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# **2021 Operations Recap 2022 Outlook**

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# 2021 Recap – Colorado Springs Utilities

- Blue River
  - Stored 2,100 acre-feet in Upper Blue Reservoir
  - Diverted 8,162 acre-feet to east slope
  - Substitution year releases (4,178 acre-feet owed):
    - Upper Blue Reservoir storage
    - Homestake Reservoir
    - Traded water from Wolford Mountain Reservoir
    - Insurance pool from Ruedi Reservoir
- Homestake
  - 9,873 acre-feet stored (CS portion)
  - 415 acre-feet released for West Slope users

# Yield Forecast

- March 1 yield forecasts
  - Blue River forecast based on Hoosier Pass SNOTEL and NRCS streamflow forecasts: 10,250 acre-feet
  - Blue River WEAP Forecast (experimental): 6,500 acre-feet
  - Homestake forecast: 12,250 acre-feet (CS portion)

# 2022 Operations

- Plan to divert everything that is available
  - System-wide storage is average for this time of year
    - 72% of capacity
  - Diversions depend on timing of runoff
  - Expecting to release water back for Substitution operations this year





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