



Status of Current Post-2026 Negotiations

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United States Post-2026 Decision Timeline

- June 2023: Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) formally initiated the Post-2026 Process
- October 2023: Scoping Summary Report and Federal Register Notice identified the Proposed Federal Action and Purpose & Need
- **Current: Reclamation working on Draft EIS**
- Fall-Winter 2025: Publication of Draft EIS
- Spring-Summer 2026: Publication of Final EIS
- Summer-Fall 2026: Adopt Record of Decision



Colorado River Updates

- Reclamation is taking a more direct role in pushing the States to find a solution.
- Proposed deadline of November 11, 2025 to provide a framework for a 7-State plan.
- Draft EIS for the Post-2026 framework anticipated near the end of this year, expect a broad range of alternative analysis from which a 7-State framework can emerge.



Colorado River Updates

- The Lower Basin has proposed two concepts:
 - Basin-wide sharing of reductions
 - Sharing of the Colorado River supply – via delivery obligation from Upper to Lower Basin
 - Lower Basin States have been committed to reductions of 1.25 MAF under most supply conditions
- Without broad sharing of the reductions or a delivery obligation, the risk of a smaller river falls on the Lower Basin, and that is not acceptable.

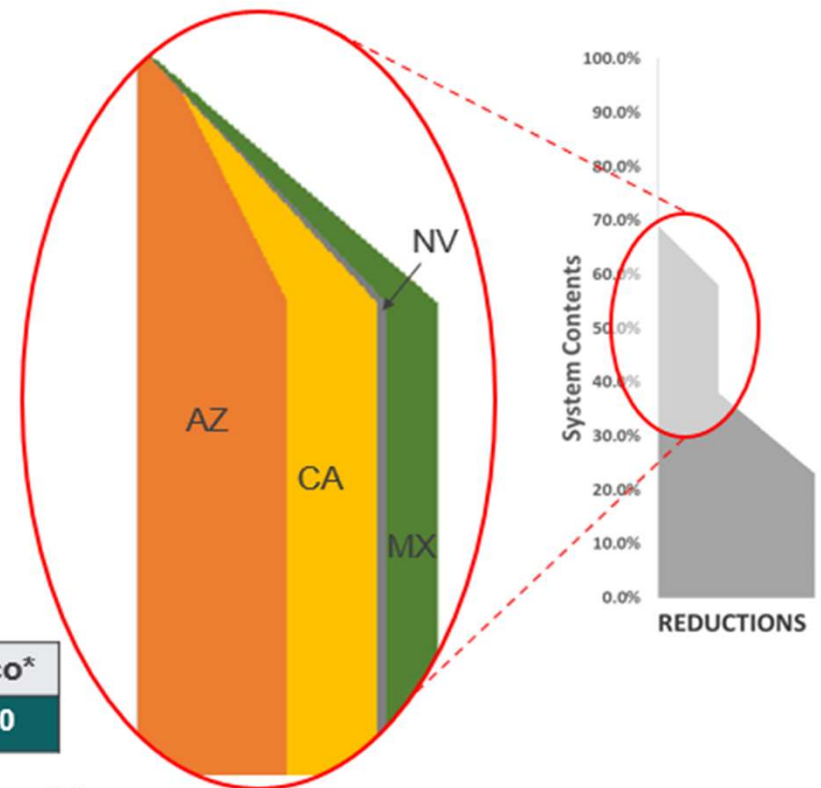


Reduction Sharing

	Lower Basin Reduction Volumes	Upper Basin
Initial Reduction Zone	Up to 1.5 MAF	?
Static Reduction Zone	1.5 MAF	?
Higher Reduction Zone	To be negotiated	

	Arizona	California	Nevada	Mexico*
Static Reduction Zone	760,000	440,000	50,000	250,000

* Pending negotiations



Post-2026: Key Take-Aways

- Uncertainty for CAP water users as Post-2026 negotiations continue.
- Agreements will be needed to implement any resulting reductions within Arizona.
- In past processes, stakeholders were able to work together to find areas of compromise and to share in reductions.
- Cooperation across the Basins and within the State is essential to ensure reliable supplies to meet the needs of all who rely on the Colorado River.





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