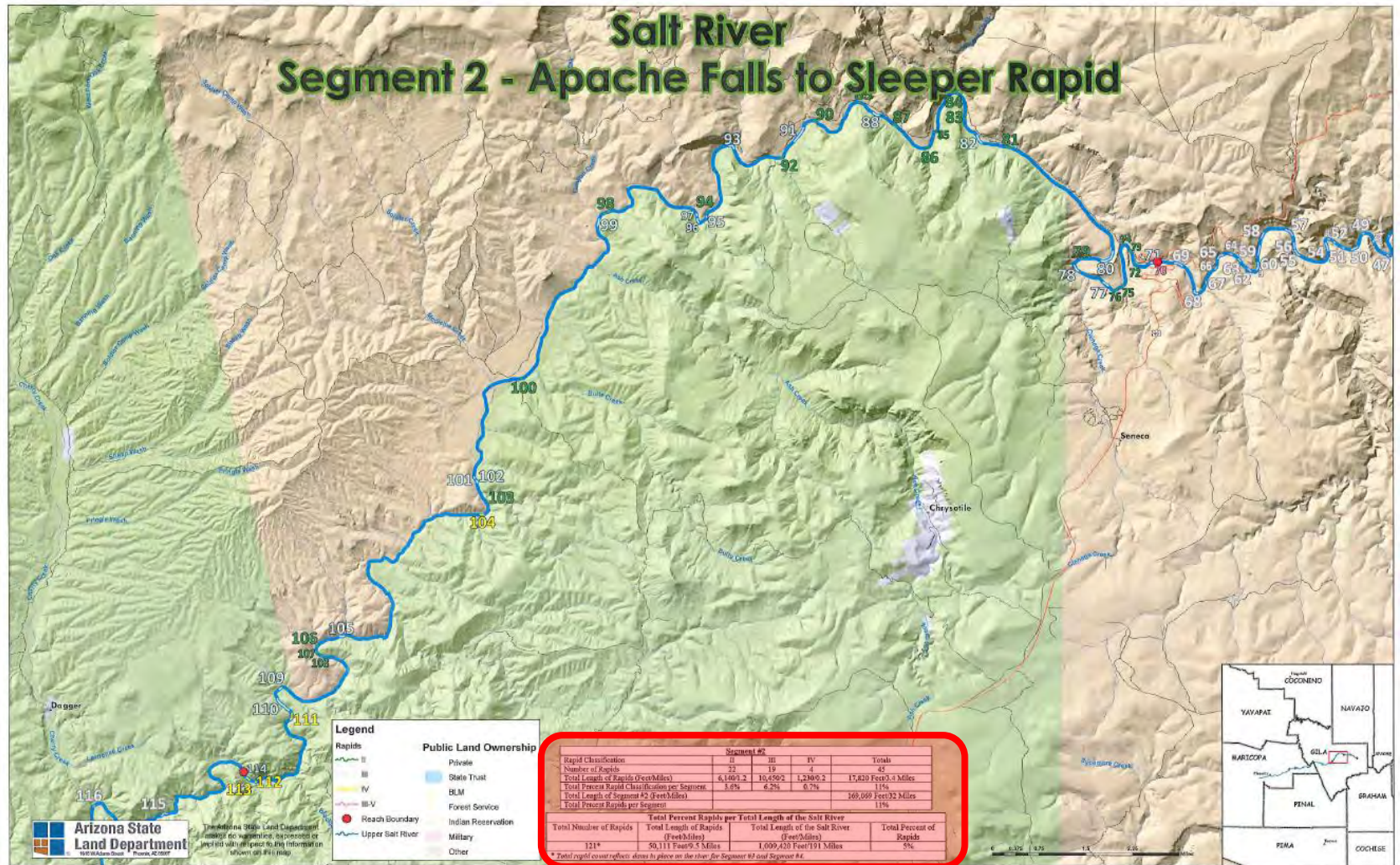


# Actual Flows 1973 (5%)





# ASLD Map



<b>Segment #2</b>				
Rapid Classification	II	III	IV	Totals
Number of Rapids	22	19	4	45
Total Length of Rapids (Feet/Miles)	6,140/1.2	10,450/2	1,230/0.2	17,820 Feet/3.4 Miles
Total Percent Rapid Classification per Segment	3.6%	6.2%	0.7%	11%
Total Length of Segment #2 (Feet/Miles)				169,069 Feet/32 Miles
Total Percent Rapids per Segment				11%

<b>Total Percent Rapids per Total Length of the Salt River</b>			
Total Number of Rapids	Total Length of Rapids (Feet/Miles)	Total Length of the Salt River (Feet/Miles)	Total Percent of Rapids
121*	50,111 Feet/9.5 Miles	1,009,420 Feet/191 Miles	5%

\* Total rapid count reflects dams in place on the river for Segment #3 and Segment #4.

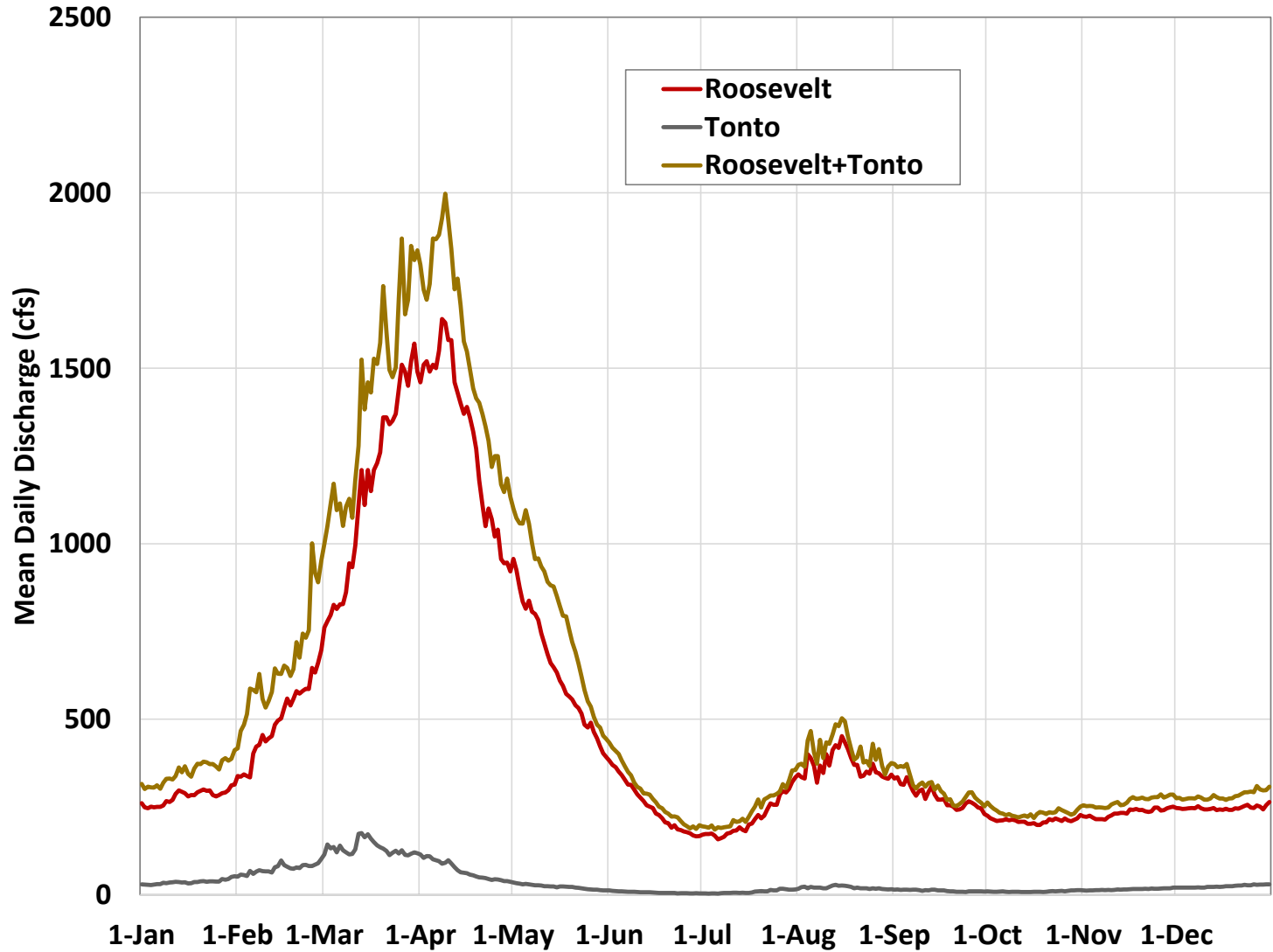
**Would a highway system be open for commerce if bridges were out every 1.4 miles (average spacing of Class III/IV rapids in Segment 2)?**



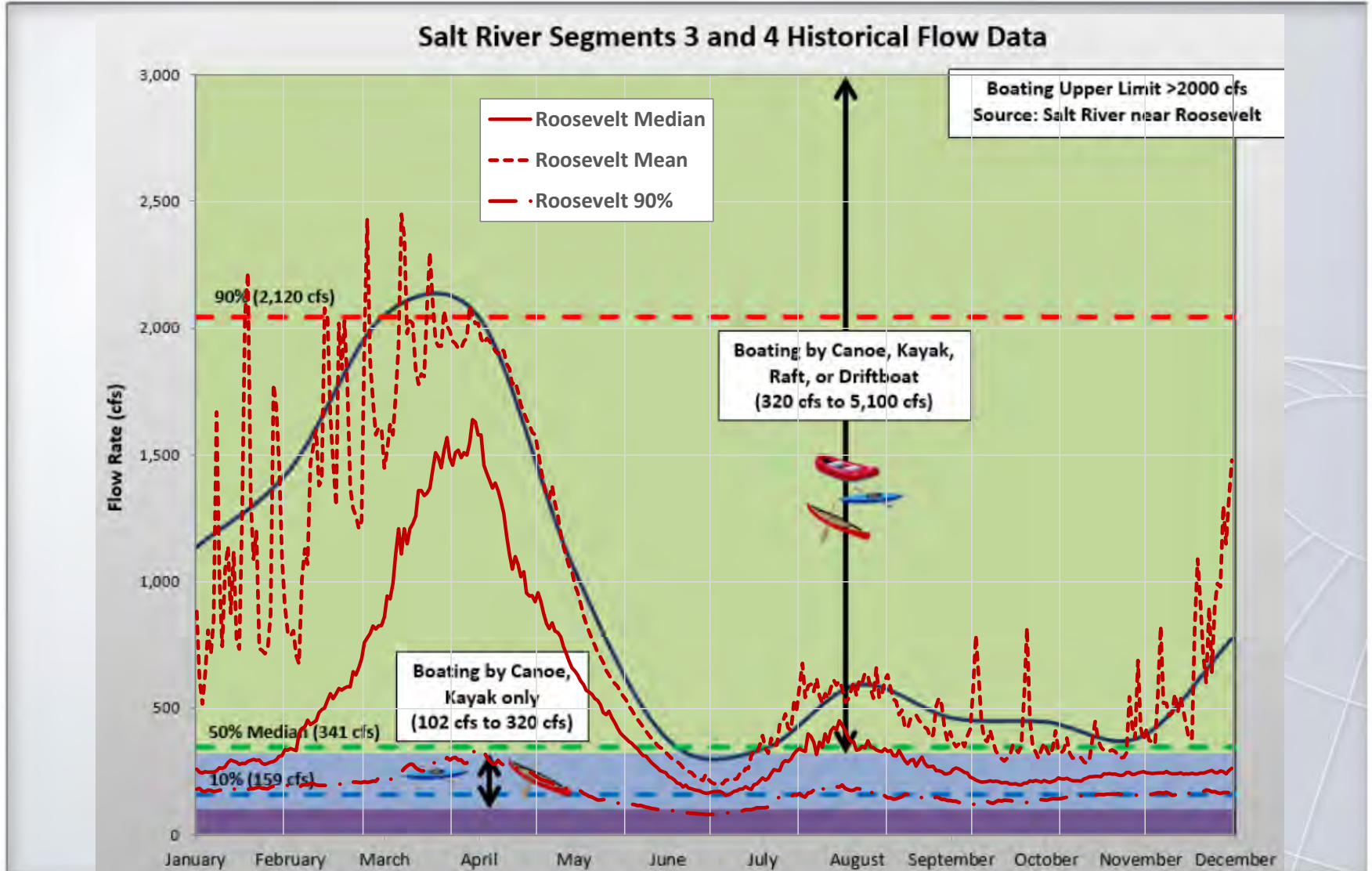
# **UPPER SALT**

## **SEGMENT 3 ROOSEVELT RESERVOIR**

# Median Mean Daily Flows



# Segment 3 Hydrographs





# Roosevelt Lake



UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE  
SALT RIVER PROJECT  
1915 TOPOGRAPHIC MAP  
**ROOSEVELT RESERVOIR**  
Phoenix, Ariz. April 1915  
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 ft.

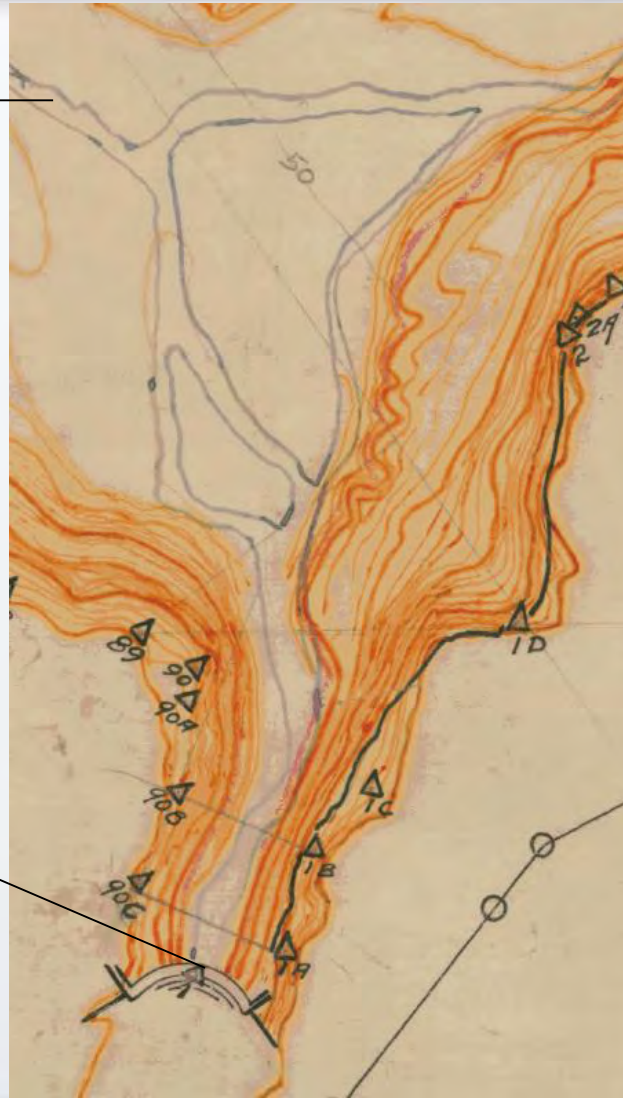
# Roosevelt Lake





# USRS 1915

Tonto Creek



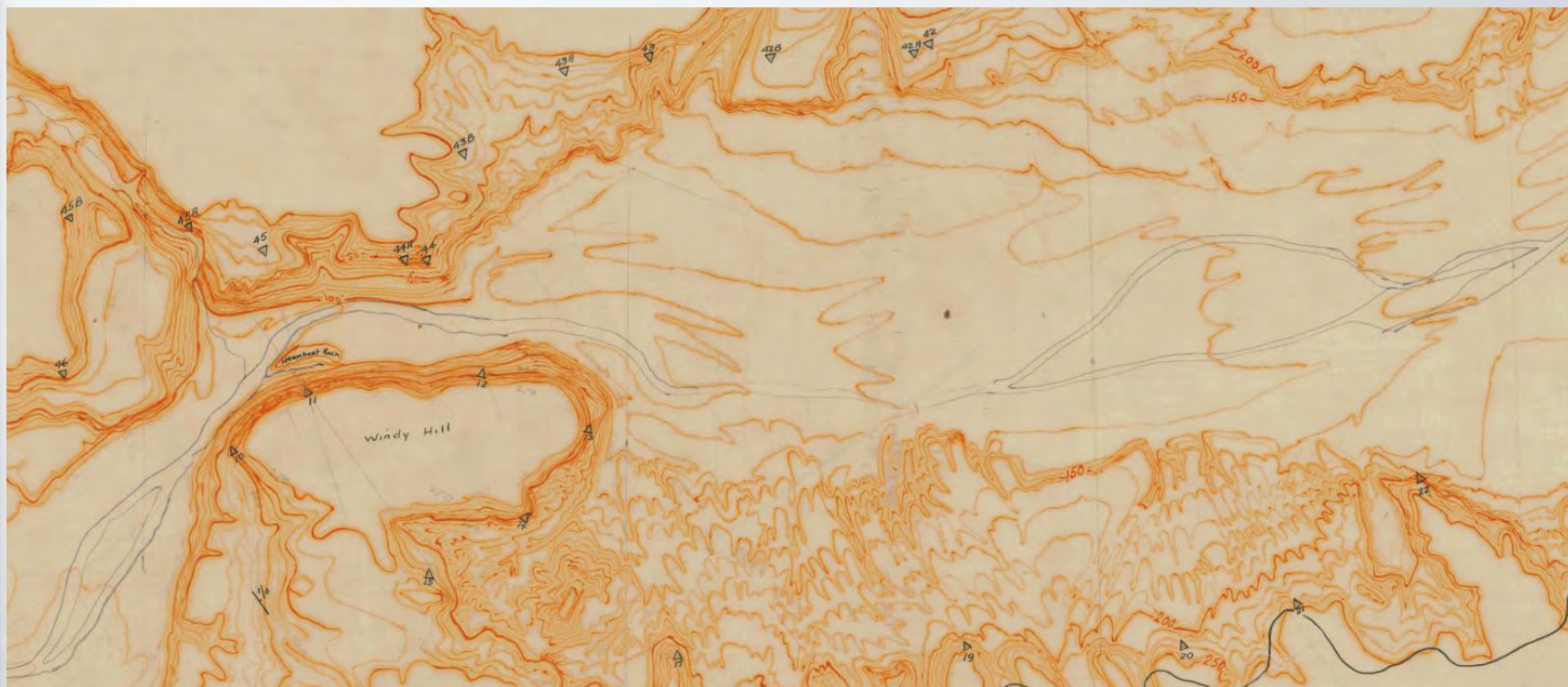
Roosevelt Dam



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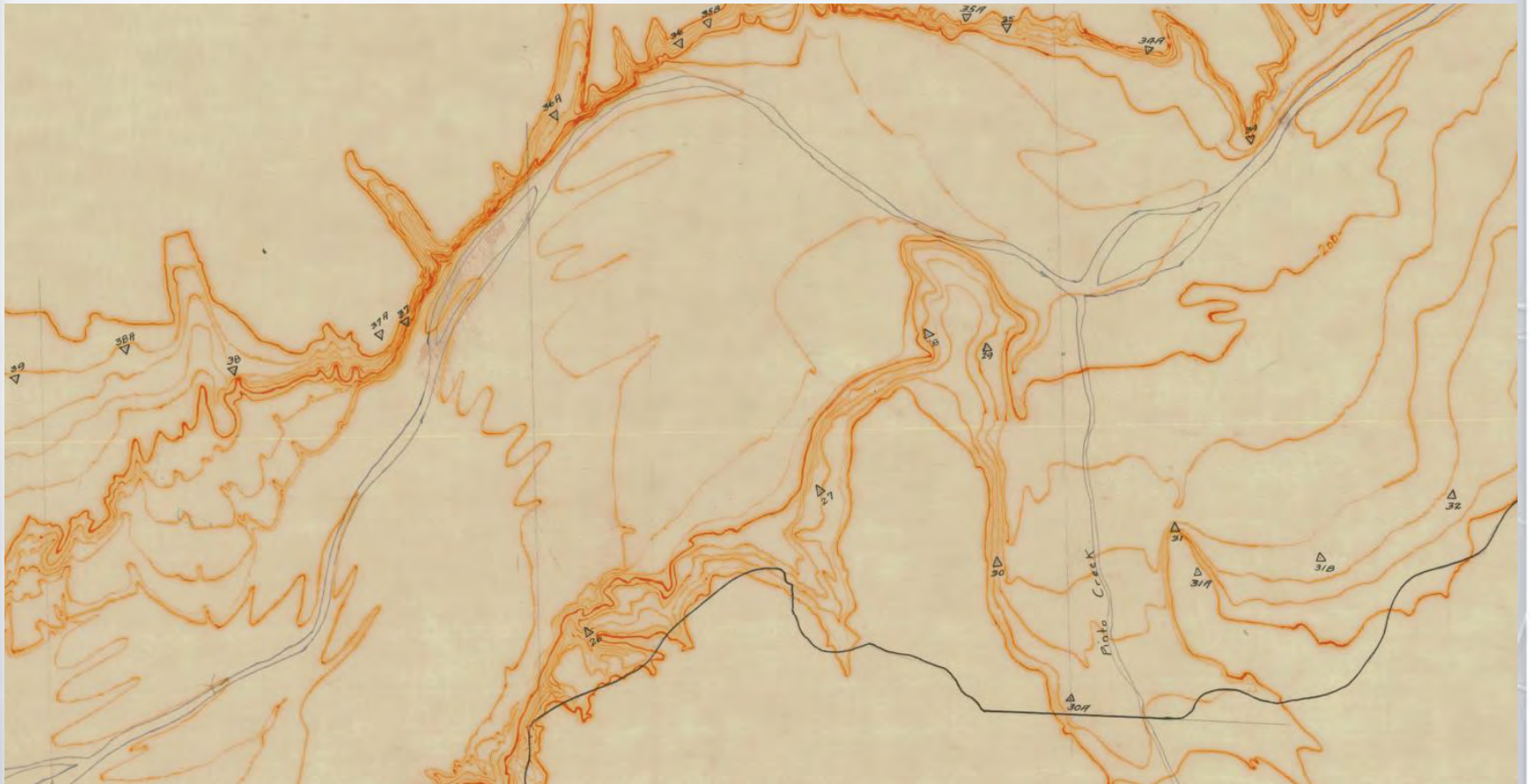


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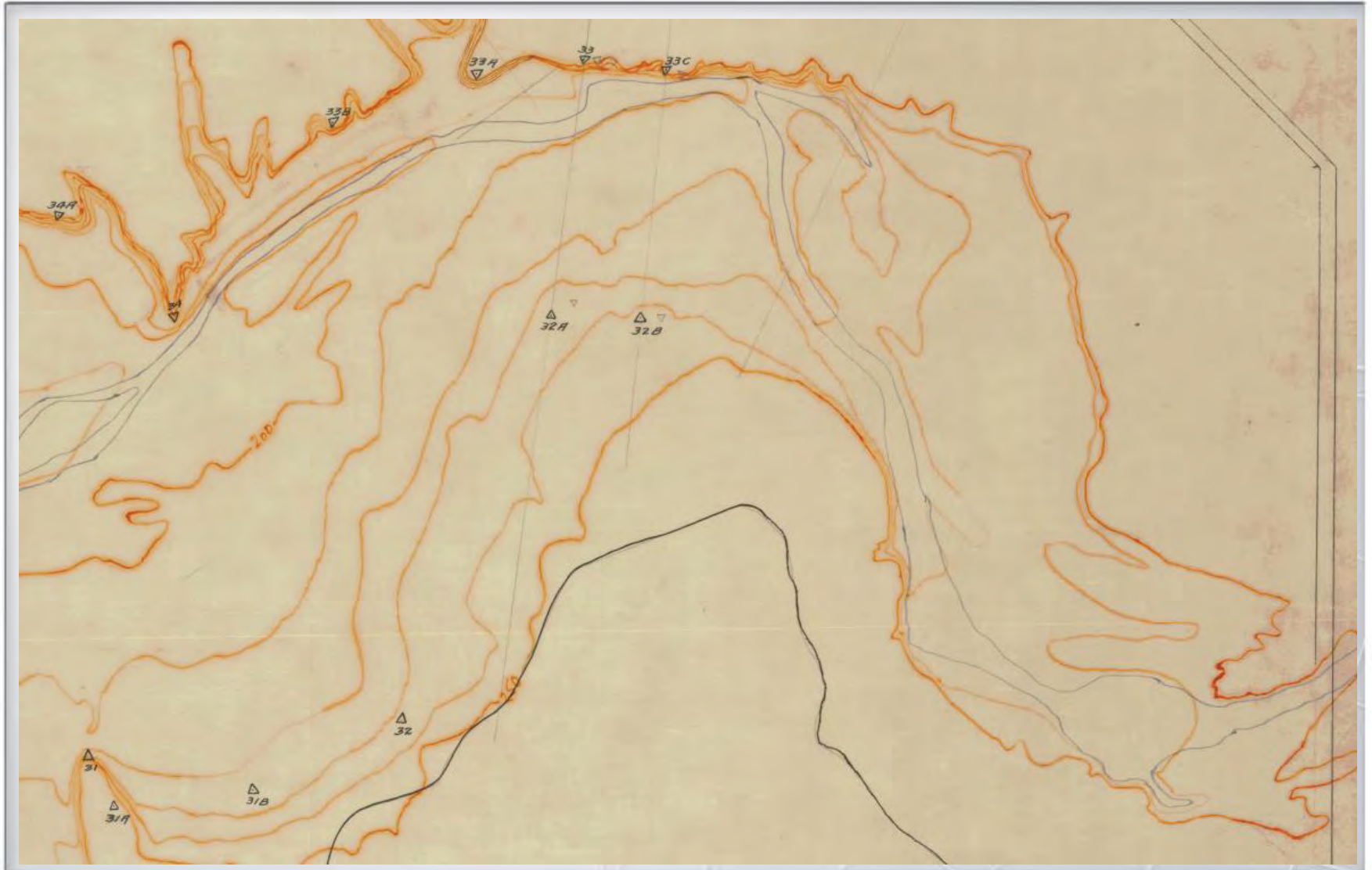


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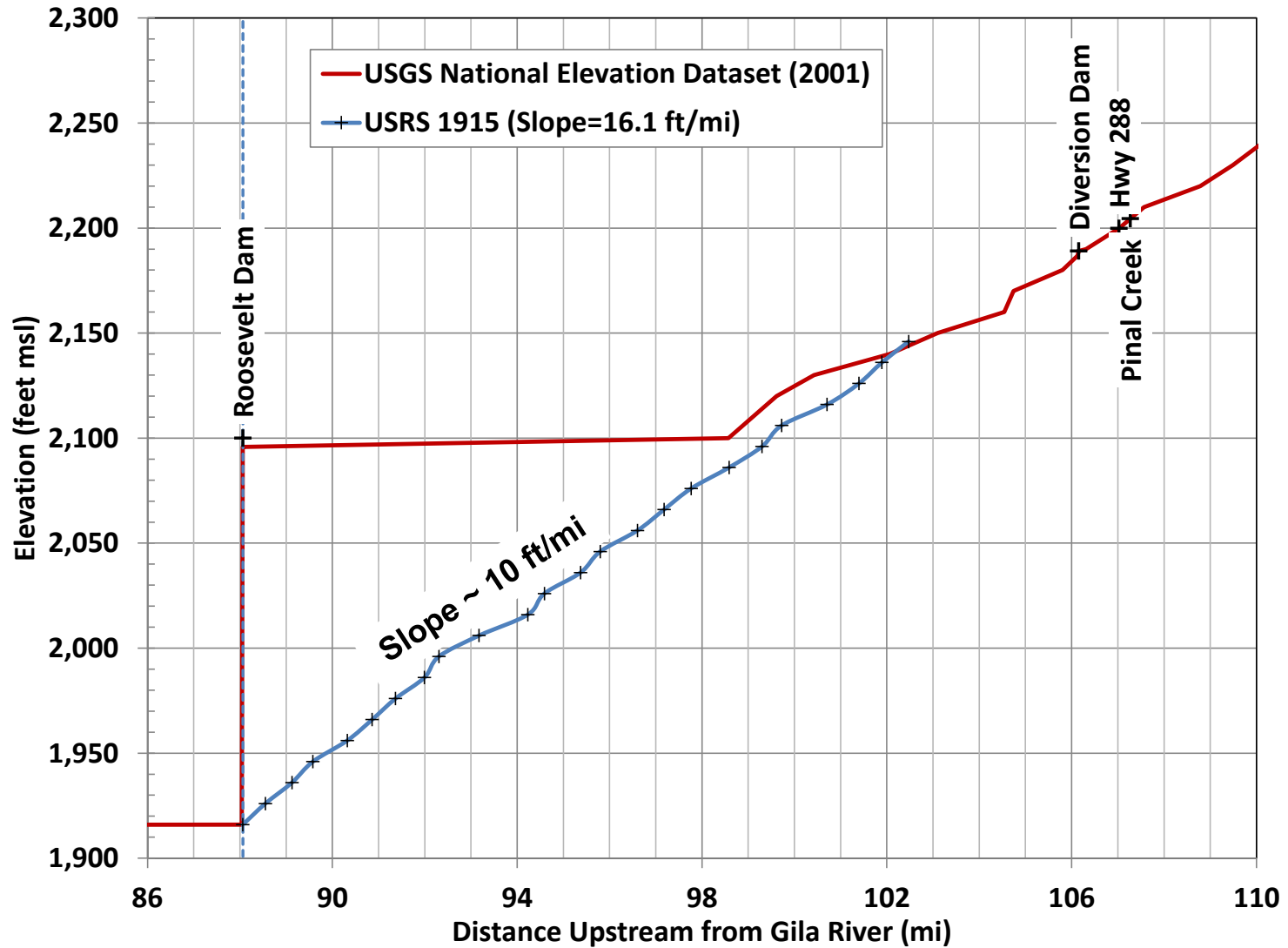




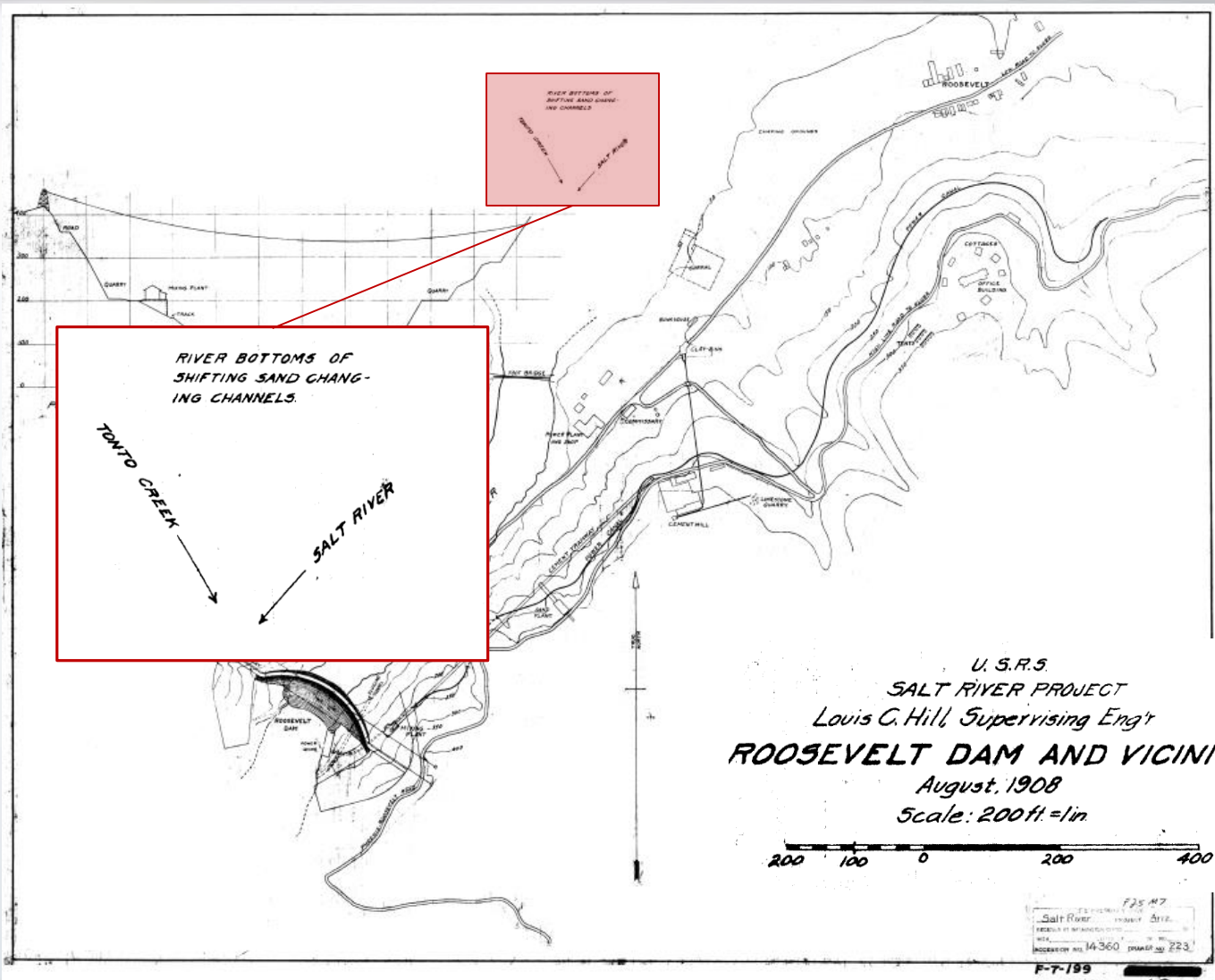
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# Longitudinal Profiles



# USRS 1908





# **UPPER SALT**

## **SEGMENT 4**



## ~2 mi Below Roosevelt Dam





# ~4 Miles Below Horse Mesa Dam

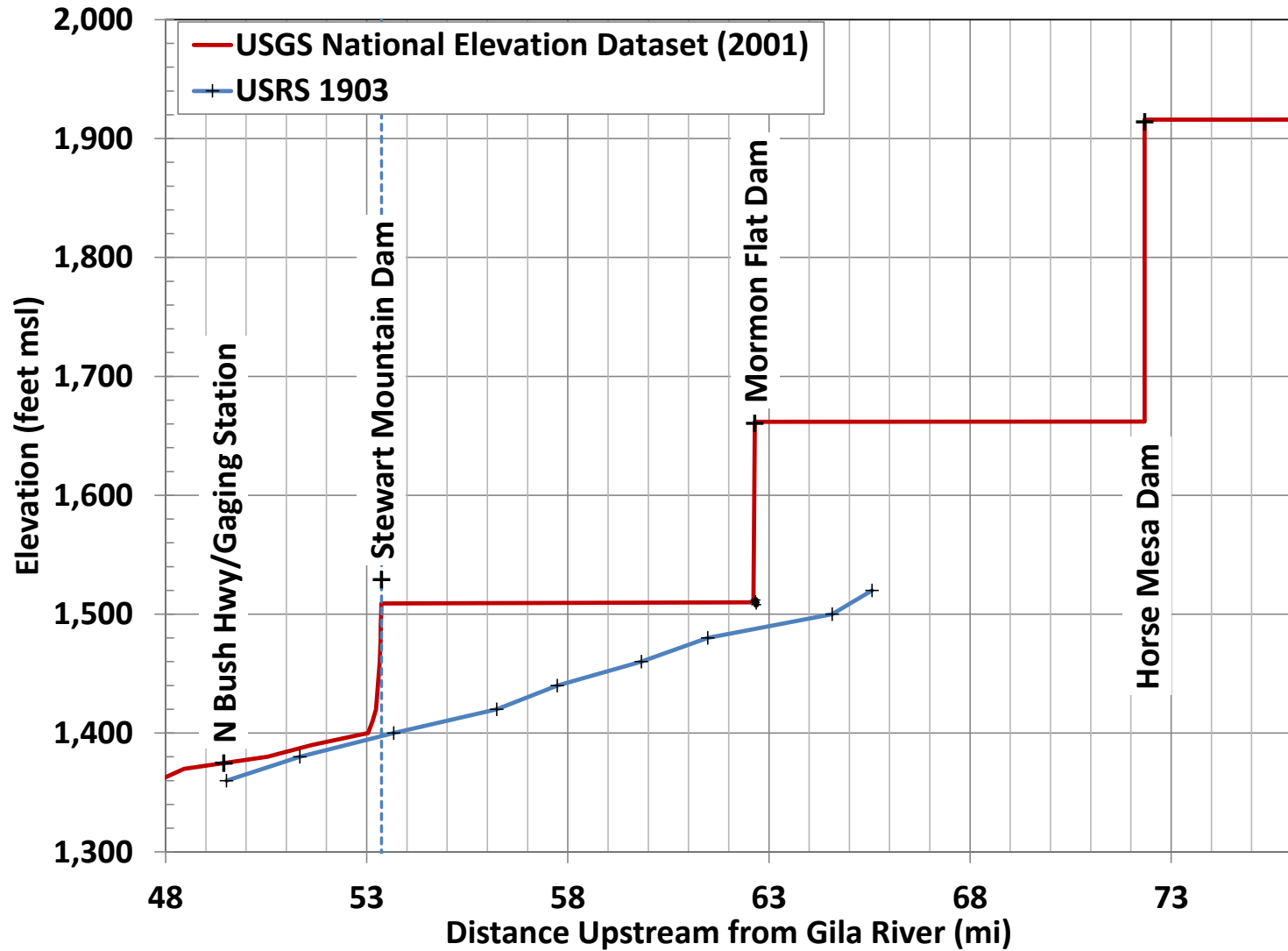




# Mormon Flat Dam



# Longitudinal Profiles

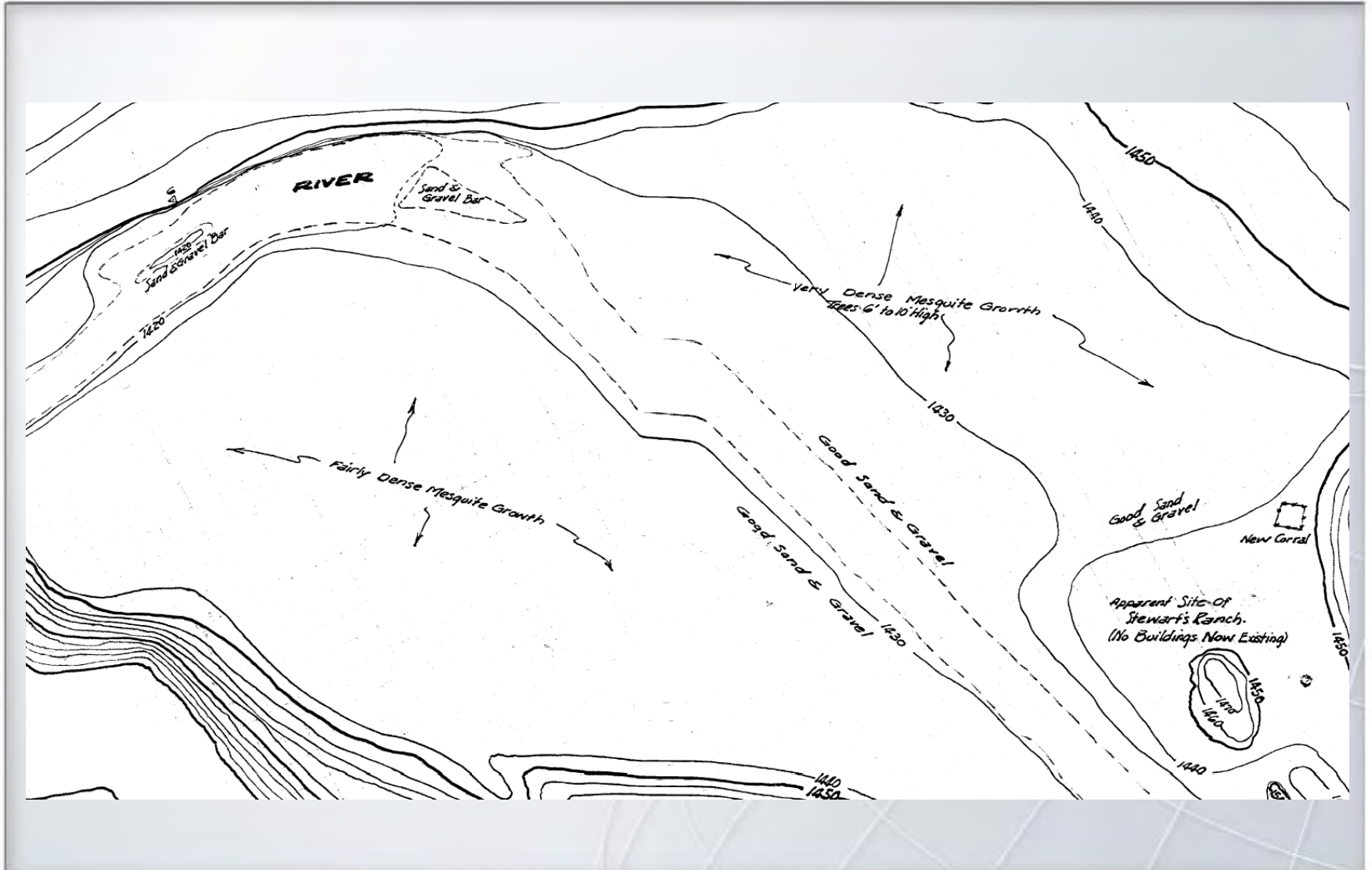




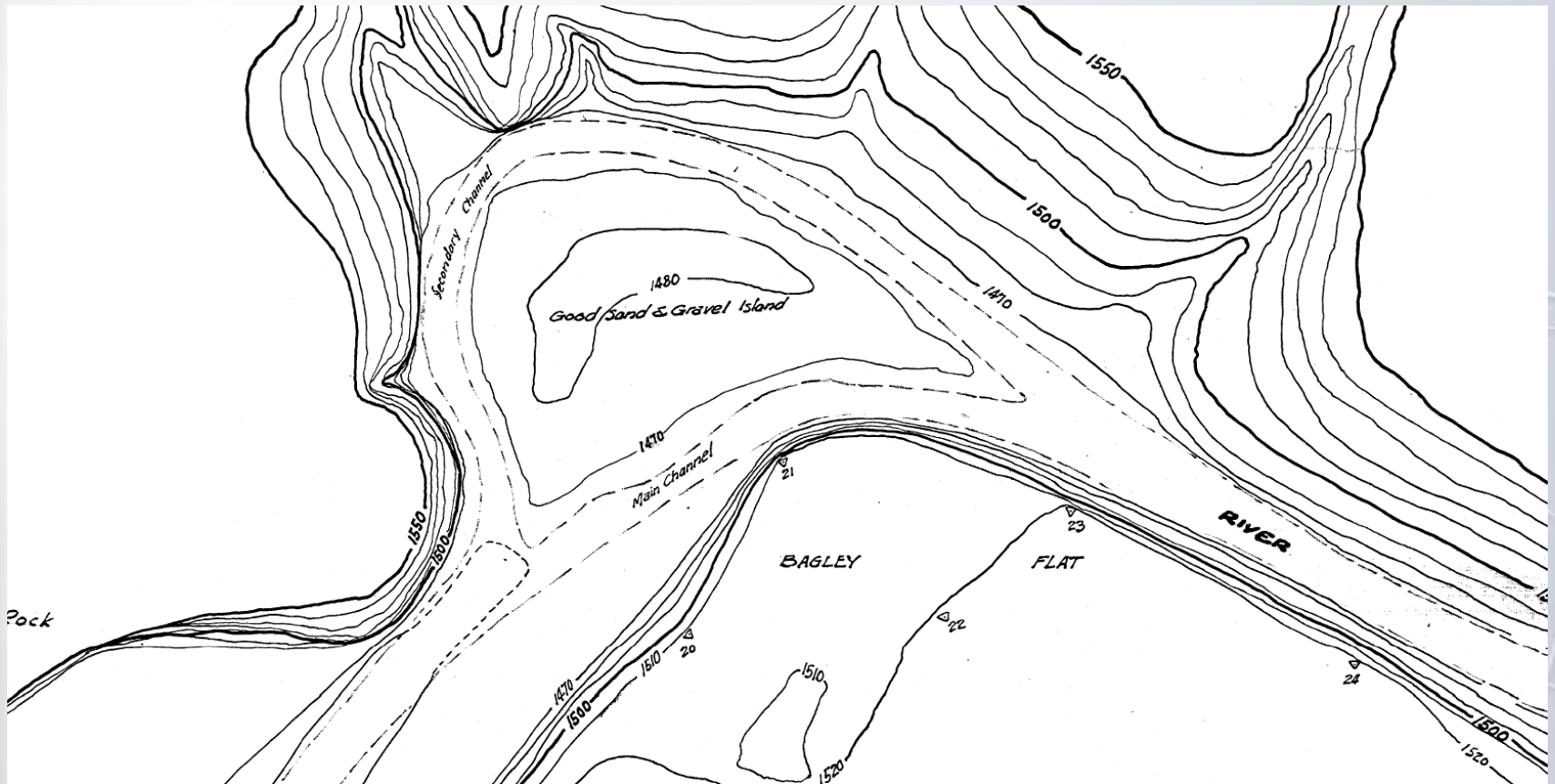




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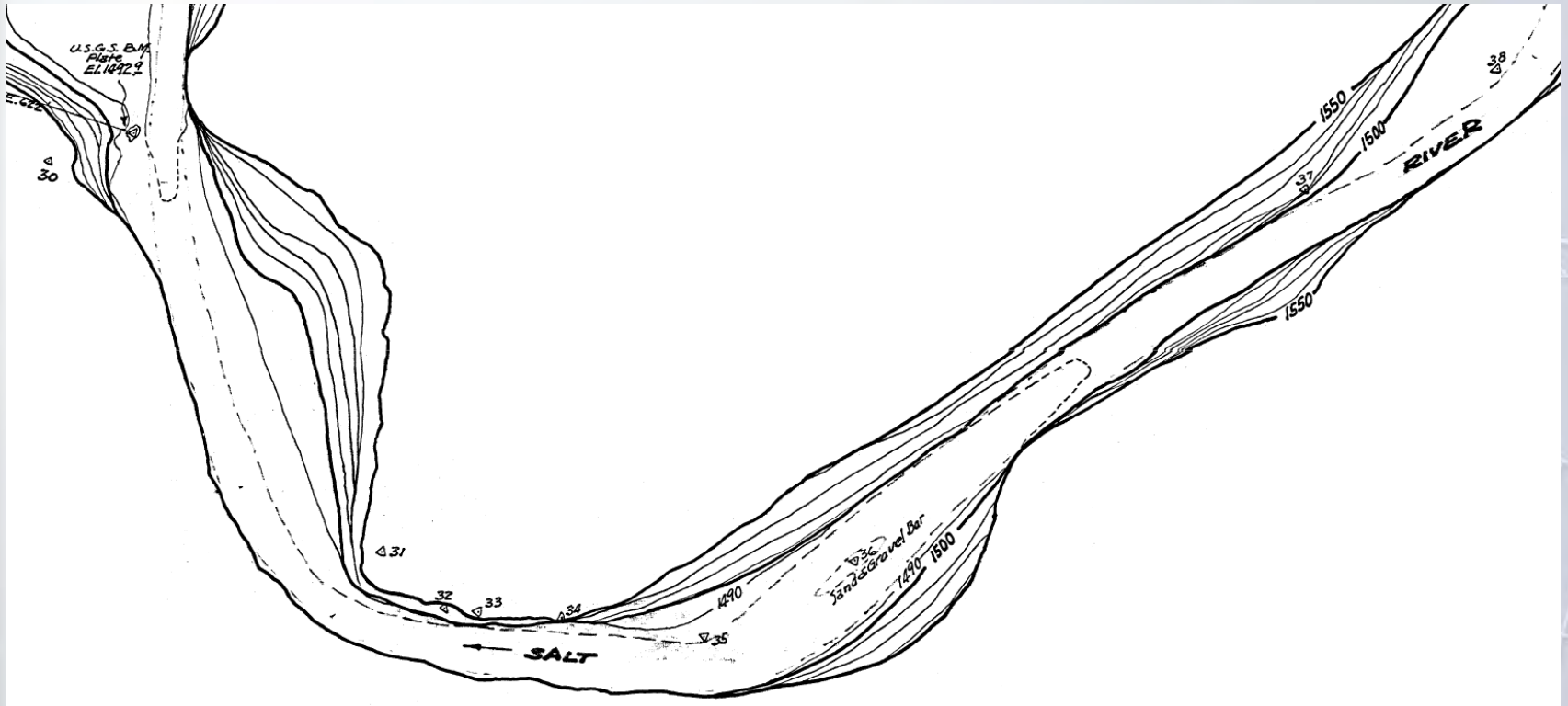


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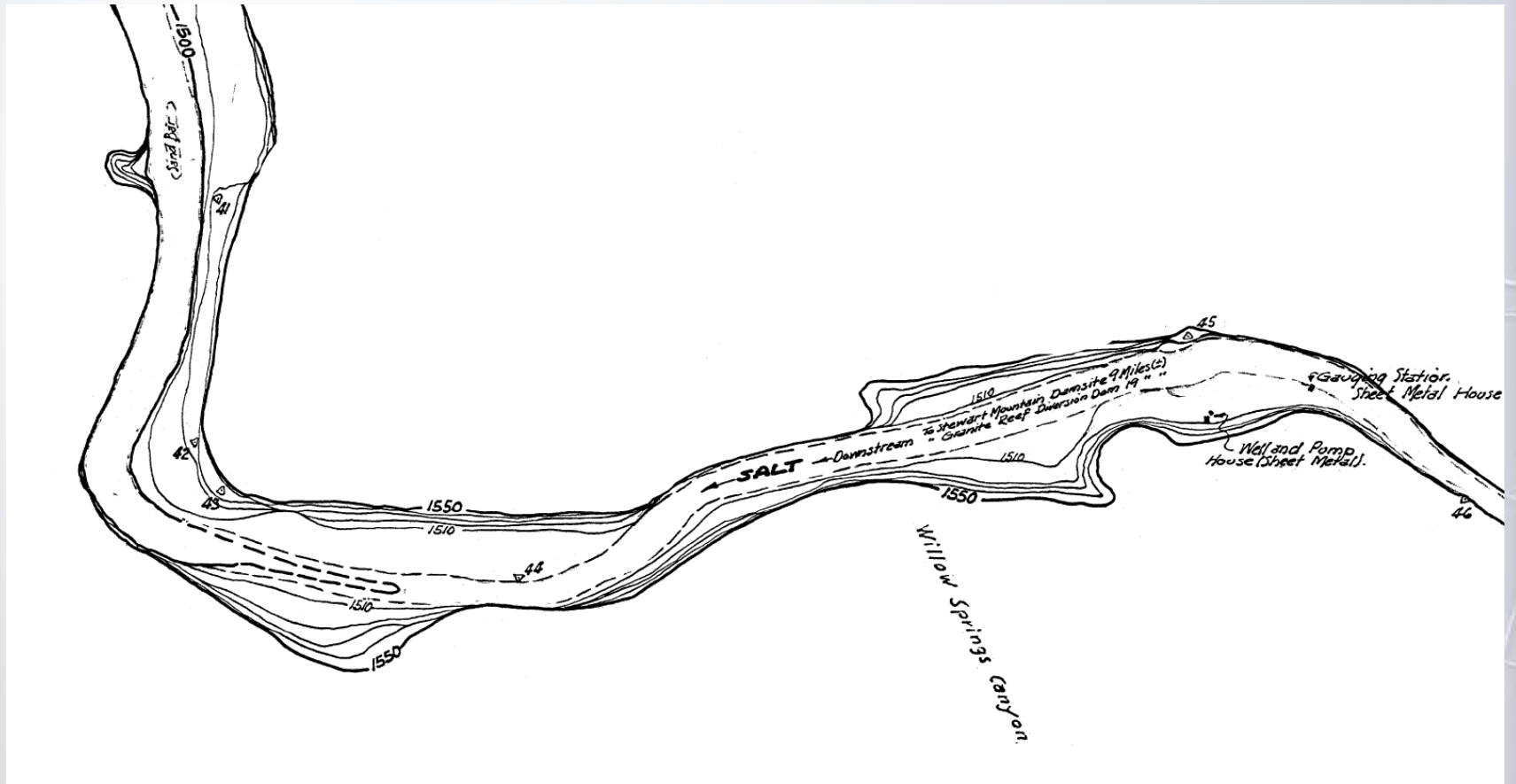


Area	Capacity in Acre Feet
1083	98,307
200	84,224
1116	71,024
1832	58,908
723	48,076
673	38,356
477	29,680
319	22,203
240	15,884
277	10,644
456	6,367
256	2,911

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# ***HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS PPT***



# **LOWER SALT**

**SEGMENTS 5 & 6**



Flow Estimates (JE Fuller, 2003; Pope et. al., 1998; Thomsen & Porcello, 1991)

Gage Station	Segment	Flow Rate (cfs) 90%	Flow Rate (cfs) Median (50%)	Flow Rate (cfs) 10%	Gage Period
White River	-	(35)	(90)	(567)	1958-1996
Black River	-	(39)	(109)	(1230)	1958-1996
White + Black	1	74	<del>199</del> <b>171</b>	1,797	<b>1958-2015</b>
Chrysolite	2	130	<del>266</del> <b>246</b>	1,610	<b>1914-2015</b>
Roosevelt	3, 4	159	<del>341</del> <b>316</b>	2,120	<b>1914-2015</b>
Roosevelt, USGS	5	>159	992 (USGS – VR,Tangle)	>2,120	
USGS	6	277 (Salt + Verde)	1230* (USGS, 1991)	3,062 (Salt + Verde)	-

NOTES:

- Includes post-development (non-natural condition) flow data. Underestimates natural flow rates.
- All flow rates shown are from long-term, modern period gage records.
- Use of Roosevelt gage data for Segments 4 does not include tributaries inflows from Tonto Creek and other downstream perennial tributaries, and therefore underestimates actual historical flow rates.
- Diversions above Roosevelt total 8,560 acres (Table 11, ASLD Report)
- \* Pre-development flow estimate by USGS (Thomsen & Porcello, 1991)



# Fuller Median Flow Estimate Segment 6

## PREDEVELOPMENT HYDROLOGY OF THE SALT RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION, EAST SALT RIVER VALLEY, ARIZONA

$$889,000 \frac{af}{yr} * \frac{43,560 \frac{ft^3}{ac}}{\left(86,400 \frac{sec}{day}\right) * 365.25 \frac{days}{yr}} = 1,227 cfs$$

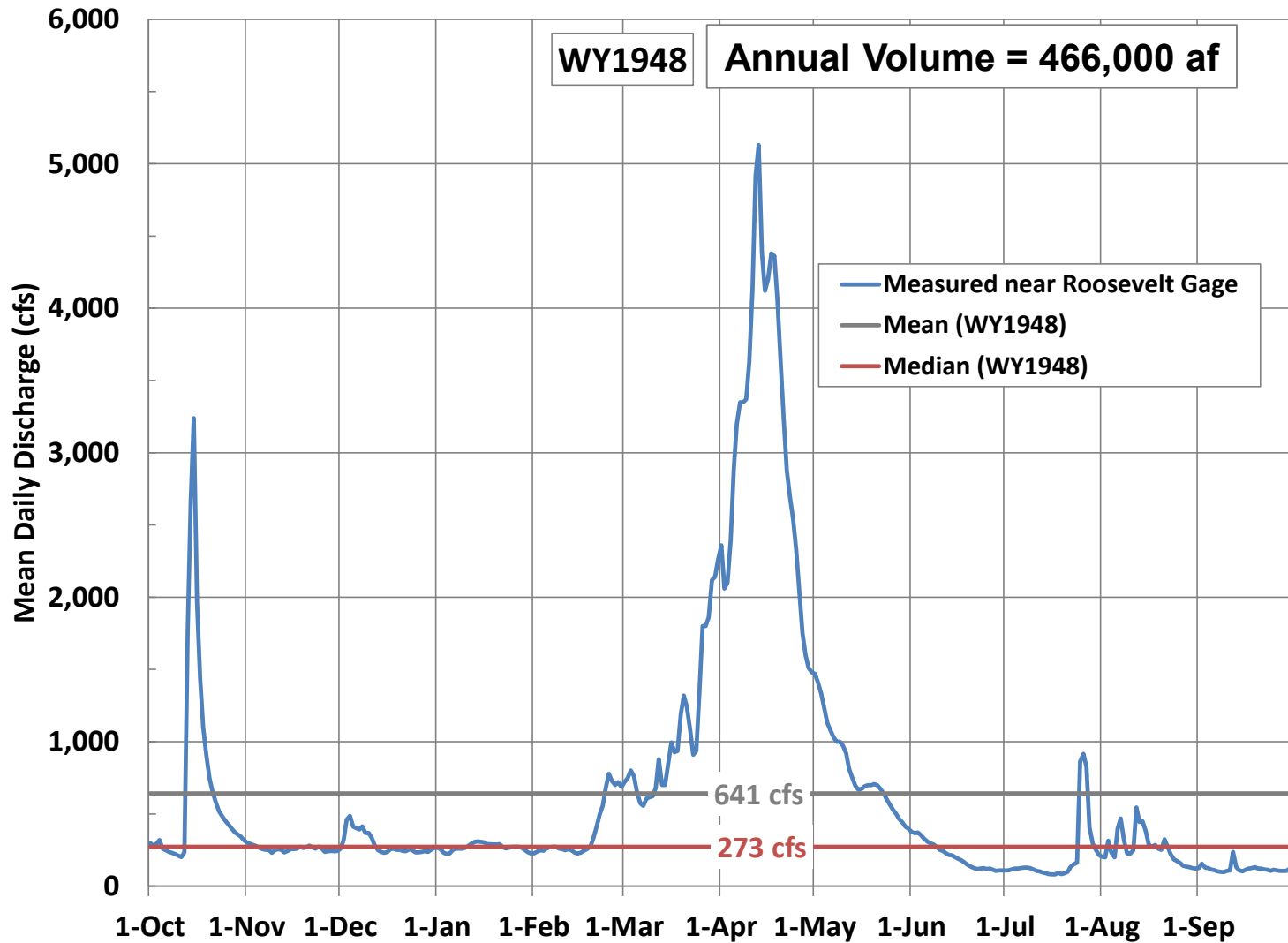
Water-Resources Investigations Report 91-4132

**Average discharge during year with median annual volume.  
NOT median mean daily flow.**

Verde R  
River b

determine the flow of the Salt River through the study area, and discharge values have been adjusted for storage in reservoirs. On the basis of available records, the combined average discharge of the Salt and Verde Rivers is 1,223,000 acre-ft/yr; the median discharge is 889,000 acre-ft/yr. Records for the Verde River date back to 1888 and those for the Salt River to 1931. For the common period of record, 1931-86, the combined average discharge is 1,151,000 acre-ft/yr, the median discharge is 873,000 acre-ft/yr, and the annual discharge ranged from 282,000 to 3,832,000 acre-ft. The recorded values reflect the effect of upstream diversions and reservoir evaporation on the discharge at the confluence of the Salt and Verde Rivers.

# Typical "Near-Median" Year



# Thomsen and Porcello (1991)

Table 1.--Streamflow data at selected streamflow-gaging stations

Station number <sup>1</sup>	Station name	Drainage area, in square miles	Water year	Annual runoff		
				Mean acre-foot	Inches <sup>2</sup>	Median Acre-foot
09500500	Salt River at Roosevelt	5,830	1888-1907 1910-13	756,000	2.44	491,000
09498500	Roosevelt			730,000	2.84	514,000
09502000	Salt River below Stewart Mountain Dam <sup>3</sup>	6,232	1931-86	730,000	2.20	498,000

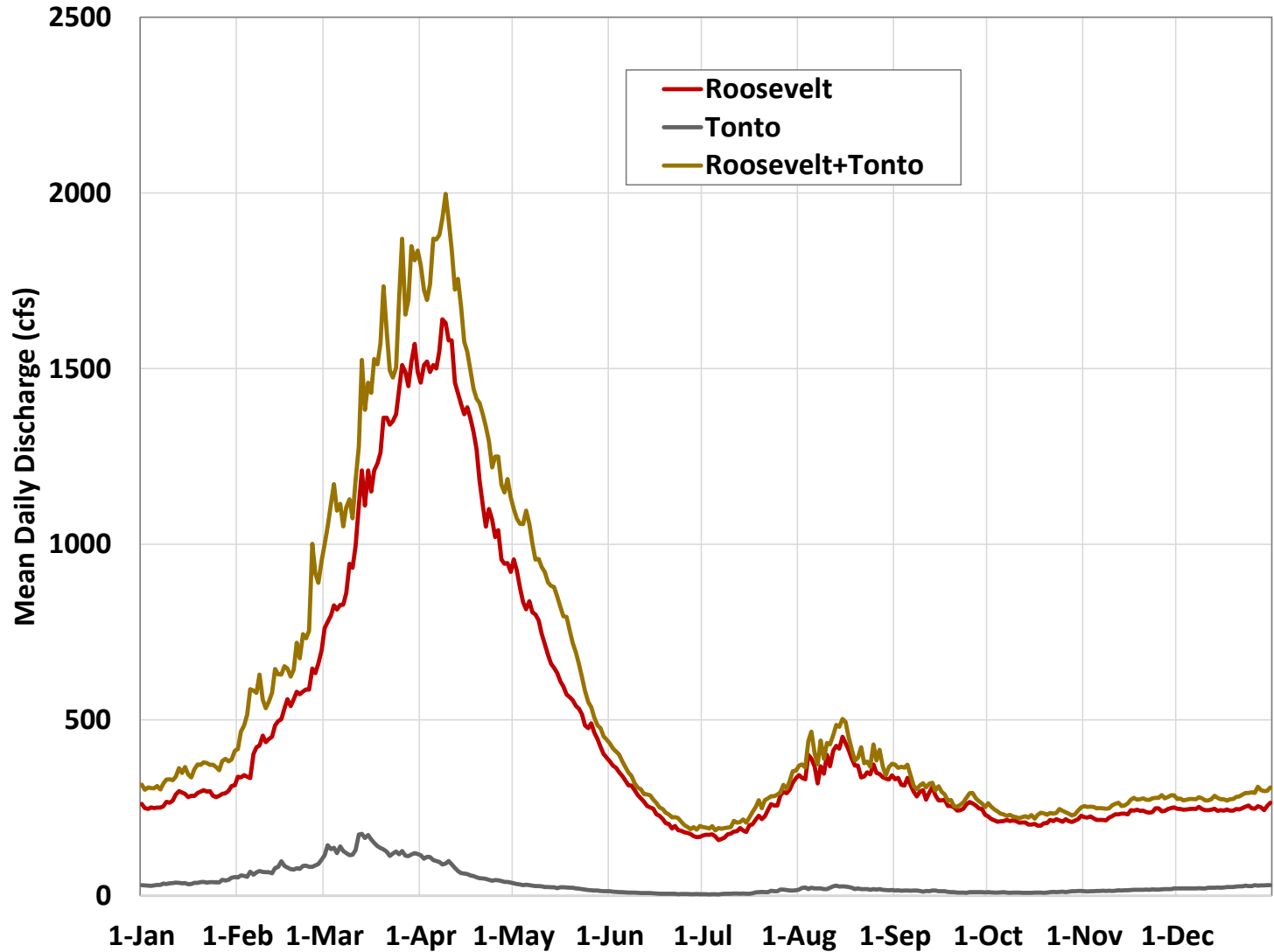
**Median Mean Daily Discharge = 316 cfs**

678 cfs

709 cfs



# Median Mean Daily Flows



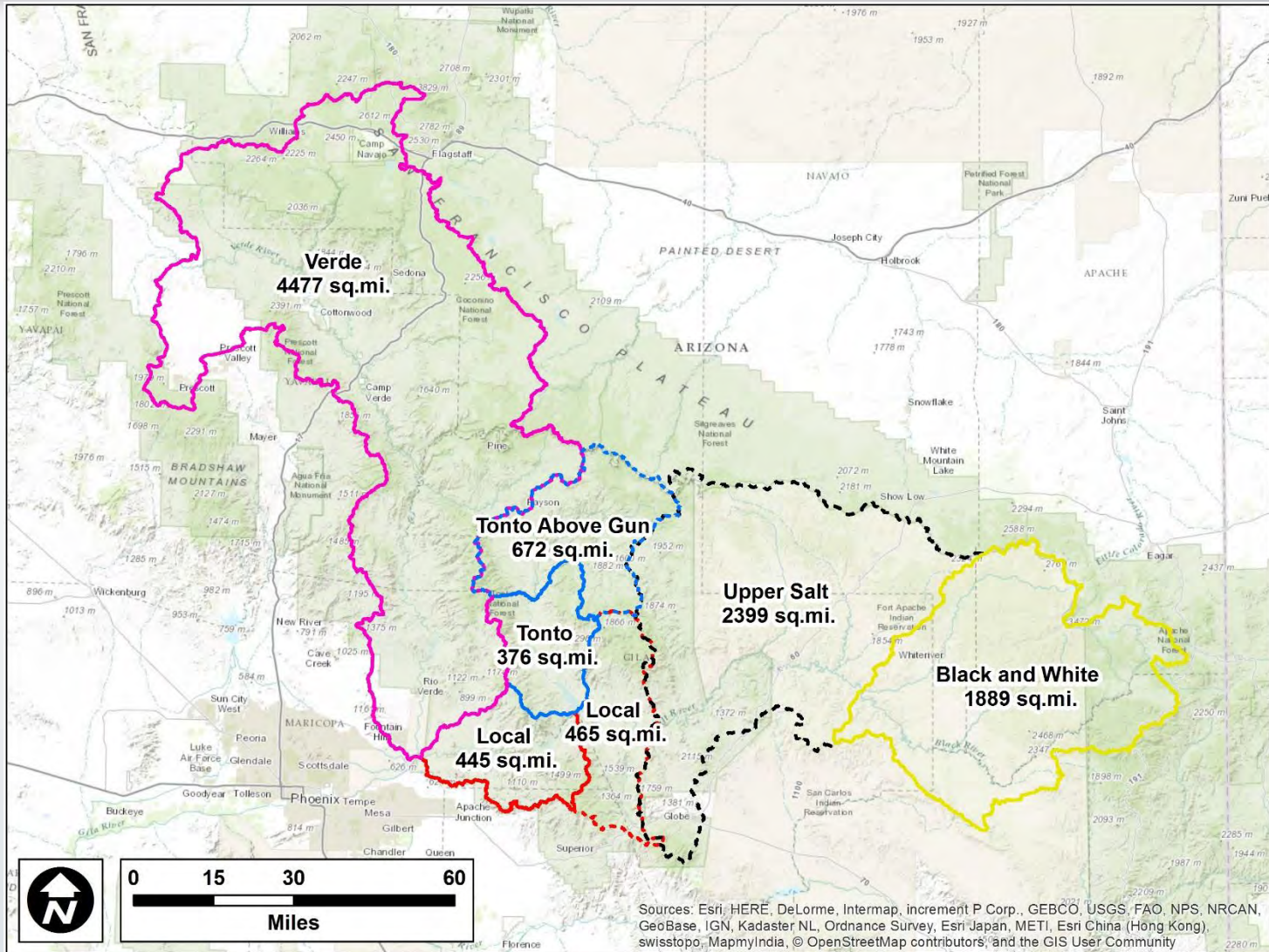
Flow Estimates (JE Fuller, 2003; Pope et. al., 1998; Thomsen & Porcello, 1991)

Gage Station	Segment	Flow Rate (cfs) 90%	Flow Rate (cfs) Median (50%)	Flow Rate (cfs) 10%	Gage Period
White River	-	(35)	(90)	(567)	1958-1996
Black River	-	(39)	(109)	(1230)	1958-1996
White + Black	1	74	199	1,797	
Chrysolite	2	130	<del>266</del> <b>246</b>	1,610	<b>1914-2015</b>
Roosevelt	3, 4	159	<del>341</del> <b>316</b>	2,120	<b>1914-2015</b>
Roosevelt, USGS	5	>159	<del>992</del> <b>361</b>	>2,120	<b>1914-1996</b>
		<b>Salt_Roosevelt+Tonto</b>	-VR, <b>348</b> )		<b>1914-2015</b>
USGS	6	277	<del>1230*</del> <b>573</b>	3,062	<b>1946-1996</b>
		<b>Salt_Roosevelt+Tonto+Verde</b>	GS, 19 <b>554</b>	(Salt + Verde)	<b>1946-2015</b>

NOTES:

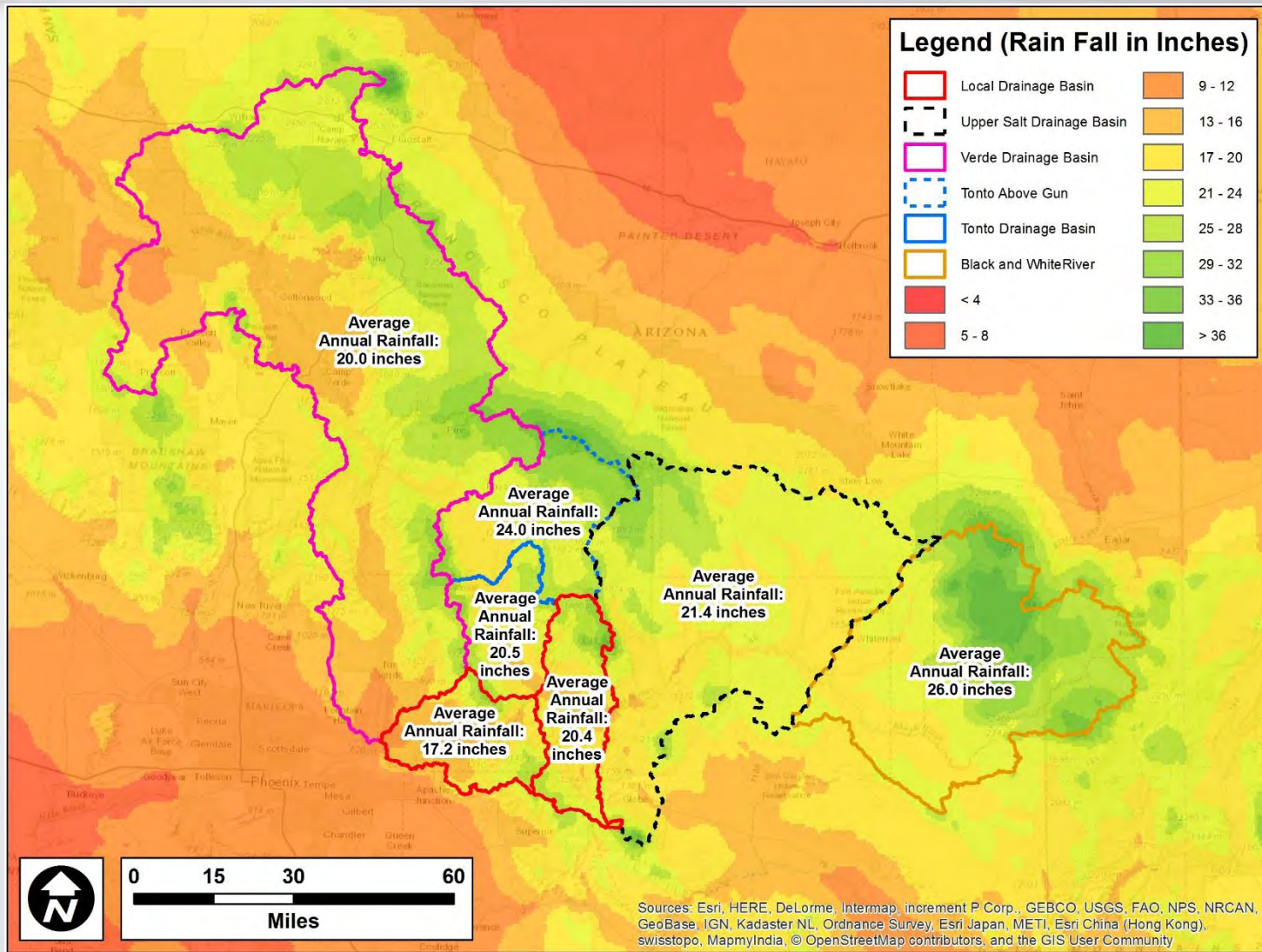
- Includes post-development (non-natural condition) flow data. Underestimates natural flow rates.
- All flow rates shown are from long-term, modern period gage records.
- Use of Roosevelt gage data for Segments 4 does not include tributaries inflows from Tonto Creek and other downstream perennial tributaries, and therefore underestimates actual historical flow rates.
- Diversions above Roosevelt total 8,560 acres (Table 11, ASLD Report)
- \* Pre-development flow estimate by USGS (Thomsen & Porcello, 1991)

# Drainage Areas

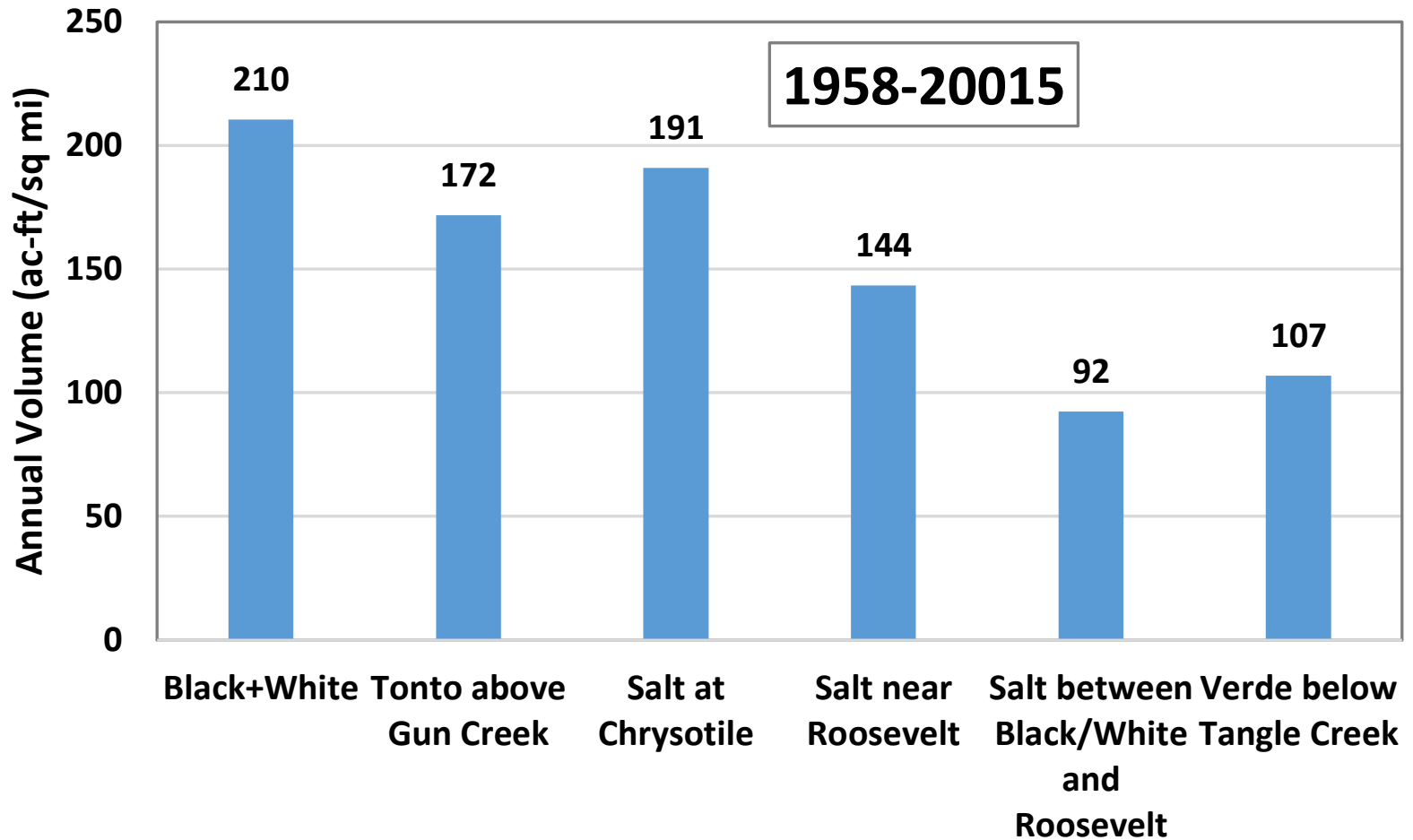




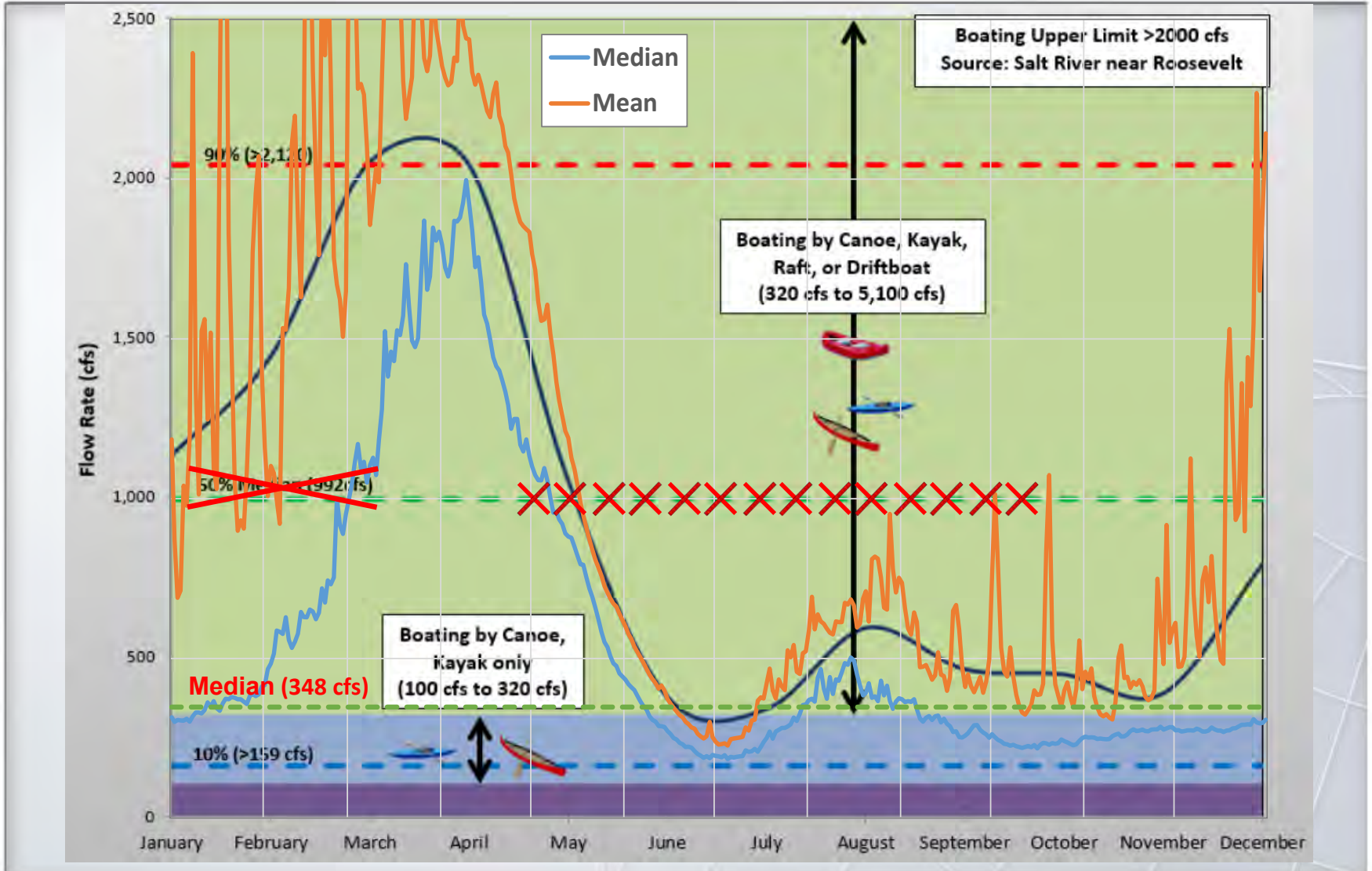
# Annual Precipitation



# Unit Annual Runoff at Gages

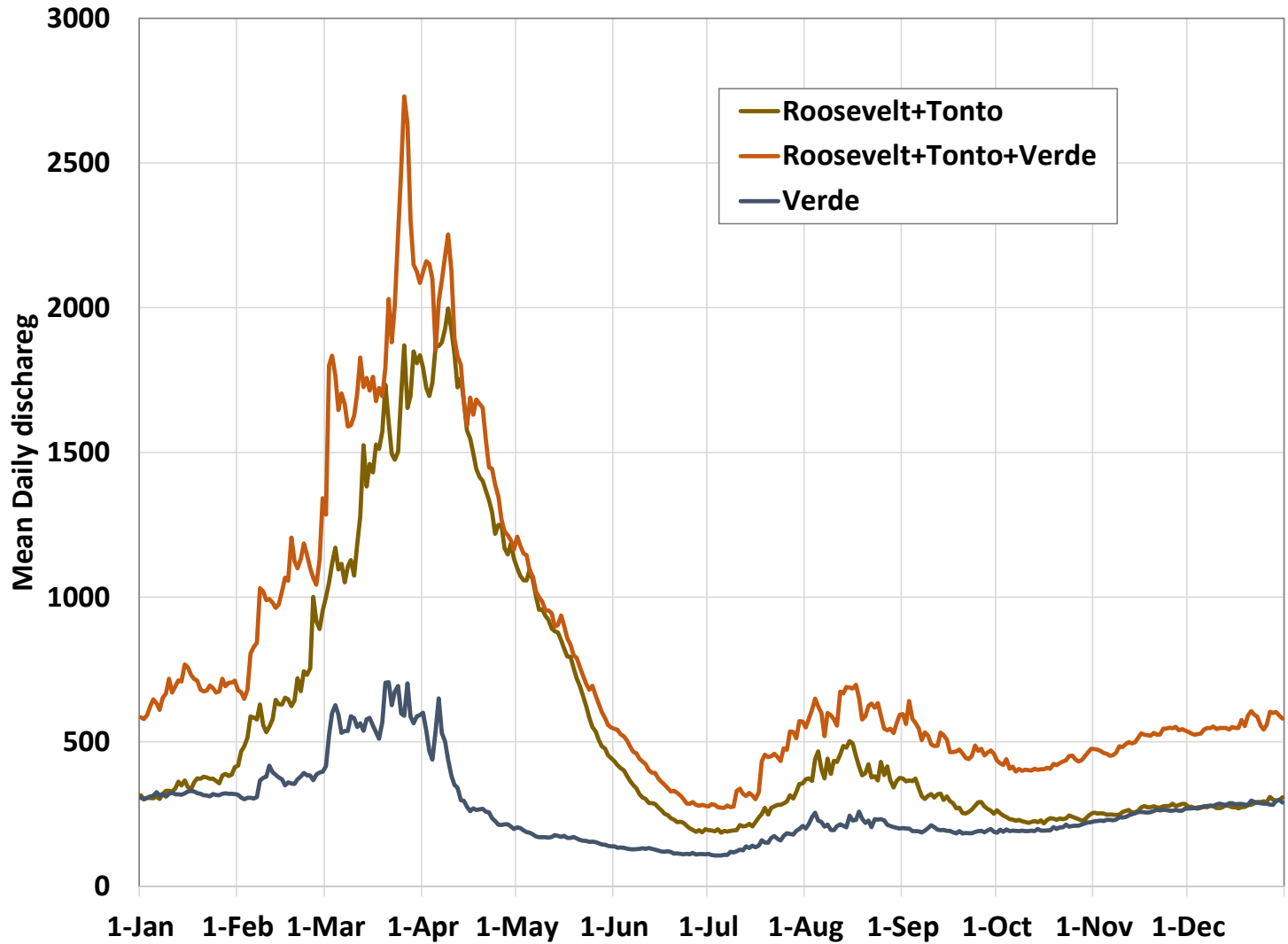


# Segment 5 Hydrographs

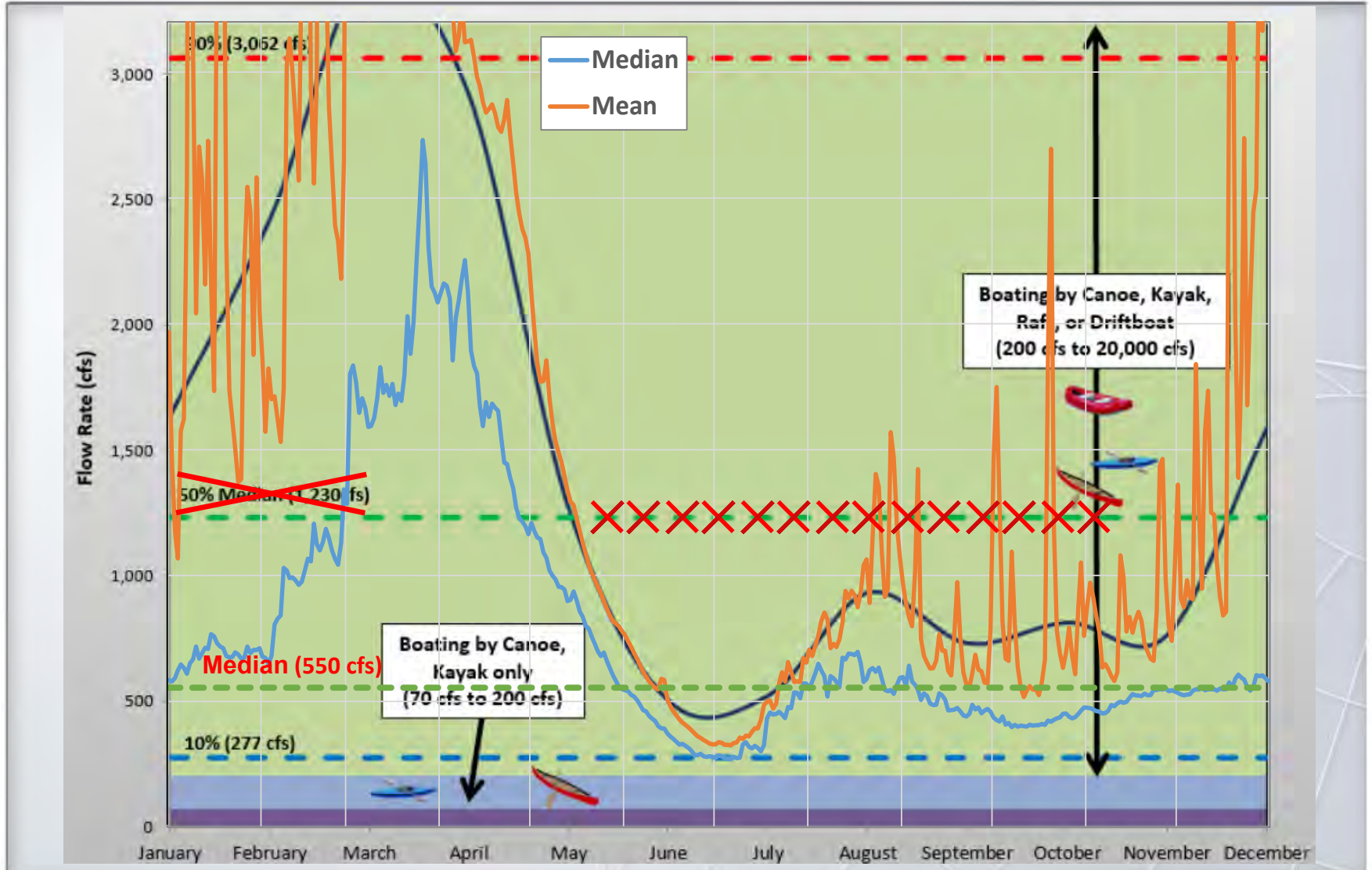




# Median Mean Daily Flows

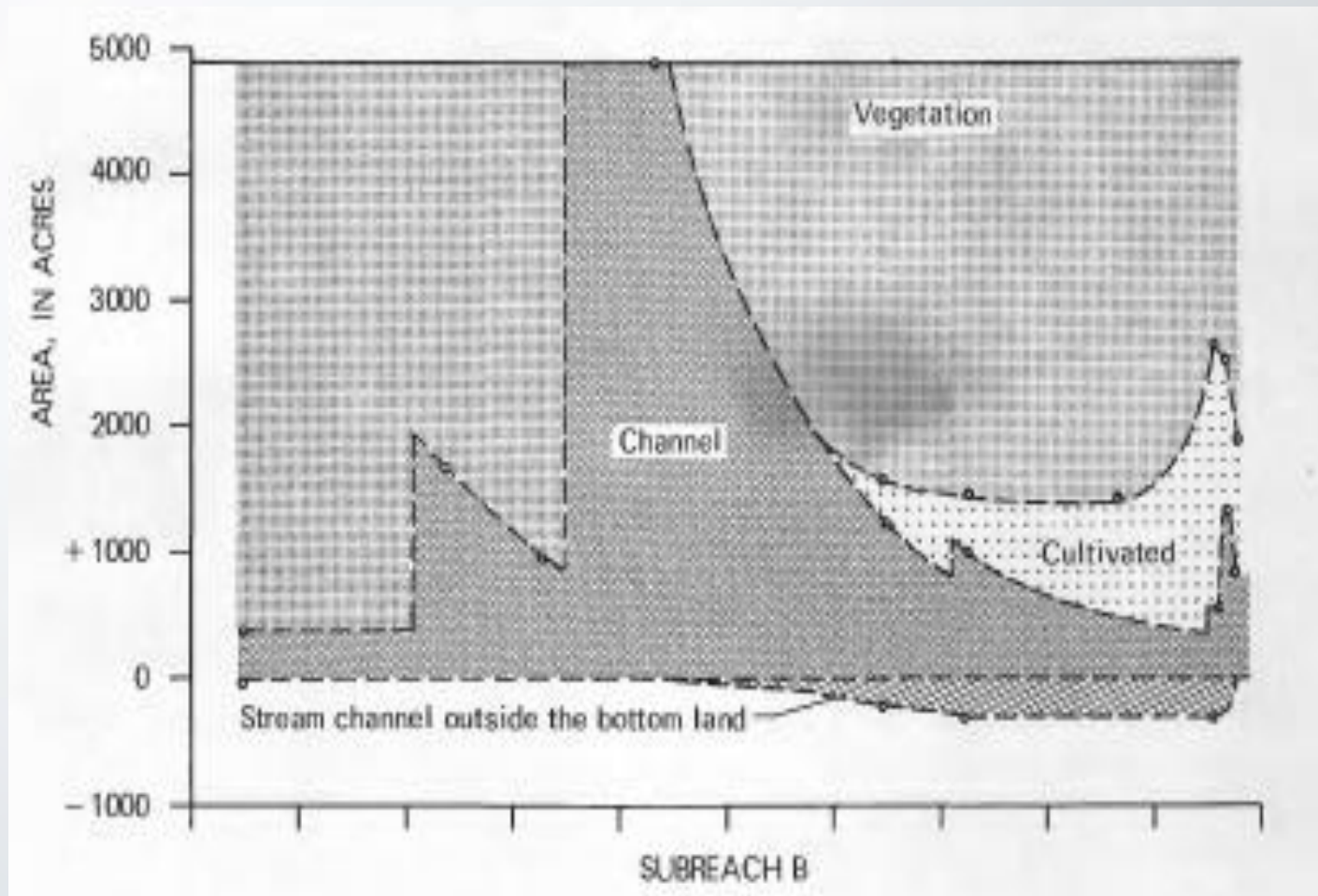


# Segment 6 Hydrographs



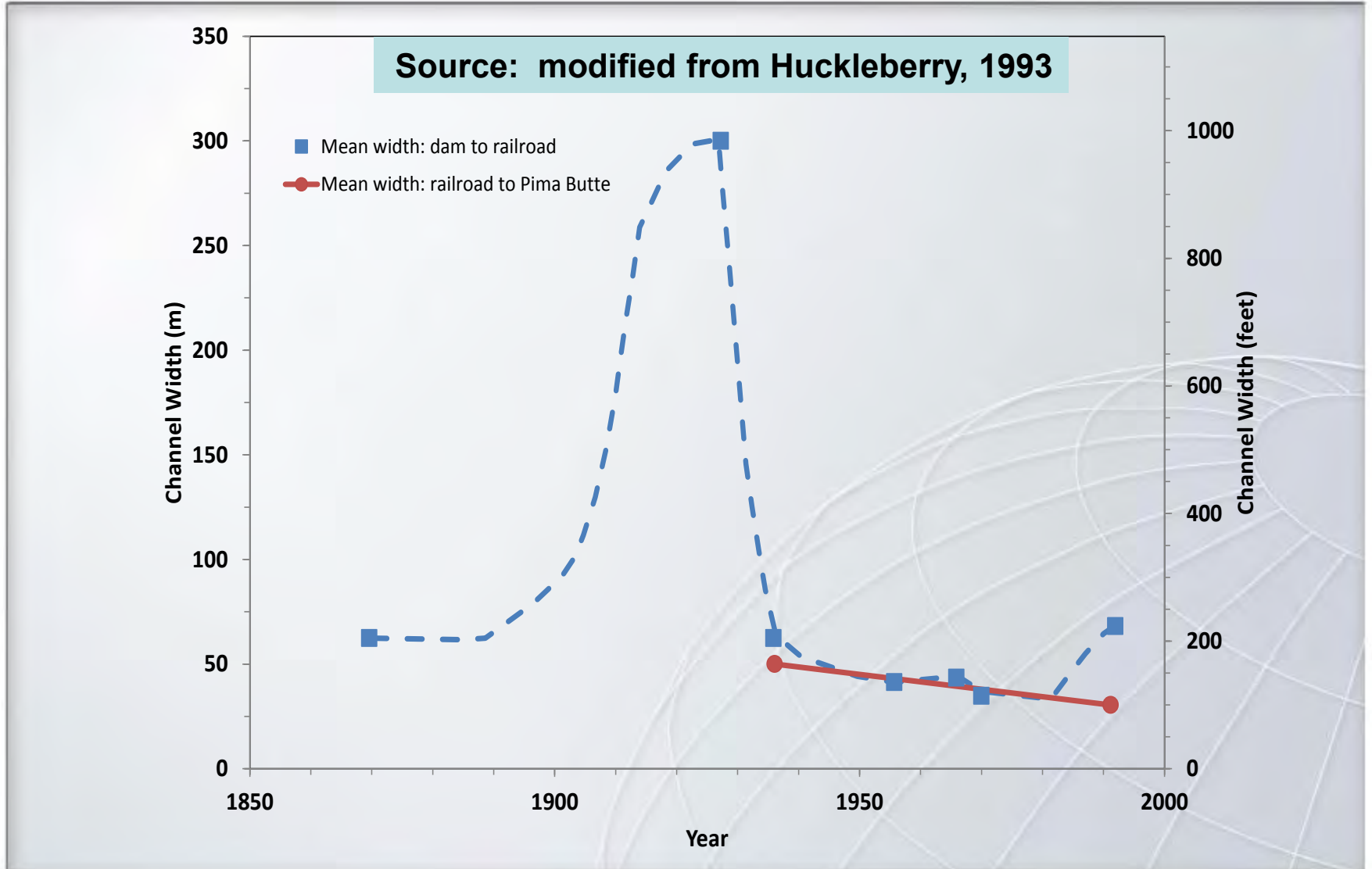
# Historical changes in channel area of upper Gila River (San Simon to Pima)

Source: Burkham, 1972

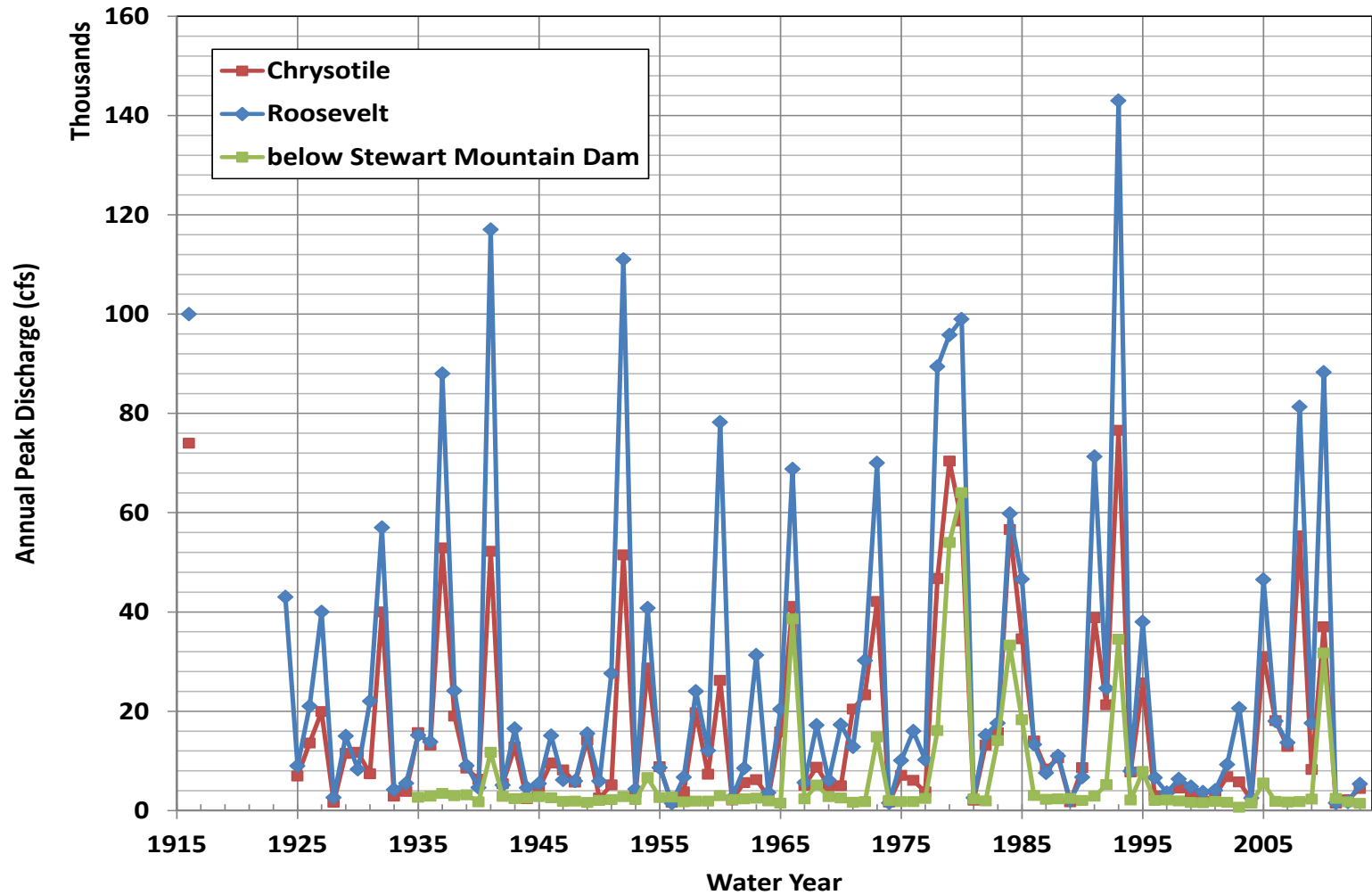




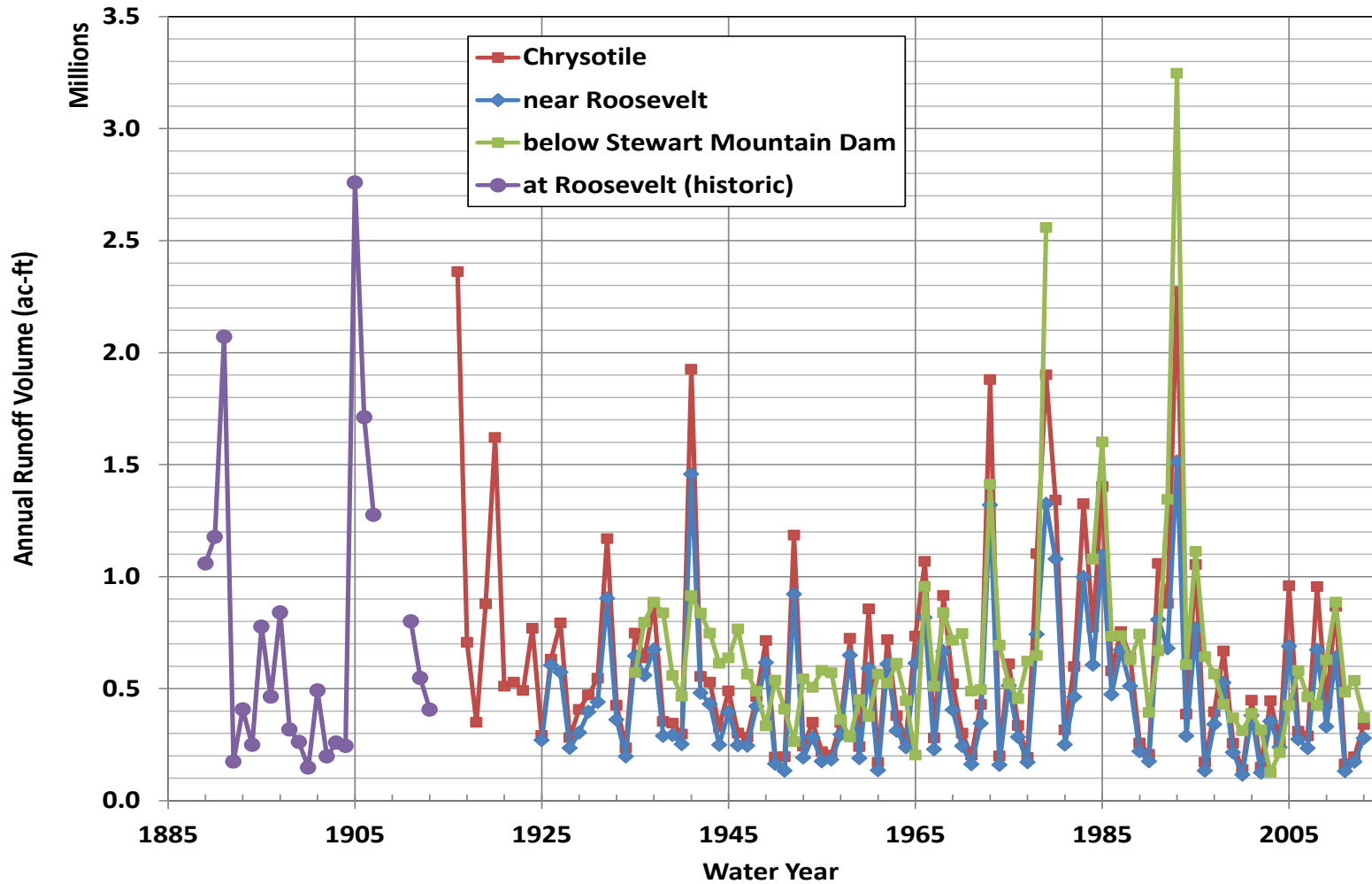
# Changes in channel width for the Middle Gila River



# Annual Peak Discharges

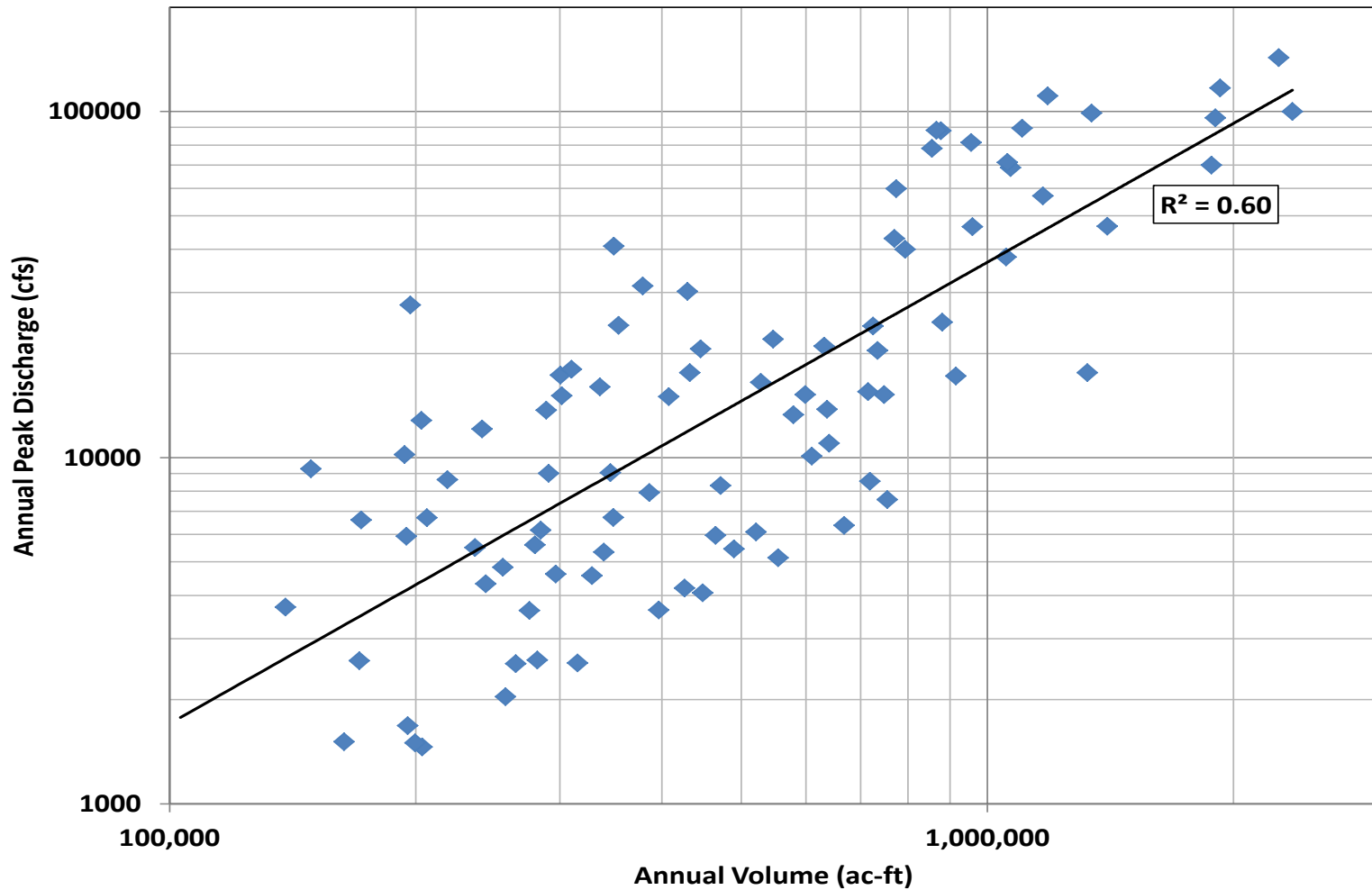


# Annual Runoff Volume

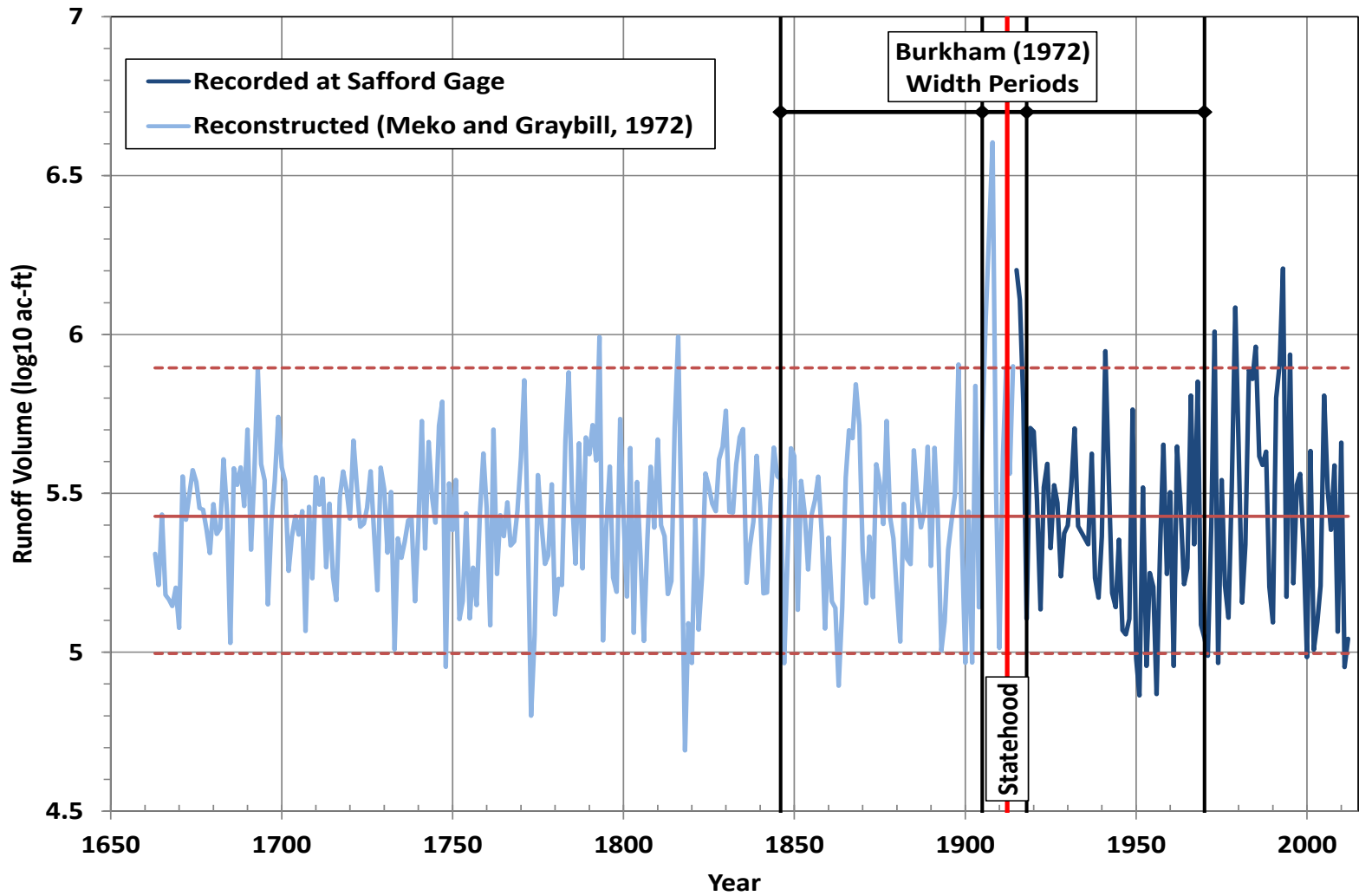




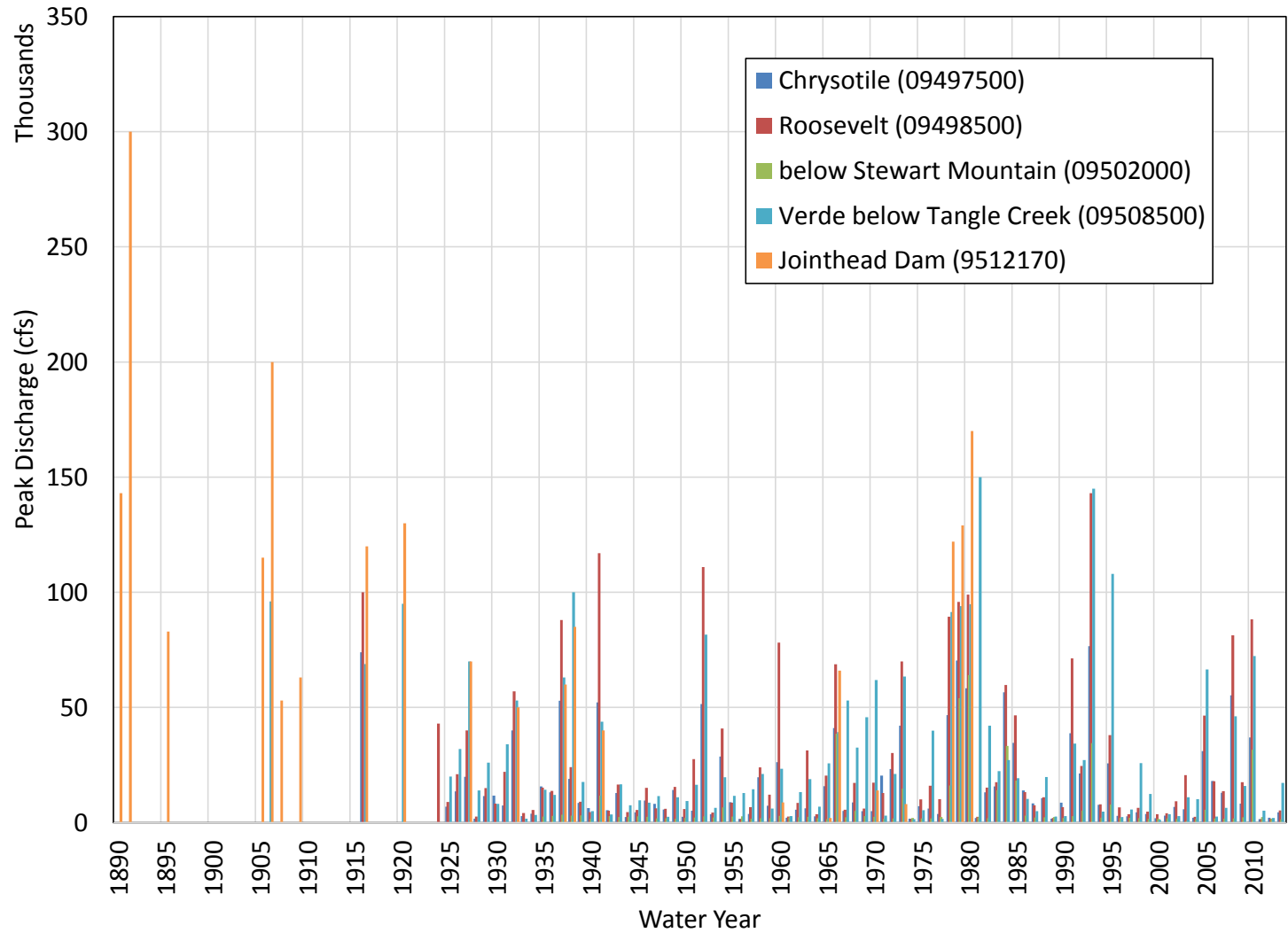
# Annual Peak Discharge vs Annual Runoff Volume near Roosevelt



# Gila River Annual Discharge



# Annual Peak Discharges (1890 – 2014)



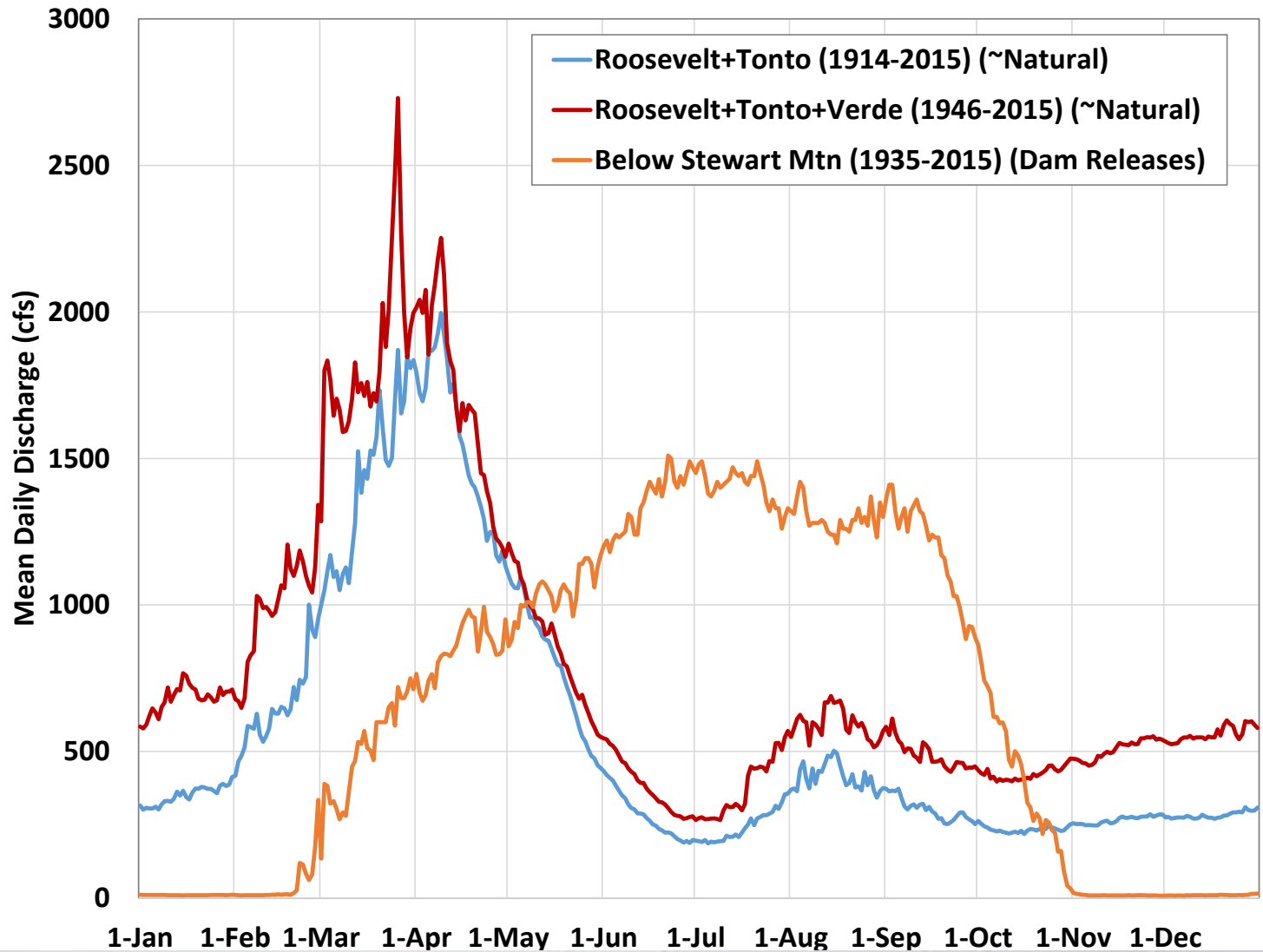


# **LOWER SALT**

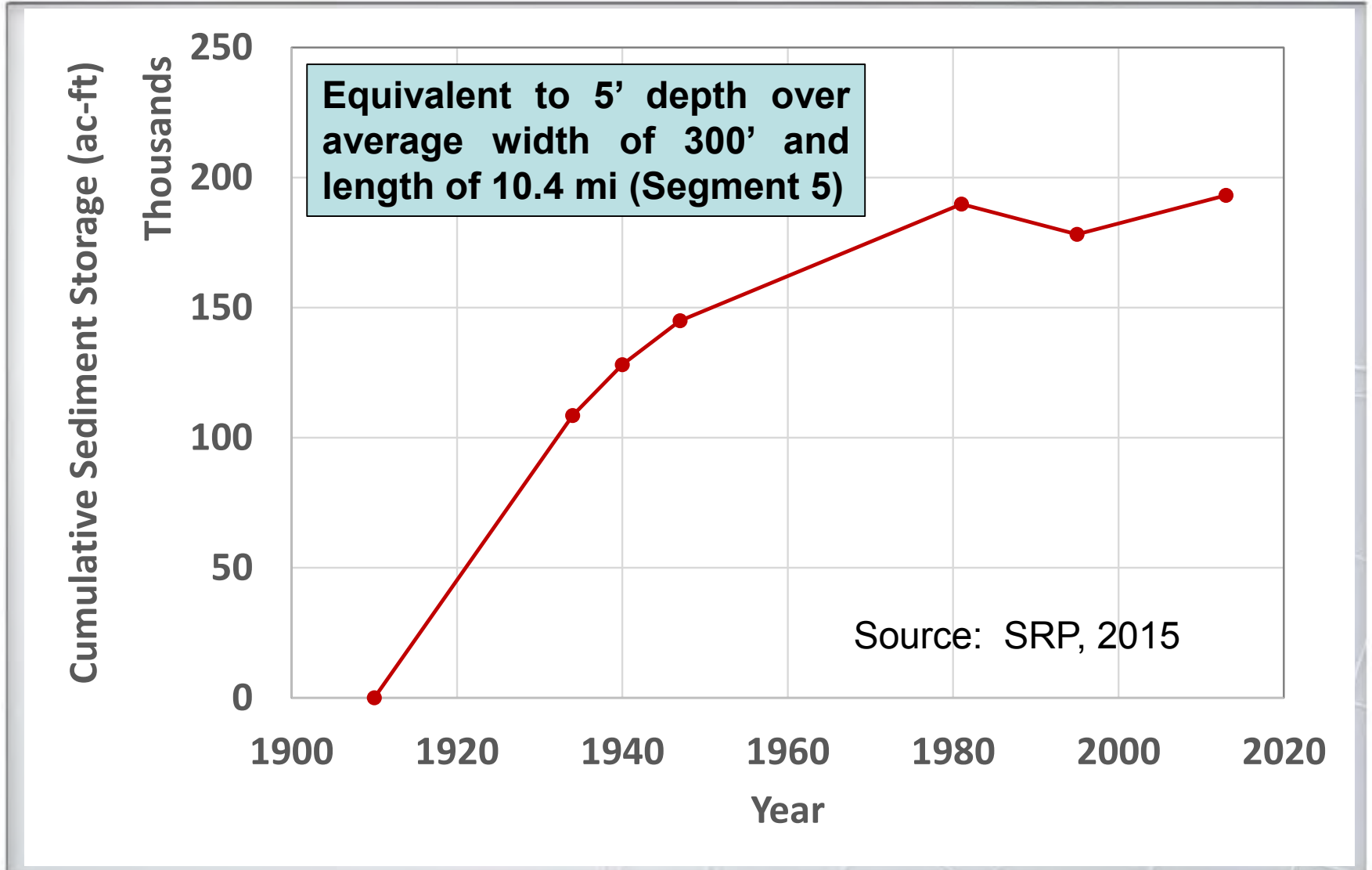
## **SEGMENT 5**



# Median Mean Daily Flows



# Sediment Storage in Roosevelt Reservoir





# Upstream from Verde River (2010)





# Upstream from Verde River (1934)





# N Bush Highway Bridge Upstream View

**Nov 10, 2015**

**Discharge at Below Stewart Mtn Gage=8.4 cfs**





# **~0.25 mi Upstream from Sheep Bridge Downstream View**

**Nov 10, 2015**





# Just upstream from Sheep Bridge Upstream View

Nov 10, 2015



# **~0.2 mi Downstream from Sheep Bridge Downstream View**

**Nov 10, 2015**





# ~1.5 mi Downstream from N Bush Highway Bridge Downstream View



# Foxtail Takeout Upstream View

Nov 10, 2015





# ~200 yds Downstream from Foxtail Takeout Upstream View

Nov 10, 2015





# Adjacent to Blue Point Ranger Station Upstream View

Nov 10, 2015



# **~0.5 mi Downstream from Blue Point Ranger Station Upstream View**

**Nov 10, 2015**





# Adjacent to Goldfield Ranch Recreation Site Upstream View

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# ~1 mi Upstream from Verde River Downstream View

Nov 10, 2015



# ~0.6 mi Upstream from Verde River Downstream View

Nov 10, 2015





# Granite Reef Dam

Upstream View (Oct 29, 2013)





# Backwater Upstream from Granite Reef Dam Upstream View (Oct 29, 2013)



# **LOWER SALT**

## **SEGMENT 6**





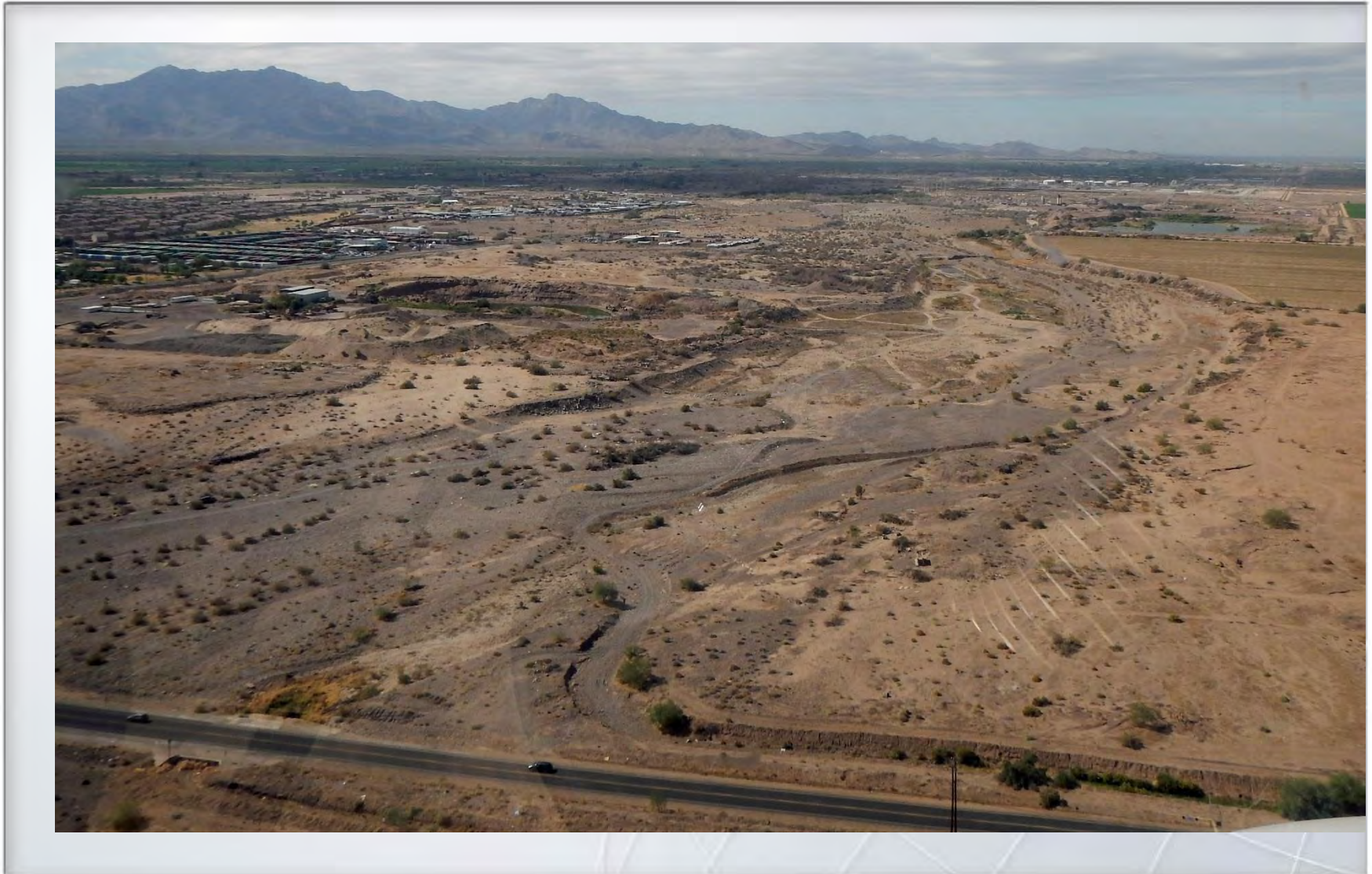
# 51<sup>st</sup> Ave

## Downstream View (Oct 29, 2013)





# 51<sup>st</sup> Ave Downstream View (Oct 29, 2013)





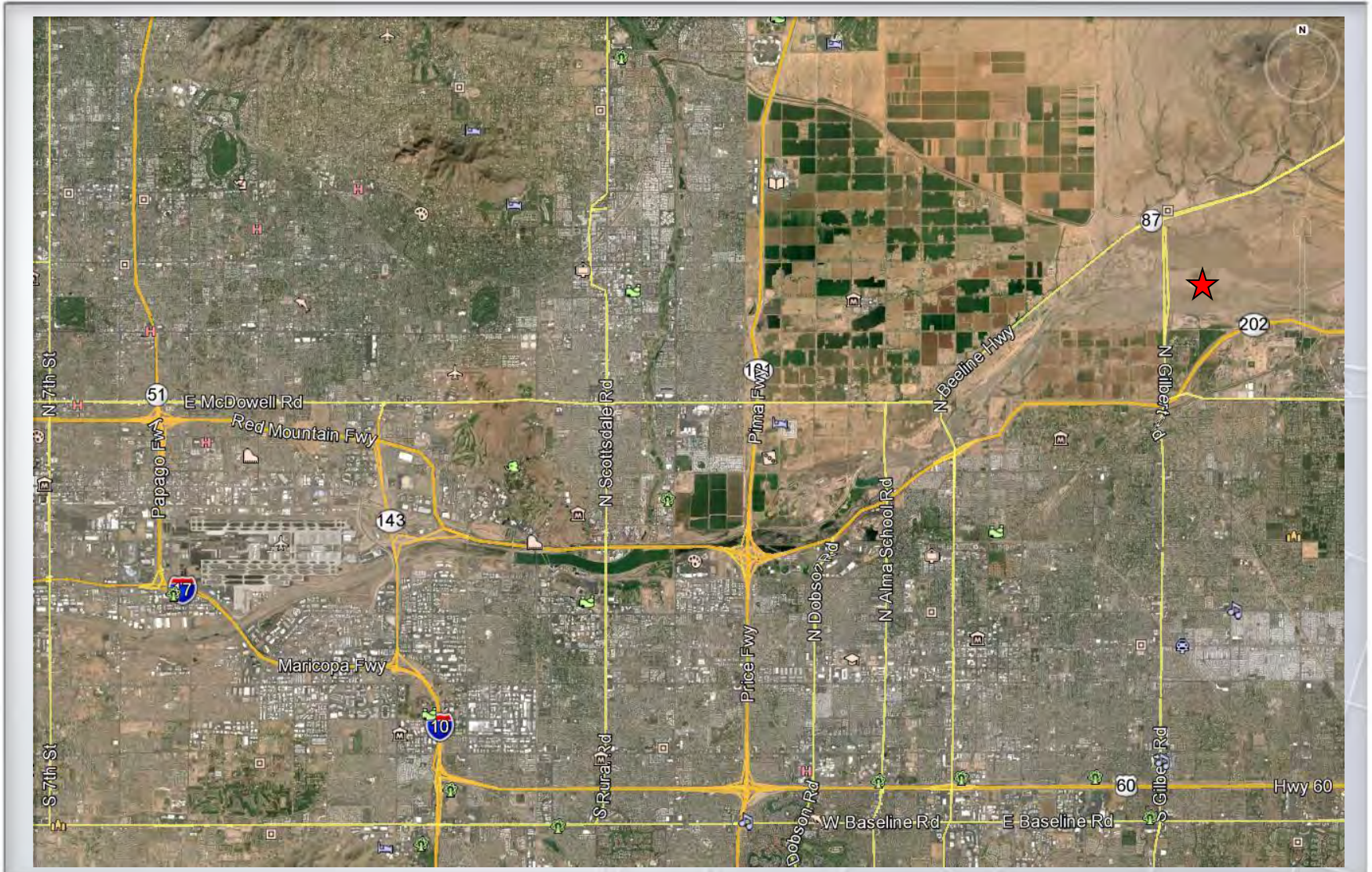
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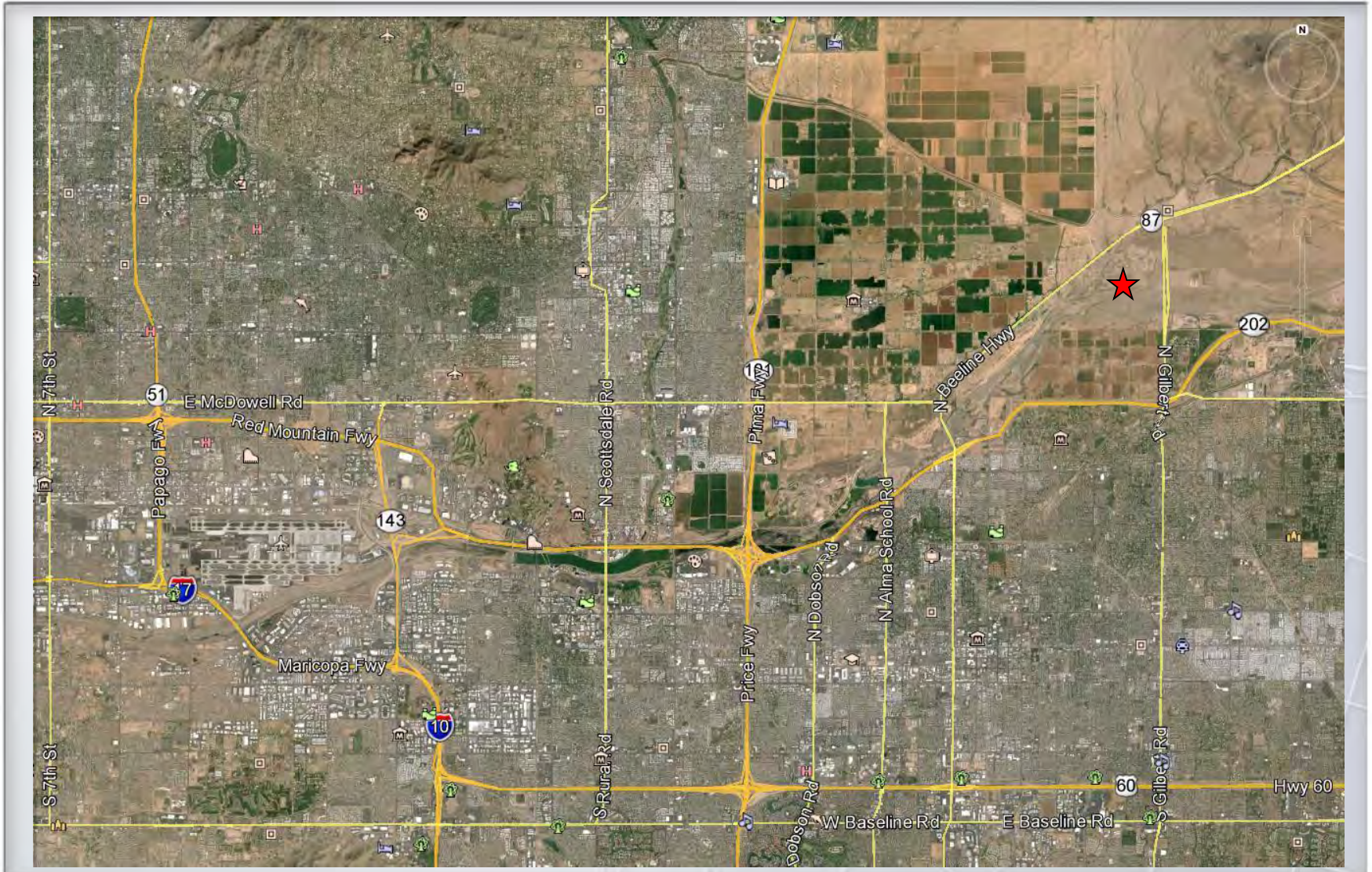


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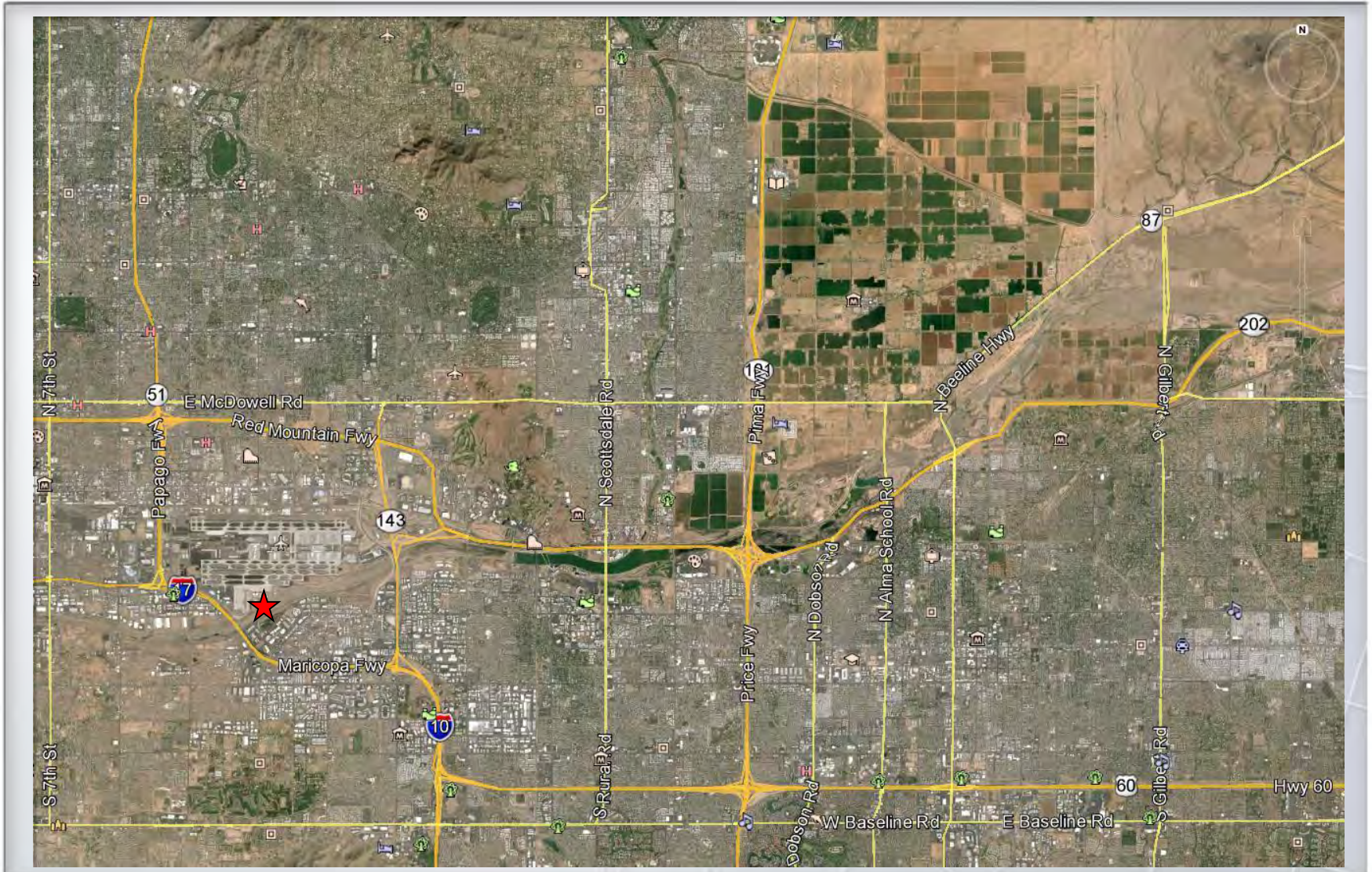


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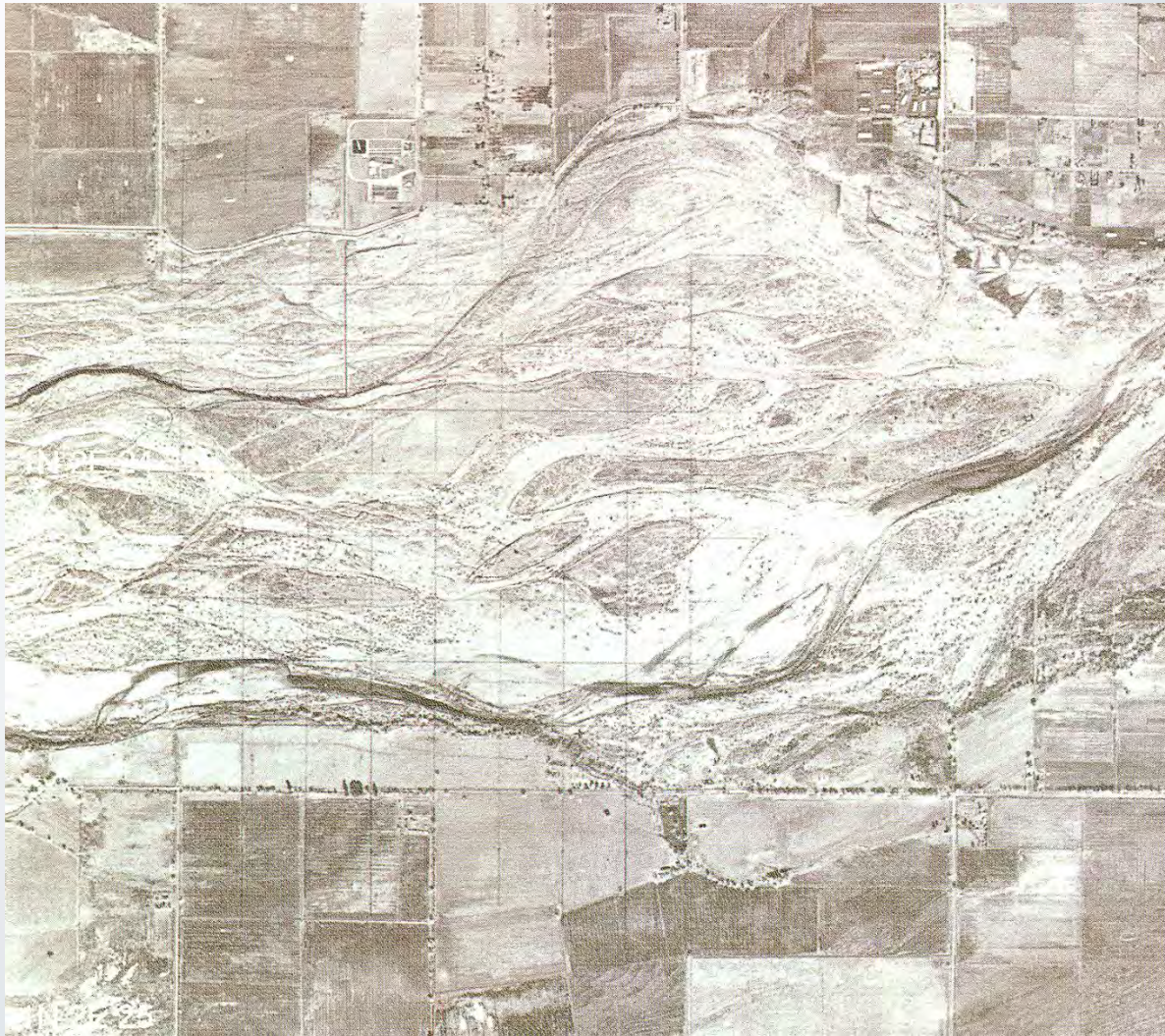


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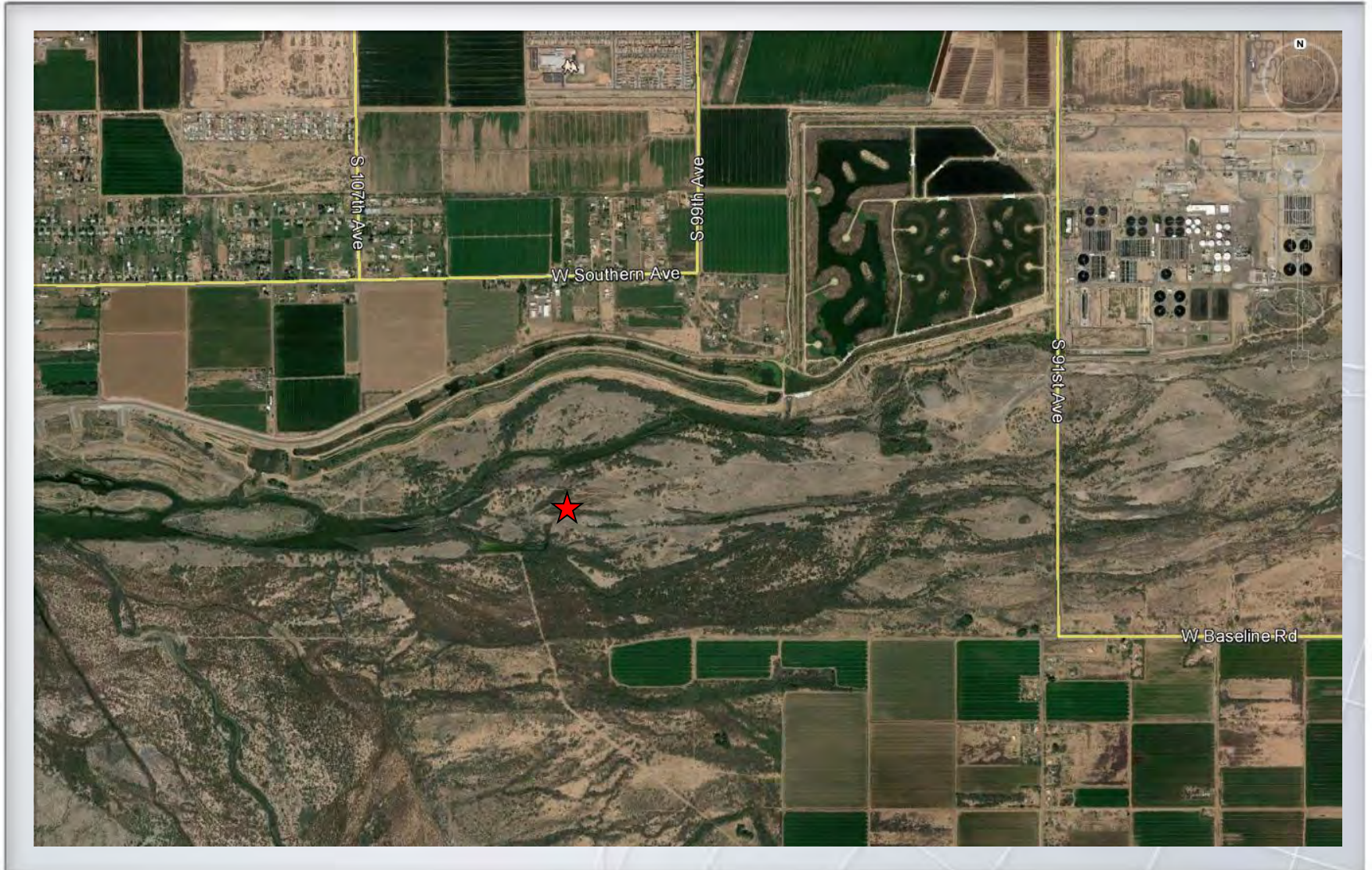


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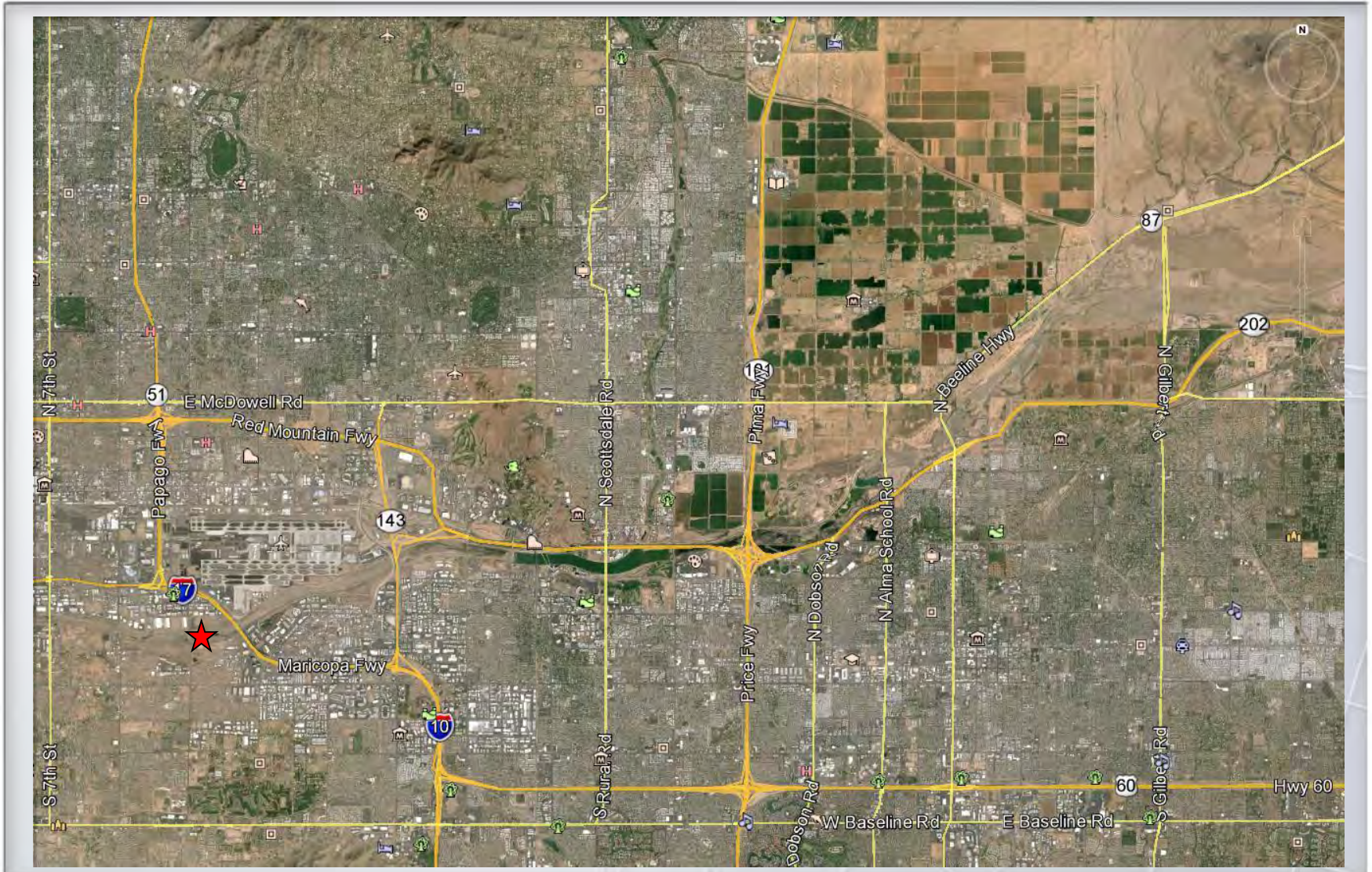


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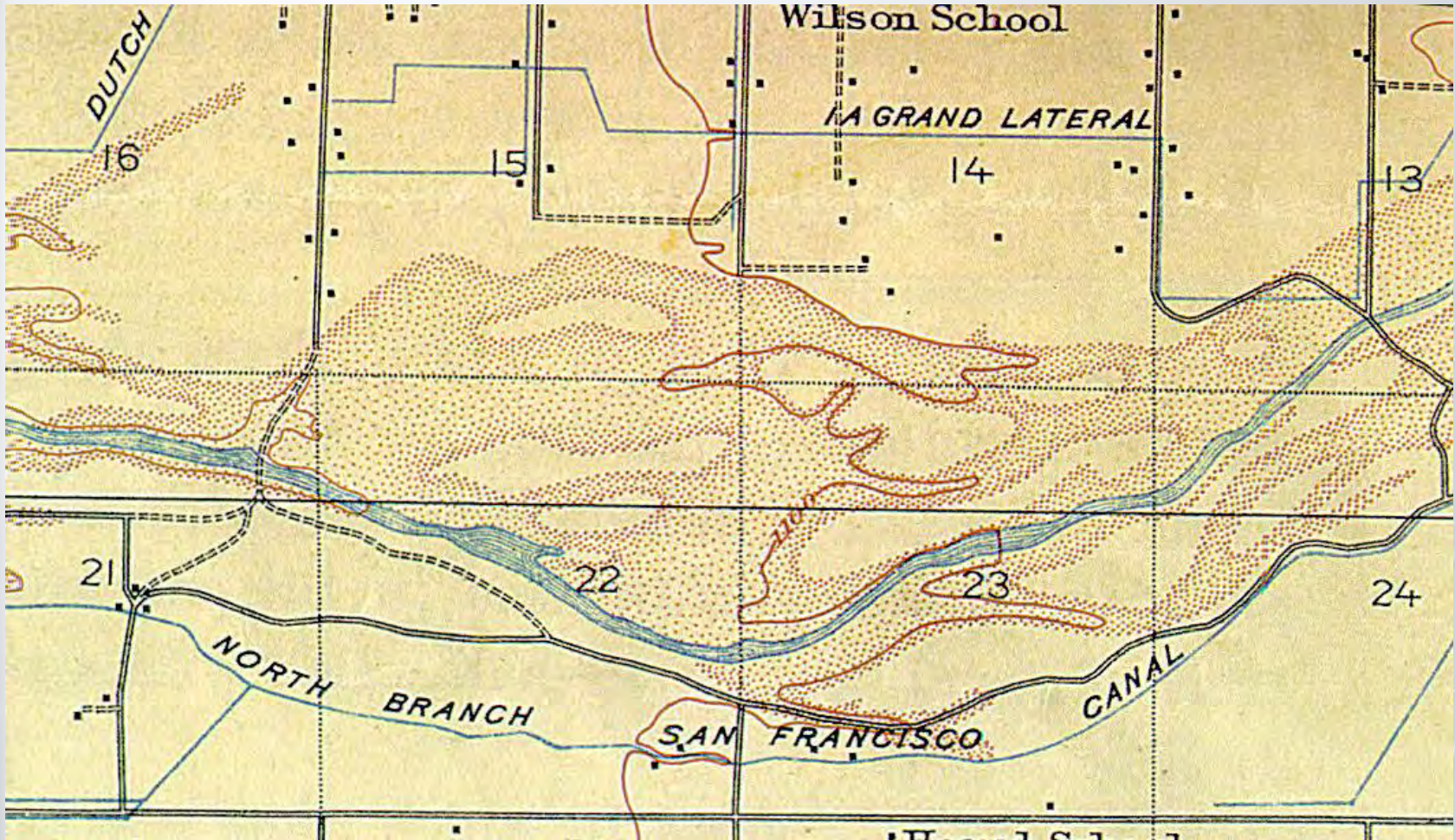


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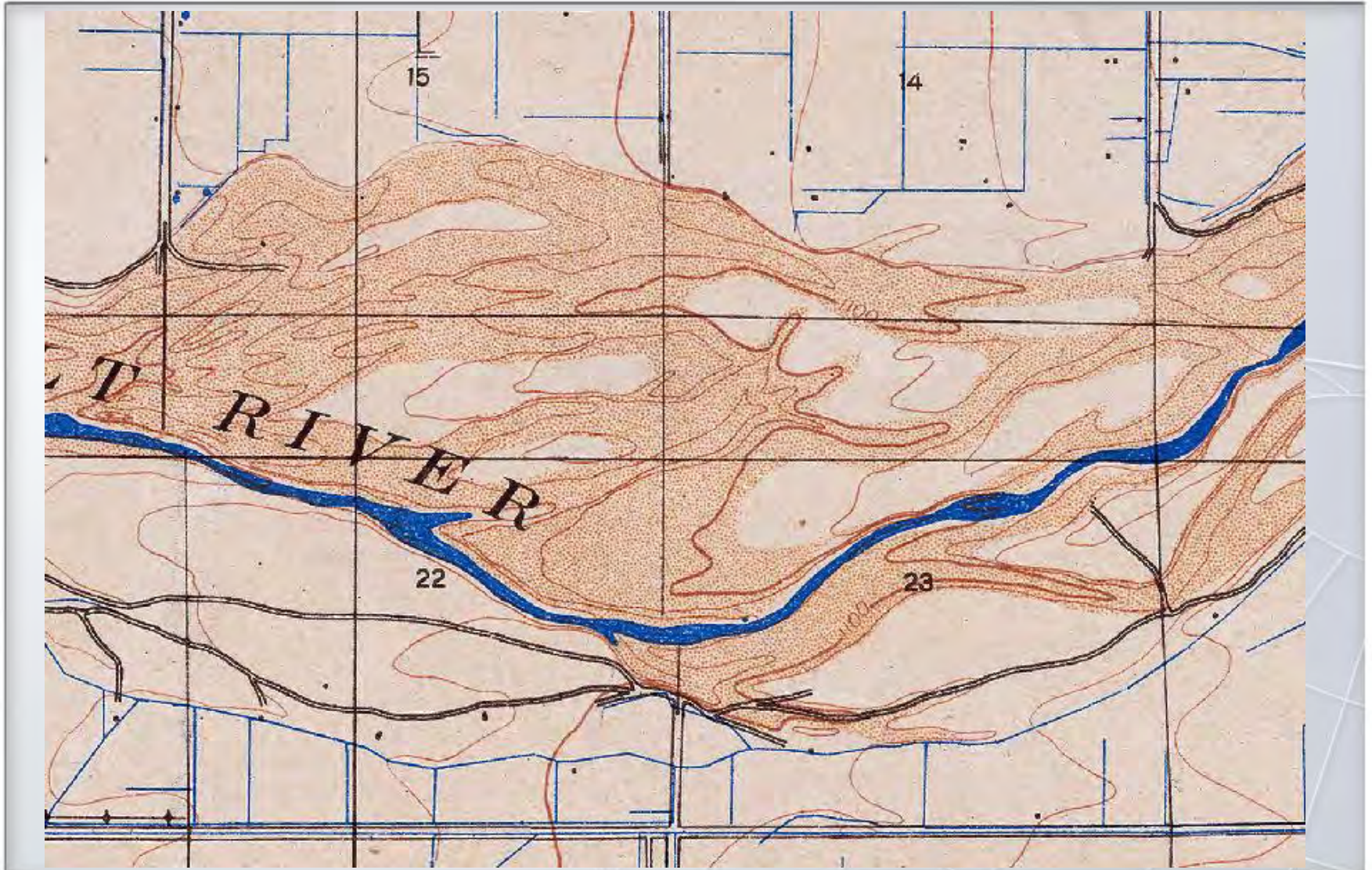


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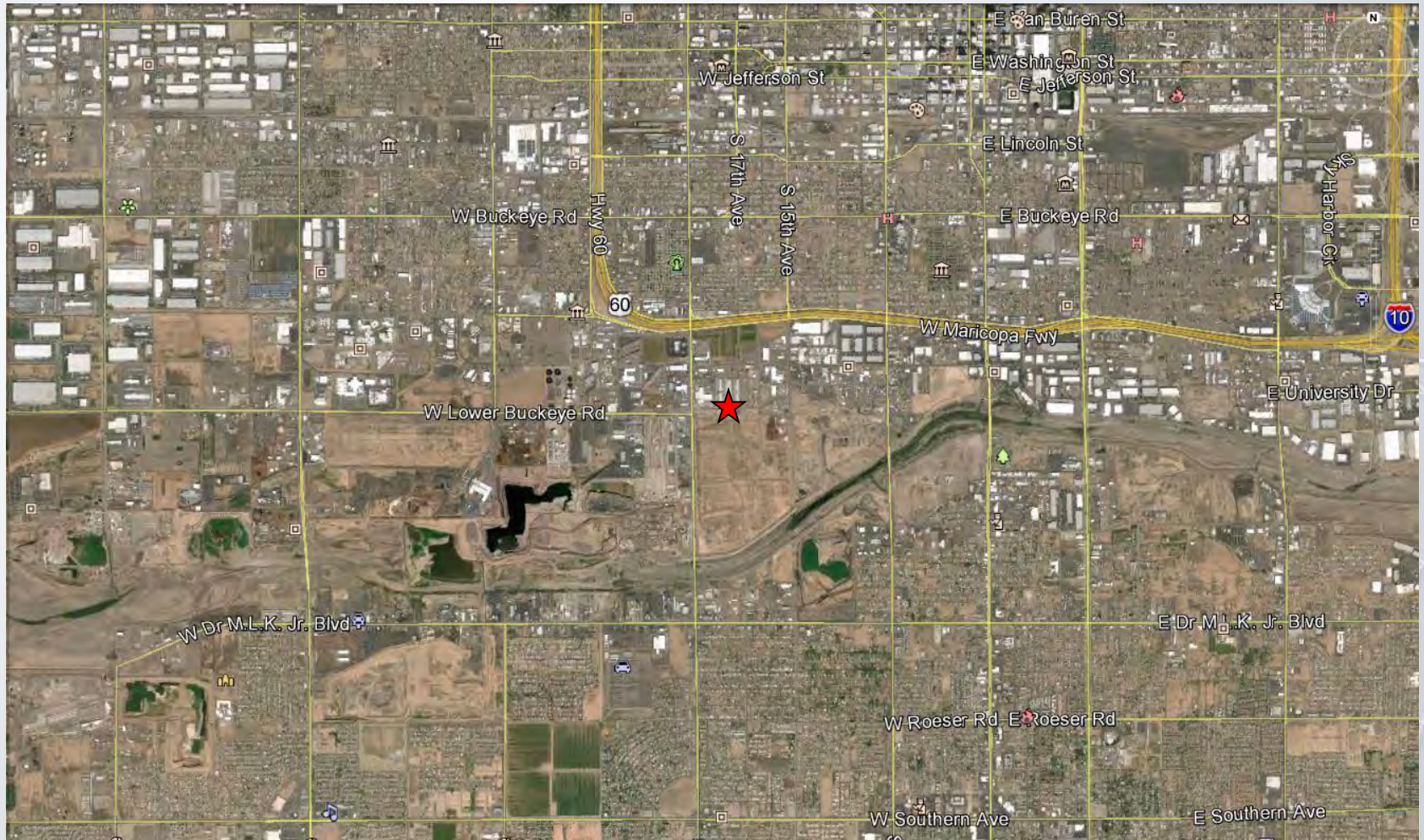


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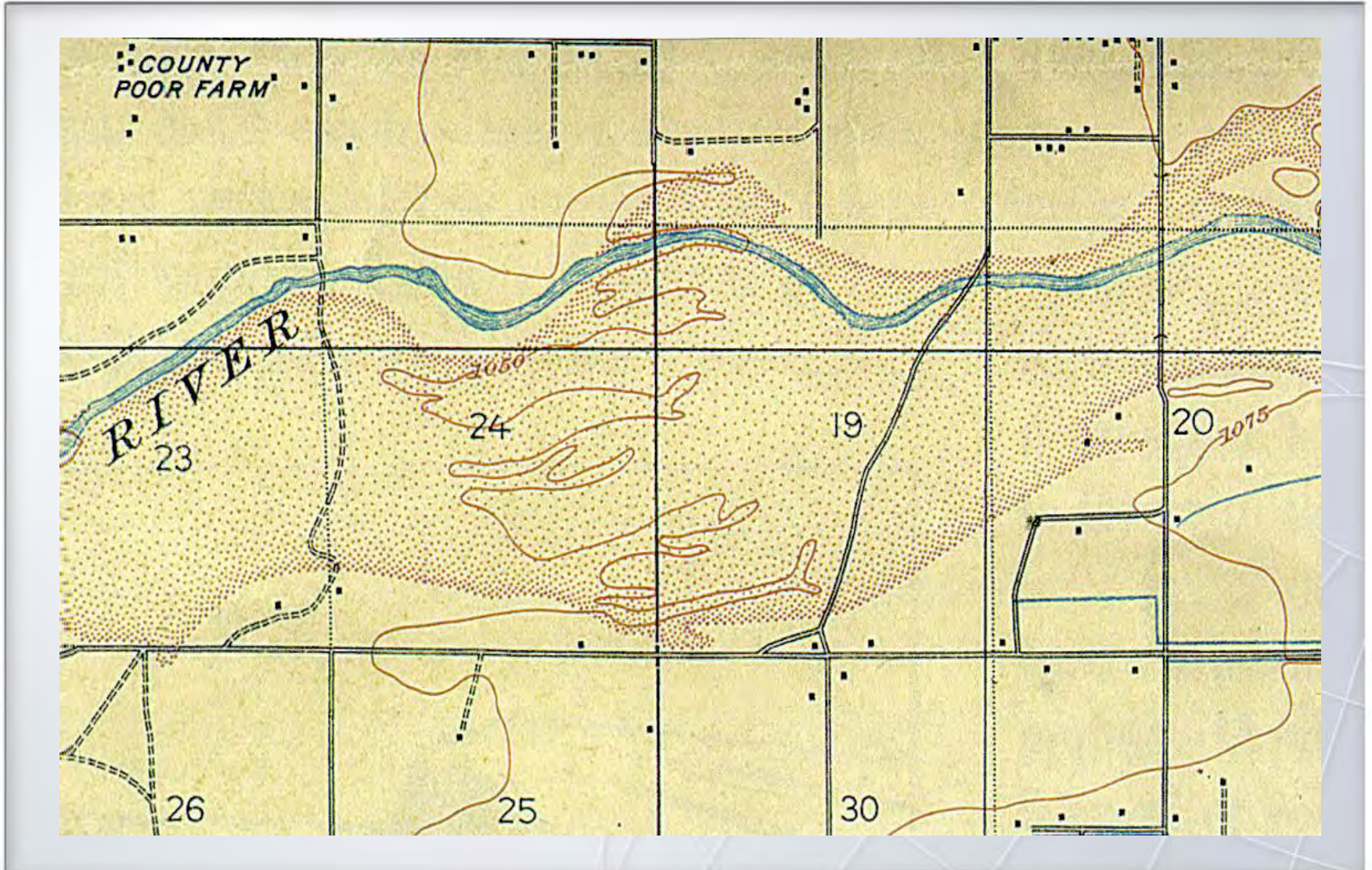


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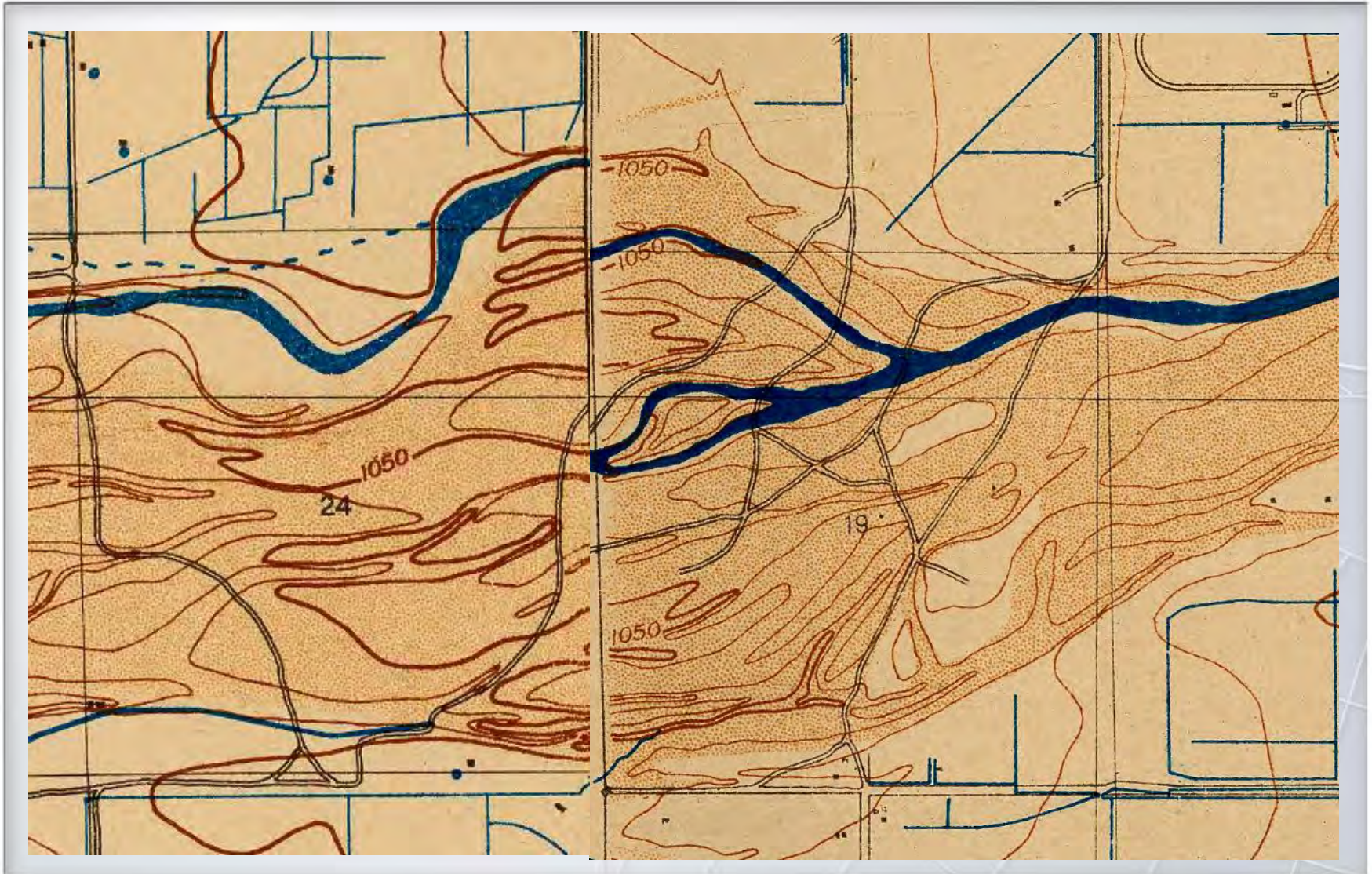


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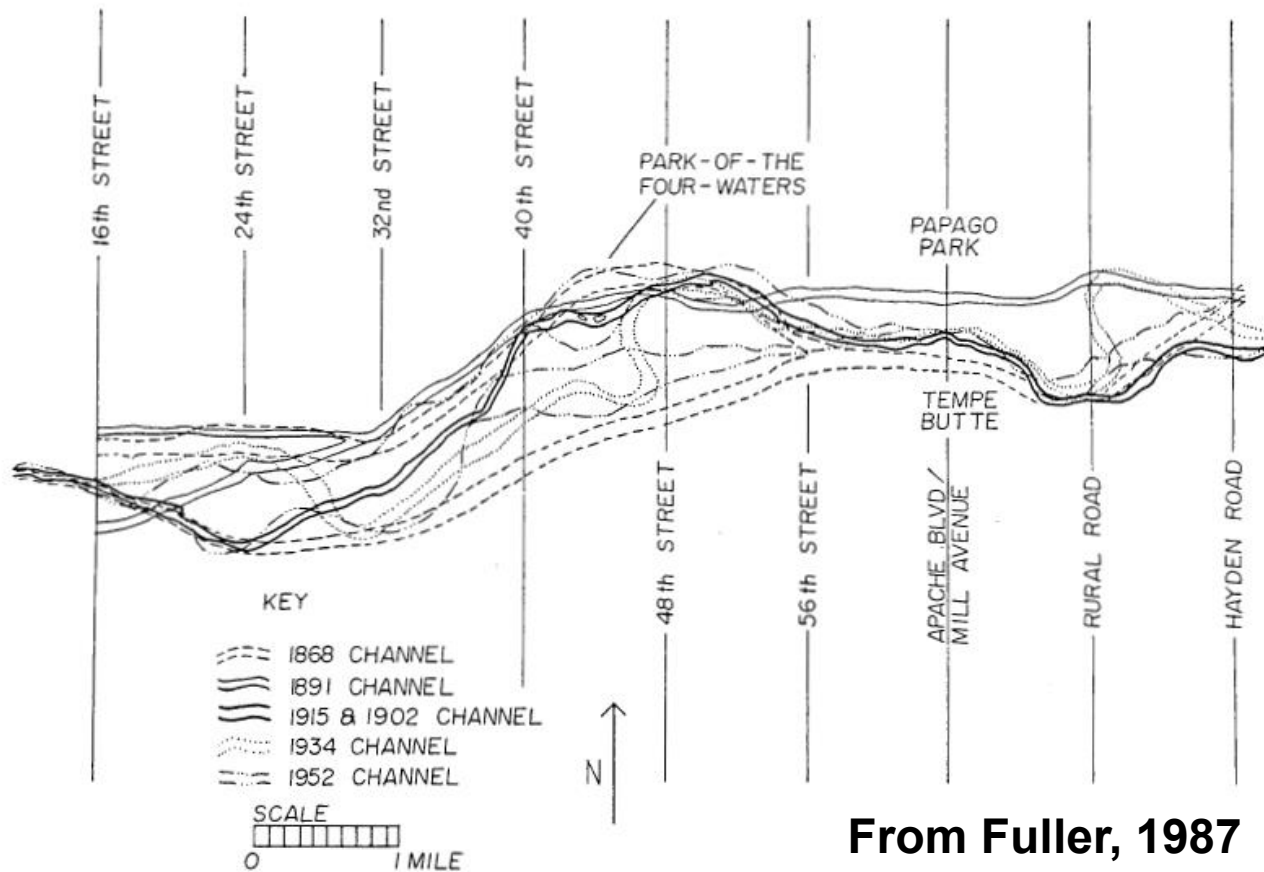


# T1N R2&3E (1902-3)



# Low-flow Channel Margins (1868 – 1982)

LOCATION OF THE SALT RIVER LOW-FLOW CHANNEL  
NEAR TEMPE AND PHOENIX, ARIZONA; 1868-1952





# Fuller Hydraulic Estimates

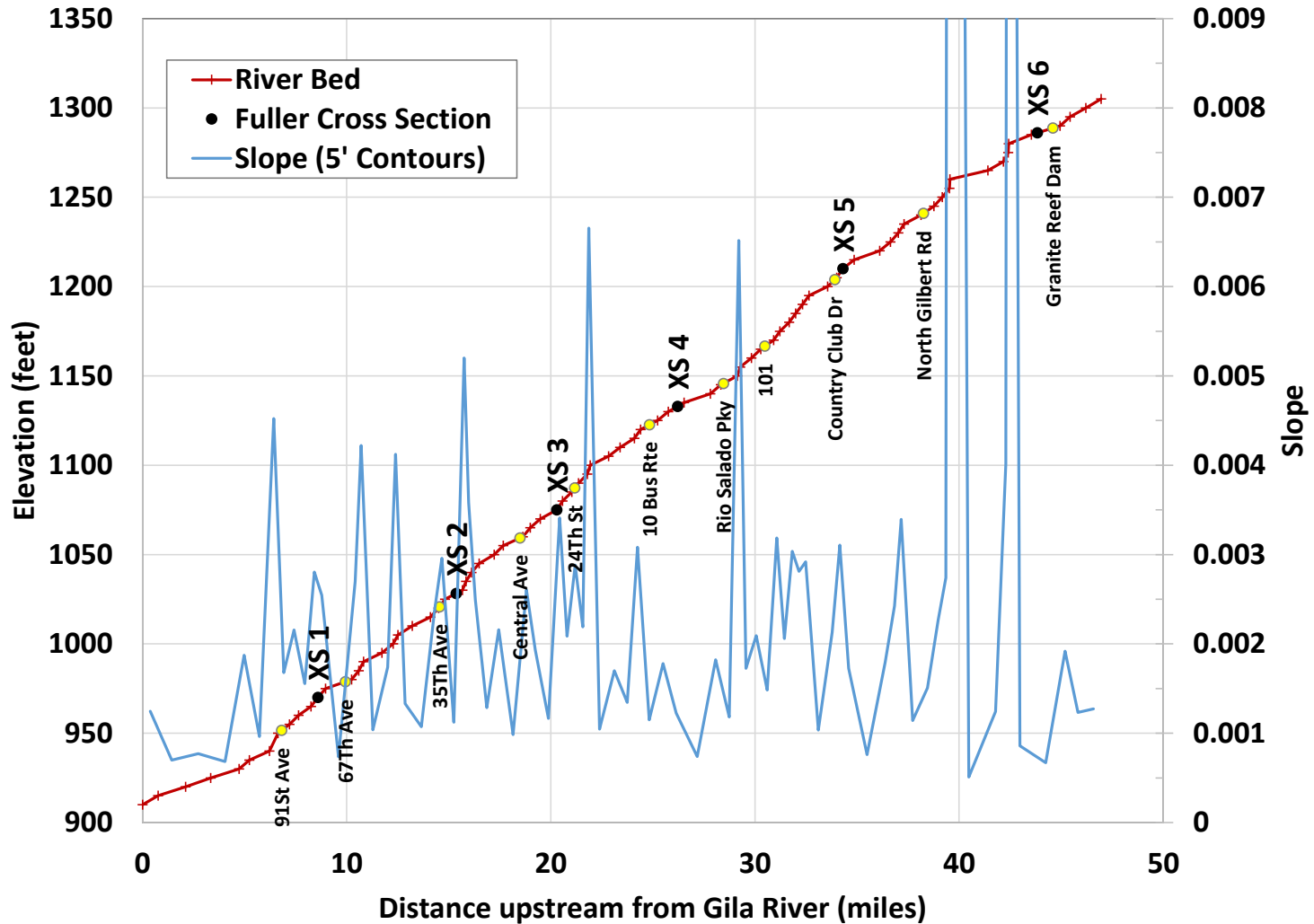
## Salt River: Rating Curve Segment 5, Alluvial Channel

Flow Frequency	Flow Rate (cfs)	Avg Depth (ft)	Average Velocity (ft/s)	Top Width (ft)
90%	>159	1.4	1.4	175
50% (median)	992	3.8	2.5	215
10%	>2120	> 5	> 3	> 300

## Salt River: Rating Curve Segment 6, Alluvial Channel

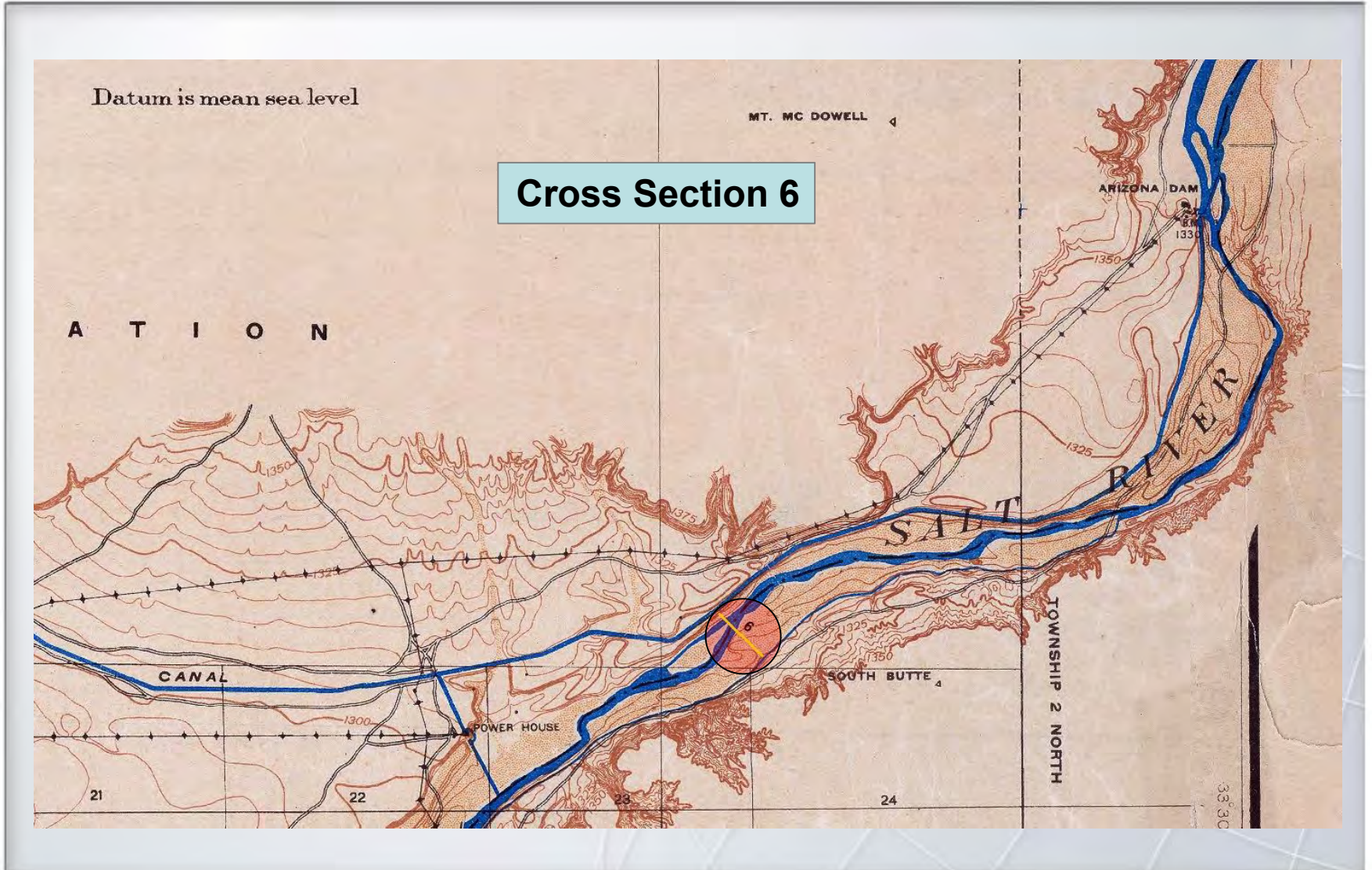
Flow Frequency	Flow Rate (cfs)	Avg Depth (ft)	Average Velocity (ft/s)	Top Width (ft)
90%	277	0.8	1.7	205
50% (median)	1,230*	5.3	2.1	290
10%	3,062	> 6	> 3	> 300

# Segment 6 1902-03 Profile and Slopes



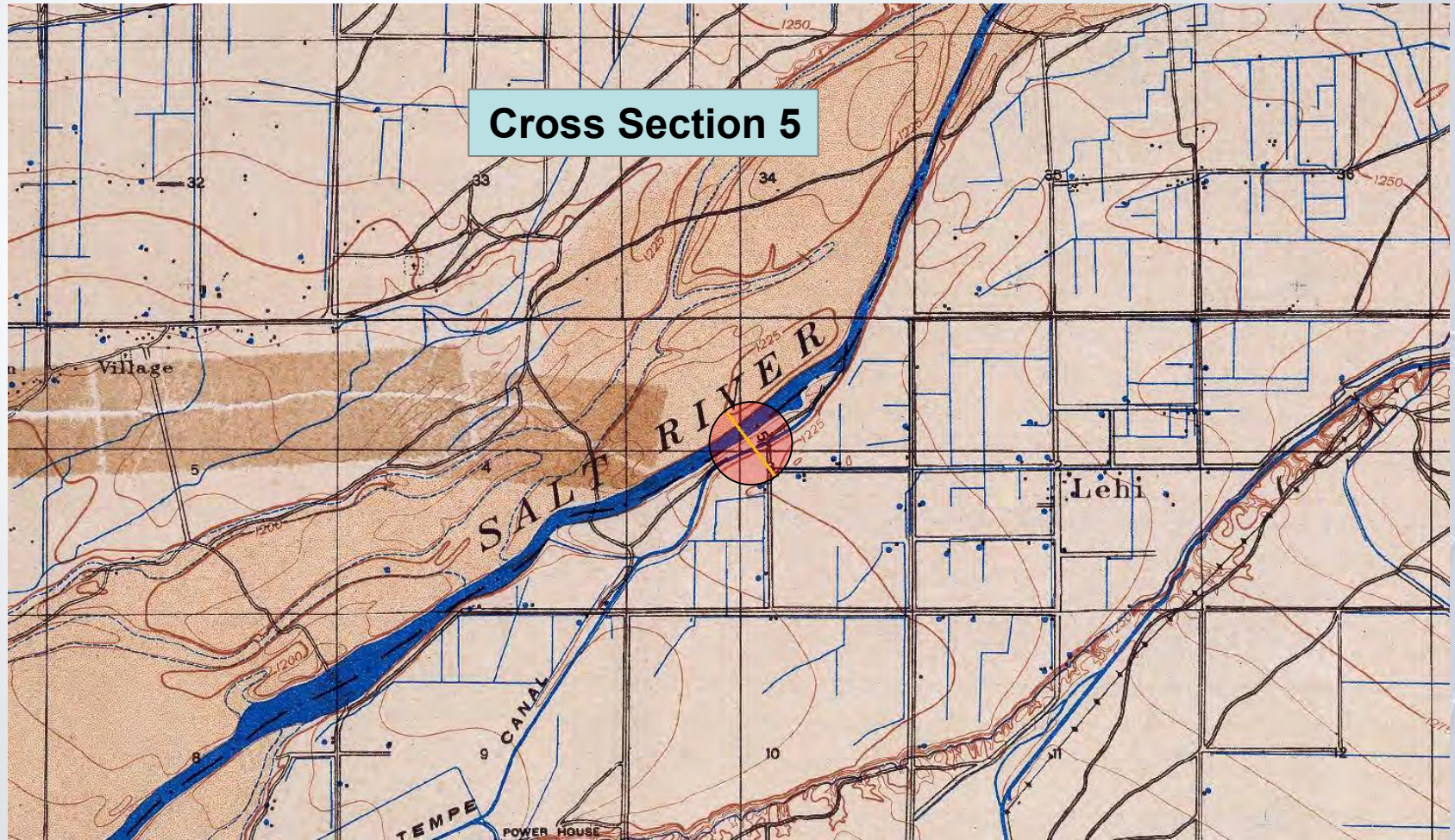


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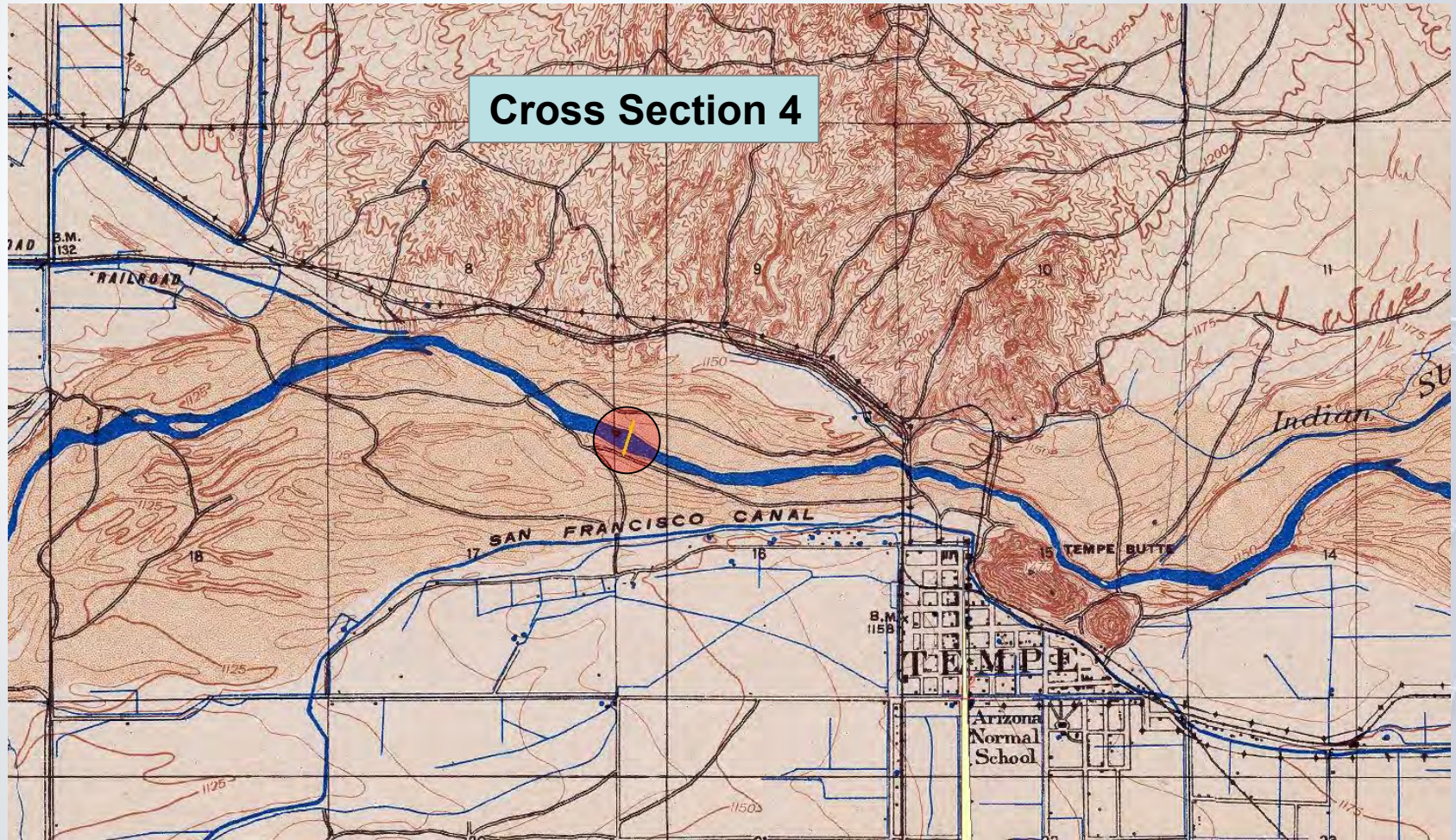


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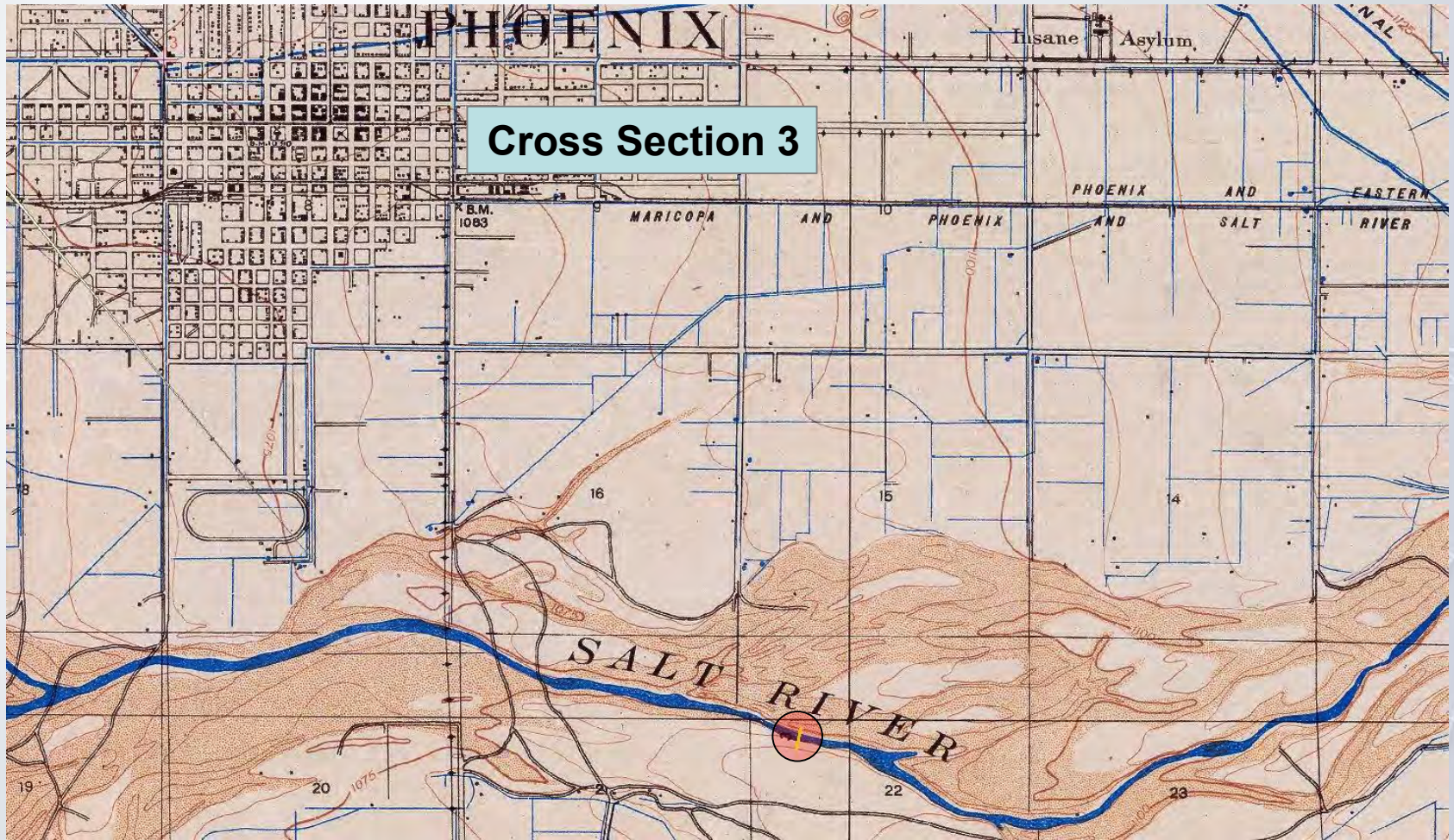


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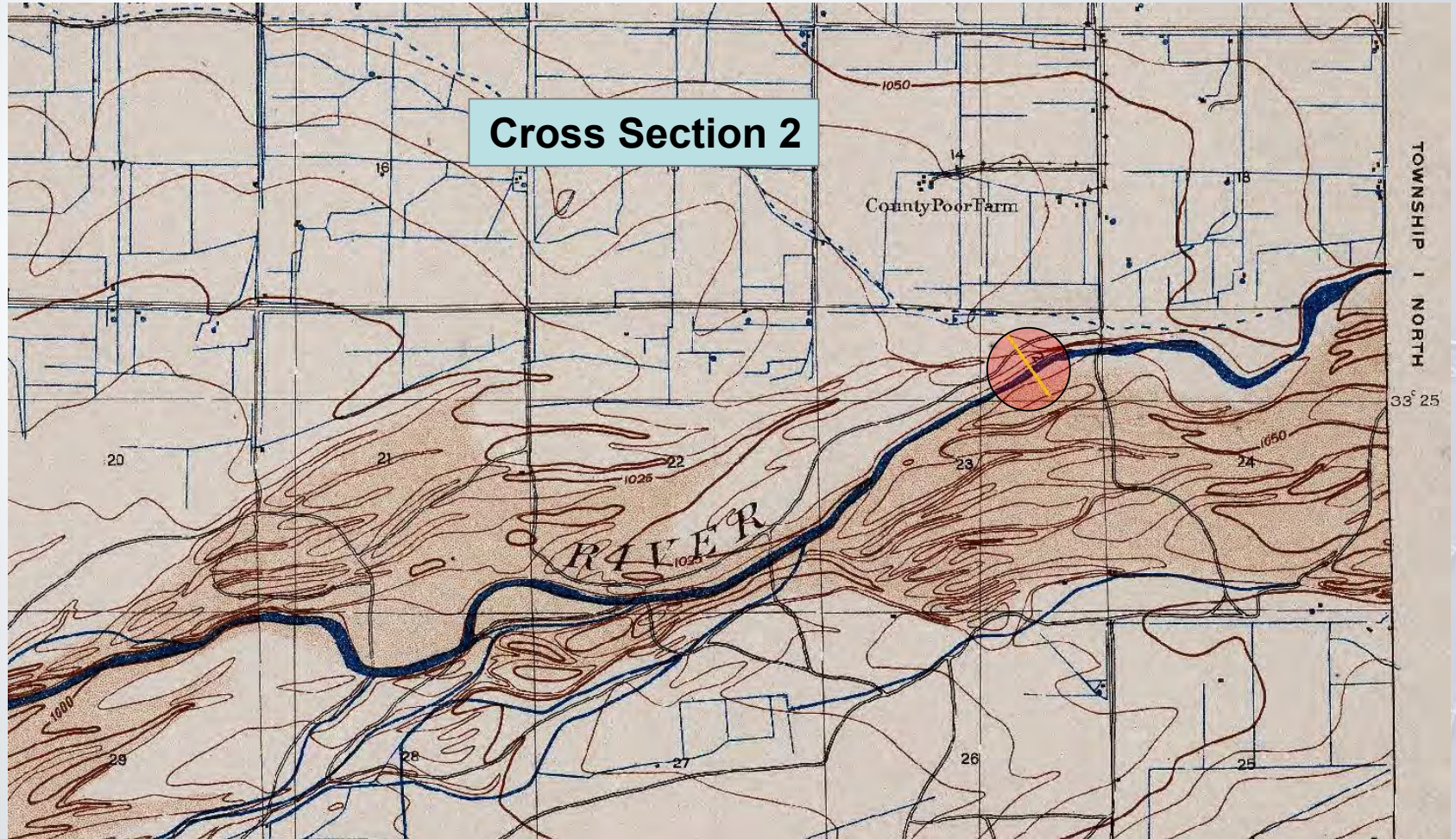


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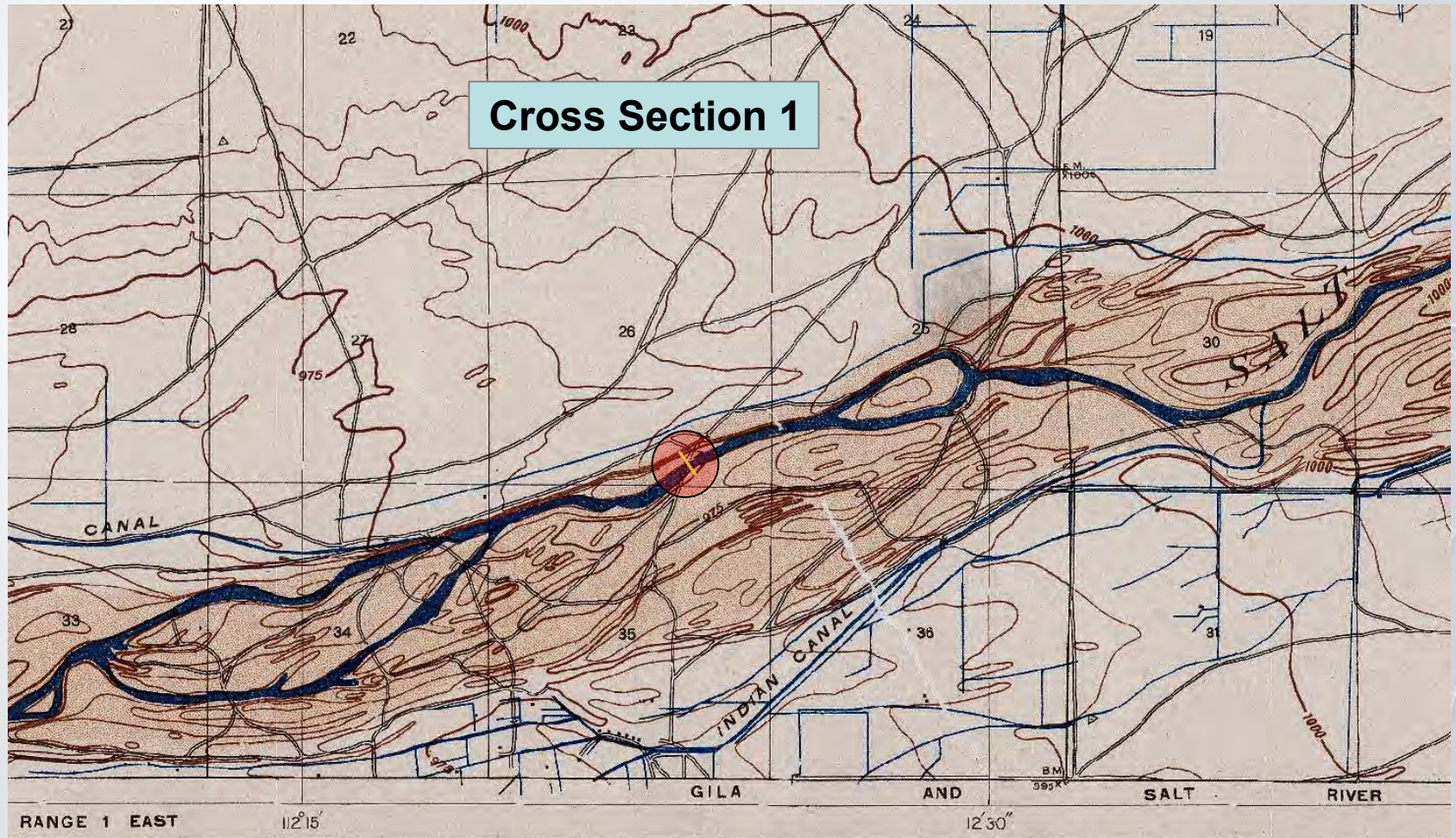


# USRS 1902-3 5' Contour Interval Map





# USRS 1902-3 5' Contour Interval Map





# Hydraulic Calculations

## Manning Equation

$$Q = \frac{1.49}{n} A R^{\frac{2}{3}} S^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

**Q=Discharge (cfs)**

**n = Manning Roughness Coefficient**

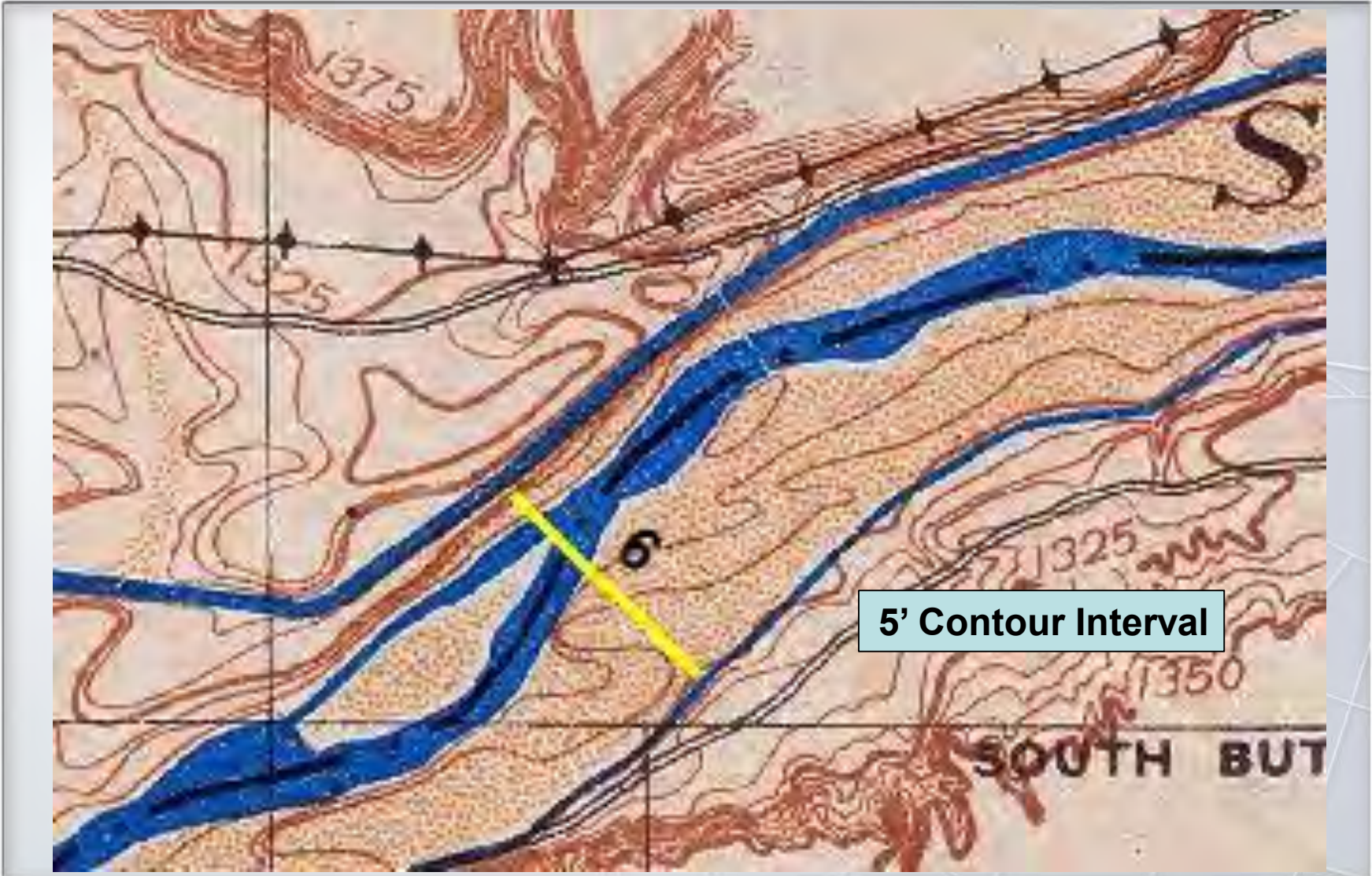
**= 0.045 (Fuller, 2003)**

**A = Cross Sectional Area (ft<sup>2</sup>)**

**R = Hydraulic Radius = A/Wetted Perimeter (ft)**

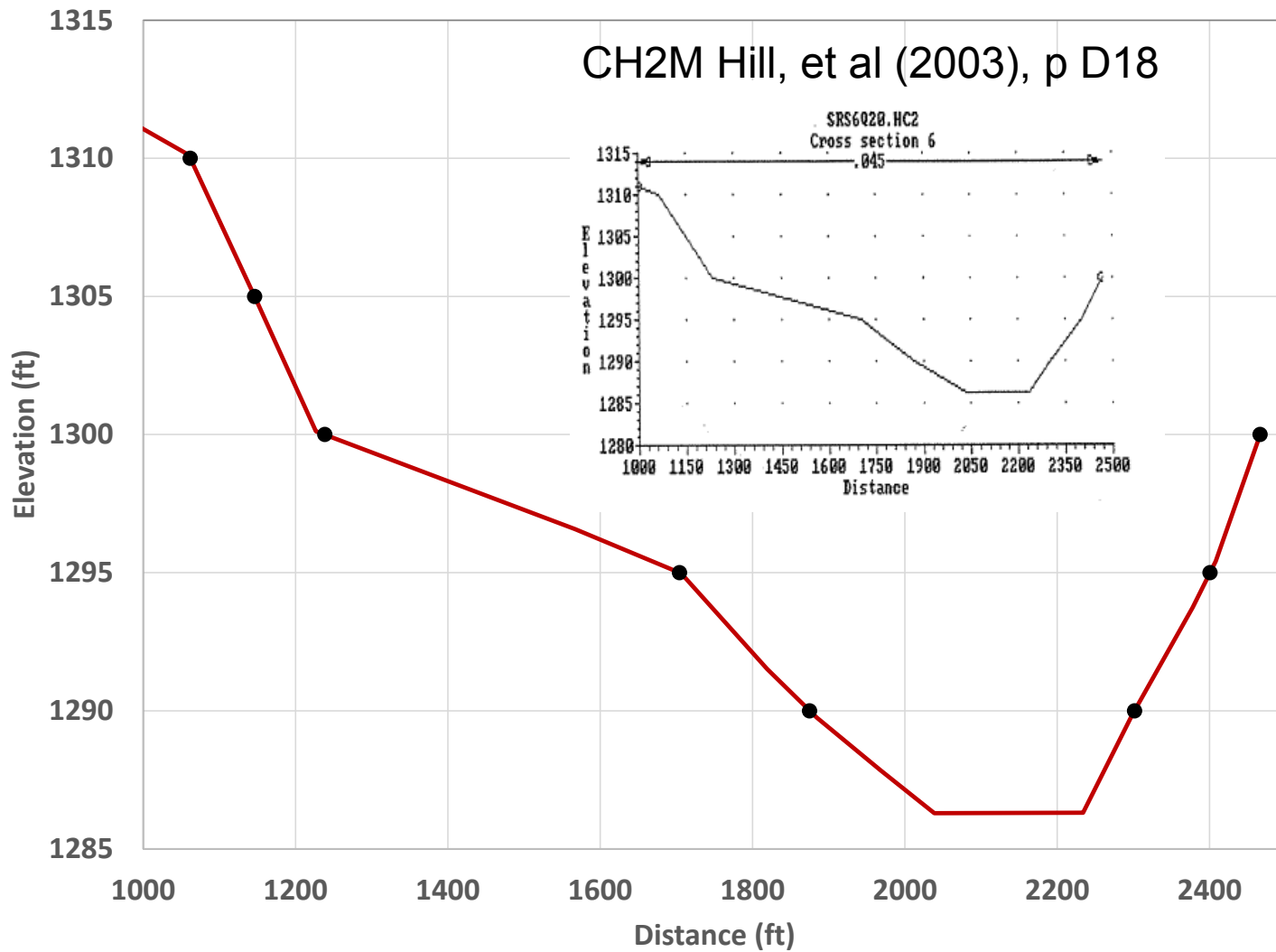
**S = Slope**

# Fuller Cross Section 6



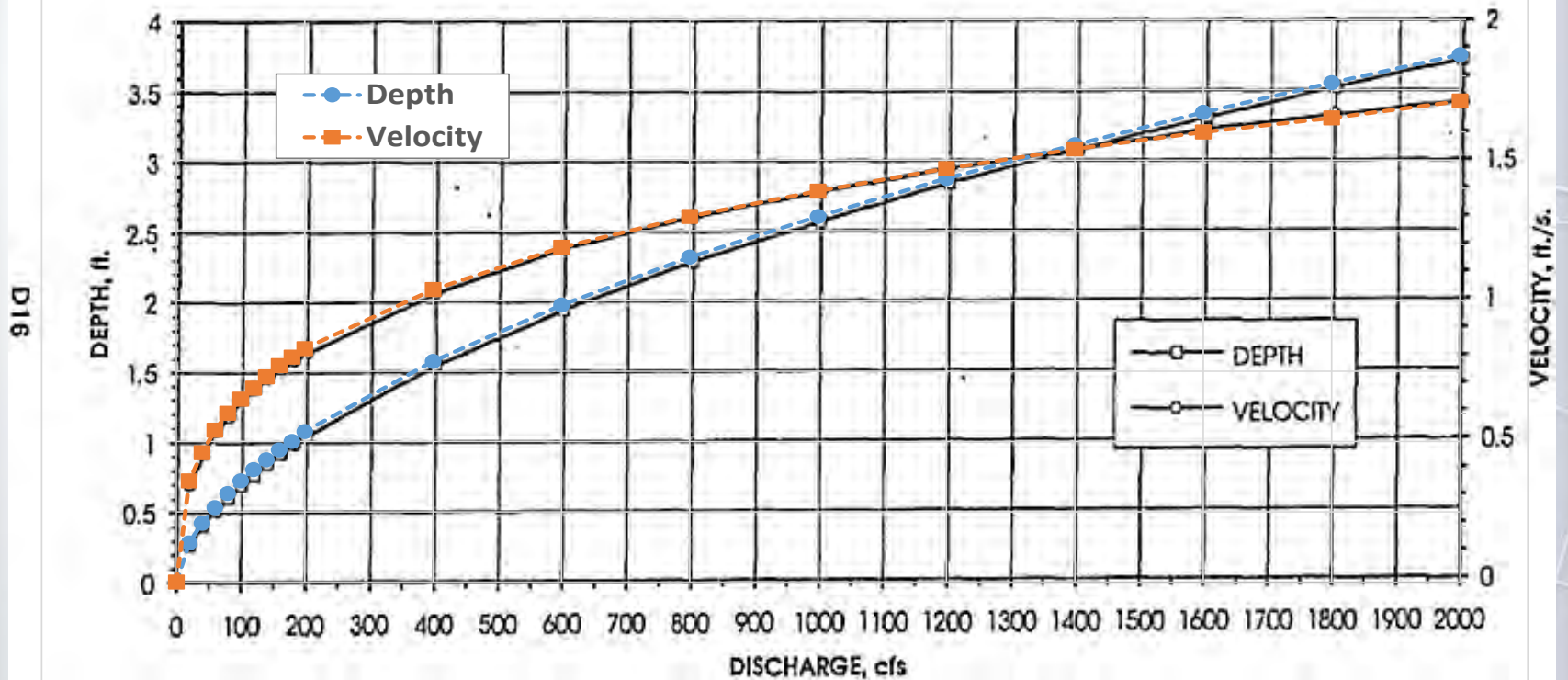


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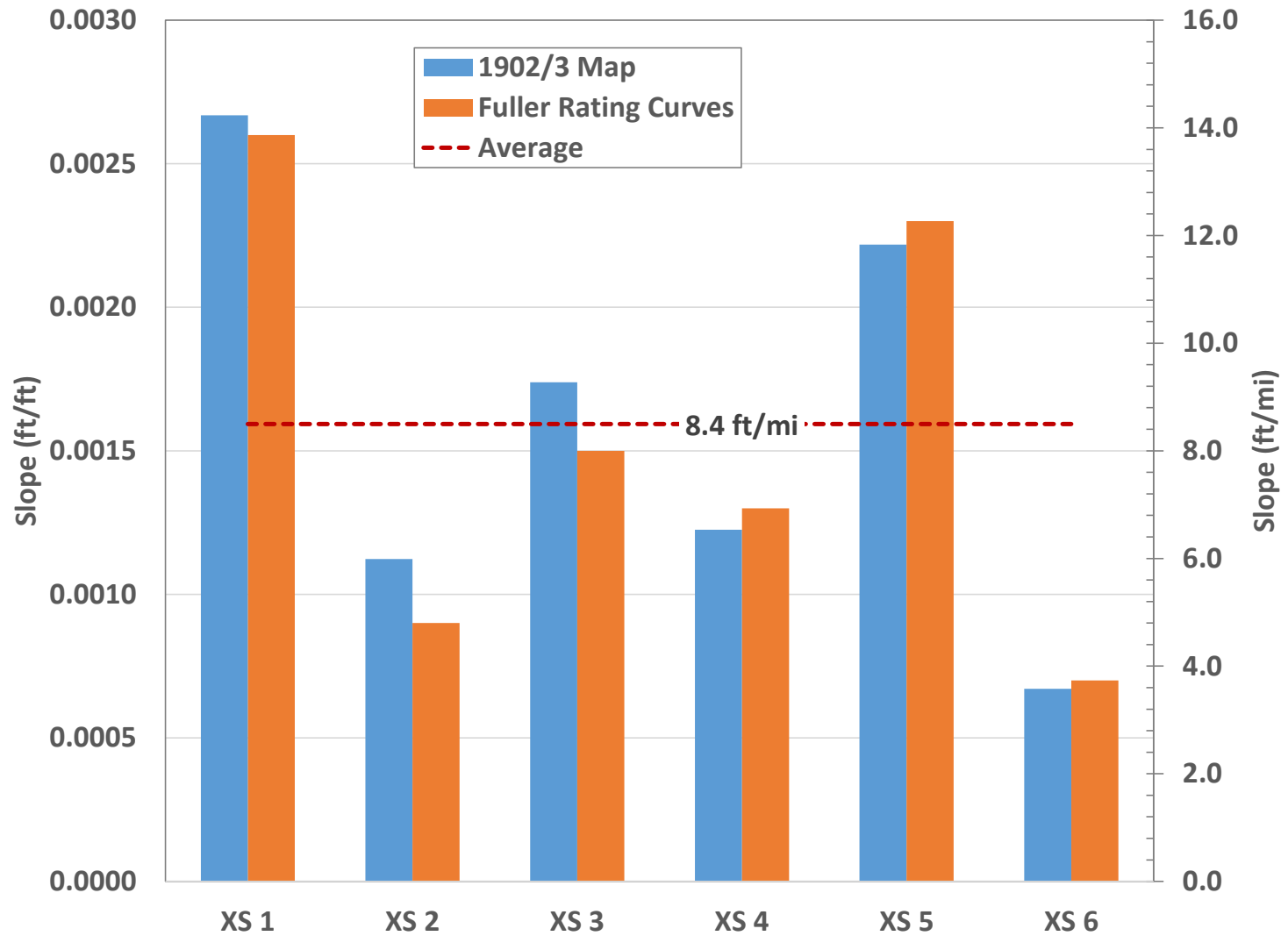
# Fuller Cross Section 6

SALT RIVER: Cross-section #6  
Depth and Velocity



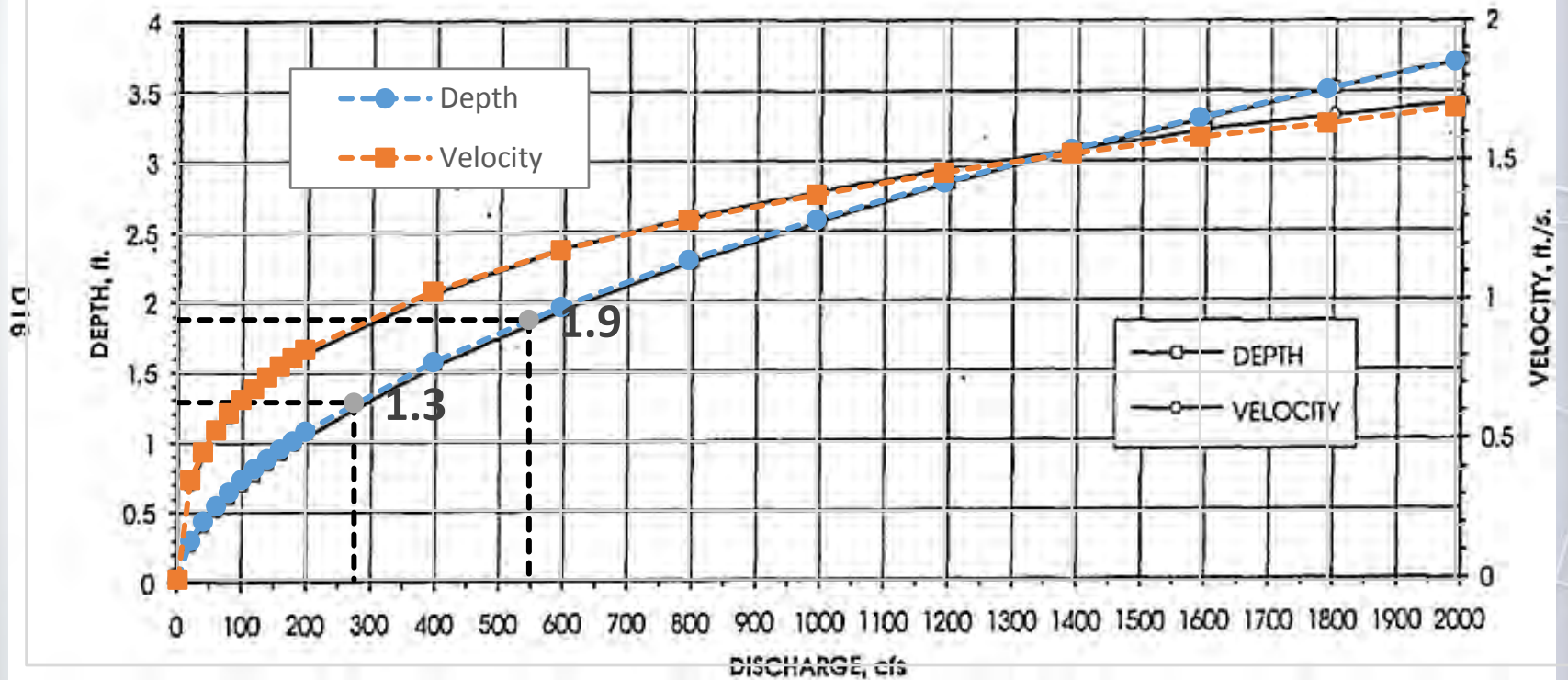


# Slopes at Fuller Cross Sections

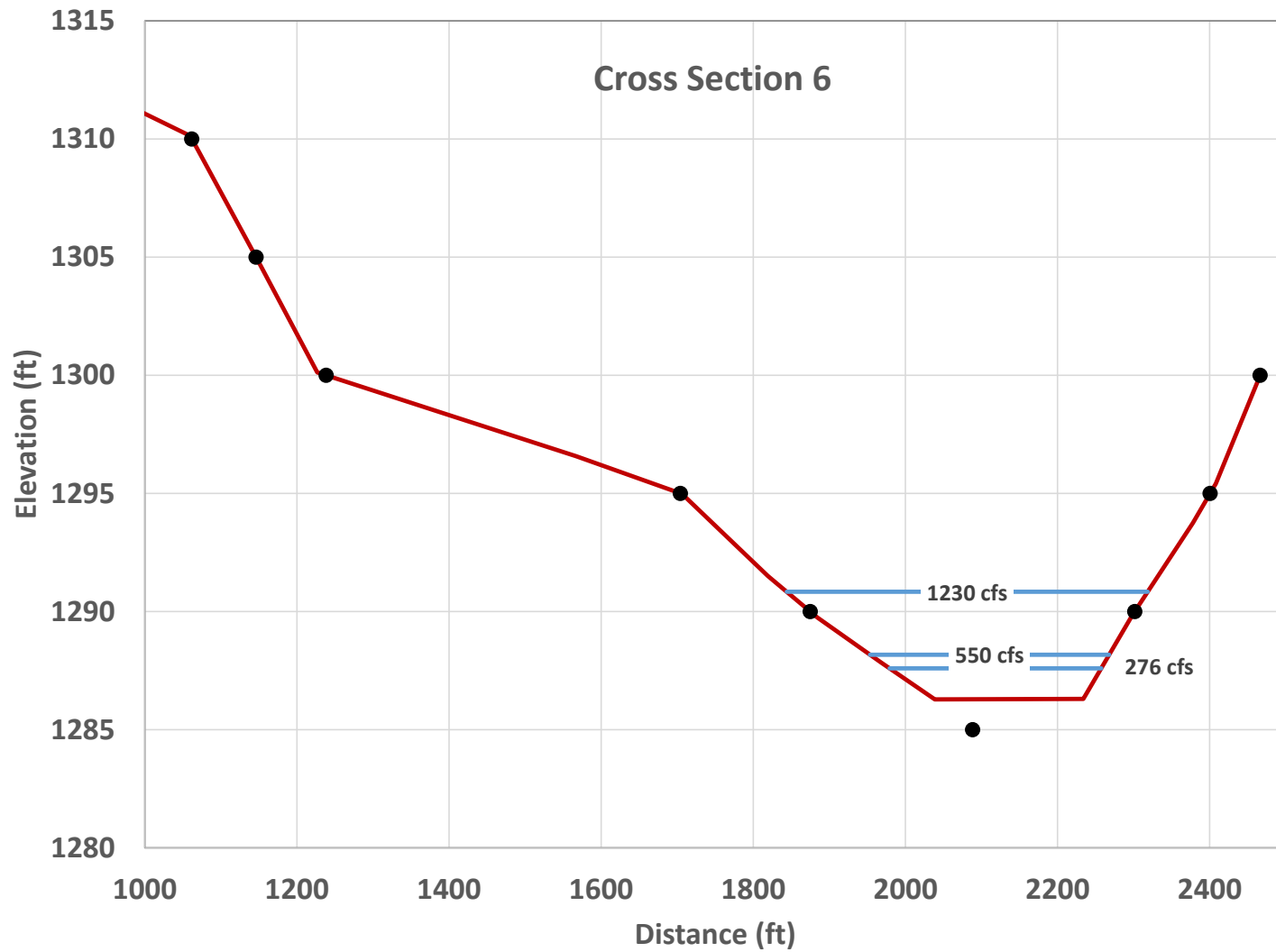


# Fuller Cross Section 6

SALT RIVER: Cross-section #6  
Depth and Velocity







# Fuller Hydraulic Estimates

## Salt River: Rating Curve Segment 5, Alluvial Channel

Flow Frequency	Flow Rate (cfs)	Avg Depth (ft)	Average Velocity (ft/s)	Top Width (ft)
90%	<del>&gt;159</del> <b>160</b>	<del>1.4</del> <b>1.3</b>	<del>1.4</del> <b>0.9</b>	<del>175</del> <b>280</b>
50% (median)	<del>992</del> <b>348</b>	<del>3.8</del> <b>1.5</b>	<del>2.5</del> <b>1.0</b>	<del>215</del> <b>290</b>
10%	<del>&gt;2120</del> <b>2,240</b>	<del>&gt;5</del> <b>4.7</b>	<del>&gt;3</del> <b>2.0</b>	<del>&gt;300</del> <b>480</b>

Segment 5 Values Based on Cross Section 6

## Salt River: Rating Curve Segment 6, Alluvial Channel

Flow Frequency	Flow Rate (cfs)	Avg Depth (ft)	Average Velocity (ft/s)	Top Width (ft)
90%	277	<del>0.8</del> <b>1.3</b>	<del>1.7</del> <b>1.4</b>	<del>205</del> <b>200</b>
50% (median)	<del>1,230*</del> <b>554</b>	<del>5.3</del> <b>1.9</b>	<del>2.1</del> <b>1.8</b>	<del>290</del> <b>230</b>
10%	3,062	<del>&gt;6</del> <b>4.7</b>	<del>&gt;3</del> <b>2.9</b>	<del>&gt;300</del> <b>340</b>



# Fuller Hydraulic Estimates

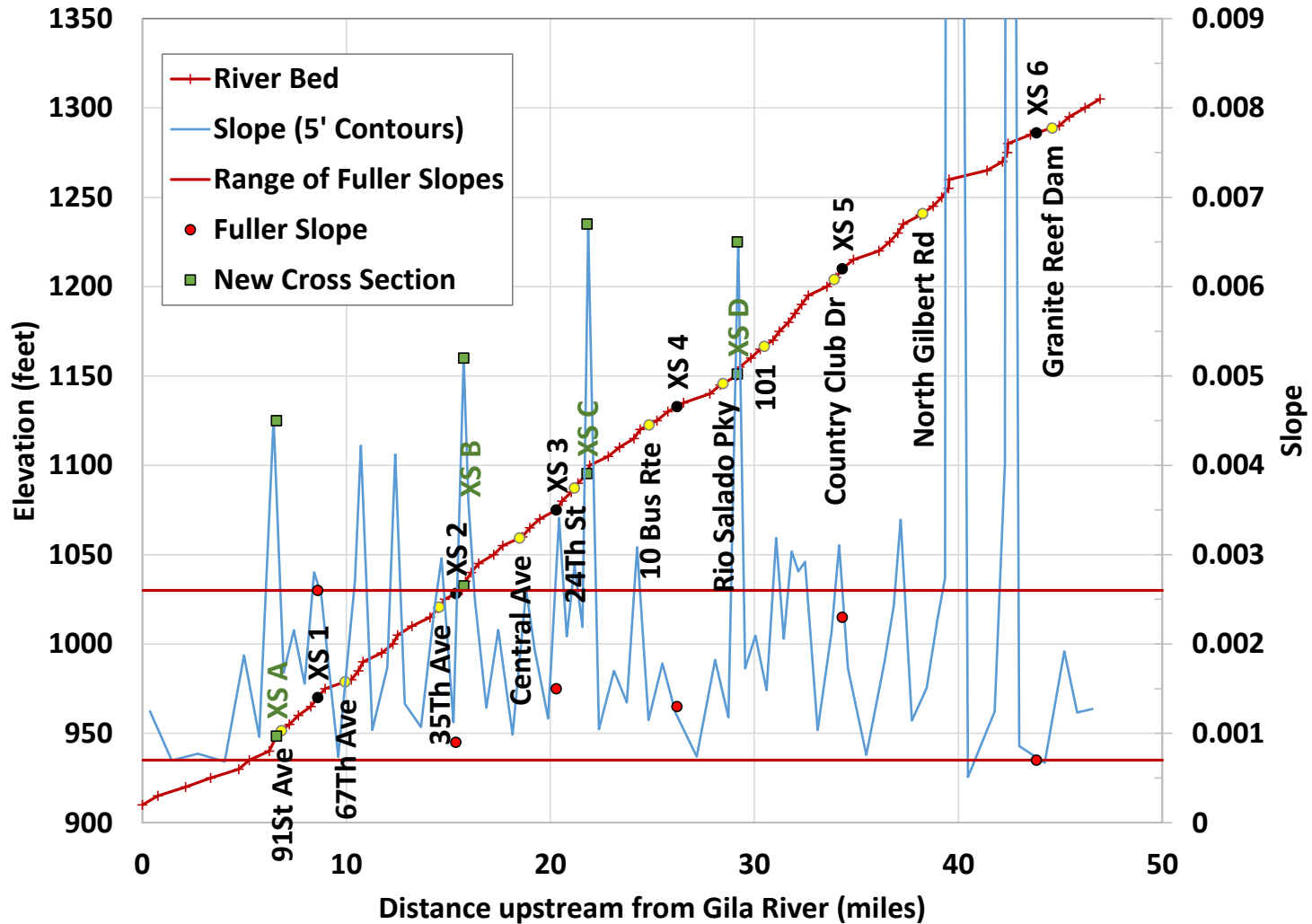
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**NOTE: These values most likely do not represent the overall average through the segments, and they definitely do not represent the locations most limiting to navigation**

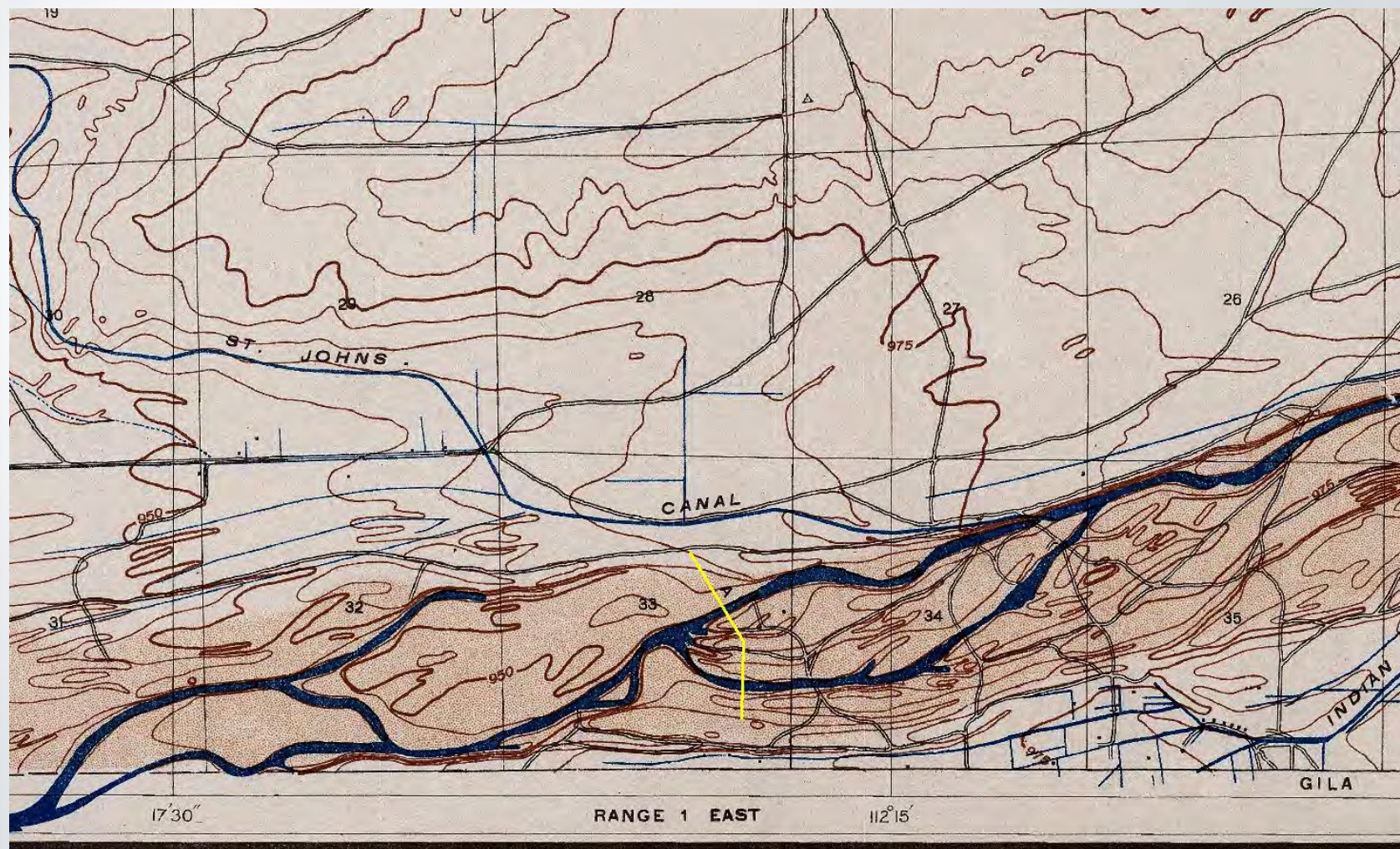
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# Segment 6 1902-03 Profile and Slopes



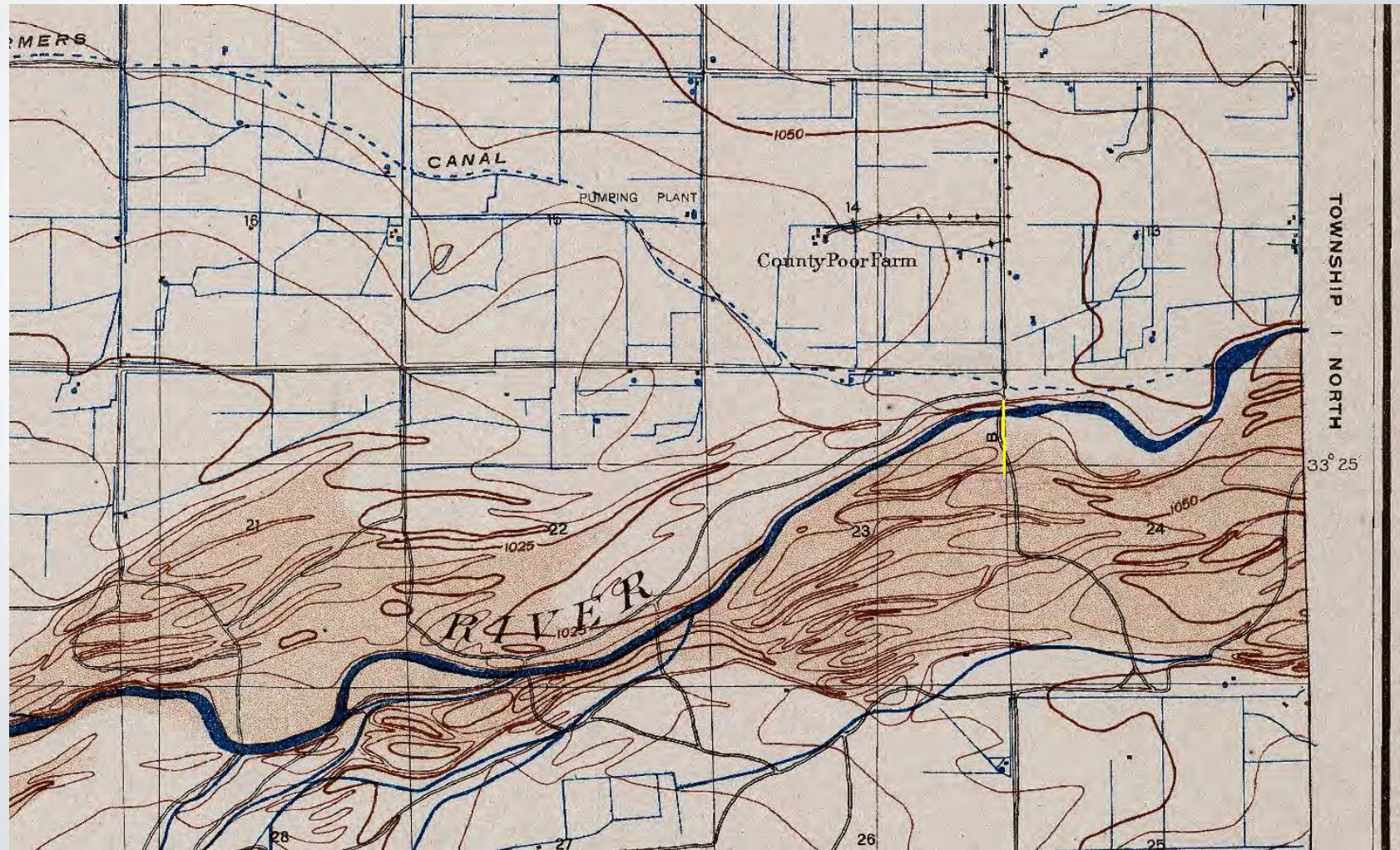


# XS A (RM 6.6)



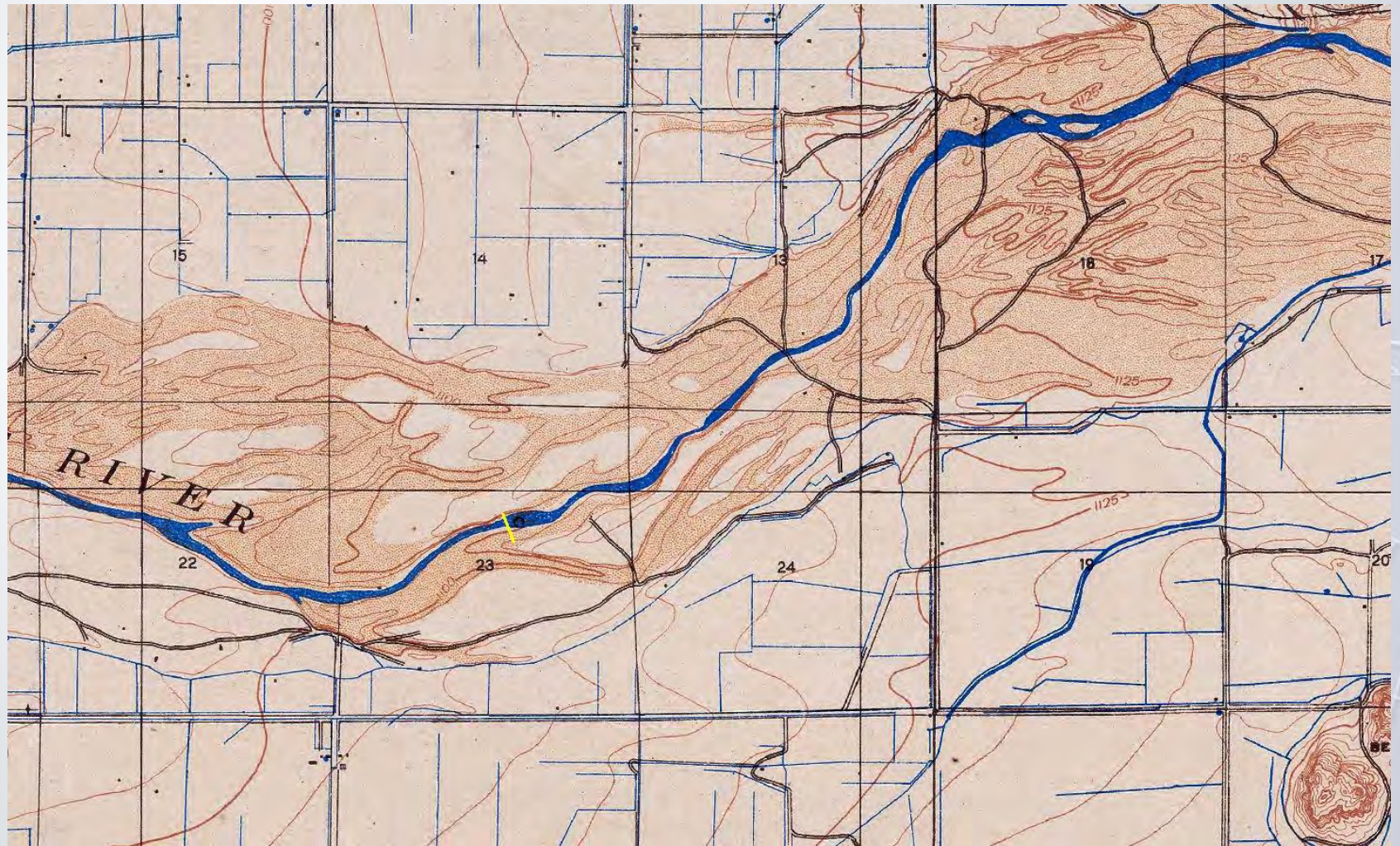


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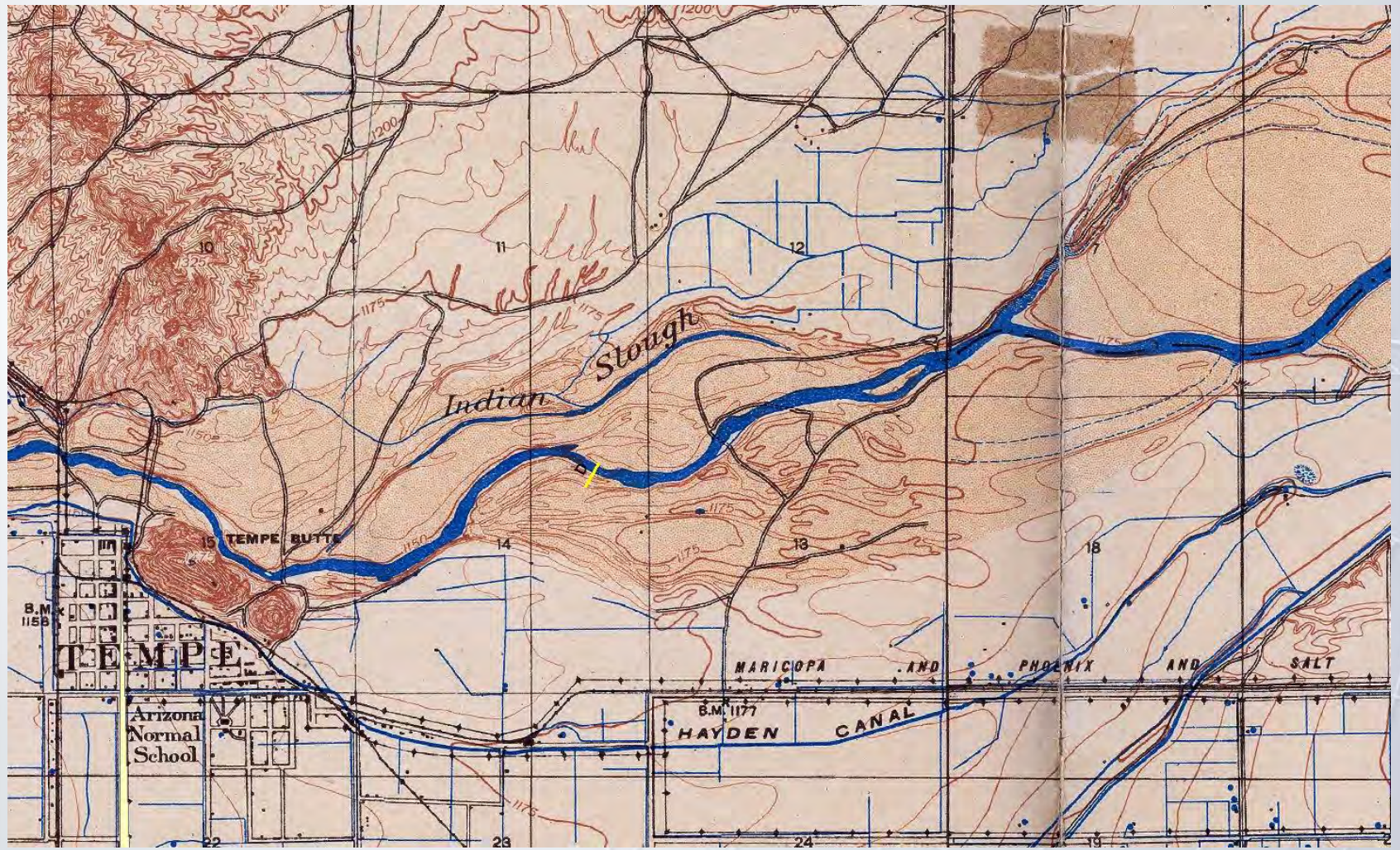


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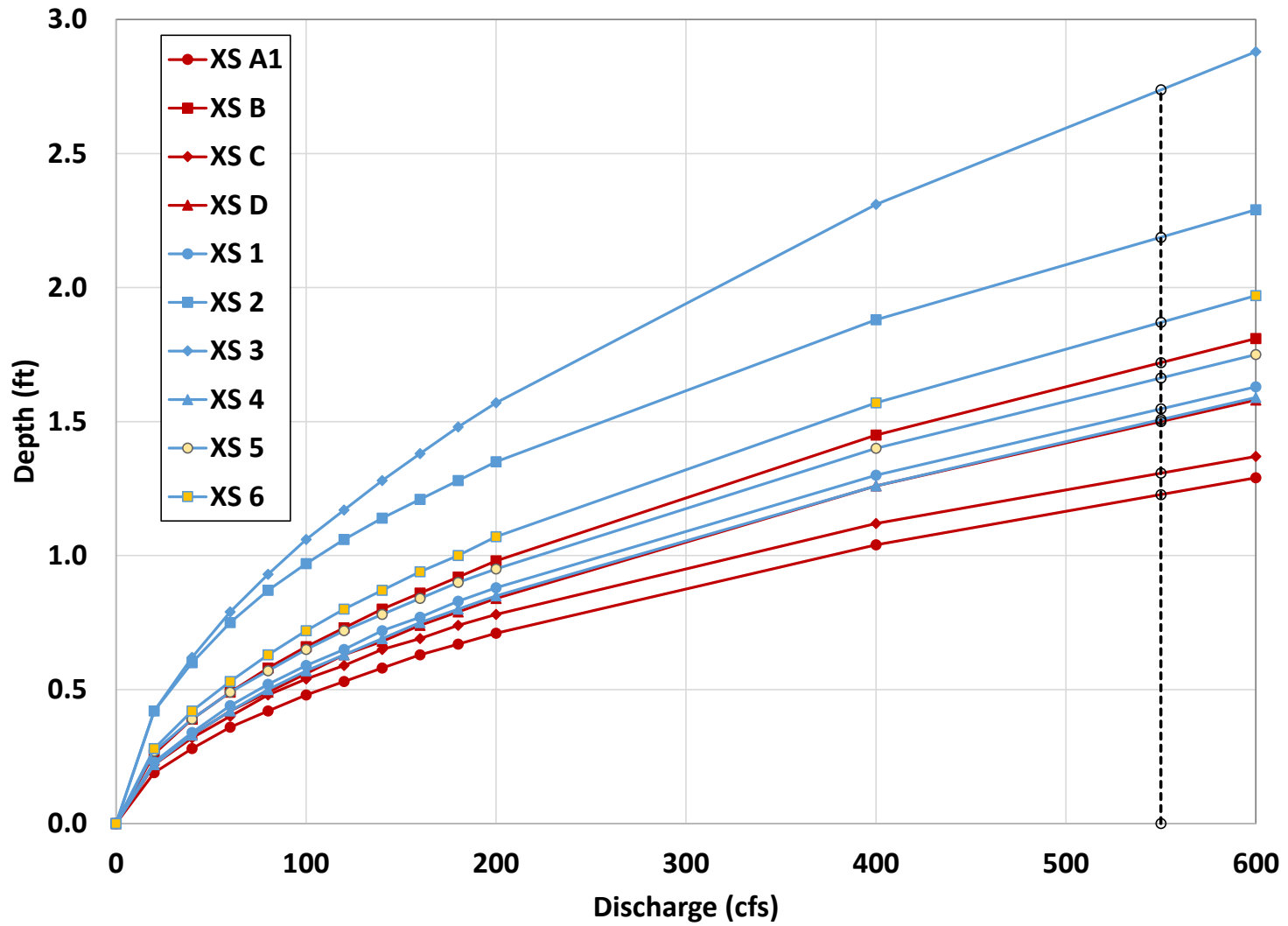


# XS D (RM 29.2)





# Depth Rating Curves: Fuller versus Limiting



## Summary of Opinions

**Neither the Upper or Lower Salt River were susceptible to being used, in their ordinary and natural condition, as a highway for commerce, using customary modes of trade and travel on water at the time of Arizona's statehood.**