



# Responding to Shortage

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# Responding to Shortage in Central Arizona

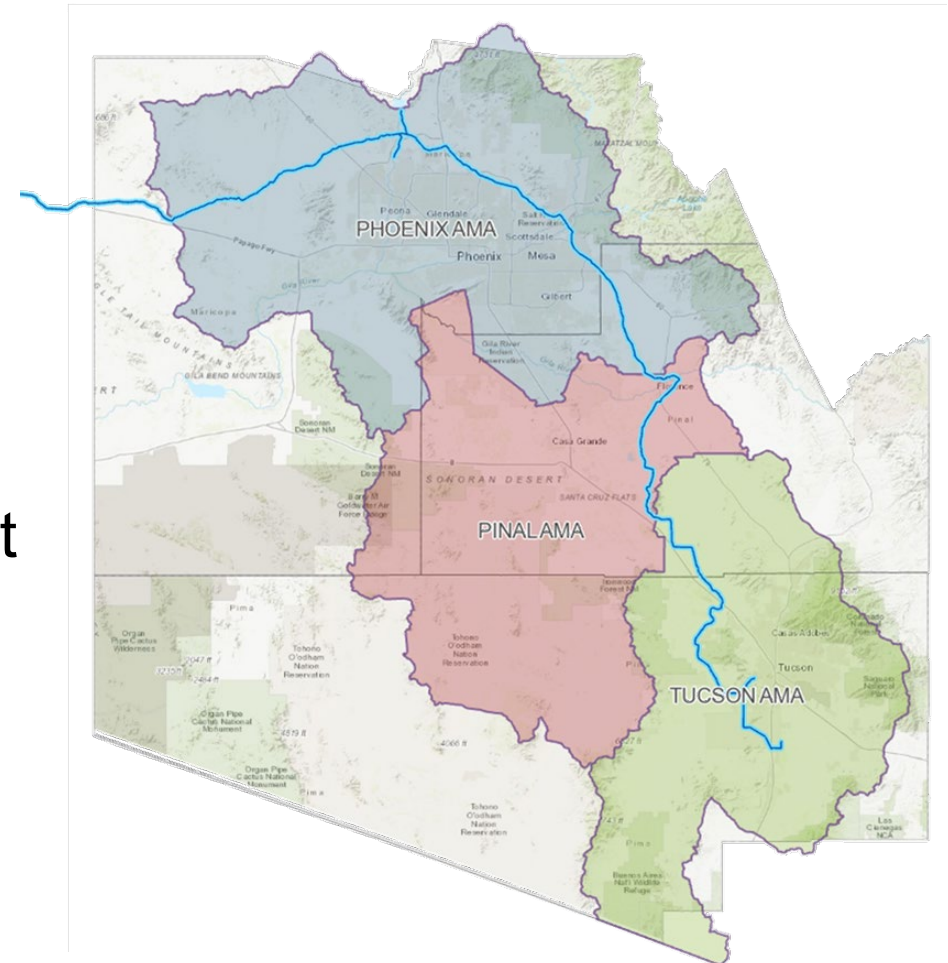
## Approaches include:

- Conservation
- CAP Priority System
- Water Banking
- Diversification & Innovation



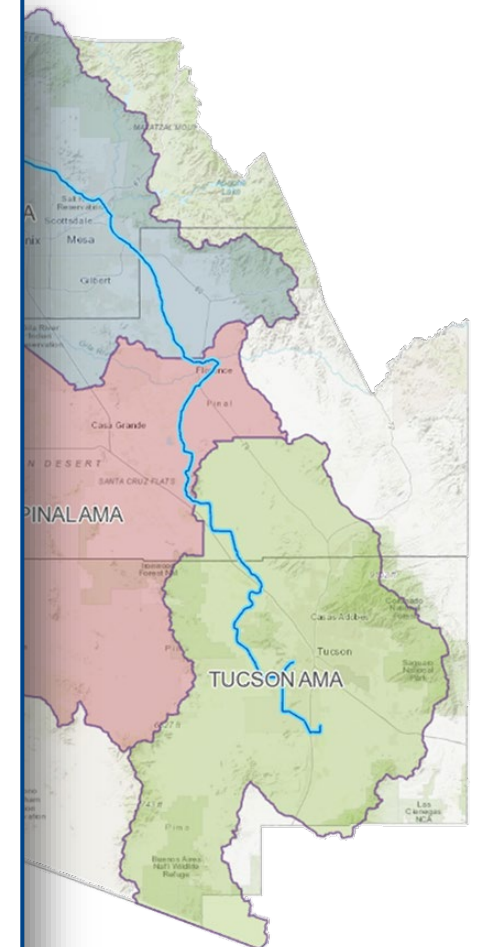
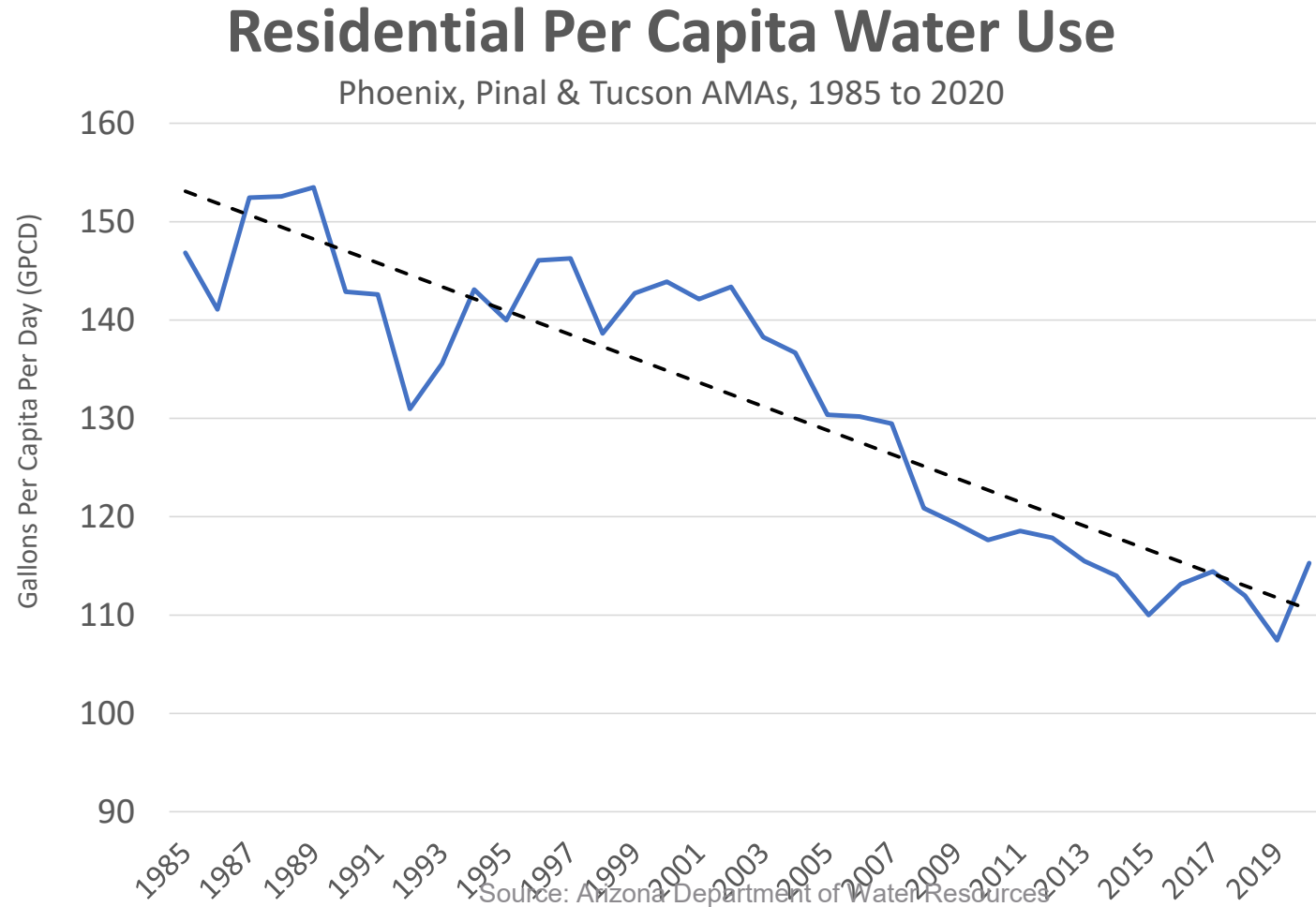
# Conservation

- Within Arizona's Active Management Areas, all sectors must conserve
  - A consistent, long-term approach
  - Programs include numeric targets and best management practices



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Some Recent headlines...

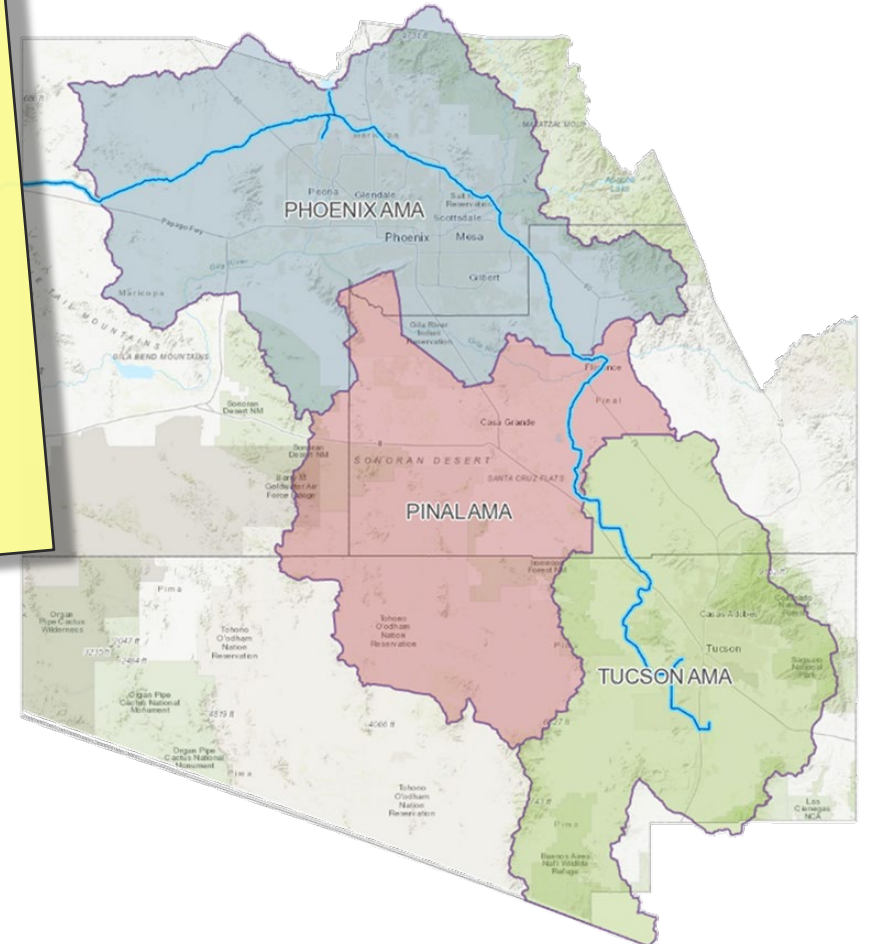
**“Phoenix issues Phase 1 Water Alert”**

**“City of Scottsdale Saves Record Amount of Water;  
Continues Encouraging Residents To Do The Same”**

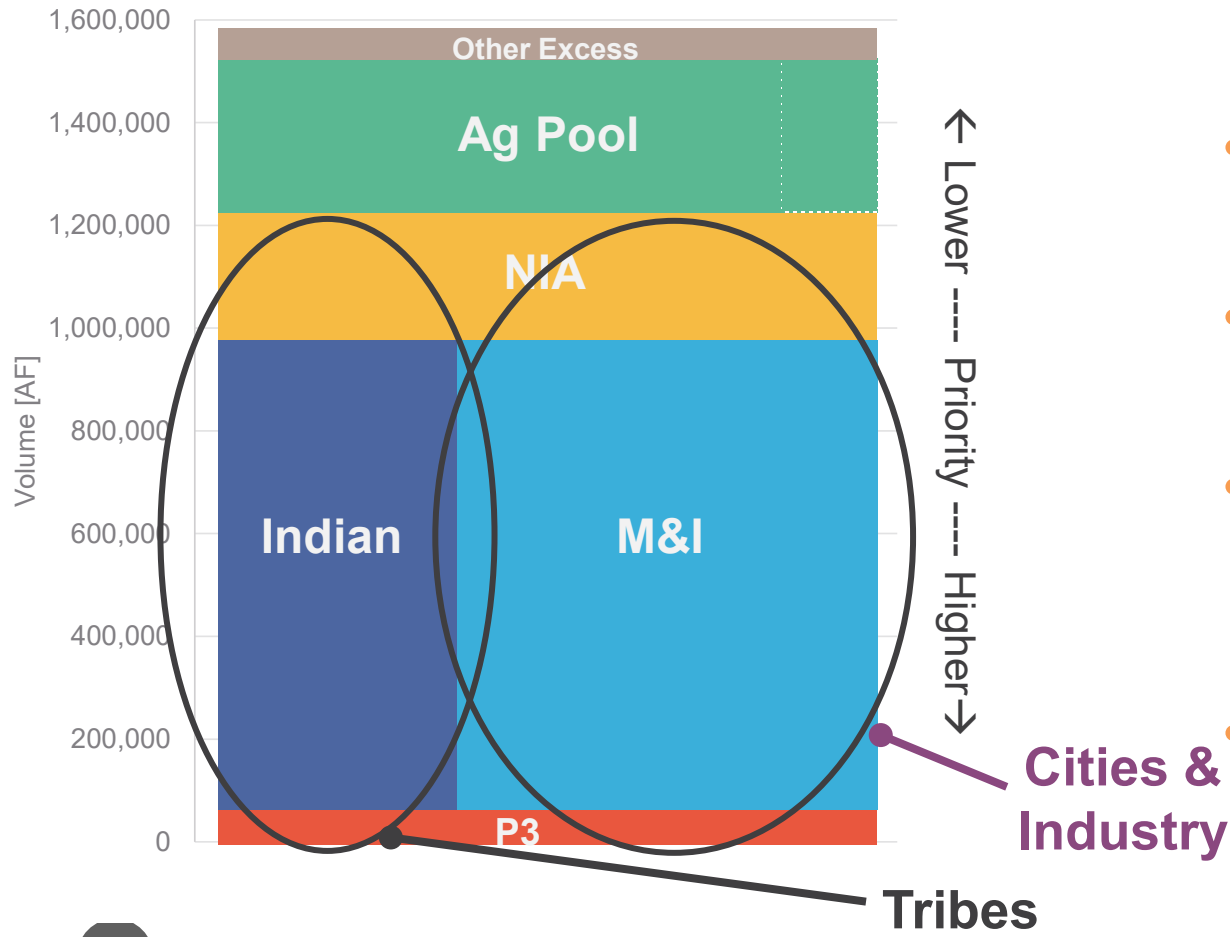
**“Tempe launches first stage of water shortage plan”**

**“More cities in the Valley expected to enact drought plans”**

- All public and private water companies must have a Drought Response Plan

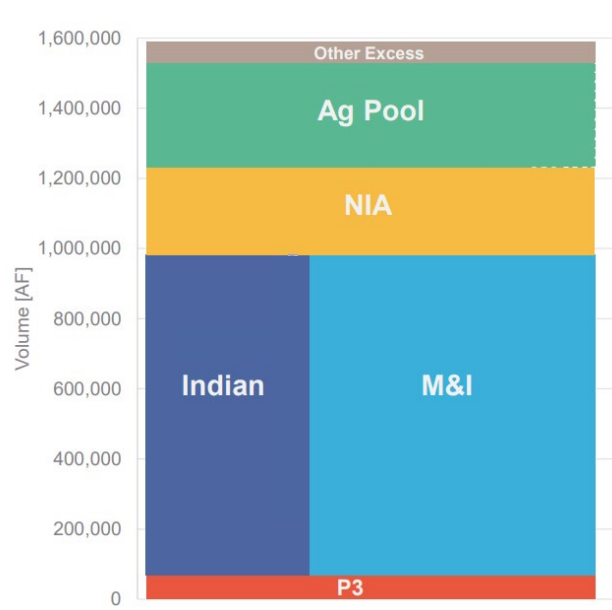


# CAP Priority System—Full Supply Example

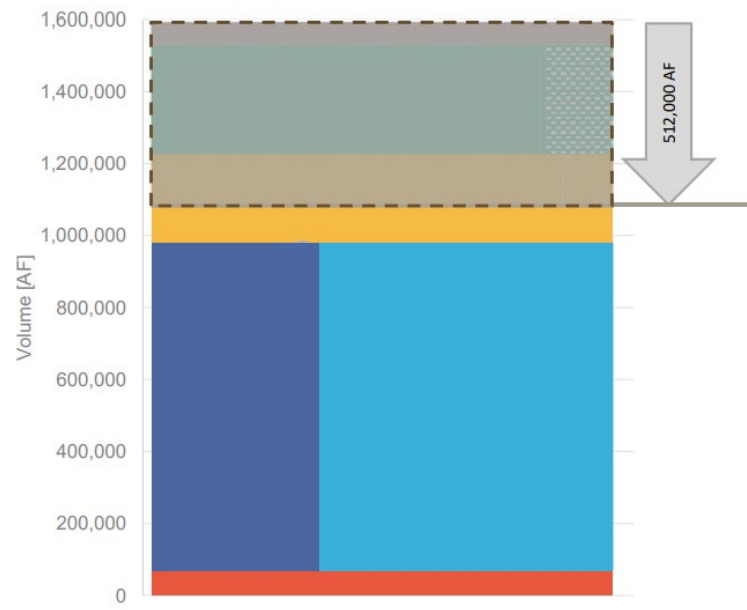


- Not all users have the same access to the CAP supply
- Higher priority towards the bottom of the “Block Chart”
- The priorities help protect the CAP supplies used by public and private water companies
- The names of the “pools” do not neatly align with uses

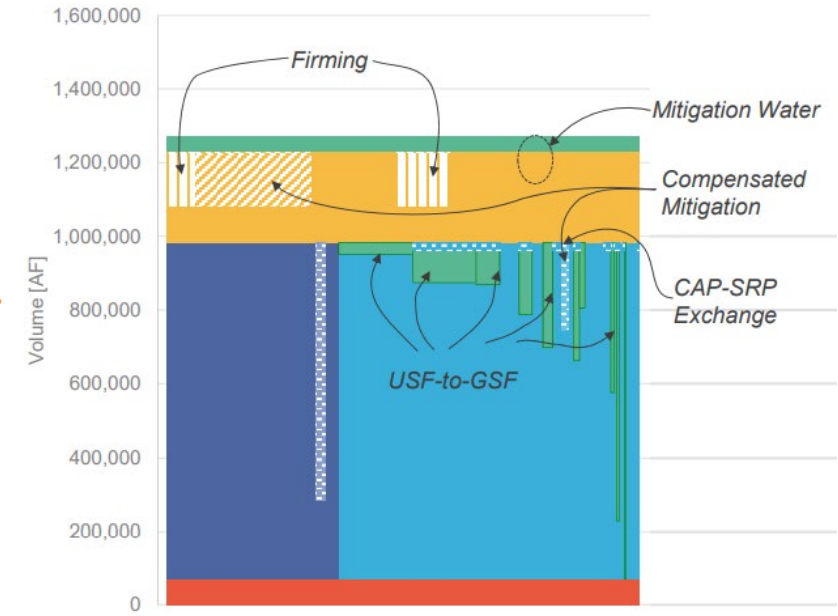
# CAP Priority System—Reductions and Mitigation



“Normal” CAP Supply  
Before 2022 Reductions



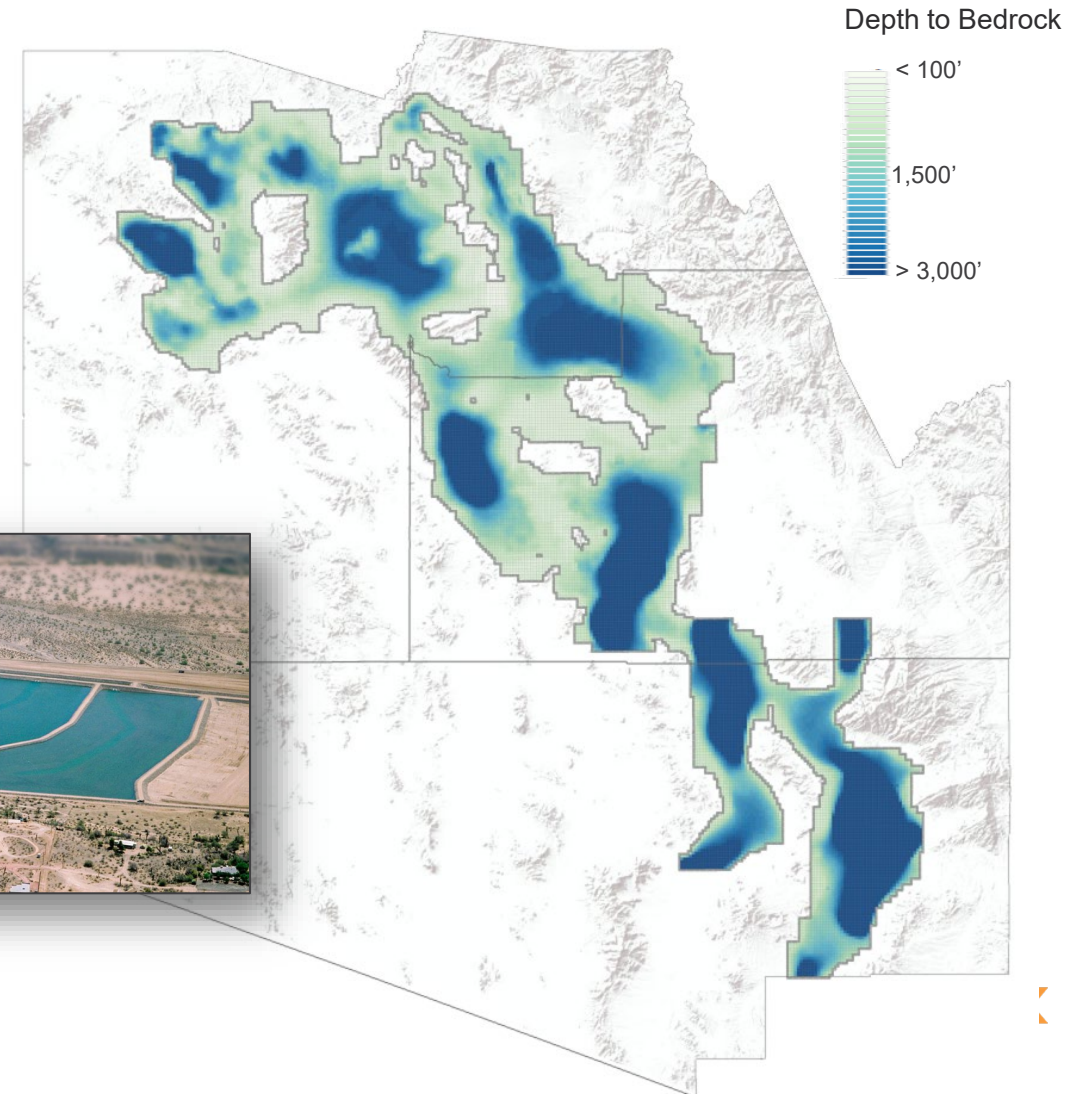
Tier 1 CAP Supply  
2022 Reductions



2022 CAP Delivery Plan  
with Mitigation

# Water Banking

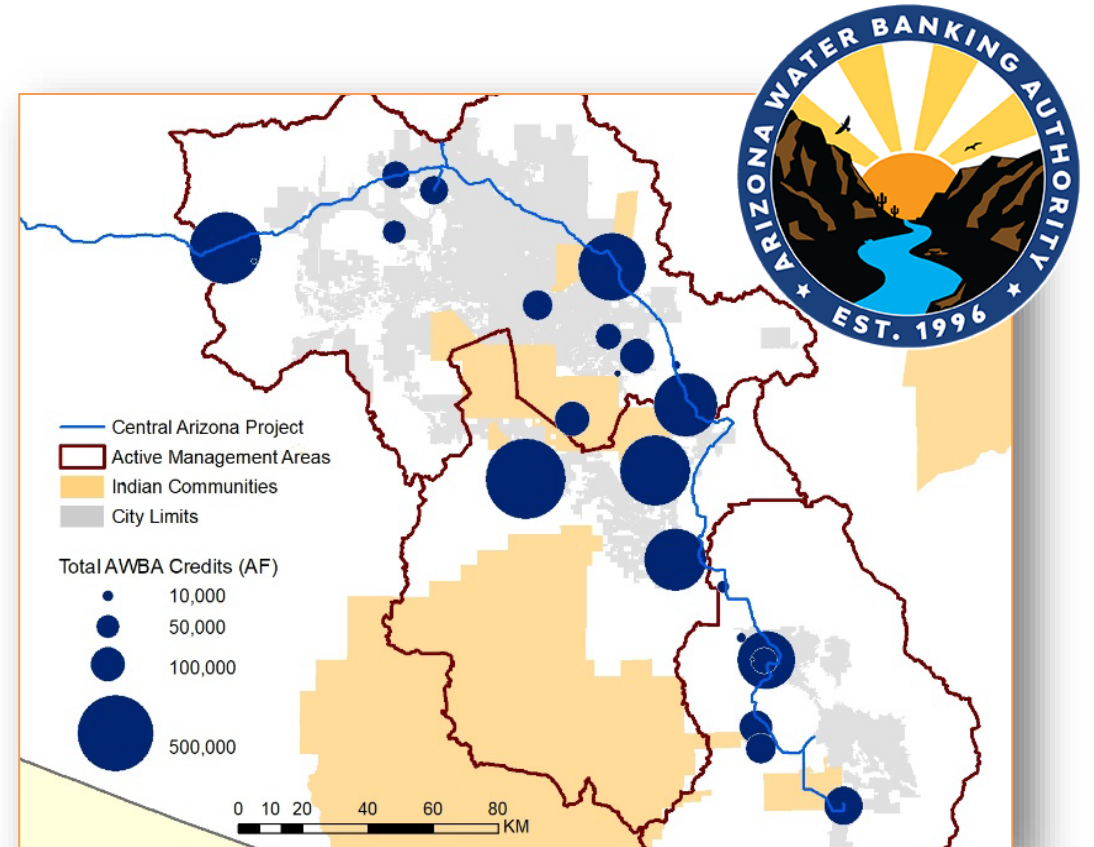
- Recharging water for later use is a critical part of Arizona's strategy for dealing with Colorado River shortages





# Water Banking

- The Arizona Water Banking Authority was established in 1996 to store available CAP water and to prepare for shortages
- During shortage, stored water is pumped from wells (“recovered”) to supplement (“firm”) CAP deliveries that have been reduced

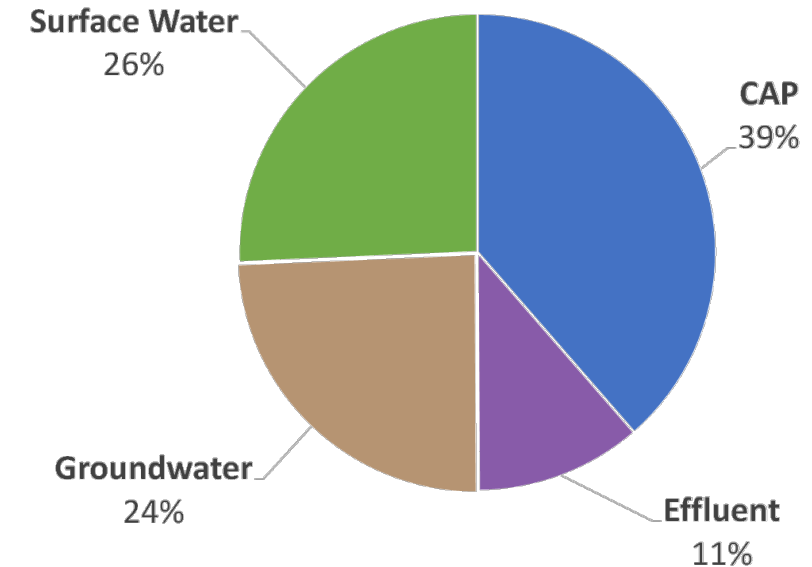


Locations and Volume Stored by the Arizona Water Banking Authority

# Diversification & Innovation

- Many water providers have access to more than one type of water supply
- Investments have been made in wells, pipelines, interconnections and other infrastructure

**Supplies Used to Meet Municipal Demands**  
Phoenix, Pinal and Tucson AMAs



Source: Arizona Department of Water Resources, 2019

# Diversification & Innovation

- Maximizing the benefit of existing infrastructure can be an important shortage strategy
- The “System Use Agreement” between CAP and the Bureau of Reclamation provides a framework for using the CAP in new and flexible ways
  - Wheeling, Firming and Exchanges



SUA signing, February 2017

# Key Messages

- Central Arizona has adopted a multifaceted approach to managing shortage
- There are long-standing conservation and drought management requirements in place
- The CAP priority system helps reduce the impact to supplies used by public and private water companies
- Banking water in our aquifers has created a valuable supplemental supply for long-term use
- Shortage impacts can be further reduced with diversification of supplies, infrastructure investments and innovative partnerships

