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Stakeholder Meeting

Wednesday April 21, 2021, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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Basin Study Update

- First meeting Kickoff November 2018
- Last Annual Meeting January 2020
- Tasks Worked on Since Last Annual Meeting
 - Groundwater modeling
 - Historic and future
 - Climate
 - CAP-SAM



Agenda

Welcome and Key Introductions

Mayor Craig McFarland, City of Casa Grande and
Fred Schneider, Arizona Water Company

Basin Study Summary

Jake Lenderking, Global Water Resources

Tasks worked on during the past year

- Climate Analysis

- Supply and Demand Assessment review

- Groundwater Model review and update

- Groundwater Model results

Valerie Swick, Bureau of Reclamation

Ken Seasholes and Austin Carey, CAP

Juliet McKenna, Montgomery & Assoc.

Austin Carey, CAP

Tasks to be worked on over the next 12 months

- Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies

 - Brainstorming workshop

 - Groundwater modeling

 - Trade Off analysis

Jake Lenderking, Global Water Resources

Terri Sue Rossi, Arizona Water Company

Valerie Swick, Bureau of Reclamation

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Questions/Discussion

All

Timeline and Budget Update

Valerie Swick, Bureau of Reclamation

Future Upcoming Meeting(s)

- Project Meetings (2nd Tuesday of the month),

May 11, 2021, 9 – 10:30 am

- Adaptation and Mitigation Brainstorming Workshop,

May 17 & 18, 2021, 1 – 4 pm

Closing Remarks

Ron Fleming

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Basin Study Summary

- Overview
- Tasks



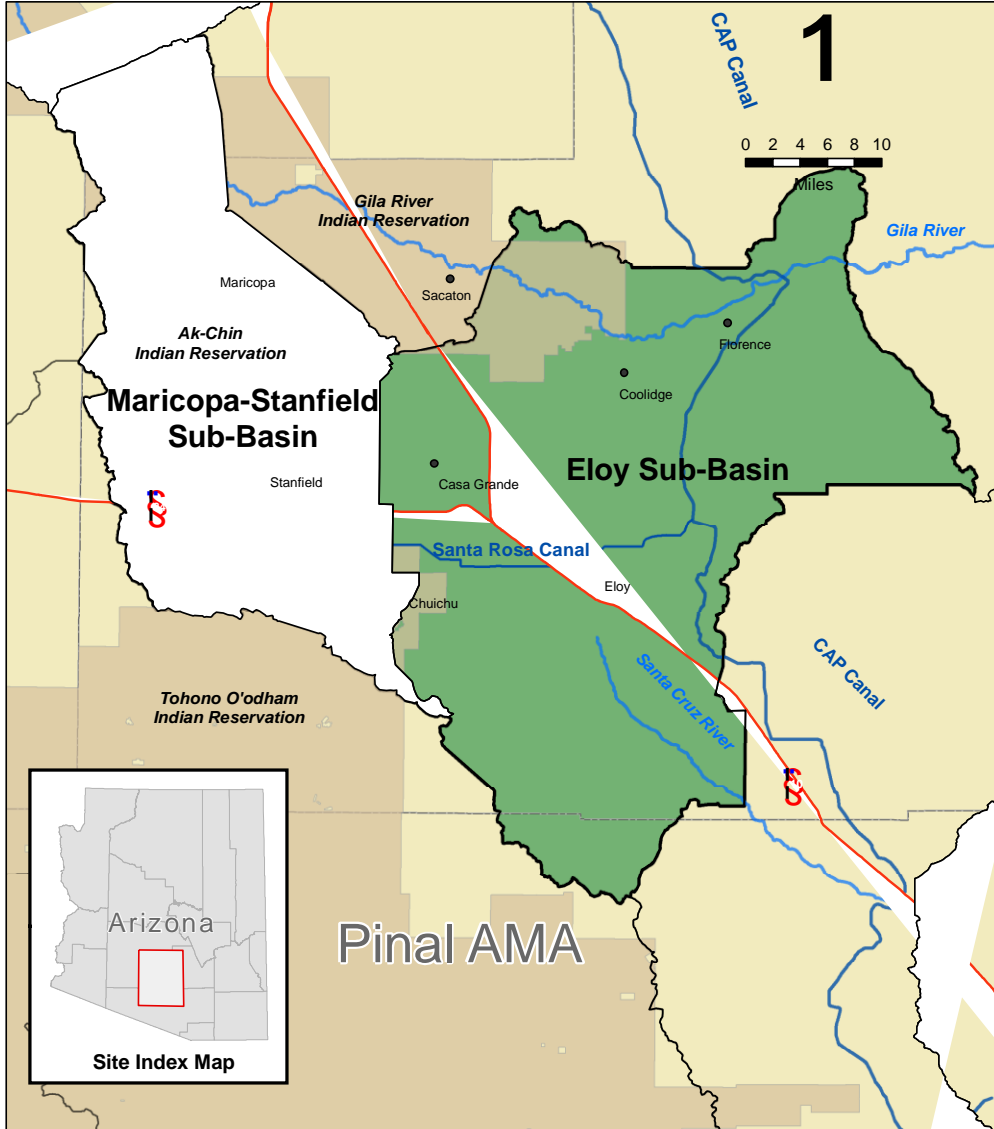
Eloy and Maricopa-Stanfield (EMS) Basin Study

- Main Goal:
 - Help water managers plan for uncertain future in water resources



Central Arizona Project Canal near Florence

EMS Basin Study – Study Area



- Located south of Phoenix metropolitan area in Pinal County
- Study area: 1575 sq. mi.
- Pinal Active Management Area (AMA) as defined by Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR)
- Water demand has historically been dominated by agriculture sector
- Agriculture and agribusiness contributes \$1.1 billion to local economy

EMS Basin Study

- Study began in November 2019
- 3½ year study
- Budget of \$1,860,000
- Planning period though 2060



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Pinal County Major Attributes



- Agriculture sector
- Rapid growth

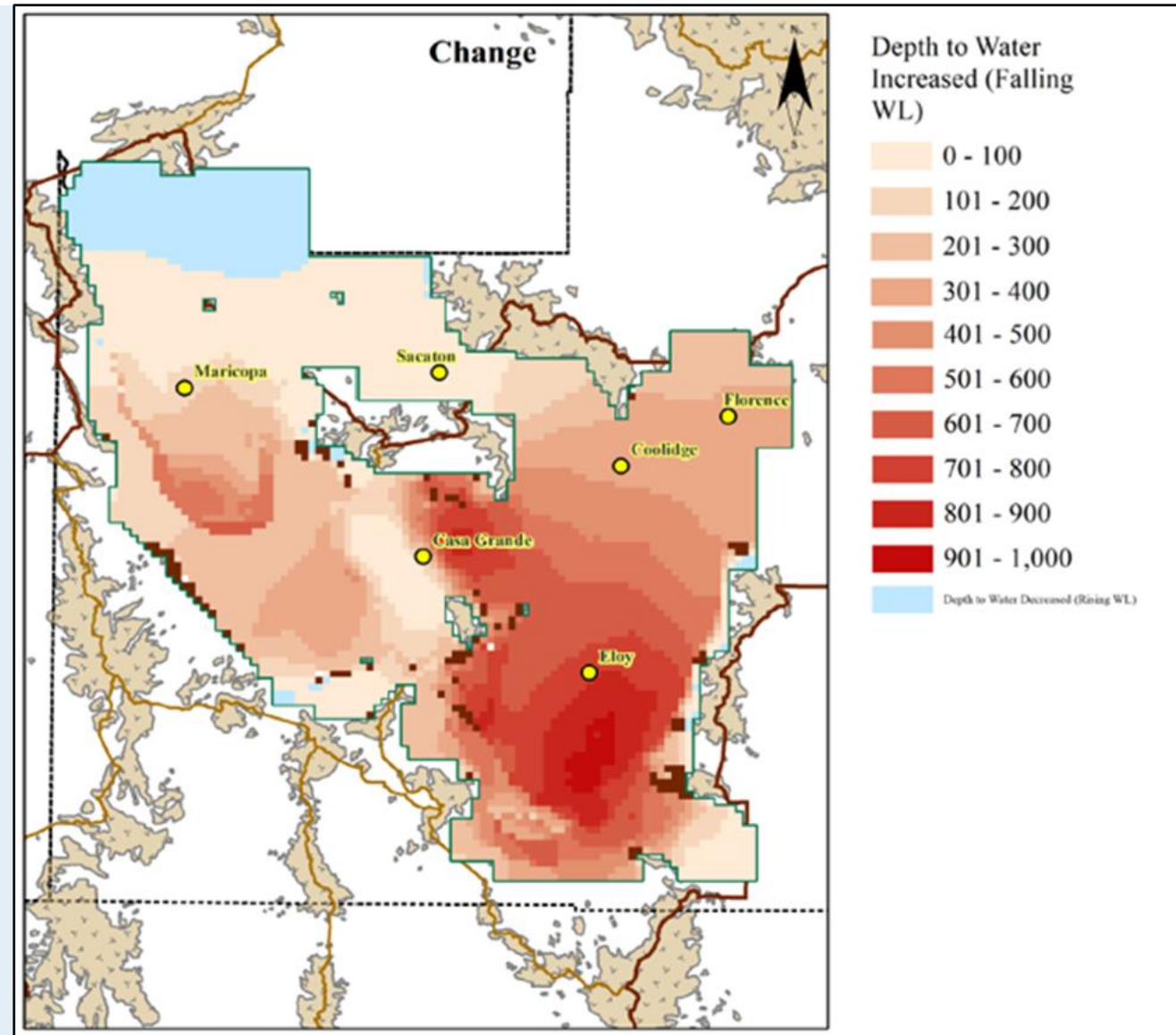
Projected Long-Term Problem

Projected Deficit:

8.1 million acre feet

“Looking out 100 years, there is insufficient groundwater in the Pinal Active Management Area to support all existing uses and issued assured water supply determinations.”

ADWR Presentation to the House Ad Hoc Committee on Groundwater Supply in Pinal County, October 11, 2019



Projected aquifer change over 100-years adapted from ADWR

Basin Study Tasks

1

**Develop Climate
Projections**

2

**Conduct Supply
and Demand
Assessment**

3 & 4

**Update and Run
Groundwater
Model**

5

**Conduct
Infrastructure
Analysis**

6

**Adaptation and
Mitigation
Strategies**

7

**Conduct Economic
Analysis**

8

**Prepare Basin
Study Report**

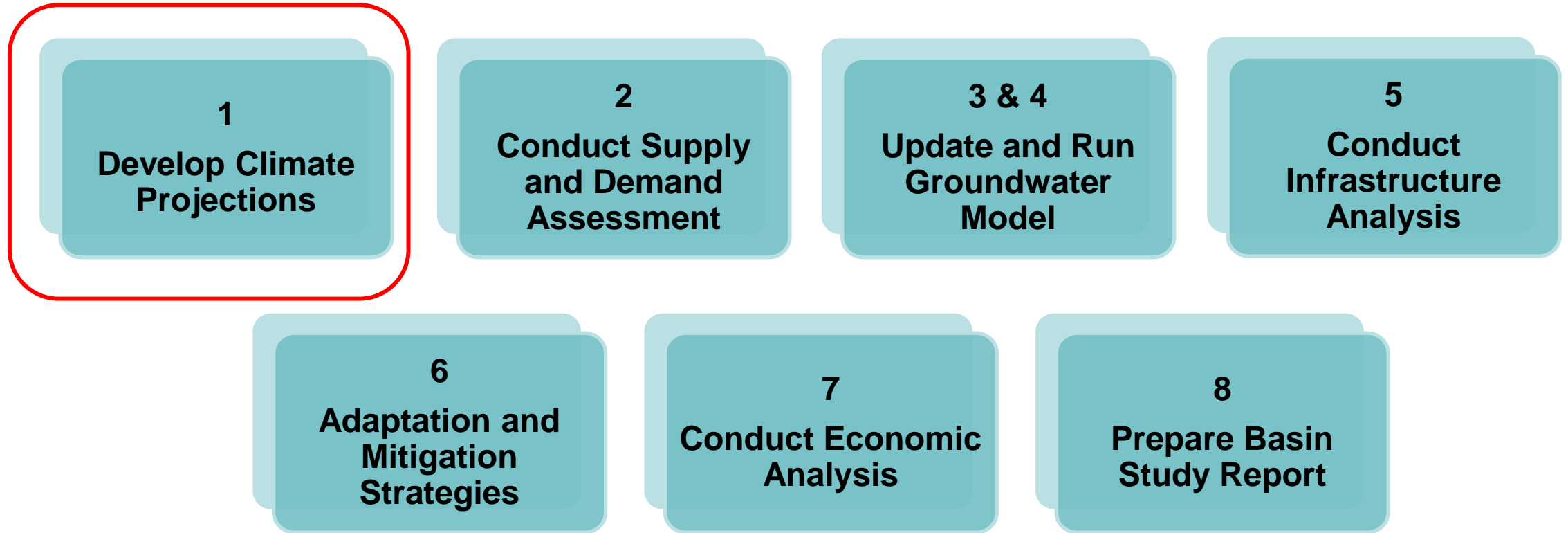


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Technical Memorandum No. ENV-2020-064

Eloy-Maricopa Stanfield Basin Study: Development of Future Climate and Recharge Scenarios

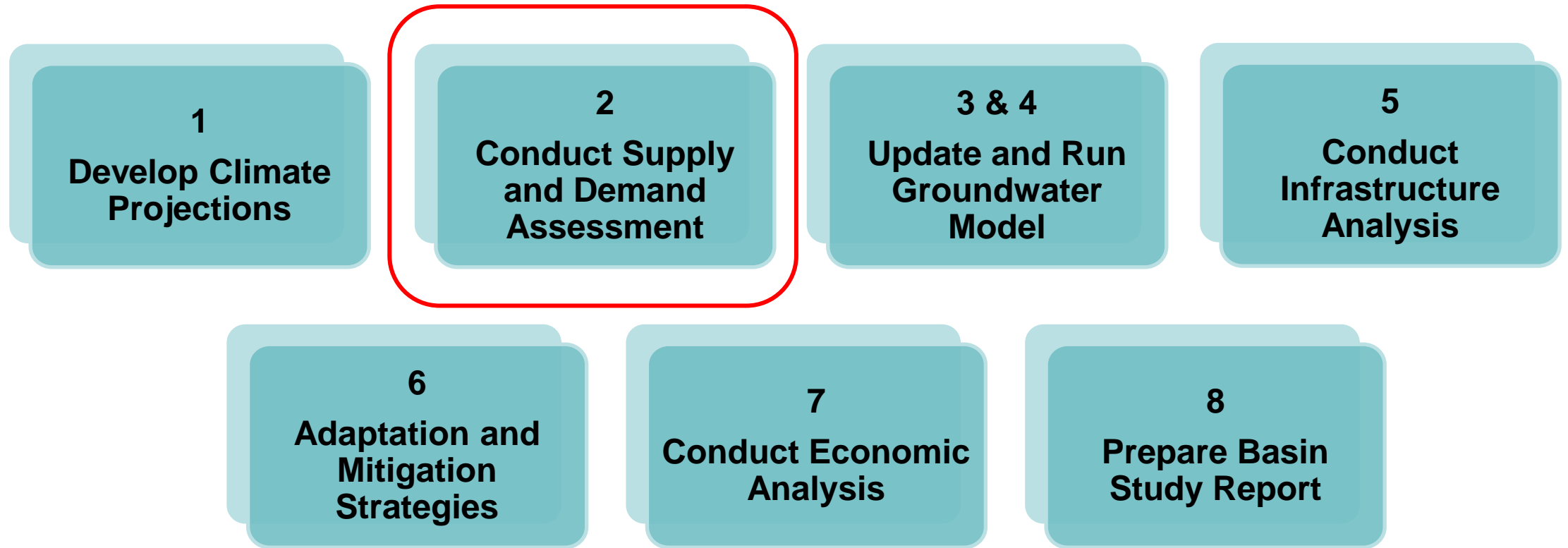


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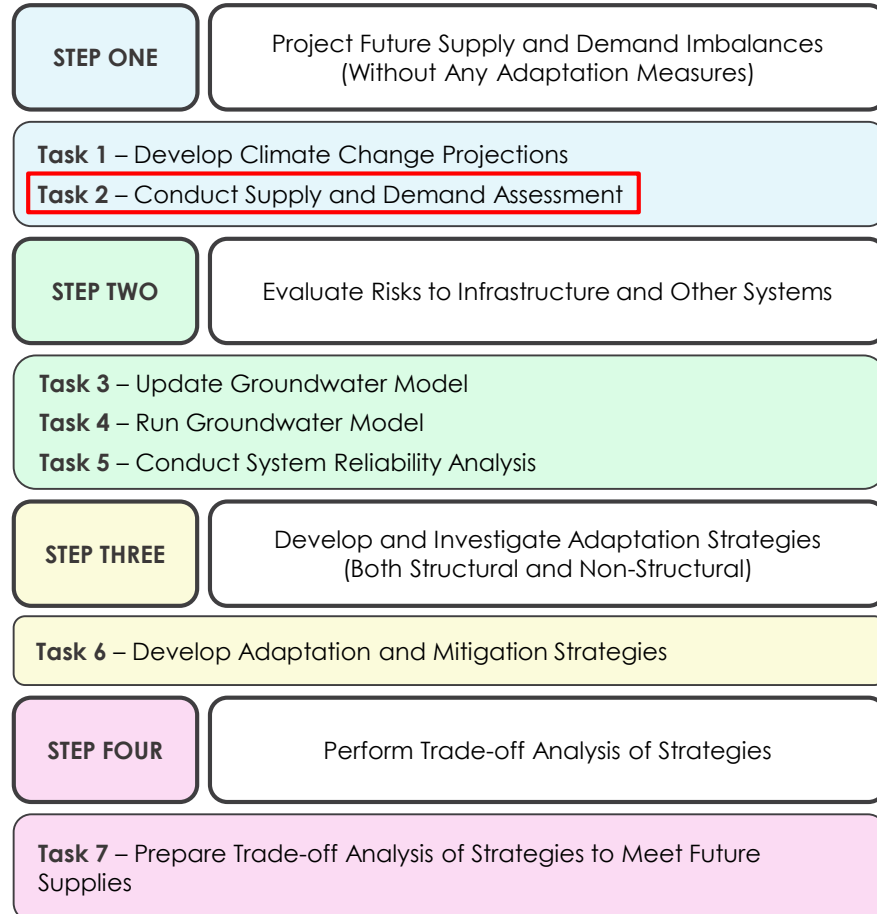


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Supply and Demand Assessment (Review)

Annual Stakeholder Meeting
4/21/21

Supply and Demand Assessment



**General Framework for Reclamation Basin Study*

Purpose:

- Assess current water resource supply and demand
- Generate projections of future supply and demand
- Projections serve as inputs into the groundwater model to evaluate potential imbalances

Future Supply and Demand Projections

- Are...
 - Challenging
 - Uncertain
 - Full of assumptions
 - Require technical capability and capacity

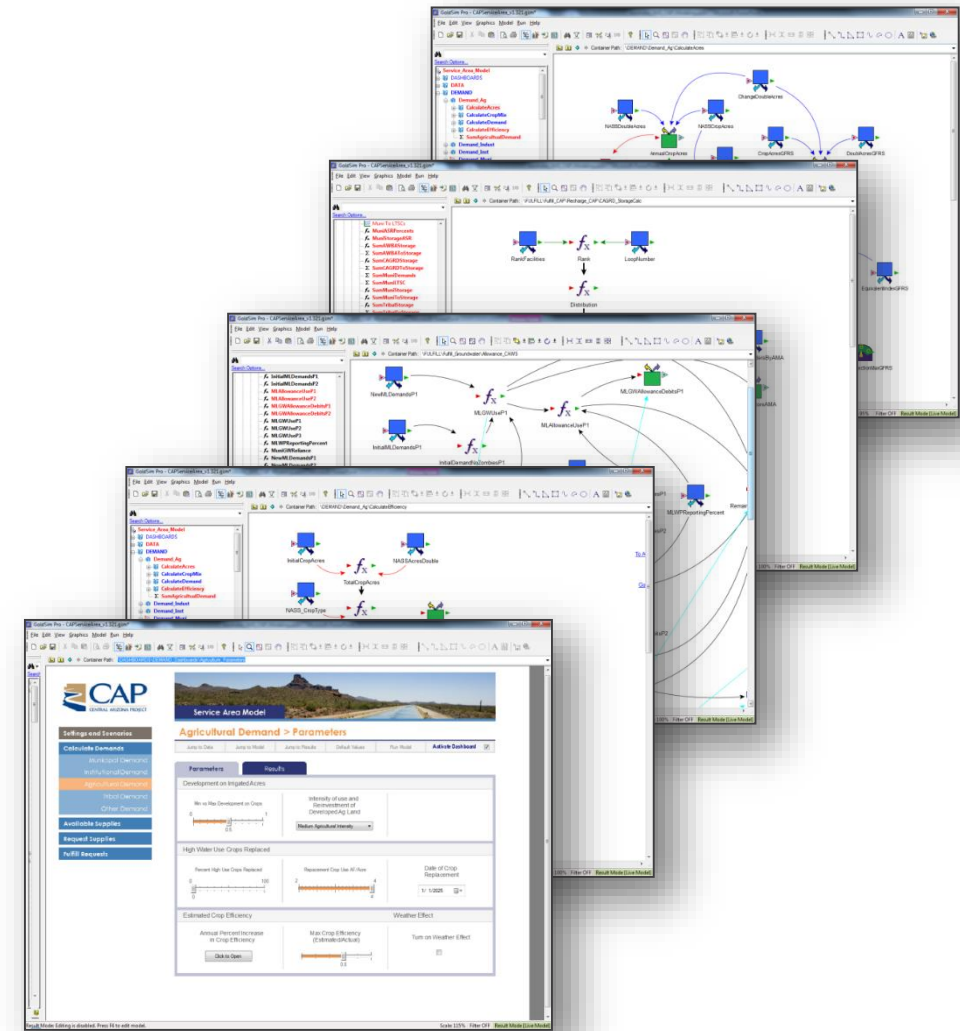
Future Supply and Demand Projections

- And a function of...
 - Growth characteristics
 - Climate variability
 - Shortages
 - Trends in agriculture
 - Water storage preferences
 - Policy changes
 - Socio-economic changes
 - Behavioral shifts
 - ...

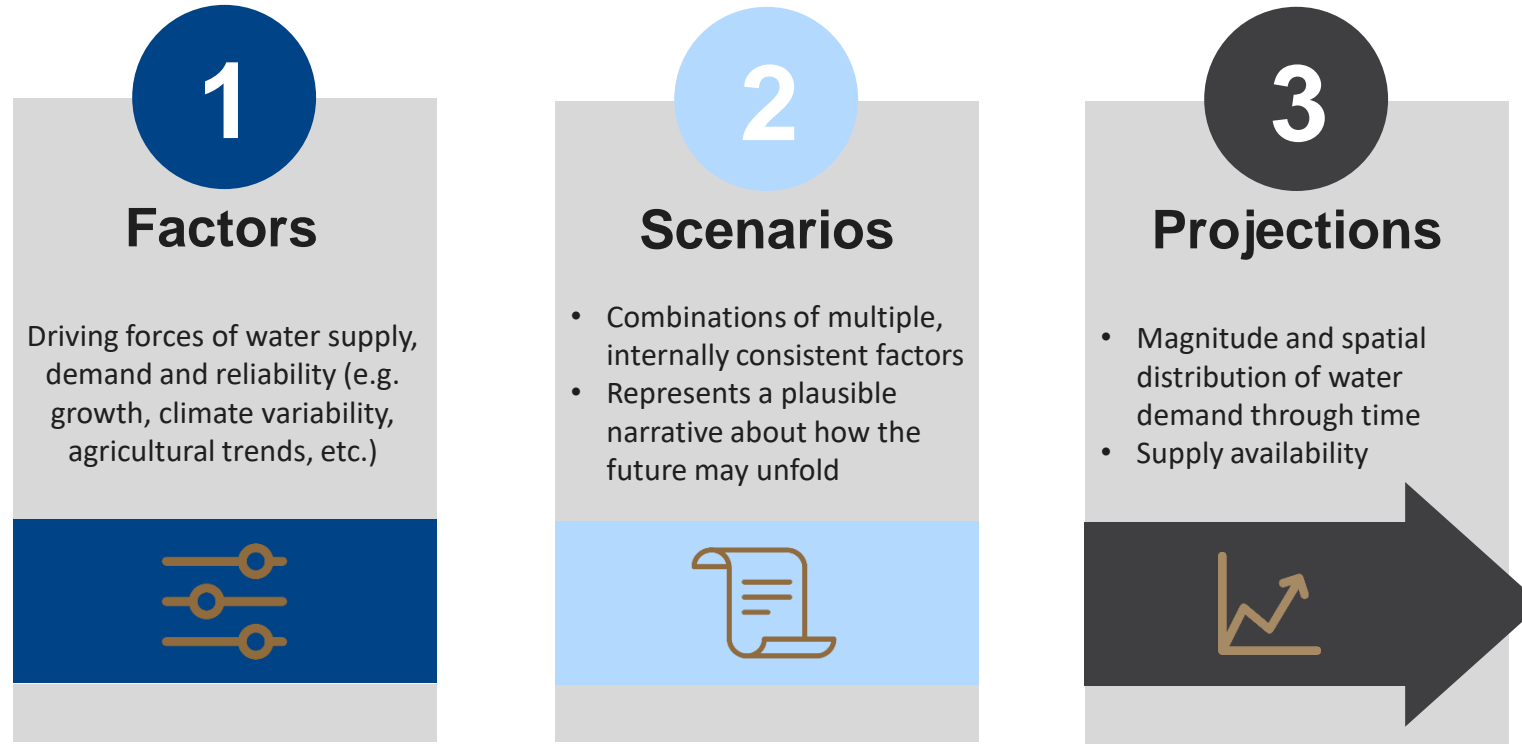
NEED A MODEL !

CAP Service Area Model (CAP:SAM)

- Tool for projecting supply & demand in CAP's three county service area
 - Over 135 entities modeled
 - 16 water supply types
- Not a hydrological model
- Designed to easily generate “what-if” scenarios
- Many capabilities but among the most relevant for this study are the ability to:
 - Model rate and spatial pattern of growth
 - Evaluate effects of changing climate
 - Project changes in agricultural water use

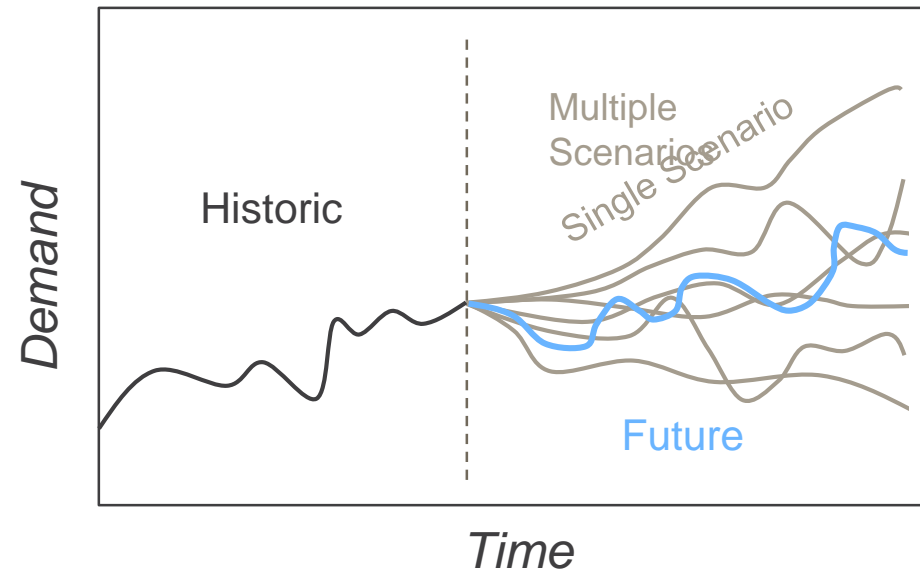


Scenario Planning



Scenario Planning

- **Goal:** Create an envelope of plausible futures with sufficient variability to capture the future



EMSBS Modeling Scenarios

Eloy and Maricopa-Stanfield Basin Study – Official Modeling Scenarios

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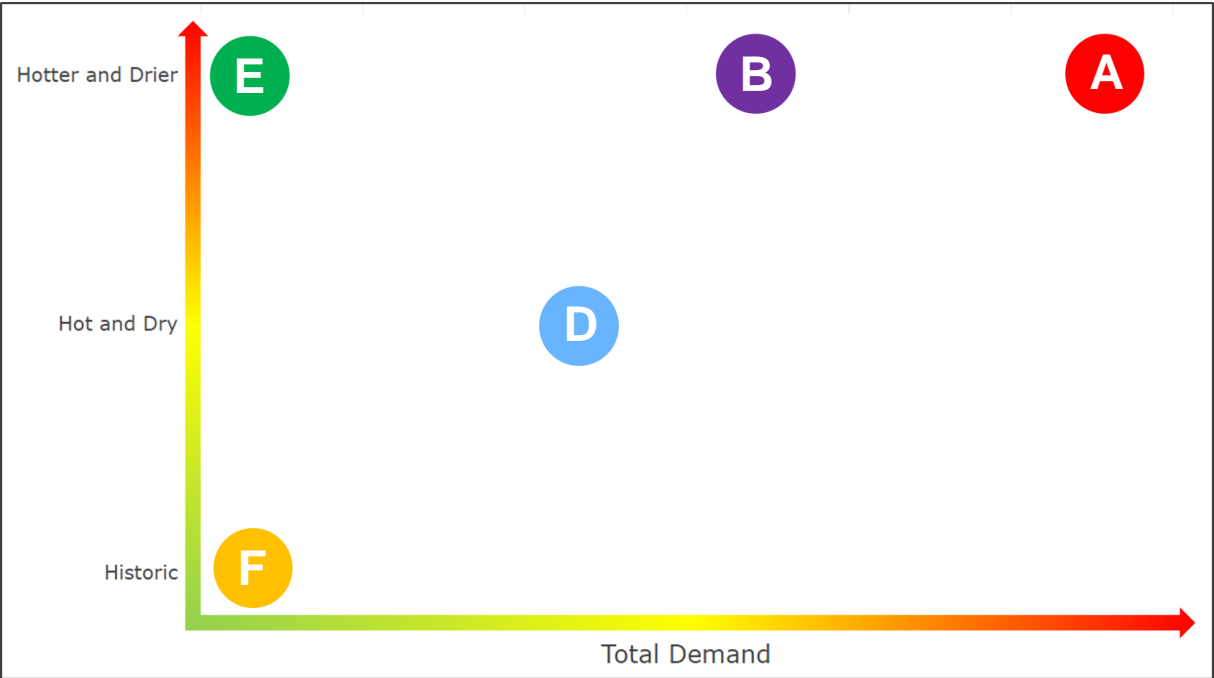
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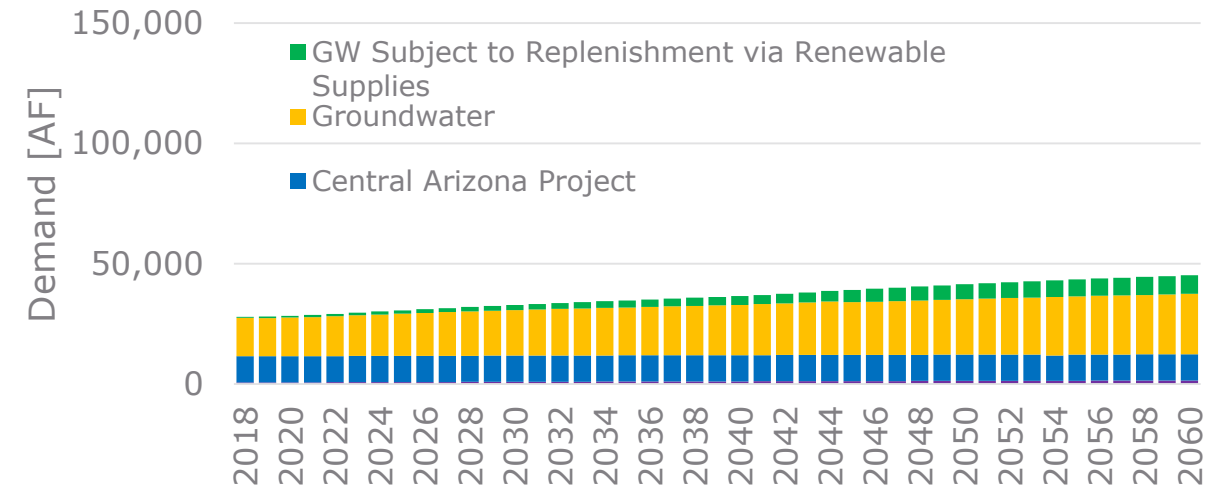
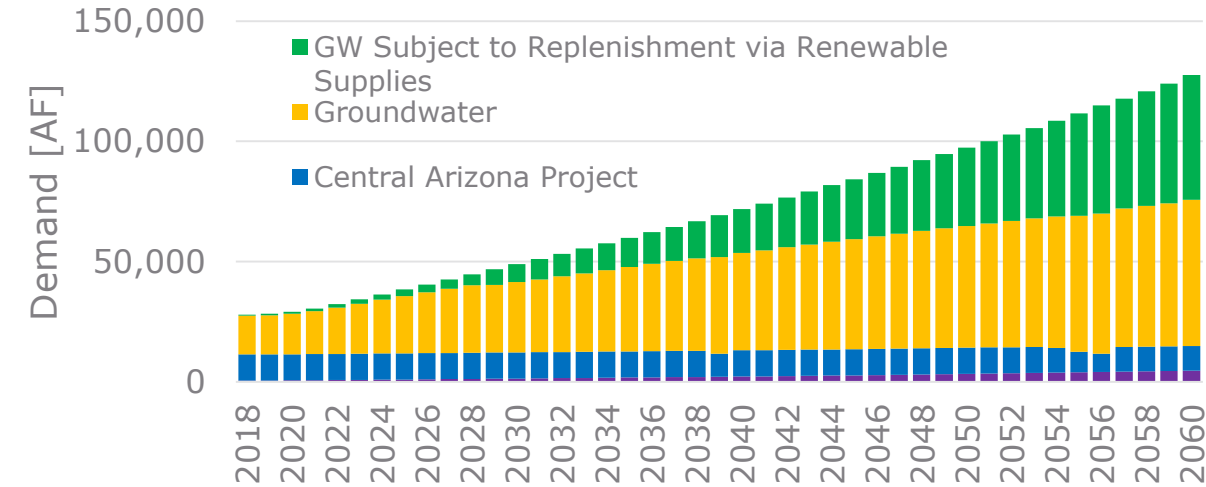
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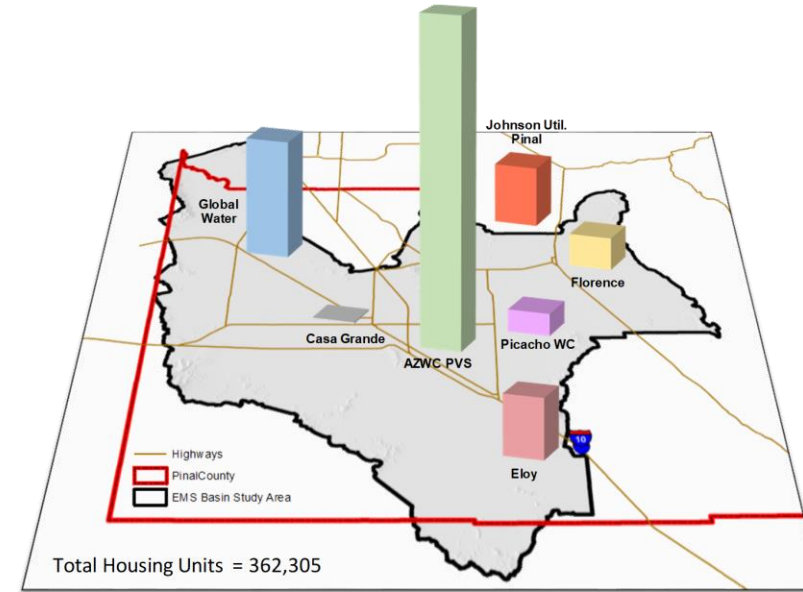
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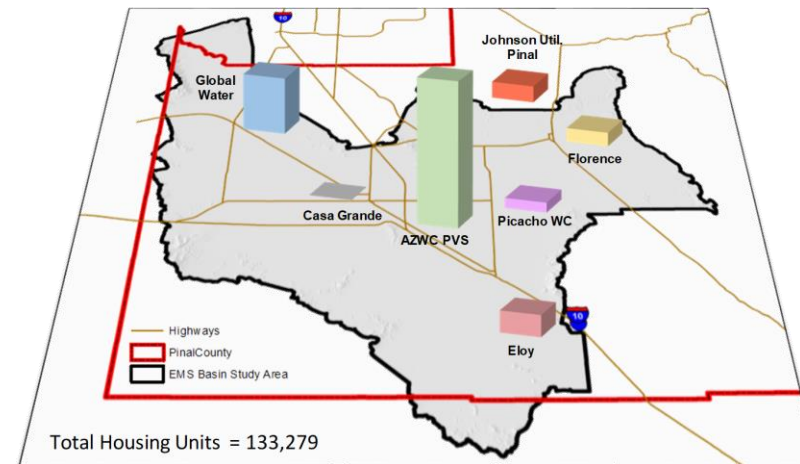
Municipal Demand



Housing Units - 2060



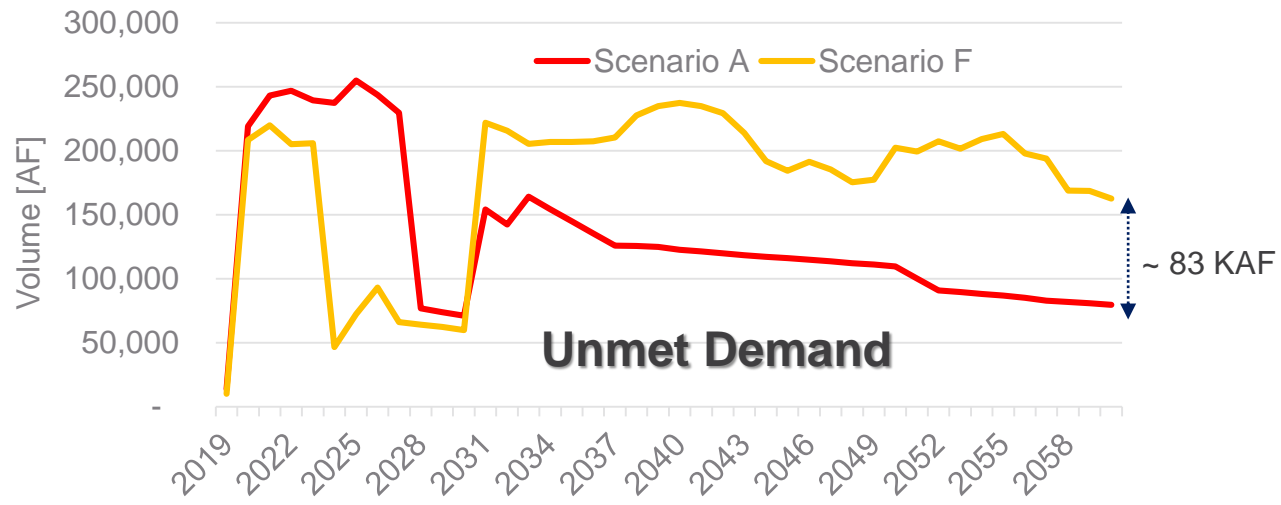
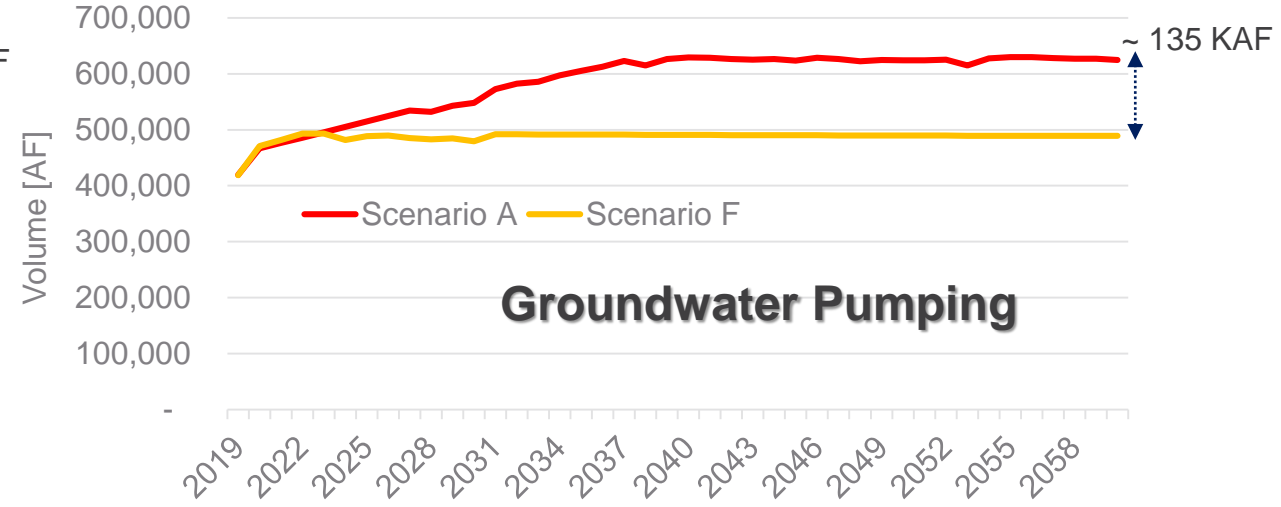
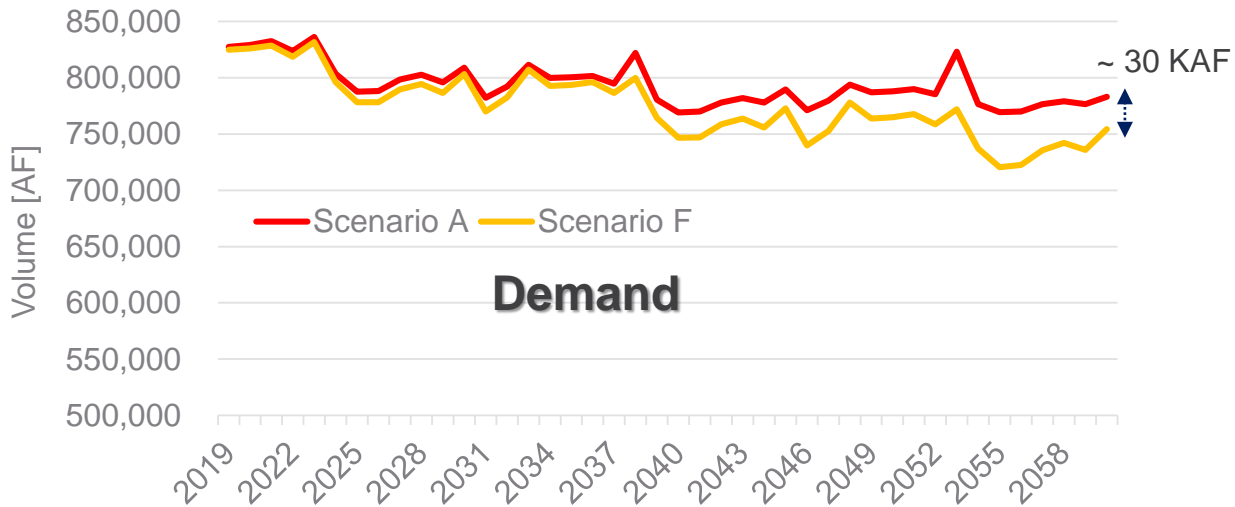
Scenario A
- Fast Growth Rate
- Outward Growth Pattern



Scenario F
- Slow Growth Rate
- Urbanization Growth Pattern

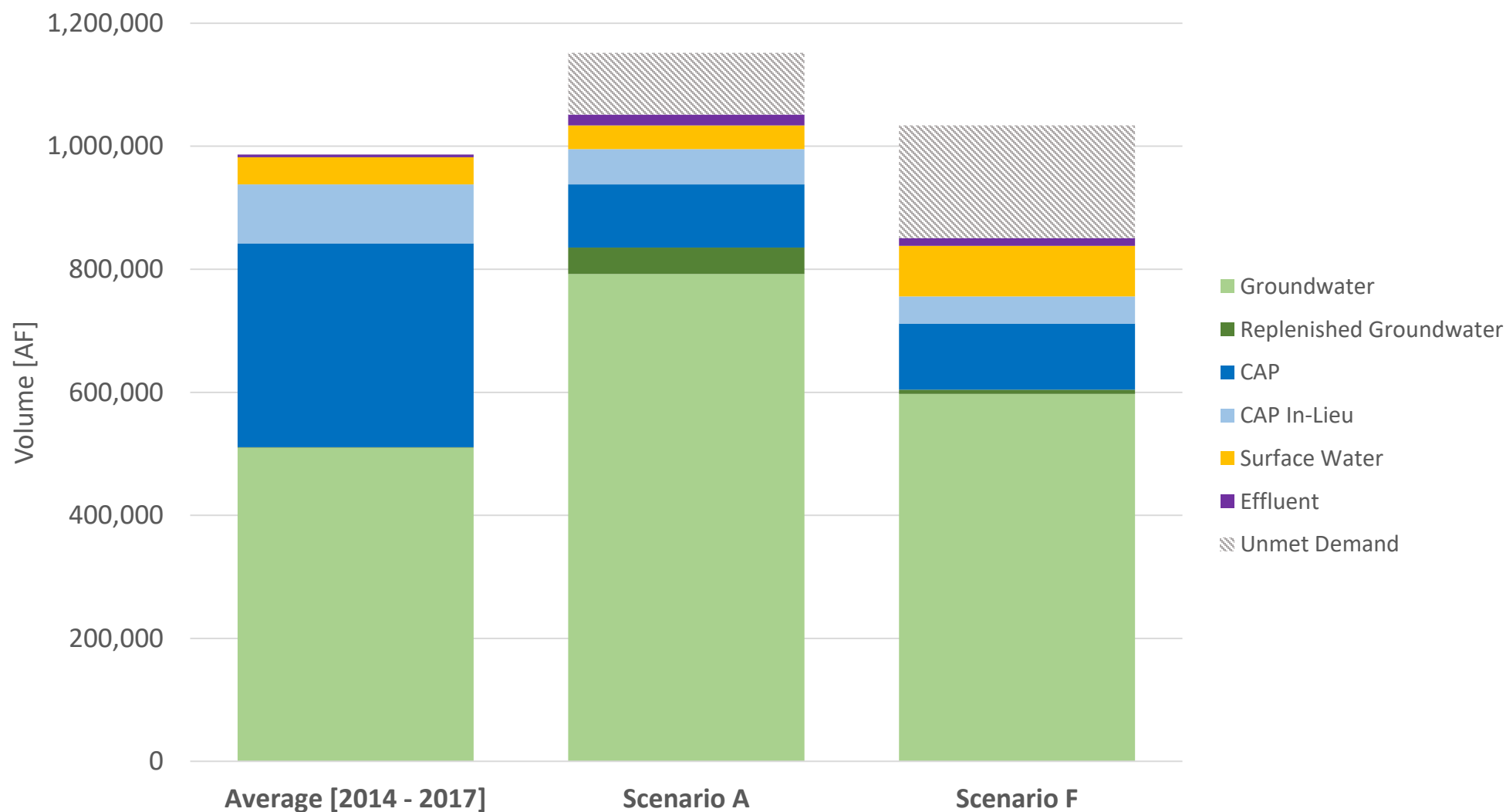
Results - Agricultural

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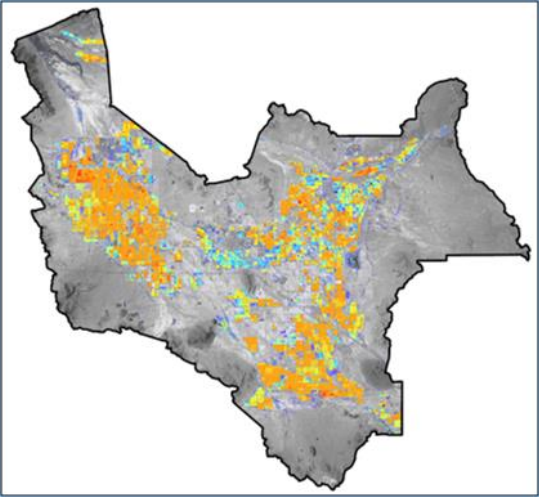



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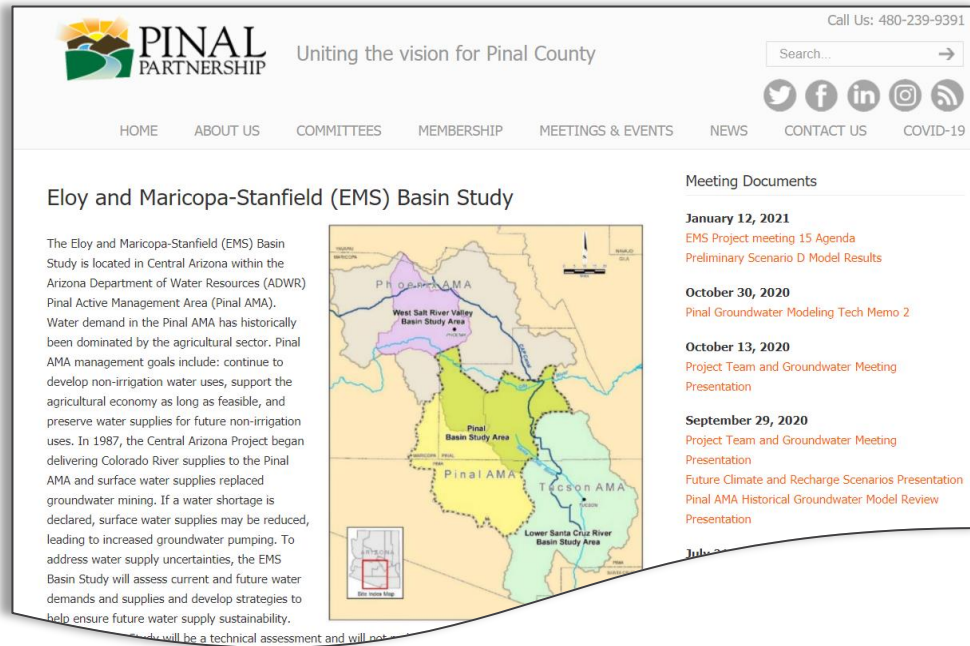
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Supply and Demand Report *(In Progress)*

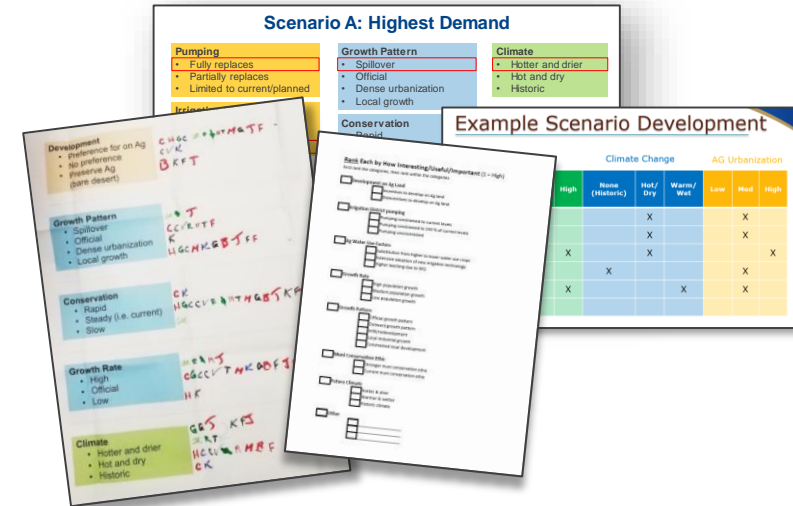
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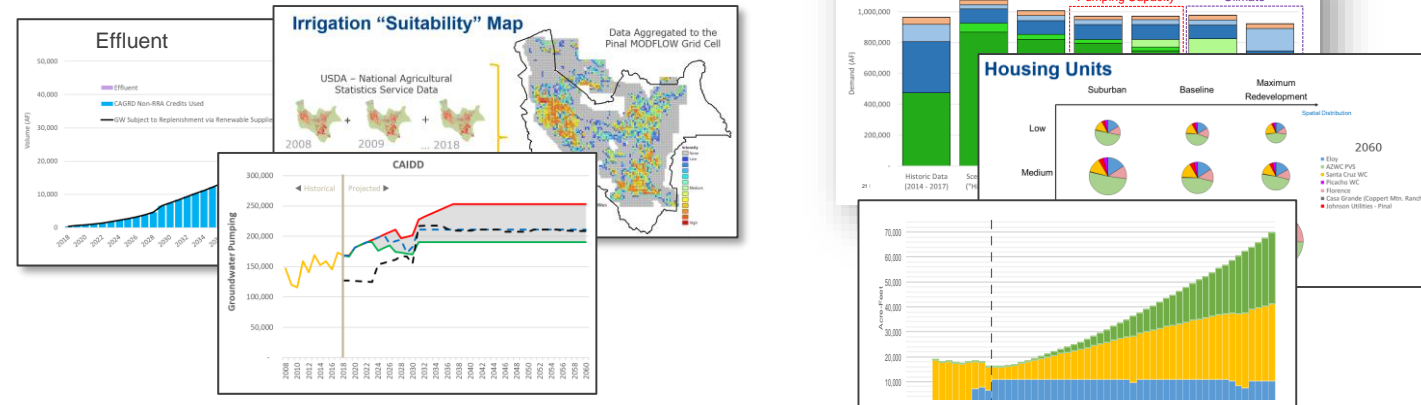


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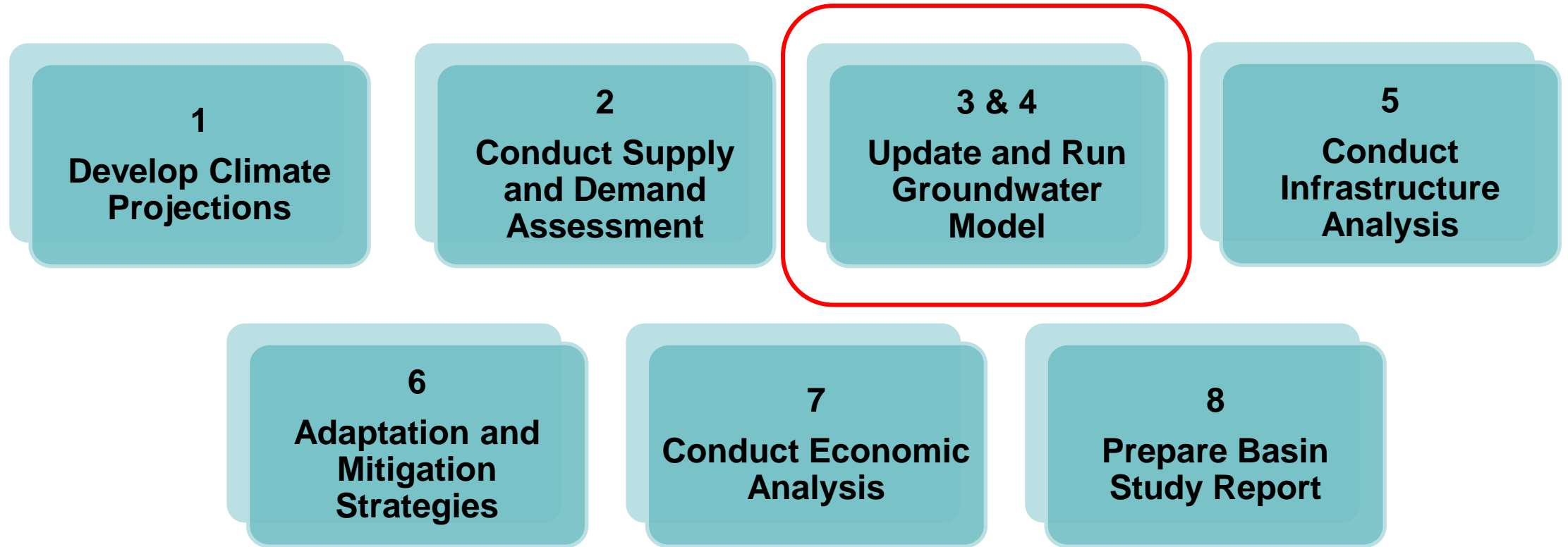
Scenario Development Process



Model Features and Assumptions



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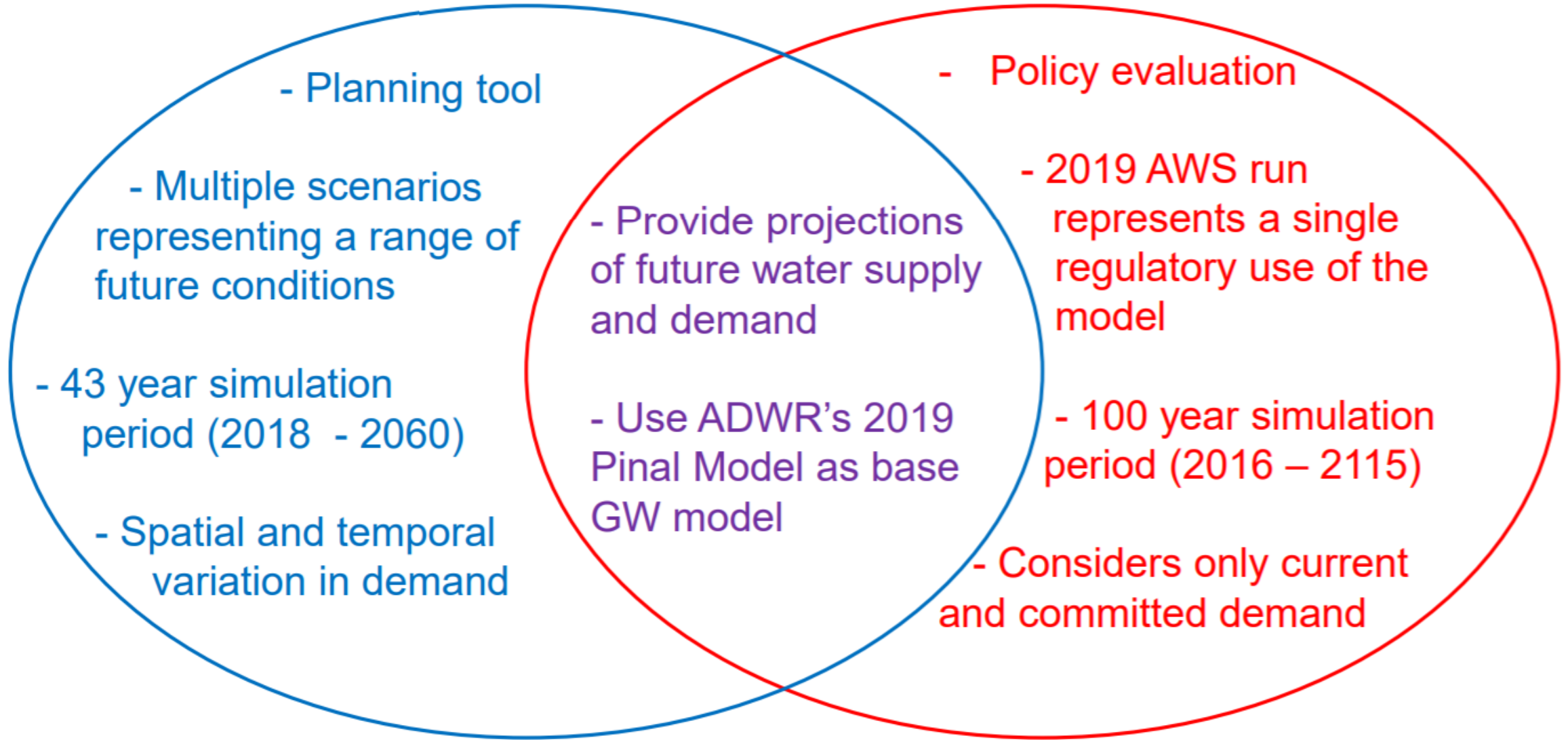
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Basin Study Modeling

ADWR Pinal Model



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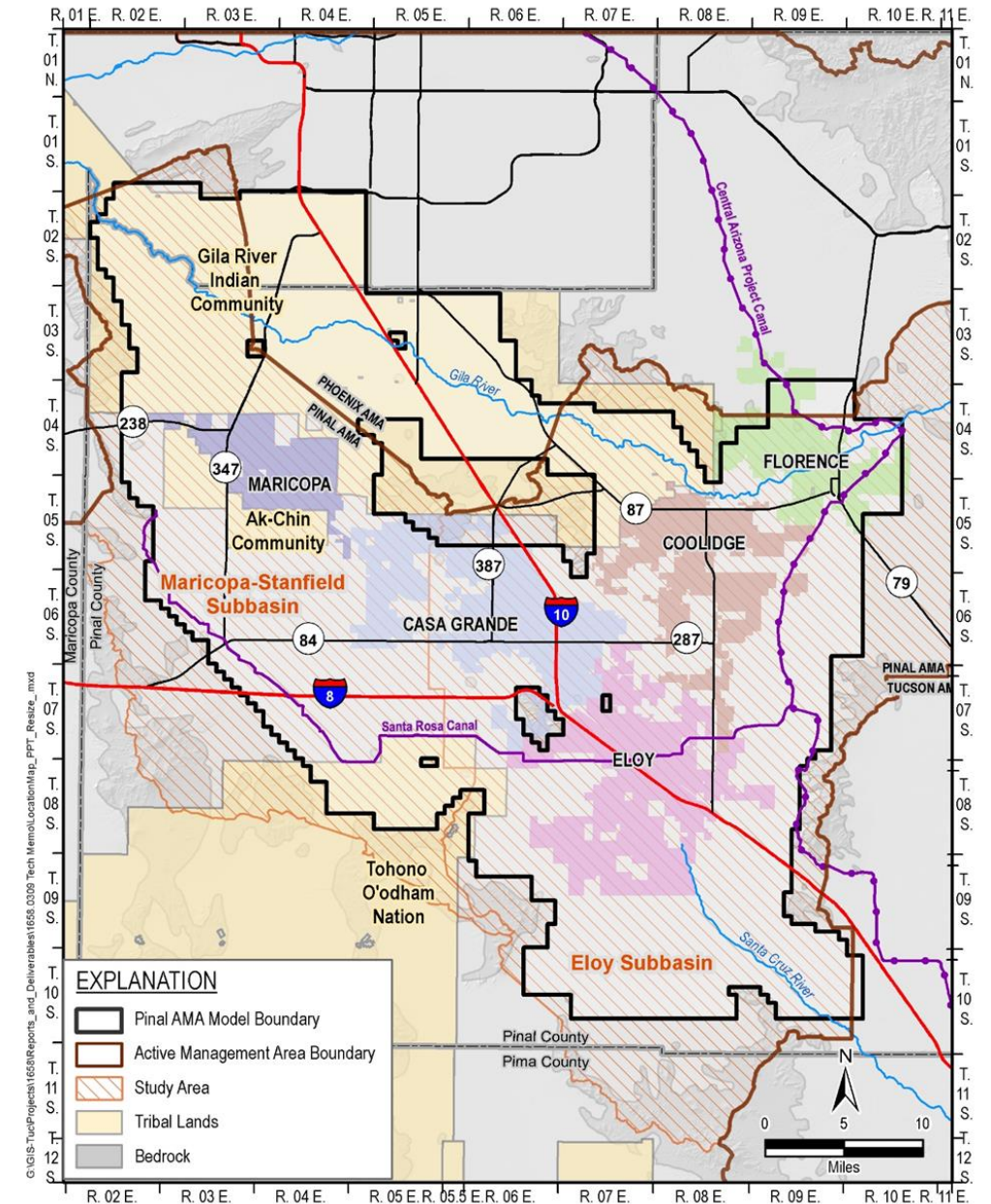
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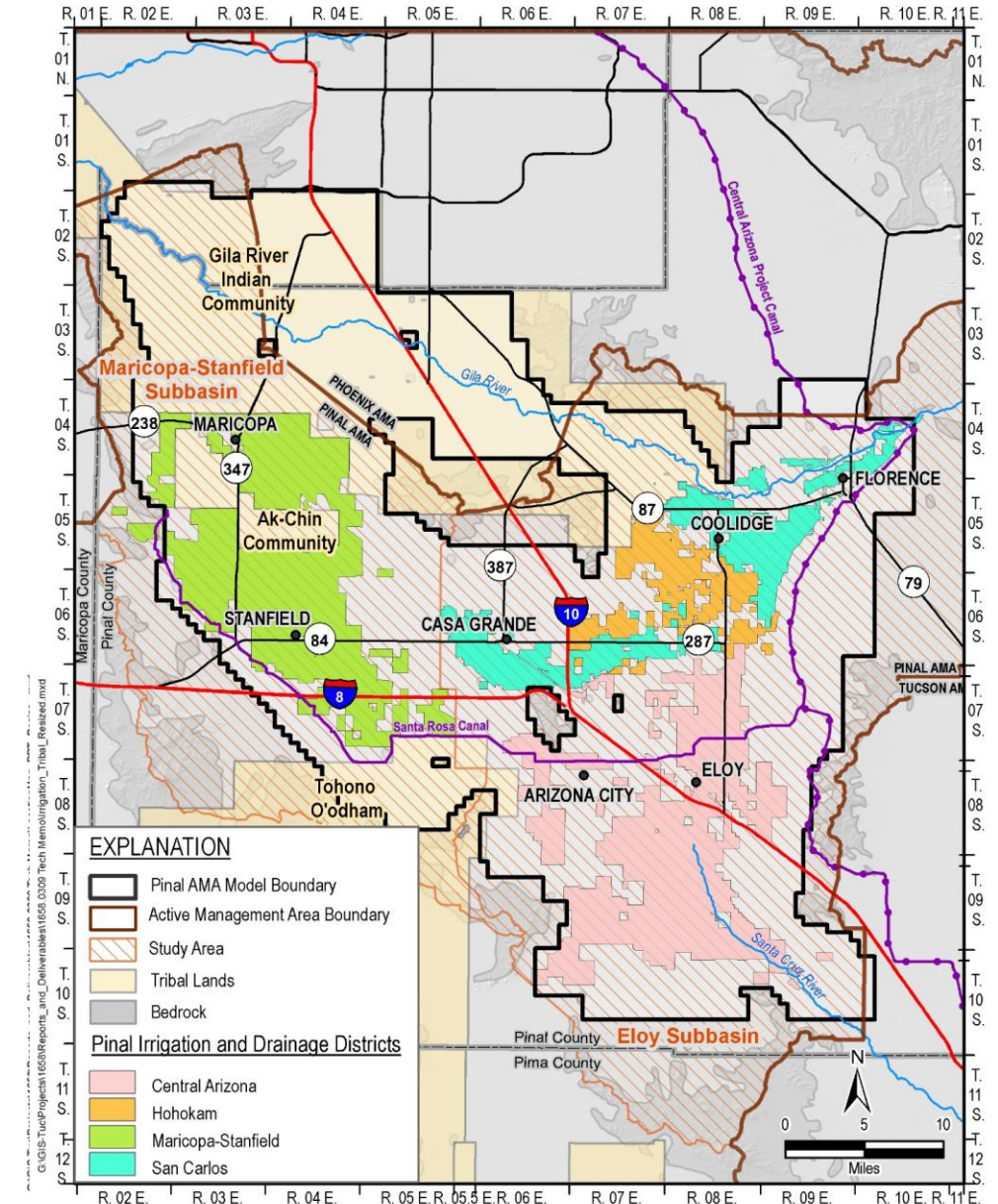
ADWR Model

- Original model released in 2014; historic period 1922 – 2010
- Regulatory use for 100-yr assured water supply projections
- Updated in 2019; some structural adjustments; historic period extended thru 2015

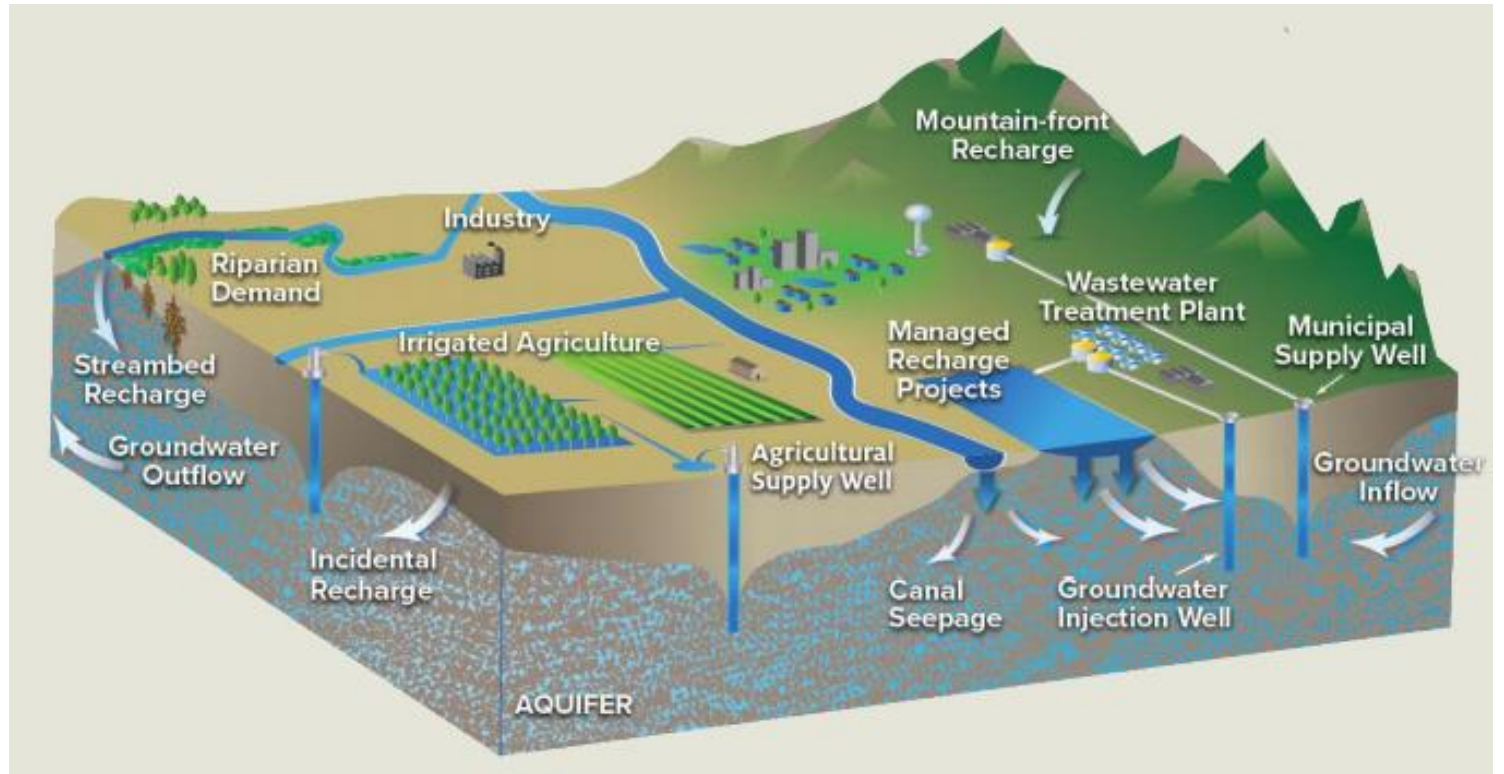
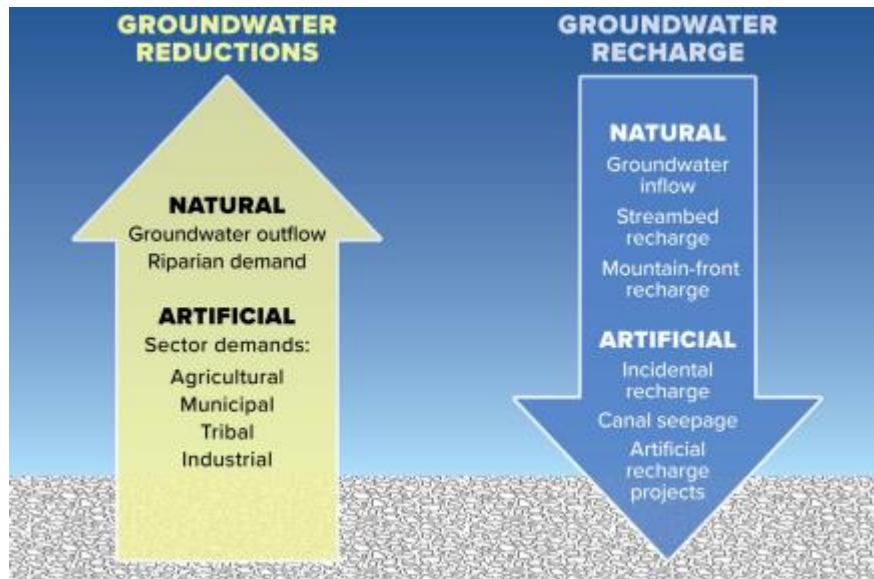


Basin Study Model (2021)

- ADWR Model is starting point
- Updated for years 2016 - 2018
- Thorough review; determined model is acceptable for study objectives; some minor adjustments
- Model runs evaluate future scenarios through 2060
- Model is useful for regional scale evaluation and comparison between alternative future scenarios



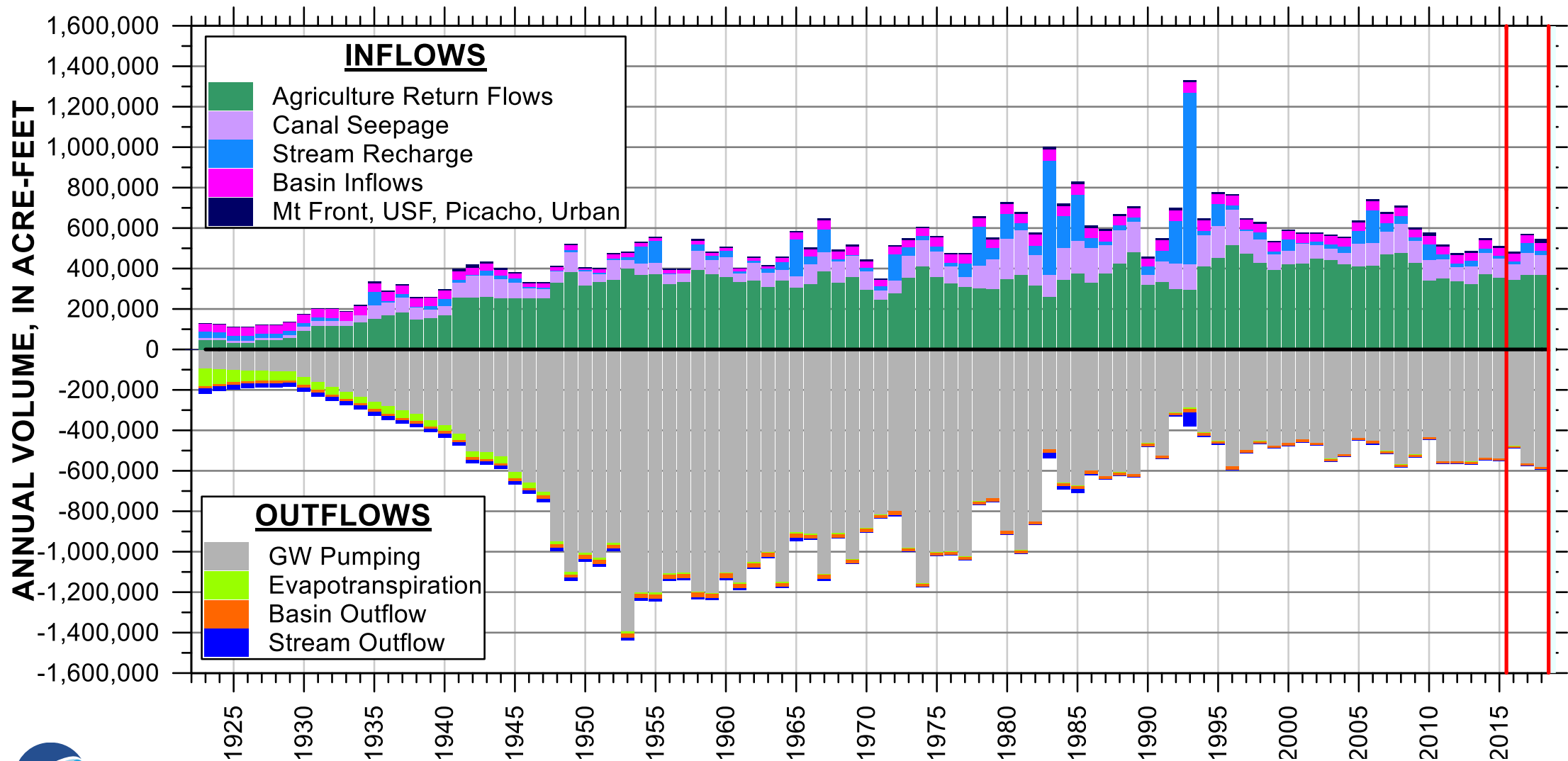
Pinal AMA Groundwater Model Water Budget



A VISUAL GUIDE TO WATER IN THE PINAL ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA
Report prepared by the Univ. of Arizona Water Resources Research Center
JUNE 12, 2020

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3-year update



Groundwater Modeling Results

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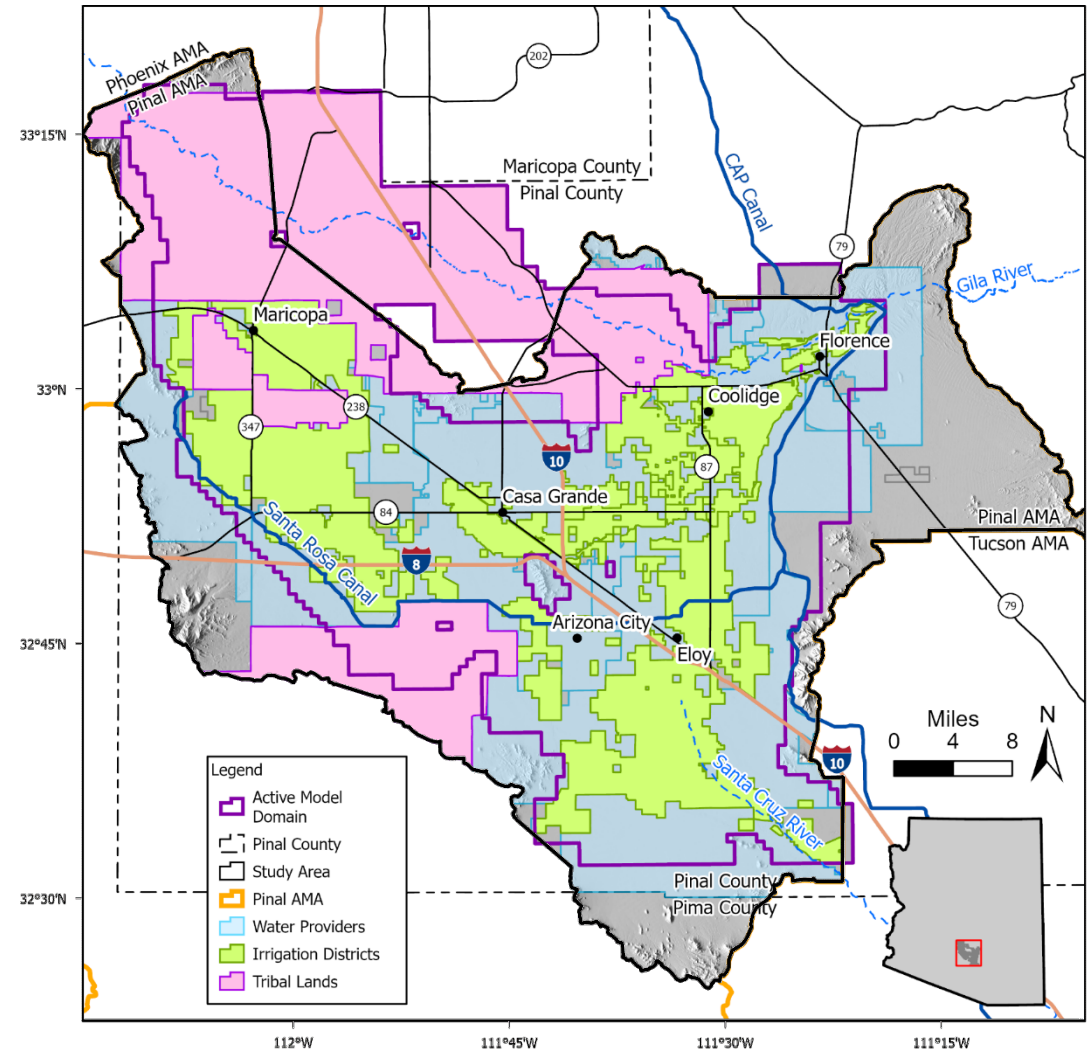
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Study Area

- Water Providers
 - Seven providers explicitly modeled in CAP:SAM
 - Additional 25+ small providers modeled
- Irrigation Districts
 - CAIDD, MSIDD, SCIDD and HIDD
- Tribal Lands
 - Ak-Chin Indian Community
 - Gila River Indian Community (*portion of demand is the outside model domain*)
 - Tohono O'odham Nation (*all demand is outside the model domain*)

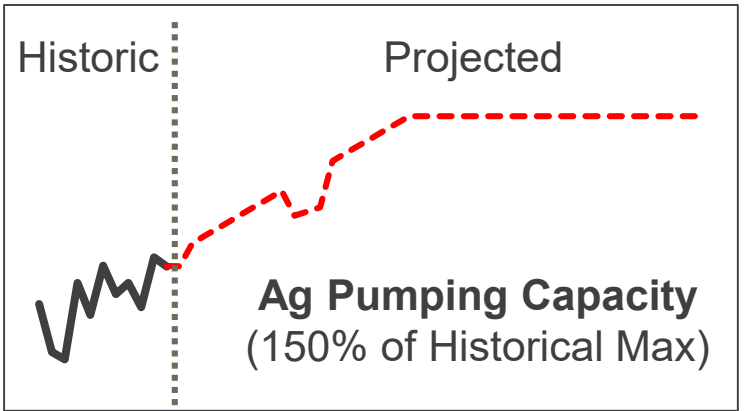


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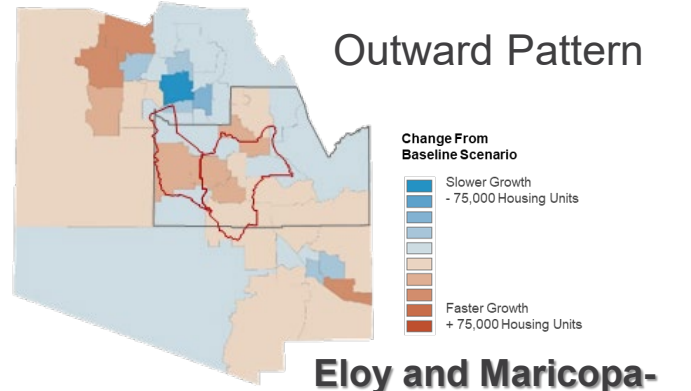
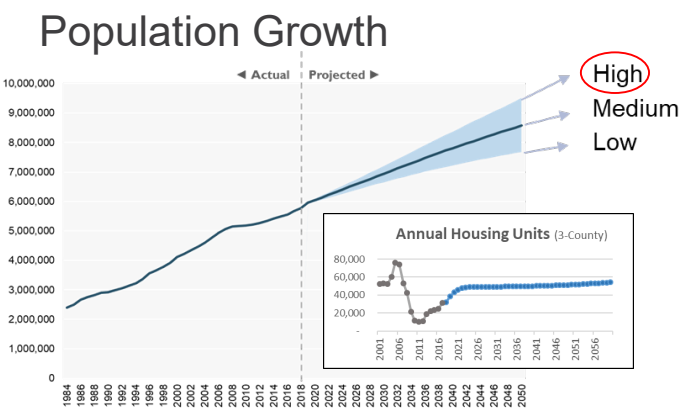


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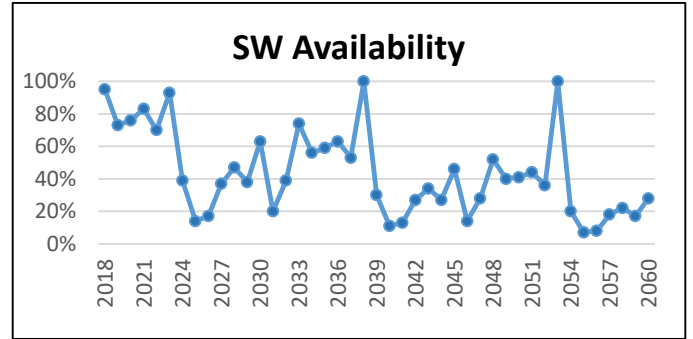
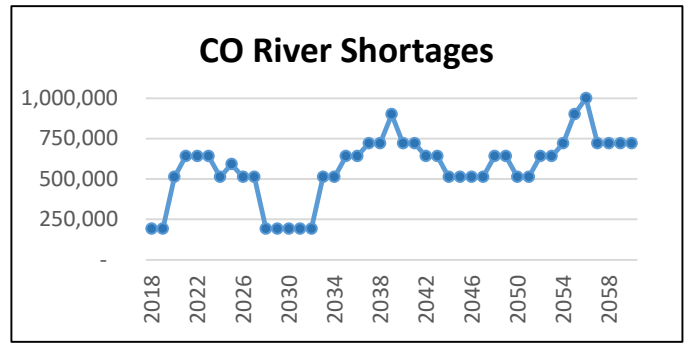
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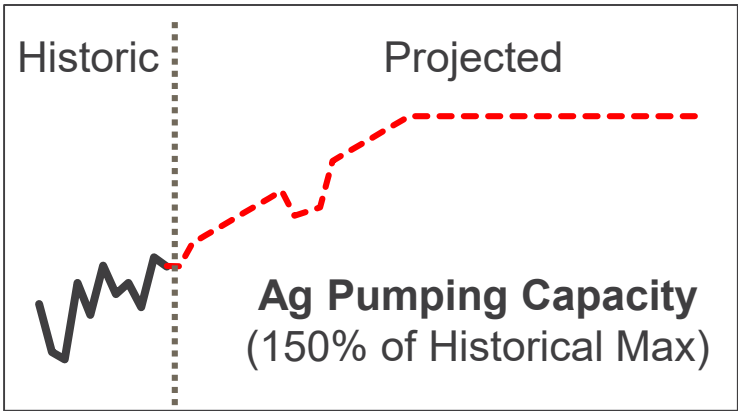
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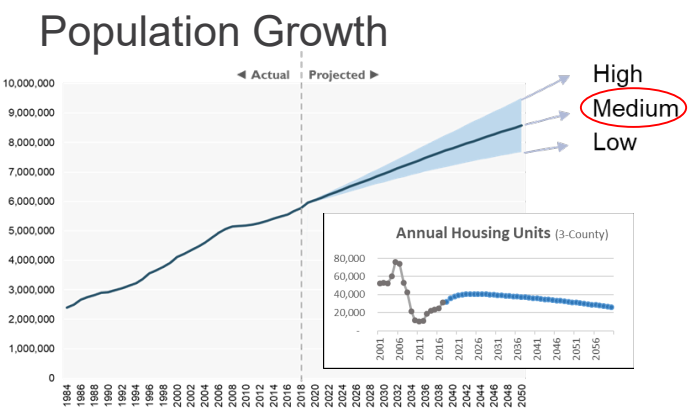
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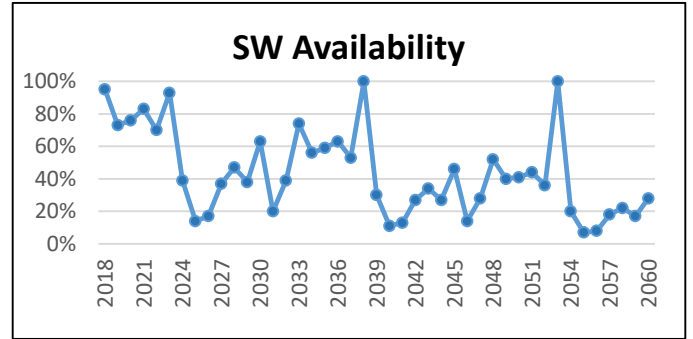
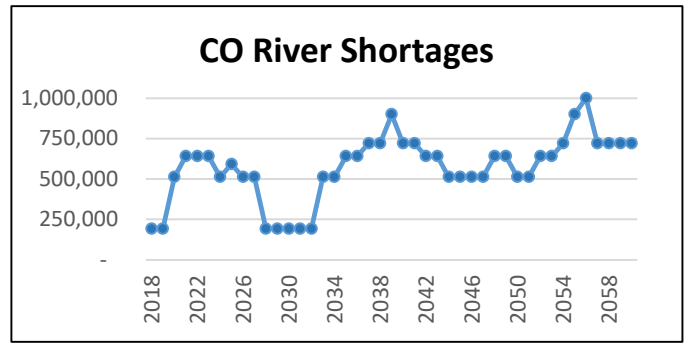
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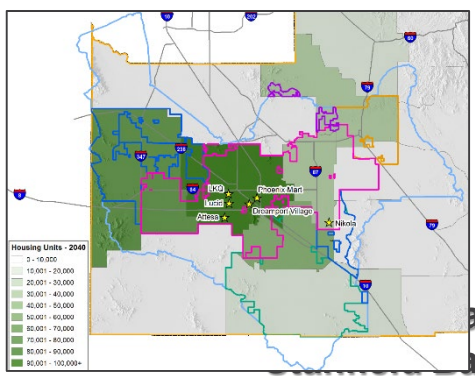
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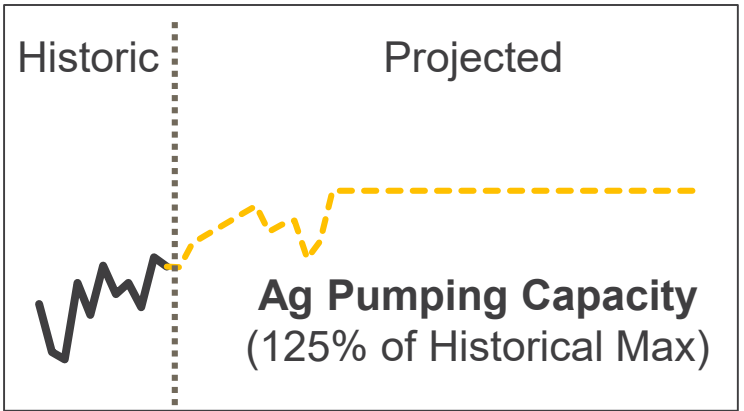
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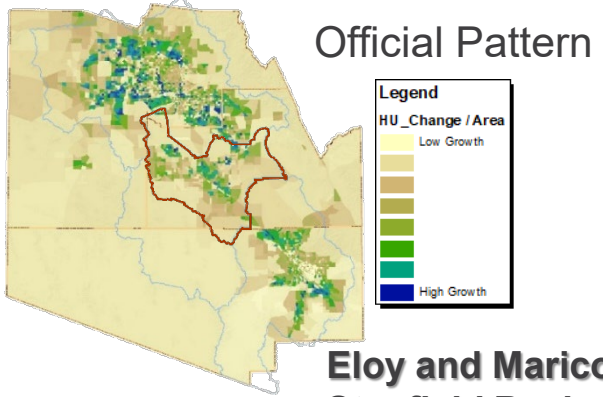
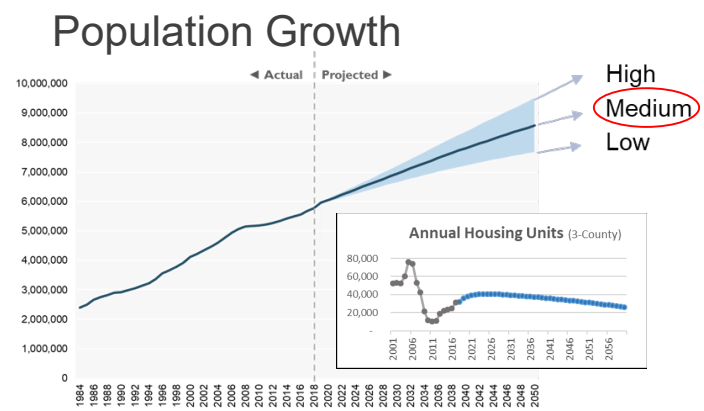
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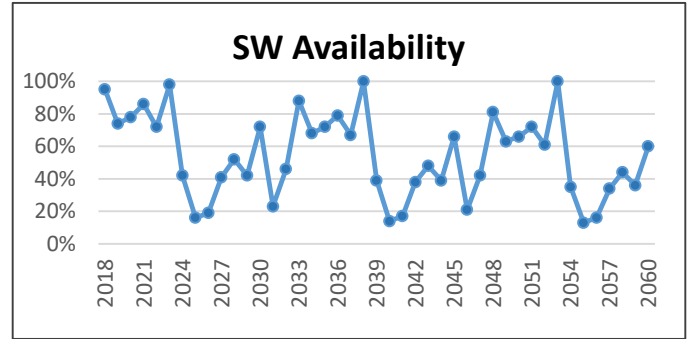
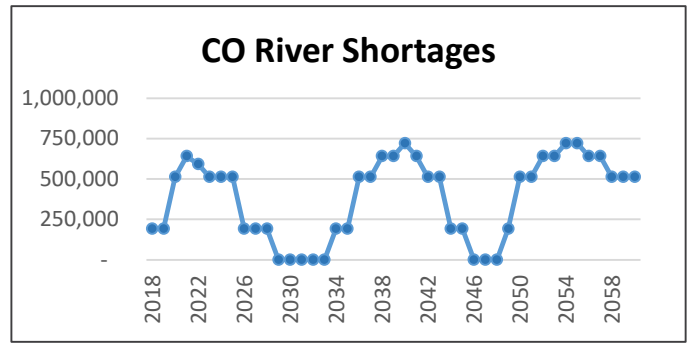
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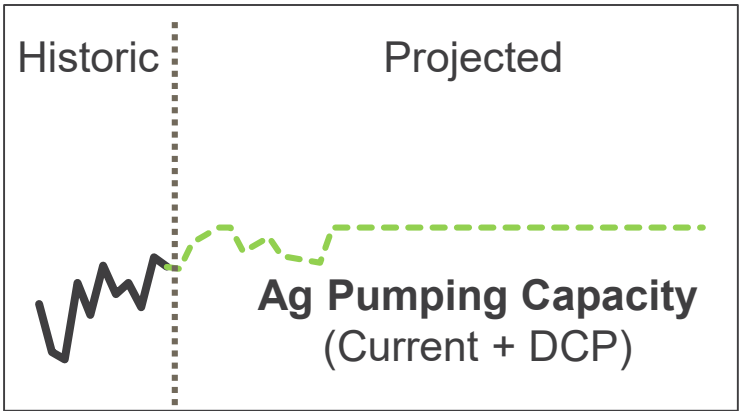
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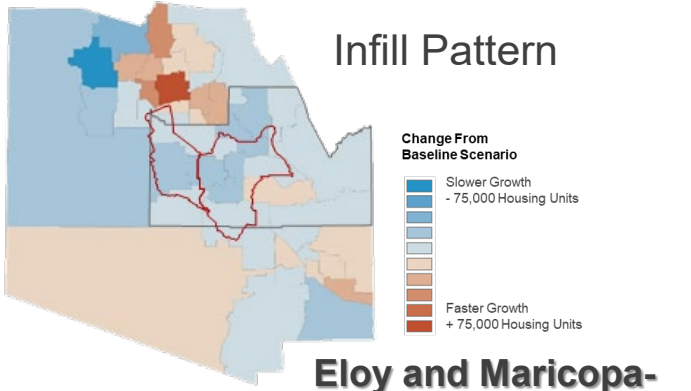
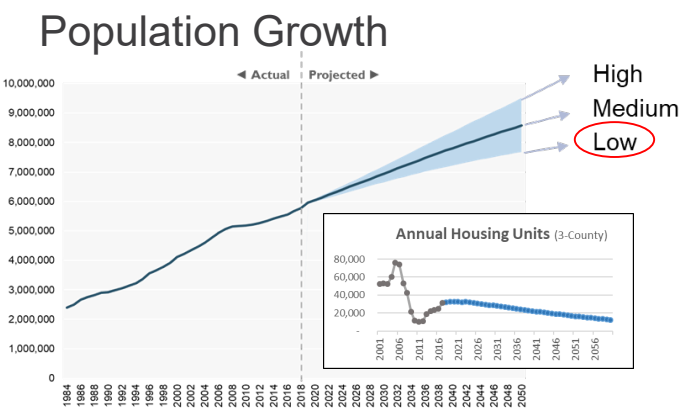
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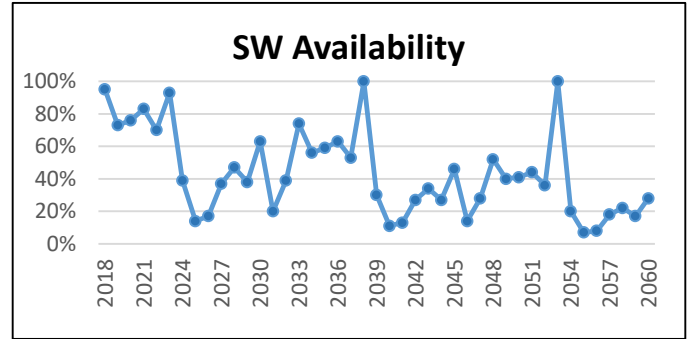
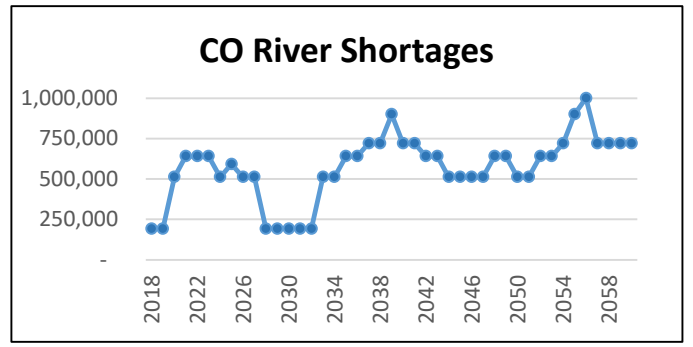
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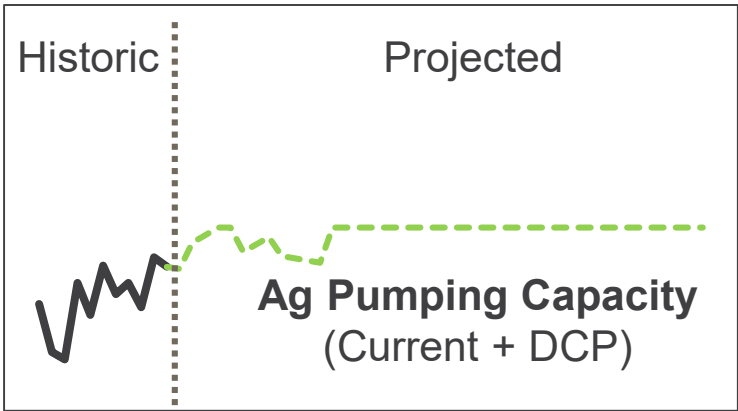
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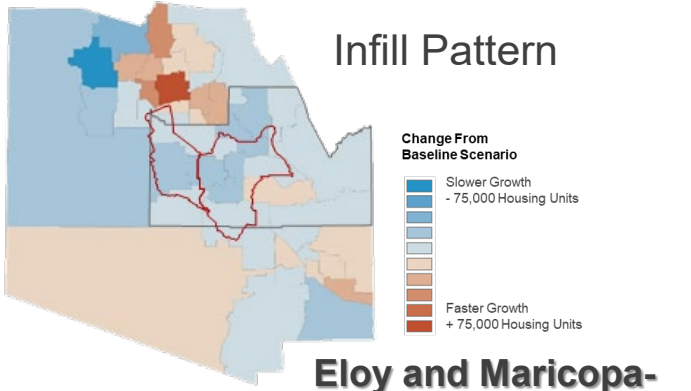
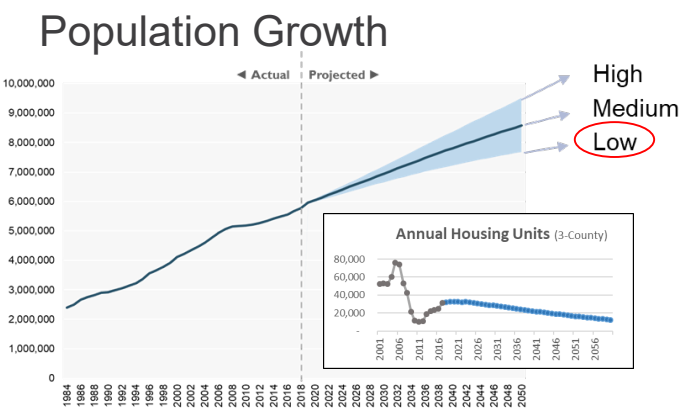
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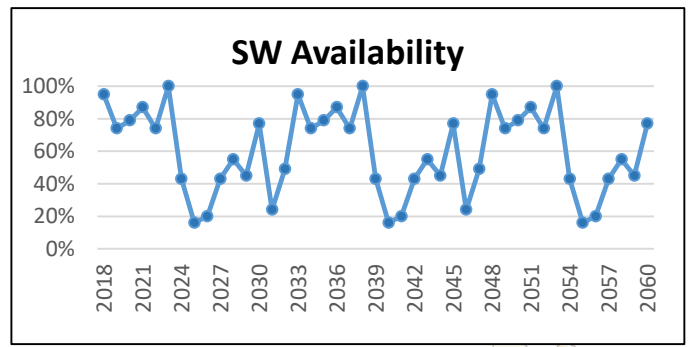
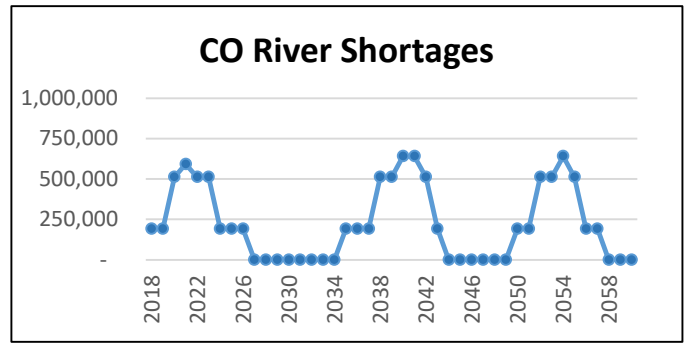
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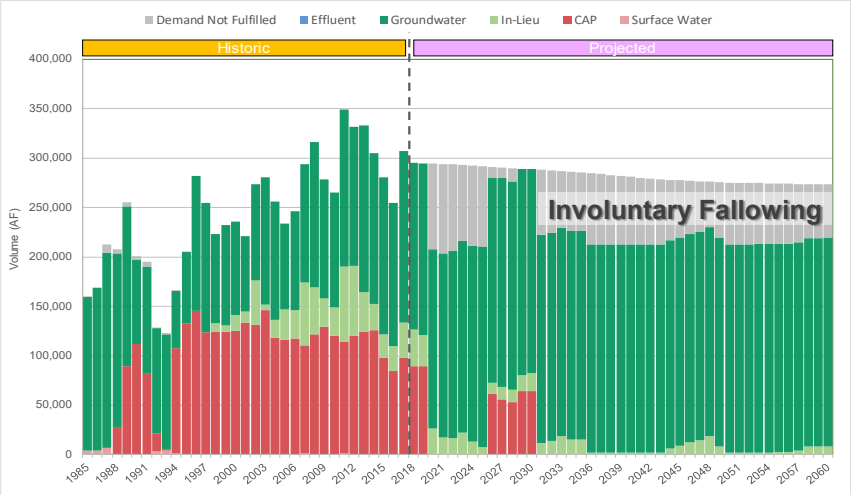


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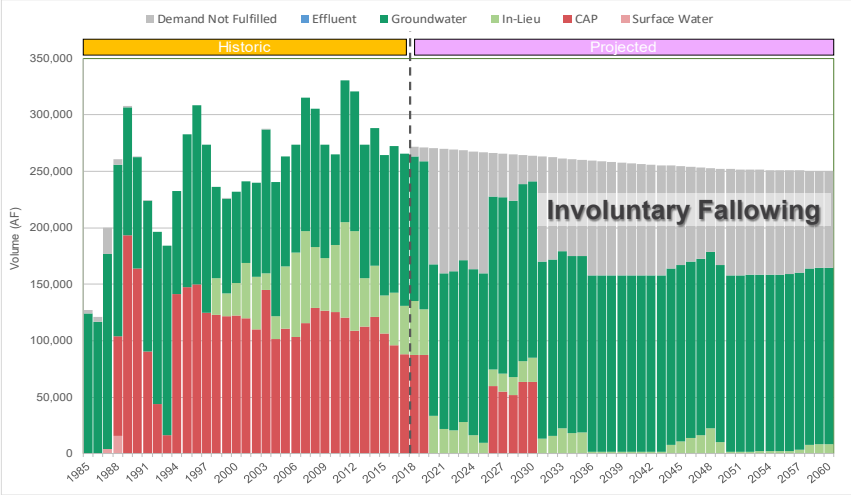


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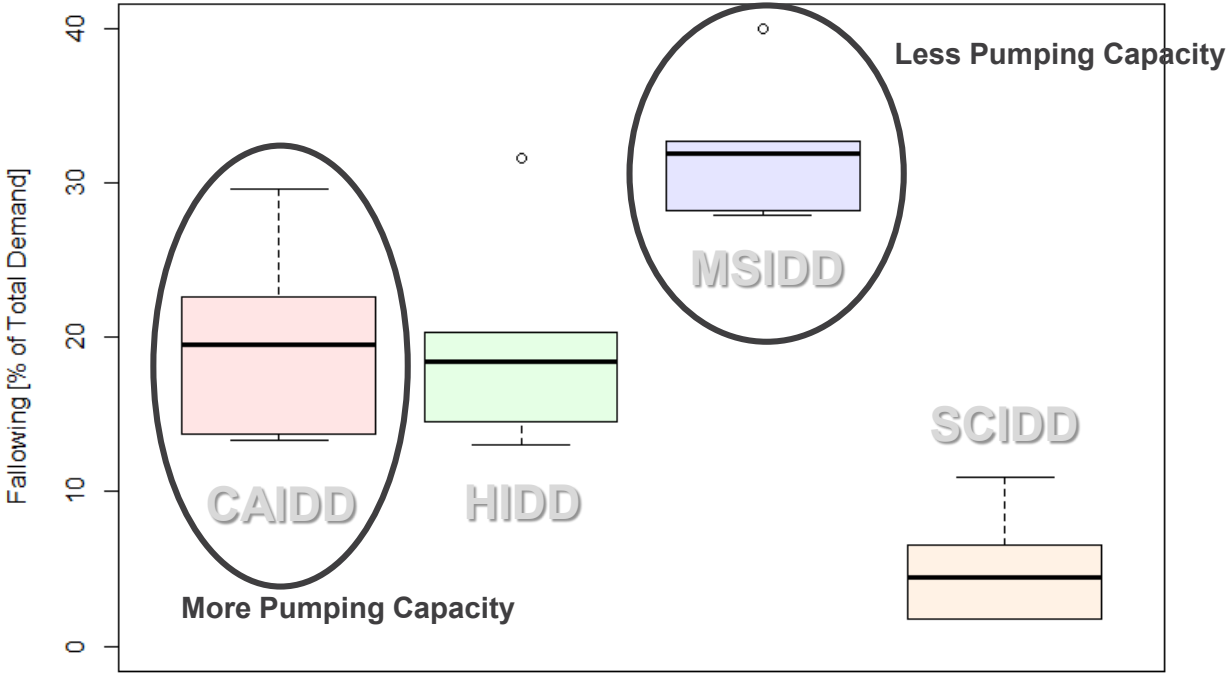
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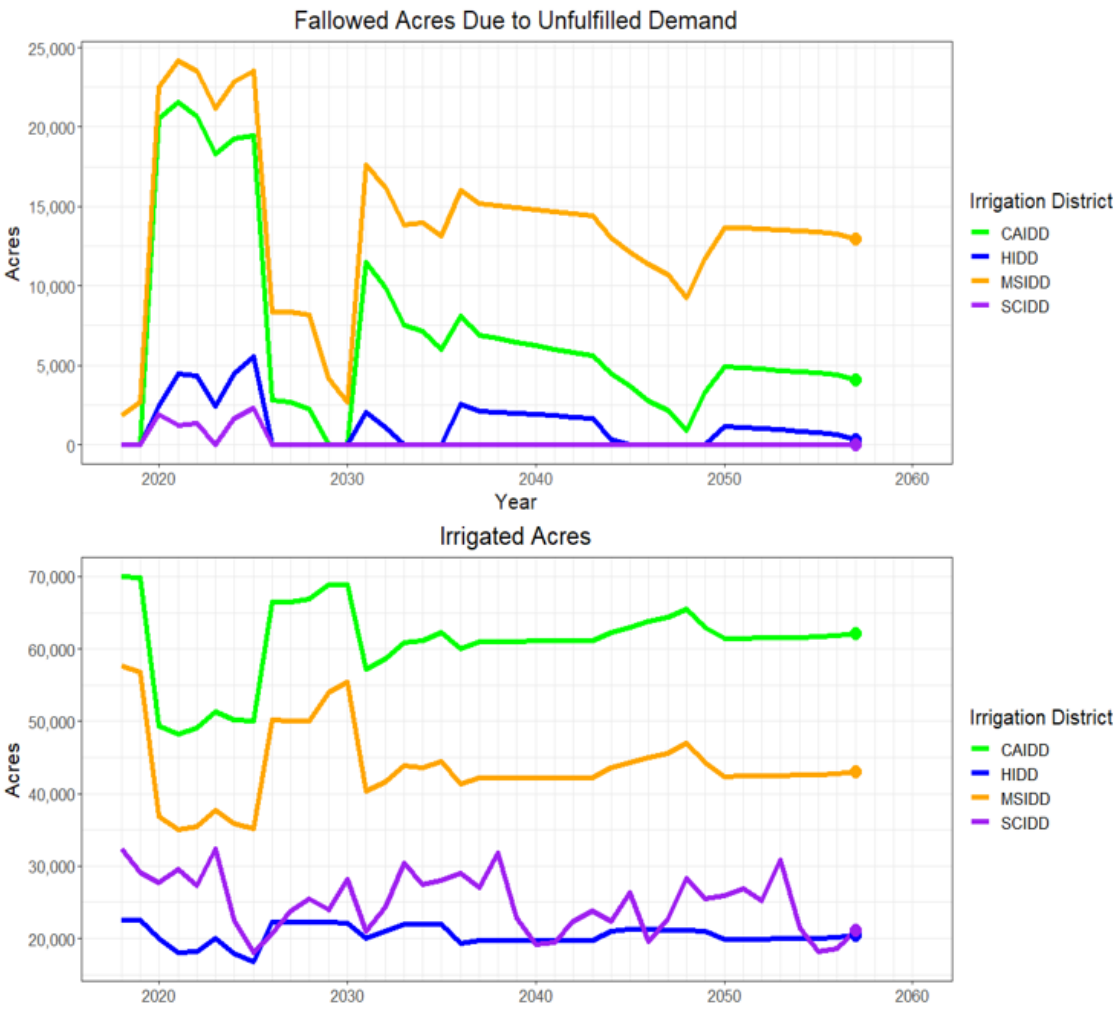
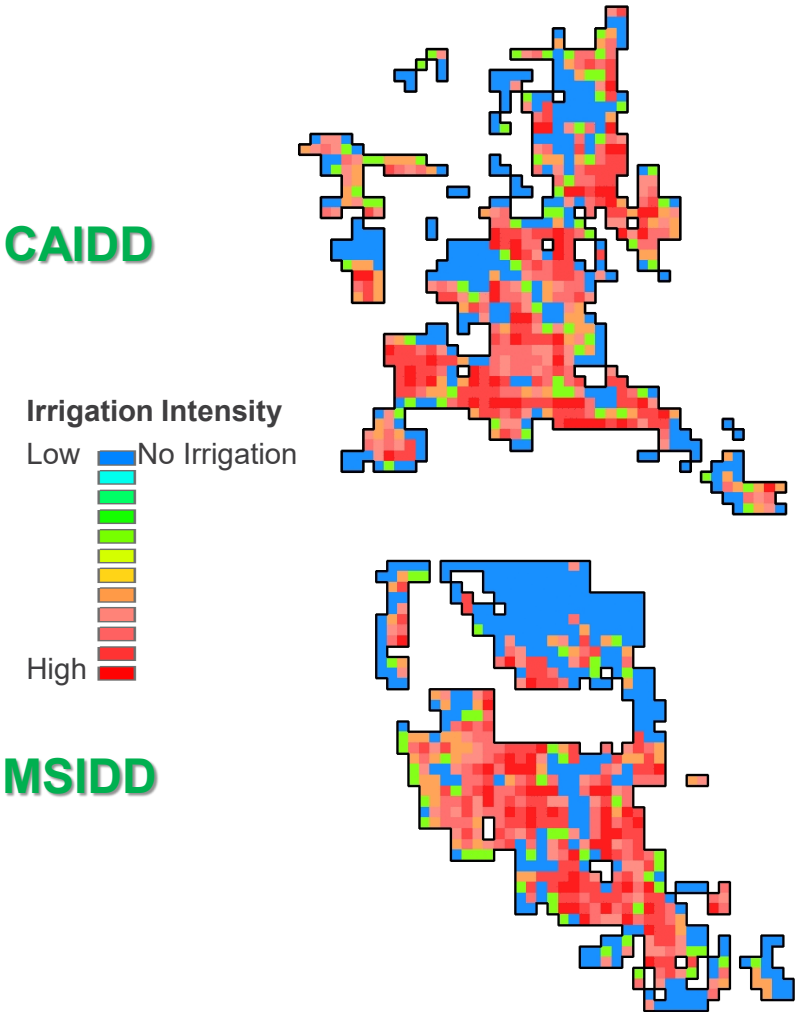


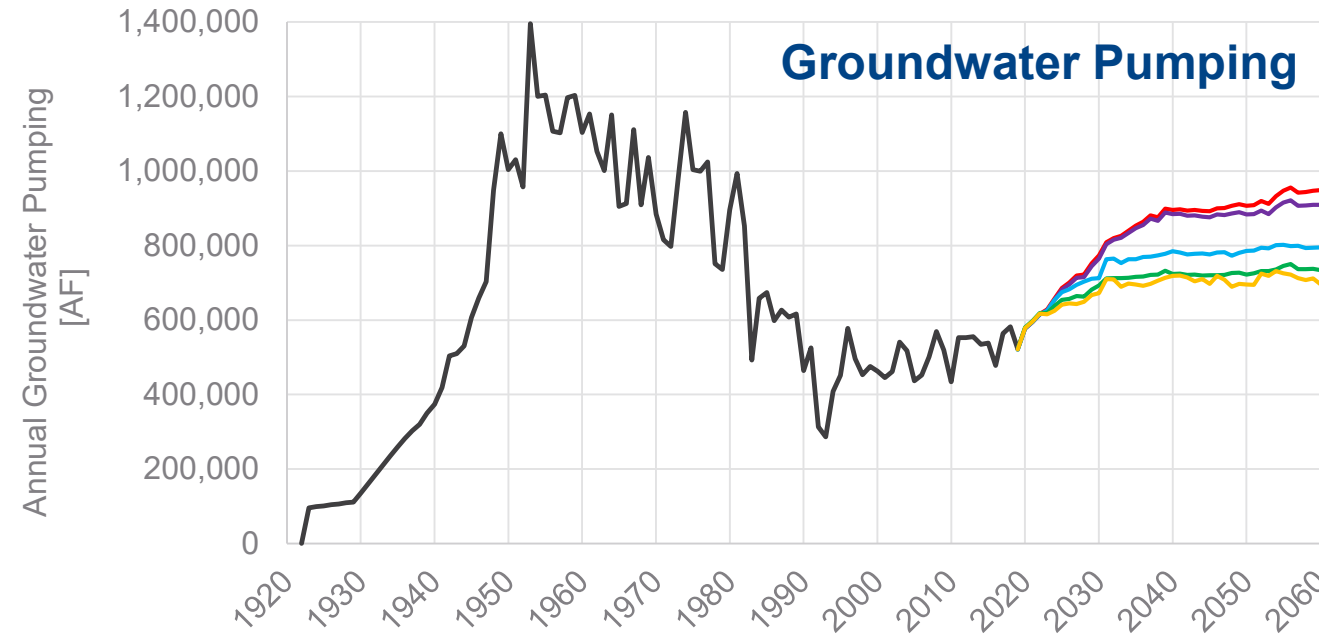
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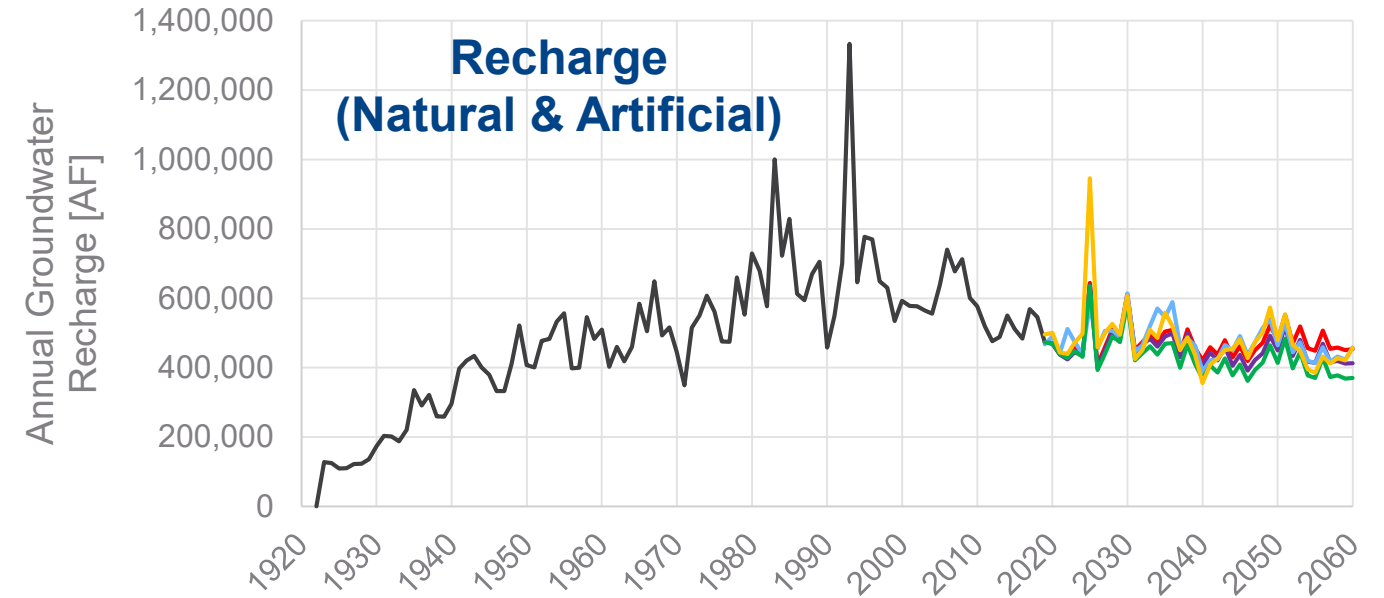
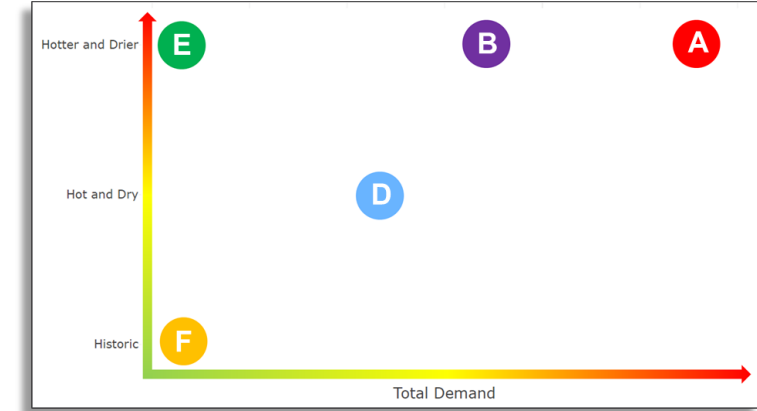
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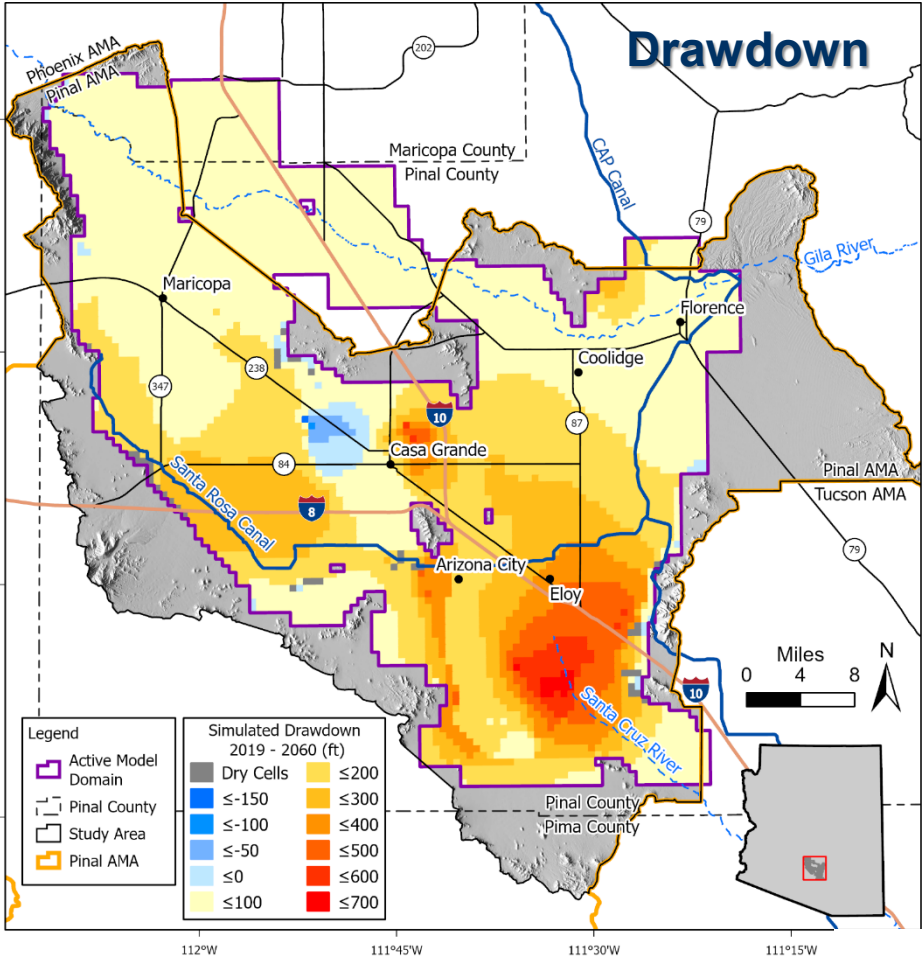
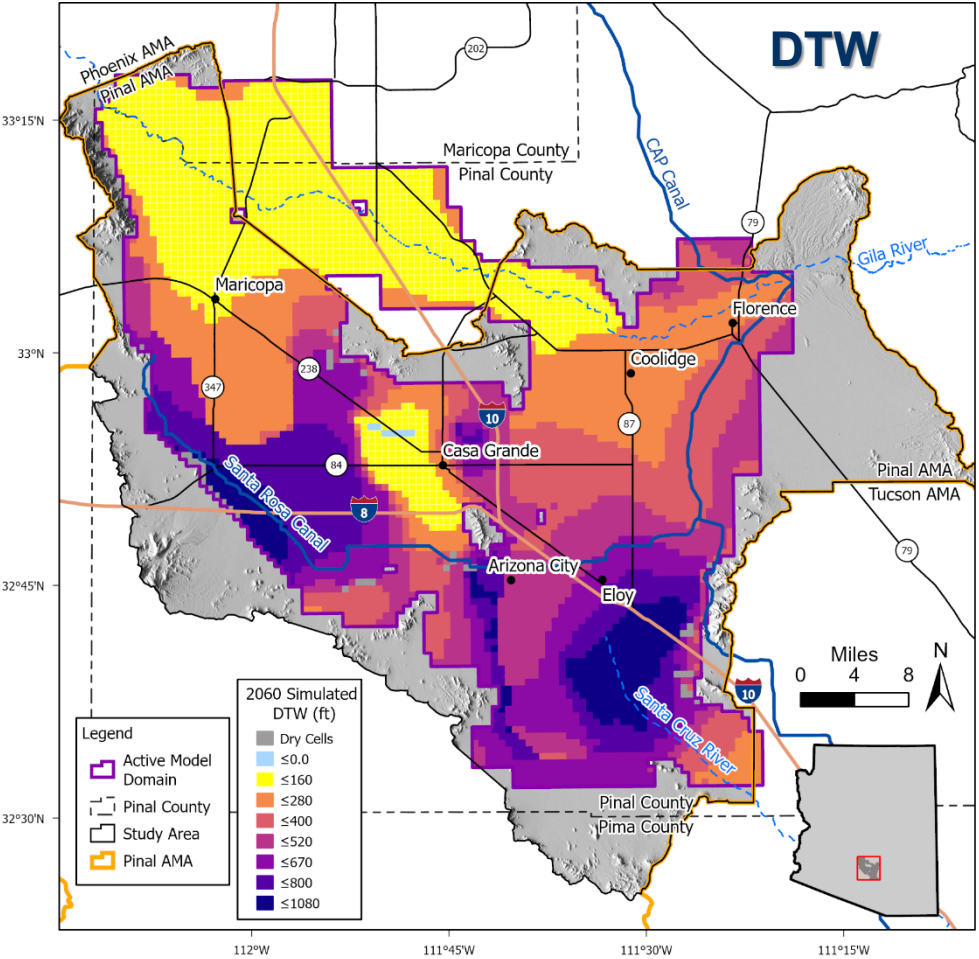
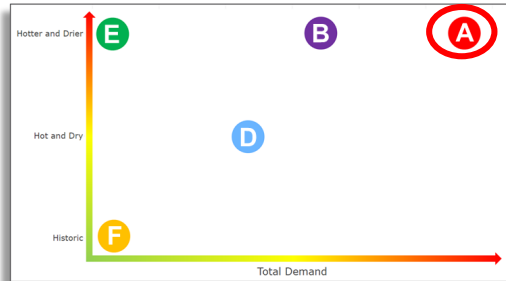
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- Scenario A
- Scenario B
- Scenario D
- Scenario E
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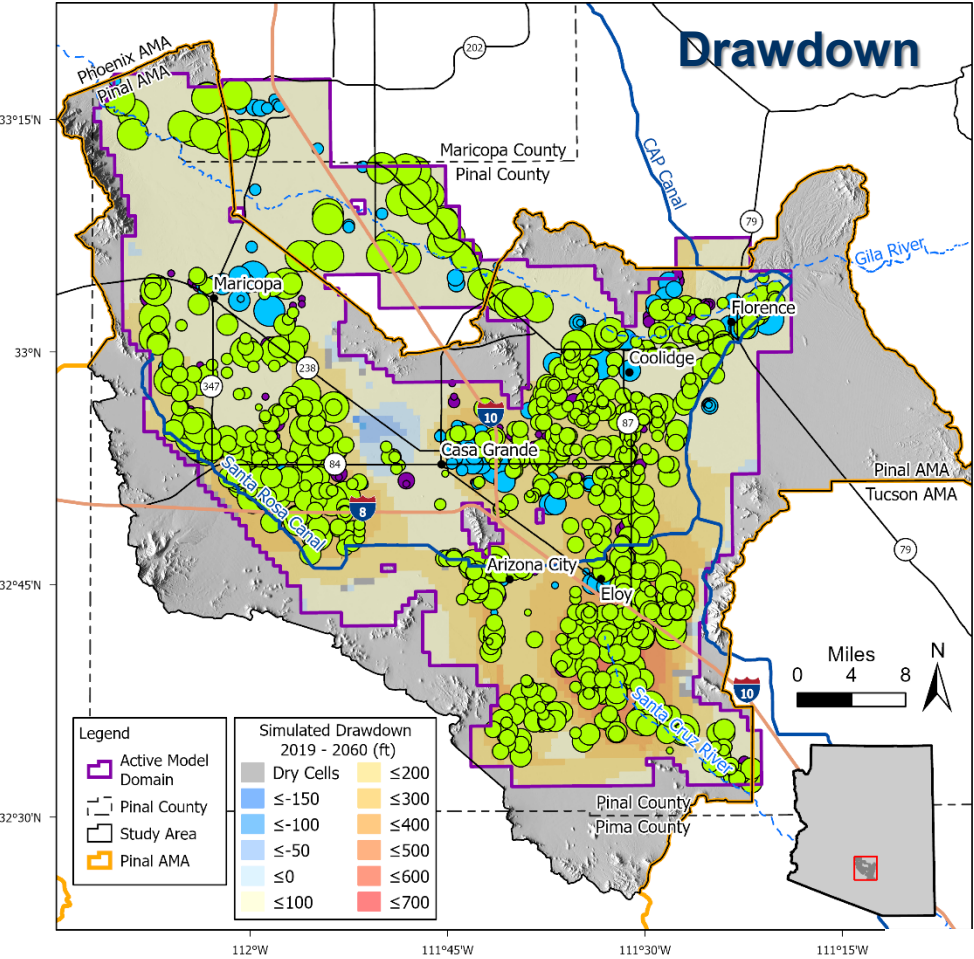
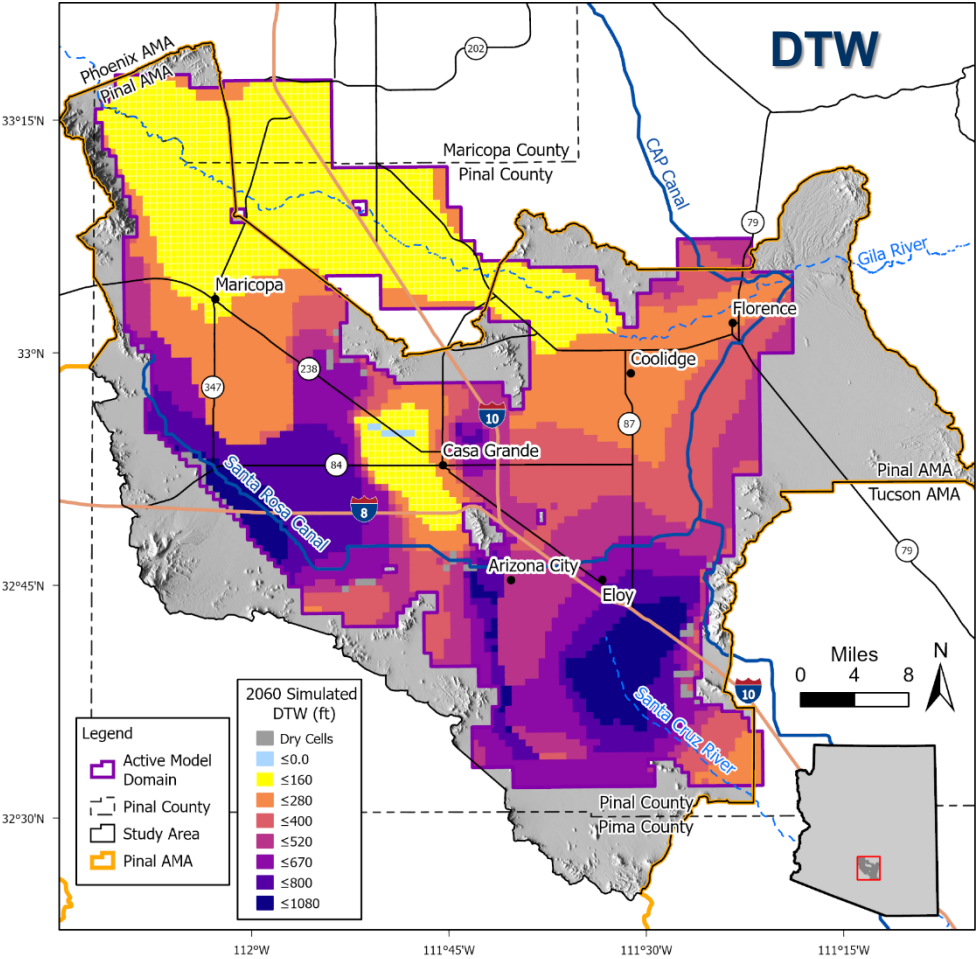
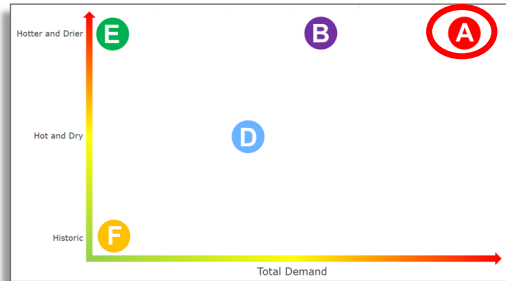
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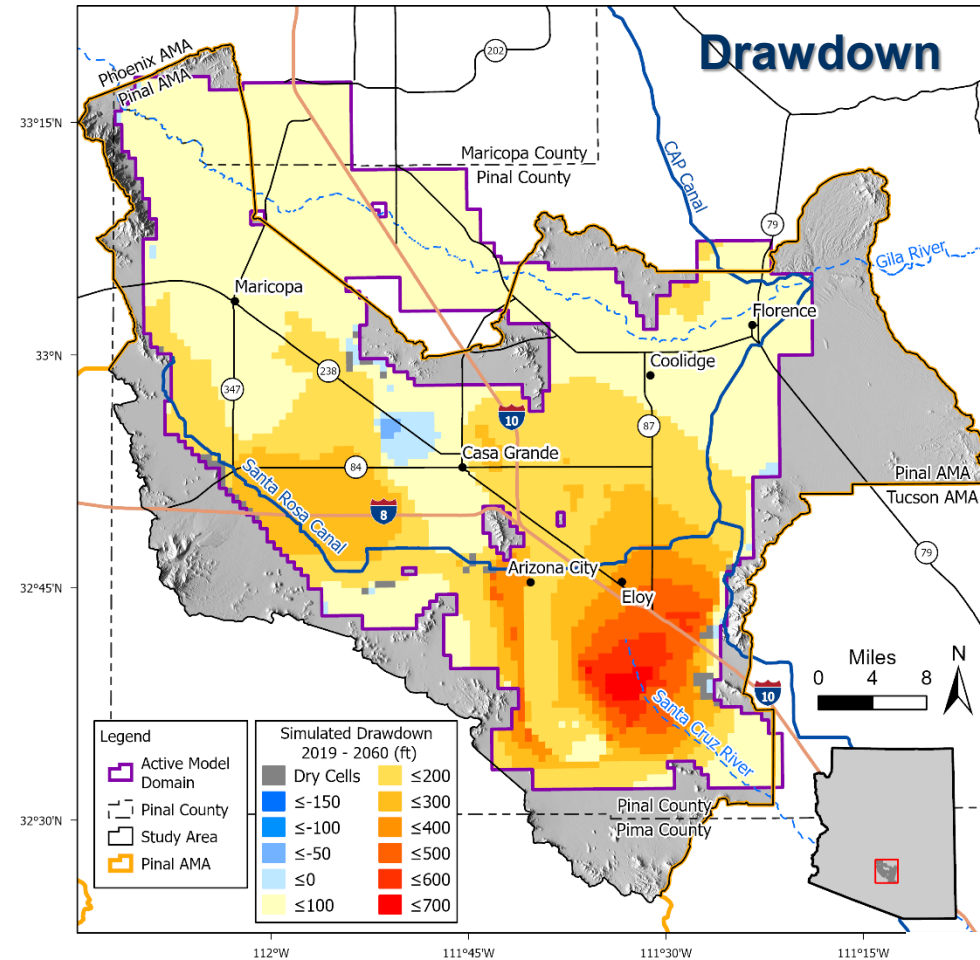
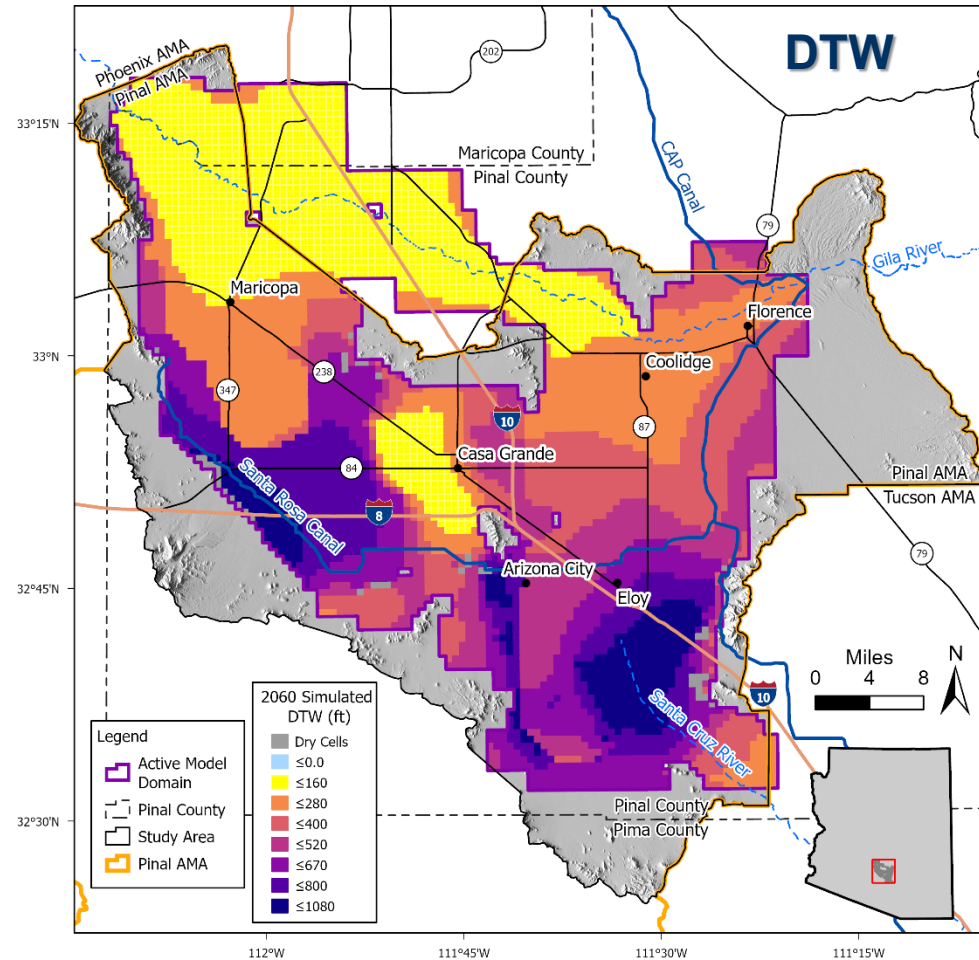
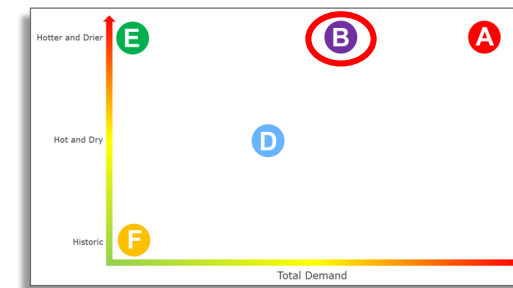
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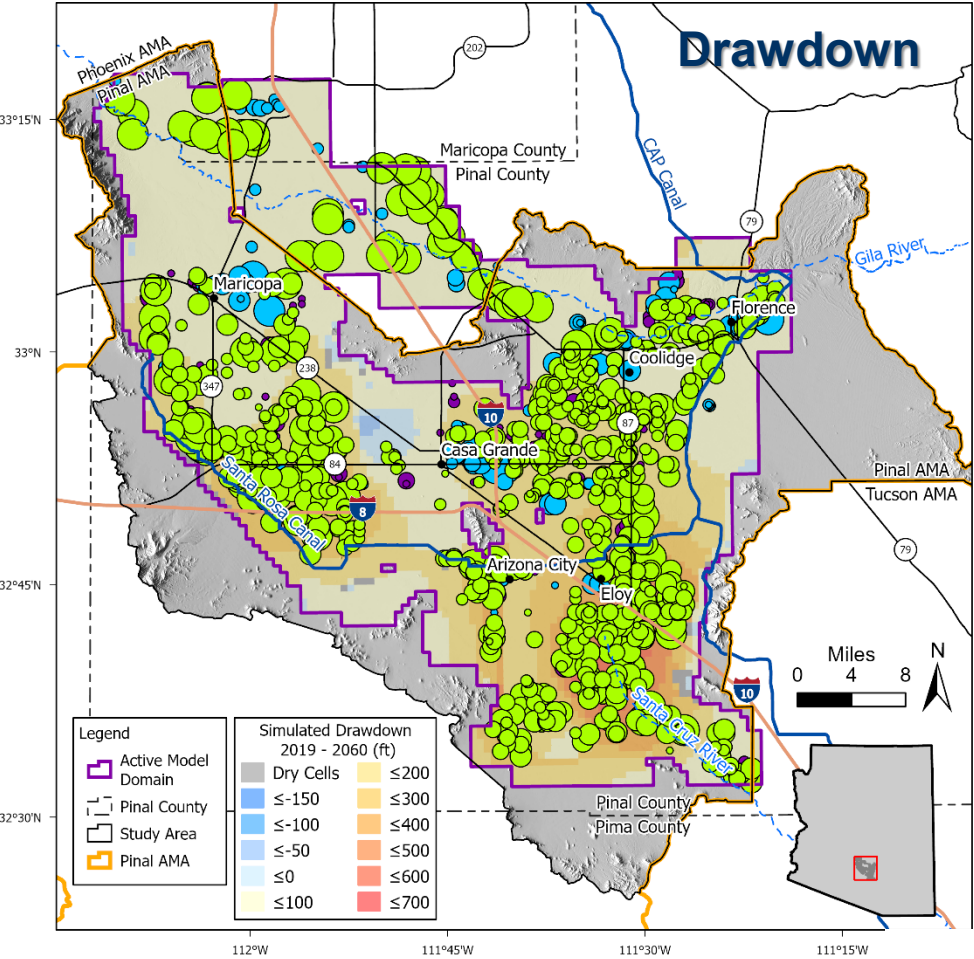
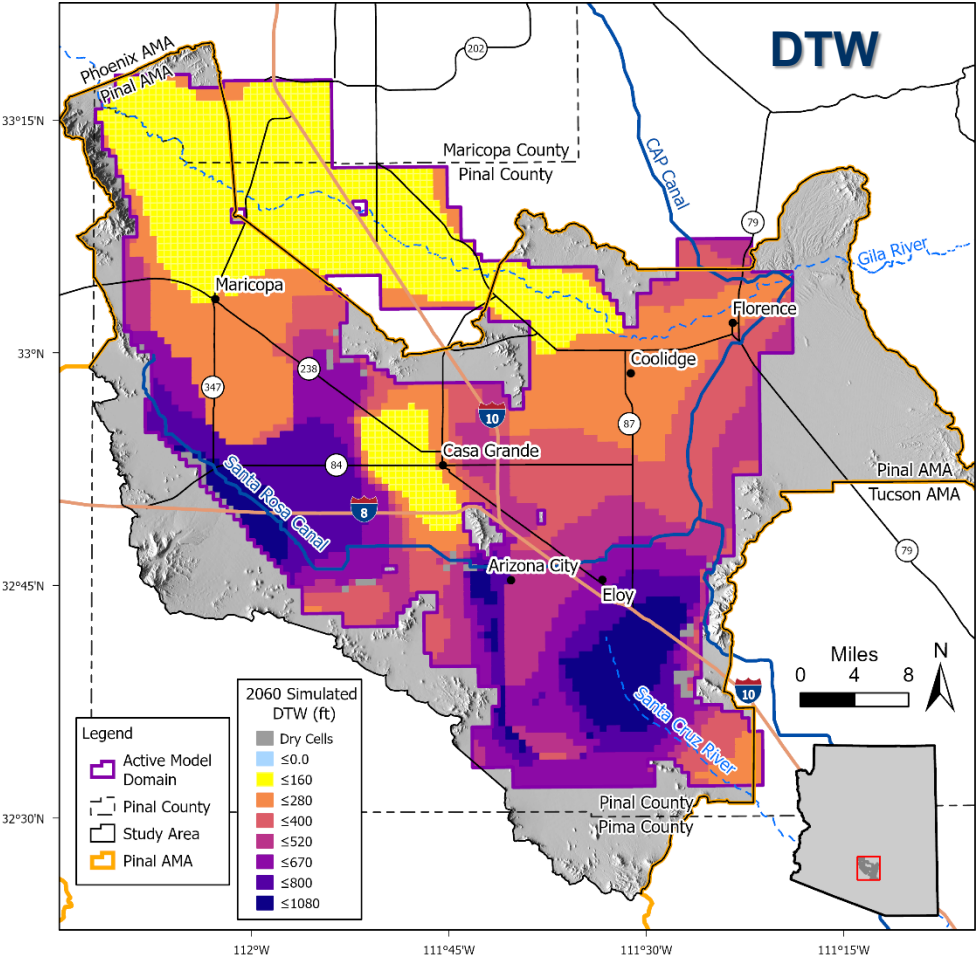
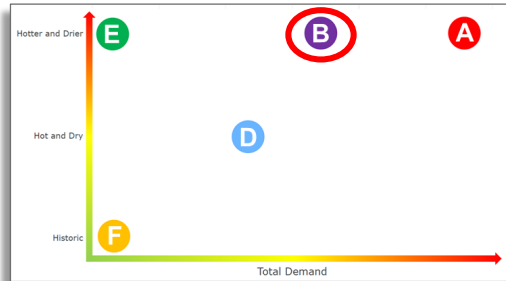
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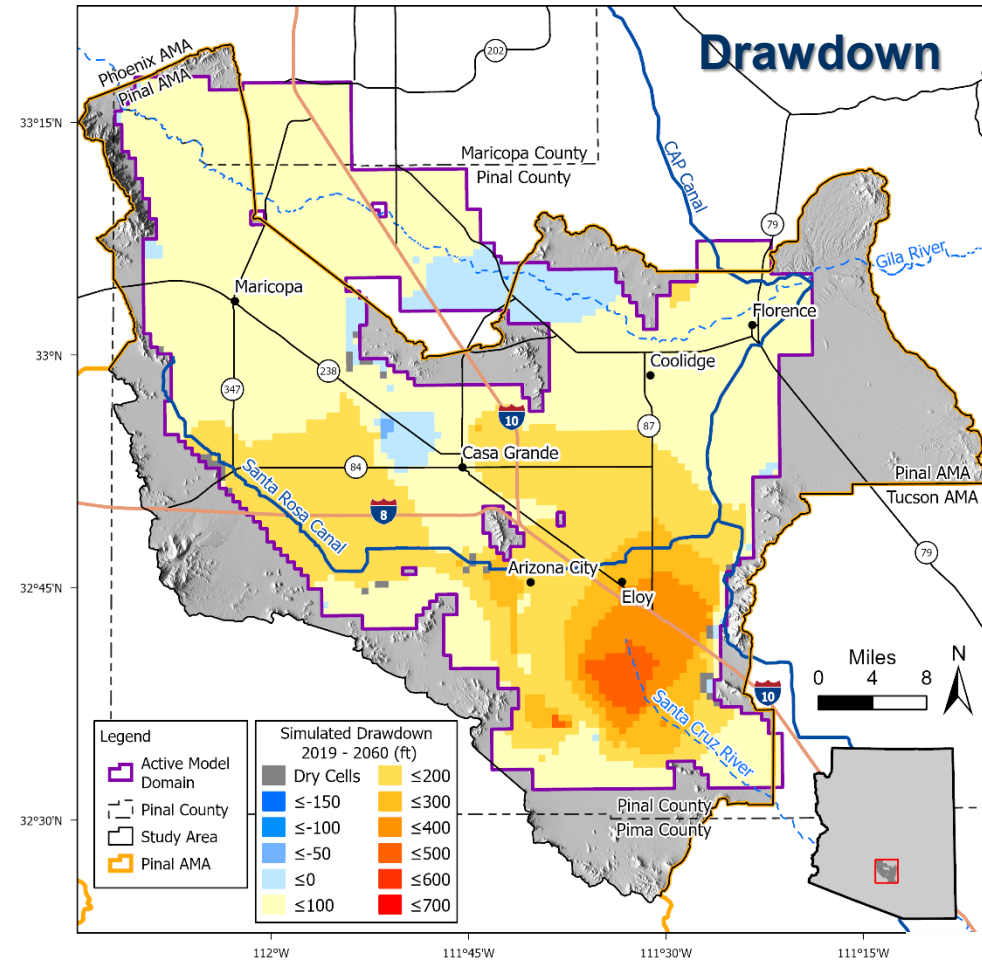
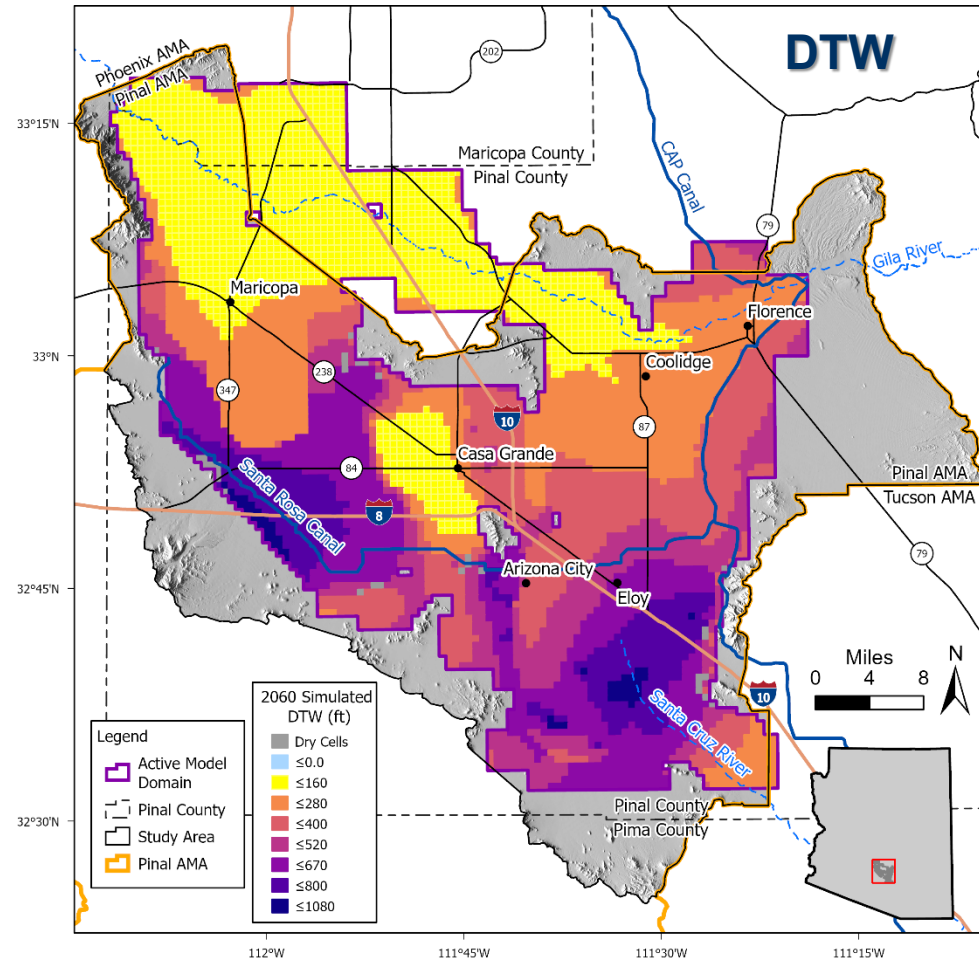
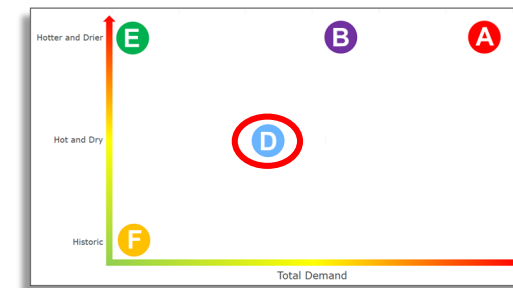
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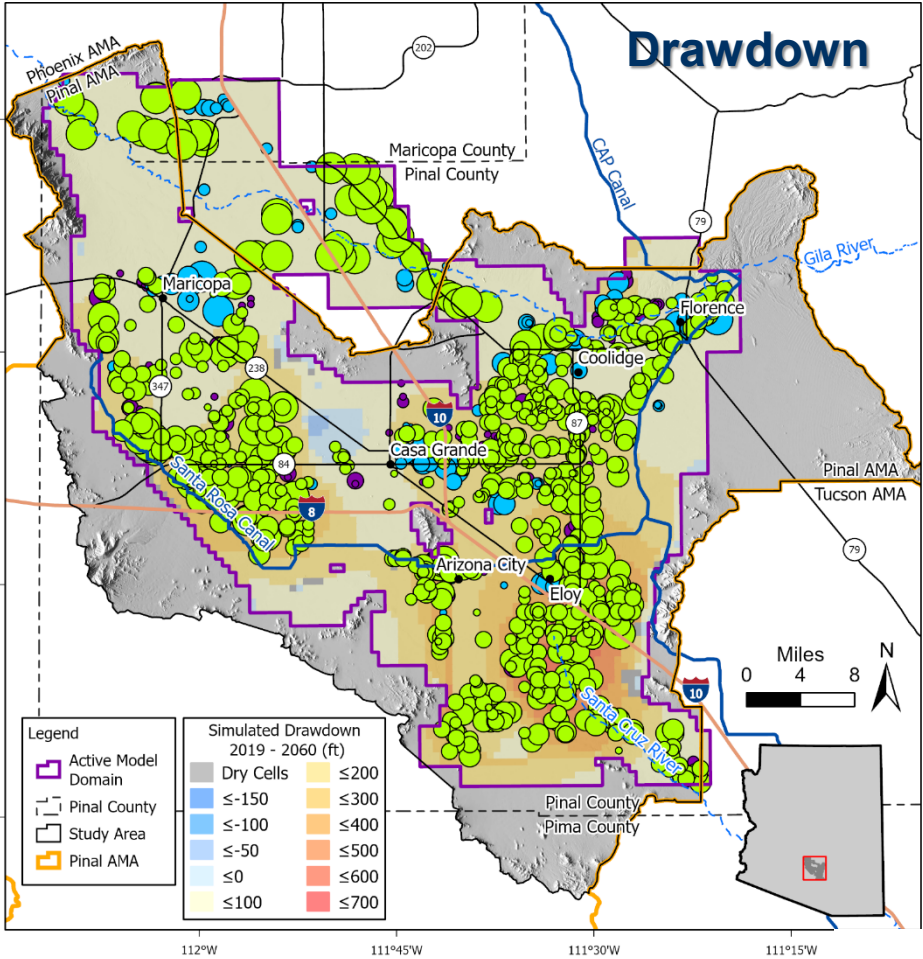
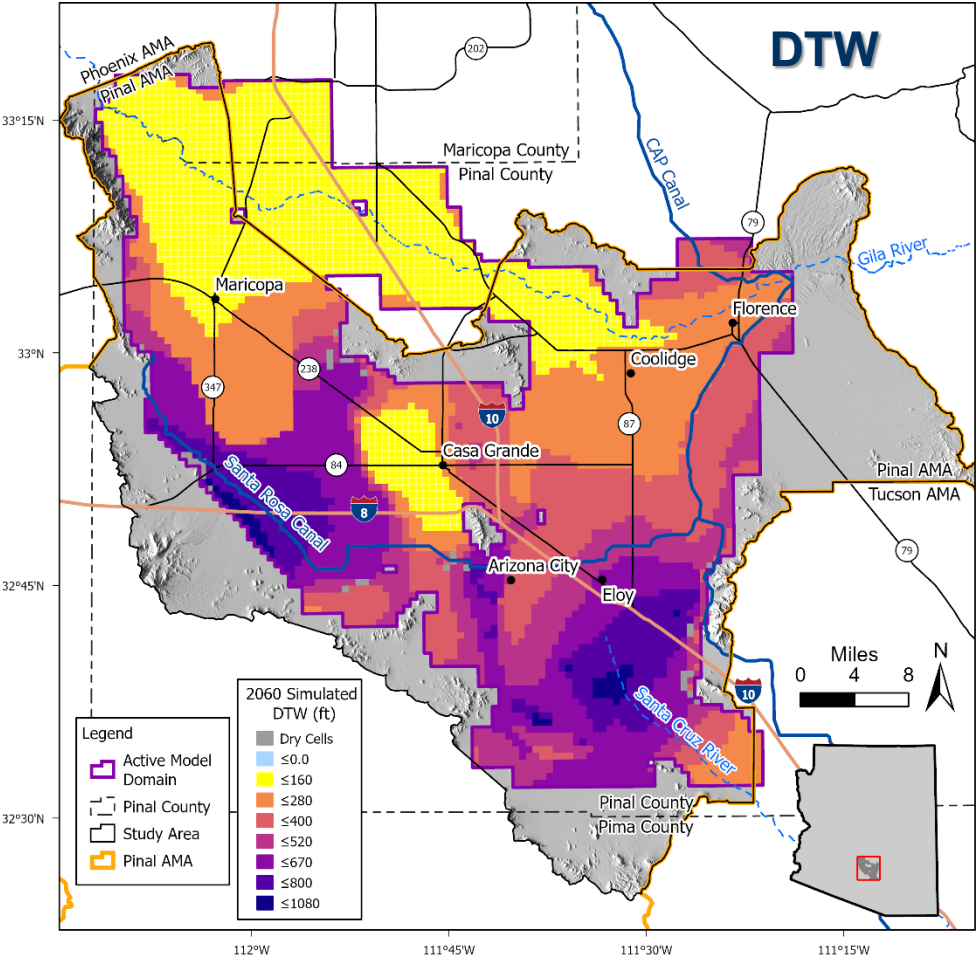
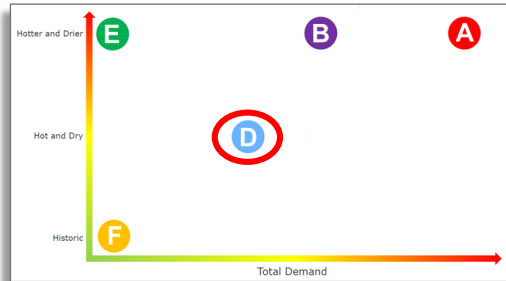
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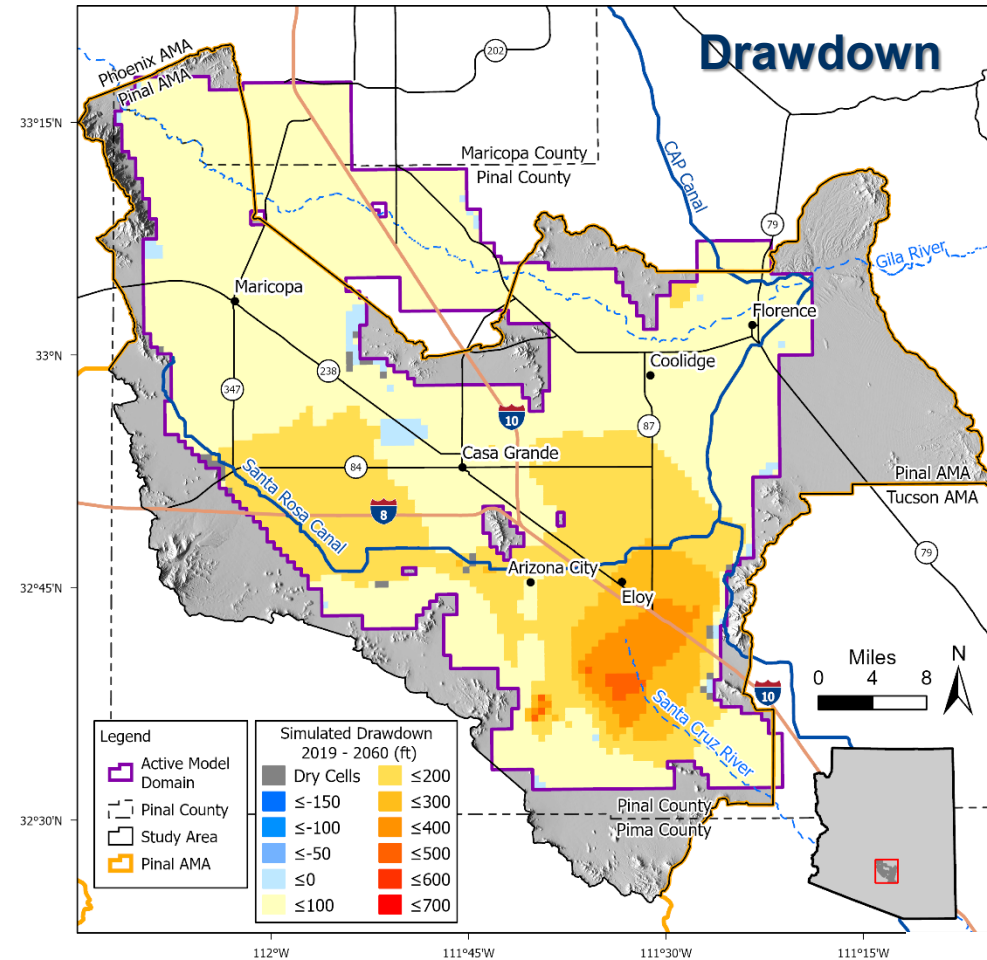
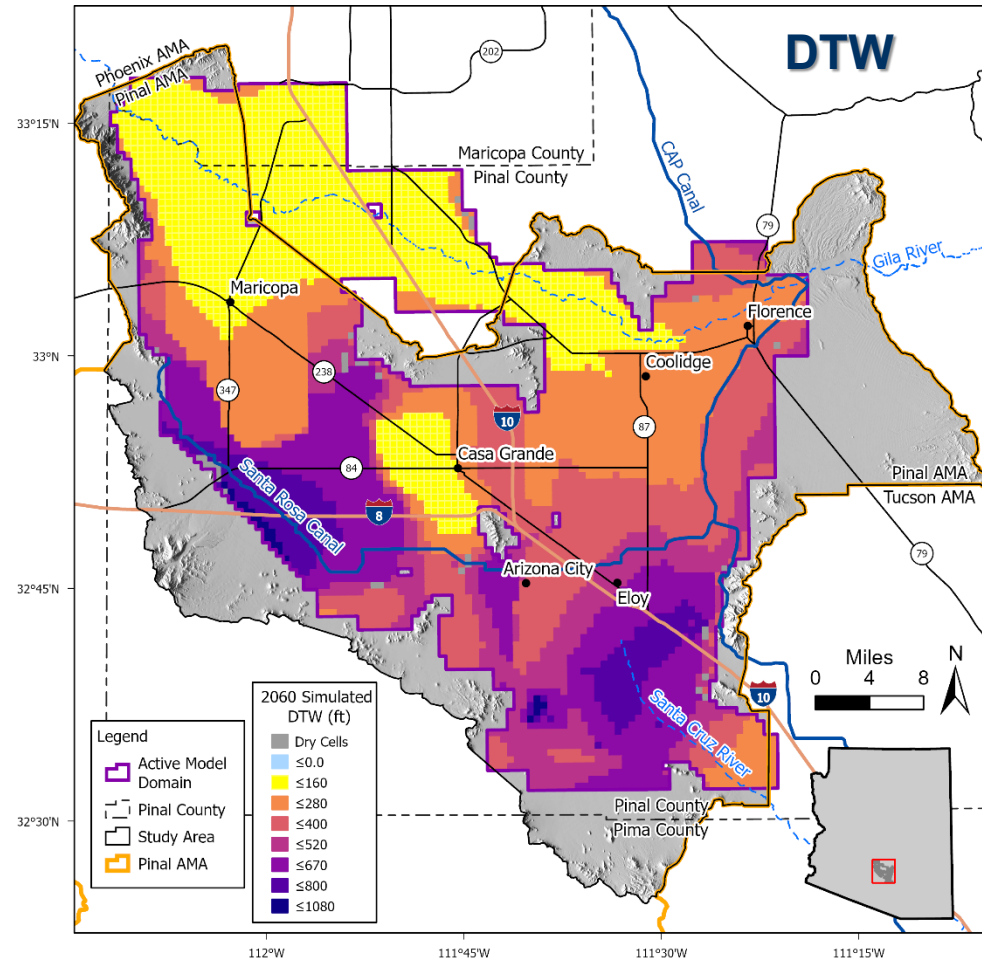
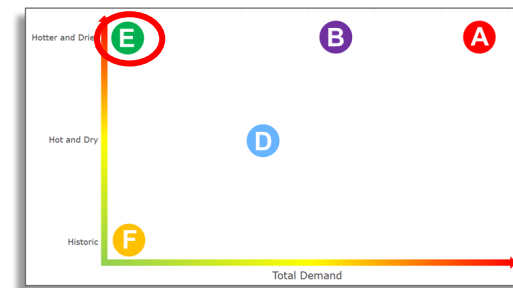
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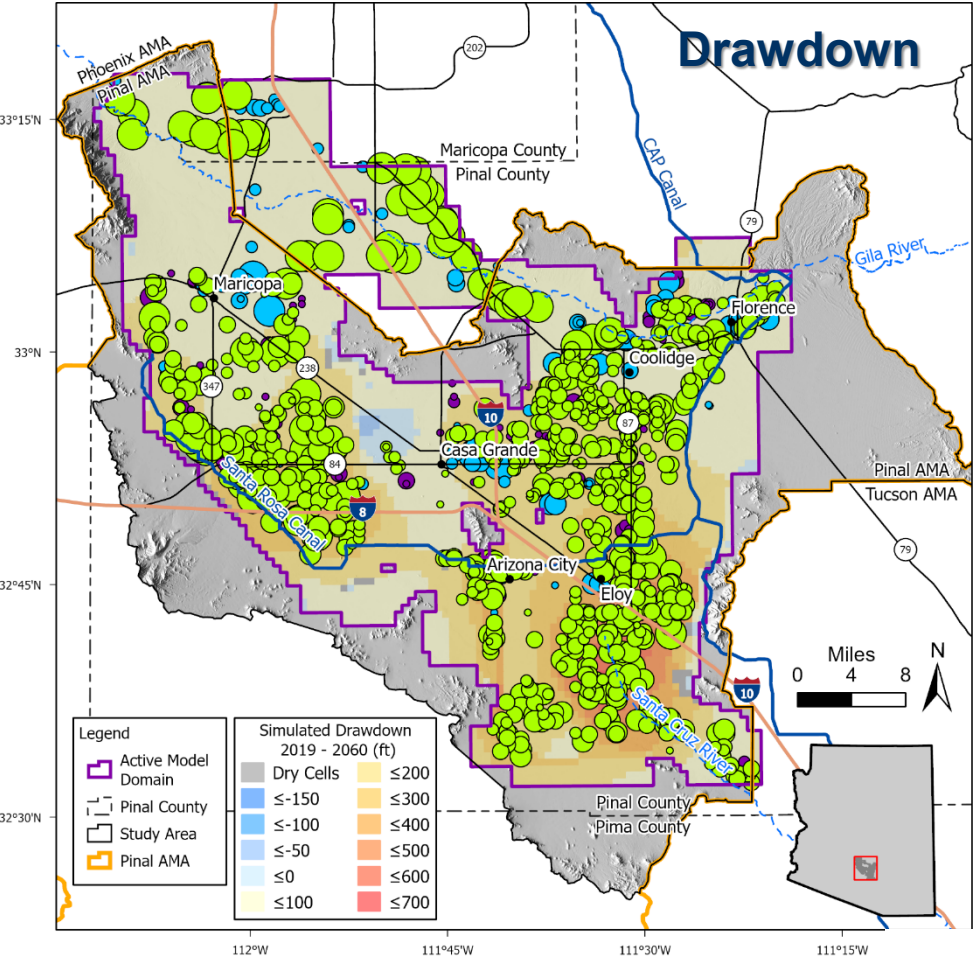
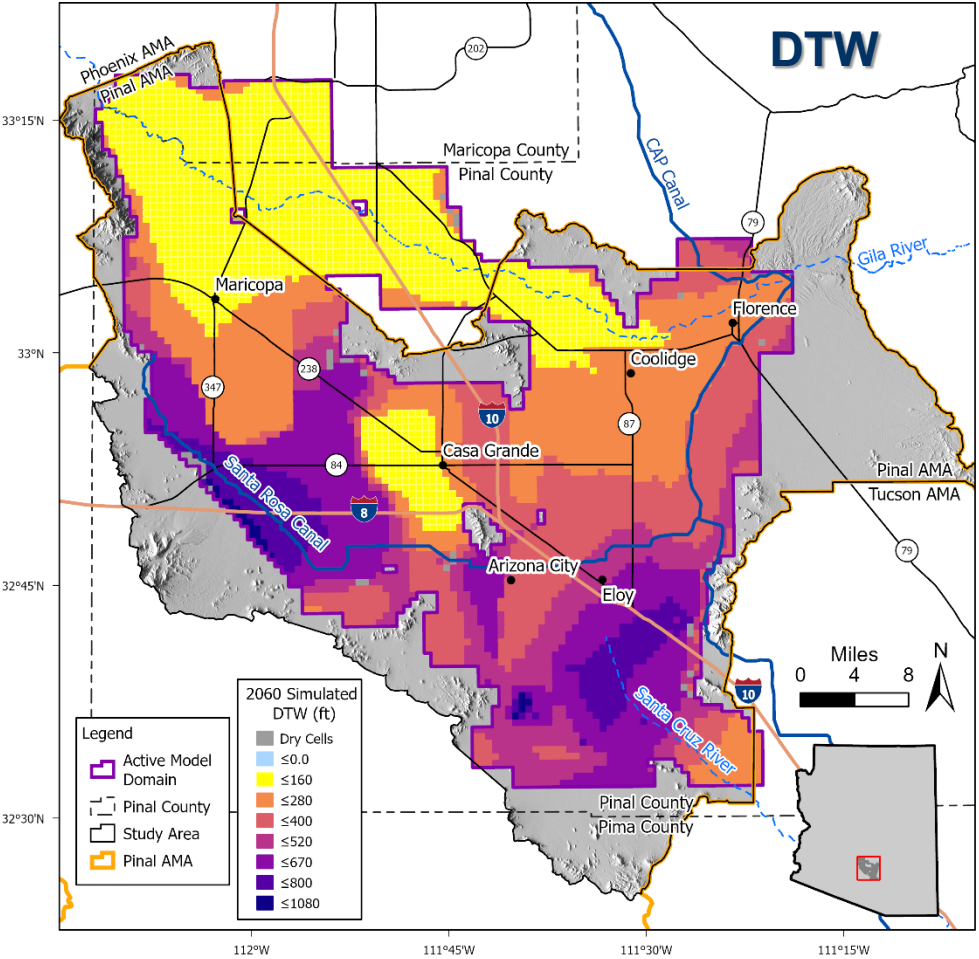
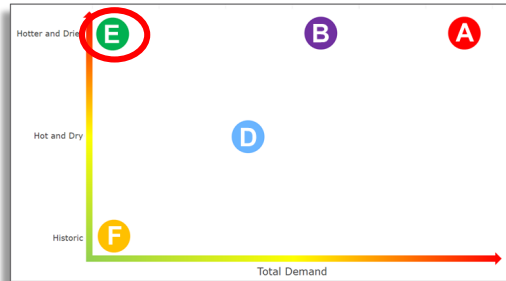
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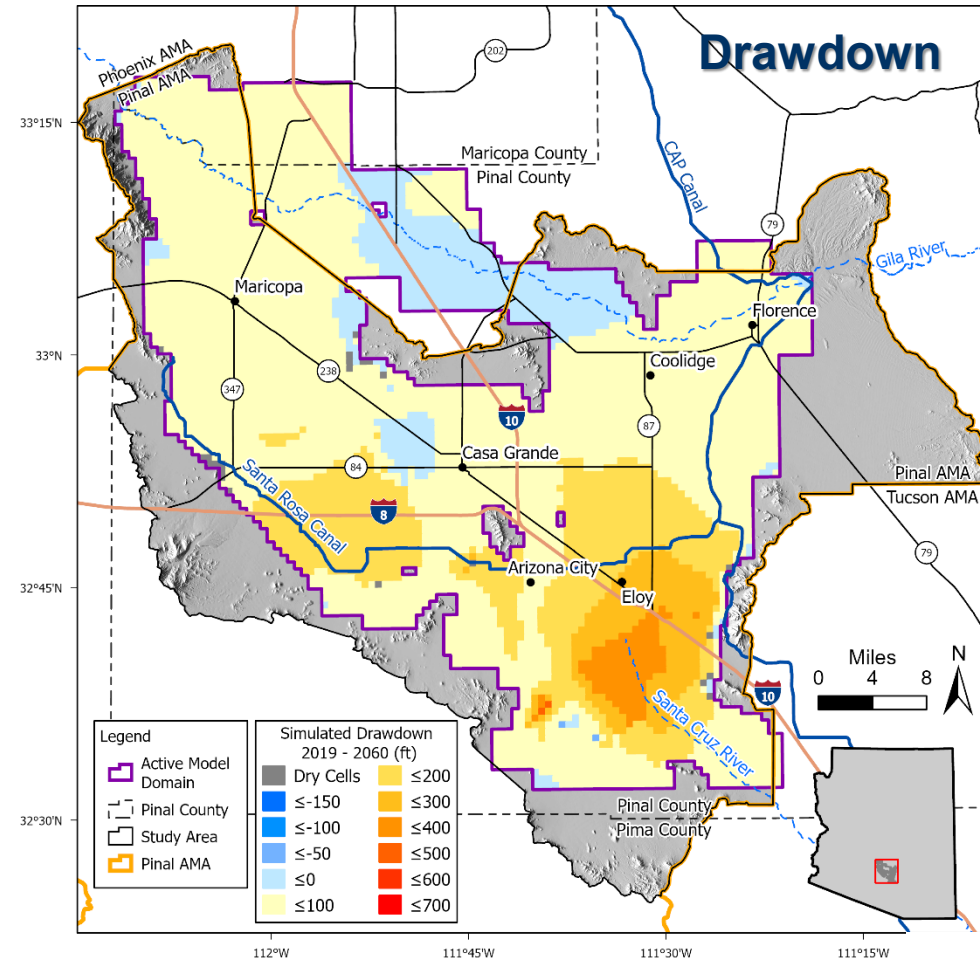
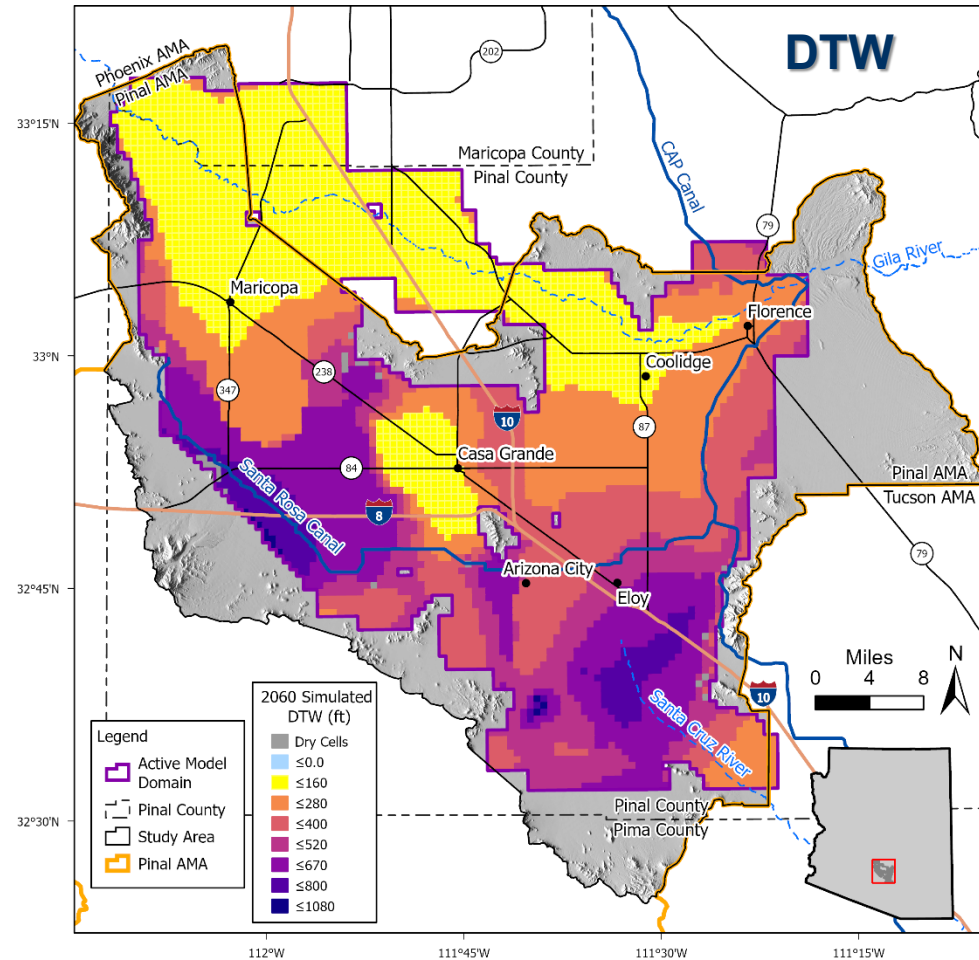
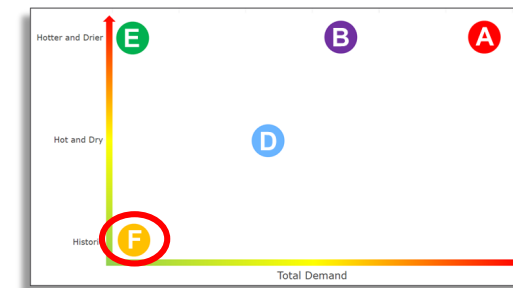
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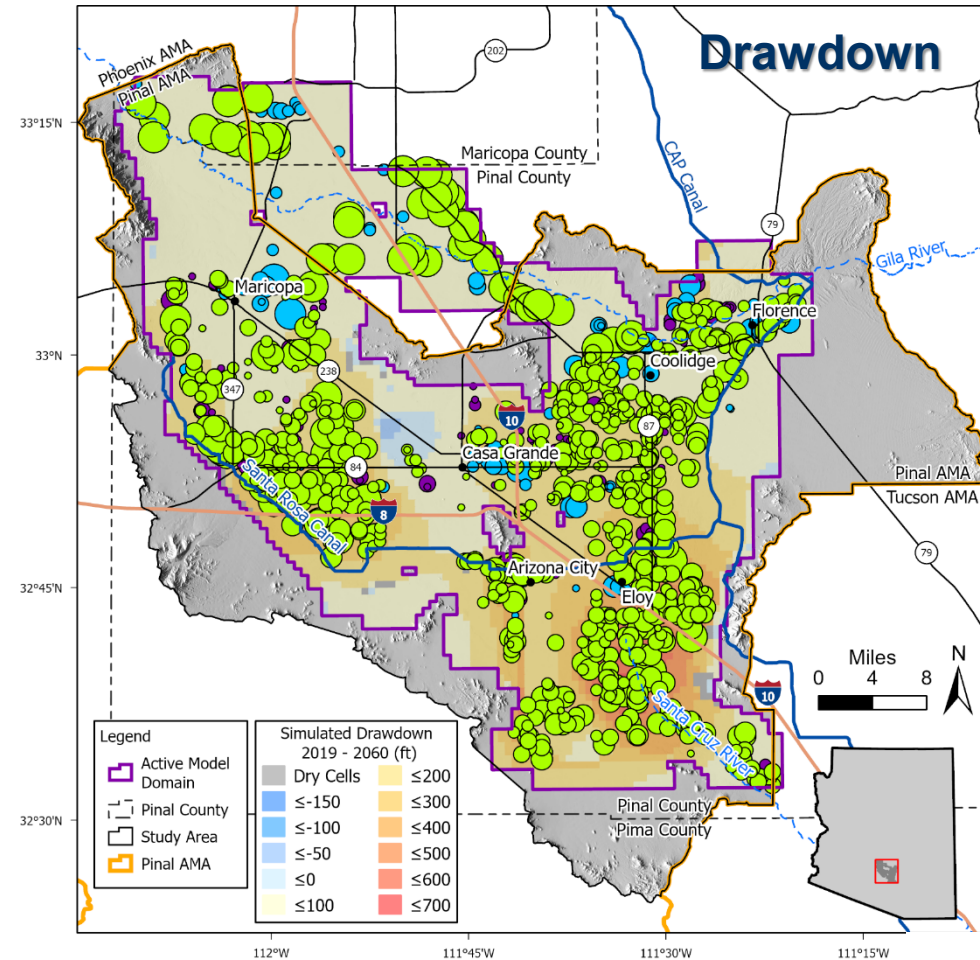
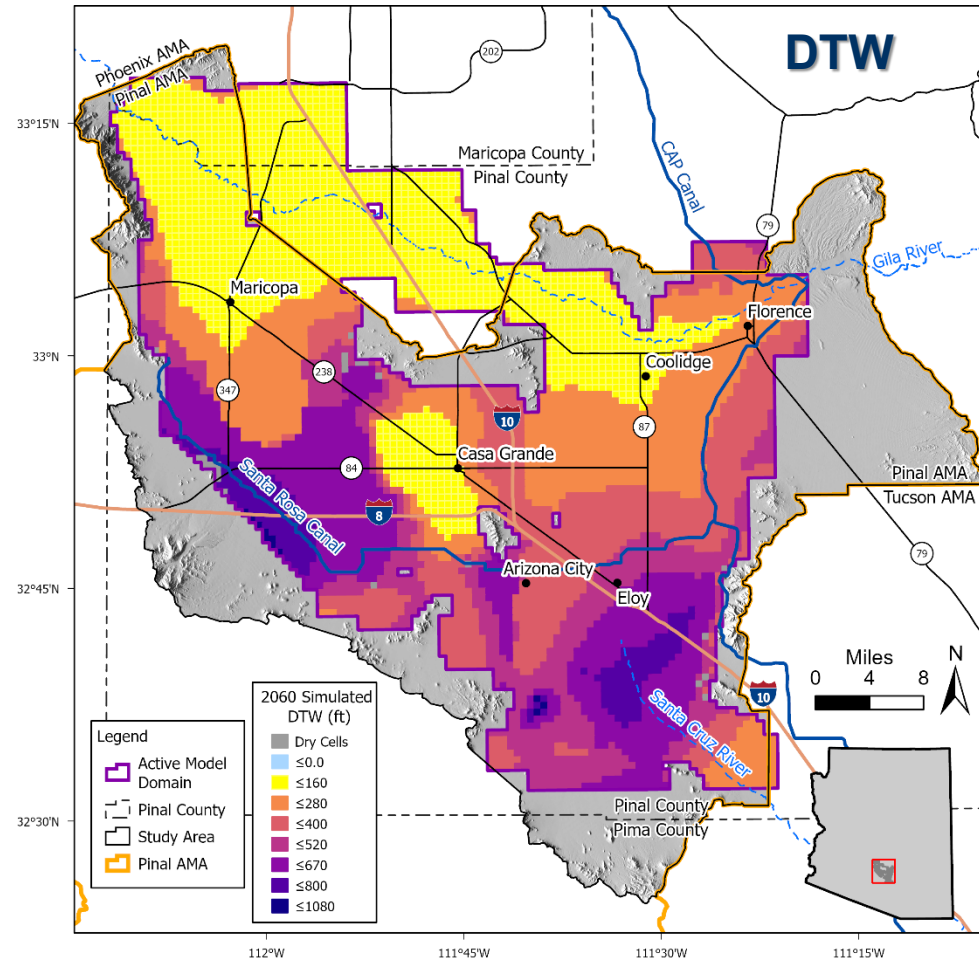
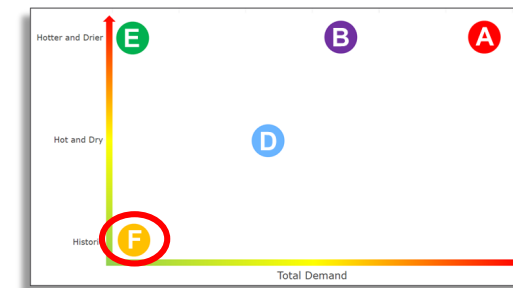
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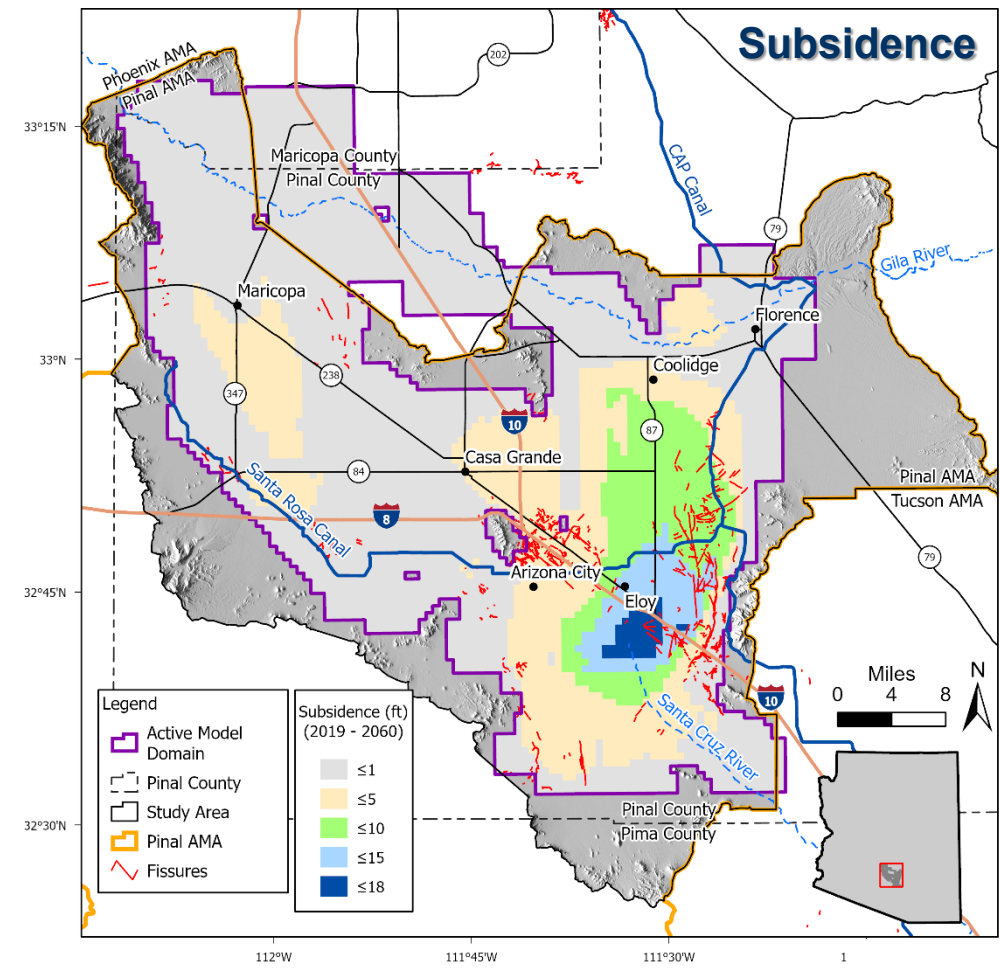
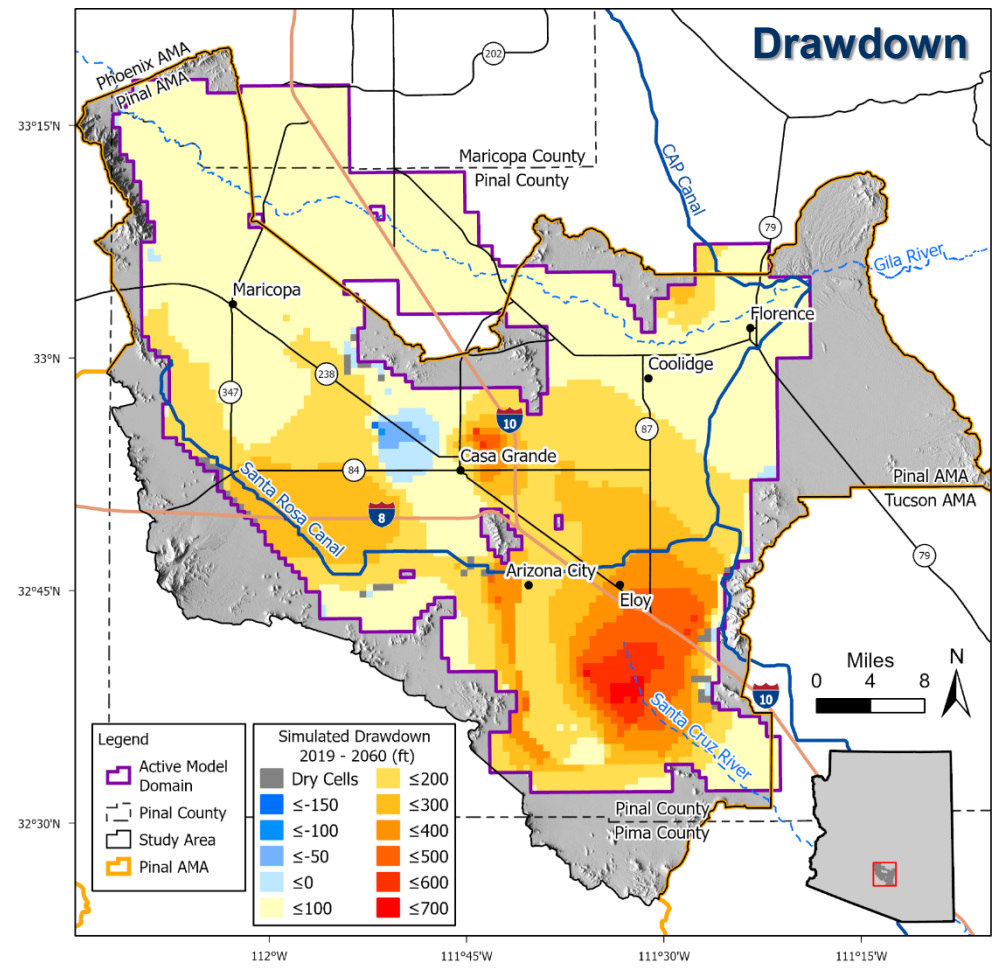


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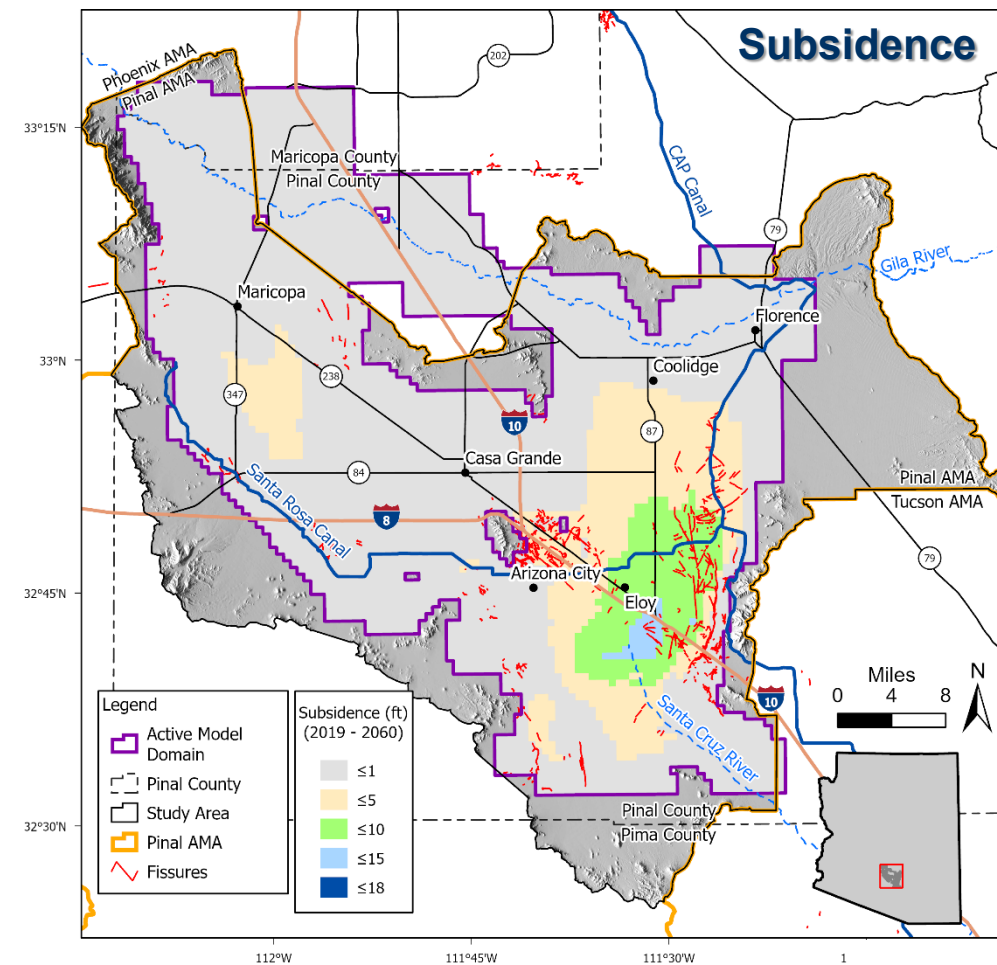
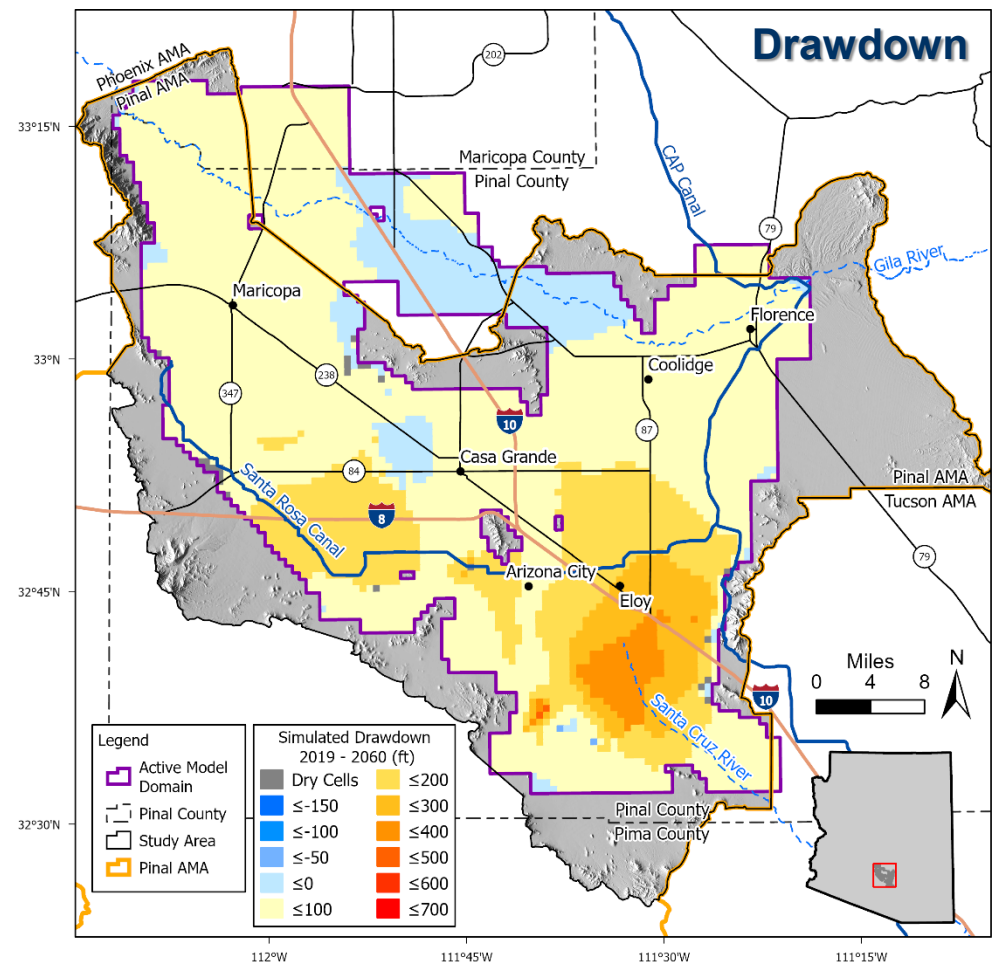
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Subsidence (2019 – 2060) Scenario A



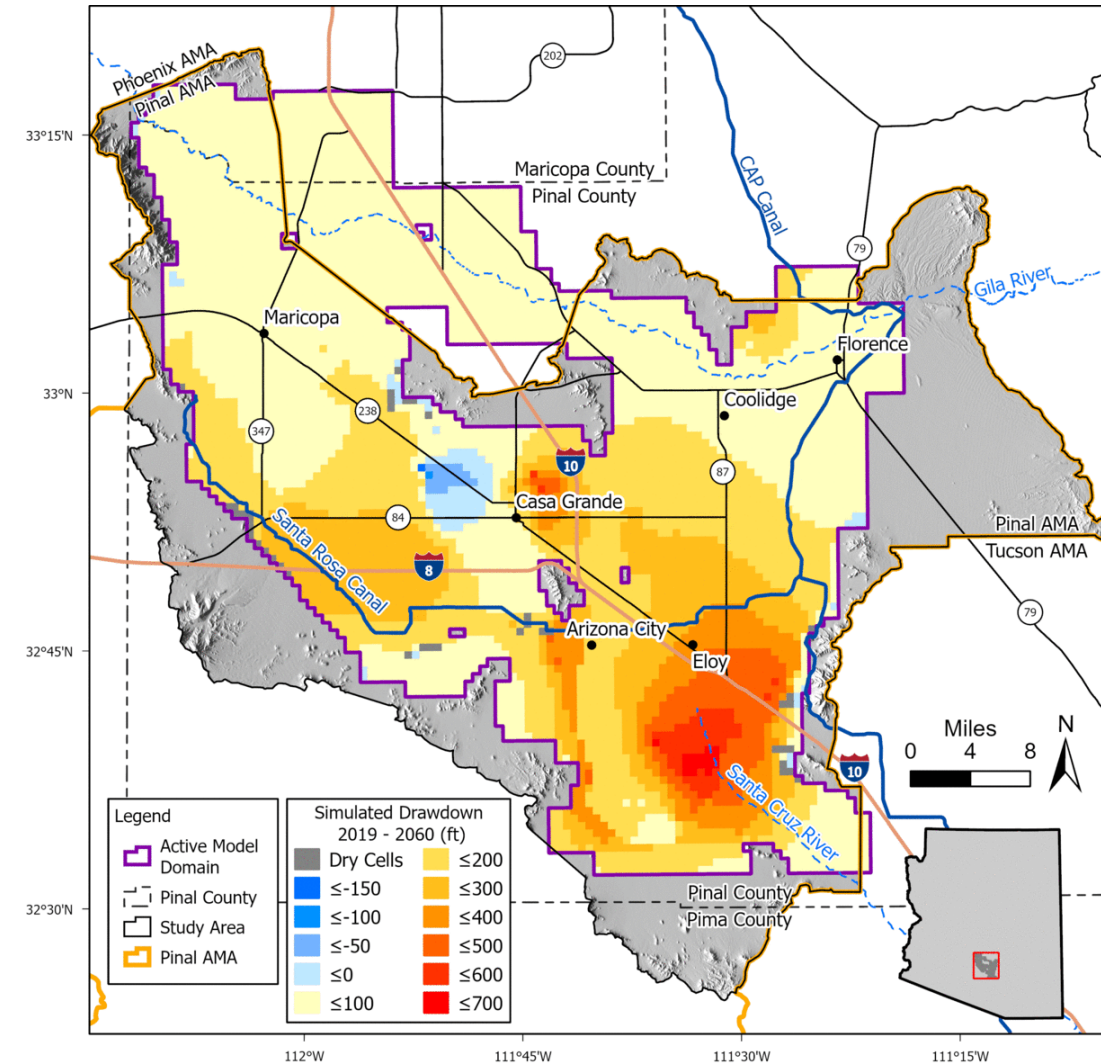
Subsidence (2019 – 2060) Scenario F



Summary

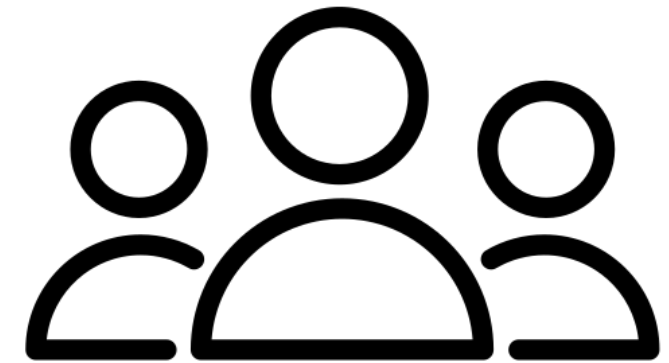
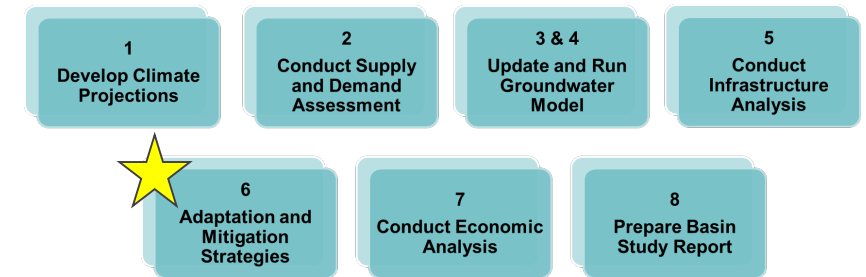
- Regional water level declines across scenarios
- Key Drawdown Areas:
 - Eloy
 - Southern MSIDD
 - Casa Grande Ridge
- Groundwater Level Increases:
 - Casa Grande Recharge Facility
 - Gila River Recharge
- Potential for subsidence
 - Greatest in Eloy sub-basin

Scenario A



Where Do We Go From Here?

- Adaptation and Mitigation Brainstorming Workshop
 - Two day virtual event, May 17th and 18th
- Adaptation – How might we change water management behavior to adapt to these new futures?
 - De-coupling of the municipal sector from the groundwater system?
 - Targeted recharge and recovery?
- Mitigation – How might we reduce the impact of groundwater level declines?
 - Depth to water pumping rules?
 - Reduced agricultural pumping?



Updated Schedule

Task	Description	Year 1 Starts 11/12/2018				Year 2 Starts 11/12/2019				Year 3 Starts 11/12/2020				Year 4 Starts 11/12/2021		End of Study
		Nov 2018	Feb 2019	May 2019	Aug 2019	Nov 2019	Feb 2020	May 2020	Aug 2020	Nov 2021	Feb 2021	May 2021	Aug 2021	Nov 2022	Feb 2020	May 12, 2020
5.1	Climate Change Analysis															
5.2	Supply and Demand Assessment															
5.3 & 5.4	Groundwater Model (update for planning)															
5.5	Infrastructure Analysis															
5.6	Adaptation & Mitigation Strategies															
5.7	Economic Analysis															
5.8	Basin Study Report															
5.9 -5.12	Project Management / Admin															



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Post Study

- Apply for WaterSMART Grants for additional analyses
- Individual entities completing projects
- Regional entities completing projects



Upcoming Meetings

Project Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month

May 11, 2021, 9 – 10:30 am

Adaptation and Mitigation Brainstorming Workshop

May 17 & 18, 2021, 1 – 4 pm



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Thank You

