### Colorado River Commission of Nevada

## Hydrology and Water Use Update January 8, 2019





## Summary

#### **Lake Powell**

- Water Year 2019 unregulated inflow is forecasted at 64% of average.
- Water Year 2019 Upper Basin cumulative precipitation is 100% of average.

#### Lake Mead

- Lake Mead is projected to decrease about 13 feet by end of year.
- A Lower Basin shortage is projected for Water Year 2020.

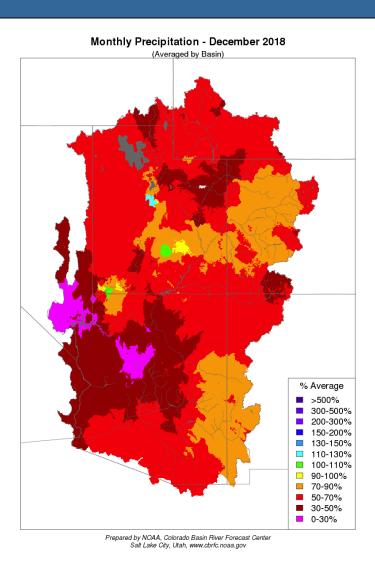
#### **Nevada Water Supply**

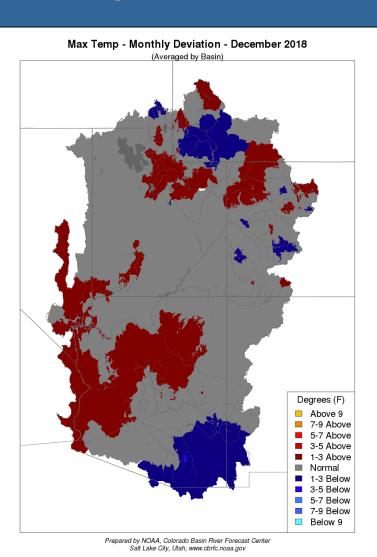
- Southern Nevada has 7 years of water supply banked.
- In 2017, Southern Nevada used 19% less than its annual allocation.

Storage	Elevation (f)	% Capacity	Change since last year
Lake Mead	1,081.3	39%	-1.2 ft
Lake Powell	3,582.0	42%	- 40.9 ft

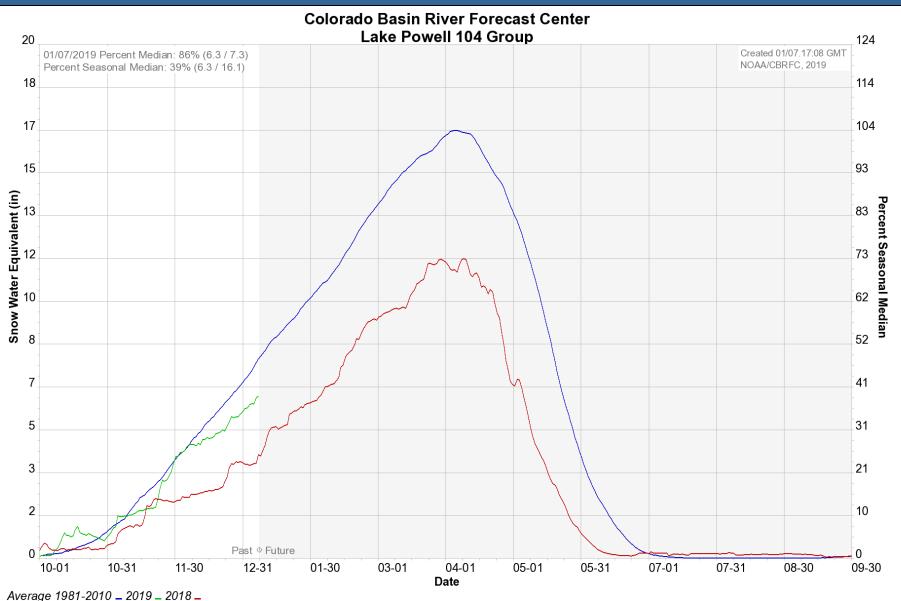
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## Precipitation and Temperature





# Upper Basin Snowpack Accumulation October 1st, 2018 to January 7th, 2019



### Water Use In Southern Nevada

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Southern Nevada Water Use		2017 Actual Use in Acre-Feet			
Nevada Annual Allocation			300,000		
Diversion			470,271		
Return Flows			226,846		
Consumptive Use			243,425		
Unused Allocation Available for Banking			56,575 (19%)		
Southern Nevada Water Use  January thru November 2018	Diversions 448,158	R	eturn Flows 215,018	Consumptive Use 233,140	
Banked Water (through end of 2017	7)			Acre-Feet	
Ground Water Recharge in So. Nevada			359,045		
Banked in Lake Mead			582,313		
Banked in California and Arizona			931,226		
Total			1,872,584		

## Unregulated Inflow, Current and Projected Reservoir Status

Projected unregulated inflow to Lake Powell		ell Acre-Feet	% Average
	Water Year 2019	6,983,000	64%
	April thru July 2019	4,550,000	64%

Reservoir	Current Elevation	Current Storage Acre-Feet	Current % Capacity	Projected Elevation on 1/1/2020 <sup>1</sup>
Lake Mead	1,081.3	10,122,000	39%	1,068.1
Lake Powell	3,582.0	10,110,000	42%	3,567.6

Data retrieved December 31st, 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on Reclamation's December 2018 24 Month Study.