

“A multicounty agency authorized to plan for and acquire supplemental water supplies, encourage water conservation and use of recycled water on a regional basis.”

[BAWSCA Act, AB2058 (Papan-2002)]

Board of Directors Meeting

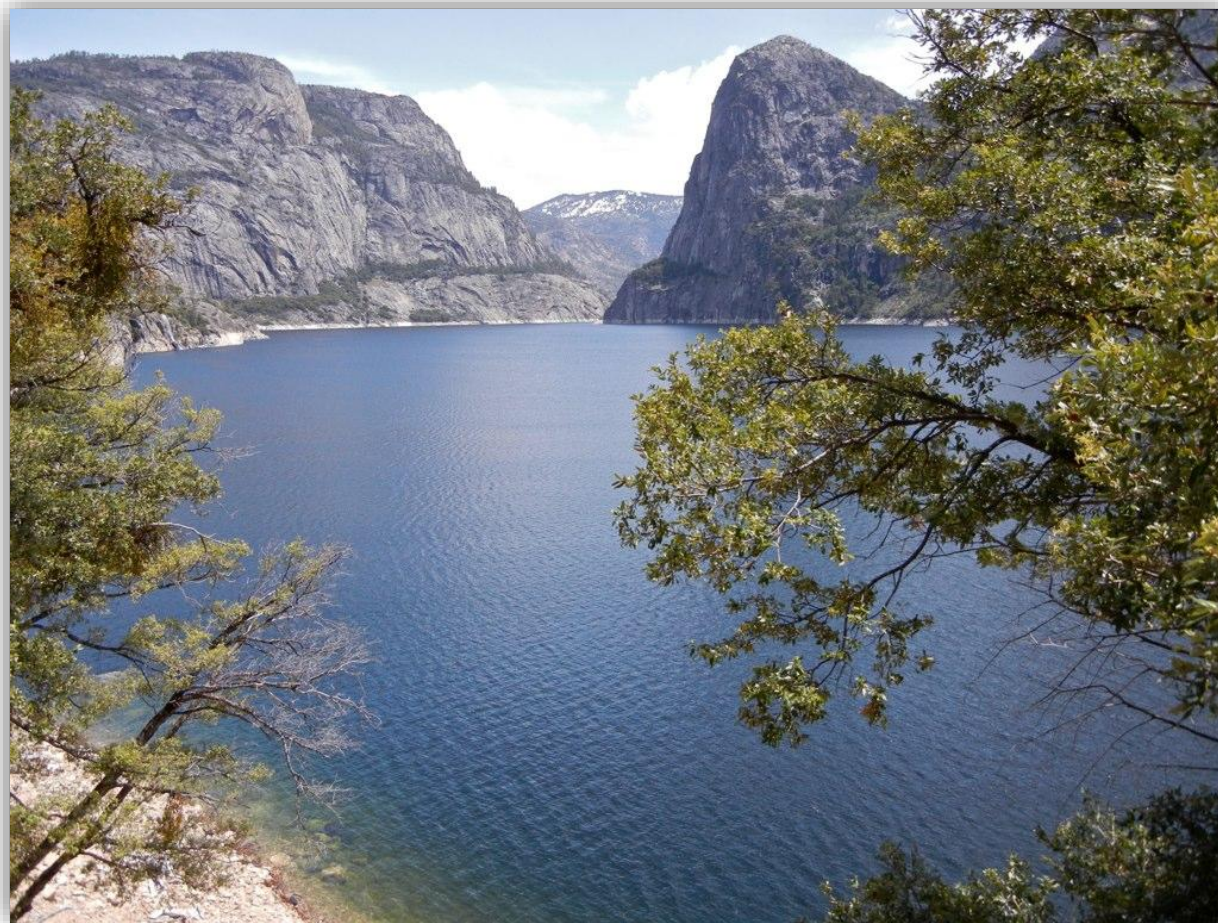
November 20, 2025



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Comments by the Chair



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Board Policy Committee Report



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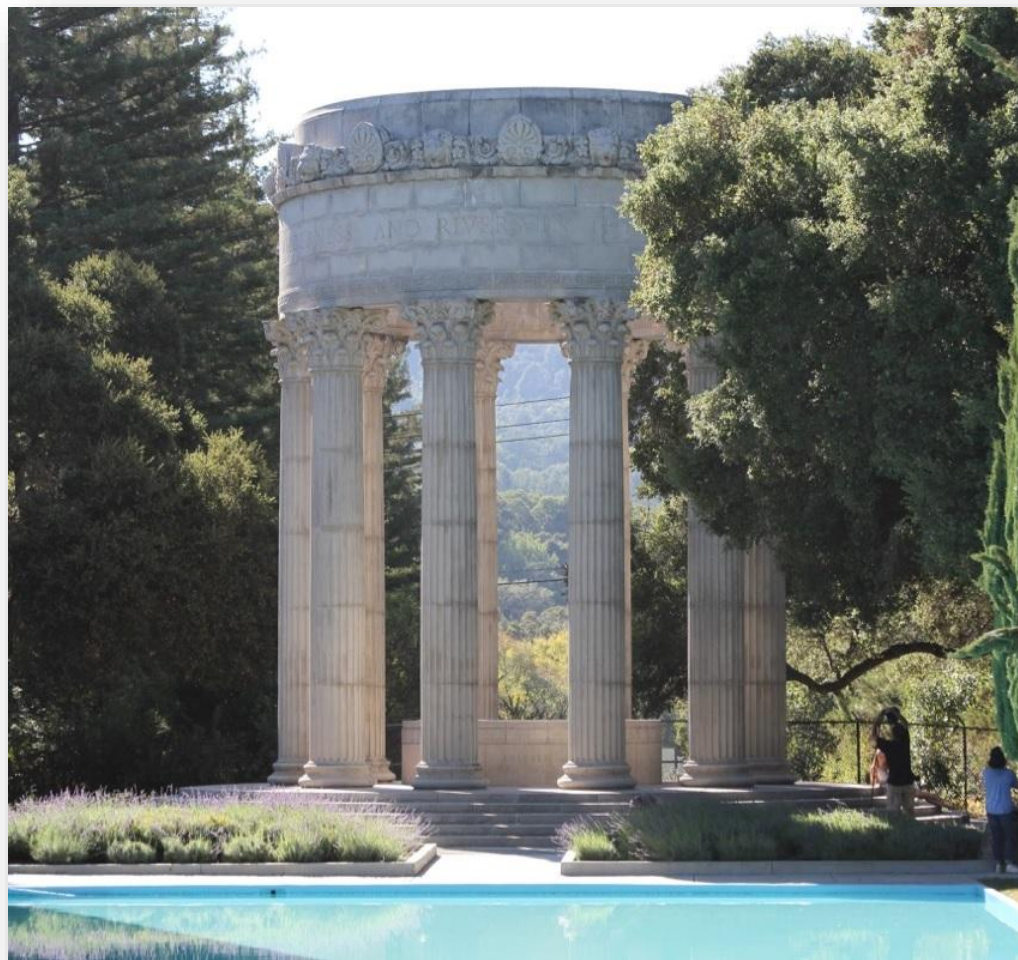
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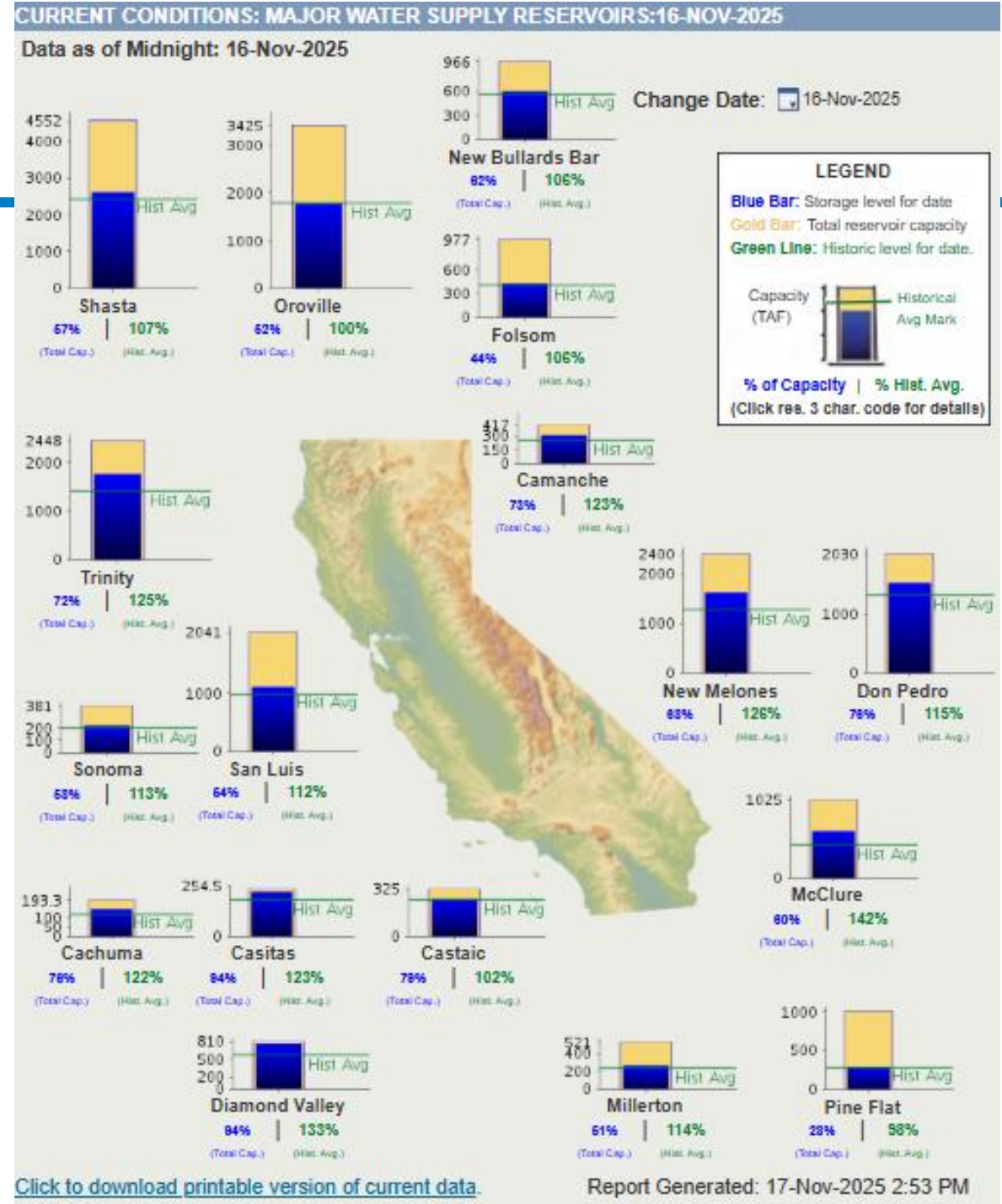
Water Supply Conditions Update

November 20, 2025

November 17, 2025, Reservoir Storage

Reservoir	Current Storage ^{1,2,3} (AF)	Maximum Storage ⁴ (AF)	Available Capacity (AF)	Percent of Maximum Storage	Normal Percent of Maximum Storage ⁵
<u>Tuolumne System</u>					
Hetch Hetchy	270,200	360,360	90,160	75.0%	70.9%
Cherry	256,900	273,345	16,445	94.0%	-
Eleanor	19,760	27,100	7,340	72.9%	-
Water Bank	562,575	570,000	7,425	98.7%	97.9%
Total Tuolumne Storage	1,109,435	1,230,805	121,370	90.1%	-
<u>Local System</u>					
Calaveras	66,903	96,670	29,767	69.2%	-
San Antonio	49,288	53,266	3,978	92.5%	-
Crystal Springs	51,456	68,953	17,497	74.6%	-
San Andreas	16,036	18,675	2,639	85.9%	-
Pilarcitos	1,739	3,125	1,386	55.6%	-
Total Local Storage	185,422	240,689	55,267	77.0%	-
Total System Storage	1,294,857	1,471,494	176,637	88.0%	78.1%
Total without water bank	732,282	901,494	169,212	81.2%	-

Other California Reservoirs

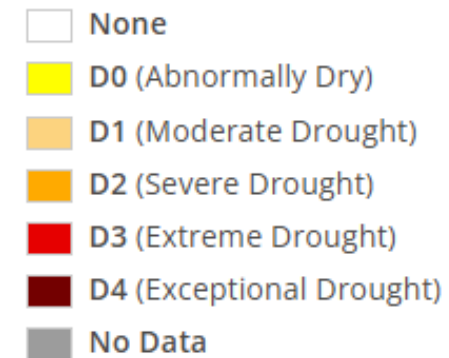


California Drought Monitor

Map released: Thurs. November 13, 2025

Data valid: November 11, 2025 at 7 a.m. EST

Intensity



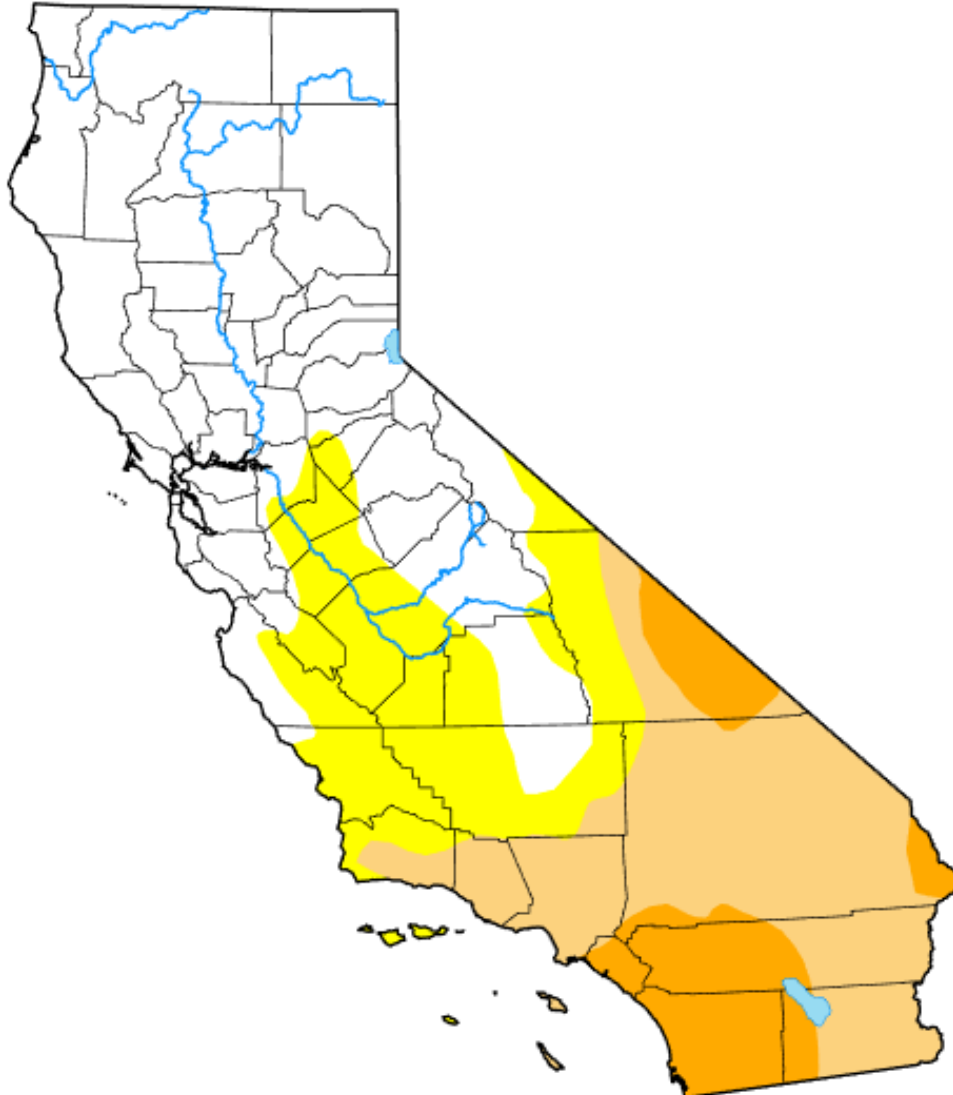
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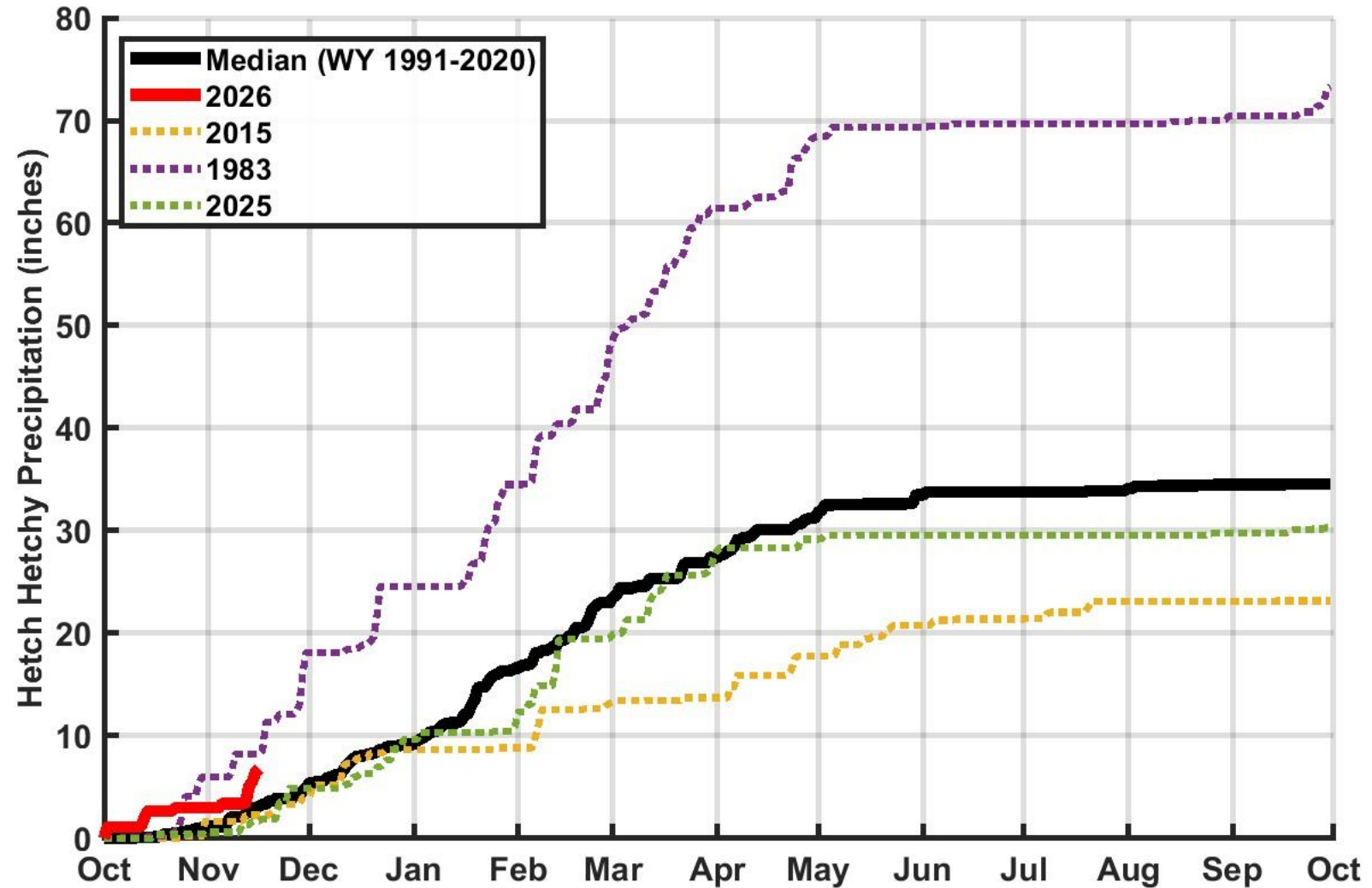
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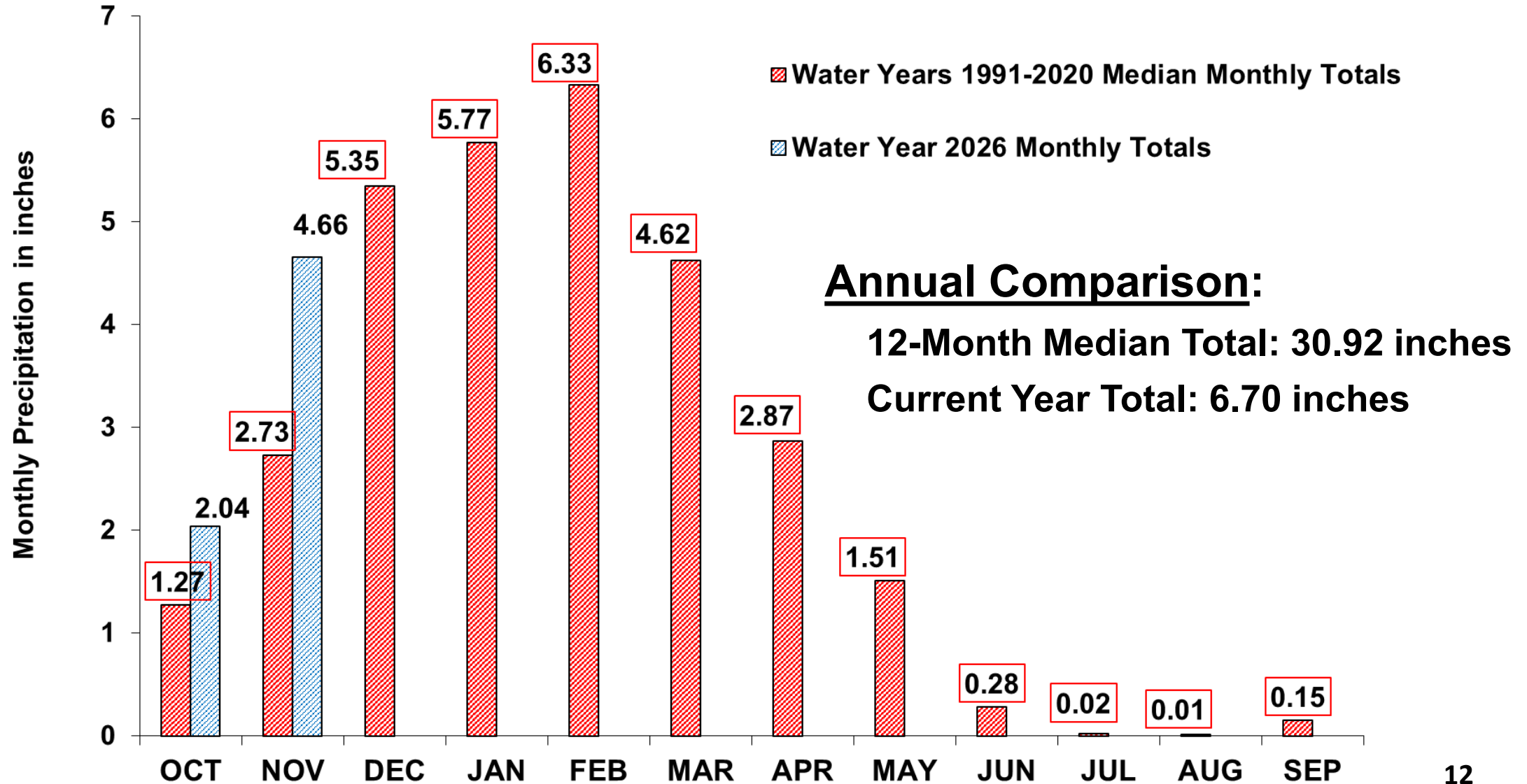
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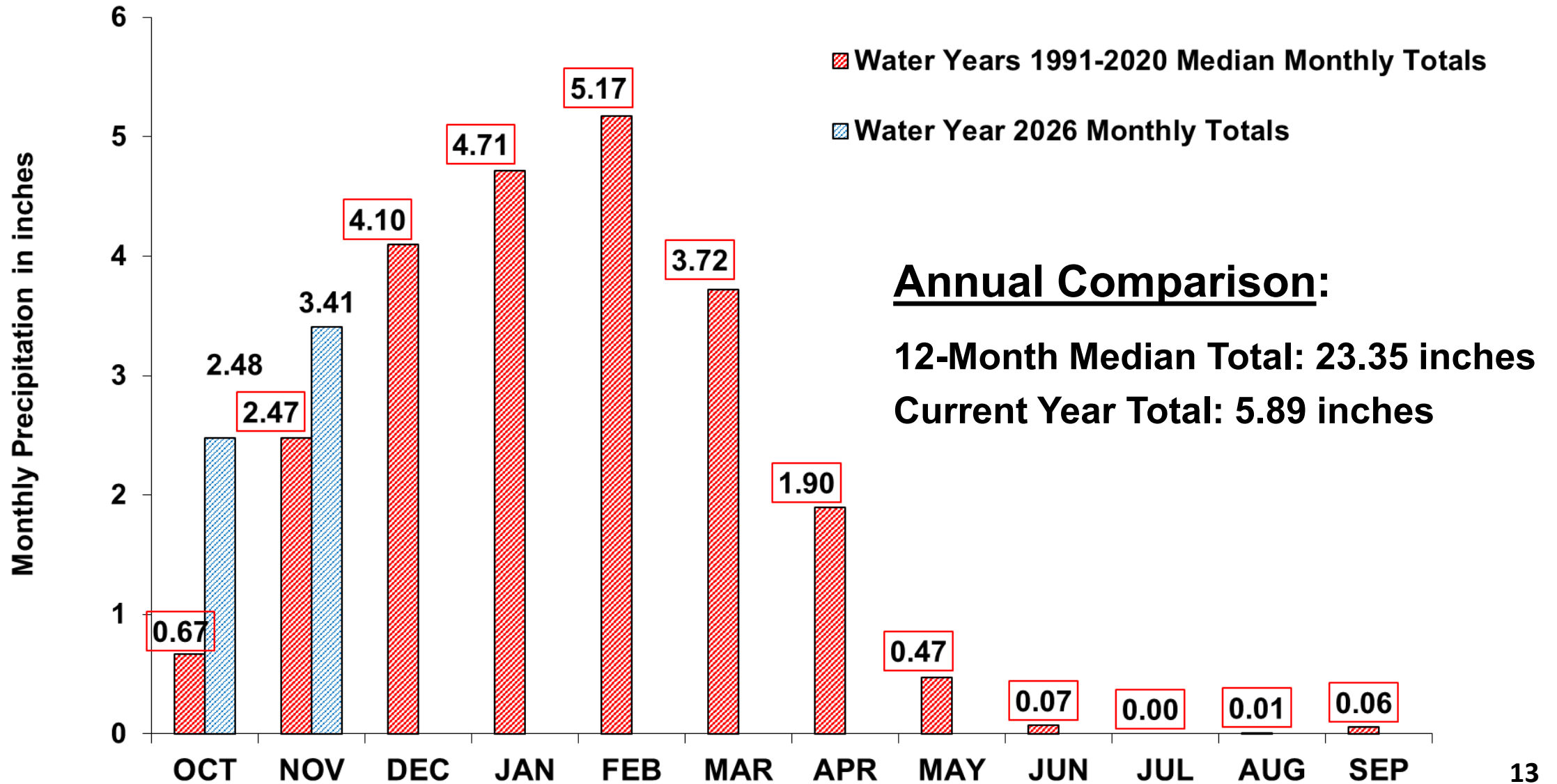
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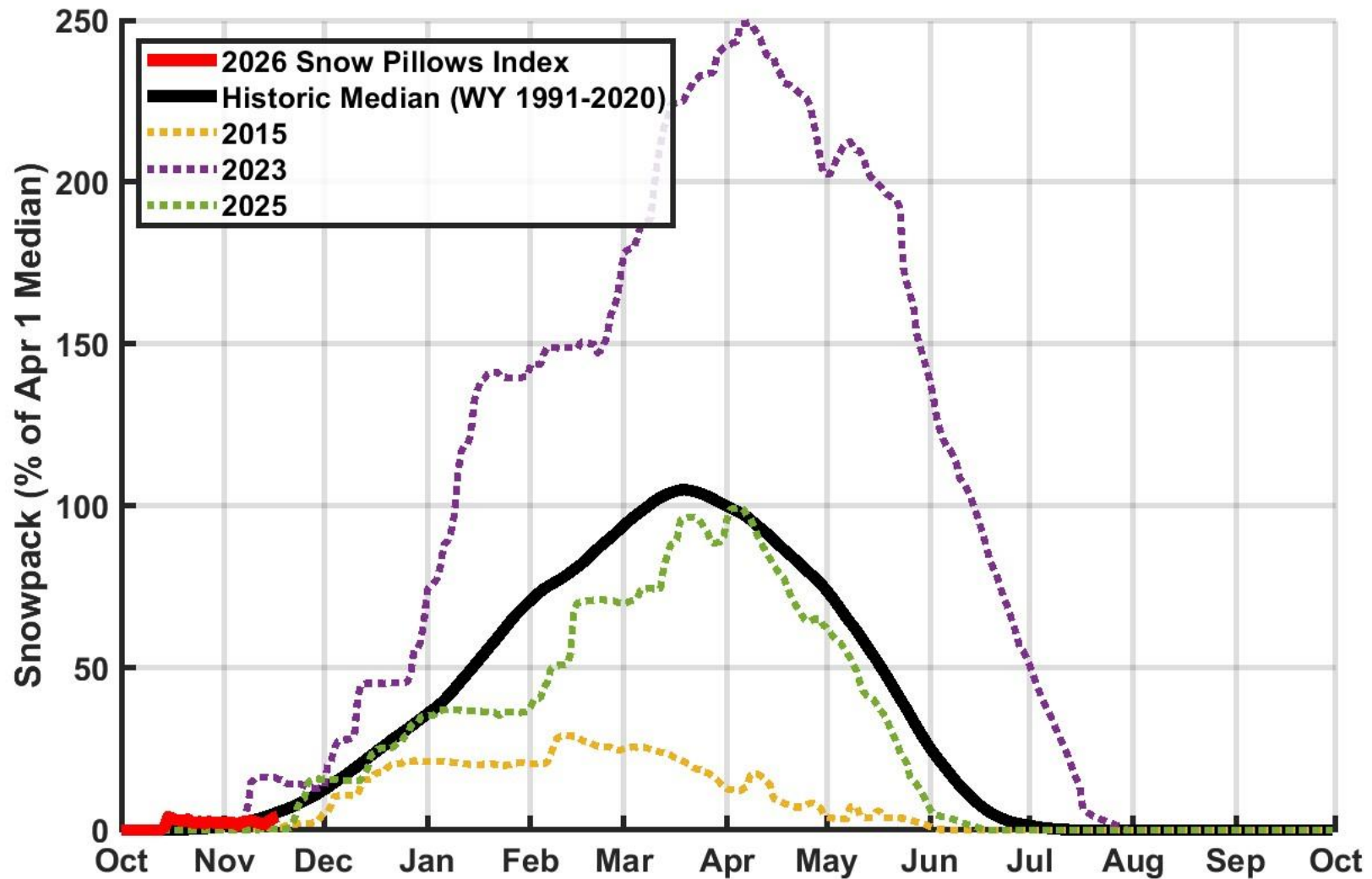
Upcountry 6-station Precipitation Index as of November 16, 2025



Bay Area 7-station Precipitation Index as of November 16, 2025

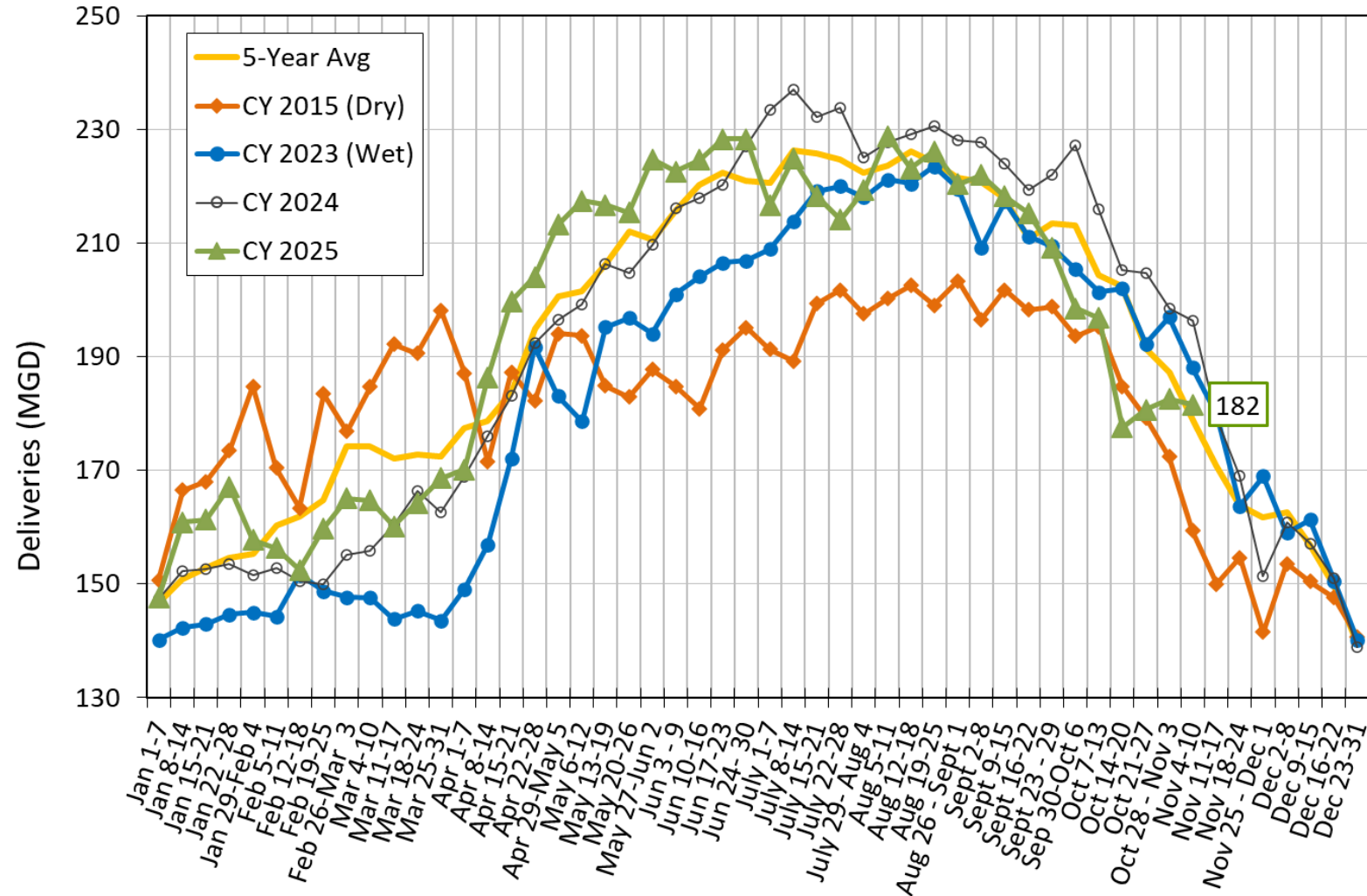


Upcountry Snowpack



Total Deliveries

Regional Water System Total Deliveries
Source: SFPUC Regional Water System County Meters



Consent Calendar

- A. Approve Minutes of the September 18, 2025 Meeting
- B. Receive and File Budget Status Report – As of 9/30/2025
- C. Receive and File Annual Audit Report for BAWSCA and Compilation Report for BAWUA for FY 2024-25
- D. Receive and File Directors' Reimbursement Report – As of 9/30/2025
- E. Receive and File Employee Reimbursement Report – As of 9/30/2025
- F. Receive and File Investment Report – As of 10/31/2025
- G. Adoption of Resolution #2025-02 Approving the Extension of the 2021 Amended and Restated Tier 2 Drought Response Implementation Plan
- H. Annual Review and Consideration of BAWSCA's Statement of Investment Policy



Adoption of Resolution #2025-02

- The Tier 2 Plan must be unanimously adopted by all agencies or the BAWSCA Board to be implemented
- 25 of the 26 BAWSCA member agencies have adopted the updated Tier 2 Plan
- The 26th agency will consider adoption on December 2, 2025
- Past practice has been that the Board extend the existing Tier 2 Plan so that one is consistently in place in the event of drought
- The Board Policy Committee recommended that the Board extend the term of the existing Tier 2 Plan
- The updated Plan will supersede the existing Plan when it is unanimously adopted



Recommended Action

That the Board adopt Resolution #2025-02 extending the term of the 2021 Amended and Restated Tier 2 Plan through December 31, 2026, or until all Wholesale Customers' governing bodies adopt an updated Tier 2 Plan.



Strategy 2050 – Affordability Assessment



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Goals for Today's Presentation

- Share information on the “affordability” of water for typical and low-income customers in the BAWSCA region.
 - Understood as the general concept that water bills should not be a burden on households, allowing them to meet other basic needs like food, housing, and health care
- Provide context on water affordability to inform upcoming Strategy 2050 decisions.



Affordability Analysis Key Questions

1. How affordable is average water use for the typical household in the BAWSCA region?
2. How affordable is basic water service for low-income households?
3. How have water costs changed relative to income growth and other essential household expenses over the past decade?
4. What is the extent of water affordability challenges in the BAWSCA region?



Affordability Assessment Overview

What It Is

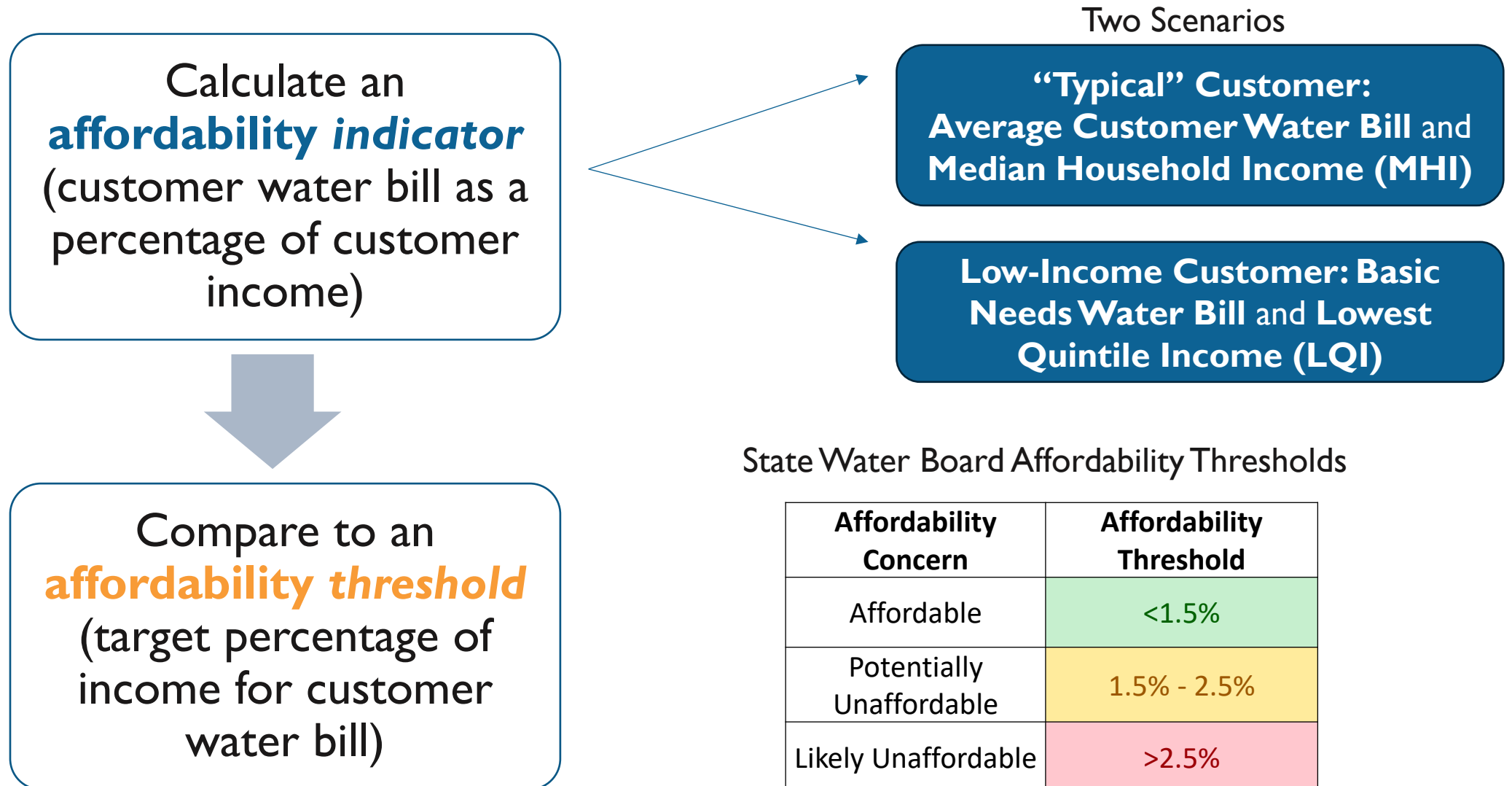
- ✓ A snapshot of current water affordability for representative single-family households in BAWSCA region
 - “Typical” households by census block
 - Low-income households by census block
- ✓ Context to inform future Strategy 2050 decisions (e.g., projects, regional programs)

What It Is Not

- ✗ An affordability assessment for individual BAWSCA agencies
- ✗ An individual household-level affordability assessment
- ✗ An evaluation of affordability for expenses other than water service

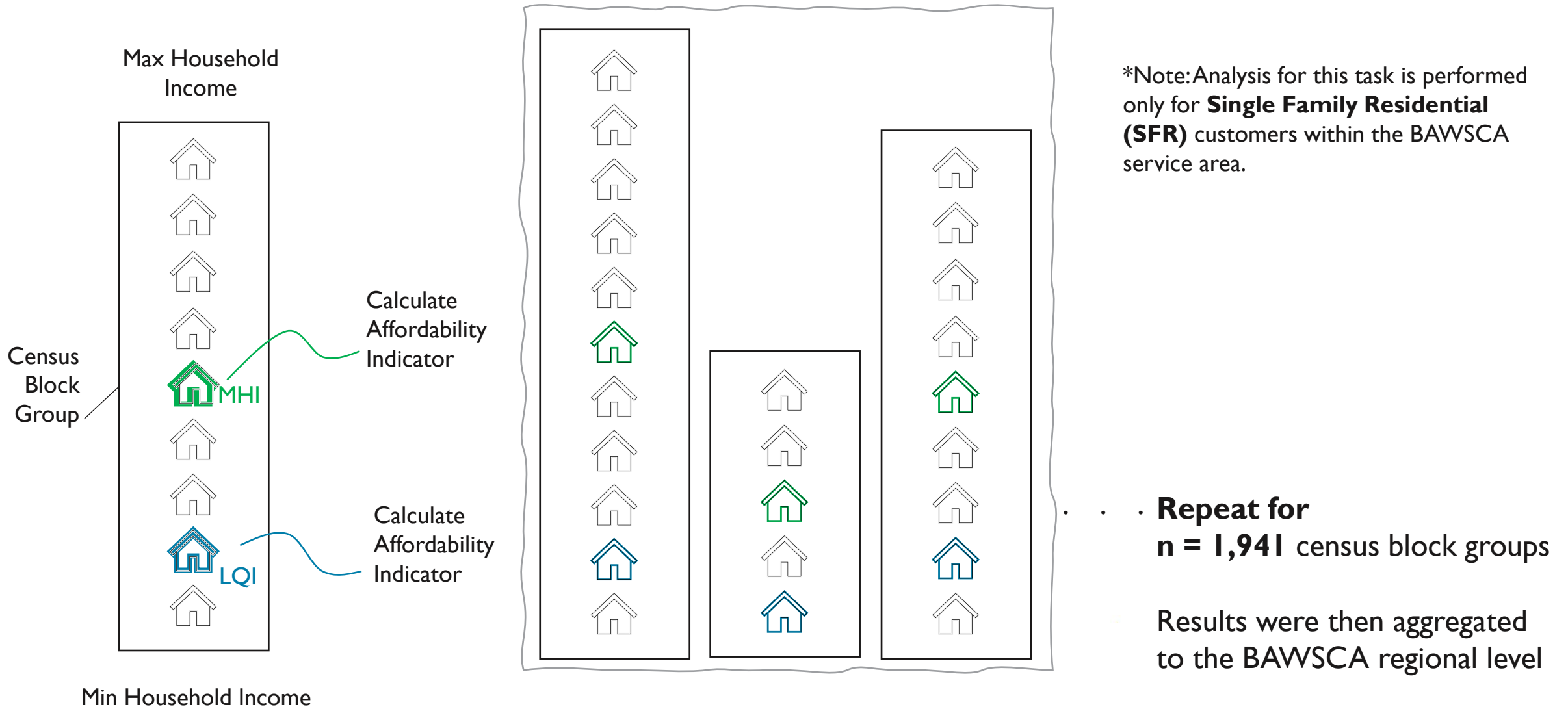


How Is Affordability Assessed?

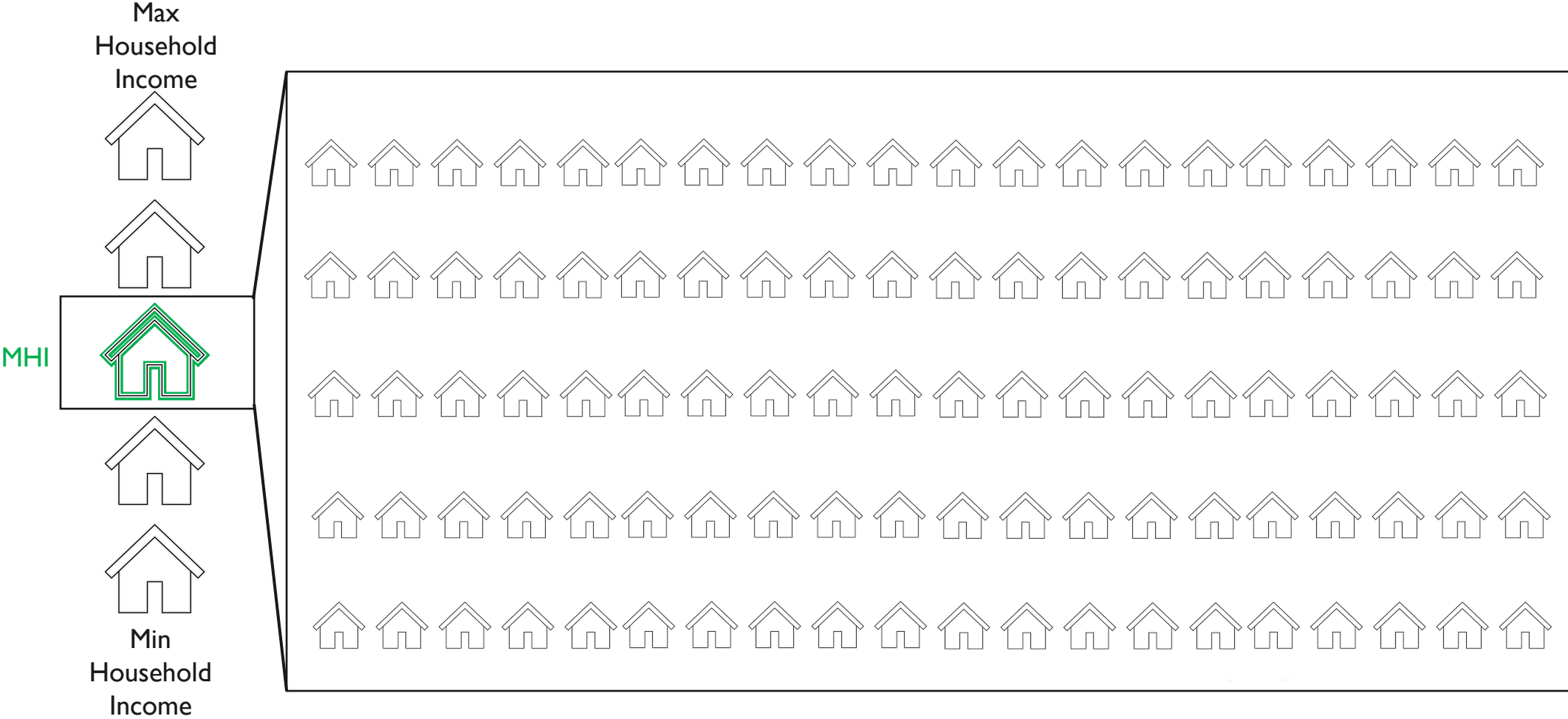


Assessing Affordability Threshold

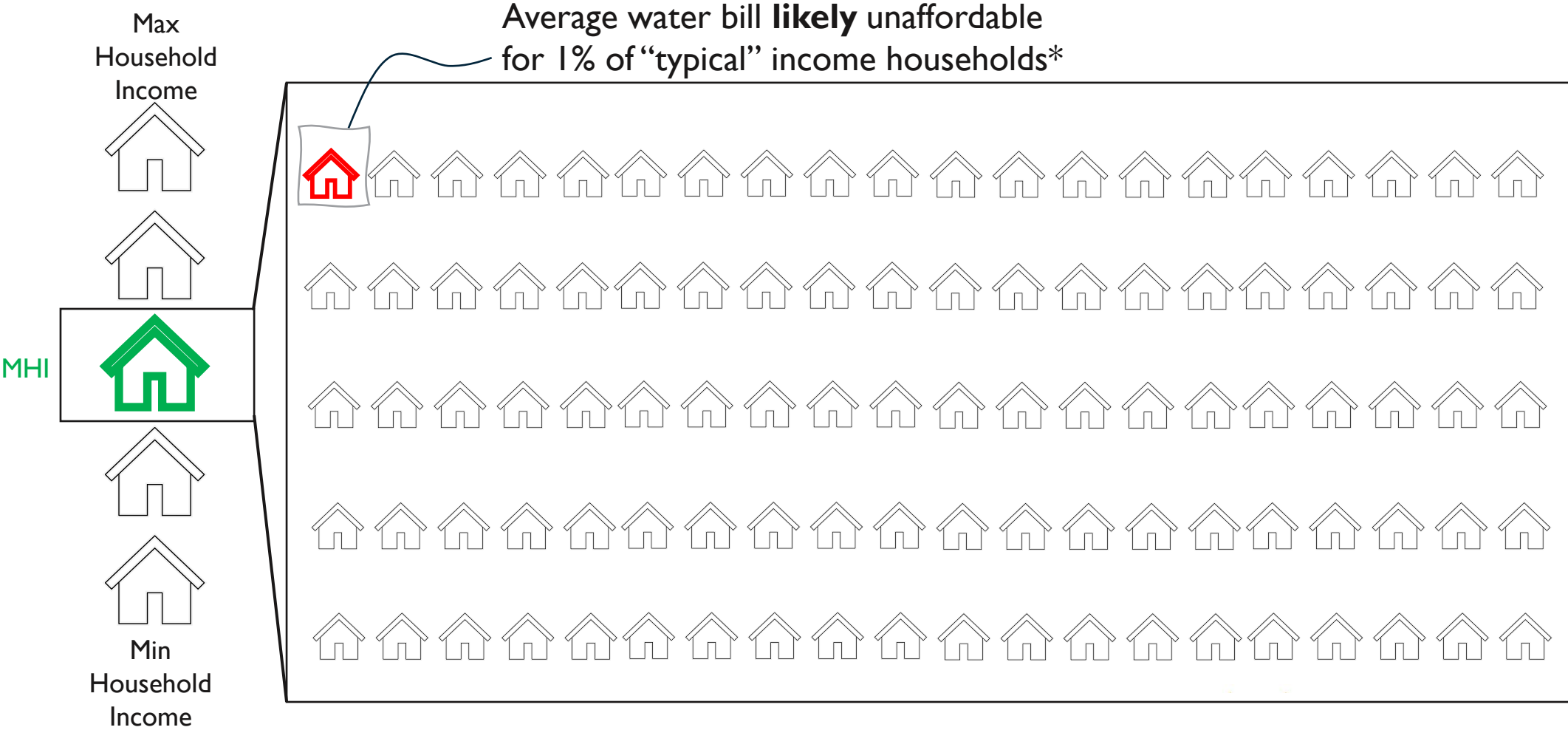
Assessing Affordability Threshold



Affordability for “Typical” Income Household

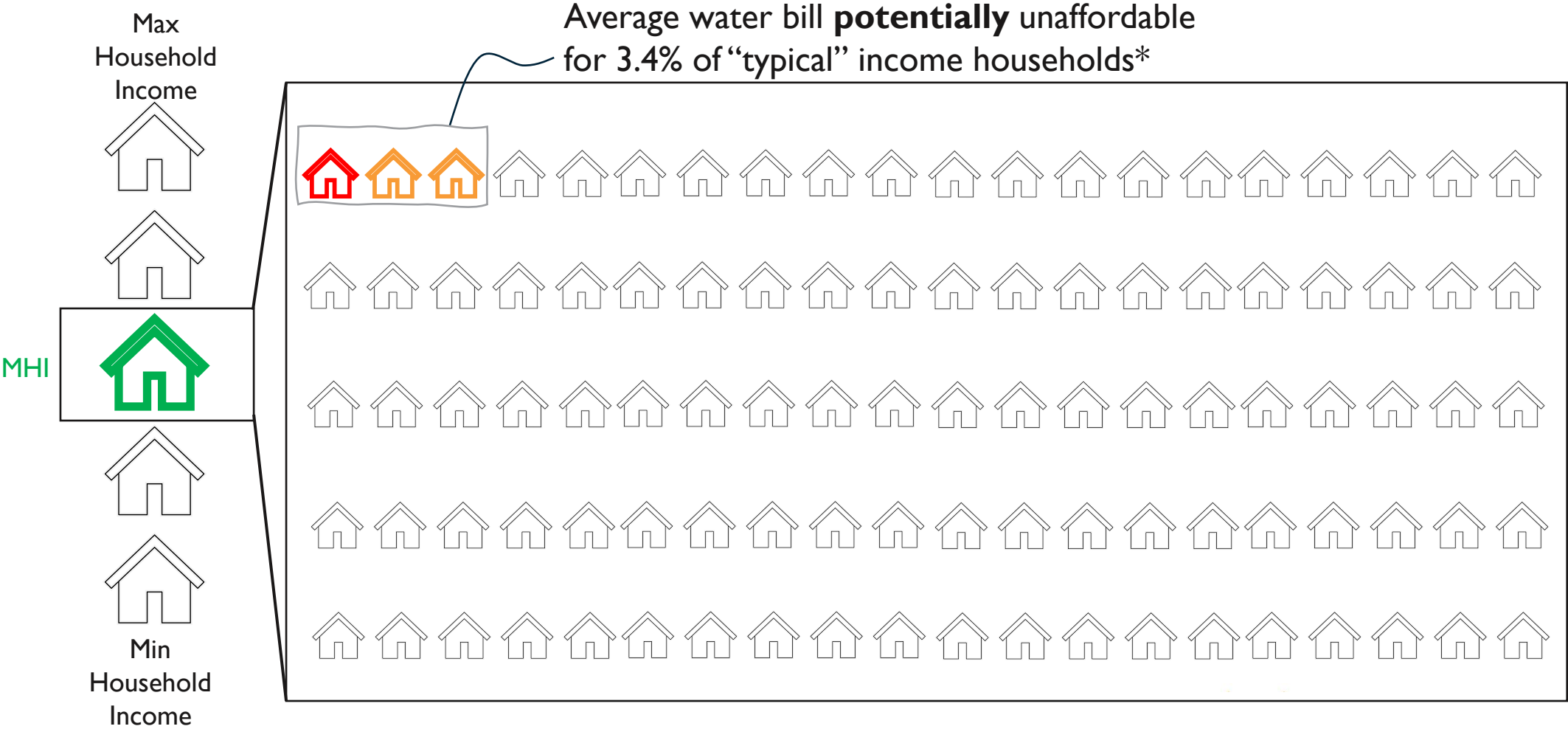


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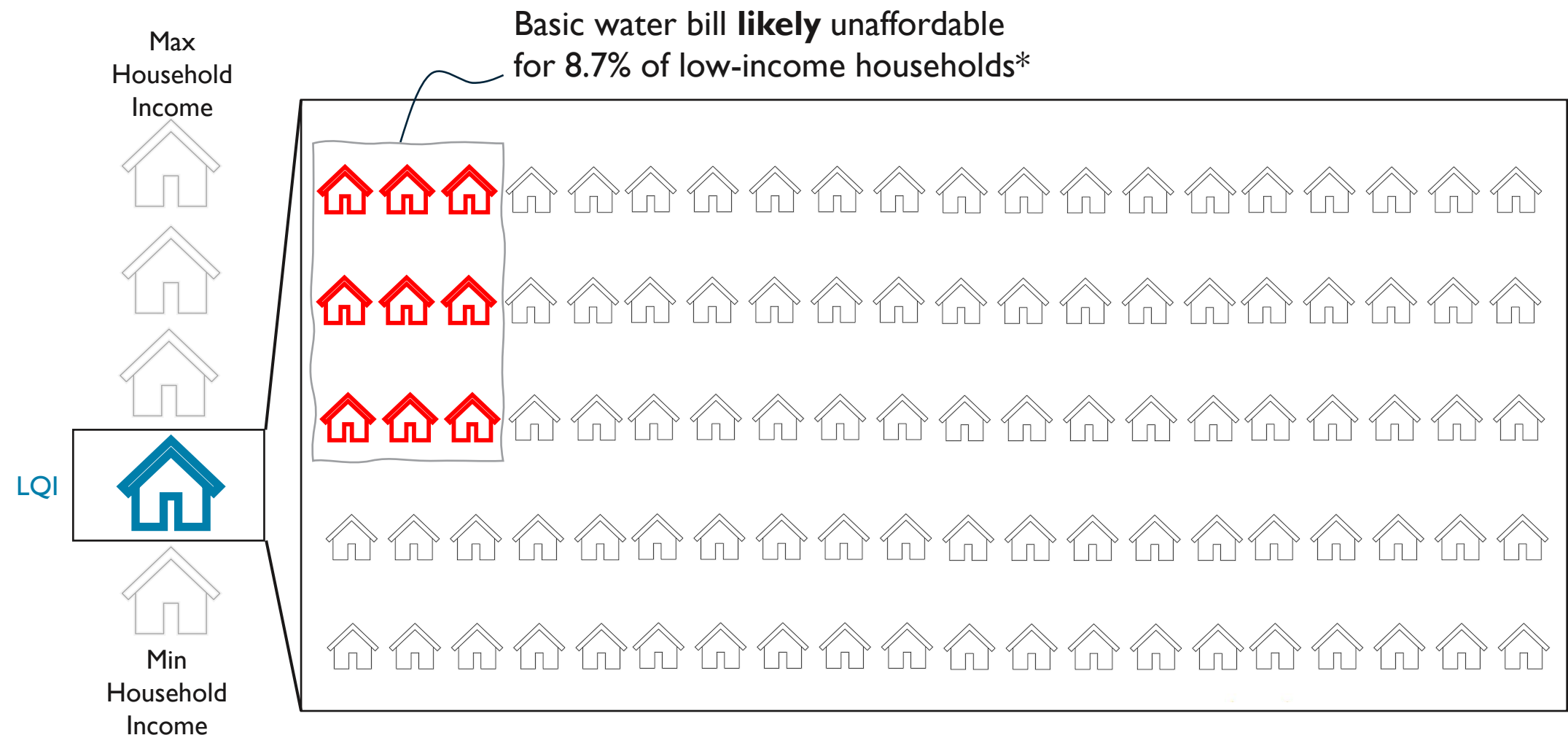


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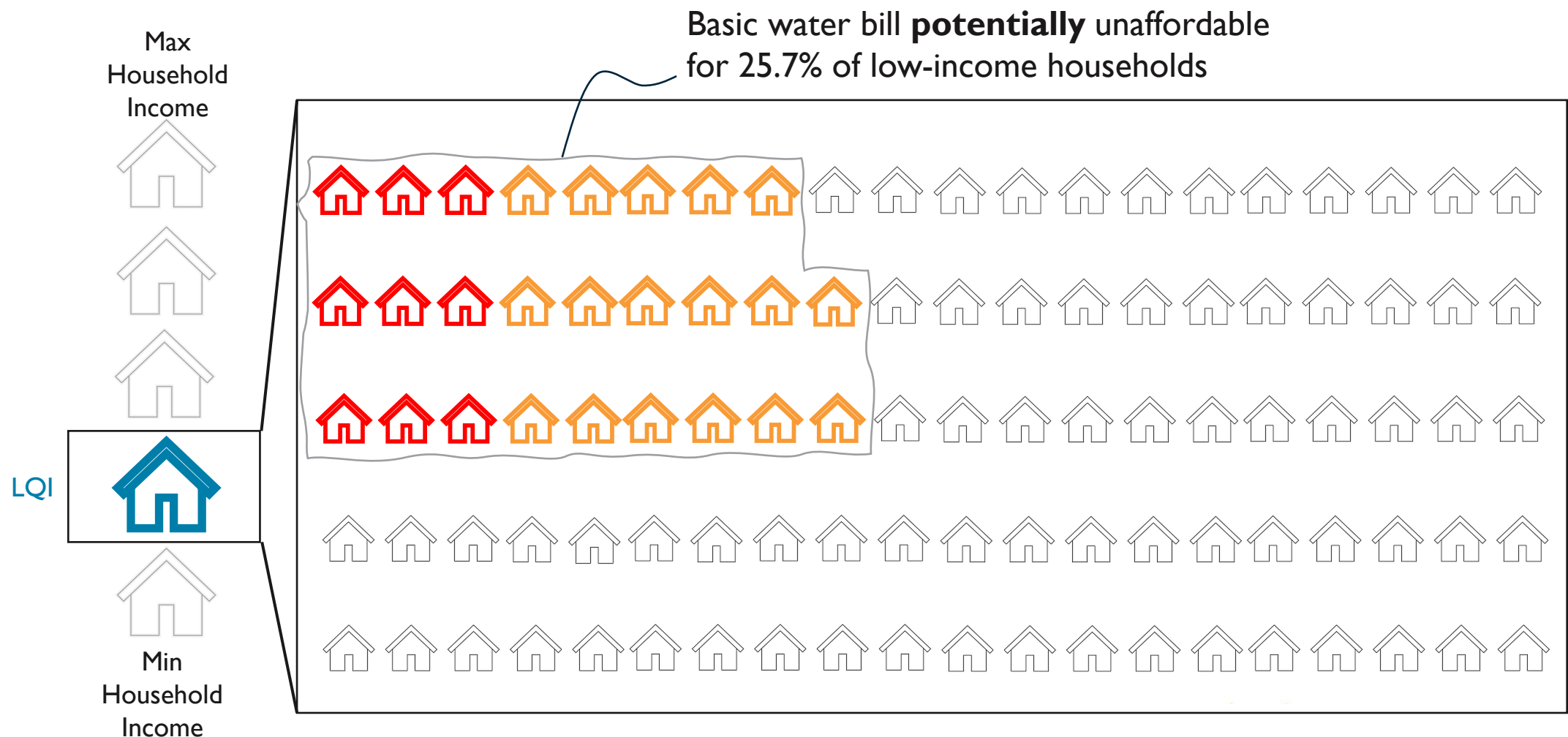


Affordability for Low-Income Households



*8.7% of LQI households pay $\geq 2.5\%$ of their income for an average bill.

Affordability for Low-Income Households



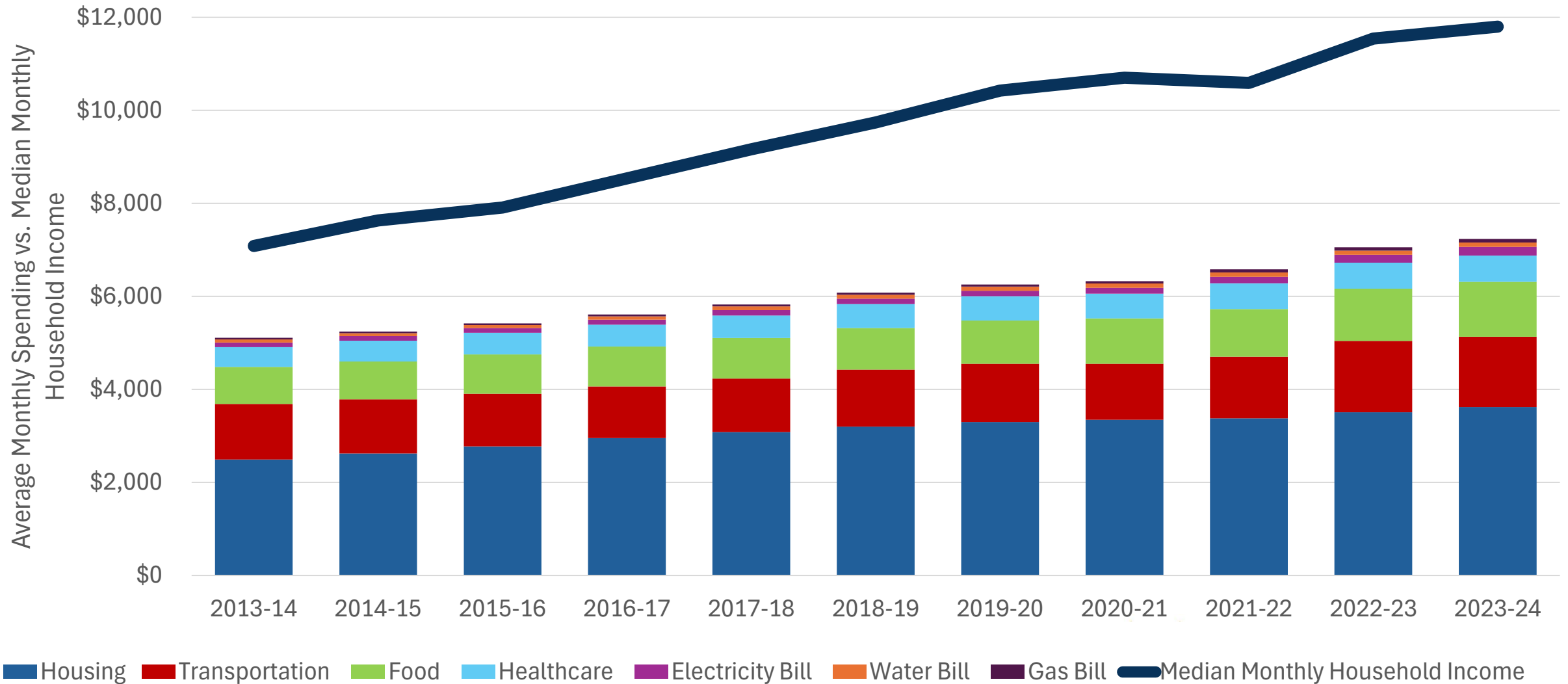
*25.7% of LQI households pay $\geq 1.5\%$ of their income for an average bill.

Affordability Comparative Analysis

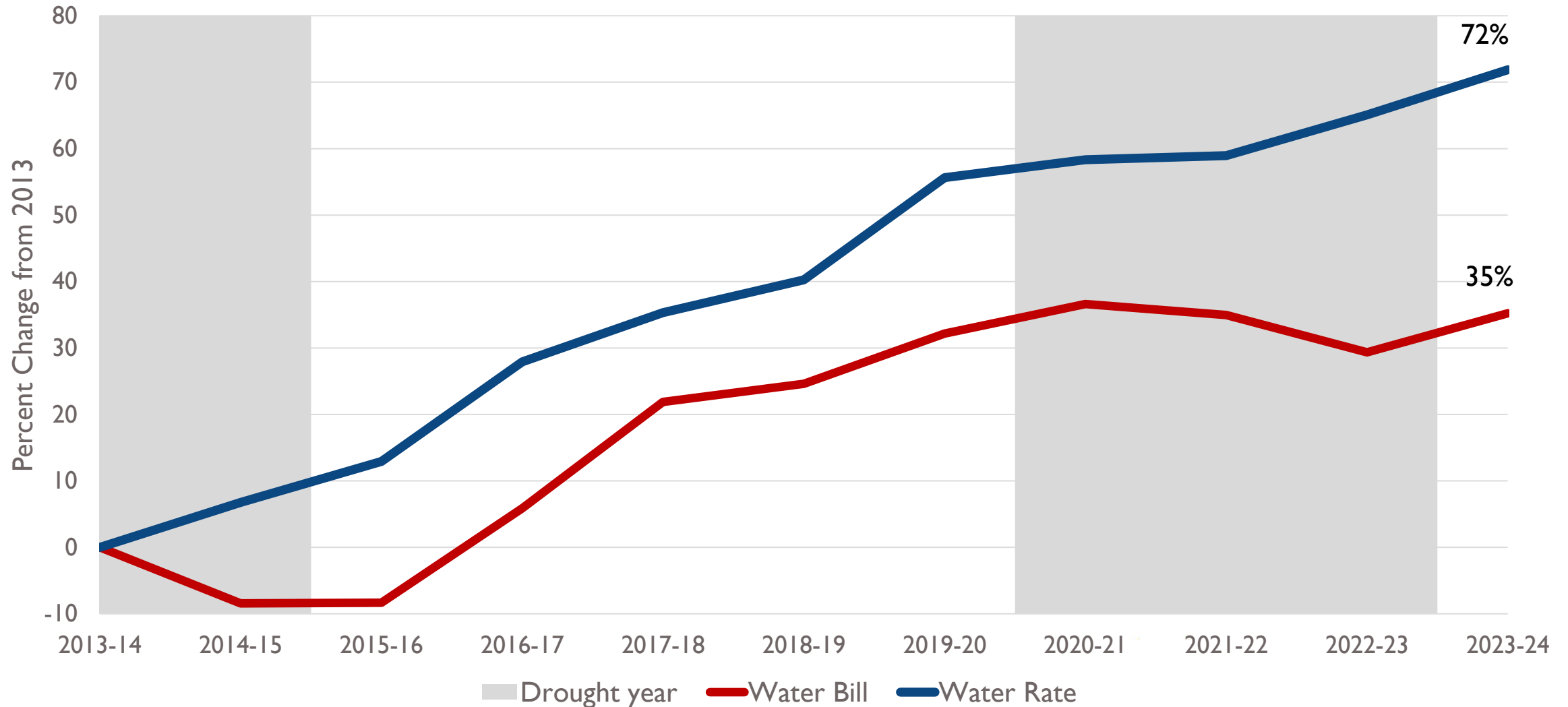
- BAWSCA (with assistance from our summer intern from Eastside College Prep) analyzed how water costs have changed relative to other essential household expenses over the past decade.
- Data for the analysis was obtained from:
 - BAWSCA's Annual Survey
 - U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index
 - Pacific Gas and Electric Company
 - Federal Reserve Economic Data
- Objective was to assess whether water remains affordable relative to median household income and other essential expenditures, including:
 - Electricity
 - Natural gas
 - Food
 - Healthcare
 - Housing
 - Transportation



Average Monthly Household Expenses 2013 - 2024



Comparison of Average Water Bills Vs. Water Rates



Current Affordability-Related Practices

- The Strategy 2050 team also surveyed the BAWSCA agencies to understand current affordability-related programs and practices.
- Key findings:
 - Most common affordability programs were:
 - Payment plans and arrearage forgiveness (29%)
 - Flexible payment options (26%)
 - Proposition 218 is the most significant challenge to implementing and administering affordability programs.

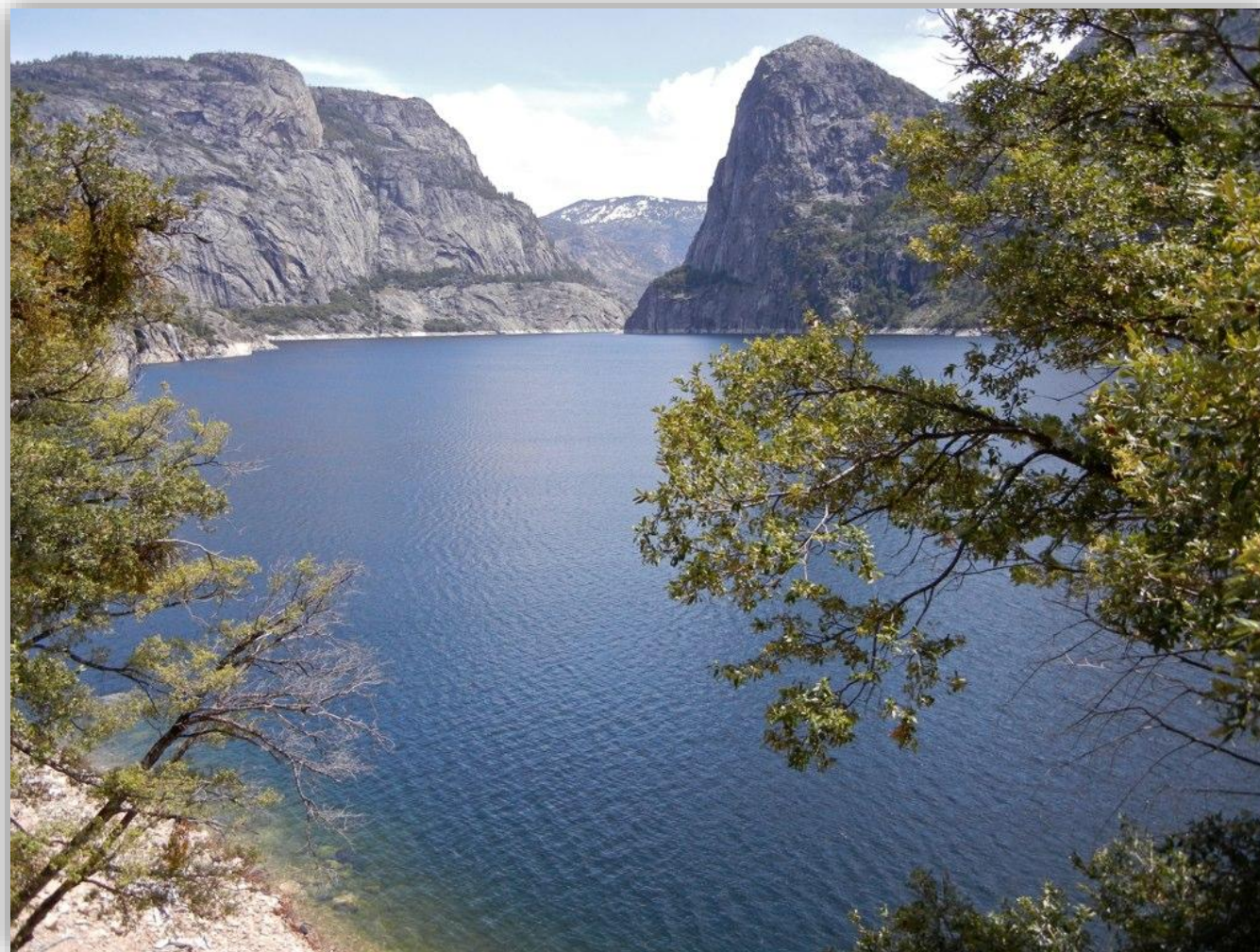


Takeaways

- Water bills generally appear to be affordable for the typical single-family water customer, including most low-income customers across the BAWSCA region.
- Overall, income has risen at a faster rate than water costs in the region, and water bills have risen more slowly than water rates due to increased efficiency.
- Next steps include:
 - Evaluating affordability impacts of potential Strategy 2050 investments.



CEO Reports



State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Workshop on the Draft Scientific Basis Report (November 5, 2025)

- On November 5, 2025, the State Water Board held an all-day public workshop on the Draft Scientific Basis Report (SBR) for the Tuolumne River Voluntary Agreement (Healthy Rivers and Landscapes) proposal
- The workshop included four panel presentations
 - Two panels organized by Tuolumne River Parties (e.g., SFPUC, Modesto Irrigation District, and Turlock Irrigation District)
 - Two panels organized by Non-Governmental Organizations
 - Following each panel presentation, State Board Members engaged in lengthy Q&A with panelists
- Public comment was taken during the workshop
 - Several BAWSCA Board members, agency representatives, civic organizations, and BAWSCA's CEO/General Manager made comments supporting moving the process forward
- A time-stamped index of the workshop is provided in the Board packet
 - The workshop was recorded, and a video of the proceeding can be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbg0wr4k3Dc>
- Next steps by the State Water Board
 - Based on comments received, the draft SBR will be revised if appropriate to produce a 2nd draft
 - The subsequent 2nd draft SBR will be provided for peer-review
 - Concurrent with the peer-review, existing environmental documents will be reviewed and revised by staff if needed
 - The next public hearing or workshop in the proceeding may occur early- to mid-2026



Results of FY 2022-23 Wholesale Revenue Requirement (WRR) Review

- Pursuant to Section 7.06A of the WSA, BAWSCA conducted a review of SFPUC's calculation of the annual WRR and the changes in the Balancing Account
- In October, the parties reached an agreement pertaining to BAWSCA's concerns related to the cost allocation
- BAWSCA's recent review and prior resolution associated with FY 2022-23 WRR resulted in a total savings of \$3,477,285 to the Wholesale Customers
 - \$3,371,450 is reflected in the opening balance of Balancing Account as of June 30, 2023
 - \$105,835 will be applied to the opening balance of Balancing Account as of June 30, 2025

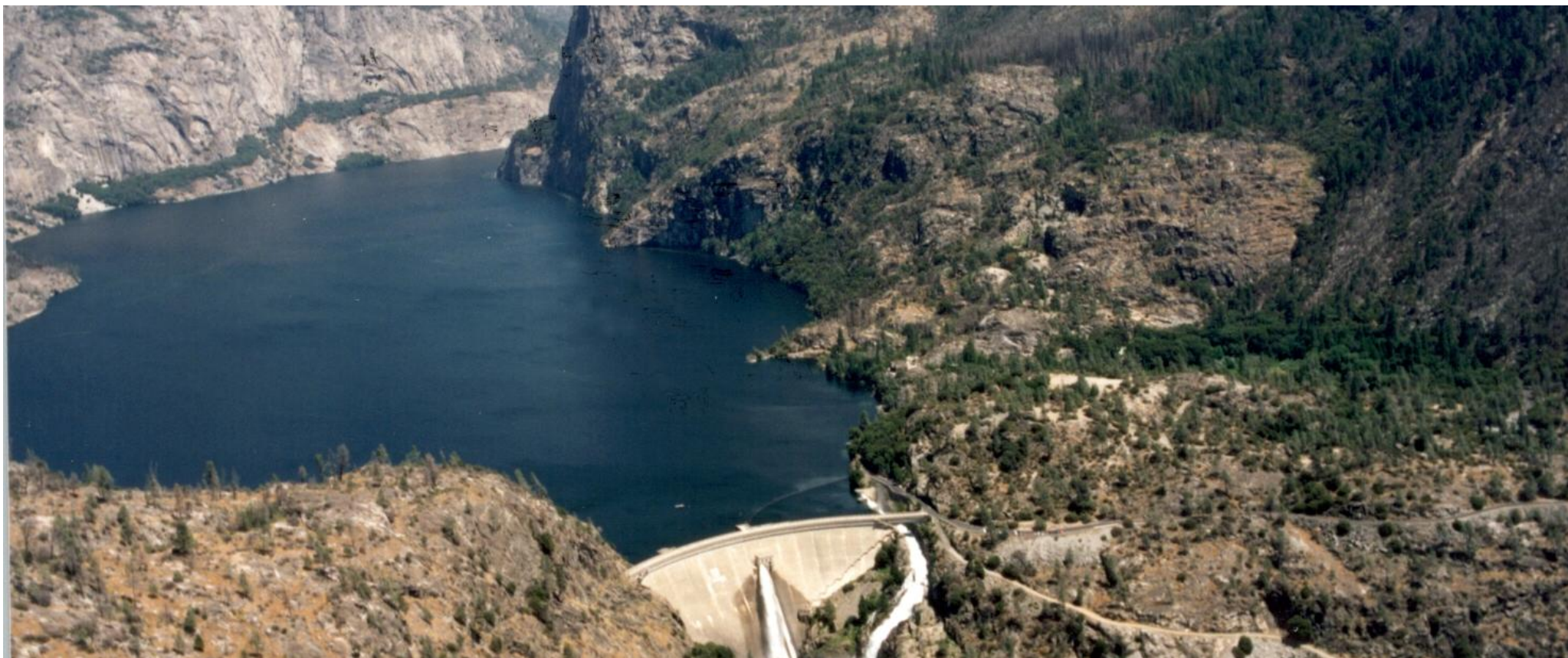


Summary of Adjustments to FY 2022-23 WRR

Type of Adjustment	Savings to Wholesale Customers	
Interpretation of WSA	\$3,371,450	
Cost Allocation	\$92,675	
Accounting	\$9,670	
Interest	\$3,490	
Total adjustments	\$3,477,285	



CLOSED SESSION #I



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CLOSED SESSION #2



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Report After Closed Sessions #1 and #2



Additional Time for Public Comments – As Time Permits



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Directors' Discussion: Comments, Questions and Agenda Requests



Next Meeting and Adjournment

Next Meeting

January 15, 2026

6:30 pm

**Burlingame Community Center –
Sequoia Room**

