



Massachusetts Water Resources Authority

Presentation to

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Background on MWRA Drought Response Planning

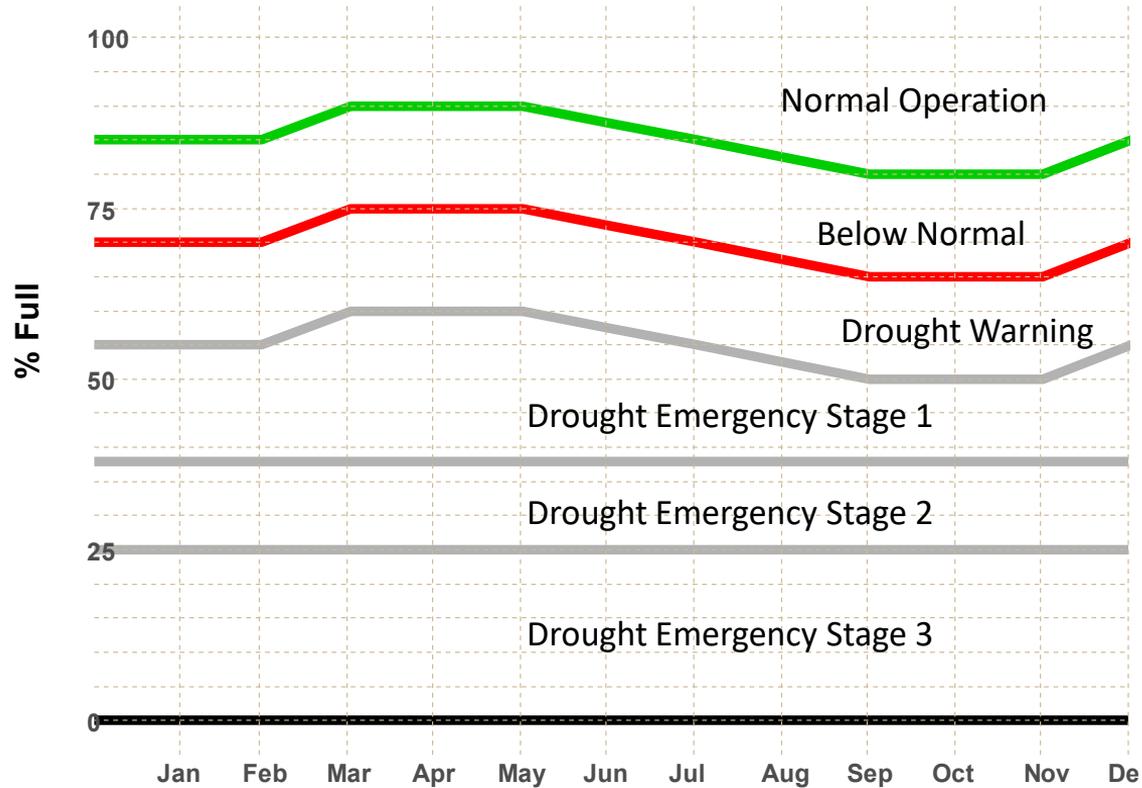


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MWRA's 1989 Drought Management Plan Triggers



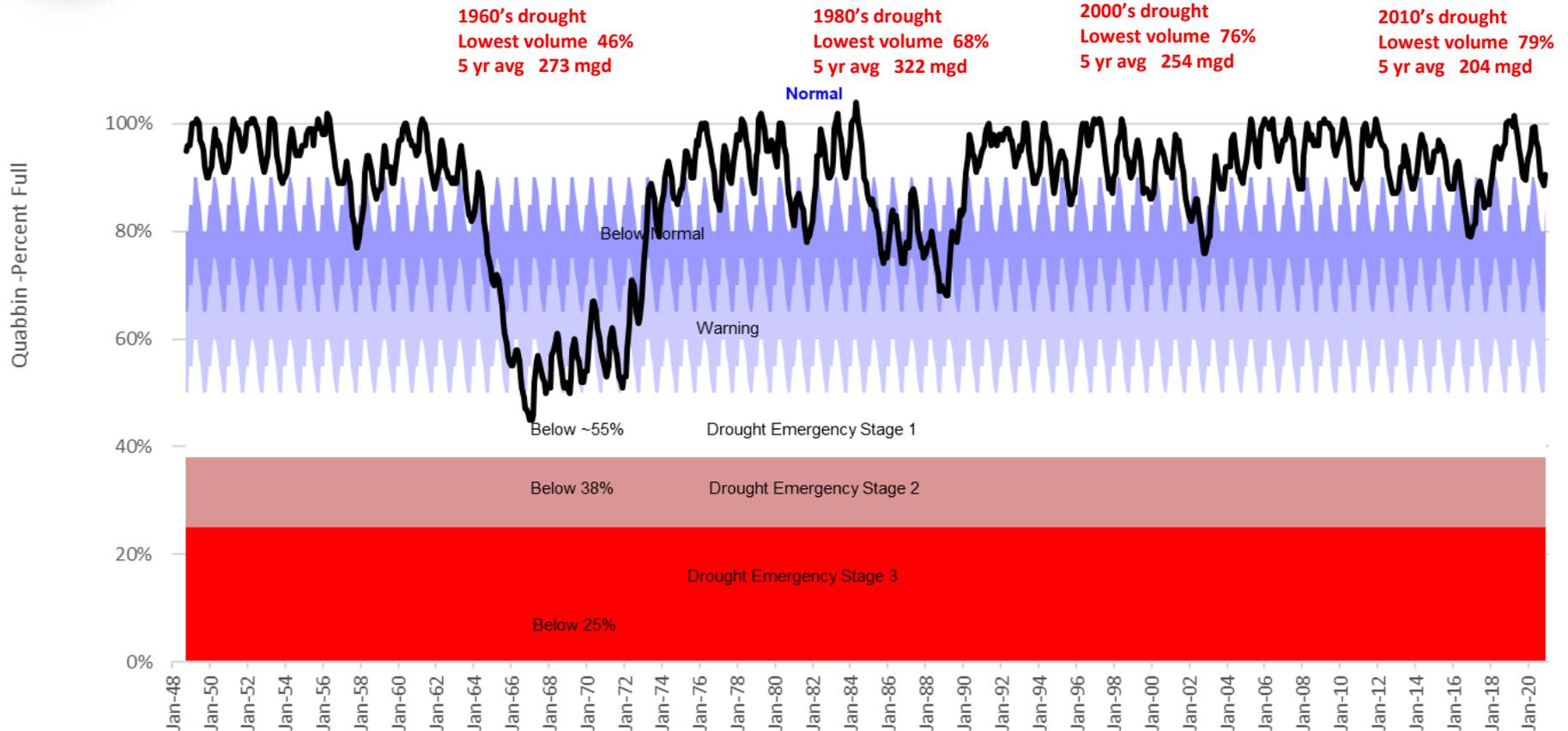


1989 Drought Plan Demand Reduction Targets

Stage	Trigger Range Quabbin Reservoir	Target Water Use Reduction
Normal Operation	80-100%	Regular Conservation, Coordinated w State
Below Normal	65-75%	More Aggressive Conservation Messages
Drought Warning	50-60%	5% (mostly voluntary)
Drought Emergency Stage 1	38-60%	10%
Drought Emergency Stage 2	25-38%	15%
Drought Emergency Stage 3	Below 25%	30%

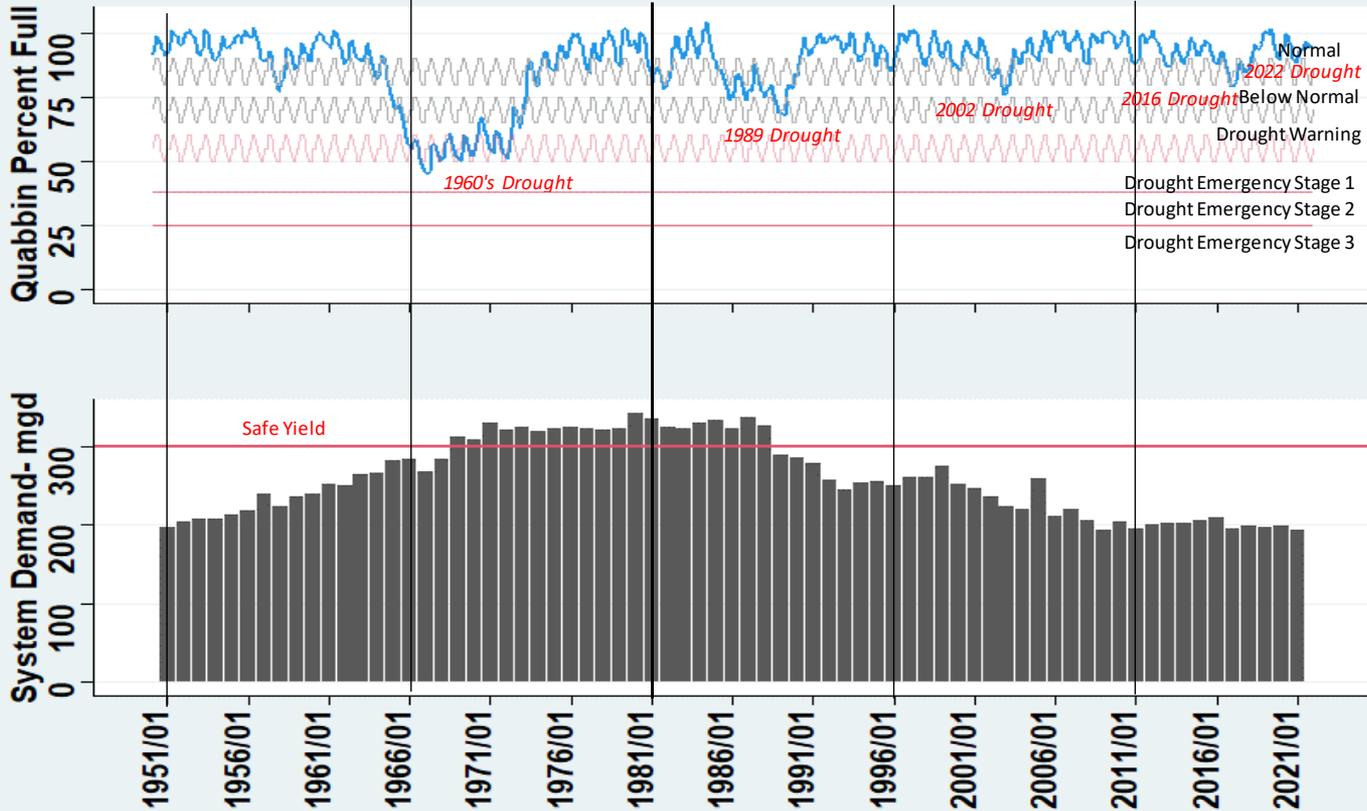


Actual Quabbin Water Levels With Drought Planning Stages



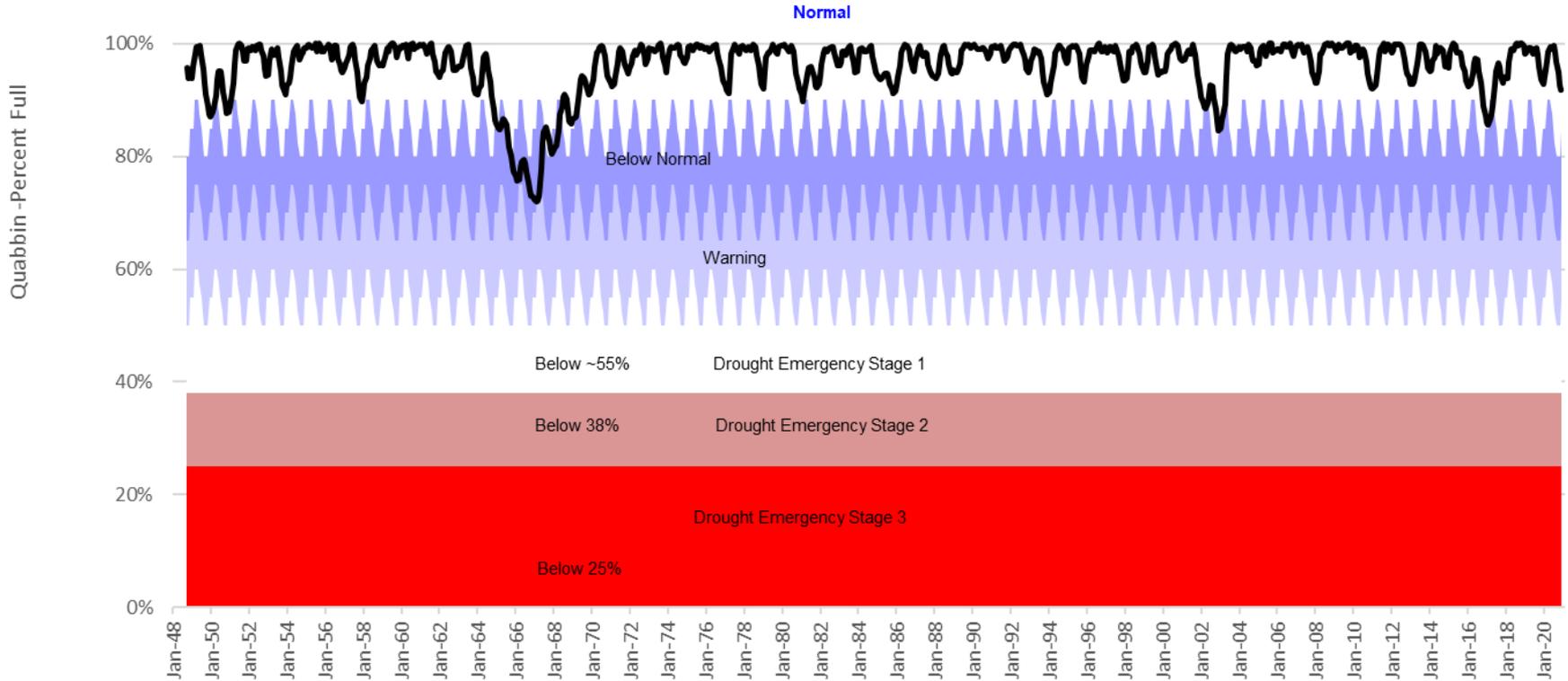


Quabbin Historical Droughts



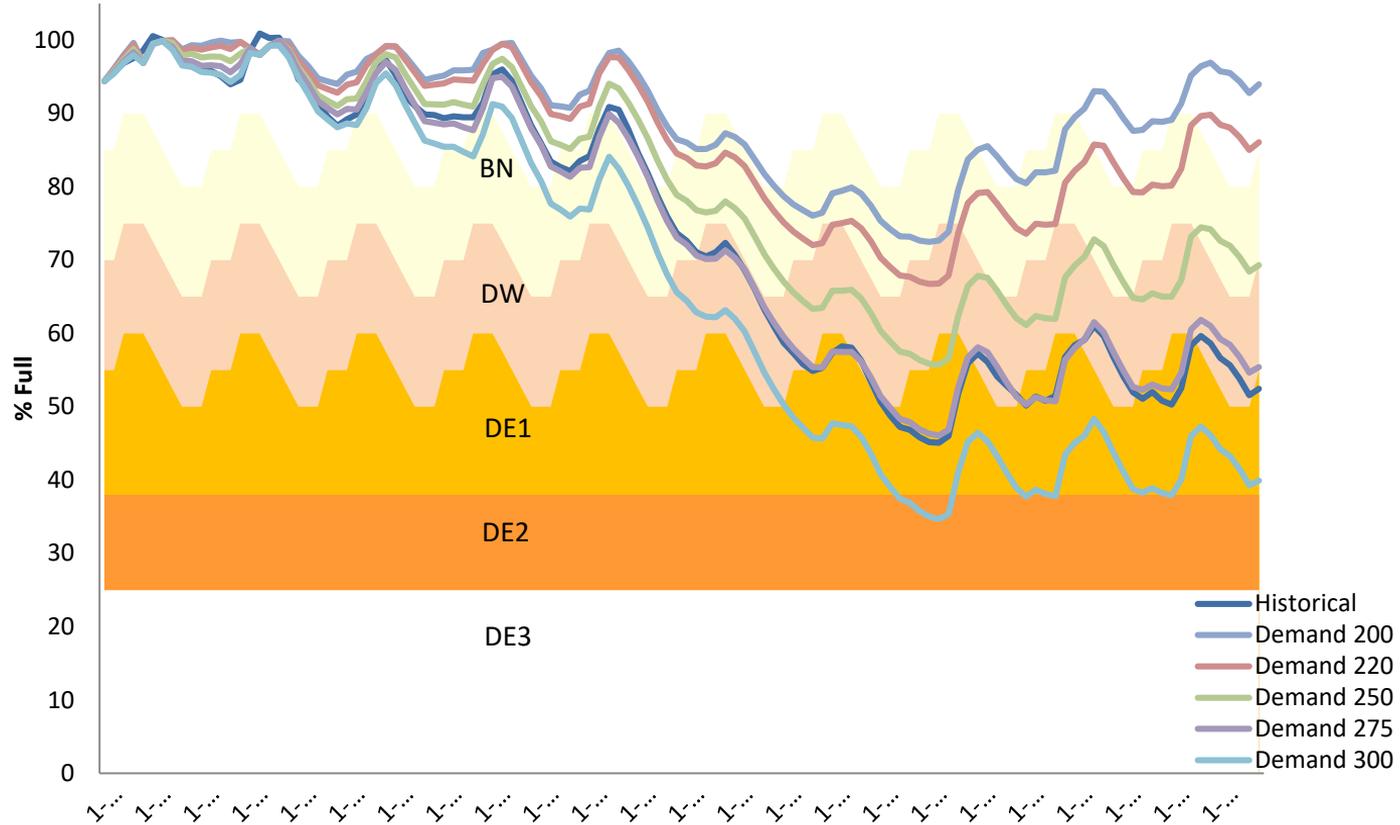


Modeled Quabbin Levels At A Demand of 200 mgd



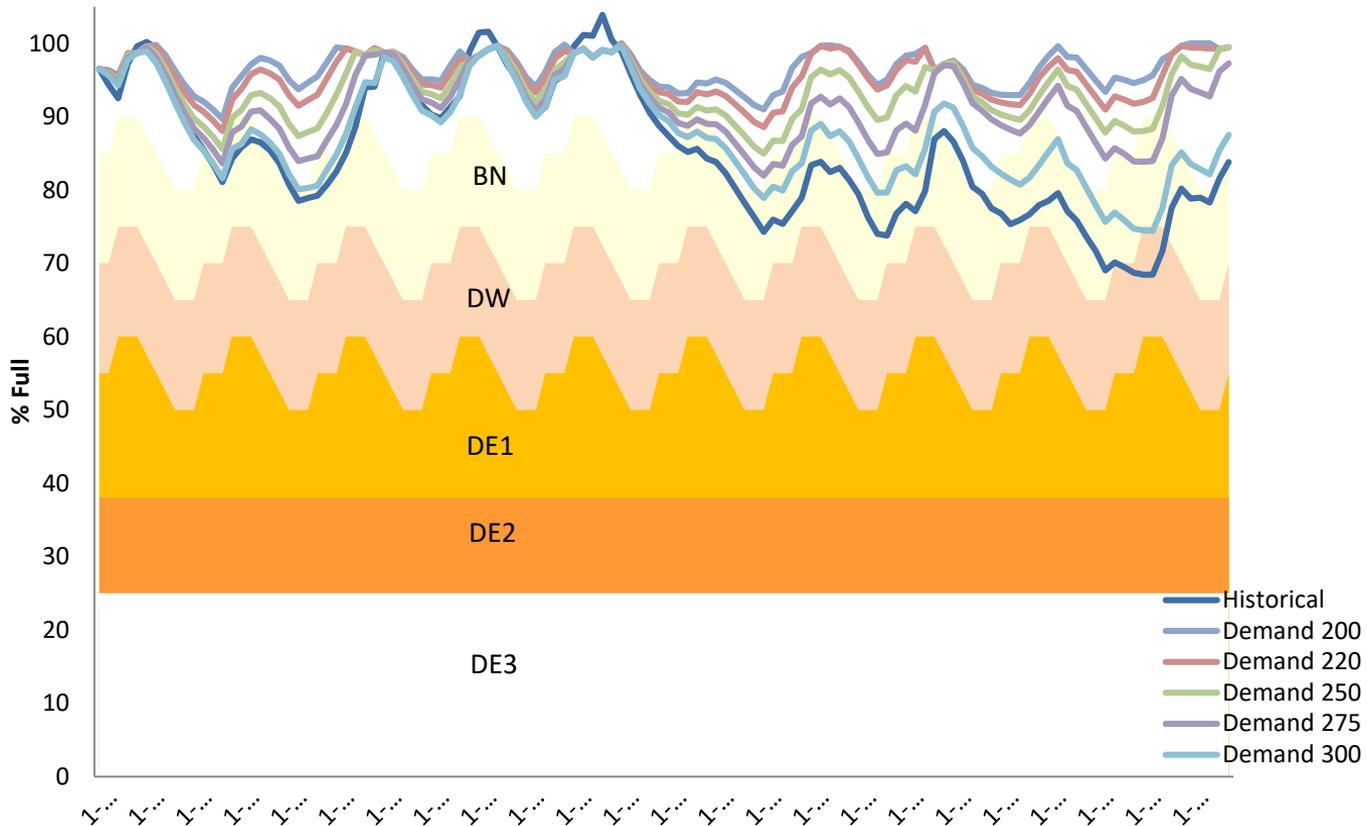


1960's Drought w/ Predicted Performance



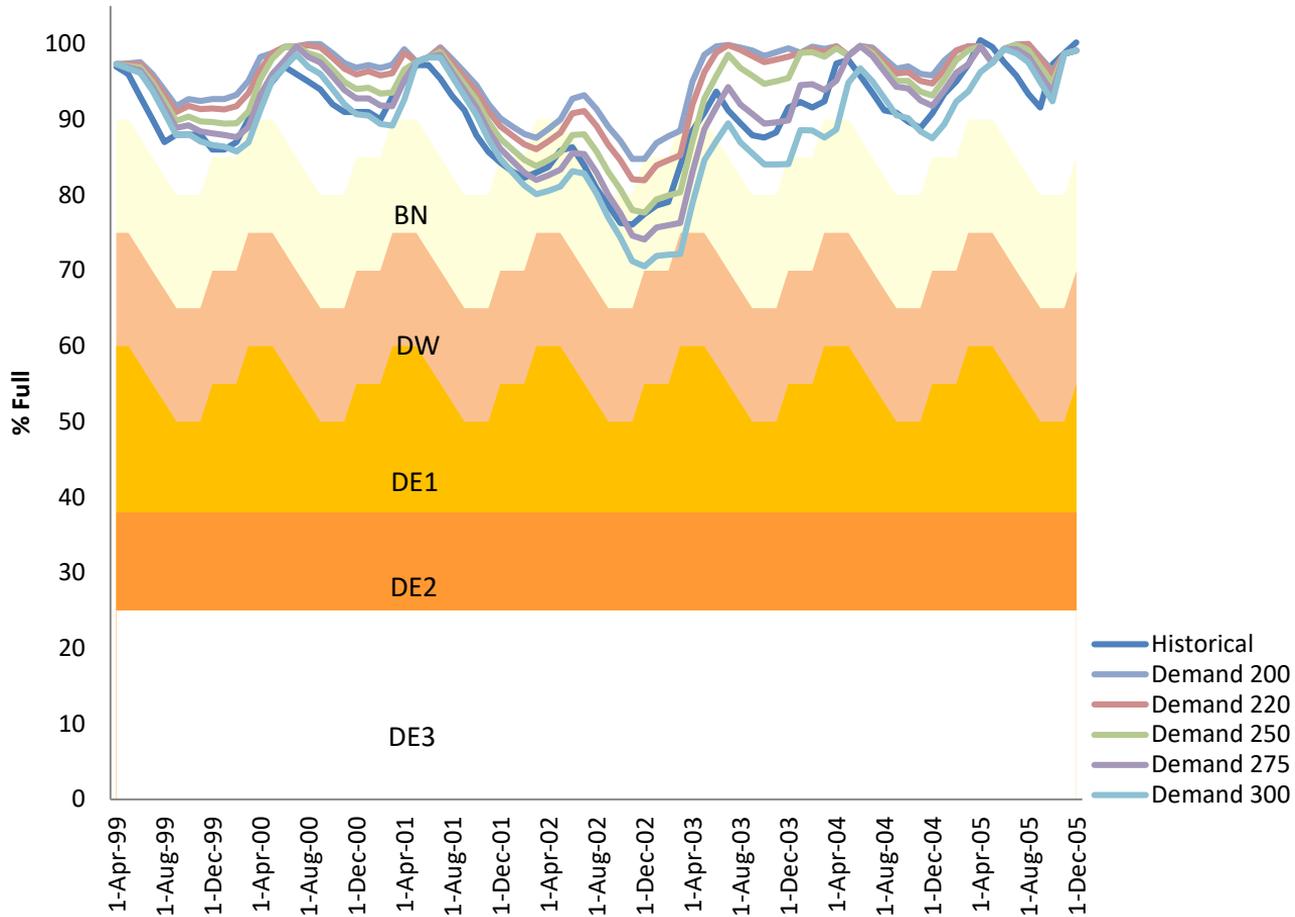


1980's Drought with Predicted Performance





2000's Drought with Predicted Performance





2010's Drought with Predicted Performance

