



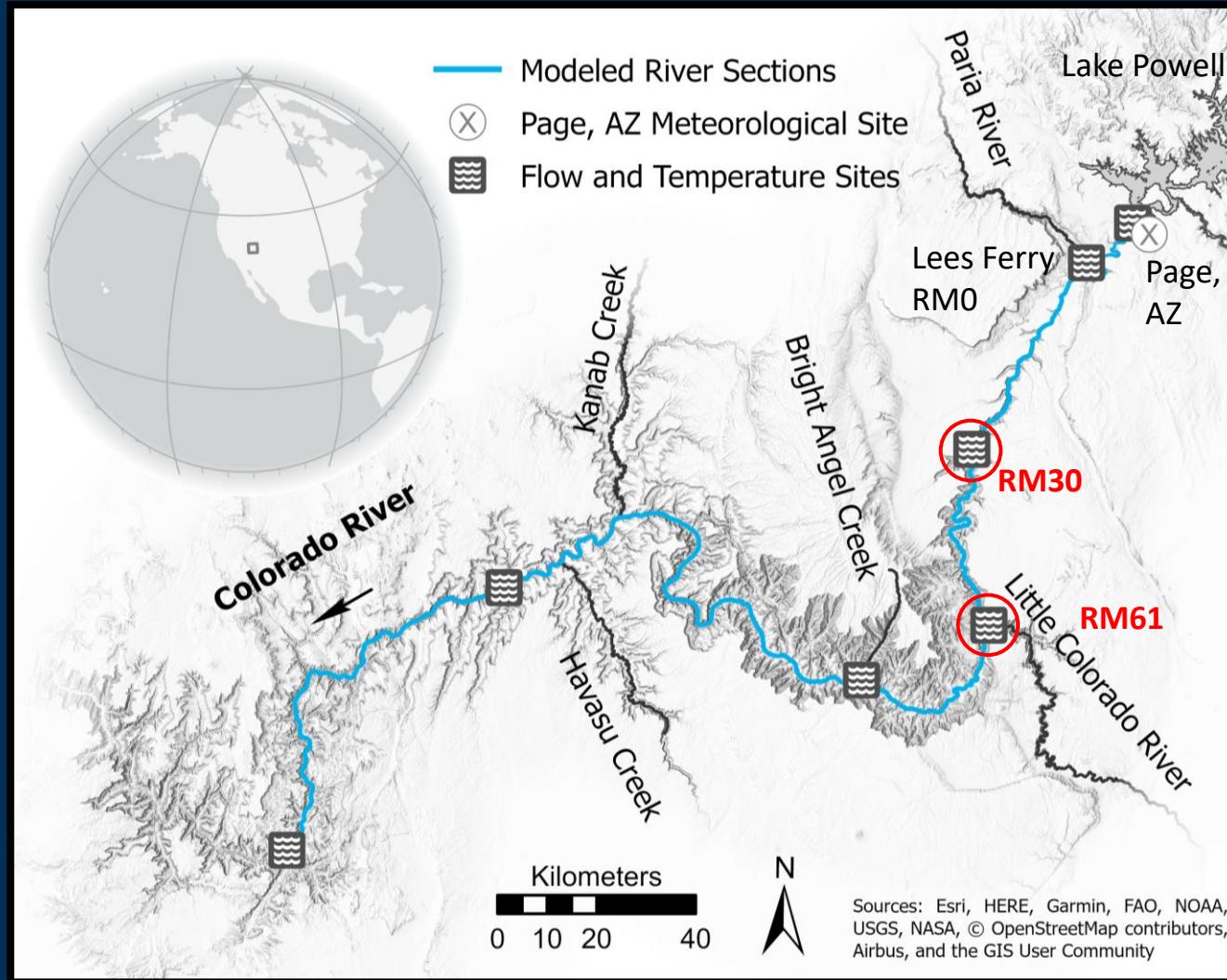
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Cool-Mix 2025

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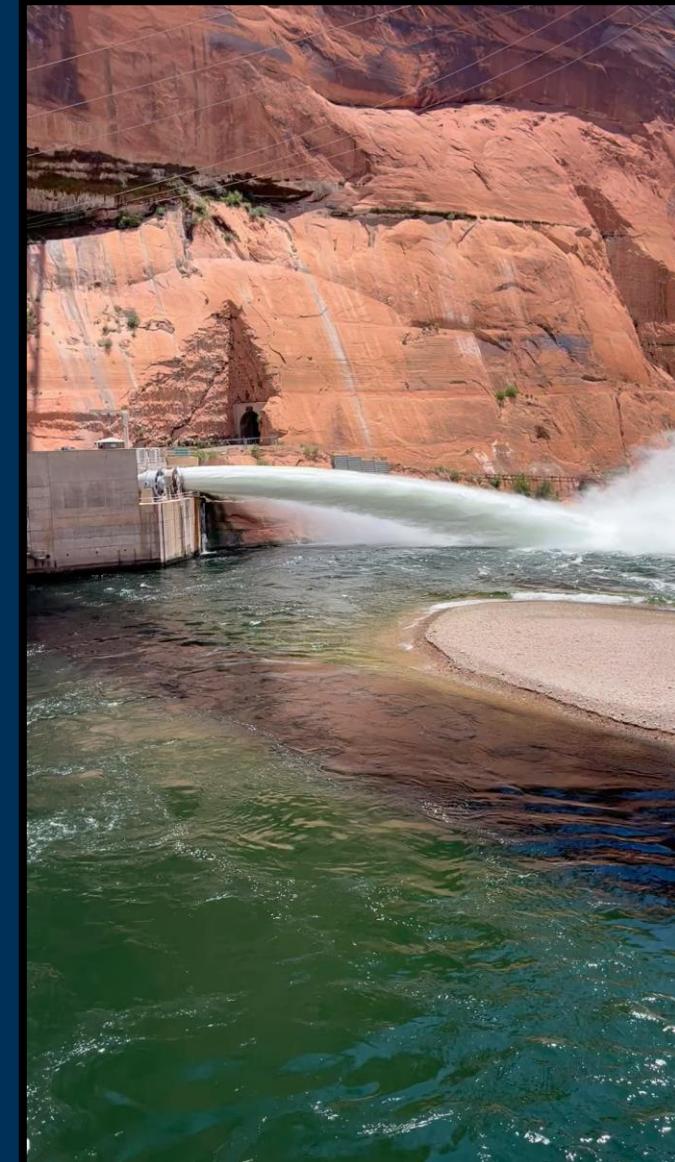
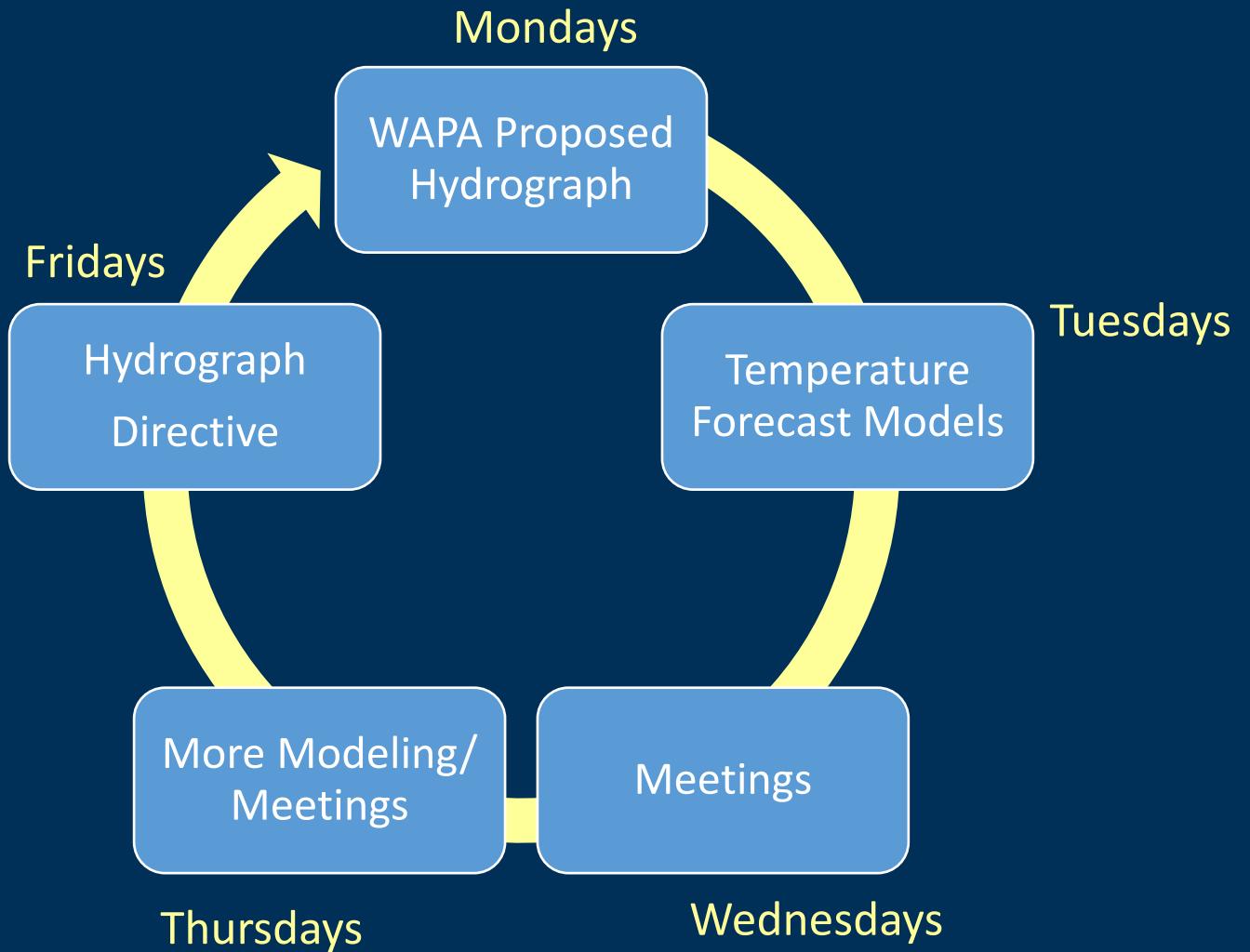
Cool-Mix Temperature Objective



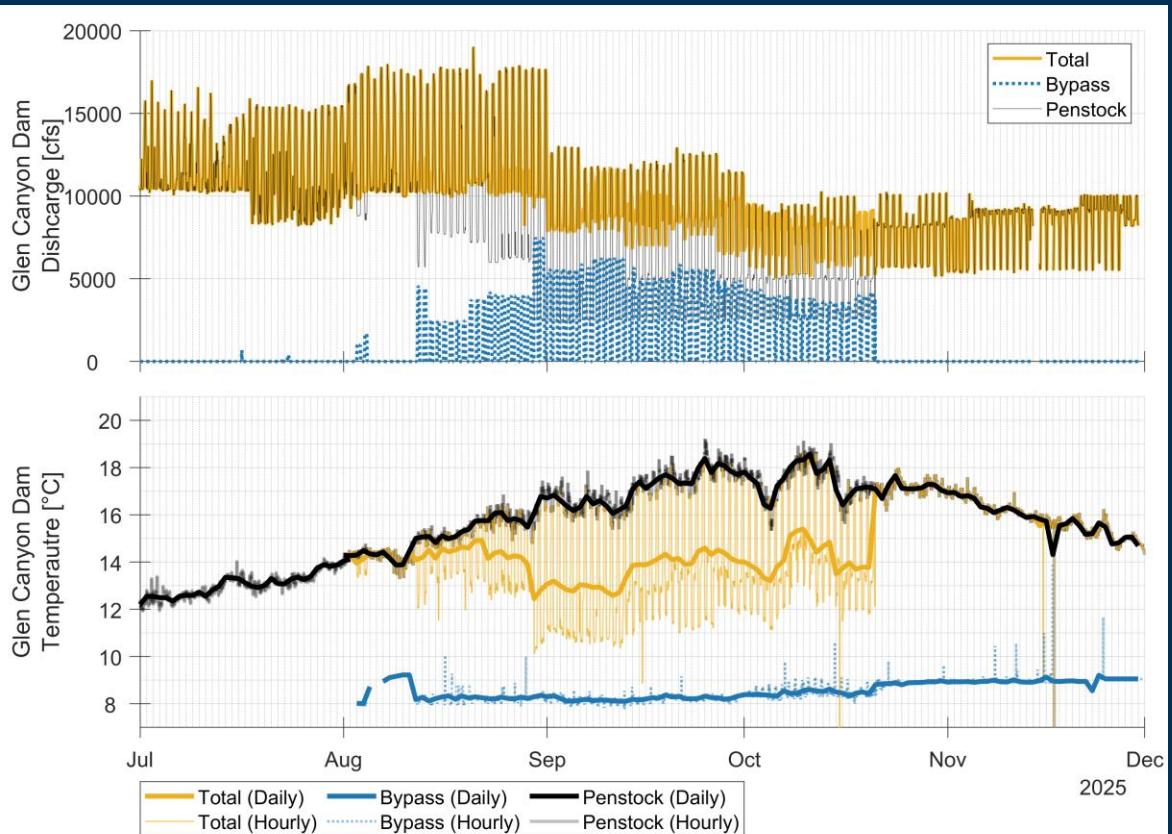
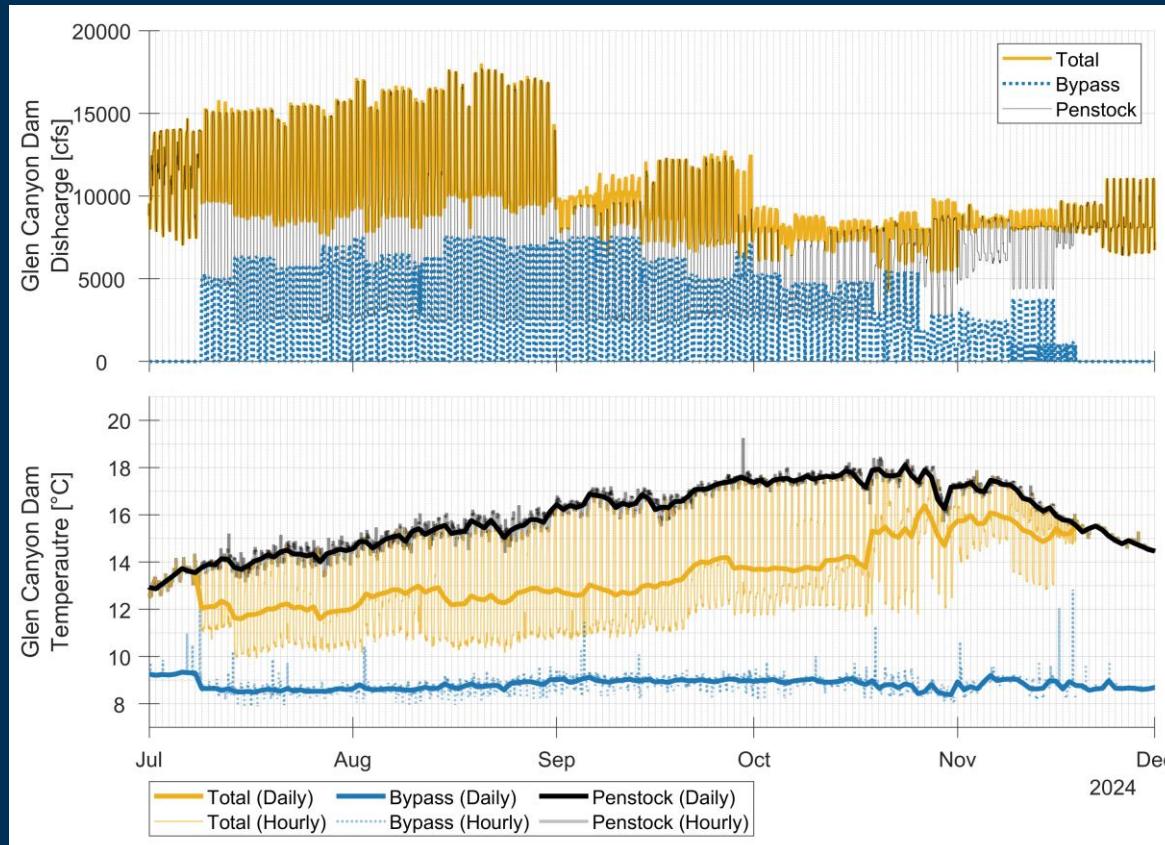
| | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Target Temperature | $\le 15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ | $\le 15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ |
| Target River Mile | RM61 (76 miles) | RM30 (45 miles) |
| On-Ramp | 3 Days $> 15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 3 Days $> 15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ |
| Off-Ramp | 3 Days $< 15.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ | Oct. 20 th |



Cool-mix Flow Implementation:



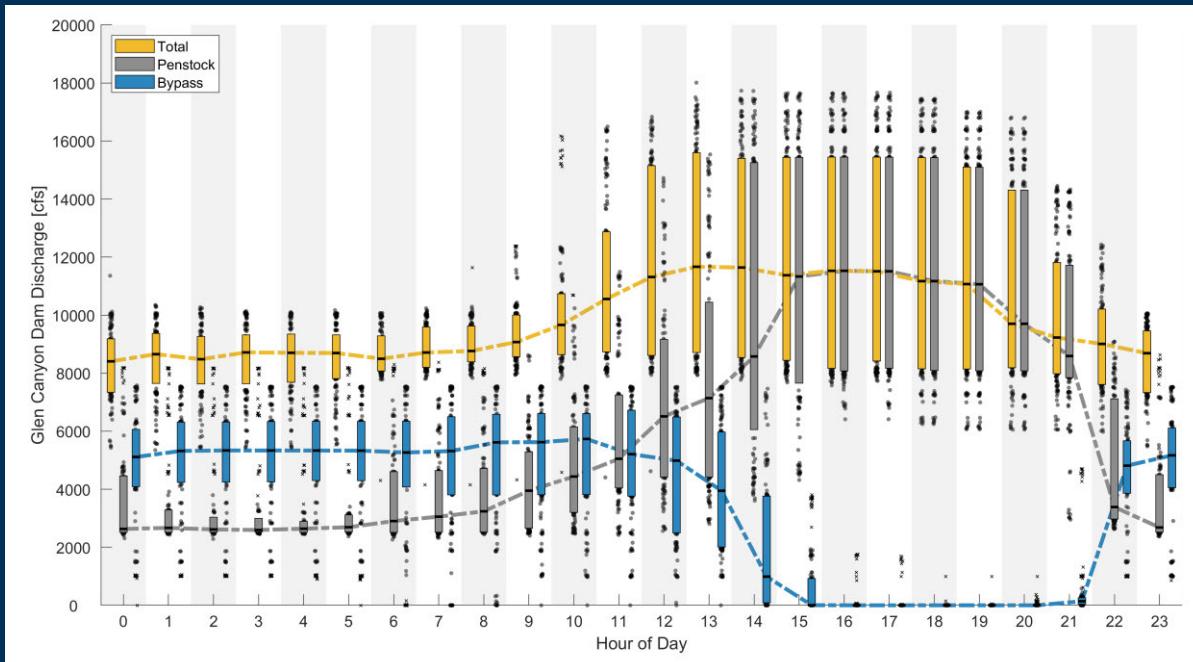
Cool Mix Flows and Temperatures



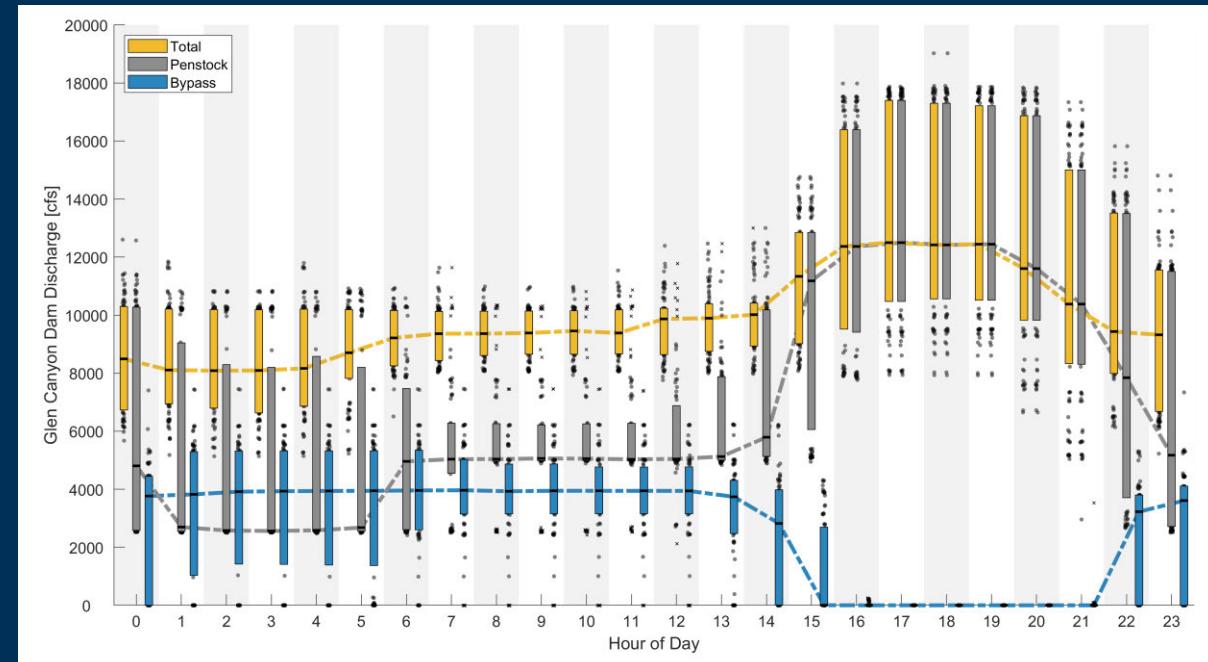
Coordination for Peak Hydropower

Timed bypass releases to preserve peak hydropower demands

2024



2025

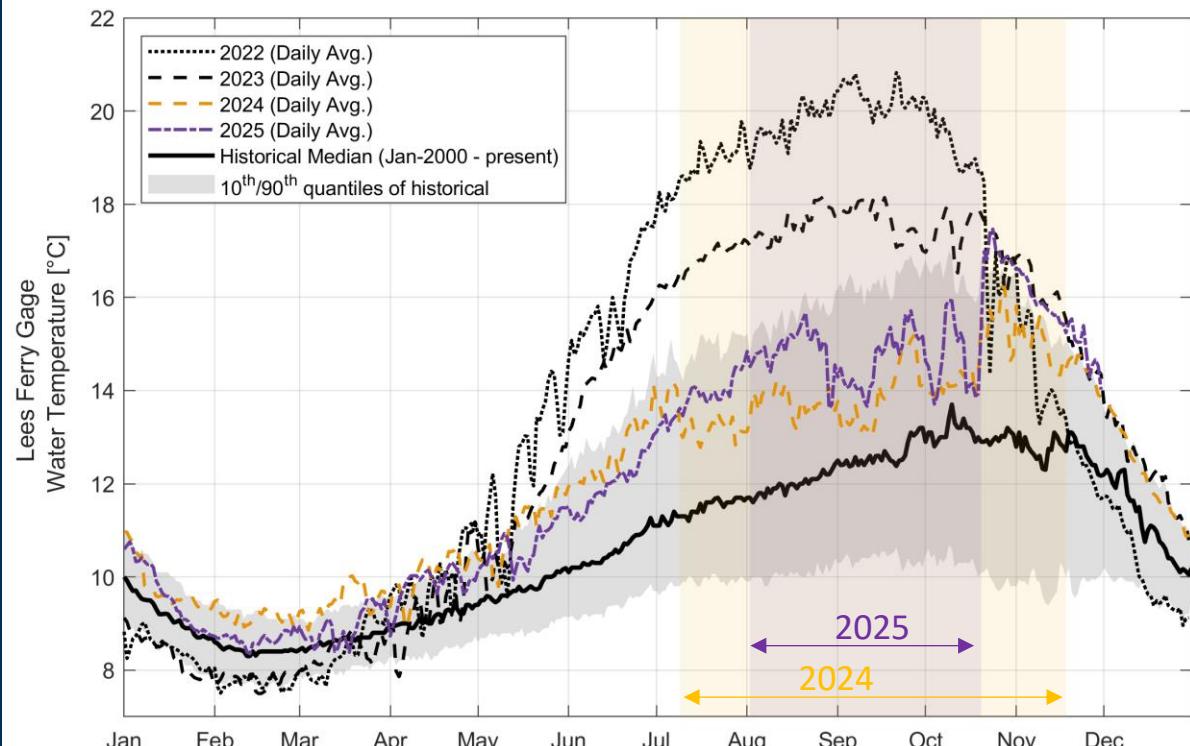


- ~\$19M in costs to replace power
 - Saved WAPA \$4M

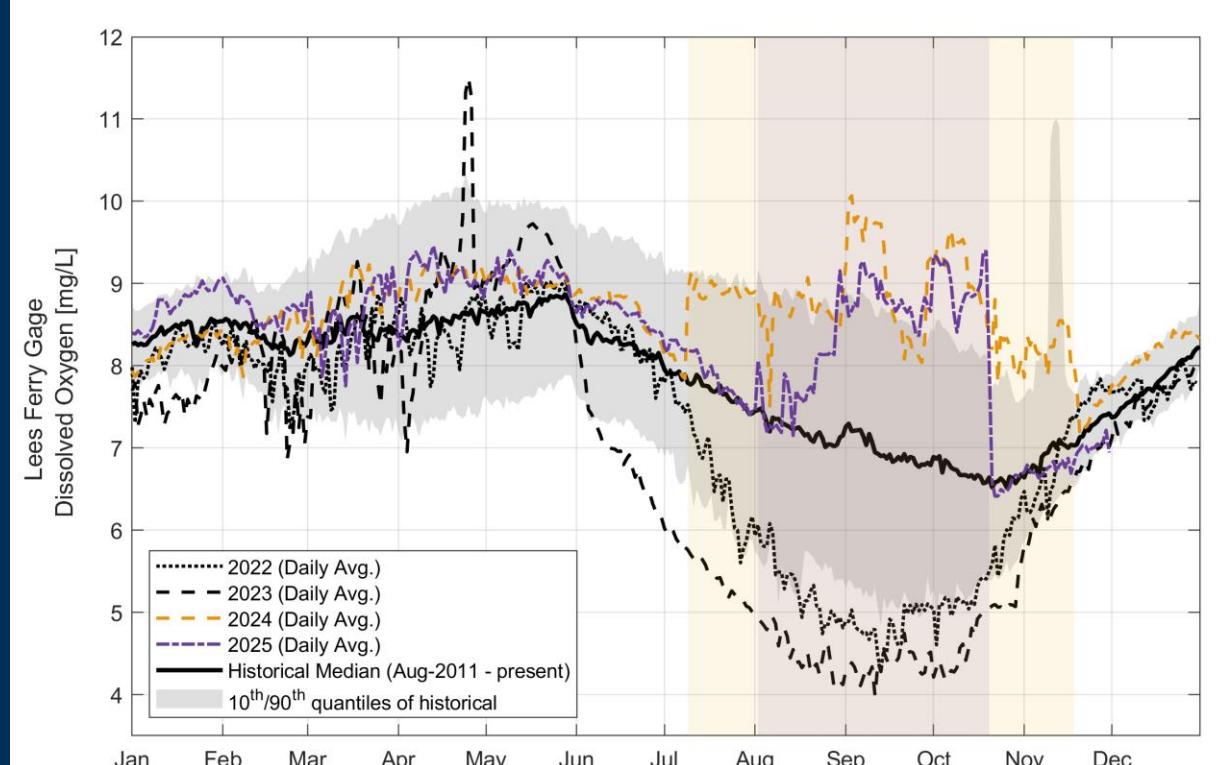
- ~\$6.5M in costs to replace power



Effects on Water Quality



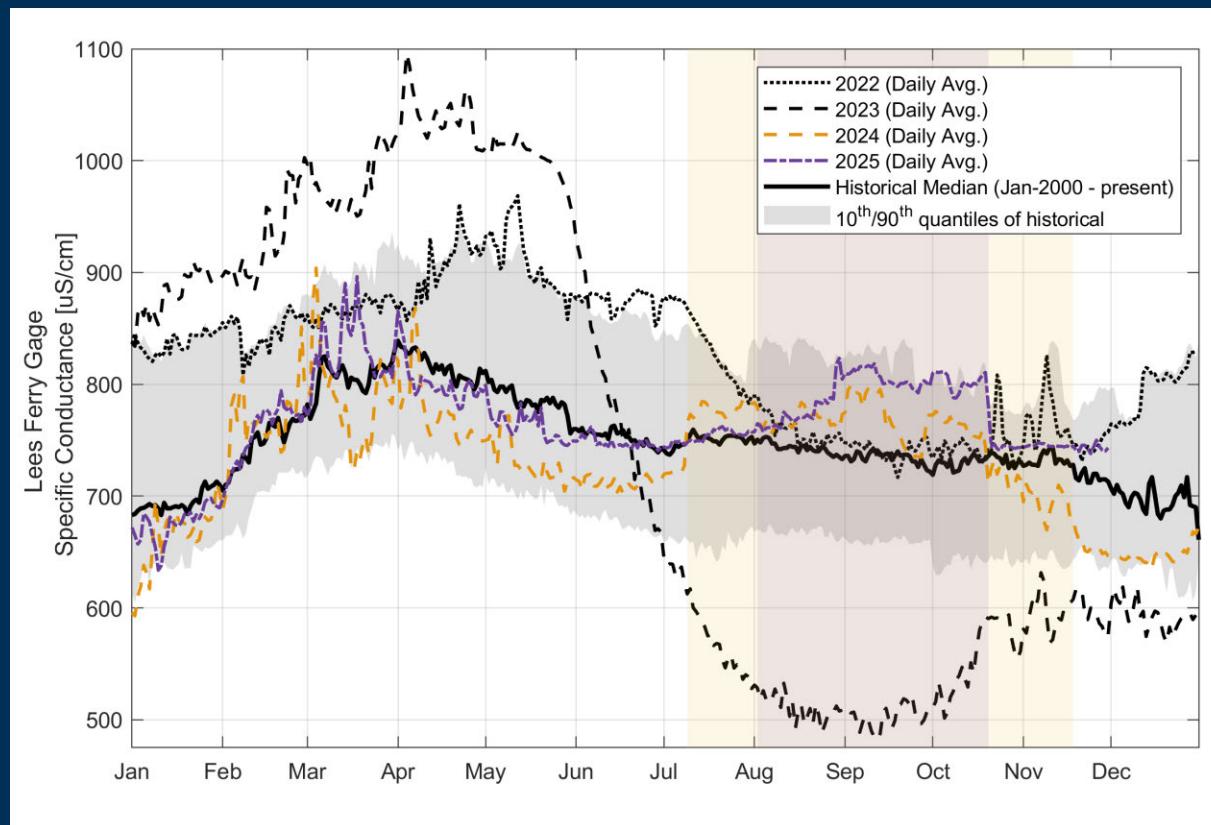
Temperature



Dissolved Oxygen



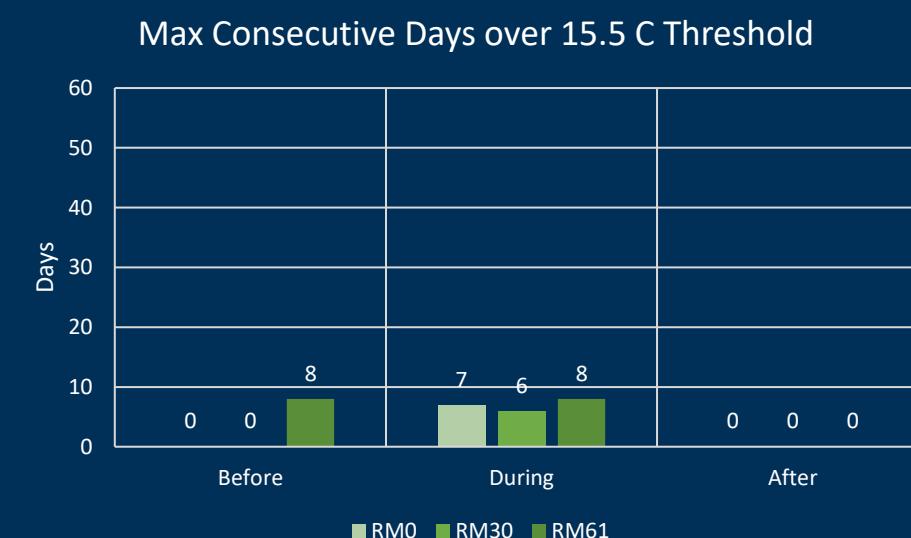
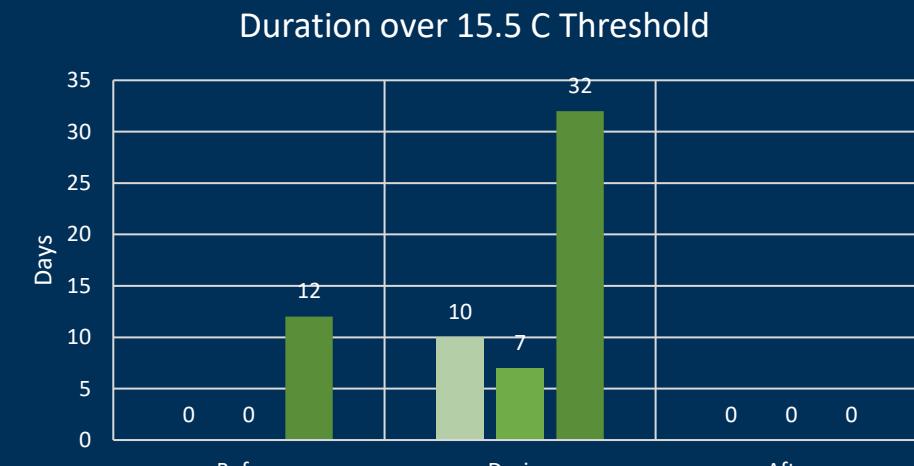
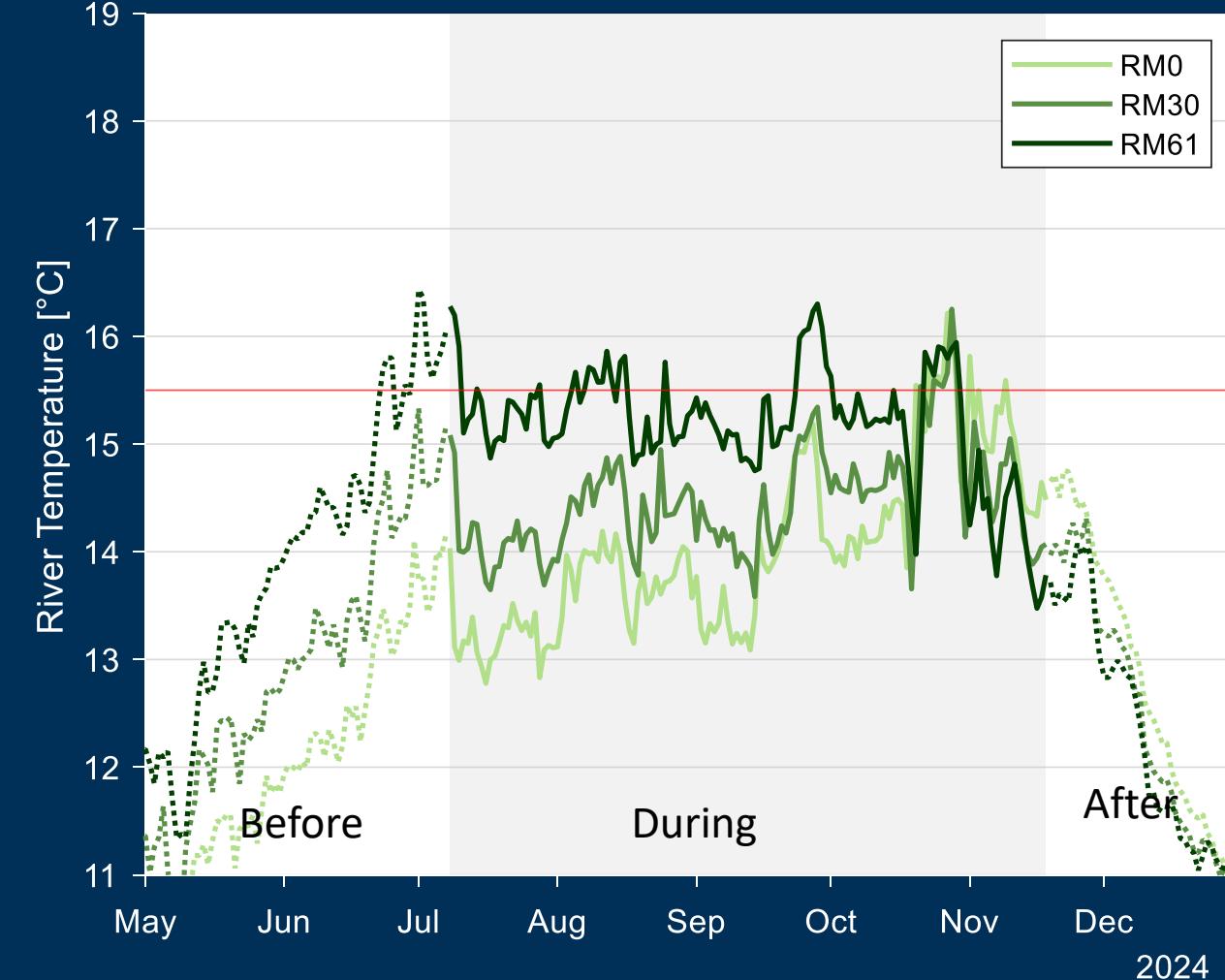
Effects on Specific Conductance



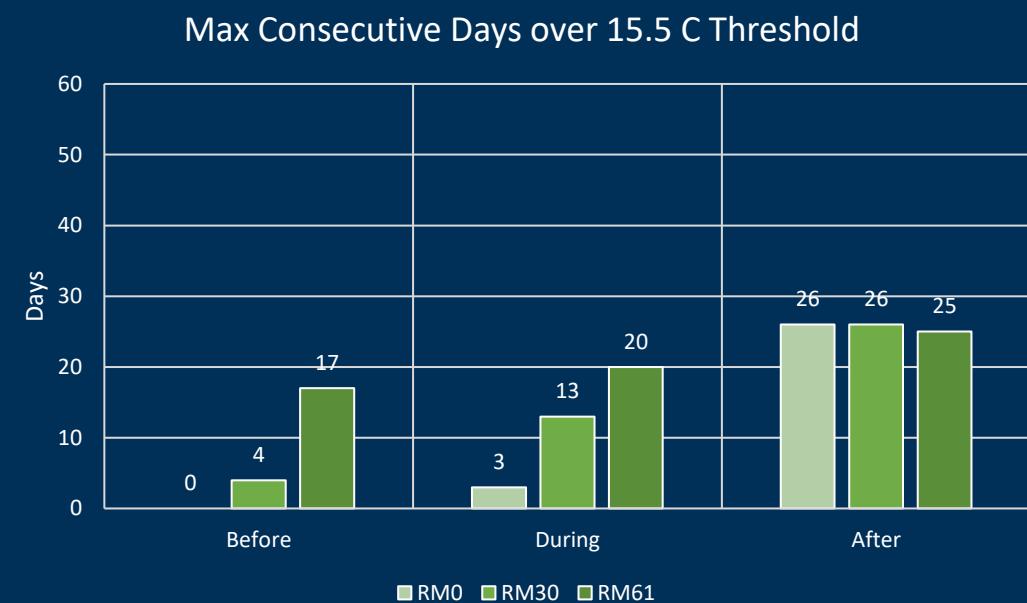
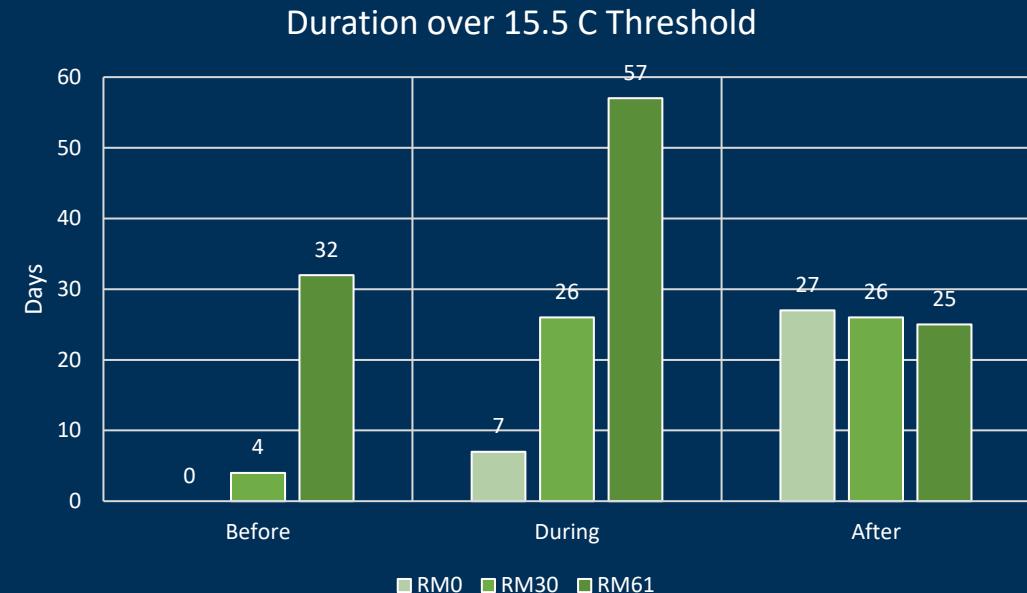
Specific Conductance



Summary (2024)



Summary (2025)



Summary

| | 2024 | 2025 |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Dates | Jul. 8 – Nov. 18 | Aug. 12 – Oct. 20 |
| Duration (days) | 133 | 63 |
| Volume Bypassed (ac-ft) | 893,877 | 372,873 |
| Percent of Total Flow (%) | 33.78 % | 23.69 % |
| Cost of Replacement Power | \$18.97 M | ~ \$6.5 M* |





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