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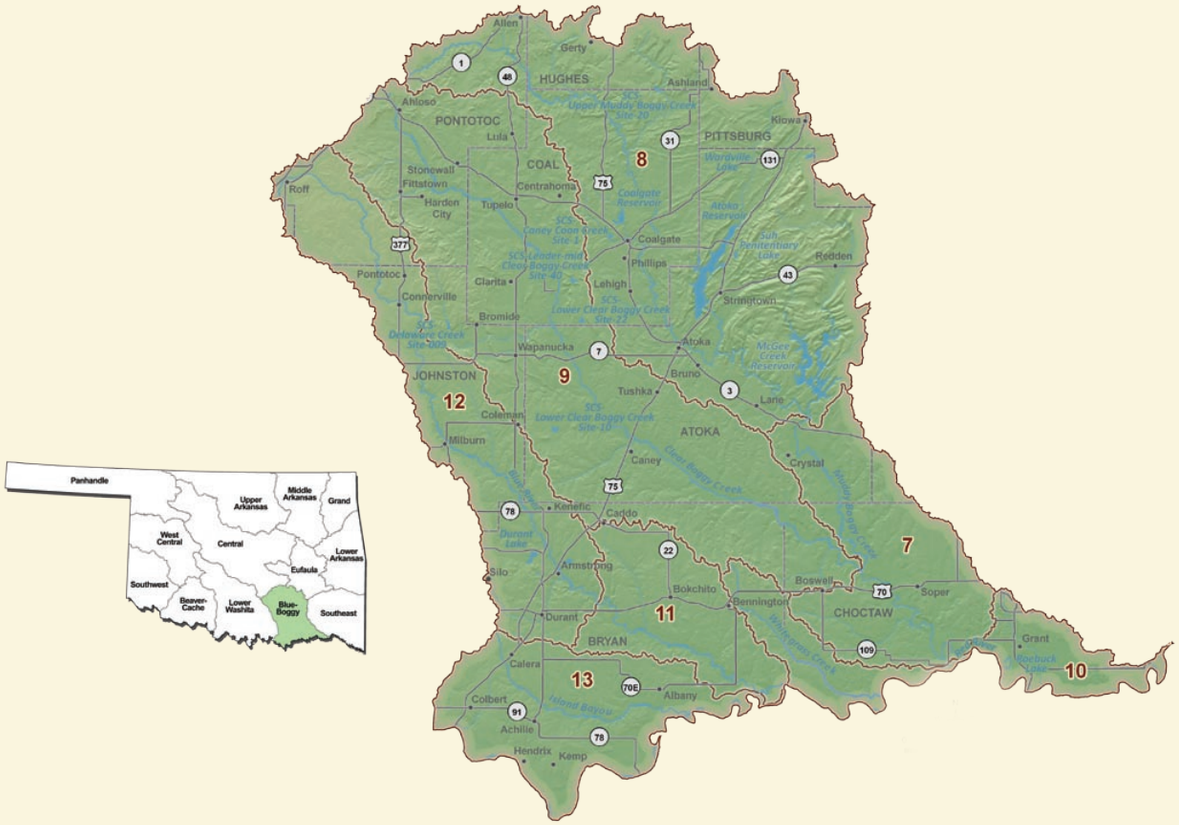

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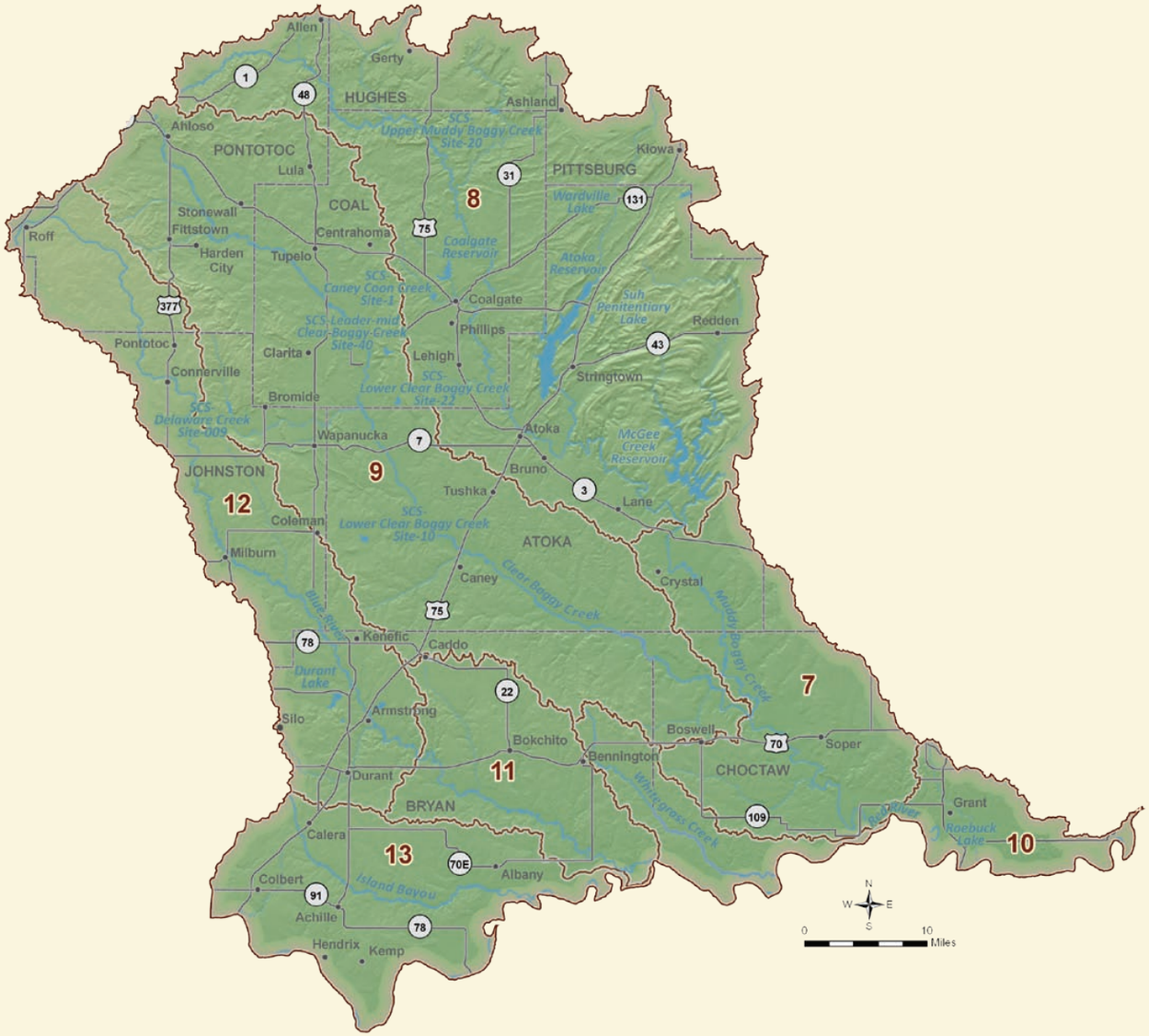

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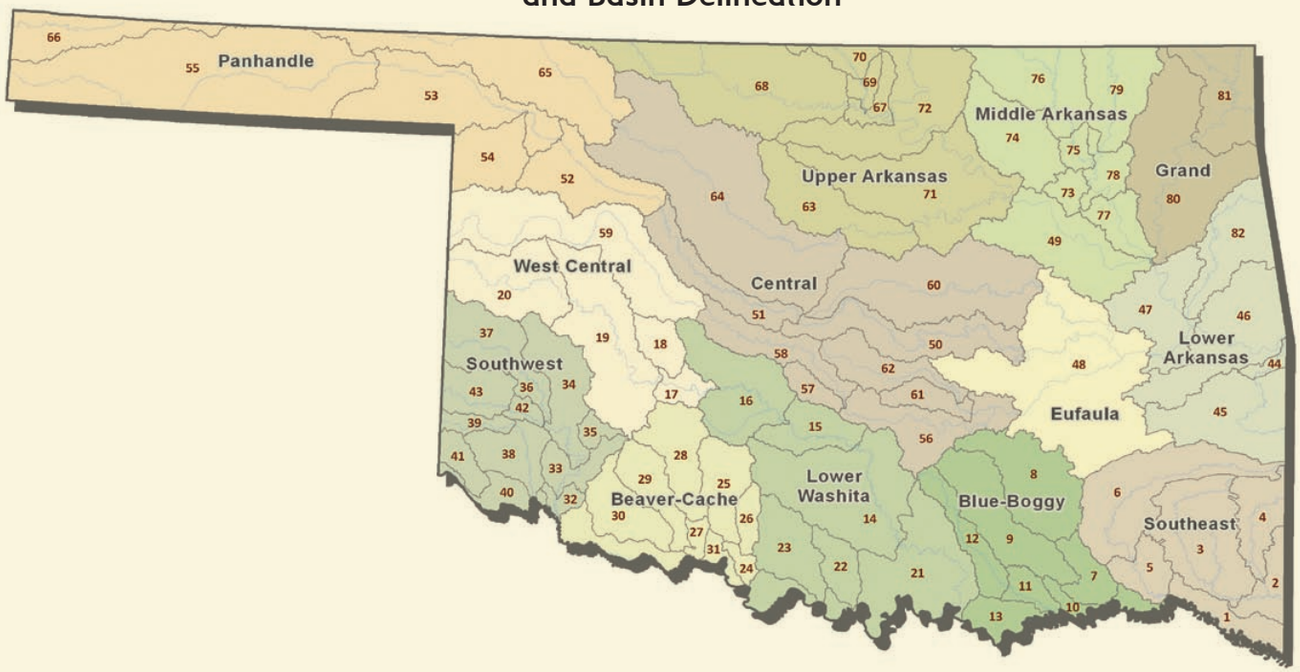


Introduction

The Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan (OCWP) was originally developed in 1980 and last updated in 1995. With the specific objective of establishing a reliable supply of water for state users throughout at least the next 50 years, the current update represents the most ambitious and intensive water planning effort ever undertaken by the state. The 2012 OCWP Update is guided by two ultimate goals:

1. Provide safe and dependable water supply for all Oklahomans while improving the economy and protecting the environment.

2. Provide information so that water providers, policy makers, and water users can make informed decisions concerning the use and management of Oklahoma's water resources.

In accordance with the goals, the 2012 OCWP Update has been developed under an innovative parallel-path approach: inclusive and dynamic public participation to build sound water policy complemented by detailed technical evaluations.

Also unique to this update are studies conducted according to specific geographic boundaries (watersheds) rather than political boundaries (counties). This new strategy involved subdividing the state into 82 surface water basins for water supply availability analysis (see the OCWP Physical Water Supply Availability Report). Existing watershed boundaries were revised to include a United States Geological Survey (USGS) stream gage at or near the basin outlet (downstream boundary), where practical. To facilitate consideration of regional supply challenges and potential solutions, basins were aggregated into 13 distinct Watershed Planning Regions.

The primary factors in the determination of reliable future water supplies are physical supplies, water rights, water quality, and infrastructure. Gaps and depletions occur when demand exceeds supply, and can be attributed to physical supply, water rights, infrastructure, or water quality constraints.

This Watershed Planning Region Report, one of 13 such documents prepared for the 2012 OCWP Update, presents elements of technical studies pertinent to the Blue-Boggy Region. Each regional report presents information from both a regional and multiple basin perspective, including water supply/demand analysis results, forecasted water supply shortages, potential supply solutions and alternatives, and supporting technical information.

As a key foundation of OCWP technical work, a computer-based analysis tool, "Oklahoma H2O," was created to compare projected demands with physical supplies for each basin to identify areas of potential water shortages.

Integral to the development of these reports was the Oklahoma H2O model, a sophisticated database and geographic information system (GIS) based analysis tool created to compare projected water demand to physical supplies in each of the 82 OCWP basins statewide. Recognizing that water planning is not a static process but rather a dynamic one, this versatile tool can be updated over time as new supply and demand data become available, and can be used to evaluate a variety of "what-if" scenarios at the basin level, such as a change in supply sources, demand, new reservoirs, and various other policy management scenarios.

Primary inputs to the model include demand projections for each decade through 2060, founded on widely-accepted methods and peer review of inputs and results by state and federal agency staff, industry representatives, and stakeholder groups for each demand sector.

Regional Overview

The Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region includes seven basins (numbered 7-13 for reference). The southern portion of the region lies within the Coastal Plain physiography province and the northern part of the region intersects the Central Lowland and Ouachita provinces. The Blue-Boggy encompasses 3,670 square miles in southern Oklahoma, spanning from Pontotoc County to the Red River on the south and including all or portions of Hughes, Pittsburg, Coal, Johnston, Atoka, Bryan, and Choctaw Counties.

The region's terrain varies from lush pastures in the river bottoms to the rugged foothills of the Arbuckle and Ouachita Mountains. The region's climate is mild with annual mean temperatures varying from 61 °F to 64 °F. Annual average precipitation ranges from 39 inches in the northwest to 51 inches in the southeastern corner. Annual evaporation ranges from 63 inches per year to 55 inches per year.

The largest cities in the region include Durant (2010 population of 16,671), Atoka (3,183), and Coalgate (1,926). The greatest demand is from Crop Irrigation water use.

By 2060, this region is projected to have a total demand of 85,700 acre-feet per year (AFY), an increase of approximately 24,300 AFY (40%) from 2010.

Surface water supply data for each of the 82 basins used 58 years of publicly-available daily streamflow gage data collected by the USGS. Groundwater resources were characterized using previously-developed assessments of aquifer storage and recharge rates.

Additional information gained during the development of the 2012 Update is provided in various OCWP supplemental reports. Assessments of statewide physical water availability and potential shortages are documented in the OCWP Physical Water Supply Availability Report. Statewide water demand projection methods and results are presented in the Water Demand Forecast Report. Permitting availability was evaluated based on the OWRB's administrative protocol and documented in the Water Supply Permit Availability Report. All supporting documentation can be found on the OWRB's website.

Blue-Boggy Regional Summary

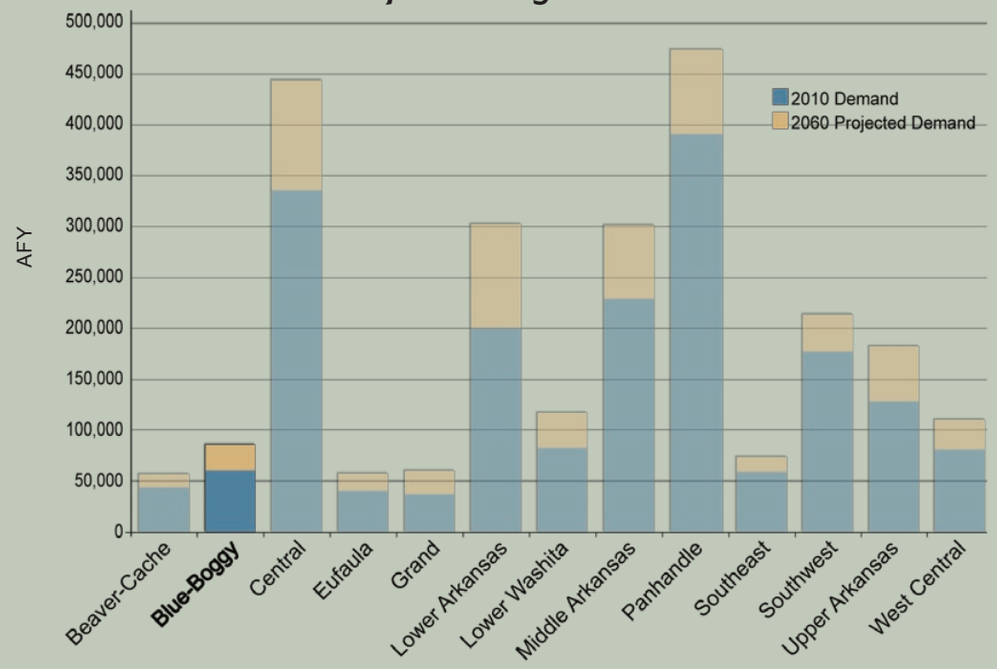
Synopsis

- The Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region relies primarily on surface water supplies (including reservoirs) and bedrock groundwater.
- It is anticipated that water users in the region will continue to rely on these sources to meet future demand.
- By 2020, surface water supplies may be insufficient at times to meet demand in most basins in the region, but the expected frequency of shortages is very low in most basins.
- By 2020, alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur and eventually lead to higher pumping costs, the need for deeper wells, and potential changes to well yields or water quality.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that gaps .and storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation could reduce surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions.
- Aquifer storage and recovery in Basins 12 and 13 could be considered to store variable surface water supplies, increase alluvial groundwater storage, and reduce adverse effects of localized storage depletions.
- Surface water alternatives, such as bedrock groundwater supplies and/or developing new reservoirs, could mitigate gaps without major impacts to groundwater storage.

Blue-Boggy Region Demand Summary

Current Water Demand:	61,390 acre-feet/year (3% of state total)
Largest Demand Sector:	Crop Irrigation (33% of regional total)
Current Supply Sources:	71% SW 6% Alluvial GW 23% Bedrock GW
Projected Demand (2060):	85,700 acre-feet/year
Growth (2010-2060):	24,310 acre-feet/year (40%)

Current and Projected Regional Water Demand



The Blue-Boggy Region accounts for 3% of the state's total water demand. The largest demand sectors are Crop Irrigation (33% of the region's overall 2010 demand), Municipal and Industrial (27%), and Thermoelectric Power (22%).

Water Resources & Limitations

Surface Water

Surface water supplies including reservoirs are used to meet 71% of the Blue-Boggy Region's demand. Surface water supply shortages are expected in Basins 9 and 13 by 2020, in Basin 12 by 2030, and in Basins 10 and 11 by 2040. Shortages are expected to be very infrequent, except in Basin 9 where there will be a 22% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. The region is supplied by four major rivers: the Red River, Muddy Boggy Creek, Clear Boggy Creek, and the Blue River. Surface water from Byrds Mill Spring, fed by groundwater from the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer, supplies a substantial amount of water out-of-region to the City of Ada in the Central Watershed Planning Region. Historically, the rivers and creeks in the region have had substantial flows. However, infrequent periods of low flow can occur, particularly in the summer and fall due to seasonal and long-term trends in precipitation. Large reservoirs have been built on Muddy Boggy Creek and its tributaries to provide public water supply, flood control, and recreation. Major reservoirs in the Blue-Boggy Region include McGee Creek Reservoir (Bureau of Reclamation), Atoka Lake (Oklahoma City), and Coalgate Lake (City of Coalgate). McGee Creek Reservoir and Atoka Lake are major out-of-basin supply sources for Oklahoma City and also supply local entities as well. All basins in the region are expected to have available surface water for new permitting to meet local demand through 2060. With the exception of the Red River, surface water quality in the region is considered generally good relative to other regions in the state. However, several creeks in the region are impaired for Agricultural use due to high levels of chloride, sulfate and total dissolved solids (TDS).

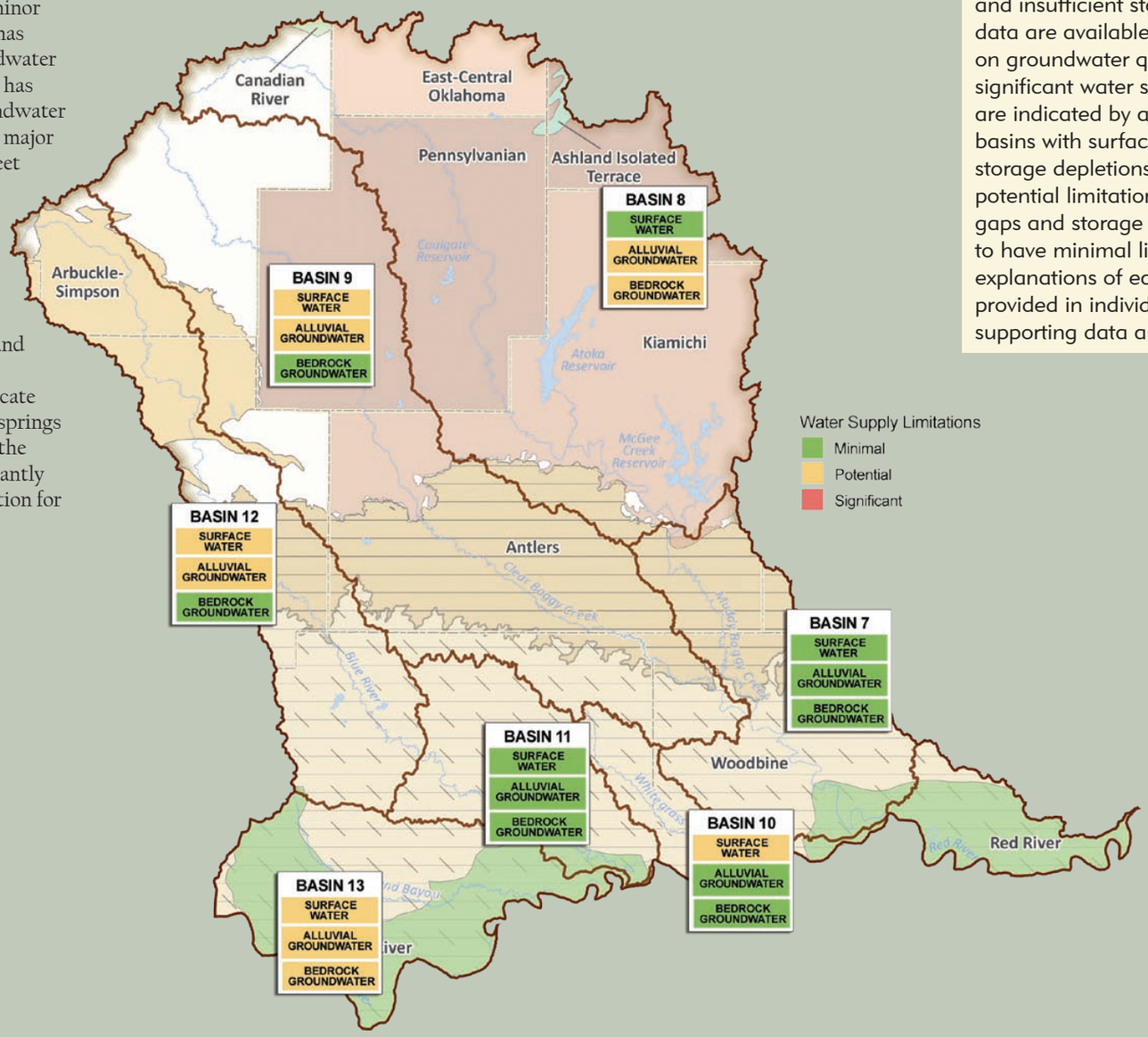
Alluvial Groundwater

Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 6% of the demand in the region. The majority of currently permitted alluvial groundwater withdrawals in the region are from the Red River aquifer and minor aquifers. About one quarter of the current alluvial groundwater withdrawals are likely from domestic users who do not require a permit. If alluvial groundwater continues to supply a similar portion of demand in the future, storage depletions from these aquifers may occur in the winter, summer, and fall. The largest storage depletions are projected to occur in the summer. The availability of permits is not expected to constrain the use of alluvial groundwater supplies to meet local demand through 2060.

Bedrock Groundwater

Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 23% of the demand in the region. Currently permitted and projected withdrawals are primarily from the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer and to a lesser extent the Antlers aquifer and multiple minor aquifers. The Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer has about 3.7 million acre-feet (AF) of groundwater storage in the region. The Antlers aquifer has about 19.8 million acre-feet (AF) of groundwater storage in the region. The recharge to the major aquifers is expected to be sufficient to meet all of the region's bedrock groundwater demand through 2060, except in Basin 13, where bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2020. The availability of permits is not expected to constrain the use of bedrock groundwater supplies to meet local demand through 2060. Results of the multi-year Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study indicate that in order to maintain natural flow to springs and streams emanating from the aquifer, the equal proportionate share will be significantly lower than the current 2 AFY/acre allocation for temporary permits.

Water Supply Limitations
Blue-Boggy Region



Water Supply Limitations

Surface water limitations were based on physical availability, water supply availability for new permits, and water quality. Groundwater limitations were based on the total size and rate of storage depletions in major aquifers. Groundwater permits are not expected to constrain the use of groundwater through 2060, and insufficient statewide groundwater quality data are available to compare basins based on groundwater quality. Basins with the most significant water supply challenges statewide are indicated by a red box. The remaining basins with surface water gaps or groundwater storage depletions were considered to have potential limitations (yellow). Basins without gaps and storage depletions were considered to have minimal limitations (green). Detailed explanations of each basin's supplies are provided in individual basin summaries and supporting data and analysis.

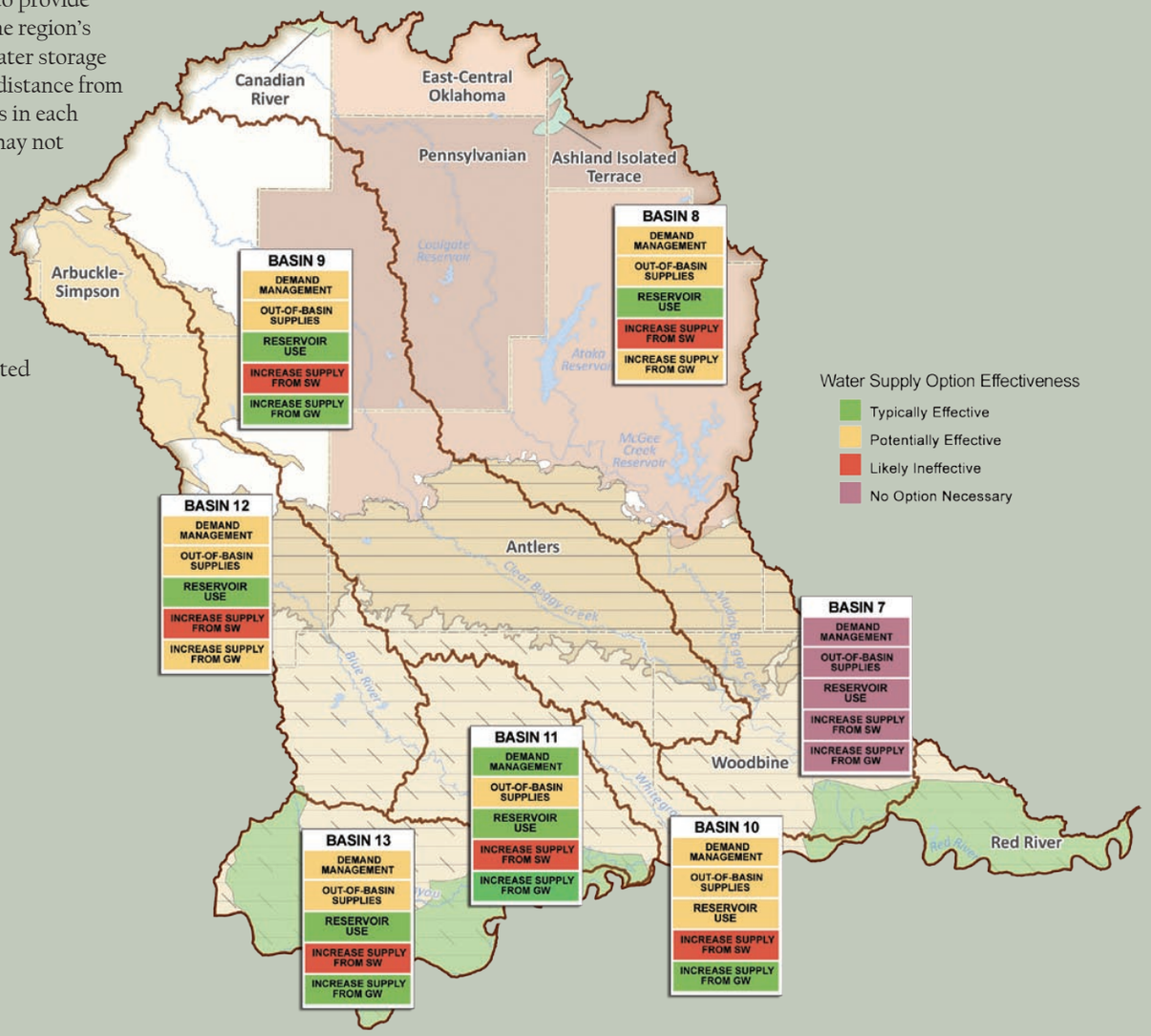
Water Supply Options

To quantify physical surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions through 2060, use of local supplies was assumed to continue in the current (2010) proportions. Surface water supplies, reservoirs, and bedrock groundwater supplies are expected to continue to supply the majority of demand in the Blue-Boggy Region. Surface water users may have physical surface water supply shortages (gaps) in the future, except in Basins 7 and 8. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions of major and minor aquifers are also projected in the future and may occur in most basins in the region by 2040. The development of additional alluvial and bedrock groundwater supplies should be considered a short-term water supply option, except in the Red River aquifer. Therefore, additional long-term water supplies should be considered for surface water users and for alluvial groundwater users.

Water conservation could aid in reducing projected gaps and groundwater storage depletions or delaying the need for additional infrastructure. Moderately expanded conservation activities could reduce gaps and storage depletions throughout the region, and in Basin 11, eliminate surface water gaps. Future reductions could occur from substantially expanded conservation activities. These measures would require a shift from crops with high water demand (e.g., corn for grain and forage crops) to low water demand crops such as sorghum for grain or wheat for grain, along with increased efficiency and increased public water supplier conservation. Due to the generally low frequency of shortages, temporary drought management measures may be an effective water supply option.

New reservoirs and expanded use of existing reservoirs could enhance the dependability of surface water supplies and eliminate gaps throughout the region. McGee Creek Reservoir in Basin 8 has unpermitted yield that could supply new users. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified seven sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. (Parker Lake, in Basin 8, is the only federal reservoir remaining in Oklahoma that is currently authorized for construction.) These water sources could serve as in-basin storage or out-of-basin supplies to provide additional supplies to mitigate the region's surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions. However, due to the distance from these reservoirs to demand points in each basin, this water supply option may not be cost-effective for many users.

The projected growth in surface water could instead be supplied in part by increased use of the Antlers or Red River aquifer, which would result in minimal or no increases in projected groundwater storage depletions.



Effectiveness of water supply options in each basin in the region. This evaluation was based upon results of physical water supply availability analyses, existing infrastructure, and other basin-specific factors.

Water Supply

Physical Water Availability

Surface Water Resources

Surface water has historically been the primary source of supply used to meet demand in the Blue-Boggy Region. The region's major streams include the Red River, Blue River, Clear Boggy Creek, and Muddy Boggy Creek. Many streams in this region experience a wide range of flows, including both periodic no-flow conditions and flooding events. Flows in several basins show significant seasonal variation, with lower flows in late summer and early fall.

Water in the Red River (southern border of the Blue-Boggy region), which maintains substantial flows, may contain high levels of dissolved solids and chlorides in Basin 13 due to natural occurring salt pollution upstream from Denison Dam (Lake Texoma). Water quality improves farther downstream as higher quality flows from tributaries below Denison Dam enter the Red River.

The Blue River (210 miles long) flows southeasterly through Basins 12 and 11 to its confluence with the Red River at the outlet of Basin 11. The Blue River originates from headwater springs in the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer.

Clear Boggy Creek (190 miles long) runs through Basin 9 in the center of the Blue-Boggy Region. It is a tributary to Muddy Boggy Creek at the outlet of Basin 9. The upper Blue River and some tributaries to Clear Boggy Creek originate from headwater springs in the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer, the region's major groundwater source.

Muddy Boggy Creek (270 miles long) and its tributaries are located in the eastern portion of the Blue-Boggy Region in Basins 7 and 8. Muddy Boggy Creek is tributary to the Red River at the outlet of Basin 7. Major tributaries include McGee Creek (70 miles) and North Boggy Creek.

Existing reservoirs in the region increase the dependability of surface water supply for many public water systems and other users. All three of the large reservoirs in the region are located in Basin 8 in the Muddy Boggy Creek watershed. McGee Creek Reservoir, the only federal reservoir in the region, was built by the Bureau of Reclamation on McGee Creek, a tributary of Muddy Boggy Creek, in 1987. Reservoir purposes include water supply, water quality control, flood control, recreation, and fish and wildlife mitigation.

> As important sources of surface water in Oklahoma, reservoirs and lakes help provide dependable water supply storage, especially when streams and rivers experience periods of low seasonal flow or drought.

The reservoir provides a dependable water supply yield of about 71,800 AFY, of which 40,000 AFY is allocated to the City of Oklahoma City in the Central Watershed Planning Region and 24,608 AFY is allocated locally to the City of Atoka, Atoka County Commissioners, Southern Oklahoma Development Trust and the City of Coalgate. Atoka Reservoir, one of the state's largest municipal reservoirs, was constructed by Oklahoma City on the North Boggy Creek for the purposes of water supply and recreation. Most of the lake's dependable yield is allocated to Oklahoma City and is accessed via the Atoka pipeline. The city supplements Atoka's water supply by piping water from McGee Creek Reservoir. Additional water supply yield is allocated locally to the City of Atoka for public water supply and to OG&E for power purposes. Atoka Reservoir is currently fully allocated. Coalgate Reservoir supplies water to the City of Coalgate. The water supply yield of this reservoir is unknown; therefore, the ability of this reservoir to provide future water supplies could not be evaluated.

There are other small Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and privately owned lakes in the region that provide water for agricultural water supply and recreation.

Reservoirs
Blue-Boggy Region

Reservoir Name	Primary Basin Number	Reservoir Owner/Operator	Year Built	Purposes[1]	Normal Pool Storage	Water Supply		Navigation		Water Quality		Permitted Withdrawals	Remaining Water Supply Yield to be Permitted
						Storage	Yield	Storage	Yield	Storage	Yield		
					AF	AF	AFY	AF	AFY	AF	AFY	AFY	AFY
Atoka	8	City of Oklahoma City	1964	WS, R	105,195	123,500	92,067	0	0	0	0	93,952	0
Coalgate	8	City of Coalgate	1965	WS, FC, R	3,466	---	---	0	0	0	0	3,224	No Known Yield
McGee Creek	8	Bureau of Reclamation	1987	WS, WQ, FC, R, FW	113,930	109,800	71,800	0	0	0	0	64,608	7,192

1 *The "Purposes" represent the use(s), as authorized by the funding entity or dam owner(s), for the reservoir storage when constructed.*
WS = Water Supply, R = Recreation, FC = Flood Control, IR = Irrigation, WQ = Water Quality, FW = Fish & Wildlife, LF = Low Flow Regulation, N = Navigation
No known information is annotated as "---"

Surface Water Resources
Blue-Boggy Region

Reservoirs in Oklahoma may serve multiple purposes, such as water supply, irrigation, recreation, hydropower generation, and flood control, and typically possess a specific volume of water storage assigned for each purpose.

Water Supply Availability Analysis

For OCWP physical water supply availability analysis, water supplies were divided into three categories: surface water, alluvial aquifers, and bedrock aquifers. Physically available surface water refers to water currently in streams, rivers, lakes, and reservoirs.

The range of historical surface water availability, including droughts, is well-represented in the Oklahoma H2O tool by 58 years of monthly streamflow data (1950 to 2007) recorded by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Therefore, measured streamflow, which reflects current natural and human created conditions (runoff, diversions and use of water, and impoundments and reservoirs), is used to represent the physical water that may be available to meet projected demand.

The estimated average and minimum annual streamflow in 2060 were determined based on historic surface water flow measurements and projected baseline 2060 demand (see Water Demand section). The amount of streamflow in 2060 may vary from basin-level values, due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources. The estimated surface water supplies include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure. Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, non-consumptive demand, and potential climate change implications are considered in separate OCWP analyses. Past reservoir operations are reflected and accounted for in the measured historical streamflow downstream of a reservoir. For this analysis, streamflow was adjusted to reflect interstate compact provisions in accordance with existing administrative protocol.

The amount of water a reservoir can provide from storage is referred to as its yield. The yield is considered the maximum amount of water a reservoir can dependably supply during critical drought periods. OCWP physical availability analyses considered the unused yield of existing reservoirs. Future potential reservoir storage was considered as a water supply option.

Groundwater supplies are quantified by the amount of water that the aquifer holds ("stored" water) and the rate of aquifer recharge. In Oklahoma, recharge to aquifers is generally from precipitation that falls on the aquifer and percolates to the water table. In some cases, where the altitude of the water table is below the altitude of the stream-water surface, surface water can seep into the aquifer.

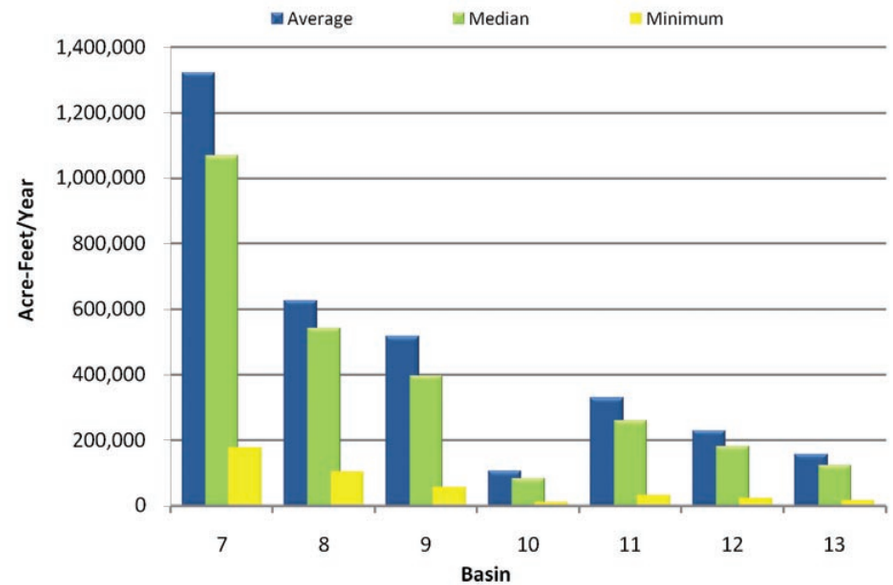
For this analysis, alluvial aquifers are defined as aquifers comprised of river alluvium and terrace deposits, occurring along rivers and streams and consisting of unconsolidated deposits of sand, silt, and clay. Alluvial aquifers are generally thinner (less than 200 feet thick) than bedrock aquifers, feature shallow water tables, and are exposed at the land surface, where precipitation can readily percolate to the water table. Alluvial aquifers are considered to be more hydrologically connected with streams than are bedrock aquifers and are therefore treated separately.

Bedrock aquifers consist of consolidated (solid) or partially consolidated rocks, such as sandstone, limestone, dolomite, and gypsum. Most bedrock aquifers in Oklahoma are exposed at land surface, either entirely or in part. Recharge from precipitation is limited in areas where bedrock aquifers are not exposed.

For both alluvial and bedrock aquifers, this analysis was used to predict potential groundwater depletions based on the difference between the groundwater demand and recharge rate. While potential storage depletions do not affect the permit availability of water, it is important to understand the extent of these depletions.

Surface Water Flows (1950-2007)

Blue-Boggy Region



Surface water is the main source of supply in the Blue-Boggy Region. While the region's average physical surface water supply exceeds projected surface water demand in the region, gaps can occur due to seasonal, long-term hydrologic (drought), or localized variability in surface water flows. Several large reservoirs have been constructed to reduce the impacts of drier periods on surface water users.

Estimated Annual Streamflow in 2060

Blue-Boggy Region

	Basins						
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Streamflow Statistic	AFY						
Average Annual Flow	1,299,800	602,100	514,300	104,200	327,000	227,300	155,100
Minimum Annual Flow	164,200	86,200	54,500	10,000	31,000	21,400	14,300

Annual streamflow in 2060 was estimated using historical gaged flow and projections of increased surface water use from 2010 to 2060.

Groundwater Resources

Two major bedrock aquifers, the Antlers and the Arbuckle-Simpson, are present in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region, and two major alluvial aquifers, the Canadian River and Red River.

Withdrawing groundwater in quantities exceeding the amount of recharge to the aquifer may result in reduced aquifer storage. Therefore, both storage and recharge were considered in determining groundwater availability.

The Antlers aquifer is comprised of poorly cemented sandstone with some layers of sandy shale, silt, and clay. The depth to the top of the sandstone formation from the land surface varies from several feet to 1,000 feet and the saturated thickness ranges from less than 5 feet in the north to about 1,000 feet near the Red River. Large-capacity wells tapping the Antlers aquifer commonly yield 100 to 500 gallons per minute (gpm). Water quality is generally good, with water becoming slightly saline (dissolved solids greater than 1,000 mg/L) in the southern portions of the aquifer. The Antlers bedrock aquifer underlies portions of all basins in the region.

Areas without delineated aquifers may have groundwater present. However, specific quantities, yields, and water quality in these areas are currently unknown.

The Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer consists of several formations; about 2/3 of the aquifer consist of limestone and dolomite, with sandstone and shale present in some areas. The saturated thickness is estimated to be from 2,000 to 3,500 feet. Common well yields vary from 25 to 600 gpm, depending on the well location in the aquifer, with deeper wells yielding more than 1,000 gpm in some areas. The aquifer is the source of Byrds Mill, the largest spring in Oklahoma, and contributes flow to several spring-fed streams, including the Blue River and Delaware Creek. The Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer and surface water from Byrds Mill Spring supply a substantial amount of water out-of-region to the City of Ada in the Central Watershed Planning Region. Water quality is good with dissolved solids generally less than 500 mg/L. The aquifer underlies portions of Basins 9 and 12.

The Red River alluvial aquifer consists of clay, sandy clay, sand, and gravel. The aquifer supplies water for Municipal and Industrial, Crop Irrigation and domestic purposes. The average saturated thickness is estimated to be around 20-30 feet. However, little data are available concerning these deposits and their potential as a major source of groundwater. The aquifer is located in southern portions of Basins 7, 10, 11, and 13.

The Canadian River alluvial aquifer consists of clay and silt downgrading to fine- to coarse-grained sand with lenses of basal gravel. Formation thicknesses range from 20 to 40 feet in the alluvium with a maximum of 50 feet in the terrace deposits. Yields in the alluvium range between 100 and 400 gpm and between 50 and 100 gpm in the terrace. The water is a very hard calcium bicarbonate type with TDS concentrations of approximately 1,000 mg/L. However, the water is generally suitable for most municipal and industrial uses. The Canadian River alluvial and terrace deposits underlie a small portion of Basin 8.

Minor bedrock aquifers in the region include the East-Central Oklahoma, Kiamichi, and Pennsylvanian aquifers. Minor alluvial aquifers include the Ashland Isolated Terrace deposit. Minor aquifers may have a significant amount of water in storage and high recharge rates, but generally low yields of less than 50 gpm per well. Groundwater from minor aquifers is an important source of water for domestic and stock water use for individuals in outlying areas not served by rural water systems, but may not have sufficient yields for large-volume users.

Permits to withdraw groundwater from aquifers (groundwater basins) where the maximum annual yield has not been set are "temporary" permits that allocate 2 AFY/acre. The temporary permit allocation is not based on storage, discharge or recharge amounts, but on a legislative (statute) estimate of maximum needs of most landowners to ensure sufficient availability of groundwater in advance of completed and approved aquifer studies. As a result, the estimated amount of Groundwater Available for New Permits may exceed the estimated aquifer storage amount. For aquifers (groundwater basins) where the maximum annual yield has been determined (with initial storage volumes estimated), updated estimates of amounts in storage were calculated based on actual reported use of groundwater instead of simulated usage from all lands.

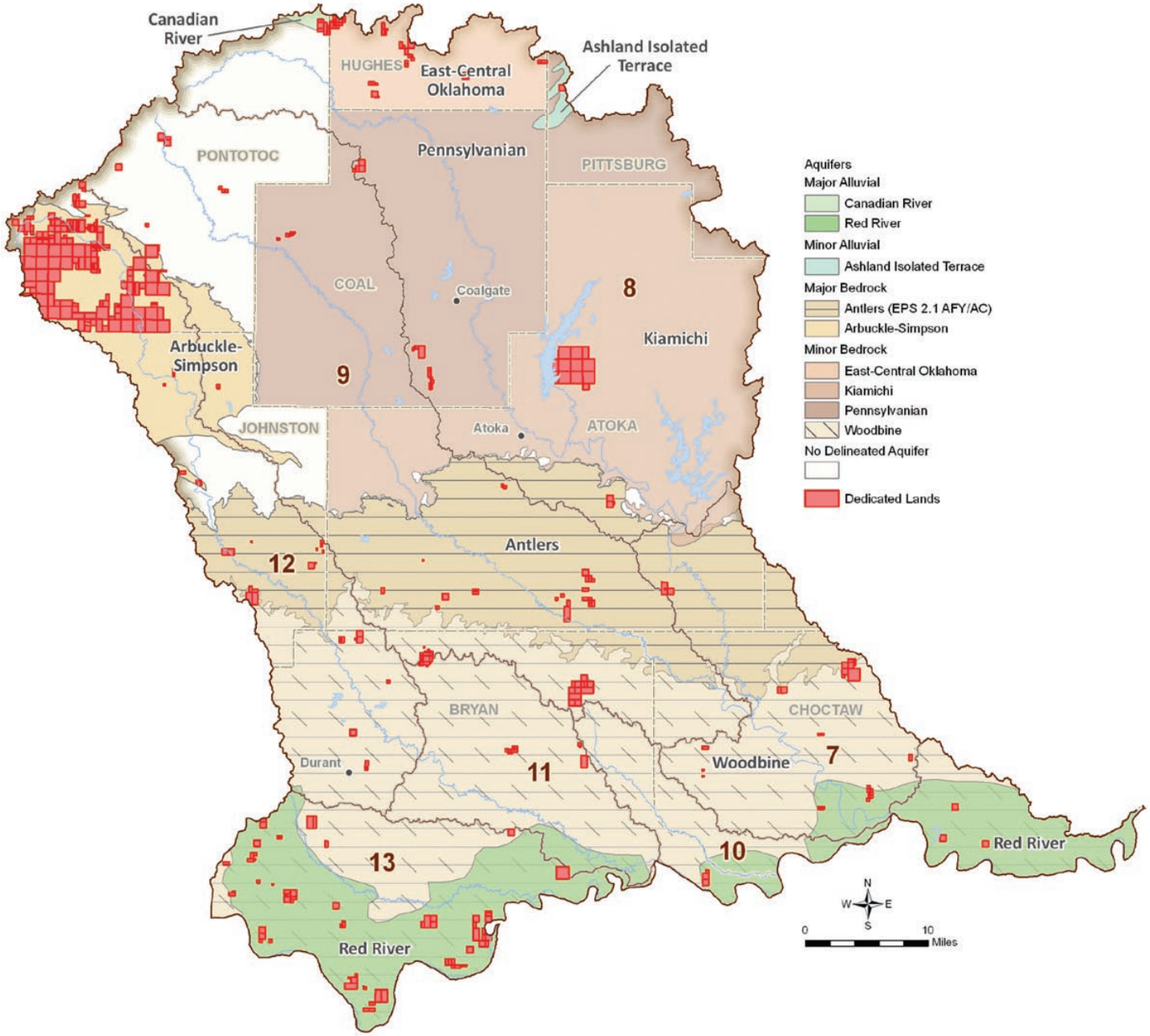
Groundwater Resources
Blue-Boggy Region

Aquifer			Portion of Region Overlaying Aquifer	Recharge Rate	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Region	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AFY	AF	AFY/Acre	AFY
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	49%	0.3-1.7	15,600	19,872,000	2.1	2,404,100
Arbuckle-Simpson	Bedrock	Major	6%	5.58	106,300	3,714,000	temporary[2]	196,800
Canadian River	Alluvial	Major	<1%	2	700	11,000	temporary 2.0	3,600
Red River	Alluvial	Major	11%	5	3,800	911,000	temporary 2.0	505,500
Ashland Isolated Terrace	Alluvial	Minor	<1%	3.9	0	27,000	temporary 2.0	12,500
East-Central Oklahoma	Bedrock	Minor	3%	2.8	2,300	1,195,000	temporary 2.0	150,600
Kiamichi	Bedrock	Minor	14%	1.1	500	455,000	temporary 2.0	664,700
Pennsylvanian	Bedrock	Minor	17%	1.1	1,600	6,386,000	temporary 2.0	778,400
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	35%	2.15	3,400	12,630,000	temporary 2.0	1,621,900
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor			300			
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor			300			

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

2 Pursuant to 82 O.S. § 1020.9(A)(2), the temporary allocation for the Arbuckle-Simpson groundwater basin is subject to the OWRB's case-by case determination of what amount will not likely degrade or interfere with springs or streams emanating from the Arbuckle-Simpson.

Groundwater Resources
Blue-Boggy Region



Major bedrock aquifers in the Blue-Boggy Region include the Antlers (which overlies the Woodbine minor bedrock aquifer) and Arbuckle-Simpson. Major alluvial aquifers in the region include the Canadian River and Red River. Major bedrock aquifers are defined as those that have an average water well yield of at least 50 gpm; major alluvial aquifers are those that yield, on average, at least 150 gpm.

Permit Availability

For the OCWP water availability analysis, "permit availability" pertains to the amount of water that could be made available for withdrawals under permits issued in accordance with Oklahoma water law.

If water authorized by a stream water right is not put to beneficial use within the specified time, the OWRB may reduce or cancel the unused amount and return the water to the public domain for appropriation to others.

Projections indicate that there will be surface water available for new permits through 2060 in all basins in the Southeast Region. For groundwater, equal proportionate shares in the Blue-Boggy Region currently range from 1 acre-foot per year (AFY) per acre to 2.1 AFY per acre, but results of the Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study indicate that the equal proportionate share may be significantly lower than the current 2 AFY/acre allocation for the aquifer.

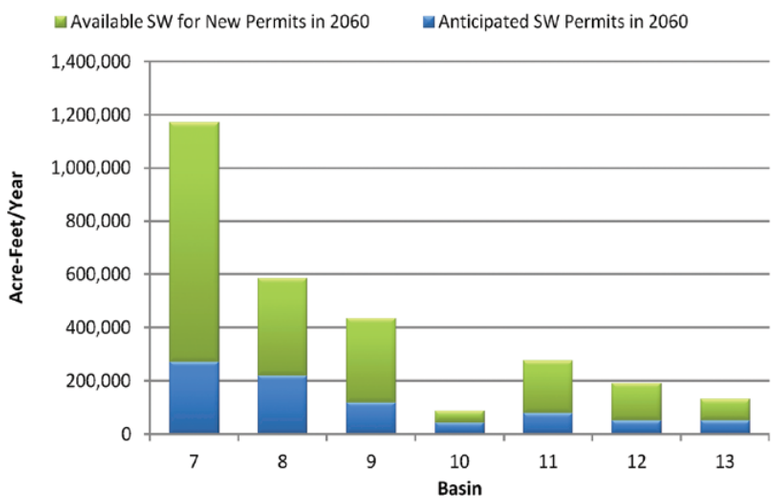
Water Use Permitting in Oklahoma

Oklahoma stream water laws are based on riparian and prior appropriation doctrines. Riparian rights to a reasonable use of water, in addition to domestic use, are not subject to permitting or oversight by the OWRB. An appropriative right to stream water is based on the prior appropriation doctrine, which is often described as "first in time, first in right." If a water shortage occurs, the diverter with the older appropriative water right will have first right among other appropriative right holders to divert the available water up to the authorized amount.

The permit availability of surface water is based on the average annual flow in the basin, the amount of water that flows past the proposed diversion point, and existing water uses upstream and downstream in the basin. The permit availability of surface water at the outlet of each basin in the region was estimated through OCWP technical analyses. The current allocated use for each basin is also noted to give an indication of the portion of the average annual streamflow used by existing water right holders. A site-specific analysis is conducted before issuing a permit.

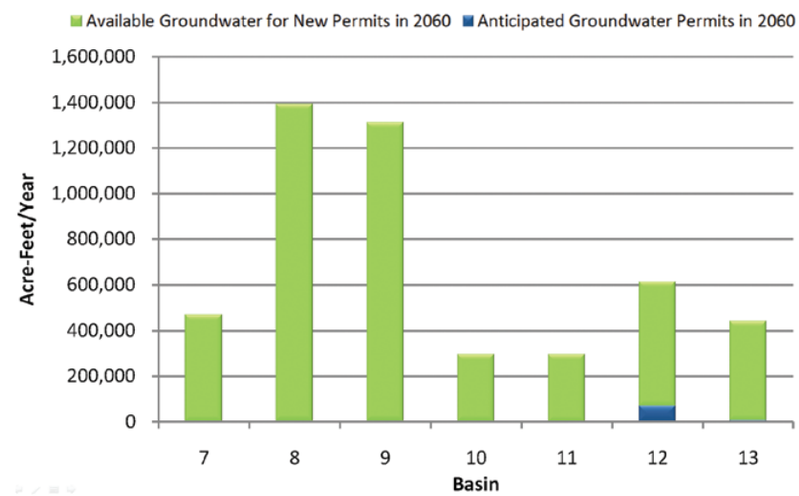
Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer (groundwater basin). State law provides for the OWRB to conduct hydrologic investigations of groundwater basins and to determine amounts of water that may be withdrawn. After a hydrologic investigation has been conducted on a groundwater basin, the OWRB determines the maximum annual yield of the basin. Based on the "equal proportionate share"—defined as the portion of the maximum annual yield of water from a groundwater basin that is allocated to each acre of land overlying the basin—regular permits are issued to holders of existing temporary permits and to new permit applicants. Equal proportionate shares have yet to be determined on many aquifers in the state. For those aquifers, "temporary" permits are granted to users allocating two acre-feet of water per acre of land per year. When the equal proportionate share and maximum annual yield are approved by the OWRB, all temporary permits overlying the studied basin are converted to regular permits at the new approved allocation rate. As with stream water, a groundwater permit grants only the right to withdraw water; it does not ensure yield.

Surface Water Permit Availability
Blue-Boggy Region



Projections indicate that there will be surface water available for new permits through 2060 in all basins in the Blue-Boggy Region. Water users throughout the region need to be aware of existing rights in major reservoirs.

Groundwater Permit Availability
Blue-Boggy Region



Projections indicate that the use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060 in the Blue-Boggy Region.

Water Quality

Water quality of the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region is defined by several minor and major water supply reservoirs and the lower Red River watershed, including Muddy Boggy Creek and the Blue River. The area is a mixture of diverse ecoregions, including the Cross Timbers (CT), Arkansas Valley (AV), Ouachita Mountains (OM), South Central Plains (SCP), and South Central Texas Plains (SCTP).

The eastern edge of the Cross Timbers runs along the western portion of the region and includes the Eastern Cross Timbers to the south and Arbuckle Uplift to the north. Both areas are a mixture of rolling hills with more ridges to the south and inter-mixed plains to the north. Oak savanna and tall grass prairie are underlain by a mixture of sand, shale, clay, sandstone, and limestone in the Eastern Cross Timbers and mostly granite, dolomite, limestone, sandstone, and shale in the Arbuckle Uplift. Dominant land uses are pasture/grazing lands with some cropland to the south. Streams are diverse through the area. In the uplift, most streams run through deep or shallow channels with gravel/cobble/bedrock substrate. To the east, sand becomes more dominant. Into the Eastern Cross Timbers, streams become lower gradient, dominated by fine substrates. Ecological diversity, impacted by the poor habitat and sedimentation, is higher in the Arbuckle Uplift, decreasing from west to east and north to south. The Arbuckle Uplift is best typified by the upper Blue River, while the Eastern Cross Timbers is exemplified by the middle/lower Blue River. Stream salinity is moderate with mean conductivity from 400 µS/cm (lower Blue River) to near 520 µS/cm on Delaware Creek. Streams have low nutrient concentrations and are typically oligotrophic with mean total phosphorus (TP) concentrations ranging from 0.08-0.09 ppm and total nitrogen (TN) from 0.65-0.66 ppm. Stream clarity is good with mean turbidities ranging from 20 NTU in the north to near 25 NTU in the south.

Lying in the southwestern corner of the region, the South Central Texas Plains cross into Oklahoma. Although a rolling plain, the Northern Post Oak Savanna is much flatter than areas to the north and east. Underlain mostly by shale, marl, limestone, sand, and gravel, the area is covered by tall grass prairie and oak savanna with cropland and pasture land more dominant than neighboring areas to the north and east. Streams have lower gradients with mud, fine sand, and hardpan clay as dominant substrates. Island Bayou has relatively high mean conductivity (725 µS/cm) and poor water clarity (58 NTU). Streams become more oligotrophic and potentially eutrophic with higher nutrient concentrations. On Island Bayou, the mean TP and TN values are 0.26 ppm and 0.93 ppm, respectively. Ecological diversity is lower and can be impacted by channelization, sedimentation, and poor habitat.

The Lower Canadian Hills ecoregion of the Arkansas Valley covers much of the north central portion of the planning region. Underlain by shale, sandstone, and coal, this transitional area is covered by heavily wooded hills and a mixture of oak-hickory and oak-hickory-pine forests along with intervening prairies. Streams are deeper with more diverse habitat than the Northern Cross Timbers, but do not have the ecological diversity of the Arkansas Valley and Ouachita Mountain ecoregions to the east/southeast. Diversity can be impacted by sedimentation and habitat degradation. The area is best represented by the upper Muddy Boggy Creek and its tributaries, including North Boggy and Clear Boggy Creek. Municipal water supply reservoirs include Coalgate City and Atoka Lakes. Salinity is typically low to moderate with lake conductivity values below 100 µS/cm and at the Muddy Boggy less than 275 µS/

Lake Trophic Status

A lake's trophic state, essentially a measure of its biological productivity, is a major determinant of water quality.

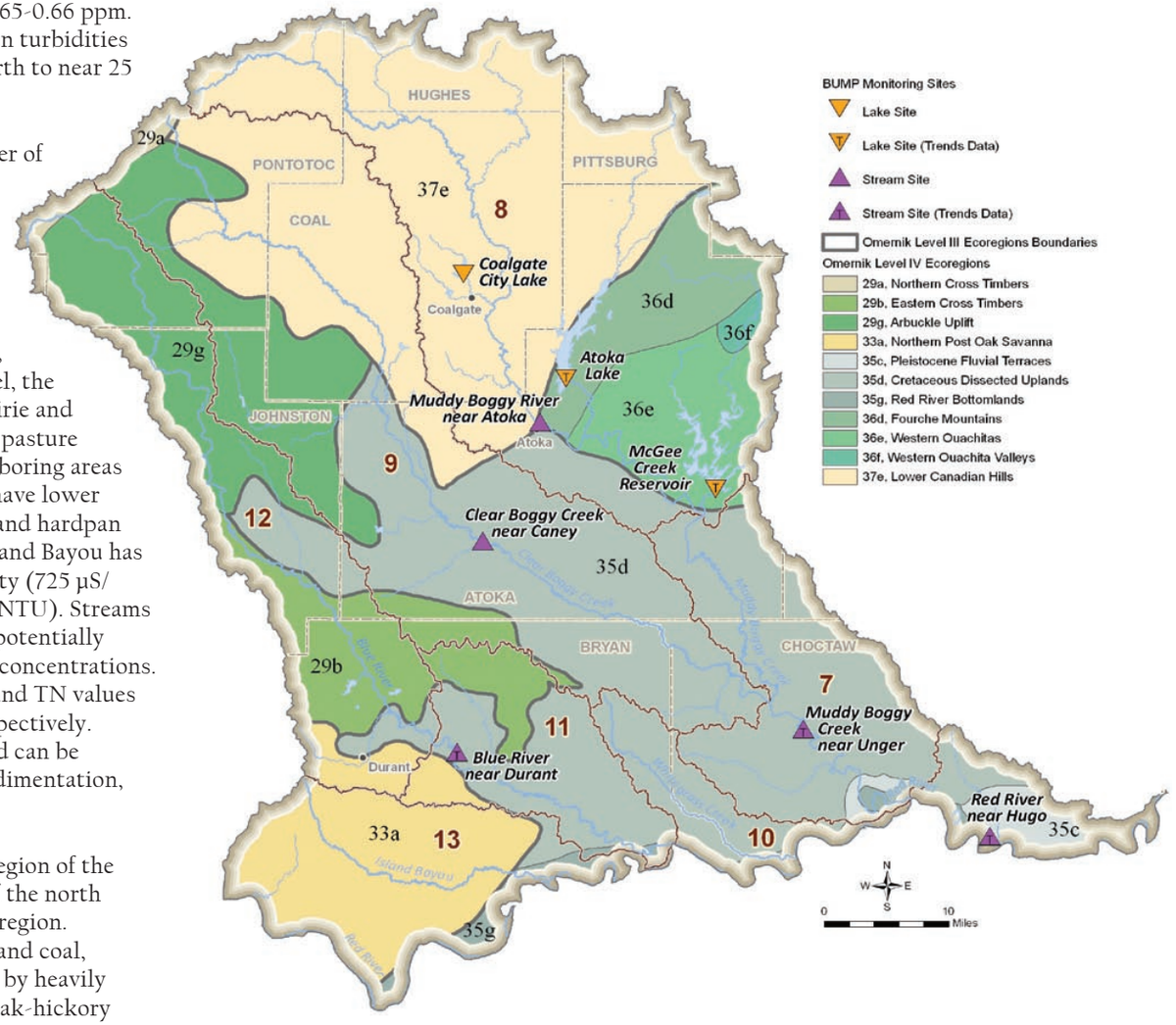
Oligotrophic: Low primary productivity and/or low nutrient levels.

Mesotrophic: Moderate primary productivity with moderate nutrient levels.

Eutrophic: High primary productivity and nutrient rich.

Hypereutrophic: Excessive primary productivity and excessive nutrients.

Ecoregions
Blue-Boggy Region



The Blue-Boggy Planning Region is a transitional area with significant contributions from several ecoregions, including the Cross Timbers, Arkansas Valley, Ouachita Mountains, South Central Plains, and South Central Texas Plains. Water quality is highly influenced by both geology and land use practices, and is generally poor to excellent depending on drainage and location.

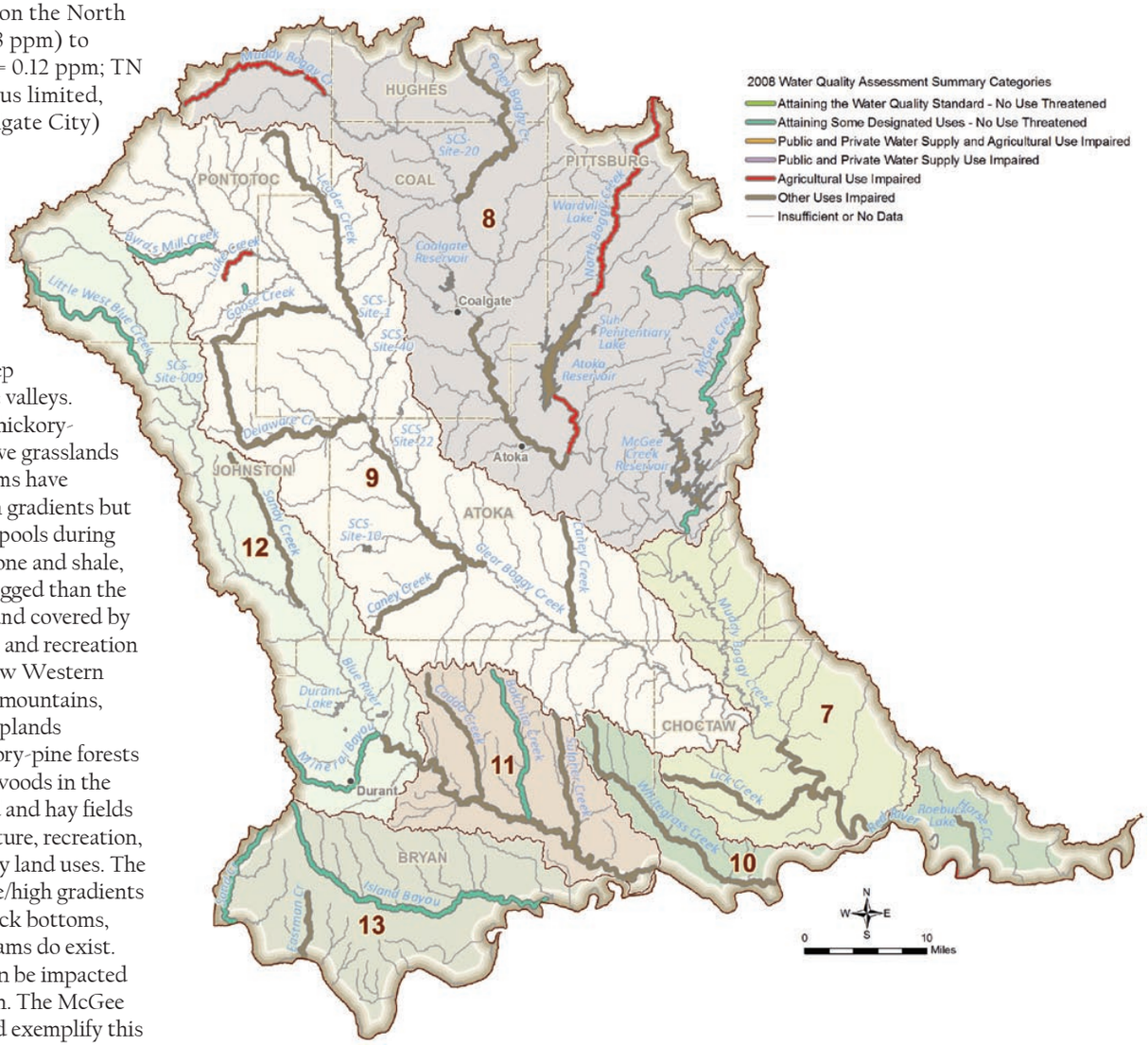
cm. However, the mean conductivity of Clear Boggy Creek is near 450 µS/cm while North Boggy Creek is 1,220 µS/cm. Water clarity is typically average to poor. The Clear and Muddy Boggy have turbidity averages of 39 and 51 NTU while lake Secchi depth means range from 25-33 cm. The North Boggy has nearly excellent clarity with mean turbidity of 14 NTU. Streams are oligotrophic to eutrophic. Nutrient values range from low on the North Boggy (TP = 0.06 ppm; TN = 0.48 ppm) to moderate on Muddy Boggy (TP = 0.12 ppm; TN = 1.02 ppm). Lakes are phosphorus limited, ranging from mesotrophic (Coalgate City) to eutrophic (Atoka).

To the east of the AV lies a small portion of the Ouachita Mountains with intersections from the western Ouachita Valleys/Mountains and Fourche Mountains. The Fourche Mountains have long, rugged, steep ridges with narrow to broad shale valleys. Natural vegetation is mostly oak-hickory-pine forests with intervening native grasslands and pasture land/hay fields. Streams have excellent habitat with low to high gradients but may be turbid with disconnected pools during the summer. Underlain by sandstone and shale, the Western Ouachitas are less rugged than the Fourche Mountains to the north and covered by oak-hickory-pine forests. Logging and recreation are the major land uses. The narrow Western Ouachita Valleys cut through the mountains, mostly from west to east. Valley uplands continue to support the oak-hickory-pine forests but give way to bottomland hardwoods in the low-lying floodplain. Pasture land and hay fields dominate open areas with agriculture, recreation, and commercial logging as primary land uses. The majority of streams have moderate/high gradients with gravel/cobble/boulder/bedrock bottoms, although some sandy bottom streams do exist. Ecological diversity is high but can be impacted by poor habitat and sedimentation. The McGee Creek Reservoir and its watershed exemplify this area. Salinity is low with conductivity values less than 100 µS/cm, and water clarity is excellent (Secchi depth = 149 cm). Phosphorus limited, the watershed is mesotrophic and has low nutrient concentrations (TP = 0.03 ppm; TN = 0.35 ppm).

Finally, the Cretaceous Dissected Uplands of the South Central Plains cover most of the southern half to two-thirds of the region with Fluvial Terraces and Red River Bottomlands running along the southern border. Uplands are underlain by a mixture of sand, clay and

Water Quality Impairments

Blue-Boggy Region



Regional water quality impairments based on the 2008 Integrated Water Quality Assessment Report. Some surface waters in this region have elevated levels of turbidity.

Water Quality Impairments

A waterbody is considered to be impaired when its quality does not meet the standards prescribed for its beneficial uses. For example, impairment of the Public and Private Water Supply beneficial use means the use of the waterbody as a drinking water supply is hindered. Impairment of the Agricultural use means the use of the waterbody for livestock watering, irrigation or other agricultural uses is hindered. Impairments can exist for other uses such as Fish and Wildlife Propagation or Recreation.

The Beneficial Use Monitoring Program (BUMP), established in 1998 to document and quantify impairments of assigned beneficial uses of the state's lakes and streams, provides information for supporting and updating the OWQS and prioritizing pollution control programs. A set of rules known as "use support assessment protocols" is also used to determine whether beneficial uses of waterbodies are being supported.

In an individual waterbody, after impairments have been identified, a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study is conducted to establish the sources of impairments—whether from point sources (discharges) or non-point sources (runoff). The study will then determine the amount of reduction necessary to meet the applicable water quality standards in that waterbody and allocate loads among the various contributors of pollution.

For more detailed review of the state's water quality conditions, see the most recent versions of the OWRB's BUMP Report, and the Oklahoma Integrated Water Quality Assessment Report, a comprehensive assessment of water quality in Oklahoma's streams and lakes required by the federal Clean Water Act and developed by the ODEQ.

Water Quality Standards and Implementation

The Oklahoma Water Quality Standards (OWQS) are the cornerstone of the state's water quality management programs. They are a set of rules promulgated under the federal Clean Water Act and state statutes to maintain and protect the quality of state waters. The OWQS designate beneficial uses for streams, lakes and other bodies of surface water, and for groundwater that has a mean concentration of Total Dissolved Solids of 10,000 milligrams per liter or less. Beneficial uses are the activities for which a waterbody can be used based on physical, chemical, and biological characteristics as well as geographic setting, scenic quality, and economic considerations. Beneficial uses include such categories as Fish and Wildlife Propagation, Public and Private Water Supply, Primary (or Secondary) Body Contact Recreation, Agriculture, and Aesthetics. The OWQS also contain standards for maintaining and protecting these uses. The purpose of the OWQS is to promote and protect as many beneficial uses as are attainable and to assure that degradation of existing quality of waters of the state does not occur.

The OWQS are applicable to all activities which may affect the water quality of waters of the state, and are to be utilized by all state environmental agencies in implementing their programs to protect water quality. Some examples of these implementation programs are: permits for point source (e.g. municipal and industrial) discharges into waters of the state; authorizations for waste disposal from concentrated animal feeding operations; regulation of runoff from nonpoint sources; and corrective actions to clean up polluted waters.

Water Quality Standards Implementation
Blue-Boggy Region

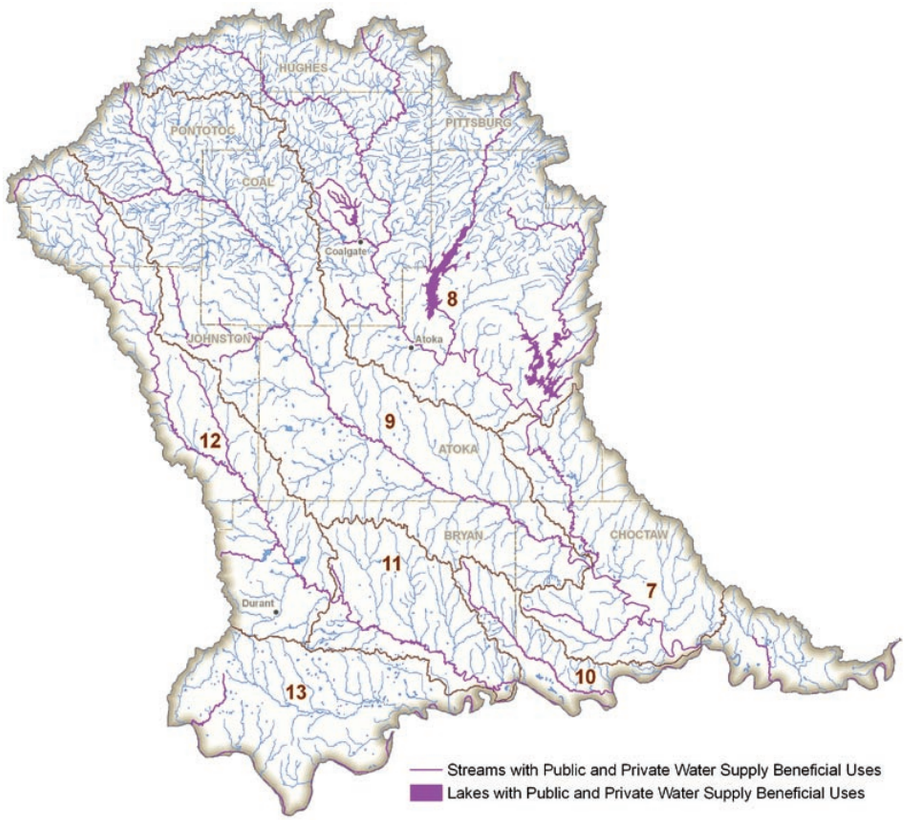
BUMP monitoring sites and streams with TMDL studies completed or underway. The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality has completed TMDL studies on Eastman Creek, Blue River, and Caney Creek. Several other TMDL studies are underway or scheduled.

gravel, characteristic of the Ouachita Mountains. Uplands are covered by oak-hickory-pine forests with pasture land and some remaining natural grasslands. Upland streams may have moderate gradients with lower organic content but typically are more turbid and slightly harder. Example waterbodies include the middle/lower Clear and Muddy Boggy. Salinity is moderate with conductivity values ranging from 280 µS/cm on Clear Boggy to near 340 µS/cm on Muddy Boggy. Clarity is average with turbidity means between 35-50 NTU. Streams are oligotrophic to eutrophic with moderate nutrient concentrations (TP = 0.13-0.15 ppm; TN = 0.76-0.86 ppm). Lowlands contain southern bottomland forests and extensive wetlands. Agriculture, recreation, and commercial logging are the major land uses. Streams have low to moderate gradients with mostly loose sediments but some gravel/cobble bottoms, and while many do not have perennial flow, pools are maintained. Ecological diversity is moderate to high, increasing on a west to east gradient, but can be impacted by poor habitat and sedimentation. The Red River and several tributaries (including Whitegrass Creek) are excellent representative waterbodies. Whitegrass Creek is typical of most tributaries with moderate salinity (conductivity = 260 µS/cm), poor clarity (turbidity = 115 NTU), and moderate nutrient concentrations (TP = 0.11 ppm; TN = 0.68 ppm). With influences from the Lake Texoma watershed, the Red River mainstem has higher salinity (conductivity = 1,220 µS/cm) but is much less turbid (turbidity = 38 NTU). The river is eutrophic with similar nutrient concentrations (TP = 0.12 ppm; TN = 0.90 ppm).

Concerning groundwater quality, the Blue-Boggy region is underlain by several major and minor bedrock and alluvial aquifers. Water from the Canadian River alluvium and terrace aquifer is predominantly of a calcium magnesium bicarbonate type and variable in dissolved solids content. The Red River alluvium typically has much higher concentrations of dissolved solids. They are generally suitable for most purposes. However, the alluvium and terrace aquifers are highly vulnerable to contamination from surface activities due to their high porosities and permeabilities and shallow water tables. The Antlers Sandstone formation is the most extensive major bedrock aquifer in the region. It runs through the middle portion of the region. Water quality is generally good with dissolved solids between 200 and 1,000 mg/L. Water becomes slightly saline in the southern portions of the aquifer with dissolved solids greater than 1,000 ppm. It is suitable for most uses, but the ODEQ has identified several wells in this aquifer with elevated nitrate levels, and some wells show consistently low pH values.

Surface Waters with Designated Beneficial Use for Public/Private Water Supply

Blue-Boggy Region



Surface Waters with Designated Beneficial Use for Agriculture

Blue-Boggy Region

Surface Water Protection

The Oklahoma Water Quality Standards (OWQS) provide protection for surface waters in many ways.

Appendix B Areas are designated in the OWQS as containing waters of recreational and/or ecological significance. Discharges to waterbodies may be limited in these areas.

Source Water Protection Areas are derived from the state's Source Water Protection Program, which analyzes existing and potential threats to the quality of public drinking water in Oklahoma.

The **High Quality Waters** designation in the OWQS refers to waters that exhibit water quality exceeding levels necessary to support the propagation of fishes, shellfishes, wildlife, and recreation in and on the water. This designation prohibits any new point source discharges or additional load or increased concentration of specified pollutants.

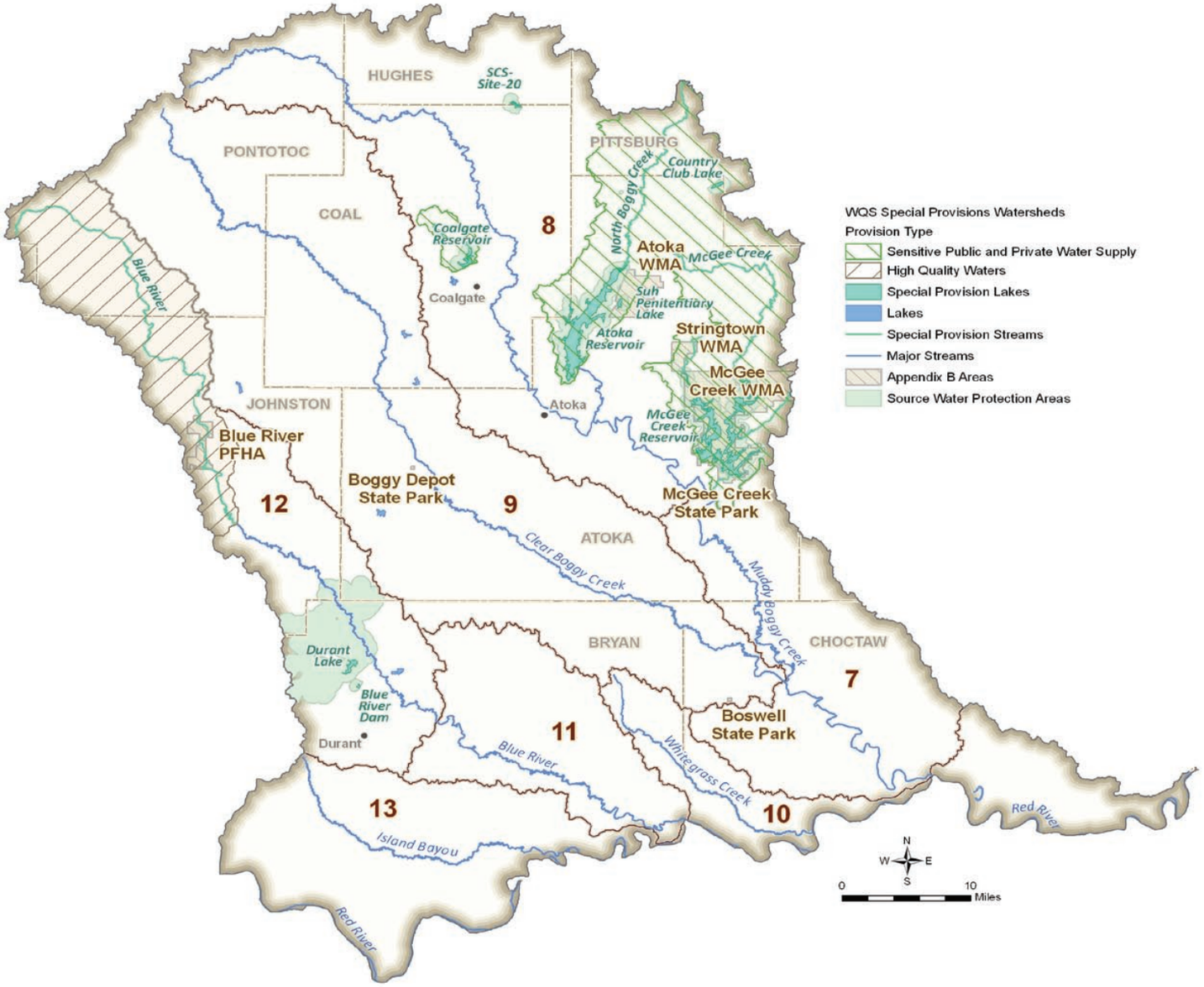
The **Sensitive Water Supplies (SWS)** designation applies to public and private water supplies possessing conditions making them more susceptible to pollution events, thus requiring additional protection. This designation restricts point source discharges in the watershed and institutes a 10 μg/L (micrograms per liter) chlorophyll-a criterion to protect against taste and odor problems and reduce water treatment costs.

Outstanding Resource Waters are those constituting outstanding resources or of exceptional recreational and/or ecological significance. This designation prohibits any new point source discharges or additional load or increased concentration of specified pollutants.

Waters designated as **Scenic Rivers** in Appendix A of the OWQS are protected through restrictions on point source discharges in the watershed. A 0.037 mg/L total phosphorus criterion is applied to all Scenic Rivers in Oklahoma.

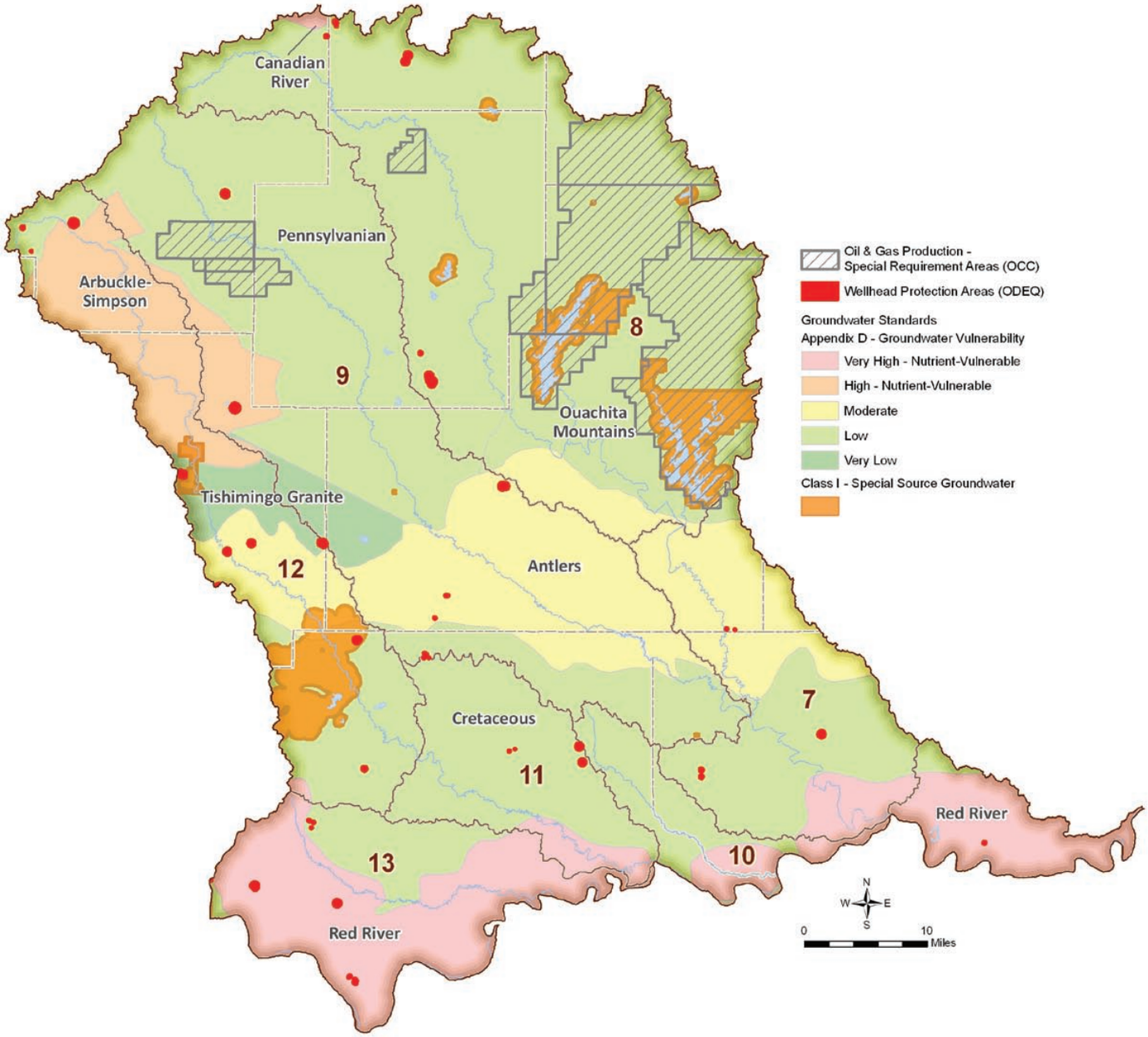
Nutrient Limited Watersheds are those containing a waterbody with a designated beneficial use that is adversely affected by excess nutrients.

Surface Water Protection Areas
Blue-Boggy Region



Special OWQS provisions in place to protect surface waters. Because Durant Lake is a public water supply reservoir and has a relatively small watershed, it could potentially benefit from a SWS designation. This designation could provide protection from new or increased loading from point sources in the watersheds. This additional protection would also provide limits for algae (chlorophyll a) that can cause taste and odor problems and increased treatment costs.

Groundwater Protection Areas
Blue-Boggy Region



Various types of protection are in place to prevent degradation of groundwater and levels of vulnerability. The Red River alluvial aquifer has been identified by the OWRB as highly vulnerable while the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer has been identified as very highly vulnerable. These aquifers currently lack protection to prevent degradation.

Groundwater Protection

The Oklahoma Water Quality Standards (OWQS) sets the criteria for protection of groundwater quality as follows:

"If the concentration found in the test sample exceeds [detection limit], or if other substances in the groundwater are found in concentrations greater than those found in background conditions, that groundwater shall be deemed to be polluted and corrective action may be required."

Wellhead Protection Areas are established by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) to improve drinking water quality through the protection of groundwater supplies. The primary goal is to minimize the risk of pollution by limiting potential pollution-related activities on land around public water supplies.

Oil and Gas Production Special Requirement Areas, enacted to protect groundwater and/or surface water, can consist of specially lined drilling mud pits (to prevent leaks and spills) or tanks whose contents are removed upon completion of drilling activities; well set-back distances from streams and lakes; restrictions on fluids and chemicals; or other related protective measures.

Nutrient-Vulnerable Groundwater is a designation given to certain hydrogeologic basins that are designated by the OWRB as having high or very high vulnerability to contamination from surface sources of pollution. This designation can impact land application of manure for regulated agriculture facilities.

NOTE: Although the State of Oklahoma has a mature and successful surface water quality monitoring program, no comprehensive approach or plan to monitor the quality of the state's groundwater resources has been developed.

Water Quality Trends Study

As part of the 2012 OCWP Update, OWRB monitoring staff compiled more than ten years of Beneficial Use Monitoring Program (BUMP) data and other resources to initiate an ongoing statewide comprehensive analysis of surface water quality trends. Five parameters were selected for OCWP watershed planning region analysis—chlorophyll-a, conductivity, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and turbidity.

Reservoir Trends: Water quality trends for reservoirs were analyzed for chlorophyll-a, conductivity, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and turbidity at sixty-five (65) reservoirs across the state. Data sets were of various lengths, depending on the station's period of record. The direction and magnitude of trends varies throughout the state and within regions. However, when considered statewide, the final trend analysis revealed several notable details.

- Chlorophyll-a and nutrient concentrations continue to increase at a number of lakes. The proportions of lakes exhibiting a significant upward trend were 42% for chlorophyll-a, 45% for total nitrogen, and 12% for total phosphorus.
- Likewise, conductivity and turbidity have trended upward over time. Nearly 28% of lakes show a significant upward trend in turbidity, while nearly 45% demonstrate a significant upward trend for conductivity.

Stream Trends: Water quality trends for streams were analyzed for conductivity, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and turbidity at sixty (60) river stations across the state. Data sets were of various lengths, depending on the station's period of record, but generally, data were divided into historical and recent datasets, and analyzed separately and as a whole. The direction and magnitude of trends varies throughout the state and within regions. However, when considered statewide, the final trend analysis revealed several notable details.

- Total nitrogen and phosphorus are very different when comparing period of record to more recent data. When considering the entire period of record, approximately 80% of stations showed a downward trend in nutrients. However, if only the most recent data (approximately 10 years) are considered, the percentage of stations with a downward trend decreases to 13% for nitrogen and 30% for phosphorus. The drop is accounted for in stations with either significant upward trends or no detectable trend.
- Likewise, general turbidity trends have changed over time. Over the entire period of record, approximately 60% of stations demonstrated a significant upward trend. However, more recently, that proportion has dropped to less than 10%.
- Similarly, general conductivity trends have changed over time, albeit less dramatically. Over the entire period of record, approximately 45% of stations demonstrated a significant upward trend. However, more recently, that proportion has dropped to less than 30%.

Typical Impact of Trends Study Parameters

Chlorophyll-a is a measure of algae growth. When algae growth increases, there is an increased likelihood of taste and odor problems in drinking water as well as aesthetic issues.

Conductivity is a measure of the ability of water to pass electrical current. In water, conductivity is affected by the presence of inorganic dissolved solids, such as chloride, nitrate, sulfate, and phosphate anions (ions that carry a negative charge) or sodium, magnesium, calcium, iron, and aluminum cations (ions that carry a positive charge). Conductivity in streams and rivers is heavily dependent upon regional geology and discharges. High specific conductance indicates high concentrations of dissolved solids, which can affect the suitability of water for domestic, industrial, agricultural and other uses. At higher conductivity levels, drinking water may have an unpleasant taste or odor or may even cause gastrointestinal distress. High concentration may also cause deterioration of plumbing fixtures and appliances. Relatively expensive water treatment processes, such as reverse osmosis, are required to remove excessive dissolved solids from water. Concerning agriculture, most crops cannot survive if the salinity of the water is too high.

Total Nitrogen is a measure of all dissolved and suspended nitrogen in a water sample. It includes kjeldahl nitrogen (ammonia + organic), nitrate and nitrite nitrogen. It is naturally abundant in the environment and is a key element necessary for growth of plants and animals. Excess nitrogen from polluting sources can lead to significant water quality problems, including harmful algal blooms, hypoxia and declines in wildlife and its habitat.

Phosphorus is one of the key elements necessary for growth of plants and animals. Excess nitrogen and phosphorus lead to significant water quality problems, including harmful algal blooms, hypoxia, and declines in wildlife and its habitat. Increases in total phosphorus can lead to excessive growth of algae, which can increase taste and odor problems in drinking water as well as increased costs for treatment.

Turbidity refers to the clarity of water. The greater the amount of total suspended solids (TSS) in the water, the murkier it appears and the higher the measured turbidity. Increases in turbidity can increase treatment costs and have negative effects on aquatic communities by reducing light penetration.

Stream Water Quality Trends

Blue-Boggy Region

Parameter	Blue River near Durant		Muddy Boggy near Unger		Red River near Hugo	
	All Data Trend (1975-1992, 1998-2009)[1]	Recent Trend (1998-2009)	All Data Trend (1998-2009)[1]	Recent Trend (1999-2009)	All Data Trend (1975-1993, 1998-2009)[1]	Recent Trend (1998-2009)
Conductivity (us/cm)	↓	----	----	----	----	----
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	↓	↓	----	----	↓	↑
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	----
Turbidity (NTU)	↑	----	↓	↓	↑	↓

Increasing Trend ↑ **Decreasing Trend** ↓ NT = No significant trend detected

Trend magnitude and statistical confidence levels vary for each site. Site-specific information can be obtained from the OWRB Water Quality Division.

1 Date ranges for analyzed data represent the earliest site visit date and may not be representative of all parameters.

Notable concerns in the Blue-Boggy Region are:

- Significant upward trend for recent total nitrogen on the Red River
- Significant increase in turbidity over the entire period of record on both the Blue and Red Rivers

Reservoir Water Quality Trends

Blue-Boggy Region

Parameter	Lake Atoka (1994-2007)	McGee Creek Lake (1996-2009)
Chlorophyll-a (mg/m3)	↑	----
Conductivity (us/cm)	↑	----
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	----	↑
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	↓	↓
Turbidity (NTU)	----	----

Increasing Trend ↑ **Decreasing Trend** ↓ NT = No significant trend detected

Trend magnitude and statistical confidence levels vary for each site. Site-specific information can be obtained from the OWRB Water Quality Division.

Notable concerns in the Blue-Boggy Region are:

- Significant upward trend for chlorophyll-a at Atoka Lake
- Significant upward trend for total nitrogen at McGee Creek Lake

Water Demand

Water needs in the Blue-Boggy Region account for about 3% of the total statewide demand. Regional demand will increase by 40% (24,300 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand and growth in demand over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial, Crop Irrigation, and Thermoelectric Power sectors.

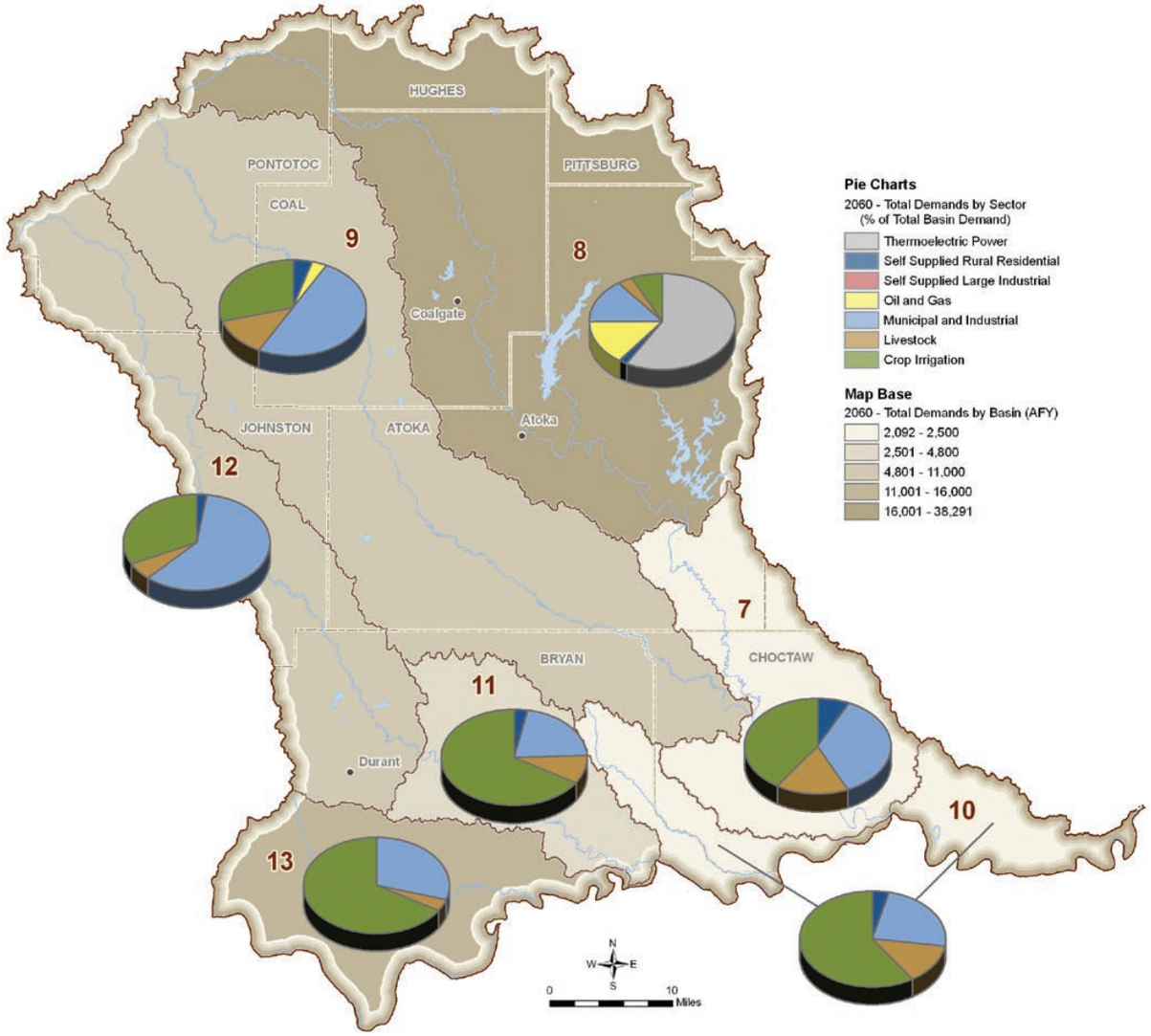
Crop Irrigation demand is expected to account for 31% of the total regional demand in 2060. Currently, 70% of the demand from this sector is satisfied by surface water, 10% by alluvial groundwater, and 20% by bedrock groundwater. Predominant irrigated crops in the Blue-Boggy Region include sod and pasture grasses.

Municipal and Industrial demand is projected to account for approximately 28% of the 2060 demand. Currently, 61% of the demand from this sector is satisfied by surface water, 3% by alluvial groundwater, and 36% by bedrock groundwater.

Thermoelectric Power demands are projected to account for approximately 27% of the 2060 demand. Kiowa Power Partners' Kiamichi Energy Facility, supplied by surface water, is a large user of water for thermoelectric power generation in the region.

Population and demand projection data developed specifically for OCWP analyses focus on retail customers for whom the system provides direct service. These estimates were generated from Oklahoma Department of Commerce population projections. In addition, the 2008 OCWP Provider Survey contributed critical information on water production and population serviced that was used to calculate per capita water use. Population for 2010 was estimated and may not reflect actual 2010 Census values. Exceptions to this methodology are noted.

Total 2060 Water Demand by Sector and Basin
(Percent of Total Basin Demand)
Blue-Boggy Region



Projected water demand by sector. Crop Irrigation is expected to remain the largest demand sector in the region, accounting for 31% of the total regional demand in 2060.

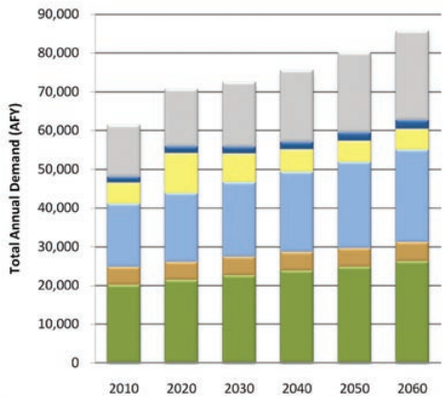
Oil and Gas demand is projected to account for approximately 6% of the 2060 demand. Currently, 53% of the demand from this sector is satisfied by surface water and 47% by bedrock groundwater.

Livestock demand is projected to account for 6% of the 2060 demand. Currently, 69% of the demand from this sector is satisfied by surface water, 6% by alluvial groundwater, and 25% by bedrock groundwater. Livestock use in the region is predominantly cattle for cow-calf production.

Self-Supplied Residential demand is projected to account for 3% of the 2060 demand. Currently, 67% of the demand from this sector is satisfied by alluvial groundwater and 33% by bedrock groundwater.

There is no Self-Supplied Industrial demand in the region.

Total Water Demand by Sector
Blue-Boggy Region



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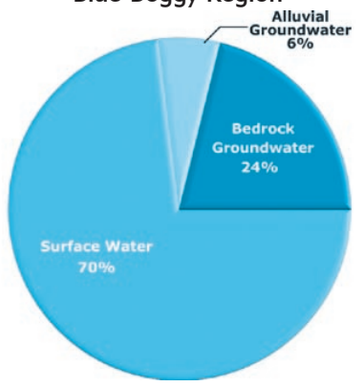
Blue-Boggy Region



Water needs in the Blue-Boggy Region account for about 3% of the total statewide demand. Regional demand will increase by 40% (24,300 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand and growth in demand over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial, Crop Irrigation, and Thermoelectric Power sectors.

Total Water Demand by Sector
Blue-Boggy Region

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	20,140	4,680	16,340	5,390	0	1,520	13,320	61,390
2020	21,370	4,730	17,780	10,350	0	1,660	14,860	70,750
2030	22,600	4,770	19,250	7,450	0	1,800	16,570	72,450
2040	23,830	4,810	20,740	5,780	0	1,940	18,490	75,590
2050	24,770	4,860	22,280	5,460	0	2,090	20,630	80,090
2060	26,280	4,900	23,840	5,420	0	2,240	23,010	85,700

Water Demand

Water demand refers to the amount of water required to meet the needs of people, communities, industry, agriculture, and other users. Growth in water demand frequently corresponds to growth in population, agriculture, industry, or related economic activity. Demands have been projected from 2010 to 2060 in ten-year increments for seven distinct consumptive water demand sectors.

Water Demand Sectors

- **Thermoelectric Power:** Thermoelectric power producing plants, using both self-supplied water and municipal-supplied water, are included in the thermoelectric power sector.

  Self-Supplied Residential: Households on private wells that are not connected to a public water supply system are included in the SSR sector.
- **Self-Supplied Industrial:** Demands from large industries that do not directly depend upon a public water supply system. Available water use data and employment counts were included in this sector.
- **Oil and Gas:** Oil and gas drilling and exploration activities, excluding water used at oil and gas refineries (typically categorized as Self-Supplied industrial use), are included in the oil and gas sector.
- **Municipal and Industrial:** These demands represent water that is provided by public water systems to homes, businesses, and industries throughout Oklahoma, excluding water supplied to thermoelectric power plants.
- **Livestock:** Livestock demands were evaluated by livestock group (beef, poultry, etc.) based on the 2007 Agriculture Census.
- **Crop Irrigation:** Water demands for crop irrigation were estimated using the 2007 Agriculture Census data for irrigated acres by crop type and county. Crop irrigation requirements were obtained primarily from the Natural Resource Conservation Service Irrigation Guide Reports.

OCWP demands were not projected for non-consumptive or instream water uses, such as hydroelectric power generation, fish and wildlife, recreation and instream flow maintenance. Projections, which were augmented through user/stakeholder input, are based on standard methods using data specific to each sector and planning basin.

Projections were initially developed for each county in the state, then allocated to each of the 82 basins. To provide regional context, demands were aggregated by Watershed Planning Region. Water shortages were calculated at the basin level to more accurately determine areas where shortages may occur. Therefore, gaps, depletions, and options are presented in detail in the Basin Summaries and subsequent sections. Future demand projections were developed independent of available supply, water quality, or infrastructure considerations. Impacts of climate change, increased efficiency, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are presented in supplemental OCWP reports.

Present and future demands were applied to supply source categories to facilitate an evaluation of potential surface water gaps and aquifer storage depletions at the basin level. For this baseline analysis, the proportion of each supply source used to meet future demands for each sector was held constant at the proportion established through current active water use permit allocations. For example, if the crop irrigation sector in a basin currently uses 80% bedrock groundwater, then 80% of that projected future demand is assumed to use bedrock groundwater. Existing out-of-basin supplies are represented as surface water supplies in the receiving basin and as demand on the source basin.

Public Water Providers

There are more than 1,600 Oklahoma water systems permitted or regulated by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ); 785 systems were analyzed in detail for the 2012 OCWP Update. The public systems selected for inclusion, which collectively supply approximately 94 percent of the state's current population, consist of municipal or community water systems and rural water districts that were readily identifiable as non-profit, local governmental entities. This and other information provided in the OCWP will support provider-level planning by providing insight into future supply and infrastructure needs.

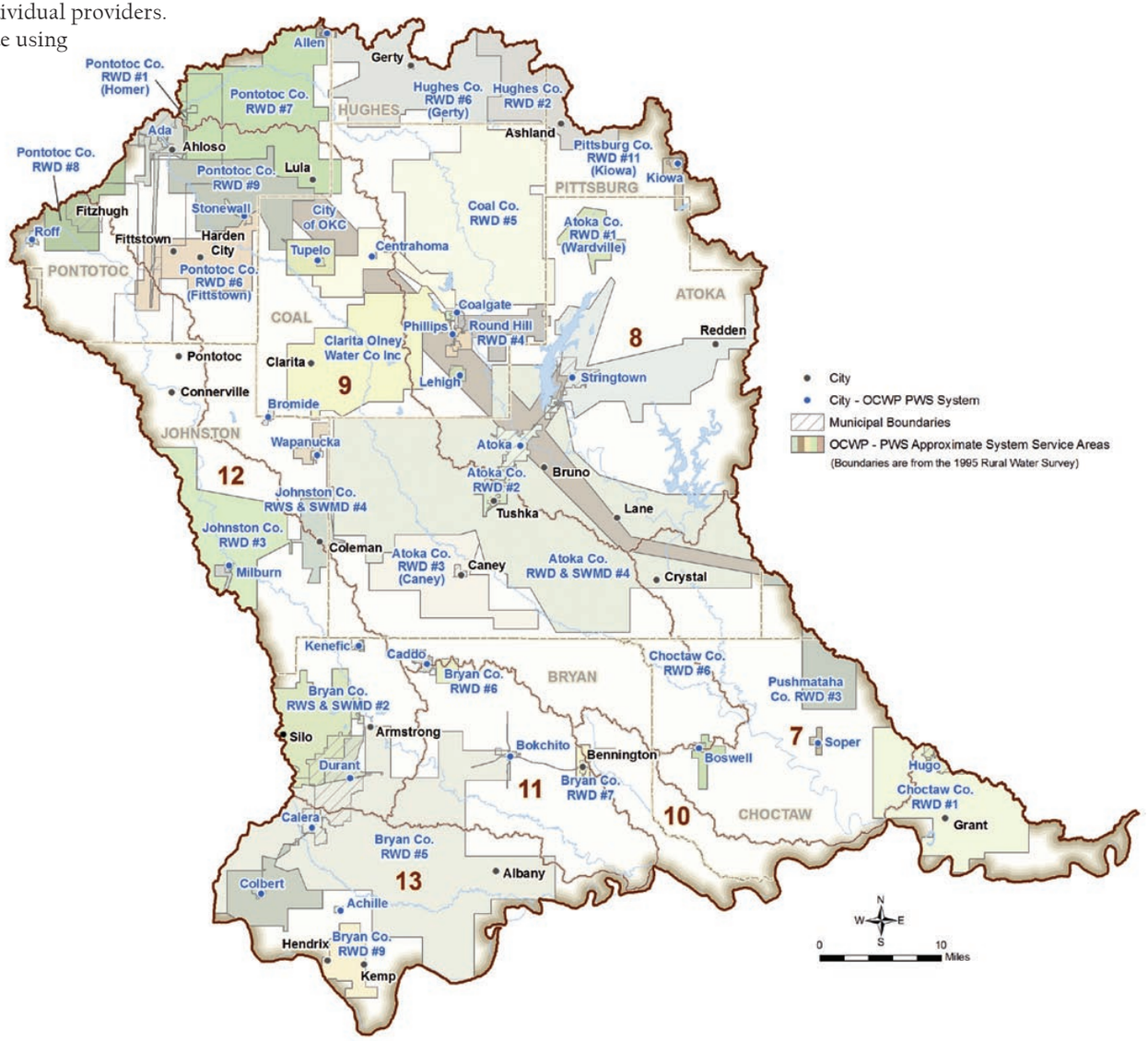
The Blue-Boggy Region includes 42 of the 785 public supply systems analyzed for the 2012 OCWP Update. The Public Water Providers map indicates the approximate service areas of these systems. (The map may not accurately represent existing service areas or legal boundaries. In addition, water systems often serve multiple counties and can extend into multiple planning basins and regions.)

In terms of 2010 population served (excluding provider-to-provider sales), the five largest systems in the region, in decreasing order, are Durant, Bryan County RW&SD #5, Pontotoc County RWD #7, Atoka County RWS & SWMD #4, and Atoka PWS. Together, these five systems provide service for approximately 53 percent of the population served by public water providers in the region.

Demands upon public water systems, which comprise the majority of the OCWP's Municipal and Industrial (M&I) water demand sector, were analyzed at both the basin and provider level. Retail demand projections detailed in the Public Water Provider Demand Forecast table were developed for each of the OCWP providers in the region. These projections include estimated system losses, defined as water lost either during water production or distribution to residential homes and businesses. Retail demands do not include wholesaled water.

OCWP provider demand forecasts are not intended to supersede water demand forecasts developed by individual providers. OCWP analyses were made using a consistent methodology based on accepted data available on a statewide basis. Where available, provider-generated forecasts were also reviewed as part of this effort.

Public Water Providers
Blue-Boggy Region



Public Water Providers/Retail Population Served (1 of 2)

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider	SDWIS ID[1]	County	Retail Per Capita (GPD)[2]	Planning Horizon					
				2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
ACHILLE	OK2000707	Bryan	99	523	579	635	691	747	803
ALLEN PWA	OK2006202	Pontotoc	101	964	998	1,032	1,065	1,099	1133
ATOKA CO RWD # 1 (WARDVILLE)	OK3000305	Atoka	62	129	145	161	177	195	212
ATOKA CO RWD #2	OK3000306	Atoka	160	518	582	645	709	779	849
ATOKA CO RWD # 3 (CANEY)	OK2000302	Atoka	212	1,307	1,468	1,628	1,788	1,965	2142
ATOKA COUNTY RWS & SWMD #4	OK1010412	Atoka	171	3,625	4,072	4,516	4,960	5,453	5942
ATOKA PWS	OK1010401	Atoka	251	3,060	3,436	3,811	4,187	4,599	5011
BOKCHITO	OK2000704	Bryan	138	581	636	700	765	820	885
BOSWELL PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2001205	Choctaw	142	703	723	743	762	782	802
BROMIDE	OK2003517	Johnston	138	170	181	204	226	249	272
BRYAN COUNTY RW&SD #5	OK3000704	Bryan	99	4,542	5,009	5,489	5,968	6,447	6939
BRYAN COUNTY RWD # 6	OK3000725	Bryan	58	1,032	1,138	1,247	1,356	1,465	1577
BRYAN COUNTY RWD #7	OK2000705	Bryan	118	237	262	287	312	337	363
BRYAN CO RWD # 9	OK2000713	Bryan	77	230	254	278	302	327	352
CADDO	OK2000703	Bryan	159	972	1,074	1,175	1,277	1,379	1490
CALERA, TOWN OF	OK2000702	Bryan	75	1,795	1,980	2,165	2,350	2,544	2738
CENTRAHOMA WATER CO INC	OK3001502	Coal	50	514	593	670	756	849	943
CHOCTAW COUNTY RWD #1	OK2001204	Choctaw	76	2,622	2,688	2,737	2,803	2,872	2938
CHOCTAW RWD # 6	OK3001214	Choctaw	77	756	775	789	808	828	847
CLARITA OLNEY WATER CO INC	OK3001501	Coal	151	267	308	348	393	441	490
COAL CO RWD #5	OK3001505	Coal	100	360	415	469	529	594	660
COALGATE PWA	OK1010402	Coal	241	2,147	2,480	2,804	3,166	3,549	3941
COLBERT PWA	OK2000716	Bryan	118	2,062	2,270	2,478	2,686	2,912	3137
DURANT	OK1010601	Bryan	244	16,036	17,694	19,394	21,094	22,784	24516
HUGHES CO RWD #6 (GERTY)	OK2003224	Hughes	136	1,250	1,364	1,591	1,705	1,932	2045
JOHNSTON CO RWS& SWMD #4	OK2003503	Johnston	80	568	637	710	783	862	945
KENEFIC	OK2000701	Bryan	166	232	265	287	309	342	364
KIOWA	OK1020611	Pittsburg	150	699	738	768	797	837	876
LEHIGH	OK2001501	Coal	100	305	359	404	458	512	566
MILBURN PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2003520	Johnston	79	318	364	402	439	486	532
PHILLIPS RWD #1	OK3001503	Coal	208	240	285	315	360	405	450
PITTSBURG CO RWD #11 (KIOWA)	OK3006105	Pittsburg	64	565	597	620	644	676	708

Public Water Providers/Retail Population Served (2 of 2)

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider	SDWIS ID[1]	County	Retail Per Capita (GPD)[2]	Planning Horizon					
				2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 6 (FITTSTOWN)	OK3006222	Pontotoc	211	787	818	846	874	900	926
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 7	OK3006215	Pontotoc	115	4,402	4,572	4,728	4,885	5,030	5176
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 9	OK3006218	Pontotoc	77	1,214	1,261	1,304	1,347	1,388	1428
ROFF	OK2006206	Pontotoc	112	746	775	801	828	852	877
ROUNDHILL RWD #4	OK3001504	Coal	65	225	260	293	331	372	413
SOPER	OK2001201	Choctaw	85	306	306	316	326	336	336
STONEWALL PWA	OK2006203	Pontotoc	137	481	500	517	534	550	566
STRINGTOWN PWA	OK3000303	Atoka	74	1,285	1,460	1,606	1,752	1,928	2103
TUPELO PWA	OK3001506	Coal	99	388	455	512	578	644	720
WAPANUCKA	OK2003518	Johnston	219	1,128	1,266	1,404	1,542	1,703	1864

1 SDWIS - Safe Drinking Water Information System

2 RED ENTRY indicates data was taken from 2007 Water Rights Database. GPD=gallons per day.

Public Water Provider Demand Forecast (1 of 2)
Blue-Boggy Region

Provider	SDWIS ID[1]	County	Retail Demand Including System Loss (AFY)					
			2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
ACHILLE	OK2000707	Bryan	58	64	70	76	83	89
ALLEN PWA	OK2006202	Pontotoc	109	113	117	121	124	128
ATOKA CO RWD # 1 (WARDVILLE)	OK3000305	Atoka	9	10	11	12	14	15
ATOKA CO RWD #2	OK3000306	Atoka	93	104	116	127	140	152
ATOKA CO RWD # 3 (CANEY)	OK2000302	Atoka	310	349	387	425	467	509
ATOKA COUNTY RWS & SWMD #4	OK1010412	Atoka	696	782	867	952	1,047	1,141
ATOKA PWS	OK1010401	Atoka	859	964	1,069	1,175	1,291	1,406
BOKCHITO	OK2000704	Bryan	90	98	108	118	127	137
BOSWELL PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2001205	Choctaw	112	115	118	121	125	128
BROMIDE	OK2003517	Johnston	26	28	31	35	38	42
BRYAN COUNTY RW&SD #5	OK3000704	Bryan	503	555	608	661	714	768
BRYAN COUNTY RWD # 6	OK3000725	Bryan	67	74	81	88	95	102
BRYAN COUNTY RWD #7	OK2000705	Bryan	31	35	38	41	45	48
BRYAN CO RWD # 9	OK2000713	Bryan	20	22	24	26	28	30
CADDO	OK2000703	Bryan	173	191	209	227	245	265
CALERA, TOWN OF	OK2000702	Bryan	150	166	181	197	213	229
CENTRAHOMA WATER CO INC	OK3001502	Coal	29	33	38	42	48	53
CHOCTAW COUNTY RWD #1	OK2001204	Choctaw	222	228	232	238	244	249
CHOCTAW RWD # 6	OK3001214	Choctaw	66	67	68	70	72	73
CLARITA OLNEY WATER CO INC	OK3001501	Coal	45	52	59	67	75	83
COAL CO RWD #5	OK3001505	Coal	40	46	53	59	67	74
COALGATE PWA	OK1010402	Coal	580	671	758	856	959	1,065
COLBERT PWA	OK2000716	Bryan	271	299	326	354	383	413
DURANT	OK1010601	Bryan	4,391	4,845	5,310	5,776	6,239	6,713
HUGHES CO RWD #6 (GERTY)	OK2003224	Hughes	190	208	242	260	294	312
JOHNSTON CO RWS& SWMD #4	OK2003503	Johnston	51	57	64	70	77	85
KENEFIC	OK2000701	Bryan	43	49	53	57	64	68
KIOWA	OK1020611	Pittsburg	117	124	129	134	141	147
LEHIGH	OK2001501	Coal	34	40	45	51	57	63
MILBURN PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2003520	Johnston	28	32	36	39	43	47
PHILLIPS RWD #1	OK3001503	Coal	56	66	73	84	94	105
PITTSBURG CO RWD #11 (KIOWA)	OK3006105	Pittsburg	40	43	44	46	48	51
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 6 (FITTSTOWN	OK3006222	Pontotoc	186	193	200	206	212	219
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 7	OK3006215	Pontotoc	567	589	609	629	648	666
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 9	OK3006218	Pontotoc	105	109	112	116	120	123

Projections of Retail Water Demands

Each public water supply system has a "retail" demand, defined as the amount of water used by residential and non-residential customers within that provider's service area. Public-supplied residential demands include water provided to households for domestic uses both inside and outside the home. Non-residential demands include customer uses at office buildings, shopping centers, industrial parks, schools, churches, hotels, and related locations served by a public water supply system. Retail demands do not include wholesale water to other providers.

Municipal and Industrial (M&I) demand is driven by projected population growth and specific customer characteristics. Demand forecasts for each public system are estimated from average water use (in gallons per capita per day) multiplied by projected population. Oklahoma Department of Commerce 2002 population projections (unpublished special tabulation for the OWRB) were calibrated to 2007 Census estimates and used to establish population growth rates for cities, towns, and rural areas through 2060. Population growth rates were applied to 2007 population-served values for each provider to project future years' service area (retail) populations.

The main source of data for per capita water use for each provider was the 2008 OCWP Provider Survey conducted by the OWRB in cooperation with the Oklahoma Rural Water Association and Oklahoma Municipal League. For each responding provider, data from the survey included population served, annual average daily demand, total water produced, wholesale purchases and sales between providers, and estimated system losses.

For missing or incomplete data, the weighted average per capita demand was used for the provider's county. In some cases, provider survey data were supplemented with data from the OWRB water rights database. Per capita supplier demands can vary over time due to precipitation and service area characteristics, such as commercial and industrial activity, tourism, or conservation measures. For the baseline demand projections described here, the per capita demand was held constant through each of the future planning year scenarios. OCWP estimates of potential reductions in demand from conservation measures are analyzed on a basin and regional level, but not for individual provider systems.

Public Water Provider Demand Forecast (2 of 2)

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider	SDWIS ID[1]	County	Retail Demand Including System Loss (AFY)					
			2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
ROFF	OK2006206	Pontotoc	94	97	100	104	107	110
ROUNDHILL RWD #4	OK3001504	Coal	16	19	21	24	27	30
SOPER	OK2001201	Choctaw	29	29	30	31	32	32
STONEWALL PWA	OK2006203	Pontotoc	74	77	80	82	85	87
STRINGTOWN PWA	OK3000303	Atoka	107	122	134	146	161	175
TUPELO PWA	OK3001506	Coal	43	50	57	64	71	80
WAPANUCKA	OK2003518	Johnston	277	311	345	378	418	457

[1] SDWIS - Safe Drinking Water Information System

Retail demand projections detailed in the Public Water Provider Demand Forecast table were developed for each of the OCWP providers in the region. These projections include estimated system losses, defined as water lost either during water production or distribution to residential homes and businesses. Retail demand does not include wholesaled water.

Wholesale Water Transfers
Blue-Boggy Region

Provider	SDWIS ID[1]	Sales			Purchases		
		Sells To	Emergency or Ongoing	Treated or Raw or Both	Purchases From	Emergency or Ongoing	Treated or Raw or Both
ATOKA CO RWD #1	OK3000305				Pittsburg Co RWD #11		
ATOKA CO RWD #2	OK3000306				Atoka PWS Atoka Co RWD #4	O E	T T
ATOKA COUNTY RWS & SWMD #4	OK1010412	Stringtown PWA Choctaw Co RWD # 6 Atoka Co RWD #2 Atoka PWS	O O E E	T T T T	Atoka PWS	E	T
ATOKA PWS	OK1010401	Atoka Co RWD #2 Atoka Co RWD #4	O E	T T	Atoka Co RWD #4	E	T
BOKCHITO	OK2000704				Bryan Co RWD #5	E	T
BRYAN COUNTY RW&SD #5	OK3000704	Bokchito	E	T	Durant Bryan Co RWS & SWMD #2	O E	T T
BRYAN COUNTY RWD # 6	OK3000725				Caddo PWA	O	T
CADDO	OK2000703	Bryan Co RWD # 6	O	T			
CENTRAHOMA WATER CO INC	OK3001502				Coalgate PWA	O	T
CHOCTAW COUNTY RWD #1	OK2001204				Hugo	O	T
CHOCTAW RWD # 6	OK3001214				Atoka Co RWD # 4	O	T
CLARITA OLNEY WATER CO INC	OK3001501				Coalgate PWA	O	T
COAL CO RWD #5	OK3001505				Coalgate PWA	O	T
COALGATE PWA	OK1010402	Clarita Olney Water Co Inc Centrahoma Water Co Inc Coal Co RWD #5 Phillips RWD #1	O O O O	T T T T			
DURANT	OK1010601	Bryan Co RWS & SWMD #2 Bryan Co RWD #5	O O	T T			
HUGHES CO RWD #6 (GERTY)	OK2003224	Hughes Co RWD # 4	O	T			
MILBURN PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2003520				Johnston Co RWD #3		T
PHILLIPS RWD #1	OK3001503				Coalgate PWA	O	T
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 6 (FITTSTOWN)	OK3006222				Ada	O	R
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 7	OK3006215				Ada	O	T
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 9	OK3006218				Ada	O	T
STRINGTOWN PWA	OK3000303				Atoka Co RWD #4	O	T
TUPELO PWA	OK3001506				Pontotoc Co RWD #9		

[1] SDWIS - Safe Drinking Water Information System

Wholesale Water Transfers

Some providers sell water on a "wholesale" basis to other providers, effectively increasing the amount of water that the selling provider must deliver and reducing the amount that the purchasing provider diverts from surface and groundwater sources. Wholesale water transfers between public water providers are fairly common and can provide an economical way to meet demands. Wholesale quantities typically vary from year to year depending upon growth, precipitation, emergency conditions, and agreements between systems.

Water transfers between providers can help alleviate costs associated with developing or maintaining infrastructure, such as a reservoir or pipeline; allow access to higher quality or more reliable sources; or provide additional supplies only when required, such as in cases of supply emergencies. Utilizing the 2008 OCWP Provider Survey and OWRB water rights data, the Wholesale Water Transfers table presents a summary of known wholesale arrangements for providers in the region. Transfers can consist of treated or raw water and can occur on a regular basis or only during emergencies. Providers commonly sell to and purchase from multiple water providers.

Provider Water Rights

Public water providers using surface water or groundwater obtain water rights from the OWRB. Water providers purchasing water from other suppliers or sources are not required to obtain water rights as long as the furnishing entity has the appropriate water right or other source of authority. Each public water provider's current water right(s) and source of supply have been summarized in this report. The percentage of each provider's total 2007 water rights from surface water, alluvial groundwater, and bedrock groundwater supplies was also calculated, indicating the relative proportions of sources available to each provider.

A comparison of existing water rights to projected demands can show when additional water rights or other sources and in what amounts might be needed. Forecasts of conditions for the year 2060 indicate where additional water rights may be needed to satisfy demands by that time. However, in most cases, wholesale water transfers to other providers must also be addressed by the selling provider's water rights. Thus, the amount of water rights required will exceed the retail demand for a selling provider and will be less than the retail demand for a purchasing provider.

In preparing to meet long-term needs, public water providers should consider strategic factors appropriate to their sources of water. For example, public water providers who use surface water can seek and obtain a "schedule of use" as part of their stream water right, which addresses projected growth and consequent increases in stream water use. Such schedules of use can be employed to address increases that are anticipated to occur over many years or even decades, as an alternative to the usual requirement to use the full authorized amount of stream water in a seven-year period. On the other hand, public water providers that utilize groundwater should consider the prospect that it may be necessary to purchase or lease additional land in order to increase their groundwater rights.

Public Water Provider Water Rights and Withdrawals - 2010 (1 of 2)

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider		County	Water Rights	Source		
				Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater
			(AFY)	Percent		
ACHILLE	OK2000707	Bryan	403	0%	100%	0%
ALLEN PWA	OK2006202	Pontotoc	283	0%	0%	100%
ATOKA CO RWD # 1 (WARDVILLE)	OK3000305	Atoka	---	---	---	---
ATOKA CO RWD #2	OK3000306	Atoka	85	0%	100%	0%
ATOKA CO RWD # 3 (CANEY)	OK2000302	Atoka	97	0%	100%	0%
ATOKA COUNTY RWS & SWMD #4	OK1010412	Atoka	---	---	---	---
ATOKA PWS	OK1010401	Atoka	10,000	100%	0%	0%
BOKCHITO	OK2000704	Bryan	200	0%	100%	0%
BOSWELL PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2001205	Choctaw	126	0%	100%	0%
BROMIDE	OK2003517	Johnston	86	49%	51%	0%
BRYAN COUNTY RW&SD #5	OK3000704	Bryan	---	---	---	---
BRYAN COUNTY RWD # 6	OK3000725	Bryan	101	0%	100%	0%
BRYAN COUNTY RWD #7	OK2000705	Bryan	540	0%	100%	0%
BRYAN CO RWD # 9	OK2000713	Bryan	80	0%	0%	100%
CADDO	OK2000703	Bryan	1,337	0%	100%	0%
CALERA, TOWN OF	OK2000702	Bryan	960	0%	100%	0%
CENTRAHOMA WATER CO INC	OK3001502	Coal	---	---	---	---
CHOCTAW COUNTY RWD #1	OK2001204	Choctaw	281	0%	87%	13%
CHOCTAW RWD # 6	OK3001214	Choctaw	---	---	---	---
CLARITA OLNEY WATER CO INC	OK3001501	Coal	---	---	---	---
COAL CO RWD #5	OK3001505	Coal	---	---	---	---
COALGATE PWA	OK1010402	Coal	8,168	96%	4%	0%
COLBERT PWA	OK2000716	Bryan	193	0%	0%	100%
DURANT	OK1010601	Bryan	12,342	100%	0%	0%
HUGHES CO RWD #6 (GERTY)	OK2003224	Hughes	160	0%	0%	100%

Public Water Provider Water Rights and Withdrawals - 2010 (2 of 2)

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider		County	Water Rights	Source		
				Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater
			(AFY)	Percent		
JOHNSTON CO RWS& SWMD #4	OK2003503	Johnston	438	0%	100%	0%
KENEFIC	OK2000701	Bryan	63	0%	100%	0%
KIOWA	OK1020611	Pittsburg	302	100%	0%	0%
LEHIGH	OK2001501	Coal	226	0%	100%	0%
MILBURN PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY	OK2003520	Johnston	36	0%	100%	0%
PHILLIPS RWD #1	OK3001503	Coal	---	---	---	---
PITTSBURG CO RWD #11 (KIOWA)	OK3006105	Pittsburg	---	---	---	---
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 6 (FITTSTOWN	OK3006222	Pontotoc	---	---	---	---
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 7	OK3006215	Pontotoc	---	---	---	---
PONTOTOC CO RWD # 9	OK3006218	Pontotoc	---	---	---	---
ROFF	OK2006206	Pontotoc	1,180	0%	100%	0%
ROUNDHILL RWD #4	OK3001504	Coal	---	---	---	---
SOPER	OK2001201	Choctaw	15	0%	100%	0%
STONEWALL PWA	OK2006203	Pontotoc	253	0%	100%	0%
STRINGTOWN PWA	OK3000303	Atoka	504	0%	100%	0%
TUPELO PWA	OK3001506	Coal	211	0%	100%	0%
WAPANUCKA	OK2003518	Johnston	320	100%	0%	0%

[1] SDWIS - Safe Drinking Water Information System

Provider Supply Plans

In 2008, a survey was sent to 785 municipal and rural water providers throughout Oklahoma to collect vital background water supply and system information. Additional detail for each of these providers was solicited in 2010 as part of follow-up interviews conducted by the ODEQ. The 2010 interviews sought to confirm key details of the earlier survey and document additional details regarding each provider's water supply infrastructure and plans. This included information on existing sources of supply (including surface water, groundwater, and other providers), short-term supply and infrastructure plans, and long-term supply and infrastructure plans.

In instances where no new source was identified, maintenance of the current source of supply is expected into the future. Providers may or may not have secured the necessary funding to implement their stated plans concerning infrastructure needs, commonly including additional wells or raw water conveyance, storage, and replacement/upgrade of treatment and distribution systems.

Additional support for individual water providers wishing to pursue enhanced planning efforts is documented in the Public Water Supply Planning Guide. This guide details how information contained in the OCWP Watershed Planning Region Reports and related planning documents can be used to formulate provider-level plans to meet present and future needs of individual water systems.

OCWP Water Provider Survey
Blue-Boggy Region

Town of Achille (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace water lines.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Allen PWA (Pontotoc County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace aerator tank and booster pump with dual pump system.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill new wells.

Atoka County RWD 1 (Wardville)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Pittsburg RWD 11
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace distribution system lines.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace portion of distribution lines.

Atoka County RWD 2
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Atoka PWS
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: repair or replace infrastructure damaged by 2011 tornado.
Long-Term Needs
None required.

Atoka County RWD 3 (Caney)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: inspect standpipe.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: construct additional groundwater wells.

Atoka County RWS & SWMD 4
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: McGee Creek Lake
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: increase water to McGee Creek Lake.
Infrastructure improvements: clear well needed at the water treatment plant. Additional water lines needed to supply water to storage tanks.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: increase water to McGee Creek Lake.
Infrastructure improvements: additional storage tanks needed.

Atoka PWS (Atoka County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Atoka Lake, McGee Creek Lake
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: add piping to Atoka PWS to take in two sources of surface water.
Infrastructure improvements: additional piping.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: interconnect to adjacent PWS.
Infrastructure improvements: additional piping.

Town of Bokchito (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Emergency source: Bryan County RWD 5
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: add a new well.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.

Boswell PWA (Choctaw County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: refurbish wells and pressure filters. Repaint water tower.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace cast iron pipes.

City of Bromide (Johnston County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill two new wells. Install 1-2 miles of new piping to connect wells to existing water tower.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace distribution system piping and add fire hydrants and new water meters.

Bryan County RWD 5
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Durant
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: paint water towers.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: increase storage.
Infrastructure improvements: build additional water towers.

Bryan County RWD 6
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Caddo PWA
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: drill wells.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: add wells.

Bryan County RWD 7
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill another well. Add storage tank.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: line replacement; new meters.

Bryan County RWD 9
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill deeper wells.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: water line replacement.

Town of Caddo (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: add new water lines. Repair existing storage tank.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill additional wells. Add storage tank. New water lines.

Town of Calera (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill new well.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill additional wells. Pipeline repairs and additional storage needed. Upgrade existing treatment facility.

Centrahoma Water Co., Inc. (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary sources: City of Coalgate
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Choctaw County RWD 1
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Emergency source: City of Hugo
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: add booster station west of Hugo to blend well water with Hugo water source.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: add additional wells.

OCWP Water Provider Survey
Blue-Boggy Region

Choctaw County RWD 6
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: McGee Creek Lake
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Clarita Olney Water Co., Inc. (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Coalgate
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: add distribution lines and replace some existing line.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: add distribution lines and replace some existing lines. Replace pump station pumps.

Coal County RWD 5
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Coalgate
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Coalgate PWA (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Coalgate City Lake
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: McGee Creek Lake.
Infrastructure improvements: build raw water line to City of Oklahoma City Aqueduct.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: city to purchase water from City of Oklahoma City.
Infrastructure improvements: raise level of water of Coalgate Lake 18 inches.

Colbert PWA (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill addition wells. Add pump stations and storage.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: surface water from Red River.
Infrastructure improvements: drill distribution lines.

City of Durant (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Blue River, Lake Durant
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Hughes County RWD 6 (Gerty)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill new replacement wells.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater
Infrastructure improvements: drill new replacement wells. Upgrade inadequate main lines.

Johnston County RWS & SWMD 4
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: drill additional wells. Increase distribution line capacity on south side of system.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: need additional supply.
Infrastructure improvements: additional storage and increased line capacity in distribution system.

Town of Kenefic (Bryan County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Town of Kiowa (Pittsburg County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Katy Lake
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Town of Lehigh (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Milburn PWA (Johnston County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Johnston County RWD 3
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: obtain new sources of water.
Infrastructure improvement: new distribution lines and additional water tower.

Phillips RWD 1 (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: None identified
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
None identified.

Pittsburg County RWD 11 (Kiowa)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Kiowa PWS ID 1020611
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: Kiowa PWS.
Infrastructure improvements: add water line to serve customers that are on their own wells or pulling water from the lake.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: add chlorine booster station.

Pontotoc County RWD 6 (Fittstown)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Ada
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: City of Ada.
Infrastructure improvements: upgrade water tower.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: replace most of distribution system piping. Replace water tower.

Pontotoc County RWD 7
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Ada
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace distribution lines; add storage tank.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: add booster pumps and storage tanks; upsize distribution system lines.

Pontotoc County RWD 9
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Ada
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: City of Ada.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: identify new water source.

Town of Roff (Pontotoc County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: replace existing water tower.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: drill new wells. Replace old distribution lines.

Roundhill RWD 4 (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: City of Coalgate
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: water tower cleaned and repainted.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvement: refurbish water tank. Replace pumps. Increase size of main water line.

Town of Soper (Choctaw County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Emergency source: Antlers Rural Water
Short-Term Needs
New supply source: Antlers Rural Water.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: connect all lines to new service. Replace well casing or drill new well.

Stonewall PWA (Pontotoc County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: replace distribution system lines. Add water storage tower.

Stringtown PWA (Atoka County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Atoka County RWS & SWMD 4
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: repair distribution lines near Daisy. Add new line on Farmer Rd.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: chlorine booster stations.

Tupelo PWA (Coal County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: Pontotoc RWD 9
Short-Term Needs
None identified.
Long-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: distribution line replacement.

Town of Wapanucka (Johnston County)
Current Source of Supply
Primary source: groundwater
Short-Term Needs
Infrastructure improvements: inspect standpipe.
Long-Term Needs
New supply source: groundwater.
Infrastructure improvements: replace distribution system lines.

Drinking Water Infrastructure Cost Summary

As part of the public water provider analysis, regional cost estimates to meet system drinking water infrastructure needs over the next 50 years were prepared. While it is difficult to account for changes that may occur within this extended time frame, it is beneficial to evaluate, at least on the order-of-magnitude level, the long-range costs of providing potable water.

Project cost estimates were developed for a selection of existing water providers, and then weighted to determine total regional costs. The OCWP method is similar to that utilized by the EPA to determine national drinking water infrastructure costs in 2007. However, the OCWP uses a 50-year planning horizon while the EPA uses a 20-year period. Also, the OCWP includes a broader spectrum of project types rather than limiting projects to those eligible for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program. While costs for new reservoirs specific to providers are not included, this study evaluated whether there was an overall need in the region for new surface water supplies. When rehabilitation of existing reservoirs or new reservoir projects were necessary, these costs were applied at the regional level.

More information on the methodology and cost estimates is available in the supplemental report, Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Assessment by Region.

Infrastructure Cost Summary

Blue-Boggy Region

Provider System Category[1]	Infrastructure Need (millions of 2007 dollars)			
	Present - 2020	2021 - 2040	2041 - 2060	Total Period
Small	$20	$347	$13	$380
Medium	$77	$15	$26	$118
Large	$0	$0	$0	$0
Reservoir[2]	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL	$97	$362	$39	$498

1 Large providers are defined as those serving more than 100,000 people, medium systems as those serving between 3,301 and 100,000 people, and small systems as those serving 3,300 and fewer people.

2 The "reservoir" category is for rehabilitation projects.

- Approximately $0.5 billion is needed to meet the projected drinking water infrastructure needs of the Blue-Boggy region over the next 50 years. The largest infrastructure costs are expected to occur from 2021 to 2040.
- Distribution and transmission projects account for more than 70 percent of the providers' estimated infrastructure costs, followed distantly by water treatment projects.
- Small providers have the largest overall drinking water infrastructure costs.
- There are no projected costs for projects involving rehabilitation of existing reservoirs.

Water Supply Options

Limitations Analysis

For each of the state's 82 OCWP basins, an analysis of water supply and demand was followed by an analysis of limitations for surface water, bedrock groundwater, and alluvial groundwater use. For surface water, the most pertinent limiting characteristics considered were (1) physical availability of water, (2) permit availability, and (3) water quality. For alluvial and bedrock groundwater, permit availability was not a limiting factor through 2060, and existing data were insufficient to conduct meaningful groundwater quality analyses. Therefore, limitations for major alluvial and bedrock aquifers were related to physical availability of water and included an analysis of both the amount of any forecasted depletion relative to the amount of water in storage and rate at which the depletion was predicted to occur.

Methodologies were developed to assess limitations and assign appropriate scores for each supply source in each basin. For surface water, scores were calculated weighting the characteristics as follows: 50% for physical availability, 30% for permit availability, and 20% for water quality. For alluvial and bedrock groundwater scores, the magnitude of depletion relative to amount of water in storage and rate of depletion were each weighted 50%.

The resulting supply limitation scores were used to rank all 82 basins for surface water, major alluvial groundwater, and major bedrock groundwater sources (see Water Supply Limitations map on page 5). For each source, basins ranking the highest were considered to be "significantly limited" in the ability of that source to meet forecasted demands reliably. Basins with intermediate rankings were considered to be "potentially limited" for that source, and basins with the lowest rankings were considered to be "minimally limited" for that source and not projected to have any gaps or depletions. For bedrock and alluvial groundwater rankings, "potentially limited" was the baseline default given to basins lacking major aquifers due to typically lower yields and insufficient data.

Based on an analysis of all three sources of water, the basins with the most advanced limitations—the most severe water supply challenges—were identified as "Hot Spots." A discussion of the methodologies used in identifying Hot Spots, results, and recommendations can be found in the *OCWP Executive Report*.

Primary Options

To provide a range of potential solutions for mitigation of water supply shortages in each of the 82 OCWP basins, five primary options were evaluated for potential effectiveness: (1) demand management, (2) use of out-of-basin supplies, (3) reservoir use, (4) increasing reliance on surface water, and (5) increasing reliance on groundwater. For each basin, the potential effectiveness of each primary option was assigned one of three ratings: (1) typically effective, (2) potentially effective, and (3) likely ineffective (see Water Supply Option Effectiveness map on page 6). No options were necessary in basins where no gaps or depletions were anticipated.

Demand Management

"Demand management" refers to the potential to reduce water demands and alleviate gaps or depletions by implementing drought management or conservation measures. Demand management is a vitally important tool that can be implemented either temporarily or permanently to decrease demand and increase available supply. "Drought management" refers to short-term measures, such as temporary restrictions on outdoor watering, while "conservation measures" refers to long-term activities that result in consistent water savings throughout the year. Municipal and industrial conservation techniques can include modifying customer behaviors, using more efficient plumbing fixtures, or eliminating water leaks. Agricultural conservation techniques can include reducing water demand through more efficient irrigation systems and production of crops with decreased water requirements.

Two specific scenarios for conservation were analyzed for the OCWP—moderate and substantial—to assess the relative effectiveness in reducing statewide water demand in the two largest demand sectors, Municipal/Industrial and Crop Irrigation. For the Watershed Planning Region reports, only moderately expanded conservation activities were considered when assessing the overall effectiveness of Demand Management for each basin. A broader analysis of moderate and substantial conservation measures statewide is discussed below and summarized in the "Expanded Options" section of the *OCWP Executive Report*.

Demand management was considered to be "typically effective" in basins where it would likely eliminate both gaps and storage depletions and "potentially effective" in basins where it would likely either reduce gaps and depletions or eliminate either gaps or depletions (but not both). There were no basins where demand management could not reduce gaps and/or storage depletions to at least some extent; therefore this option was not rated "likely ineffective" for any basin.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

Use of "out-of-basin supplies" refers to the option of transferring water through pipelines from a source in one basin to another basin. This option was considered a "potentially effective" solution in all basins due to its general potential in eliminating gaps and depletions. The option was not rated "typically effective" because complexity and cost make it only practical as a long-term solution. The effectiveness of this option for a basin was also assessed with the consideration of potential new reservoir sites within the respective region as identified in the Expanded Options section below and the *OCWP Reservoir Viability Study* report.

Reservoir Use

"Reservoir Use" refers to the development of additional in-basin reservoir storage. Reservoir storage can be provided through increased use of existing facilities, such as reallocation of existing purposes at major federal reservoir sites or rehabilitation of smaller NRCS projects to include municipal and/or industrial water supply, or the construction of new reservoirs.

The effectiveness rating of reservoir use for a basin was based on a hypothetical reservoir located at the furthest downstream basin outlet. Water transmission and legal or water quality constraints were not considered; however, potential constraints in permit availability were noted. A site located further upstream could potentially provide adequate yield to meet demand, but would likely require greater storage than a site located at the basin outlet. The effectiveness rating was also largely contingent upon the existence of previously studied reservoir sites (see the Expanded Options section below) and/or the ability of new streamflow diversions with storage to meet basin water demands.

Reservoir use was considered "typically effective" in basins containing one or more potentially viable reservoir site(s) unless the basin was fully allocated for surface water and had no permit availability. For basins with no permit availability, reservoir use was considered "potentially effective,"

since diversions would be limited to existing permits. Reservoir use was also considered "potentially effective" in basins that generate sufficient reservoir yield to meet future demand. Statewide, the reservoir use option was considered "likely ineffective" in only three basins (Basins 18, 55, and 66), where it was determined that insufficient streamflow would be available to provide an adequate reservoir yield to meet basin demand.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

"Increasing reliance on surface water" refers to changing the surface water-groundwater use ratio to meet future demands by increasing surface water use. For baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions. Increasing the use of surface water through direct diversions, without reservoir storage or releases upstream from storage provides a reliable supply option in limited areas of the state and has potential to mitigate bedrock groundwater depletions and/or alluvial groundwater depletions. However, this largely depends upon local conditions concerning the specific location, amount, and timing of the diversion.

Due to this uncertainty, the pronounced periods of low streamflow in many river systems across the state, and the potential to create or augment surface water gaps, this option was considered "typically ineffective" for all basins. The preferred alternative statewide is reservoir use, which provides the most reliable surface water supply source.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

"Increasing reliance on groundwater" refers to changing the surface water-groundwater use ratio to meet future demands by increasing groundwater use. Supplies from major aquifers are particularly reliable because they generally exhibit higher well yields and contain large amounts of water in storage. Minor aquifers can also contain large amounts of water in storage, but well yields are typically lower and may be insufficient to meet the needs of high volume water users. Site-specific information on the suitability of minor aquifers for supply should be considered prior to large-scale use. Additional groundwater supplies may also be developed through artificial recharge (groundwater storage and recovery), which is summarized in the "Expanded Options" section of the *OWRB Executive Report*.

Increased reliance on groundwater supplies was considered "typically effective" in basins where both gaps and depletions could be mitigated in a measured fashion that did not lead to additional groundwater depletions. This option was considered "potentially effective" in basins where surface water gaps could be mitigated by increased groundwater use, but would likely result in increased depletions in either alluvial or bedrock groundwater storage. Increased reliance on groundwater supplies was considered "typically ineffective" in basins where there were no major aquifers.

Expanded Options

In addition to the standard analysis of primary options for each basin, specific OCWP studies were conducted statewide on several more advanced though less conventional options that have potential to reduce basin gaps and depletions. More detailed summaries of these options are available in the *OWRB Executive Report*. Full reports are available on the OWRB website.

Expanded Conservation Measures

Water conservation was considered an essential component of the "demand management" option in basin-level analysis of options for reducing or eliminating gaps and storage depletions. At the basin level, moderately expanded conservation measures were used as the basis for analyzing effectiveness. In a broader OCWP study, summarized in the *OCWP Executive Report* and documented in the report *Water Demand Forecast Report Addendum: Conservation and Climate Change*, both moderately and substantially expanded conservation activities were analyzed at a statewide level for the state's two largest demand sectors: Municipal/Industrial (M&I) and Crop Irrigation. For each sector, two scenarios were analyzed: (1) moderately expanded conservation activities, and (2) substantially expanded conservation activities. Water savings for the municipal and industrial and crop irrigation water use sectors were assessed, and for the M&I sector, a cost-benefit analysis was performed to quantify savings associated with reduced costs in drinking water production and decreased wastewater treatment. The energy savings and associated water savings realized as a result of these decreases were also quantified.

Artificial Aquifer Recharge

In 2008, the Oklahoma Legislature passed Senate Bill 1410 requiring the OWRB to develop and implement criteria to prioritize potential locations throughout the state where artificial recharge demonstration projects are most feasible to meet future water supply challenges. A workgroup of numerous water agencies and user groups was organized to identify suitable locations in both alluvial and bedrock aquifers. Fatal flaw and threshold screening analyses resulted in identification of six alluvial sites and nine bedrock sites. These sites were subjected to further analysis that resulted in three sites deemed by the workgroup as having the best potential for artificial recharge demonstration projects.

Where applicable, potential recharge sites are noted in the "Increasing Reliance on Groundwater" option discussion in basin data and analysis sections of the Watershed Planning Region Reports. The site selection methodology and results for the five selected sites are summarized in the *OCWP Executive Report*; more detailed information on the workgroup and study is presented in the OCWP report *Artificial Aquifer Recharge Issues and Recommendations*.

Marginal Quality Water Sources

In 2008, the Oklahoma Legislature passed Senate Bill 1627 requiring the OWRB to establish a technical workgroup to analyze the expanded use of marginal quality water (MQW) from various sources throughout the state. The group included representatives from state and federal agencies, industry, and other stakeholders. Through facilitated discussions, the group defined MQW as that which has been historically unusable due to technological or economic issues associated with diverting, treating, and/or conveying the water. Five categories of MQW were identified for further characterization and technical analysis: (1) treated wastewater effluent, (2) stormwater runoff, (3) oil and gas flowback/produced water, (4) brackish surface and groundwater, and (5) water with elevated levels of key constituents, such as nitrates, that would require advanced treatment prior to beneficial use.

A phased approach was utilized to meet the study's objectives, which included quantifying and characterizing MQW sources and their locations for use through 2060, assessing constraints to MQW use, and matching identified sources of MQW with projected water shortages across the state along with a determination of feasibility. Of all the general MQW uses evaluated, water reuse—beneficially using treated wastewater to meet certain demand—is perhaps the most commonly applied elsewhere in the U.S. Similarly, wastewater was determined to be one of the most viable sources of marginal quality water for short-term use in Oklahoma. Results of the workgroup's study are summarized in the *OCWP Executive Report*; more detailed information on the workgroup and study is presented in the OCWP report *Marginal Quality Water Issues and Recommendations*.

Potential Reservoir Development

Oklahoma is the location of many reservoirs that provide a dependable, vital water supply source for numerous purposes. While economic, environmental, cultural, and geographical constraints generally limit the construction of new reservoirs, significant interest persists due to their potential in meeting various future needs, particularly those associated with municipalities and feasible regional public supply systems.

As another option to address Oklahoma's long-range water needs, the OCWP reservoir viability study was initiated to identify potential reservoir sites throughout the state that have been analyzed to various degrees by the OWRB, Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and other public or private agencies. Principal elements of the study included extensive literature search; identification of criteria to determine a reservoir's viability; creation of a database to store essential information for each site; evaluation of sites; Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping of the most viable sites; aerial photograph and map reconnaissance; screening of environmental, cultural, and endangered species issues; estimates of updated construction costs; and categorical assessment of viability. The study revealed more than 100 sites statewide. Each was assigned a ranking, ranging from Category 4 (sites with at least adequate information that are viable candidates for future development) to Category 0 (sites that exist only on a historical map and for which no study data can be verified).

This analysis does not necessarily indicate an actual need or specific recommendation to build any potential project. Rather, these sites are presented to provide local and regional decision-makers with additional tools as they anticipate future water supply needs and opportunities. Study results present only a cursory examination of the many factors associated with project feasibility or implementation. Detailed investigations would be required in all cases to verify feasibility of construction and implementation. A summary of potential reservoir sites statewide is available in the *OCWP Executive Report*; more detailed information on the workgroup and study is presented in the *OCWP Reservoir Viability Study* report.

Reservoir Project Viability Categorization

Category 4: Sites with at least adequate information that are viable candidates for future development.

Category 3: Sites with sufficient data for analysis, but less than desirable for current viability.

Category 2: Sites that may contain fatal flaws or other factors that could severely impede potential development.

Category 1: Sites with limited available data and lacking essential elements of information.

Category 0: Typically sites that exist only on an historical map. Study data cannot be located or verified.

Potential Reservoir Sites (Categories 3 & 4)

Blue-Boggy Region

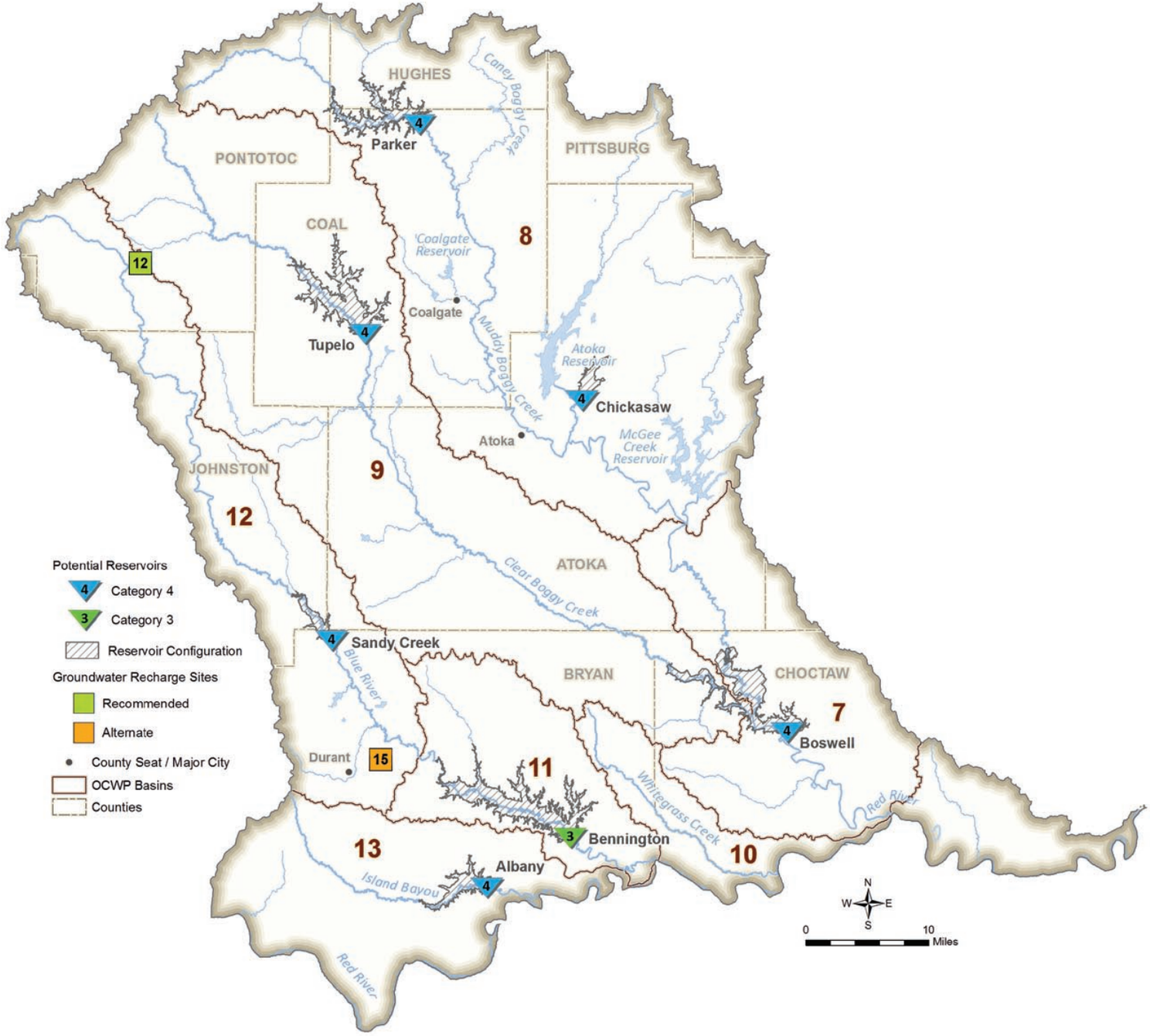
Name	Category	Stream	Basin	Purposes[1]	Total Storage	Conservation Pool			Primary Study		Updated Cost Estimate[2] (2010 dollars)
						Surface Area	Storage	Dependable Yield	Date	Agency	
					AF	Acres	AF	AFY			
Albany	4	Island Bayou	13	FC, WS, R, F&W	147,100	4,960	85,200	35,847	1978	USACE	$81,618,000
Bennington (Durant)	3	Blue River	11	WS, F&W, R	0	14,280	287,420	179,000	1975	USACE and Bureau of Reclamation	$180,662,000
Boswell (Alternative D)	4	Boggy Creek	7	FC, WS, F&W, R	407,800	26,700	60,870	56,011	1989	Multiple agencies	$254,112,000
Chickasaw	4	Chickasaw Creek	8	WS, FC, R, P, F&W	195,260	2,030	36,320	17,900	1995	USACE	$61,661,000
Parker	4	Muddy Boggy Creek	8	FC, WS, F&W, R	220,240	6,100	109,940	45,900	1986	USACE	$103,816,000
Sandy Creek	4	Blue River	12	WS, P, F&W, R	105,000	1,840	16,920	10,800	1995	USACE	$64,372,000
Tupelo	4	Clear Boggy Creek	9	WS, F&W, R	242,000	11,950	227,730	100,820	1975	USACE	$188,599,000

1 WS = Water Supply, FC = Flood Control, IR = Irrigation, HP = Hydroelectric Power, WQ = Water Quality, C = Conservation, R = Recreation, FW= Fish & Wildlife, CW = Cooling Water, N = Navigation, LF = Low Flow Regulation

2 Majority of cost estimates were updated using the costs as estimated in previous project reports combined with the USACE Civil Works Construction Cost Index System (CWCCIS) annual escalation figures to scale the original cost estimates to present-day cost estimates. These estimated costs may not accurately reflect current conditions at the proposed project site and are meant to be used for general comparative purposes only.

Expanded Water Supply Options

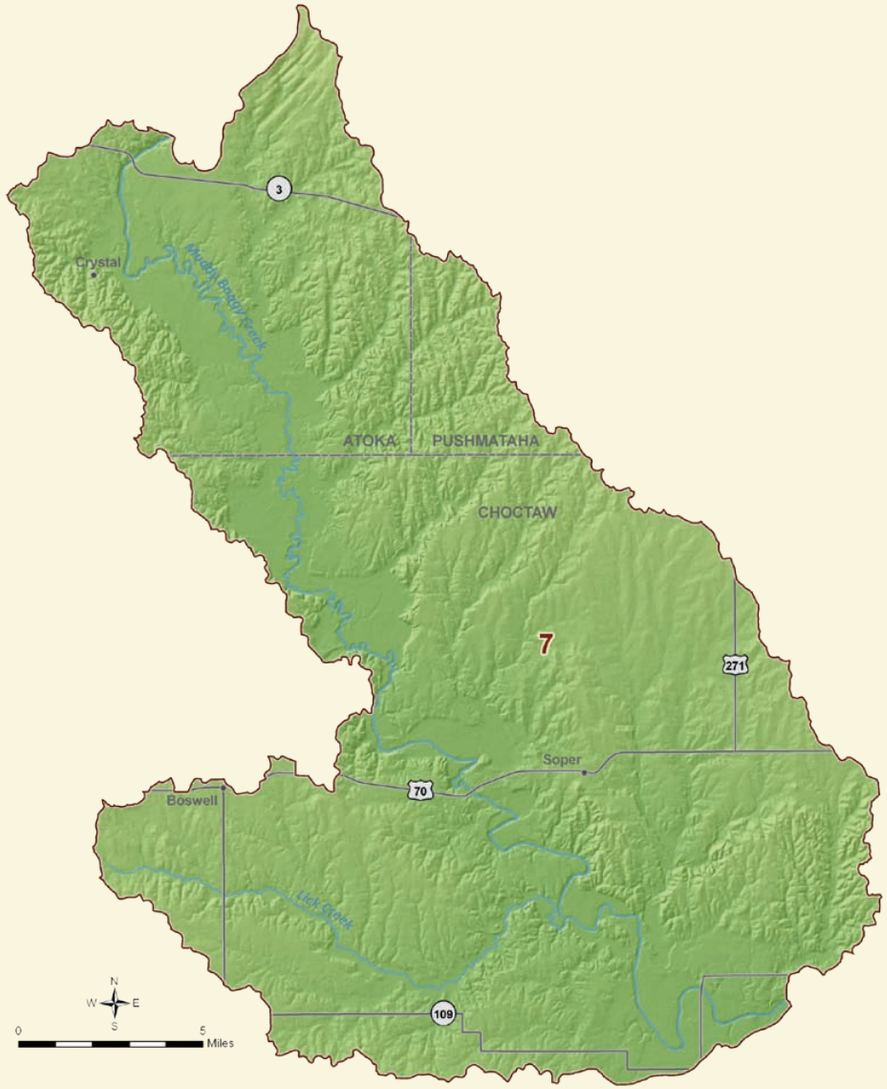
Blue-Boggy Region



Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 7



Basin 7 Summary

Synopsis

- Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water and bedrock groundwater supplies.
- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions are not are expected to occur in this basin through 2060. However, localized gaps and storage depletions may occur.
- Surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060; therefore, no supply options are necessary.

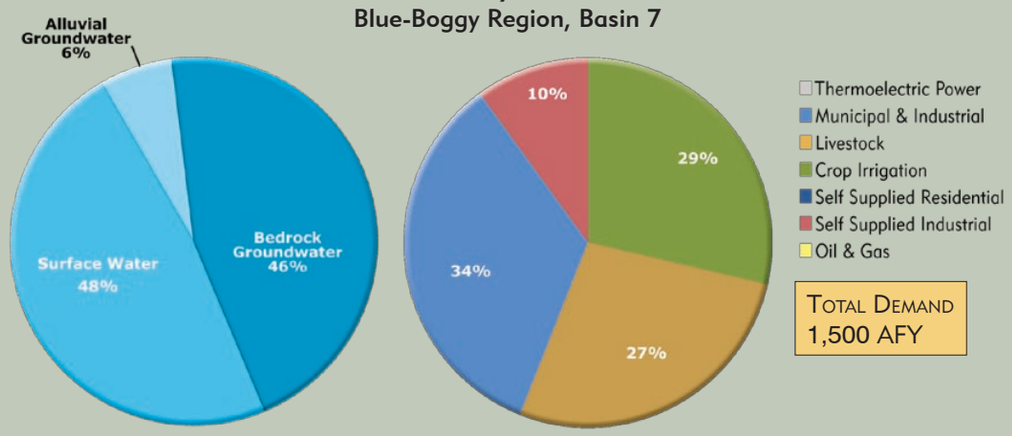
Basin 7 accounts for about 2% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 34% of the basin's 2010 demand is from the Municipal and Industrial demand sector. Crop Irrigation and Livestock are about 29% and 27%, respectively, of the basin's 2010 demand. Surface water is used to meet 48% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 52% of the current demand (6% alluvial and less than 46% bedrock). The largest demand and growth in demand over the period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.

The flow in Muddy Boggy Creek downstream of Bokchito Creek is typically greater than 6,000 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 100,000 AF/month in the spring. However, the river can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. The Red River is not currently used as a water supply source in Basin 7 due to water quality considerations.

The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. With the exception of the Red River, surface water quality in Basin 7 is considered good relative to other basins in the state. There are no water bodies in the basin impaired for Public and Private Water Supply or Agricultural use.

The majority of groundwater rights in Basin 7 are in the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin, has over 4 million AF of storage in the basin, and receives about 17,000 AFY of recharge from Basin 7. There

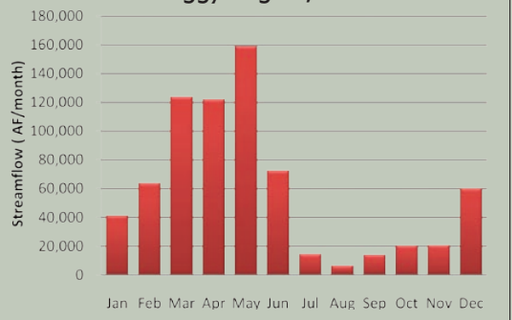
Current Demand by Source and Sector
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7



Water Resources
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

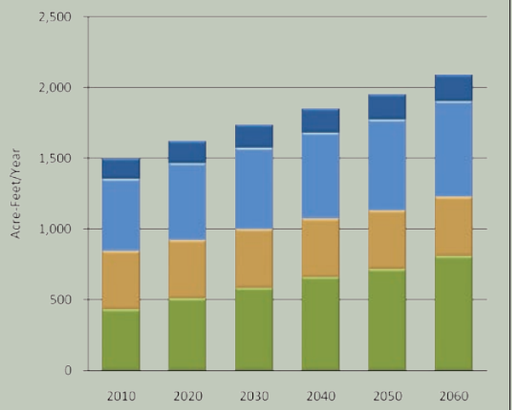
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7



are currently less than 50 AFY of groundwater rights in the major Red River alluvial aquifer and there are 500 AFY of permitted withdrawals from the Woodbine minor bedrock aquifer. Domestic users do not require a permit and may be obtaining supplies from minor aquifers in the basin. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 2,100 AFY in Basin 7 reflects a 600 AFY increase (40%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand is from agricultural activities (Crop Irrigation and Livestock water use sectors), followed by the Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential sector. The peak summer month demand in Basin 7 is about 3 times the winter monthly demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions are not are expected to occur in this basin through 2060. However, localized gaps and storage depletions may occur.

Options

Surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060; therefore, no supply options are necessary.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

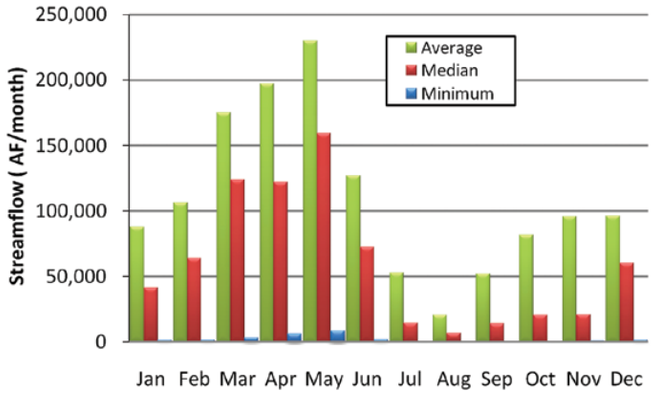
Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

Basin 7 Data & Analysis

Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The Muddy Boggy Creek downstream of Bokchito Creek had a period of below-average streamflow from the late 1950s to the mid 1960s. From the early 1990s through the early 2000s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The Red River is not currently used as a water supply source in Basin 7 due to water quality considerations. The median flow in Muddy Boggy Creek downstream of Bokchito Creek is greater than 6,000 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 100,000 AF/month in the spring. However, the river can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. With the exception of the Red River, surface water quality in Basin 7 is considered good relative to other basins in the state.
- There are no major existing reservoirs in Basin 7.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7



Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
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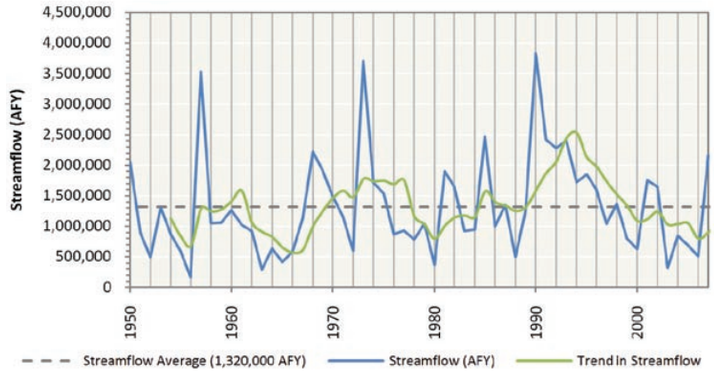

Streamflow Data Source
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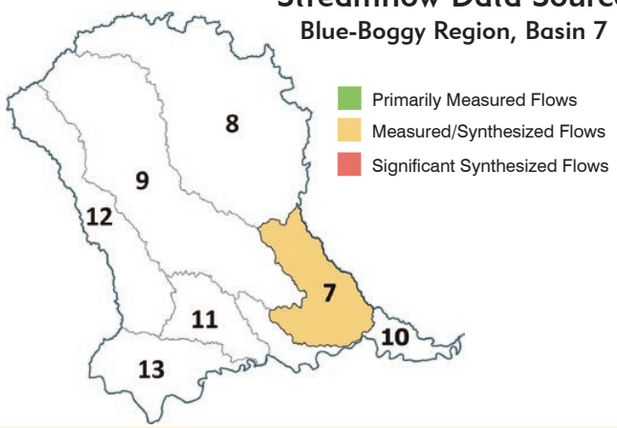

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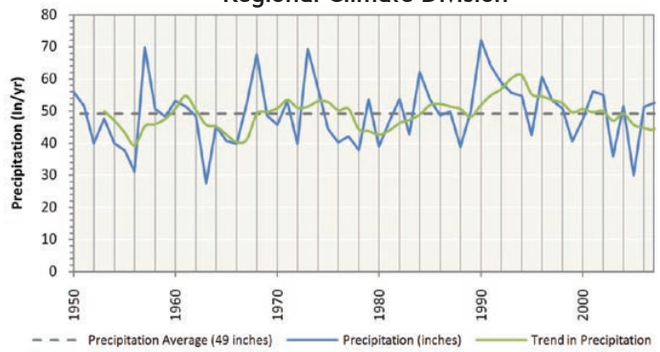
Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/acre	AFY
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	98%	3,000	4,214,000	2.1	455,000
Red River	Alluvial	Major	8%	<50	53,000	temporary 2.0	38,100
Kiamichi	Bedrock	Minor	2%	0	9,000	temporary 2.0	12,800
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	59%	500	2,088,000	temporary 2.0	268,400
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of groundwater rights in Basin 7 are in the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin, has more than 4 million AF of storage in the basin, and receives about 17,000 AFY of recharge from Basin 7. There are currently less than 50 AFY of groundwater rights in the Red River major alluvial aquifer and there are 500 AFY of permitted withdrawals from the Woodbine minor bedrock aquifer. Site-specific information on the suitability of the minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

Notes & Assumptions

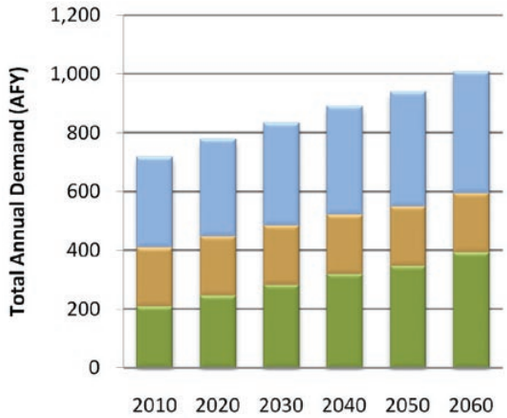
- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- Basin 7's water needs are about 2% of the demand in the Southeast Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 40% (600 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The largest demand and growth in demand over the period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 48% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 65% (5,360 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the surface water use and growth in surface water use over the period will be in the Crop Irrigation and Municipal and Industrial demand sectors.
- Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 6% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 30% (30 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the surface water use and growth in surface water use over the period will be in the Self-Supplied Residential demand sector.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 46% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 40% (280 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The largest bedrock groundwater use and growth in bedrock groundwater use over the period will be in the Crop Irrigation and Municipal and Industrial demand sectors.

Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

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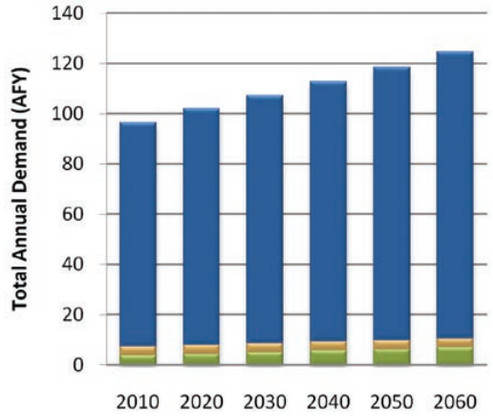

Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

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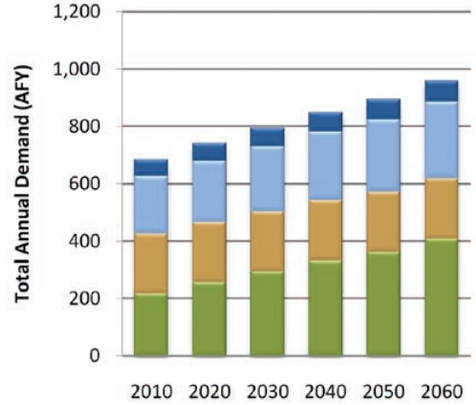


Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

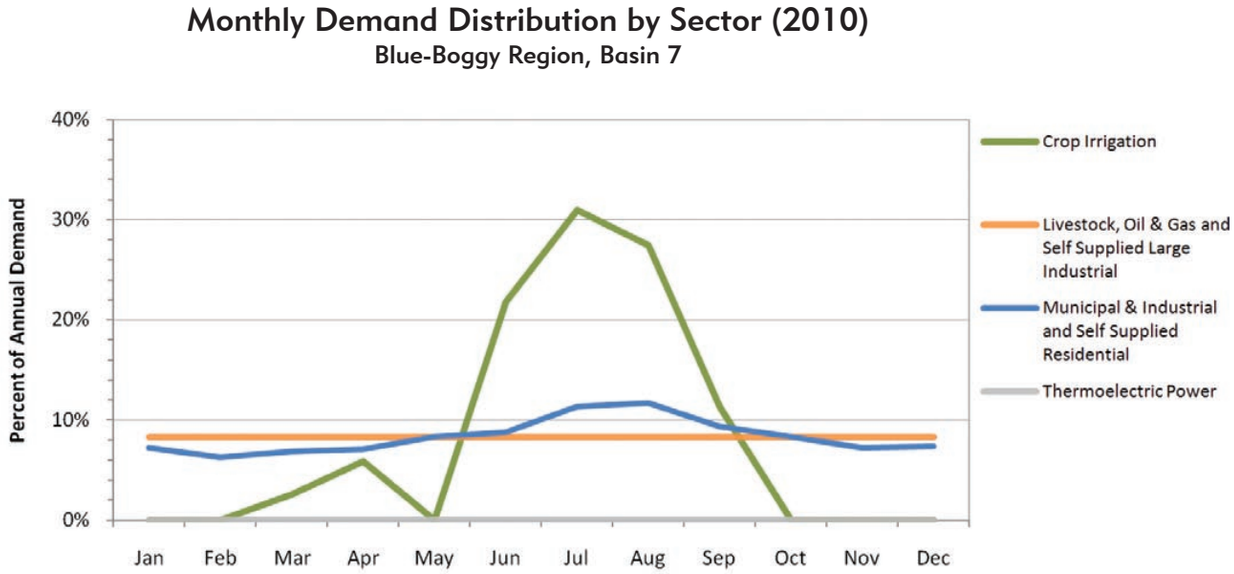
Total Demand by Sector

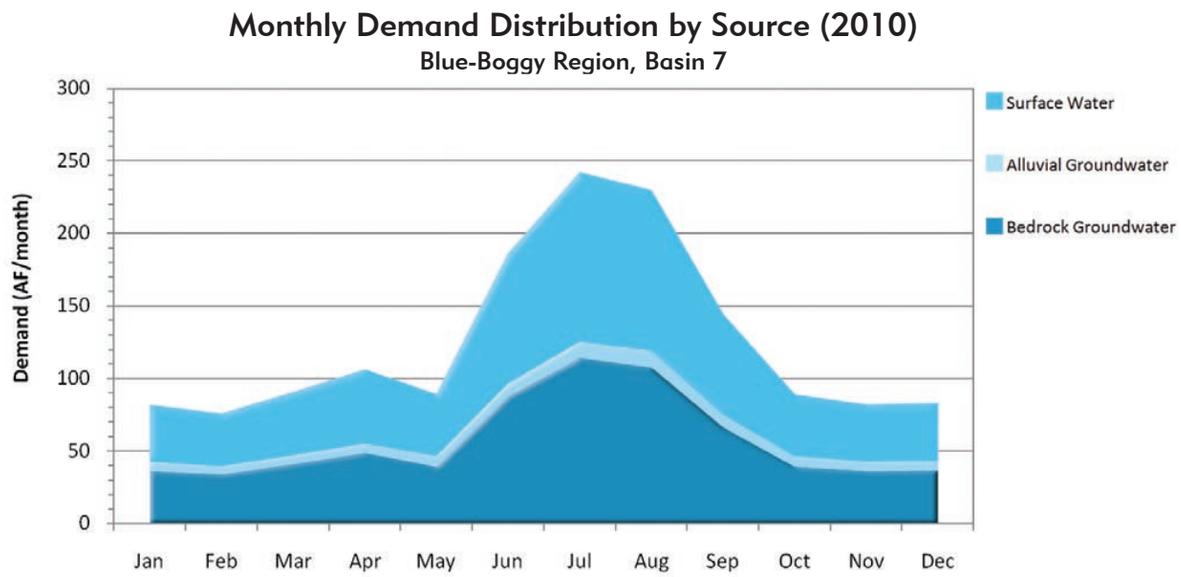
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	430	410	510	0	0	150	0	1,500
2020	510	410	540	0	0	150	0	1,610
2030	580	420	580	0	0	160	0	1,740
2040	660	420	610	0	0	170	0	1,860
2050	720	420	640	0	0	180	0	1,960
2060	810	420	680	0	0	190	0	2,100

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.





Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors typically use 52% more water in the summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors will have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 7 is about 2.9 times the monthly winter demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern. Surface water use in the peak summer month is about 2.9 times the monthly winter use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.7 times the monthly winter use. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 3.1 times the monthly winter use.

Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions are not are expected to occur in this basin through 2060. However, localized gaps and storage depletions may occur.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1] AF/month	Median Gap AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month	Median Storage Depletion AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	0	0	0	0%	0%
2030	0	0	0	0%	0%
2040	0	0	0	0%	0%
2050	0	0	0	0%	0%
2060	0	0	0	0%	0%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs Through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/ Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	0	0	0	0%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 7

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	2,300
500	3,300
1,000	4,200
2,500	6,700
5,000	11,000
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	0
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	0

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Analyses indicate that no surface water gaps or groundwater storage depletions are anticipated through 2060 assuming that current supply sources are used to meet future demand.

- Typically Effective
- Potentially Effective
- Likely Ineffective
- No Option Necessary

Demand Management

No option Necessary.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

No option Necessary.

Reservoir Use

No option Necessary.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

No option Necessary.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

No option Necessary.

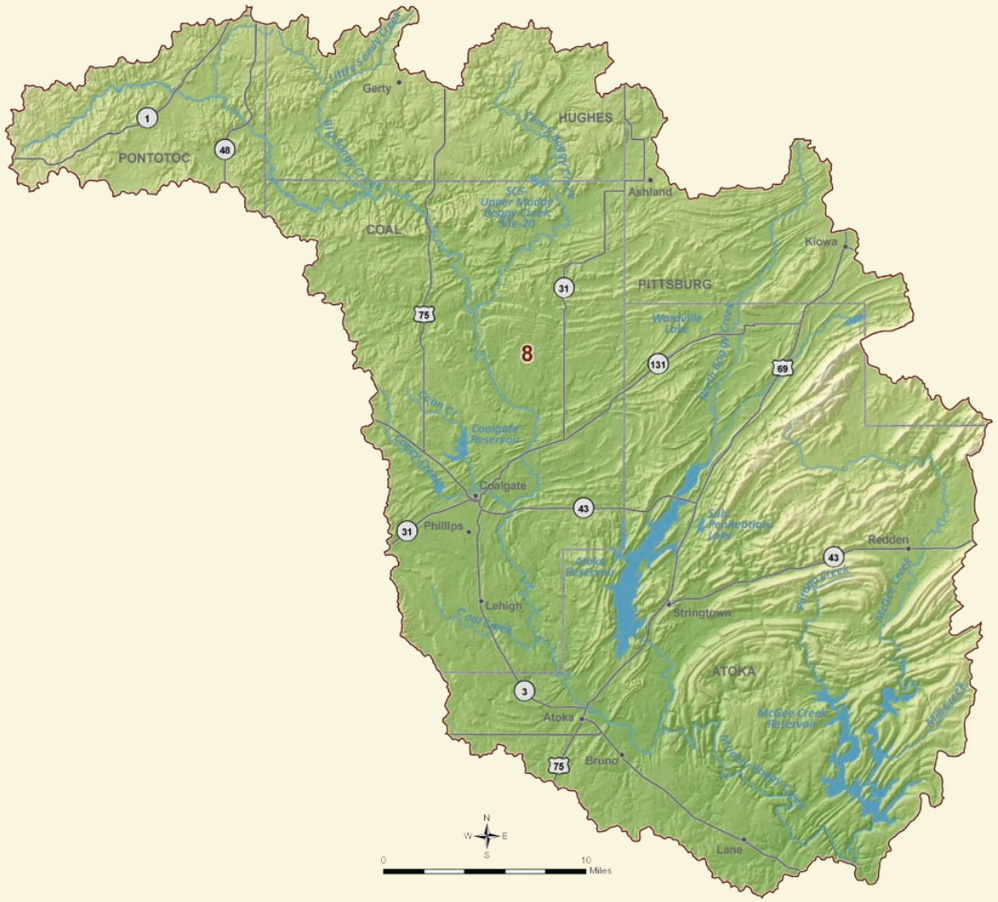
Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 8



Basin 8 Summary

BASIN 8

Synopsis

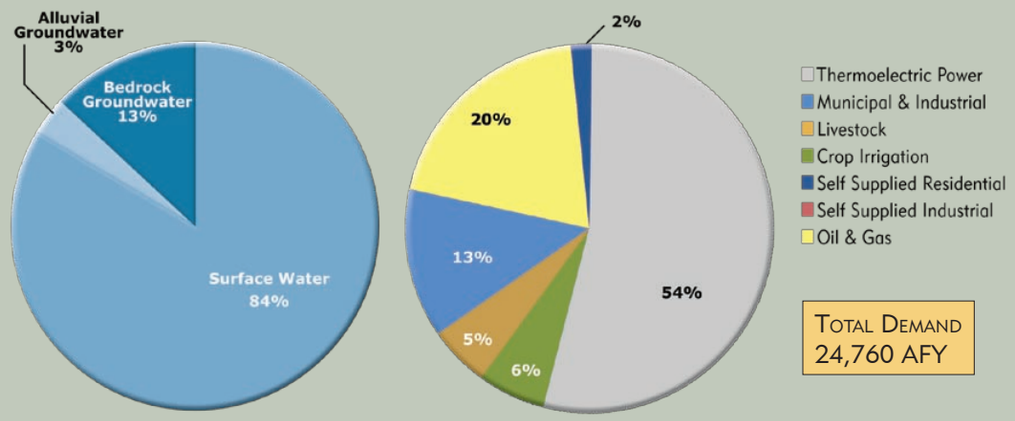
- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on major reservoirs and surface water.
- Alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions on minor aquifers may occur by 2020. Localized storage depletions may cause adverse effects for users.
- McGee Creek Lake and other major reservoirs in the basin are capable of providing dependable water supplies to its existing users, and with new infrastructure, could be used to meet all of the Basin 8 future surface water demand during periods of low streamflow.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation could mitigate alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions.
- Reservoir storage could be used as an alternative to mitigate alluvial or bedrock groundwater storage depletions.

Basin 8 accounts for about 40% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 54% of the 2010 basin demand, excluding out of basin transfers, is from the Thermoelectric Power demand sector. Oil and Gas (20%) is the second largest demand sector. Surface water satisfies about 84% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 16% of the current demand (3% alluvial and 13% bedrock). The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 8 is about 1.4 times the winter monthly demand, which is less pronounced than the overall statewide pattern.

The flow in Muddy Boggy Creek near Farris is typically greater than 2,300 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 18,000 AF/month in the winter and spring. However, the creek can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. The one major federal reservoir in the basin, McGee Creek Reservoir, is a Bureau of Reclamation project on McGee Creek, a tributary of Muddy Boggy Creek. McGee Creek was completed in 1987 for the purposes of water supply, water quality control, flood control, recreation, and fish and wildlife mitigation. The reservoir provides a dependable water supply yield of about 71,800 AFY, of which 40,000 AFY is allocated to the Oklahoma City and 24,608 AFY is allocated locally to the City of Atoka, Atoka County Commissioners, Southern Oklahoma Development Trust and the City of Coalgate. McGee Creek Reservoir currently has 7,192 AFY of unpermitted yield that could meet the demand of new users. Atoka Reservoir, one of the state's major municipal reservoirs, was constructed on the North Boggy Creek by Oklahoma City in 1964 for the purposes of water supply and recreation. Most of the lake's 92,067 AFY of dependable yield is allocated to Oklahoma City in the Central Watershed Planning Region and is accessed via the Atoka pipeline. Additional water supply yield is allocated locally to the City

Current Demand by Source and Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



Water Resources

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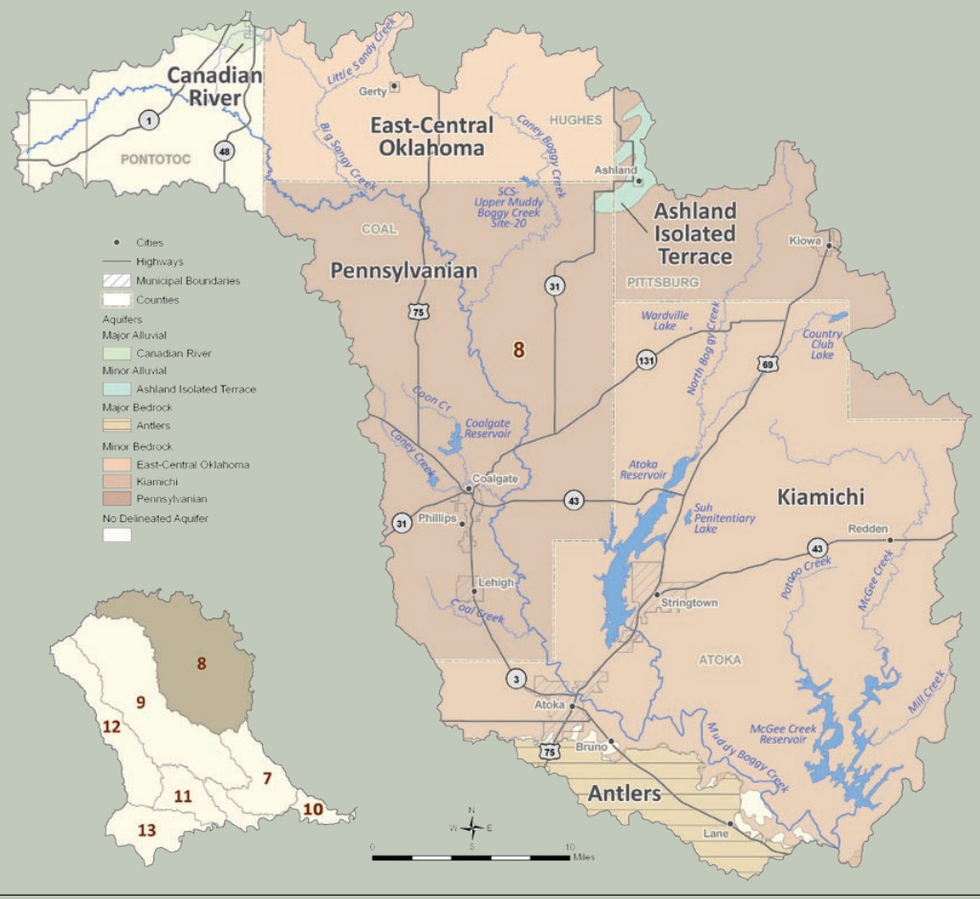
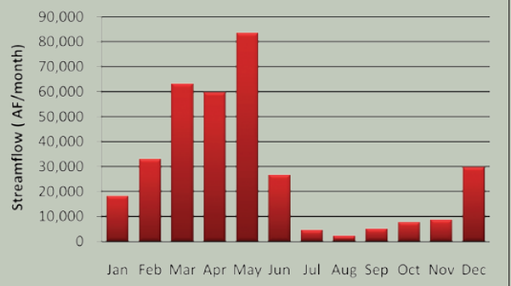


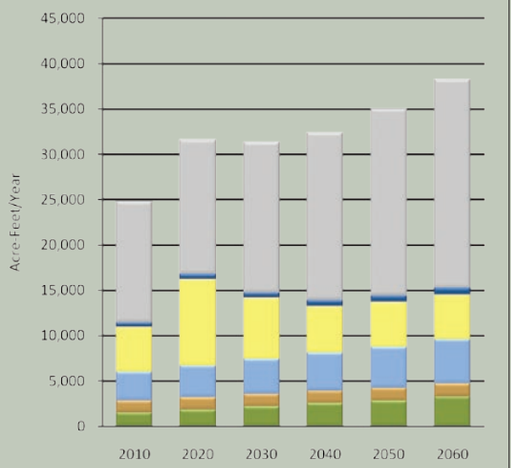
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



of Atoka for public water supply and to OG&E for power purposes. Atoka Reservoir is fully allocated and is expected to continue to supply existing users in the future. Coalgate Reservoir supplies water to the City of Coalgate. The water supply yield of this reservoir is unknown; therefore, the ability of this reservoir to provide future water supplies could not be evaluated. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. Parker Lake, the only remaining major federal reservoir currently authorized for construction, is located on the Muddy Boggy Creek in Basin 8 and authorized for flood control, water supply, recreation, and fish and wildlife mitigation with an estimated dependable water supply yield of 45,900 AFY. Pre-construction engineering and design have been completed for the project but a local cost-sharing partner would need to be identified and engineering and economic data would need to be updated before the project could be reactivated. Relative to other basins in the state, the surface water quality in Basin 8 is considered good. However, North Boggy Creek and the headwaters of Muddy Boggy Creek are impaired for Agricultural use due to high levels of chloride, sulfate and total dissolved solids (TDS).

The majority of groundwater rights in Basin 8 are in the East-Central Oklahoma minor bedrock aquifer with 2,300 AFY. There are 300 AFY of groundwater rights in the Antlers major bedrock aquifer, which underlies only 4% of the basin. However, the basin provides about 4,000 AFY of recharge to the Antlers aquifer. There are also permits in multiple minor bedrock aquifers and non-delineated minor alluvial aquifers. Additionally, domestic users do not require a permit and may be obtaining supplies from minor aquifers in the basin. Site-specific information on the suitability of minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 38,300 AFY in Basin 8 reflects a 13,540 AFY increase (55%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand and growth in demand over the period will be in the Thermoelectric Power demand sector.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are projected to occur by 2020. Surface water gaps are not expected through 2060. McGee Creek Lake is capable of providing reliable water supplies to its existing users, and with new infrastructure, could supply sufficient water to meet all of Basin 8's future surface water demand during periods of low streamflow. However, any future use of this source would need to take existing water rights into consideration. Alluvial groundwater depletions have a moderate probability (59%) of occurring in at least one month of the year and will

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

be up to 270 AFY on a basin-scale. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 8 may occur in the winter, summer, and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Bedrock groundwater depletions will be up to 1,910 AFY by 2020, but fall to 360 AFY by 2060. This is due to variability in Oil and Gas demand associated with the anticipated timing of Woodford Shale drilling activities. Bedrock groundwater storage depletions in Basin 8 may occur in the summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Future alluvial and bedrock groundwater withdrawals are expected to occur from minor aquifers. Therefore, the severity of the storage depletions cannot be evaluated due to lack of information. Localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water supplies, including reservoirs. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, groundwater storage depletions should be decreased where economically feasible.

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial, Self-Supplied Residential, and Crop Irrigation demand sectors could reduce alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts, and may not be effective given the high probability of depletions each year.

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate groundwater storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified five potentially viable out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. However, in light of the unpermitted yield of McGee Creek Lake and distances to potential reservoir sites, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for some users.

Use of unpermitted yield in McGee Creek Lake or new reservoir storage could be used to meet all of the basin's future demand during periods of low streamflow. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified two potential sites in the basin. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be supplied by a new river diversion and 5,700 AF of reservoir storage at the basin outlet.

Increased reliance on surface water through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, may create surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Basin 8 has limited groundwater resources; therefore, increased reliance on groundwater supplies without site-specific information may be ineffective for larger users.

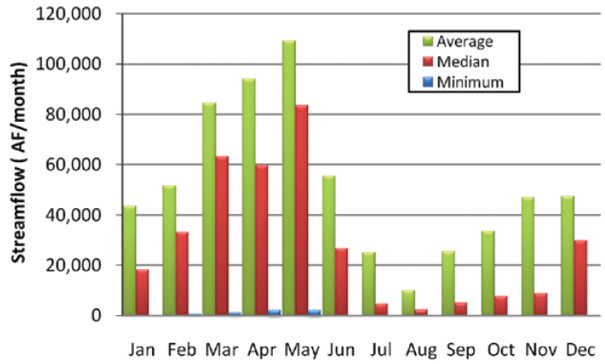
Basin 8 Data & Analysis

BASIN 8

Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. Muddy Boggy Creek near Farris had a period of below-average streamflow from the 1960s. From the early 1990s through the early 2000s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The median flow in Muddy Boggy Creek near Farris is greater than 2,300 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 18,000 AF/month in the winter and spring. However, the creek can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. Relative to other basins in the state, the surface water quality in Basin 8 is considered good.
- McGee Creek Reservoir was built by the Bureau of Reclamation and provides about 71,800 AFY of dependable water supply yield. McGee Creek Reservoir has about 7,190 AFY of unpermitted yield that could meet the demand of new users. Atoka Reservoir was built by Oklahoma City, which holds water rights to the majority of the 92,067 AFY of dependable yield, while a lesser amount is allocated locally. Atoka Reservoir is fully allocated and expected to continue to supply its existing users in the future. Coalgate Reservoir supplies water to the City of Coalgate. The water supply yield is unknown; therefore, the ability of this reservoir to provide future water supplies could not be evaluated. Parker Lake is currently authorized for construction with an estimated yield of 45,900 AFY.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



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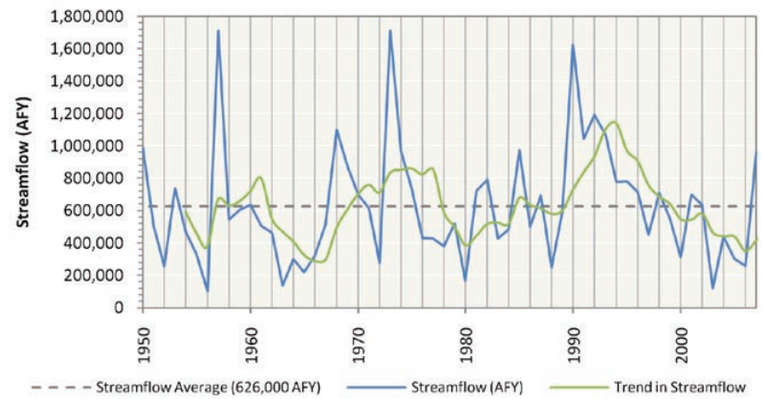

Streamflow Data Source
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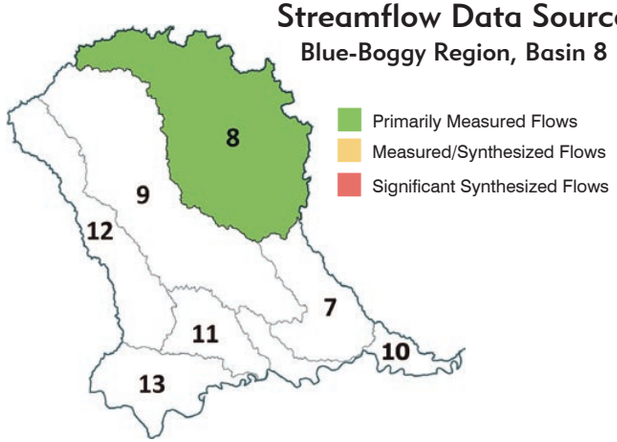

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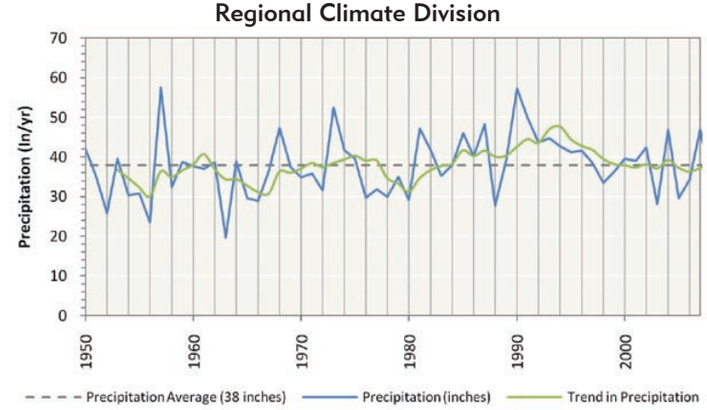
Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/acre	AFY
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	4%	300	270,000	2.1	53,100
Canadian	Alluvial	Major	<1%	700	11,000	temporary 2.0	3,600
Ashland Isolated Terrace	Alluvial	Minor	1%	0	27,000	temporary 2.0	12,500
East-Central Oklahoma	Bedrock	Minor	11%	2,300	1,195,000	temporary 2.0	150,600
Kiamichi	Bedrock	Minor	41%	500	386,000	temporary 2.0	562,300
Pennsylvanian	Bedrock	Minor	36%	700	4,083,000	temporary 2.0	497,000
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	300	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of groundwater rights in Basin 8 are in the East-Central Oklahoma minor bedrock aquifer. There are 300 AFY of groundwater rights in the Antlers major bedrock aquifer, which only underlies 4% of the basin. However, the basin provides about 4,000 AFY of recharge to the Antlers aquifer. There are additional permits in multiple minor bedrock aquifers and non-delineated minor alluvial aquifers. Site-specific information on the suitability of minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in Basin 8.

Notes & Assumptions

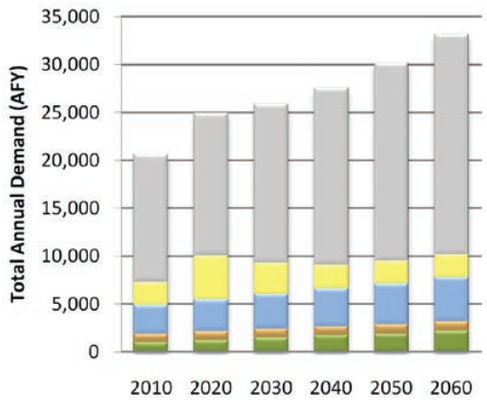
- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- Basin 8's water needs are about 40% of the demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 55% (13,540 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand and growth in demand over the period will be in the Thermoelectric Power demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 84% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 61% (12,530 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use and growth in surface water use over this period will be in the Thermoelectric Power demand sector.
- Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 3% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 65% (540 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of alluvial groundwater use and growth in alluvial groundwater use over this period will be in the Self-Supplied Residential demand sector.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 13% of total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 14% (460 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use, which will peak around 2020 because of anticipated Woodford Shale drilling activities. The largest sustained growth in bedrock groundwater use over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.

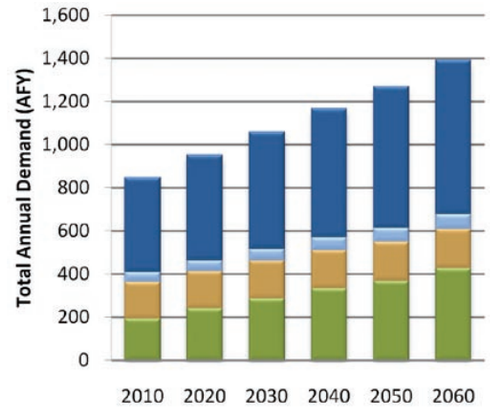
Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8



Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

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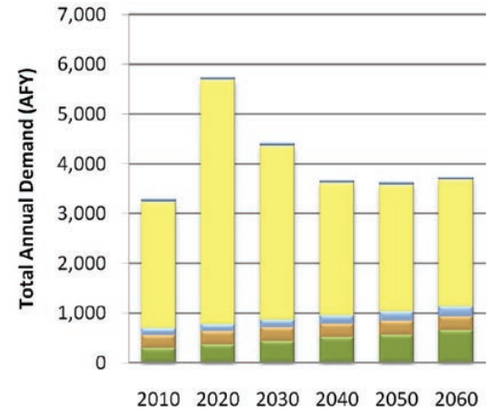


Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

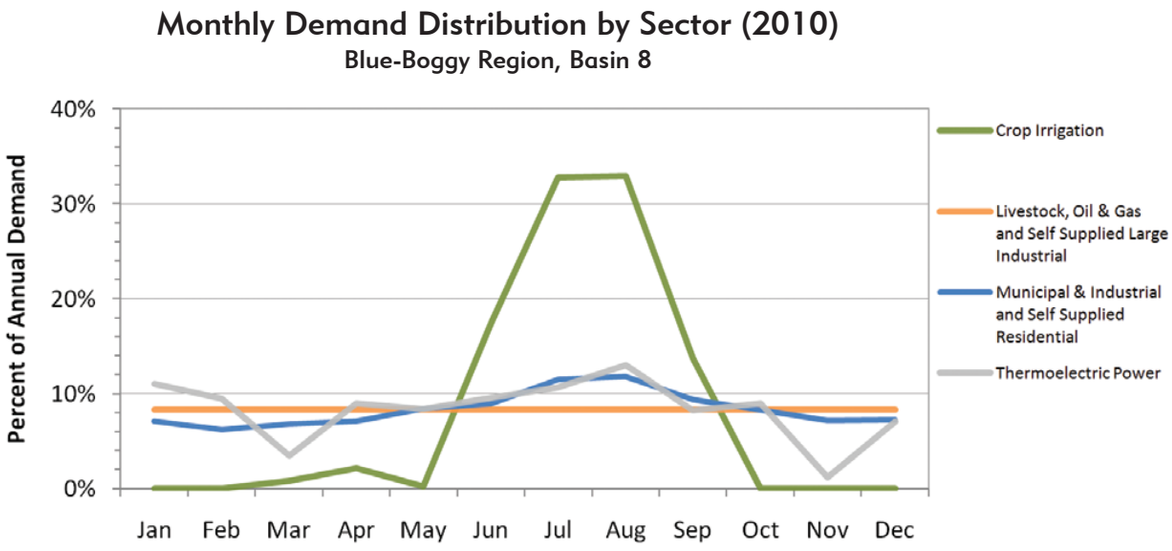
Total Demand by Sector

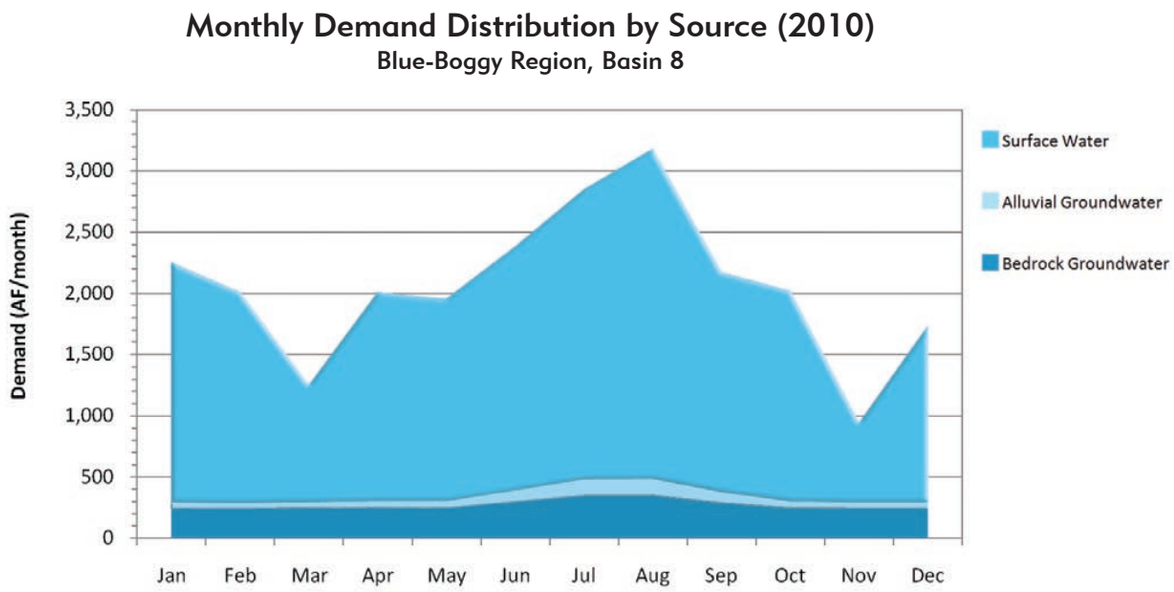
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	1,490	1,310	3,240	4,940	0	460	13,320	24,760
2020	1,840	1,330	3,550	9,520	0	510	14,860	31,610
2030	2,200	1,350	3,870	6,770	0	570	16,570	31,330
2040	2,560	1,370	4,200	5,160	0	620	18,490	32,400
2050	2,840	1,390	4,550	4,940	0	680	20,630	35,030
2060	3,280	1,410	4,910	4,940	0	750	23,010	38,300

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.





Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 57% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Thermoelectric Power demand is highest in August and lowest in November. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 3 is about 1.4 times the monthly winter demand, which is less pronounced than the overall statewide pattern. Monthly surface groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.4 times the monthly winter use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 2.7 times the monthly winter use. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.4 times the monthly winter use.

Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are projected to occur by 2020. Surface water gaps are not expected through 2060.
- Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 8 may occur in the winter, summer, and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in 2060 will be up to 36% (90 AF/month) of the alluvial groundwater demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 29% (20 AF/month) of the winter monthly alluvial groundwater demand. There will be a 59% probability of alluvial groundwater storage depletions occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions are most likely to occur during summer months.
- Bedrock groundwater storage depletions in Basin 8 may occur in the summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Bedrock groundwater depletions will be up to 1,910 AFY by 2020, but fall to 360 AFY by 2060. This is due to variability in Oil and Gas demand associated with the anticipated timing of Woodford Shale drilling activities. Bedrock groundwater storage depletions in 2060 will be 27% (130 AF/month) of the bedrock groundwater demand on average in the peak summer month, and 11% (40 AF/month) on average of the fall months' bedrock groundwater demand.
- Future alluvial and bedrock groundwater withdrawals are expected to occur from minor aquifers. Therefore, the severity of the storage depletions cannot be evaluated. Localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.
- McGee Creek Lake is capable of providing reliable water supplies to its existing users, and with new infrastructure, could supply sufficient water to meet all of Basin 8's future surface water demand during periods of low streamflow. However, any future use of this source would need to take existing water rights into consideration.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1] AF/month	Median Gap AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month	Median Storage Depletion AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	20	10	12%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	90	50	50%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	50	20	28%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	0	50	1,910	0%	24%
2030	0	70	600	0%	28%
2040	0	120	240	0%	40%
2050	0	180	260	0%	48%
2060	0	270	360	0%	59%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	130
Sep-Nov (Fall)	40

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs Through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/ Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	0	270	360	0%	59%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	0	250	320	0%	59%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	0	240	330	0%	59%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	230	300	0%	59%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	180	150	0%	52%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 8

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	1,600
500	2,700
1,000	3,800
2,500	6,900
5,000	12,100
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	5,700
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	5,000

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial, Self-Supplied Residential, and Crop Irrigation demand sectors could reduce alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions by about 15%. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts, and may not be effective given the high probability of depletions each year.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate groundwater storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified five potentially viable out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Tupelo in Basin 9; Bennington in Basin 11; Sandy Creek in Basin 12; and Albany Lake in Basin 13. However, in light of the unpermitted yield of McGee Creek Lake and distance to potential reservoirs, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for some users.

Reservoir Use

Use of unpermitted yield in McGee Creek Lake or new reservoir storage could be used to meet all of the basin's future demand during periods of low streamflow. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be supplied by a new river diversion and 5,700 AF of reservoir storage at the basin outlet. The use of multiple reservoirs in the basin or reservoirs upstream of the basin outlet may increase the amount of storage necessary to mitigate future groundwater depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study identified Parker (the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction) and Chickasaw as potentially viable sites in the basin.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, may create surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Site-specific information on the suitability of minor aquifers for supply should be considered before increased reliance on groundwater.

BASIN 8

Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 9

Basin 9 Summary

BASIN 9

Synopsis

- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on surface water and bedrock groundwater.
- By 2020, there is a low to moderate probability of surface water gaps from increased demand on existing supplies during low flow periods.
- Alluvial groundwater storage depletions from minor aquifers may occur by 2030. Localized storage depletions may cause adverse effects for users.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation or temporary drought management measures could reduce surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions.
- To mitigate surface water gaps, dependable groundwater supplies and/or developing new reservoirs could be used as alternatives. These supply sources could be used without major impacts to groundwater storage.

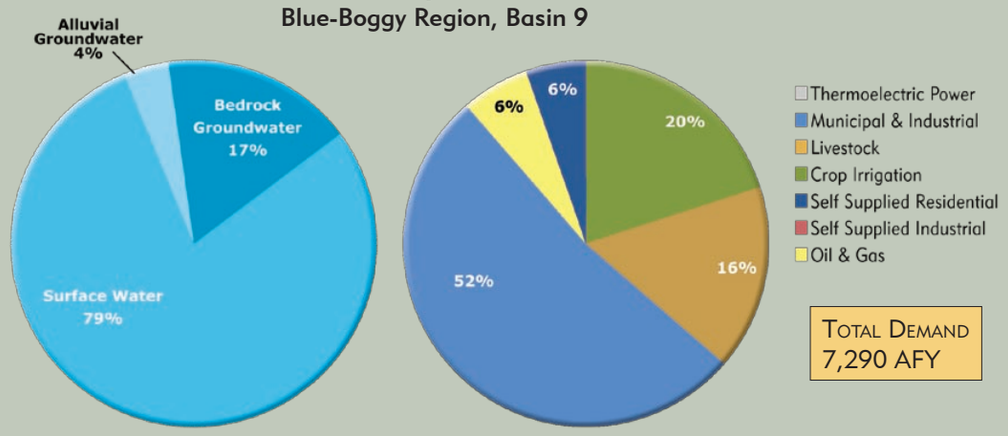
Basin 9 accounts for about 12% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 52% of the 2010 basin demand is from the Municipal and Industrial demand sector. Crop Irrigation is the second largest demand sector at 20%. Surface water satisfies about 79% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 21% of the current demand (4% alluvial and 17% bedrock). The peak summer month demand in Basin 9 is about 2.5 times the winter monthly demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern.

The flow in Clear Boggy Creek upstream of Muddy Boggy Creek is typically greater than 2,800 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 30,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the creek can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. There are no major reservoirs in this basin. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. The surface water quality in Basin 9 is considered fair relative to other basins in the state. Lake Creek, a small tributary, is impaired for Agricultural use due to high levels of chloride and total dissolved solids (TDS).

The majority of water rights in Basin 9 are from the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies much of the basin and is estimated to have over 3.6 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 9. There are substantial groundwater rights in the Arbuckle-Simpson major bedrock aquifer, but the aquifer only underlies 5% of the basin area. The USGS and OWRB are currently studying the aquifer in compliance with the 2003 Senate Bill 288 legislation to set a maximum annual yield and equal proportionate share. Permits for use

Current Demand by Source and Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

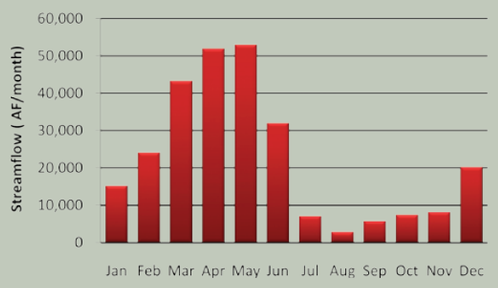


Water Resources

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

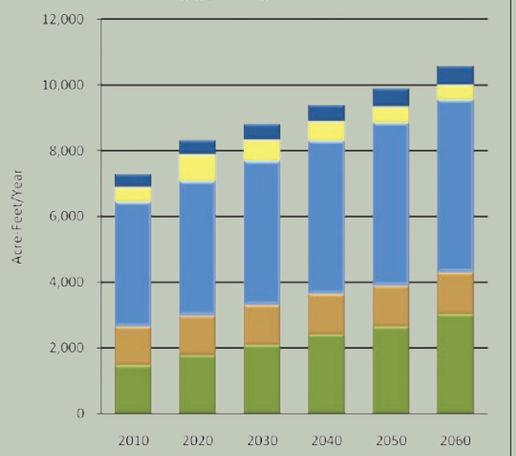
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



from the aquifer are currently temporary and permitted amounts are expected to decrease upon being made permanent. There are 100 AF of permits in the Red River major alluvial aquifer. Domestic users do not require a permit and may be obtaining supplies from major and minor alluvial aquifers in the basin. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 10,580 AFY in Basin 9 reflects a 3,290 AFY increase (45%) over the 2010 demand. The largest demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector, but the largest growth in demand will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps may occur by 2020, while alluvial groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2030. Surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 9 may occur during summer and fall. No bedrock groundwater storage depletions are expected through 2060 in this basin. Surface water gaps will be up to 1,400 AFY and have a 22% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Alluvial groundwater depletions will be up to 60 AFY and have a 22% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Future alluvial groundwater withdrawals are expected to occur from non-delineated minor aquifers. Therefore, the severity of the storage depletions could not be evaluated due to insufficient information. Localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water supplies and bedrock groundwater. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, gaps and storage depletions should be decreased where economically feasible.

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial, Self-Supplied Residential, and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater depletions. While temporary drought management activities may alleviate surface water gaps, permanent conservation activities may be more effective since there is a moderate probability of gaps. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts.

New out-of-basin supplies could be used to augment supplies and mitigate gaps and storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. This includes Parker Lake, in Basin 8, which is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction. However, due to the distance to out-of-basin supplies and presence of in-basin groundwater supplies, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for many users.

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate gaps and storage depletions. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 2,000 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Tupelo Lake as a potentially viable site in Basin 9.

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate alluvial groundwater storage depletions or surface water gaps, but may cause bedrock groundwater storage depletions. Any storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer. However, the aquifer underlies only about the southern half of the basin.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

BASIN 9

Basin 9 Data & Analysis

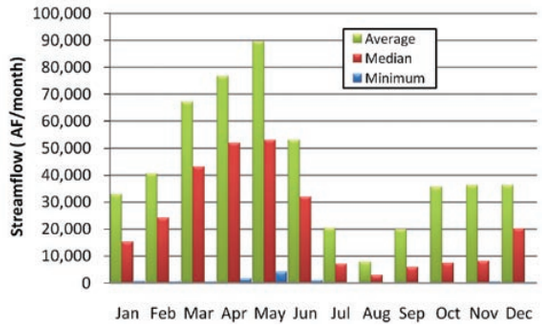
BASIN 9

Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The basin had a prolonged period of below-average streamflow in the 1960s, corresponding to a period of below-average precipitation. In the 1990s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The median flow in Clear Boggy Creek upstream of Muddy Boggy Creek is greater than 2,800 AF/month throughout the year and is greater than 30,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the creek can have periods of low to no flow in any month of the year. Relative to basins statewide, the surface water quality is in Basin 9 is considered fair.
- There are no major reservoirs in this basin.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

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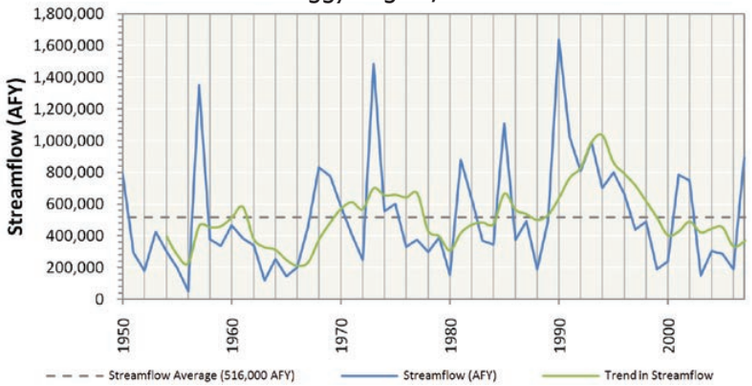
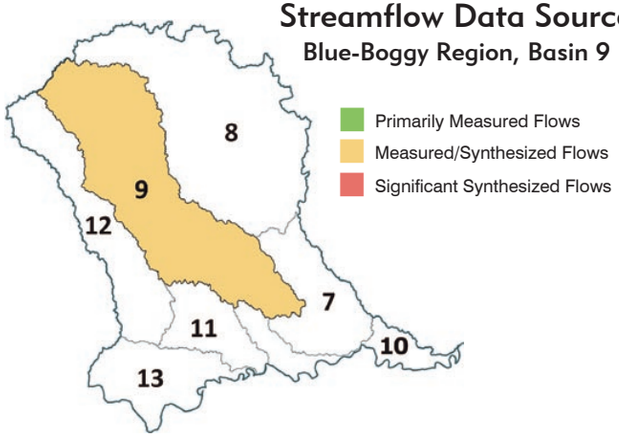


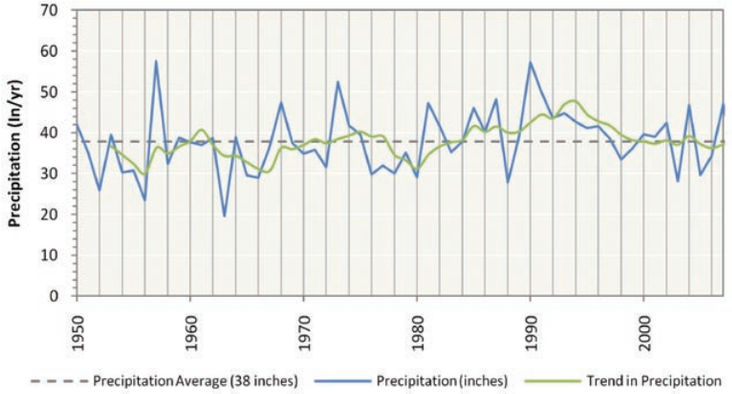
Streamflow Data Source

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Historical Precipitation

Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/acre	AFY
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	42%	3,500	3,623,000	2.1	560,800
Arbuckle-Simpson	Bedrock	Major	5%	1,000	892,000	temporary[2]	63,900
Kiamichi	Bedrock	Minor	7%	0	60,000	temporary 2.0	89,600
Pennsylvanian	Bedrock	Minor	22%	900	2,303,000	temporary 2.0	281,400
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	13%	0	1,293,000	temporary 2.0	166,400
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	300	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

2 Pursuant to 82 O.S. § 1020.9(A)(2), the temporary allocation for the Arbuckle-Simpson groundwater basin is subject to the OWRB's case-by case determination of what amount will not likely degrade or interfere with springs or streams emanating from the Arbuckle-Simpson.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of water rights in Basin 9 are from the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies the southern portion of the basin (about 40% of the basin area) and is estimated to have more than 3.6 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 9. There are substantial groundwater rights in the Arbuckle-Simpson major bedrock aquifer, but the aquifer only underlies 5% of the basin area. The USGS and OWRB are currently studying the aquifer in compliance with the 2003 Senate Bill 288 legislation to set a maximum annual yield and equal proportionate share. Permits to the aquifer are currently temporary and permitted amounts are expected to decrease upon being made permanent. The need to dedicate more land to access existing or future supplies may make the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer less cost-effective for some users. Basin 9 contributes about 40,000 AFY of recharge to major bedrock aquifers, largely to the Antlers aquifer. There are also permits in minor bedrock aquifers. Site-specific information on the suitability of minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

Notes & Assumptions

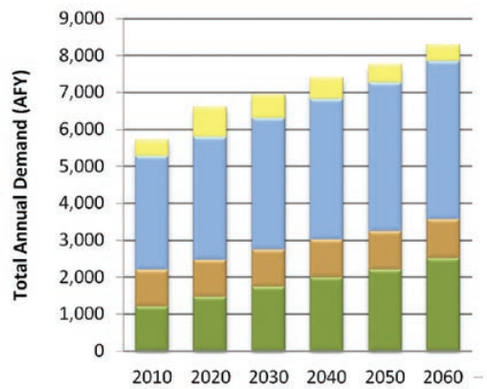
- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- The water needs of Basin 9 are about 12% of the total demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 45% (3,290 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The largest demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector, but the largest growth in demand will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 69% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 45% (2,550 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use and growth in surface water use over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial and Crop Irrigation demand sectors.
- Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 3% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 48% (150 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. Alluvial groundwater use will be from the Self-Supplied Residential demand sector.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet about 28% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 48% (590 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use and growth in bedrock groundwater use over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

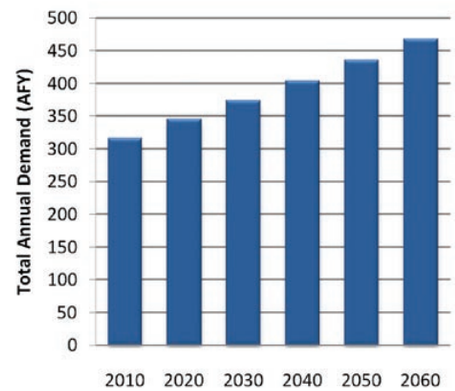
Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

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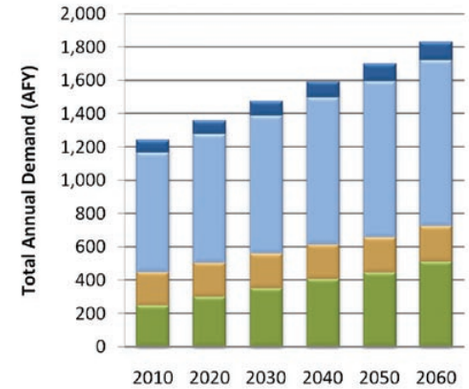


Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

Total Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

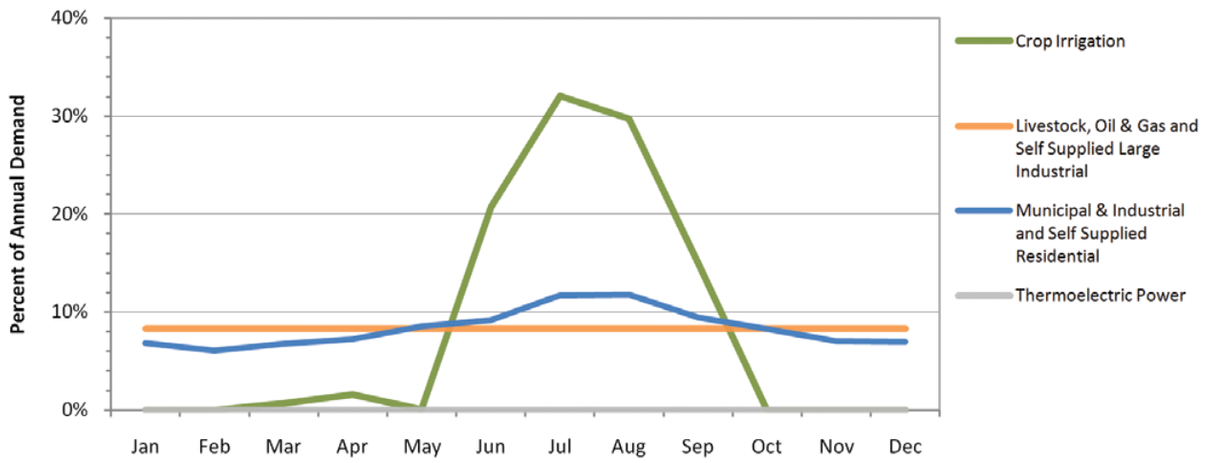
Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	1,460	1,190	3,810	440	0	390	0	7,290
2020	1,770	1,200	4,110	810	0	430	0	8,320
2030	2,090	1,220	4,390	660	0	460	0	8,820
2040	2,400	1,230	4,680	590	0	500	0	9,400
2050	2,640	1,250	4,970	490	0	540	0	9,890
2060	3,020	1,270	5,270	440	0	580	0	10,580

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.

Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9



Monthly Demand Distribution by Source (2010)

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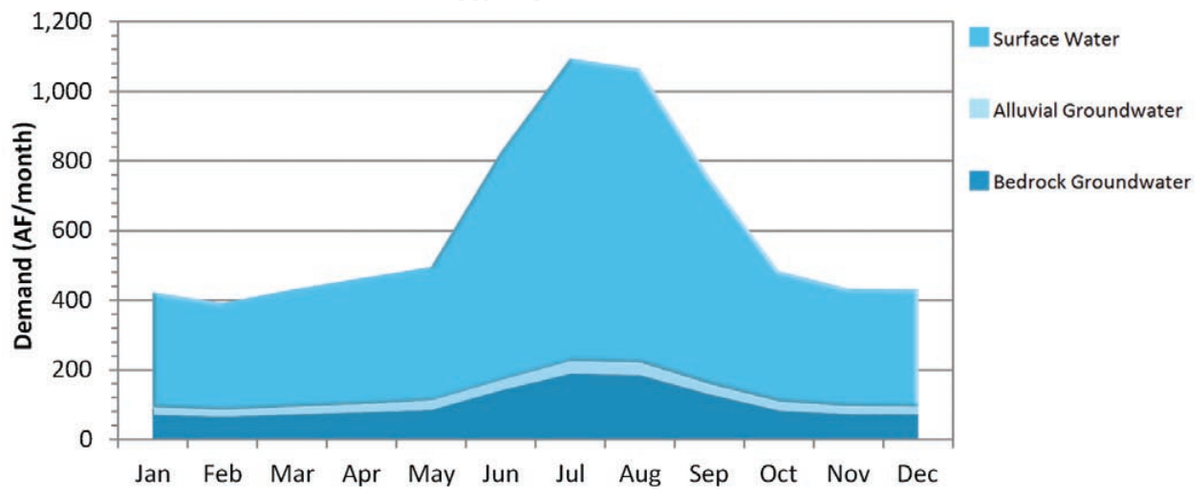


Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 64% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 9 is about 2.5 times the monthly winter demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern. Surface water use in the peak summer month is about 2.7 times the monthly winter use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.7 times the monthly winter use. Bedrock groundwater use in the peak summer month is about 2.2 times the monthly winter use.

Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps may occur by 2020, while alluvial groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2030. No bedrock groundwater depletions are expected through 2060 in this basin. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.
- Surface water gaps in Basin 9 may occur during summer and fall. Surface water gaps in 2060 will be up to 36% (510 AF/month) of the surface water demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 32% (290 AF/month) of the fall monthly surface water demand. There will be a 22% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps have similar probabilities of occurring in both summer and fall months.
- Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 9 may occur during summer and fall. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in 2060 will be up to 40% (20 AF/month) of the alluvial groundwater demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 25% (10 AF/month) of the fall monthly alluvial groundwater demand. There will be a 22% probability of alluvial groundwater storage depletions occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions have similar probabilities of occurring in both summer and fall months.
- Future alluvial groundwater withdrawals are expected to occur from non-delineated minor aquifers. Therefore, the severity of the storage depletions cannot be evaluated due to insufficient information.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1] AF/month	Median Gap AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	510	490	19%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	290	290	14%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month	Median Storage Depletion AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	20	20	17%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	10	10	14%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	400	20	0	16%	12%
2030	620	30	0	19%	14%
2040	880	40	0	22%	17%
2050	1,090	60	0	22%	21%
2060	1,400	60	0	22%	22%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs Through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	1,400	60	0	22%	22%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	1,200	60	0	22%	21%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	1,120	50	0	22%	19%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	1,020	30	0	22%	19%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	490	30	0	19%	14%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 9

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	200
500	800
1,000	1,700
2,500	4,100
5,000	8,300
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	2,000
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	1,600

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial, Self-Supplied Residential, and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps by 27% and alluvial groundwater depletions by about 50%. Permanent conservation activities may be more effective than temporary drought management activities, since there is a moderate probability of surface water gaps. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

New out-of-basin supplies could be used to augment supplies and mitigate gaps and storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Chickasaw and Parker in Basin 8; Bennington in Basin 11; Sandy Creek in Basin 12; and Albany in Basin 13. (Parker Lake is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction.) However, due to the distance to out-of-basin supplies and presence of in-basin groundwater supplies, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for many users.

Reservoir Use

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate gaps and storage depletions. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 2,000 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Tupelo Lake as a potentially viable site in Basin 9. The use of multiple reservoirs in the basin or reservoirs upstream of the basin outlet may increase the amount of storage necessary to mitigate future gaps and storage depletions.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water supplies, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate alluvial groundwater storage depletions or surface water gaps, but may cause bedrock storage depletions. Any storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer. However, the aquifer underlies only about the southern half of the basin.

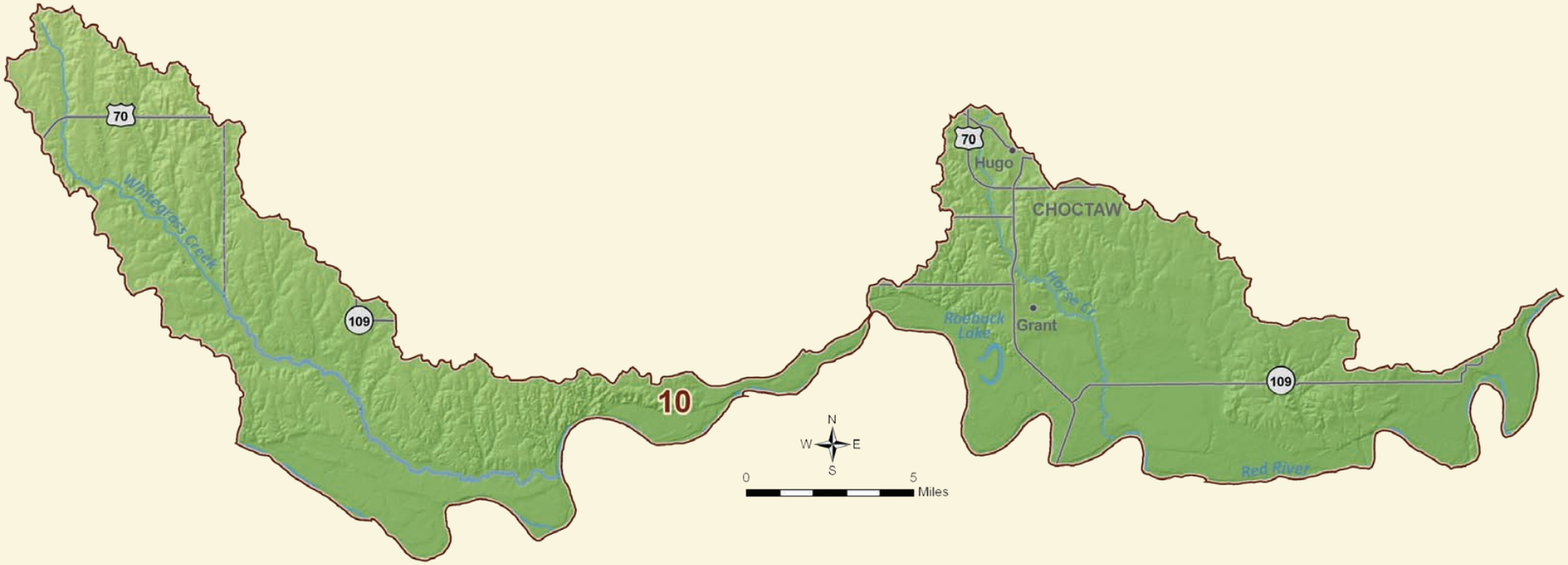
Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 10



Basin 10 Summary

Synopsis

- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on surface water.
- By 2040, there is a very low probability of surface water gaps from increased demands on existing supplies during low flow periods.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation or temporary drought management measures could reduce surface water gaps.
- To mitigate surface water gaps, dependable groundwater supplies and/or developing new small reservoirs could be used as alternatives. These supply sources could be used without major impacts to groundwater storage.

BASIN 10

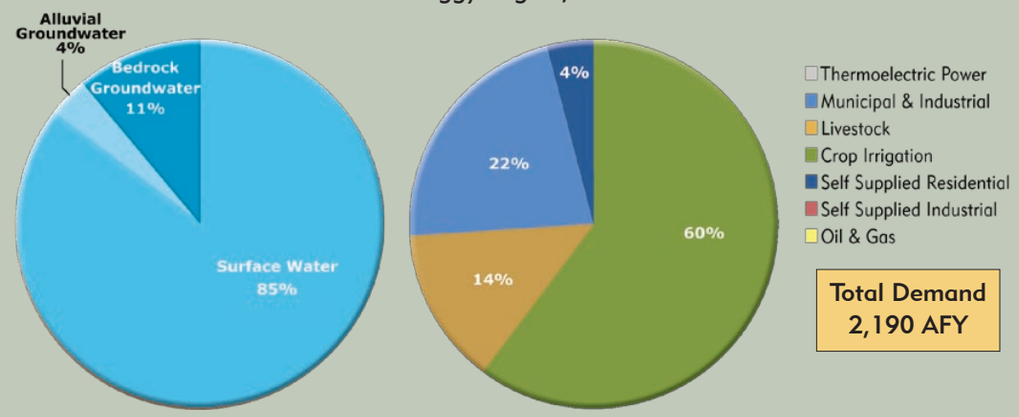
Basin 10 accounts for about 4% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 60% of the 2010 basin demand is from the Crop Irrigation demand sector. Municipal and Industrial is the second largest demand sector at 22%. Surface water satisfies about 85% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 15% of the current demand (4% alluvial and 11% bedrock). The peak summer month demand in Basin 10 is about 9 times the winter monthly demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern.

The flow in tributaries to the Red River is typically greater than 1,300 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 6,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the tributaries can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. There are no major reservoirs in this basin. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. With the exception of the Red River, the surface water quality in Basin 10 is considered good relative to other basins in the state. No water bodies in this basin are impaired for Public and Private Water Supply or Agricultural use.

The majority of water rights in Basin 10 are from the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin and is estimated to have over 2.9 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 10. The aquifer receives an estimated 7,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 10. There are 100 AFY of permits in the Red

Current Demand by Source and Sector

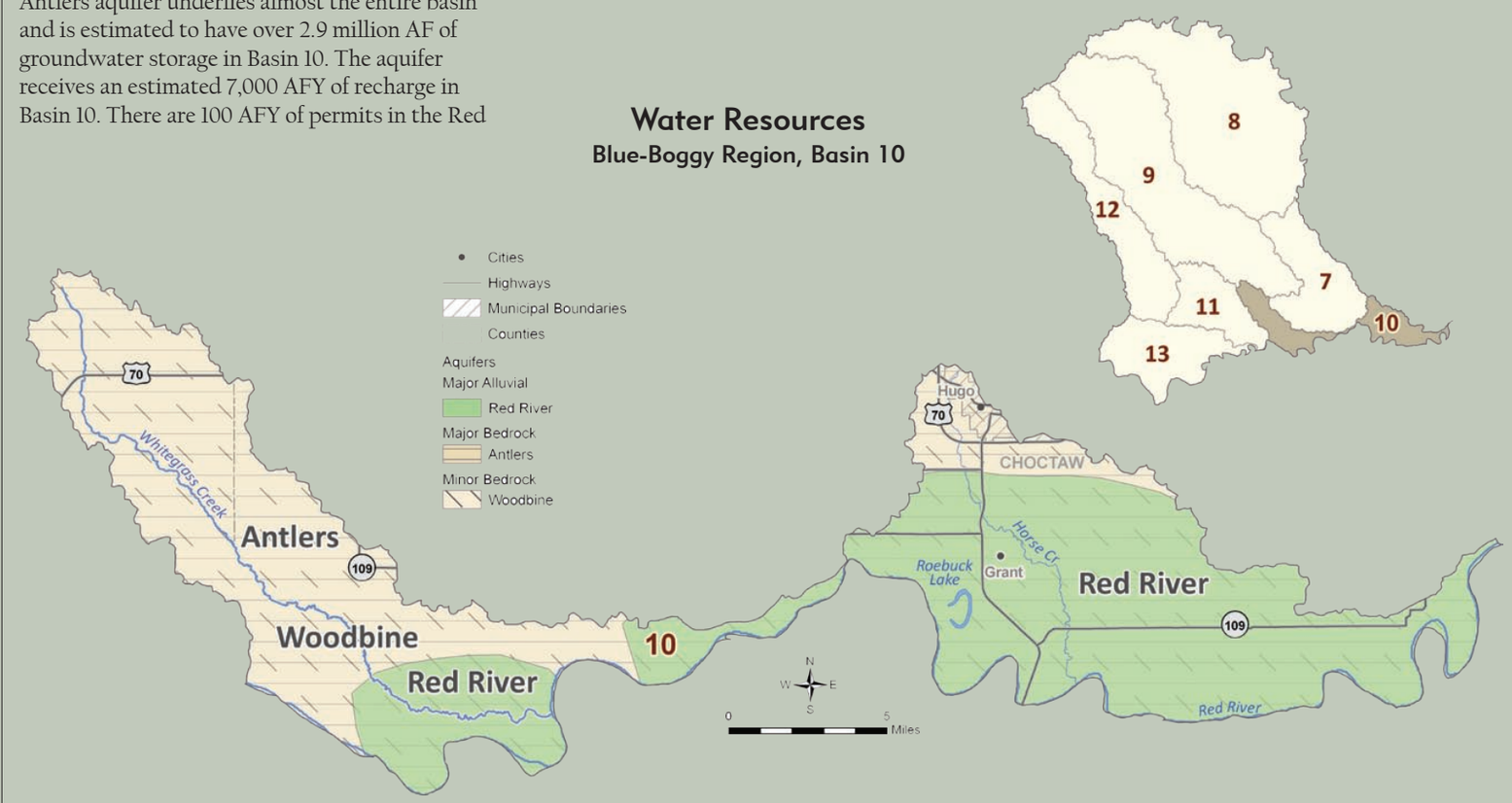
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Total Demand 2,190 AFY

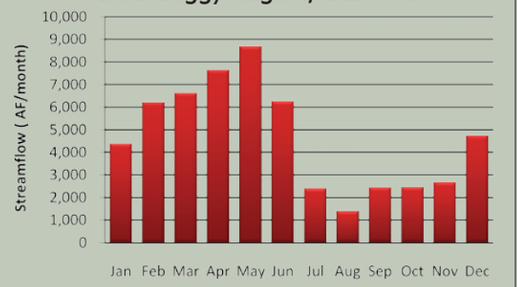
Water Resources

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



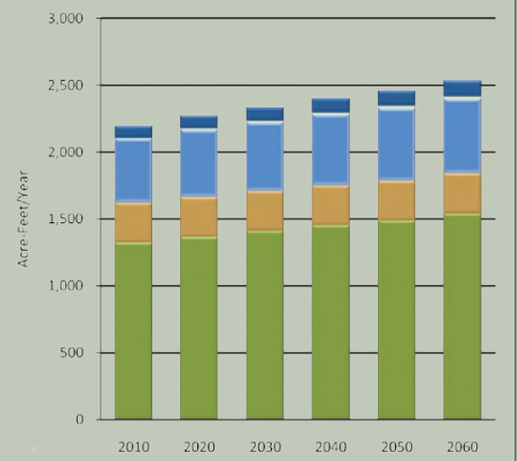
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



River major alluvial aquifer. Domestic use does not require a permit and is supplied by major and minor alluvial aquifers in the basin. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 2,540 AFY in Basin 10 reflects a 350 AFY increase (16%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand and growth in demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps may occur by 2040. Surface water gaps are expected to be up to 60 AFY and have a 3% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in Basin 10 may occur during the summer and fall. No alluvial or bedrock groundwater depletions are expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water supplies. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, surface water gaps should be decreased where economically feasible.

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps. In light of the very low probability of gaps each year, temporary drought management activities could also potentially mitigate surface water gaps.

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate surface water gaps. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified seven potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. This includes Parker Lake, in Basin 8, which is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction. However, in light of the low probability of gaps, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective.

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 100 AF of storage at the basin outlet.

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

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Basin 10 Data & Analysis

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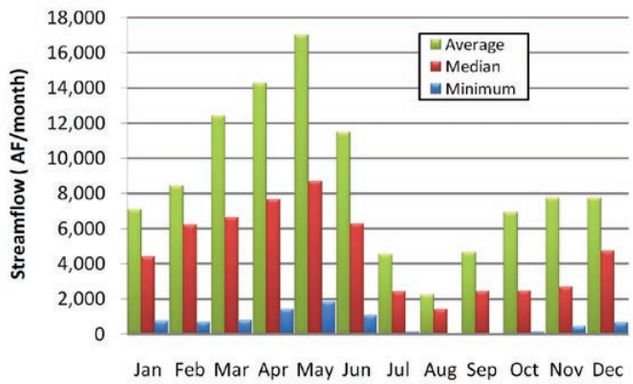
Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The basin had a prolonged period of below-average streamflow in the 1960s, corresponding to a period of below-average precipitation. In the 1990s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The Red River is not currently used as a water supply source due to water quality constraints. The median flow in tributaries to the Red River is greater than 1,300 AF/month throughout the year and is greater than 6,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the tributaries can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. With the exception of the Red River, the surface water quality in Basin 10 is considered good relative to basins statewide.
- There are no major reservoirs in the basin.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
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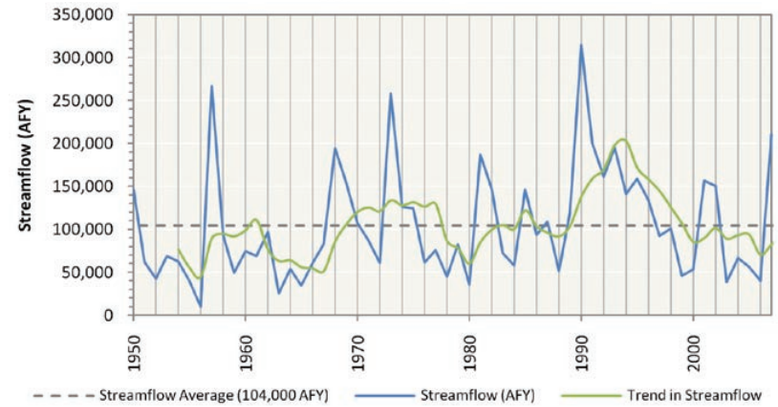
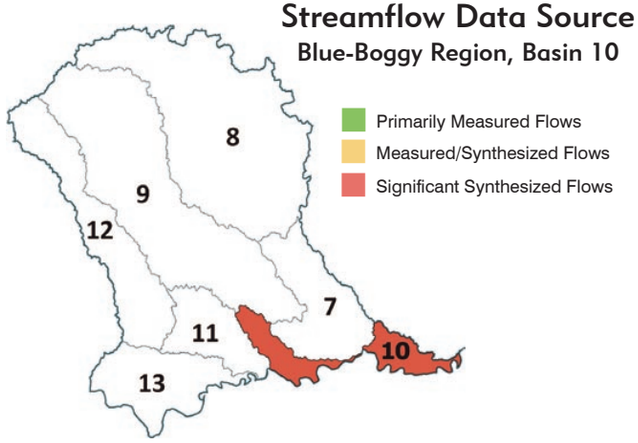
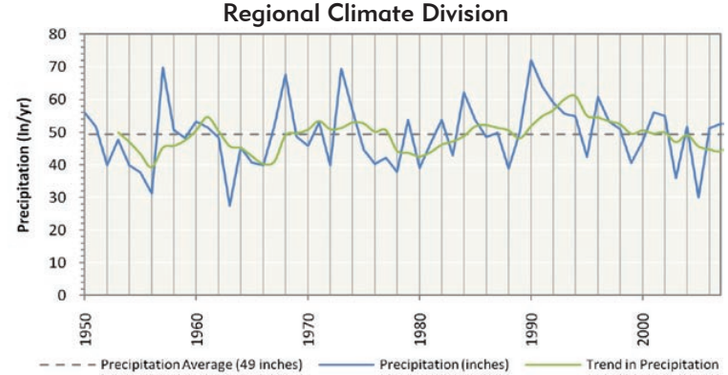


Streamflow Data Source
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Historical Precipitation
Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/acre	AFY
Red River	Alluvial	Major	55%	100	248,000	temporary 2.0	152,600
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	99%	3,600	2,960,000	2.1	286,900
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	99%	0	2,188,000	temporary 2.0	281,600
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of water rights in Basin 10 are from the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin and is estimated to have more than 2.9 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 10. The aquifer receives an estimated 7,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 10. There are 100 AFY of permits in the Red River major alluvial aquifer.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

Notes & Assumptions

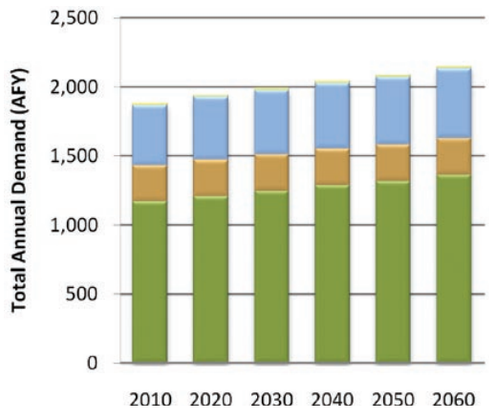
- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- The water needs of Basin 10 are about 4% of the total demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 15% (350 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand and growth in demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 85% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 15% (280 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use and growth in surface water use over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.
- Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 4% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 32% (30 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. Almost all of alluvial groundwater use and growth in alluvial groundwater use over this period will be in the Self-Supplied Residential demand sector.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 11% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 15% (40 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use and growth in bedrock groundwater use over this period will be in Crop Irrigation demand sector.

Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

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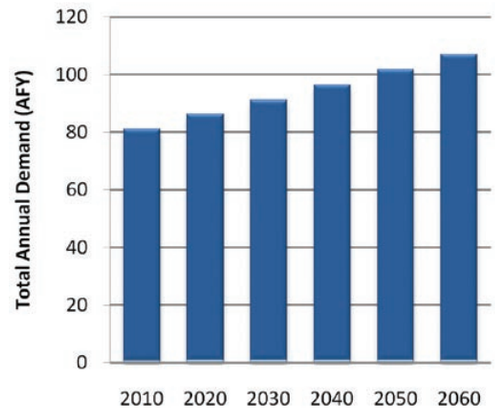
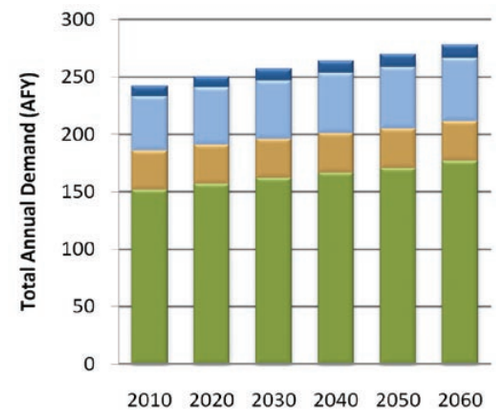


Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

Total Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

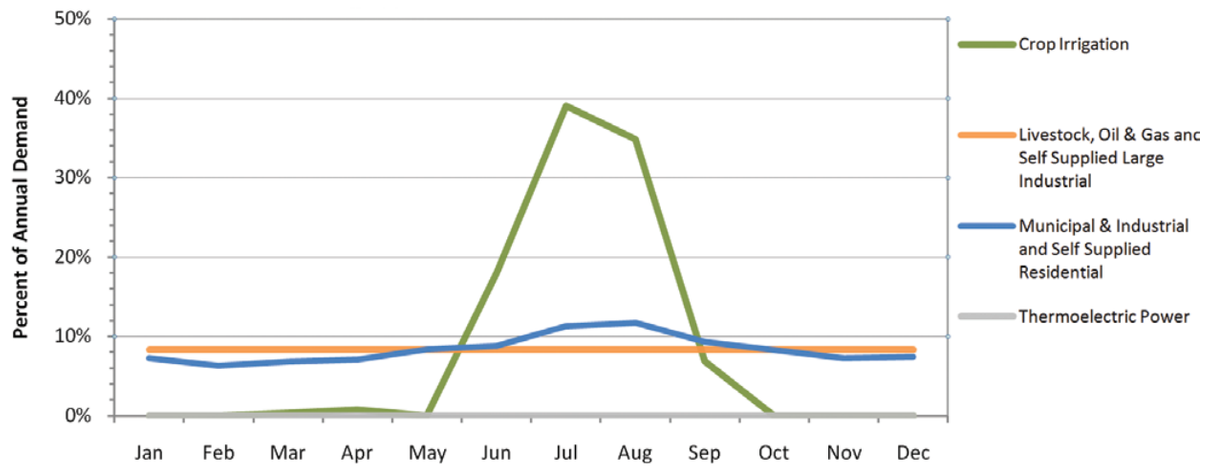
Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	1,320	300	480	0	0	90	0	2,190
2020	1,360	300	510	10	0	90	0	2,270
2030	1,410	300	520	10	0	100	0	2,340
2040	1,450	300	530	10	0	110	0	2,400
2050	1,490	300	550	10	0	110	0	2,460
2060	1,540	300	560	20	0	120	0	2,540

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.

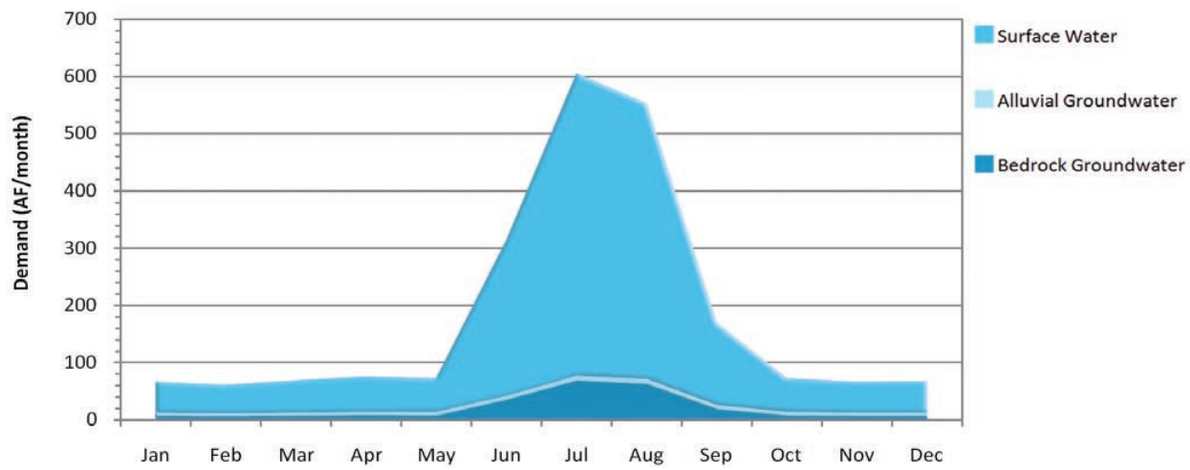
Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Monthly Demand Distribution by Source (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10



Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 52% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 10 is about 9 times the winter monthly demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern. Surface water use in the peak summer month is about 10 times the winter monthly use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.6 times the monthly winter use. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 10 times the monthly winter use.

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Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps may occur by 2040. No alluvial or bedrock groundwater storage depletions are expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.
- Surface water gaps in Basin 10 may occur during the summer and fall. There will be a 3% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in 2060 will be up to 9% (50 AF/month) of the surface water demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 6% (10 AF/month) of the fall monthly surface water demand. Surface water gaps have a similar low probability of occurring in both summer and fall.

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Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap [1]	Median Gap	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	50	40	3%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	10	10	2%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]	Median Storage Depletion	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	0	0	0	0%	0%
2030	0	0	0	0%	0%
2040	20	0	0	2%	0%
2050	40	0	0	3%	0%
2060	60	0	0	3%	0%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]
	AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amount shown represents the largest amount for any one month in the season indicated.

Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/ Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	60	0	0	3%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	30	0	0	3%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	30	0	0	3%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	10	0	0	2%	0%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 10

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	400
500	1,000
1,000	1,800
2,500	4,100
5,000	7,500
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	100
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	100

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps by about 80%. In light of the very low probability of gaps each year, temporary drought management activities could also potentially mitigate surface water gaps.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified seven potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Chickasaw and Parker in Basin 8; Tupelo in Basin 9; Bennington in Basin 11; Sandy Creek in Basin 12; and Albany in Basin 13. (Parker Lake is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction.) Due to the distance to this and other reliable supplies, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for some users.

Reservoir Use

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 100 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The use of multiple reservoirs in the basin or reservoirs upstream of the basin outlet may increase the amount of storage necessary to mitigate future surface water gaps. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study did not identify a feasible reservoir site in Basin 10.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer.

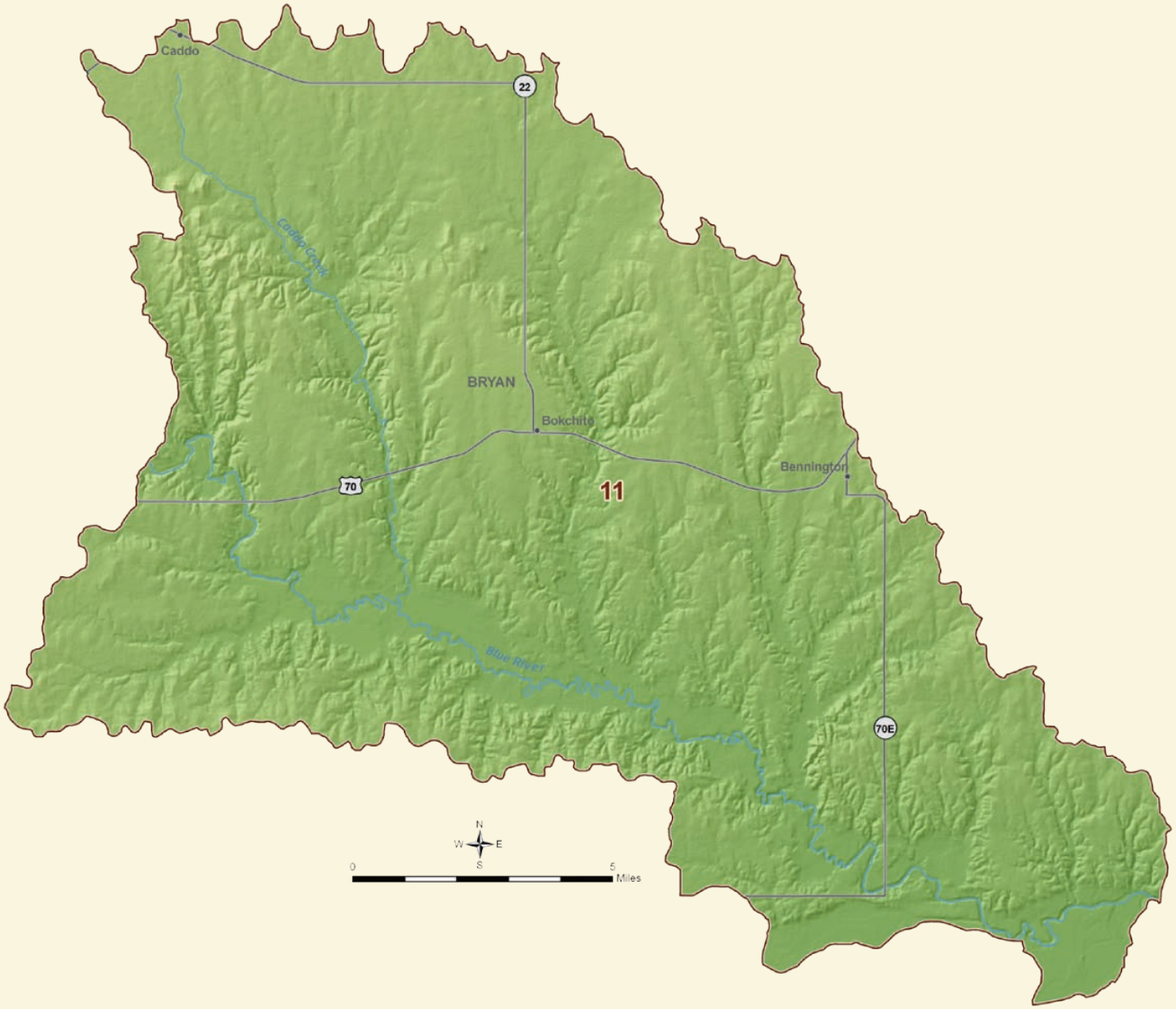
Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 11



Basin 11 Summary

Synopsis

- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on surface water and bedrock groundwater.
- By 2040, there is a very low probability of surface water gaps from increased demands on existing supplies during low flow periods.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation or temporary drought management measures could mitigate surface water gaps.
- Developing additional dependable groundwater supplies and/or new small reservoirs could mitigate surface water gaps without major impacts to groundwater storage.

Basin 11 accounts for about 7% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 73% of the basin's 2010 demand is from the Crop Irrigation demand sector. Municipal and Industrial is the second largest demand sector at 15%. Surface water satisfies about 83% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 17% of the current demand (1% alluvial and 16% bedrock). The peak summer month demand in Basin 11 is about 15 times the winter monthly demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern.

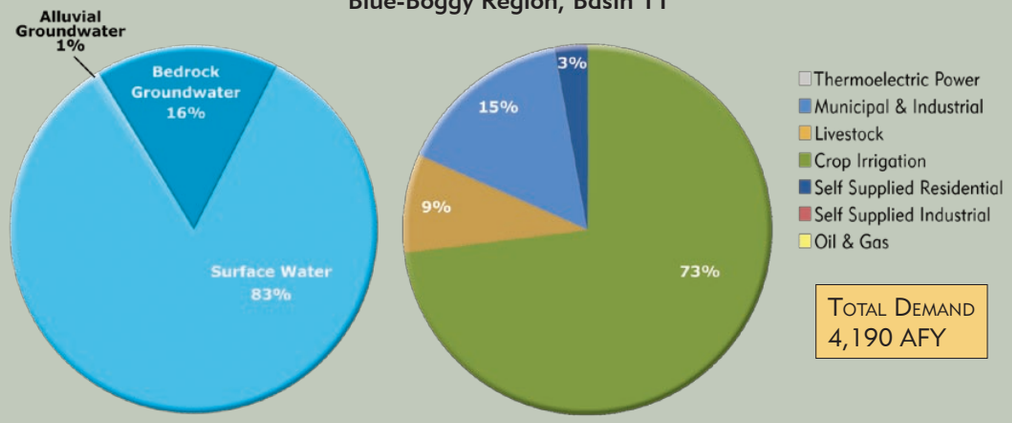
The flow in the Blue River upstream of the Red River is typically greater than 4,300 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 19,500 AF/month in the spring and early summer. However, the river can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. There are no major reservoirs in this basin. Relative to other basins in the state, the surface water quality in Basin 11 is considered good. There are no water bodies in the basin impaired for Public and Private Water Supply or Agricultural use.

The majority of water rights in Basin 11 are from the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies the entire basin and is estimated to have over 2.6 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 11. The aquifer receives an estimated 4,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 11. Domestic users do not require a permit and may be obtaining supplies from major and minor alluvial aquifers in the basin. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 4,810 AFY in Basin 11 reflects a 620 AFY increase (14%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in demand will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

Current Demand by Source and Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11



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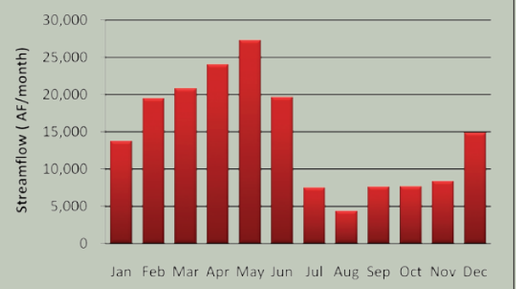

Projected Water Demand

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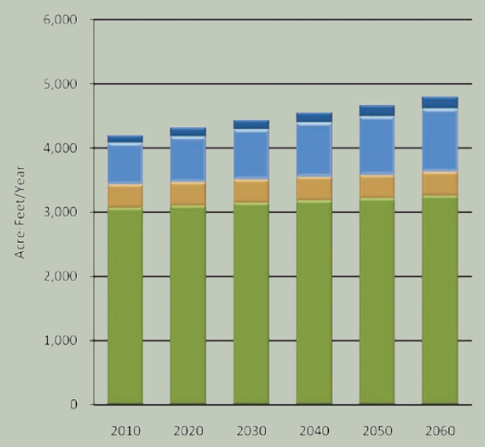

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps are projected to occur by 2040. Surface water gaps are expected to be up to 50 AFY and have a 3% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in Basin 11 may occur during summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water supplies and to a lesser extent, bedrock groundwater. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, surface water gaps should be decreased where economically feasible.

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Crop Irrigation demand sector could mitigate surface water gaps. Due to the small size and low probability of gaps, temporary drought management may be effective in reducing surface water use and eliminating gaps.

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate surface water gaps. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. This includes Parker Lake, in Basin 8, which is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction. However, in light of the distance to these supplies and low probability of gaps, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective.

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 100 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Bennington Reservoir as a potentially viable reservoir site in Basin 11.

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal · Potential · Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective · Potentially Effective · Likely Ineffective · No Option Necessary

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Basin 11 Data & Analysis

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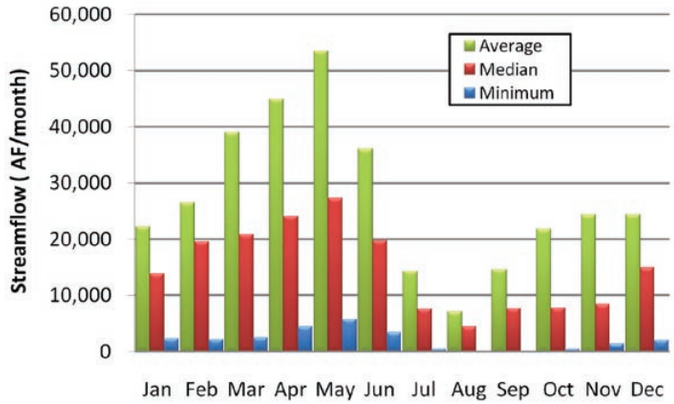
Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The Blue River upstream of the Red River had a prolonged period of below-average streamflow in the 1960s, corresponding to a period of below-average precipitation. From the late 1980s to the late 1990s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The median flow in the Blue River upstream of Red River is greater than 4,300 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 19,500 AF/month in the spring and early summer. However, the river can have prolonged periods of low flow in any month of the year. Relative to other basins in the state, the surface water quality in Basin 11 is considered good.
- There are no major reservoirs in the basin.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11



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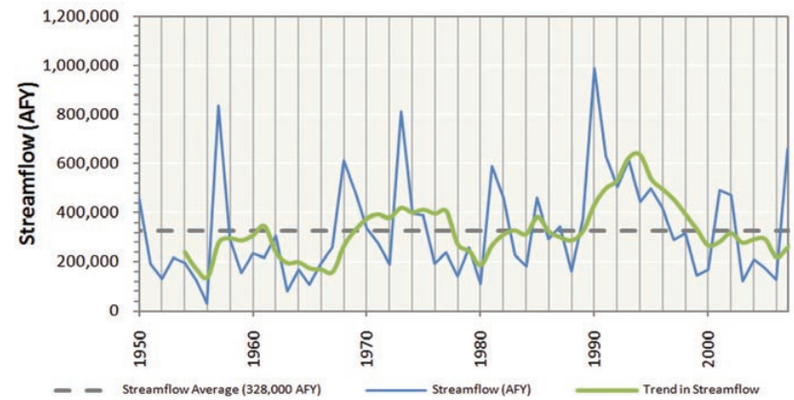

Streamflow Data Source

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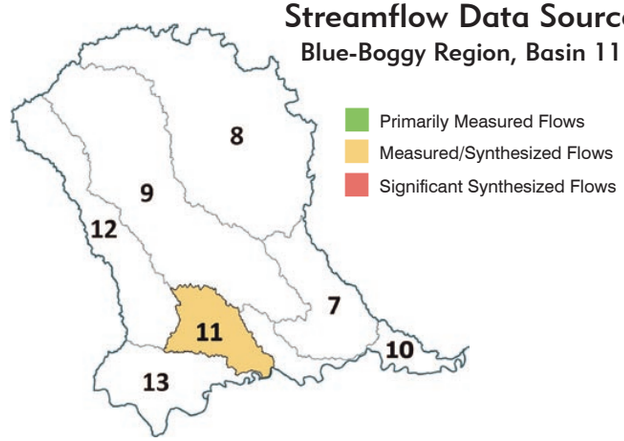
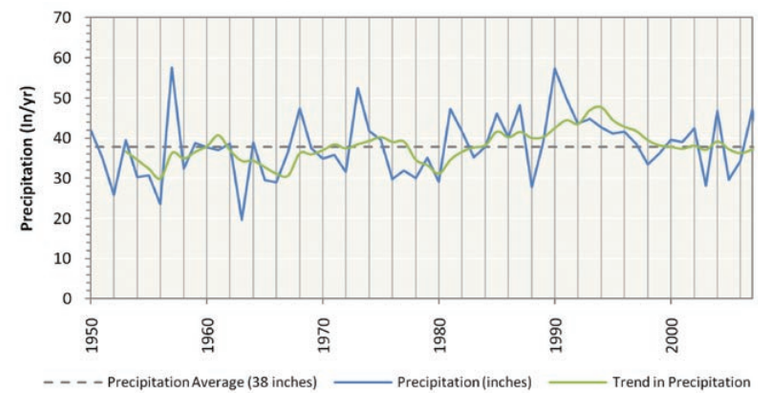


Historical Precipitation

Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/Acre	AFY
Red River	Alluvial	Major	8%	0	45,000	temporary 2.0	25,600
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	100%	1,900	2,622,000	2.1	292,600
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	100%	0	2,188,000	temporary 2.0	281,600
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

Groundwater Resources

- All current groundwater rights in Basin 11 are in the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer has over 2.6 million AF of storage in Basin 11 and underlies all of the basin. The estimated recharge to the Antlers aquifer from Basin 11 is 4,000 AFY.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in Basin 11.

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Notes & Assumptions

- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- The water needs of Basin 11 are about 7% of the total demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 14% (620 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in demand will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 83% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 8% (280 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use and growth in surface water use over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector.
- Alluvial groundwater use is in the Self-Supplied Residential Demand sector, supplying 1% of the total demand in the basin. Its use will increase by 53% (20 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. This increase in demand is minimal on a basin scale.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 16% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 45% (320 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use and growth in bedrock groundwater use over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

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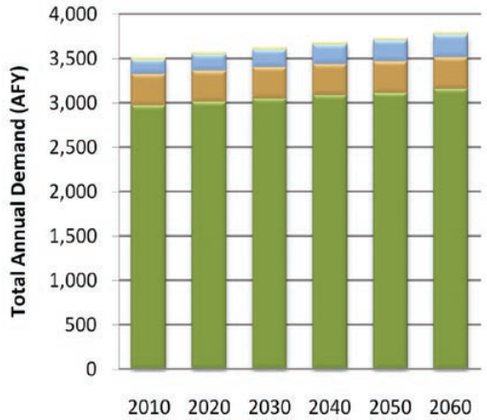
Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

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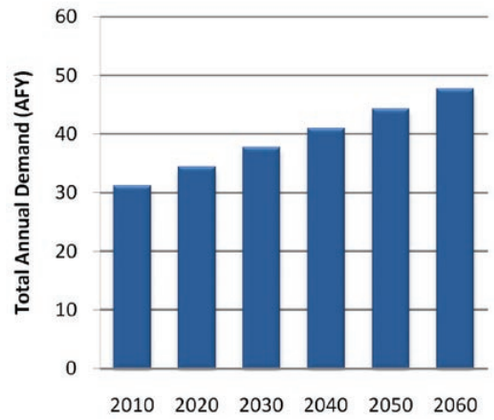

Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

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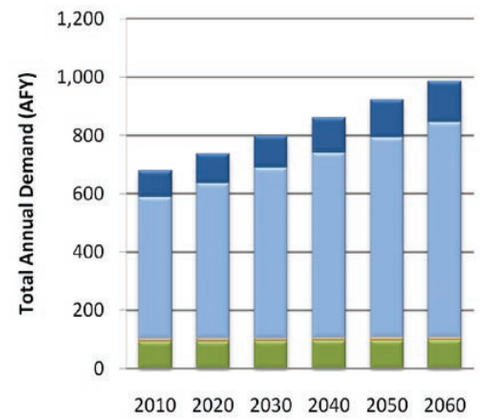


Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

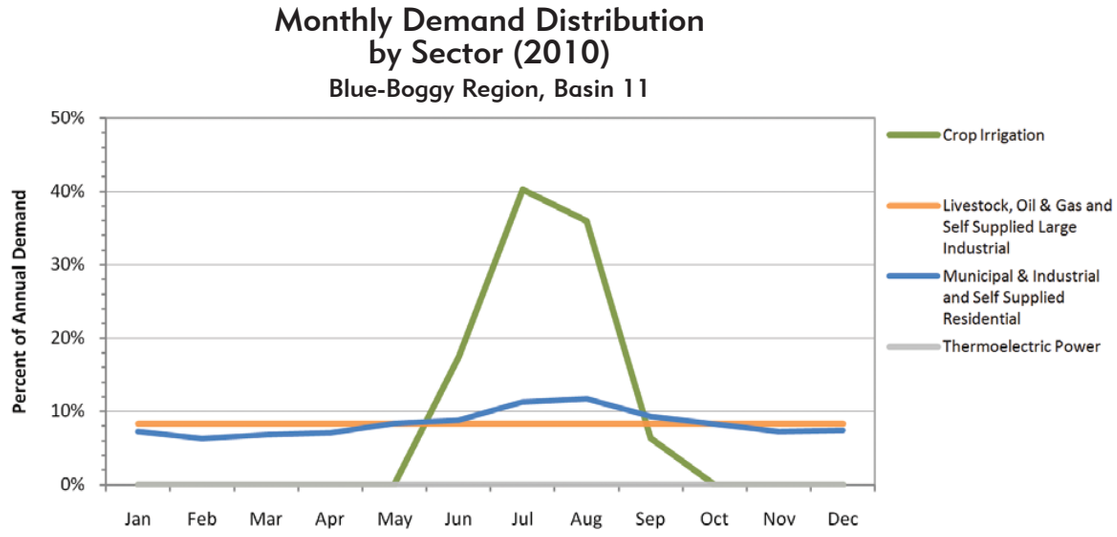
Total Demand by Sector

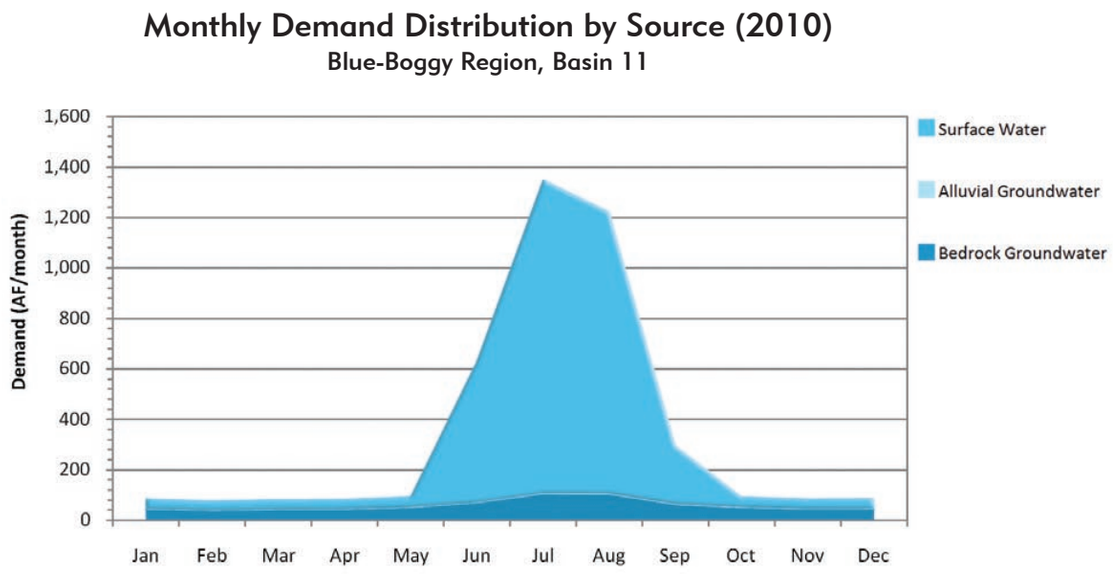
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	3,060	360	650	0	0	120	0	4,190
2020	3,100	360	710	0	0	140	0	4,310
2030	3,140	360	780	0	0	150	0	4,430
2040	3,180	360	850	0	0	160	0	4,550
2050	3,210	370	920	0	0	170	0	4,670
2060	3,260	370	990	0	0	190	0	4,810

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.





Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 52% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 11 is about 15 times the winter demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern. Surface water use in the peak summer month is about 30 times the winter monthly use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 1.6 times the monthly winter use. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 2.4 times the monthly winter use.

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Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps are projected to occur by 2040. Alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.
- Surface water gaps in Basin 11 may occur during summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. There will be a 3% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in 2060 will be up to 3% (40 AF/month) of the surface water demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 2% (10 AF/month) of the fall monthly surface water demand. Surface water gaps have a similar low probability in both summer and fall.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1]	Median Gap	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	40	35	3%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	10	10	2%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]	Median Storage Depletion	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AF			Percent	
2020	0	0	0	0%	0%
2030	0	0	0	0%	0%
2040	20	0	0	2%	0%
2050	30	0	0	3%	0%
2060	50	0	0	3%	0%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]
	AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

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Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	50	0	0	3%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	50	0	0	3%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	0	0%	0%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 11

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	500
500	1,600
1,000	2,600
2,500	5,600
5,000	10,000
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	100
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	100

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Crop Irrigation demand sector could mitigate surface water gaps. Due to the small size and low probability of gaps, temporary drought management may be effective in reducing surface water use and eliminating gaps.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

Out-of-basin supplies could be developed to mitigate surface water gaps. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Chickasaw and Parker in Basin 8; Tupelo in Basin 9; Sandy Creek in Basin 12; and Albany in Basin 13. (Parker Lake is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction.) However, in light of the distance to these supplies and low probability of gaps, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective.

Reservoir Use

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 100 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Bennington Reservoir as a potentially viable reservoir site in Basin 11. The use of multiple reservoirs in the basin or reservoirs upstream of the basin outlet may increase the amount of storage necessary to mitigate future surface water gaps.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Antlers aquifer.

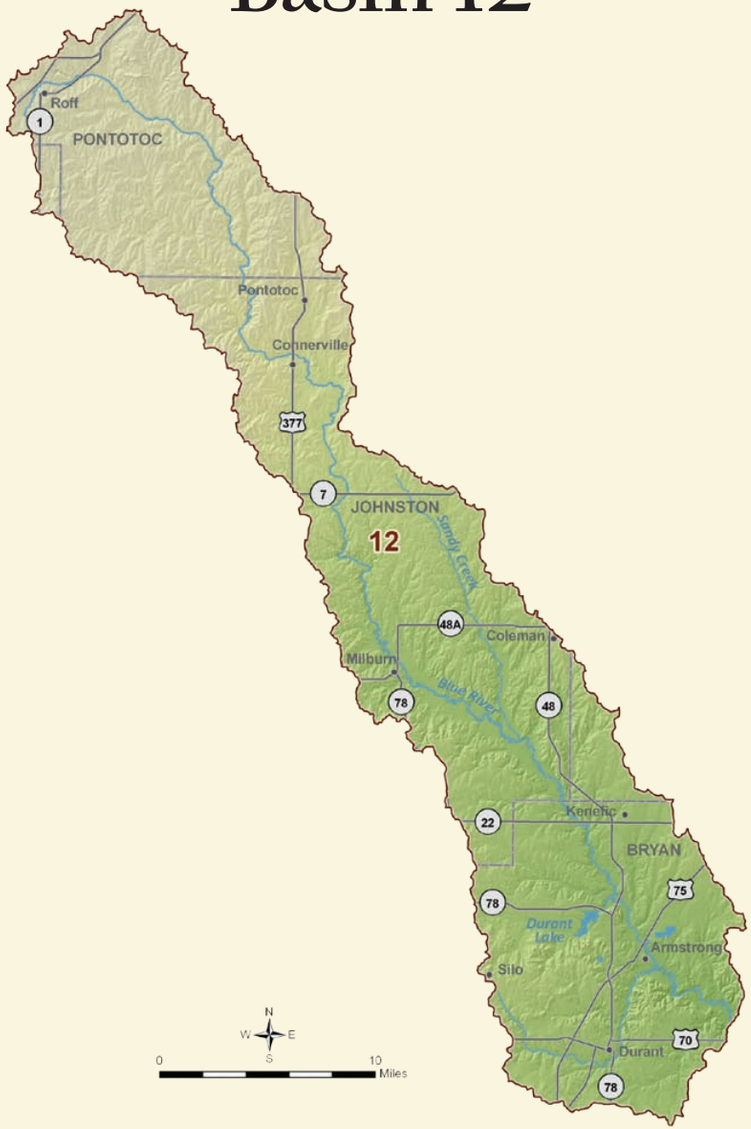
Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 12



Basin 12 Summary

Synopsis

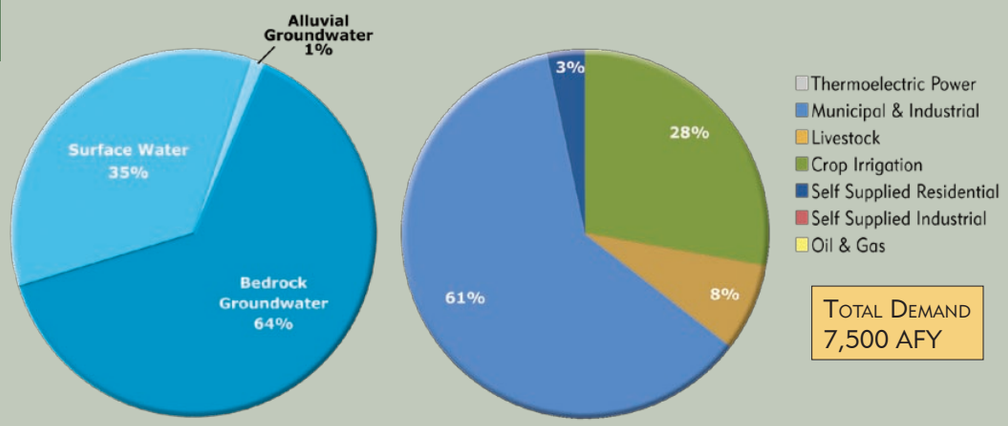
- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on surface water and bedrock groundwater.
- By 2030, there is a low probability of surface water gaps from increased demands on existing supplies during low flow periods.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that surface water gaps be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation or temporary drought management measures could reduce surface water gaps.
- Aquifer storage and recovery could be considered to store variable surface water supplies, increase alluvial groundwater storage, and reduce adverse effects of localized storage depletions.
- To mitigate surface water gaps, dependable groundwater supplies and/or developing new reservoirs could be used as alternatives. These supply sources could be used without major impacts to groundwater storage.

Basin 12 accounts for about 12% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 61% of the basin's 2010 demand is from the Municipal and Industrial demand sector. Crop Irrigation is the second largest demand sector at 28%. Surface water satisfies about 35% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 65% of the current demand (1% alluvial and 64% bedrock). The peak summer month demand in Basin 12 is about 4 times the winter monthly demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern.

The flow in the Blue River near Blue is typically greater than 3,000 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 13,500

Current Demand by Source and Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Water Resources

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

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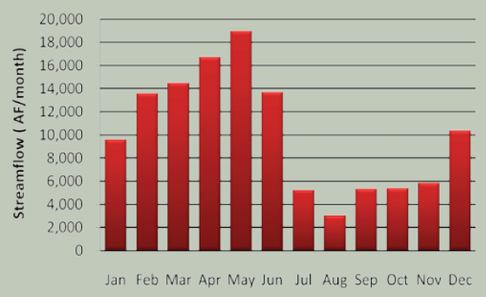
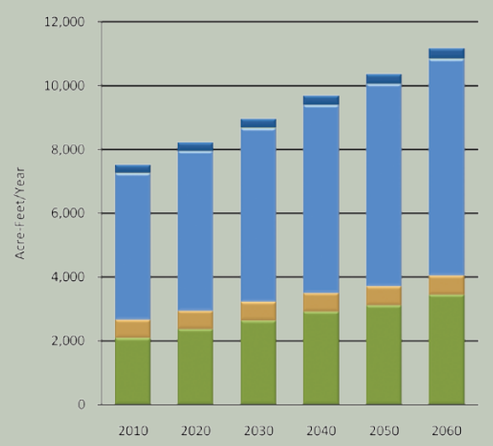
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the river can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. The Blue River originates from headwater springs in the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer. There are no major reservoirs in this basin. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for in-basin use through 2060. Relative to other basins in the state, the surface water quality in Basin 12 is considered good. There are no water bodies in basin impaired for Public and Private Water Supply or Agricultural use.

The majority of water rights in Basin 12 are from the Arbuckle-Simpson major bedrock aquifer and, to a much lesser extent, the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer underlies the northern portion of the basin. Results of the Arbuckle-Simpson Hydrology Study indicate that in order to maintain natural flow to springs and streams emanating from the aquifer (as specified in Senate Bill 288) the equal proportionate share will be significantly lower than the current 2 AFY/acre allocation for temporary permits. The Antlers aquifer underlies the southern portion of the basin and is estimated to have over 2.3 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 12. These major bedrock aquifers, particularly the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer, receive an estimated 52,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 12. Domestic use does not require a permit and is often withdrawn from minor aquifers in the basin. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 11,170 AFY in Basin 12 reflects a 3,670 AFY increase (49%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand and growth in demand over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps are projected to occur by 2030. Surface water gaps are expected to be up to 230 AFY and have a 5% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in Basin 12 may occur during summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. Alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on bedrock groundwater supplies and to a lesser extent, surface water. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, surface water gaps should be decreased where economically feasible.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Crop Irrigation, Self-Supplied Residential, and Municipal and Industrial demand sectors could reduce surface water gaps. Due to the small size and low probability of gaps, temporary drought management may be effective in reducing surface water use and eliminating gaps.

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate groundwater surface water gaps. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. This includes Parker Lake, in Basin 8, which is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction. However, in light of the distance to these supplies and low probability of gaps, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective.

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 1,500 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Sandy Creek Lake as a potential reservoir site in Basin 12.

Increased reliance on surface water supplies, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

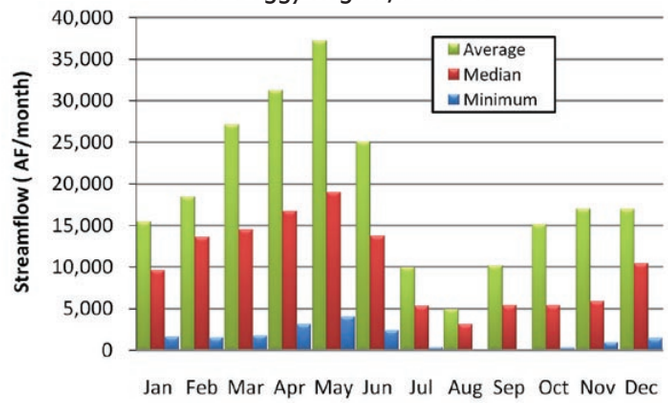
Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Arbuckle-Simpson or Antlers aquifer. However, in order to maintain natural flow to springs and streams emanating from the aquifer, the equal proportionate share may be significantly lower than the current 2 AFY/acre allocation for temporary permits. The Aquifer Recharge Workgroup identified Site #12 near Ada (Byrds Mill Spring) as potentially feasible for aquifer recharge and recovery. Water could potentially be withdrawn from the Blue River to recharge the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer.

Basin 12 Data & Analysis

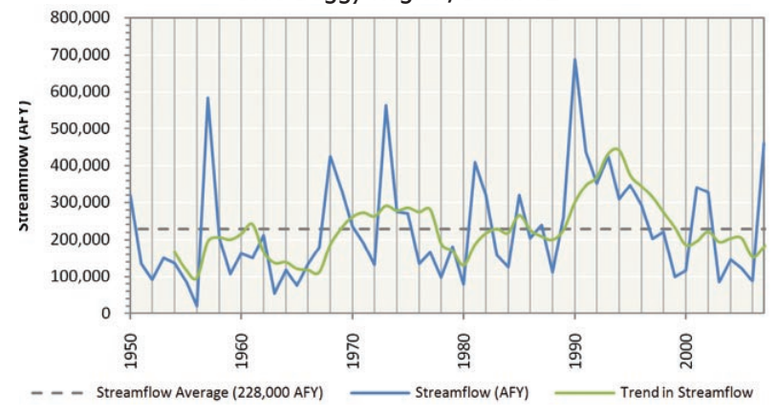
Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The basin had a prolonged period of below-average streamflow in the 1960s, corresponding to a period of below-average precipitation. In the 1990s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The median flow in the Blue River near Blue is greater than 3,000 AF/month throughout the year and is greater than 13,500 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the river can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. Relative to basins statewide, the surface water quality is in Basin 12 is considered good.
- There are no major reservoirs in the basin.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



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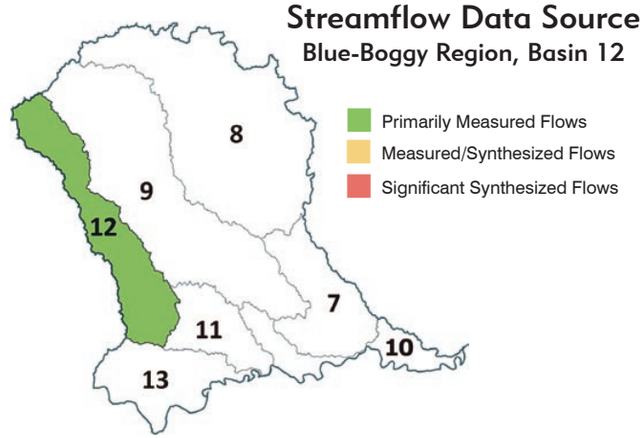
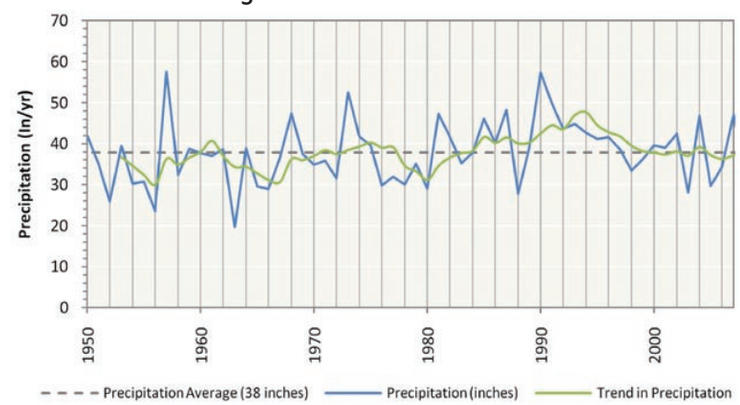


Historical Precipitation
Regional Climate Division



Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AFY/acre	AFY
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	55%	2,300	2,309,000	2.1	331,600
Arbuckle-Simpson	Bedrock	Major	34%	105,300	2,822,000	temporary 2.0	132,900
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	36%	0	1,691,000	temporary 2.0	217,600
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

2 Pursuant to 82 O.S. § 1020.9(A)(2), the temporary allocation for the Arbuckle-Simpson groundwater basin is subject to the OWRB's case-by case determination of what amount will not likely degrade or interfere with springs or streams emanating from the Arbuckle-Simpson.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of water rights in Basin 12 are from the Arbuckle-Simpson major bedrock aquifer, and to a much lesser extent, the Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer underlies the northern portion of the basin and is estimated to have more than 2.8 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 12. The USGS and OWRB are currently studying the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer in compliance with 2003 Senate Bill 288 legislation to set a Maximum Annual Yield and Equal Proportionate Share. Permits to the aquifer are currently temporary and permitted amounts are expected to decrease upon being made permanent. The Antlers aquifer underlies the southern portion of the basin and is estimated to have more than 2.3 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 12. These major bedrock aquifers, particularly the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer, receive an estimated 52,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 12.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

Notes & Assumptions

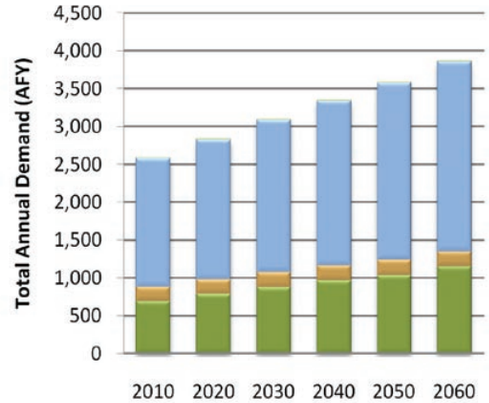
- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- The water needs of Basin 12 are about 12% of the total demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 49% (3,670 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand and growth in demand from over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 35% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 50% (1,280 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use and growth in surface water use over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.
- Alluvial groundwater use is in the Self-Supplied Residential Demand sector, supplying about 1% of the total demand in the basin. Its use will increase by 28% (30 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. This increase in demand is minimal on a basin scale.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 64% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 45% (2,360 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use and growth in bedrock groundwater use over this period will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

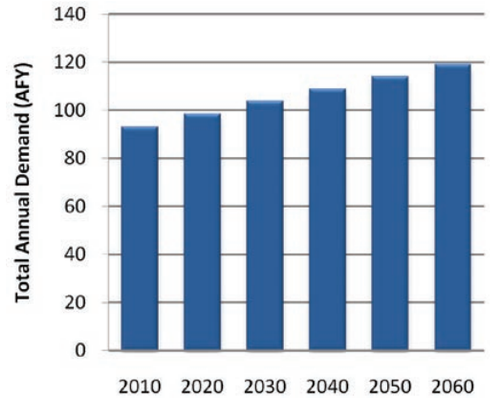
Surface Water Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Bedrock Groundwater Demand by Sector

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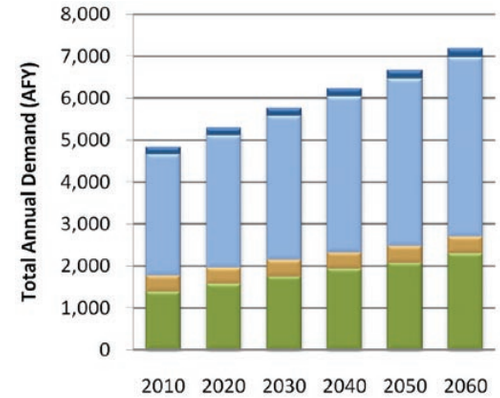

Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

Total Demand by Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	2,090	570	4,590	0	0	250	0	7,500
2020	2,360	580	5,010	0	0	270	0	8,220
2030	2,630	590	5,450	0	0	280	0	8,950
2040	2,900	590	5,890	10	0	290	0	9,680
2050	3,110	600	6,340	10	0	310	0	10,370
2060	3,450	600	6,790	10	0	320	0	11,170

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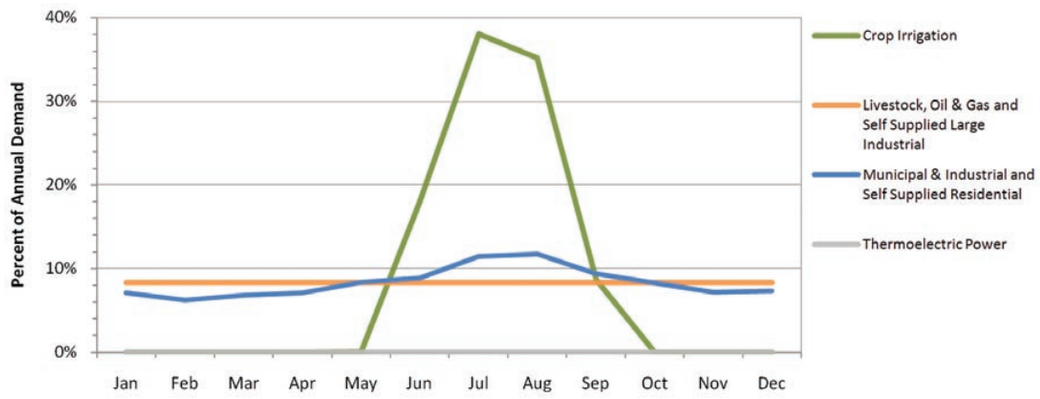
Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.

Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12



Monthly Demand Distribution by Source (2010)

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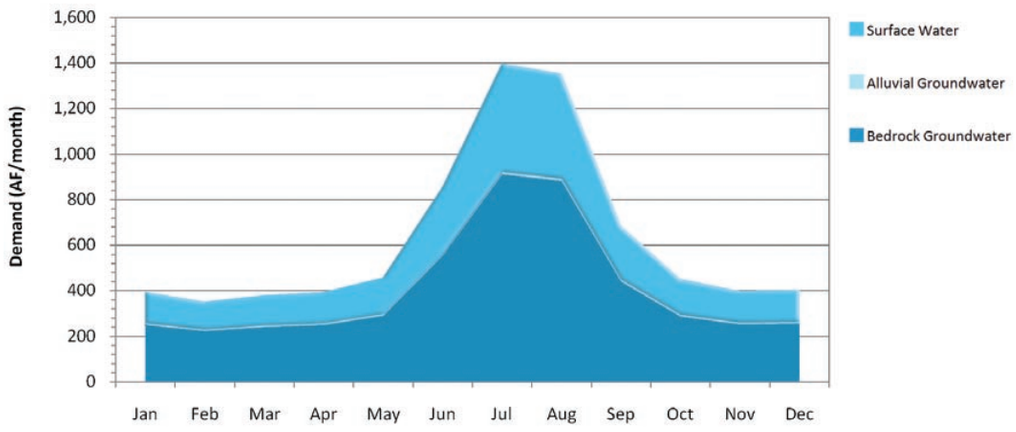

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 55% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 12 is nearly 4 times the winter monthly demand, which is similar to the overall statewide pattern. Surface water in the peak summer month is about 4 times greater than the monthly winter demand. Alluvial groundwater use in the peak summer month is about 1.6 times greater than the monthly winter demand. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 3.5 times the monthly winter use.

BASIN 12

Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps are projected to occur by 2030. Alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are not expected through 2060. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.
- Surface water gaps in Basin 12 may occur during summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. There will be a 5% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in 2060 will be up to 21% (150 AF/month) of the surface water demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 23% (80 AF/month) of the fall months' surface water demand. Surface water gaps have a low probability of occurring in both summer and fall.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1]	Median Gap	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	150	120	5%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	80	80	2%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]	Median Storage Depletion	Probability
	AF/month	AF/month	Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0	0	0%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0	0	0%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	0	0	0	0%	0%
2030	50	0	0	2%	0%
2040	110	0	0	3%	0%
2050	160	0	0	3%	0%
2060	230	0	0	5%	0%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1]
	AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	0
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

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Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs Through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	230	0	0	5%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	220	0	0	5%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	160	0	0	5%	0%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	140	0	0	3%	0%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	60	0	0	2%	0%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 12

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	600
500	1,700
1,000	2,700
2,500	5,500
5,000	9,800
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	1,500
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	300

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Crop Irrigation, Self-Supplied Residential, and Municipal and Industrial demand sectors could reduce surface water gaps by about 40%. Due to the small size and low probability of gaps, temporary drought management may be effective in reducing surface water use and eliminating gaps.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

Out-of-basin supplies could be developed to mitigate surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Chickasaw and Parker in Basin 8; Tupelo in Basin 9; Bennington in Basin 11; and Albany in Basin 13. (Parker Lake is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction.) However, in light of the distance to these supplies and low probability of gaps, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective.

Reservoir Use

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 1,500 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Sandy Creek Lake as a potentially viable site in Basin 12.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Increased reliance on bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Arbuckle-Simpson or Antlers aquifer. However, a forthcoming change to the equal proportionate share for the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer may decrease the amount of available water. The Aquifer Recharge Workgroup identified Site #12 near Ada (Byrds Mill Spring) as potentially feasible for aquifer recharge and recovery. Water could potentially be withdrawn from the Blue River to recharge the Arbuckle-Simpson aquifer.

BASIN 12

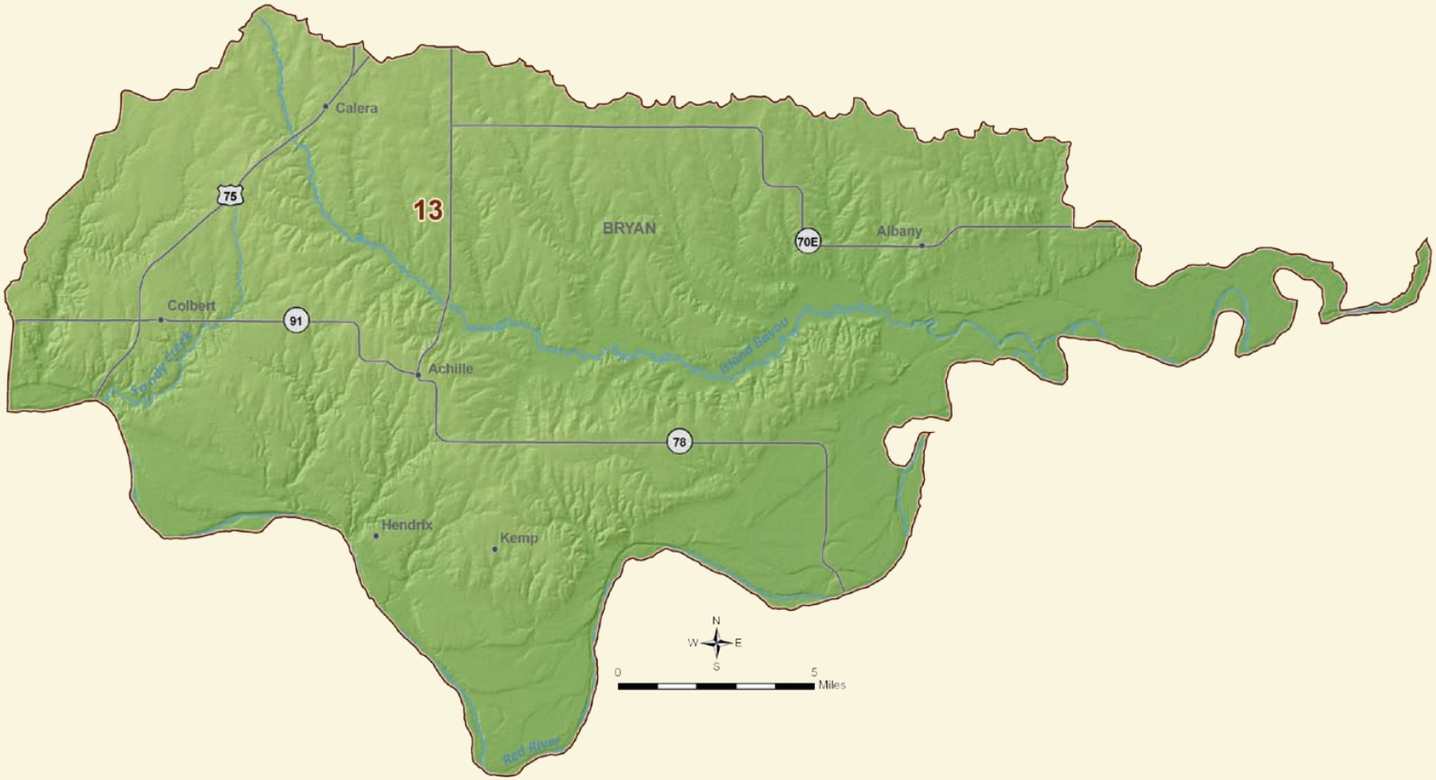
Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Data & Analysis

Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region

Basin 13



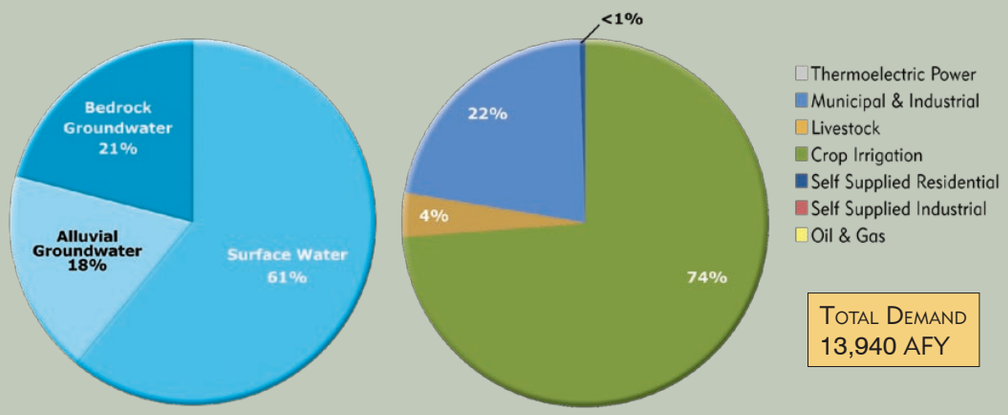
Basin 13 Summary

Synopsis

- Water users are expected to continue to rely mainly on surface water and, to a lesser extent, alluvial and bedrock groundwater.
- By 2020, there is a low probability of surface water gaps from increased demands on existing supplies during low flow periods.
- Alluvial groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2030 and bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2020. These storage depletions will be minimal in size relative to aquifer storage in the basin. However, localized storage depletions may cause adverse effects for users.
- To reduce the risk of adverse impacts on water supplies, it is recommended that storage depletions be decreased where economically feasible.
- Additional conservation or temporary drought management measures could reduce surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions.
- To mitigate surface water gaps, dependable groundwater supplies and/or developing new reservoirs could be used as alternatives. These supply sources could be used without major impacts to groundwater storage.

Current Demand by Source and Sector

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

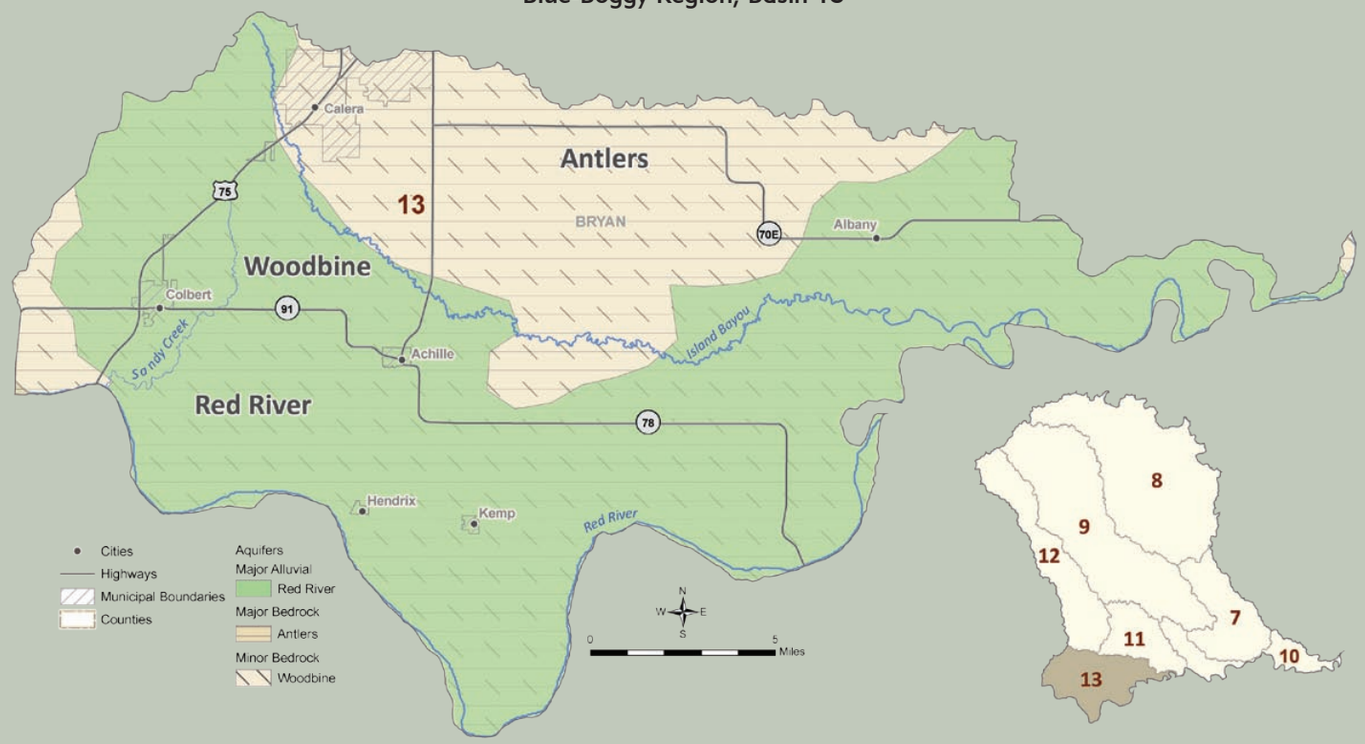


Basin 13 accounts for about 23% of the current water demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region. About 74% of the basin's 2010 demand is from the Crop Irrigation demand sector. Municipal and Industrial is the second largest demand sector at 22%. Surface water satisfies about 61% of the current demand in the basin. Groundwater satisfies about 39% of the current demand (18% alluvial and 21% bedrock). The peak summer month demand in Basin 13 is about 17 times the winter monthly demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern.

The flow in tributaries to the Red River downstream of the Blue River is typically greater than 2,000 AF/month throughout the year and greater than 9,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the tributaries can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. The Red River is not used as a water supply source due to water quality constraints. There are no major reservoirs in this basin. The availability of permits is not expected to limit the development of surface water supplies for

Water Resources

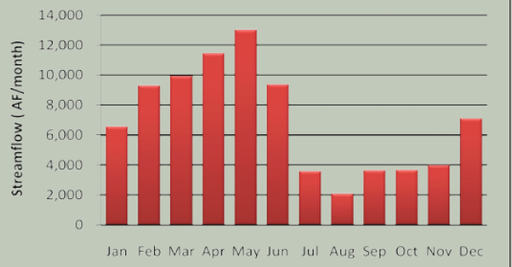
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



BASIN 13

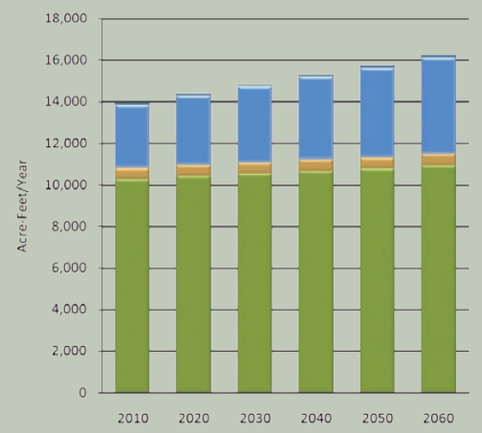
Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



Projected Water Demand

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



in-basin use through 2060. With the exception of the Red River, the surface water quality in Basin 13 is considered good relative to basins statewide. There are no water bodies in this basin impaired for Public and Private Water Supply or Agricultural use.

The majority of water rights in Basin 13 are from the Red River aquifer. The Red River aquifer underlies the southern and western portions of the basin and has over 550,000 AF of groundwater storage in Basin 13. There are also a substantial number of permits in the Woodbine minor aquifer and Antlers aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin and is estimated to have over 3.8 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 13. The aquifer receives an estimated 5,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 13. Site-specific information on the suitability of the minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use. The use of groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be limited by the availability of permits through 2060. There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

The projected 2060 water demand of 16,230 AFY in Basin 13 reflects a 2,290 AFY increase (16%) over the 2010 demand. The majority of the demand over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

Gaps & Depletions

Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps and bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2020, while alluvial groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2030. Surface water gaps will be up to 350 AFY and have a 7% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions will be up to 100 AFY and have a 7% probability of occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Bedrock groundwater storage depletions will be up to 260 AFY by 2060. Surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 13 may occur during the summer and fall. Bedrock groundwater storage depletions will occur in the summer. Projected annual alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are minimal relative to the amount of water in storage in major aquifers in the basin. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Options

Water users are expected to continue to rely primarily on surface water supplies and to a lesser extent, alluvial and bedrock groundwater. To reduce the risk of adverse impacts to the basin's water users, gaps and storage depletions should be decreased where economically feasible.

Water Supply Limitations

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Surface Water
Alluvial Groundwater
Bedrock Groundwater

Minimal Potential Significant

Water Supply Option Effectiveness

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Demand Management
Out-of-Basin Supplies
Reservoir Use
Increasing Supply from Surface Water
Increasing Supply from Groundwater

Typically Effective Potentially Effective
Likely Ineffective No Option Necessary

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions. Temporary drought management activities could also potentially reduce gaps, due to the small size and low probability of gaps. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts.

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate groundwater storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region. This includes Parker Lake, in Basin 8, which is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction. However, in light of the distance to these supplies and substantial groundwater supplies, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for some users.

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 800 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Albany Lake as a potentially viable reservoir site in Basin 13.

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increased reliance on alluvial or bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Red River or Antlers aquifers. The Aquifer Recharge Workgroup identified a site near Durant and Calera (site # 15) as potentially feasible for aquifer recharge and recovery. Water could potentially be withdrawn from the Red River to recharge the Antlers aquifer.

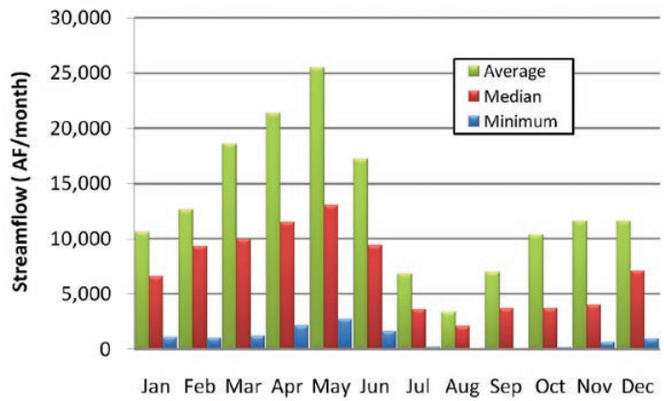
Basin 13 Data & Analysis

Surface Water Resources

- Historical streamflow from 1950 through 2007 was used to estimate the range of future surface water supplies. The basin had a prolonged period of below-average streamflow in the 1960s, corresponding to a period of below-average precipitation. In the 1990s, the basin went through a prolonged period of above-average streamflow and precipitation, demonstrating the hydrologic variability in the basin.
- The range of historical streamflow at the basin outlet is shown by the average, median and minimum streamflow over a 58-year period of record. The Red River is not used as a water supply source due to water quality constraints. The median flow in tributaries to the Red River downstream of the Blue River is greater than 2,000 AF/month throughout the year and is greater than 9,000 AF/month in spring and early summer. However, the tributaries can have periods of low flow in any month of the year. Relative to basins statewide, the surface water quality in Basin 13 is considered good.
- There are no major reservoirs in the basin.

Monthly Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



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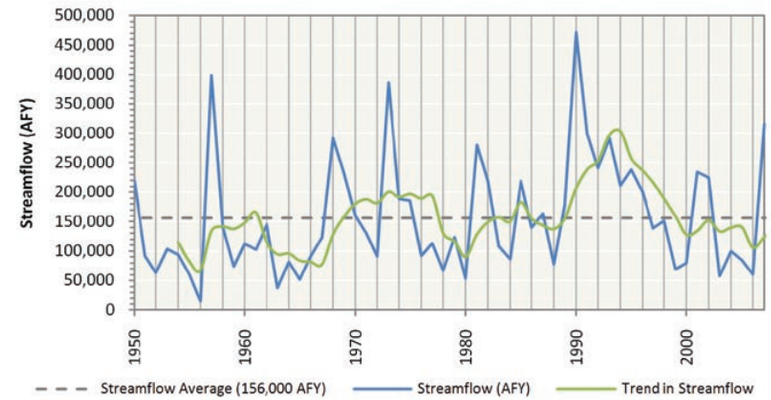
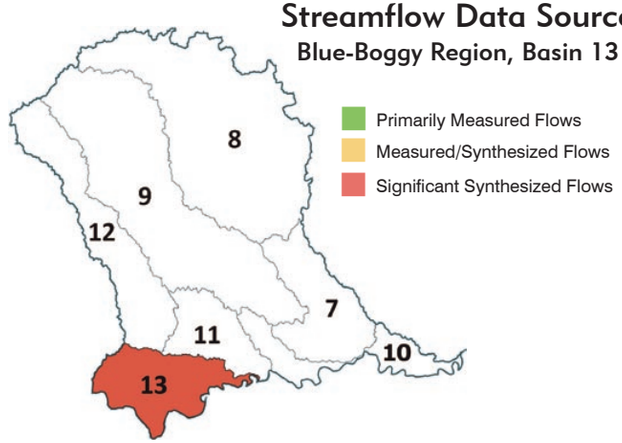


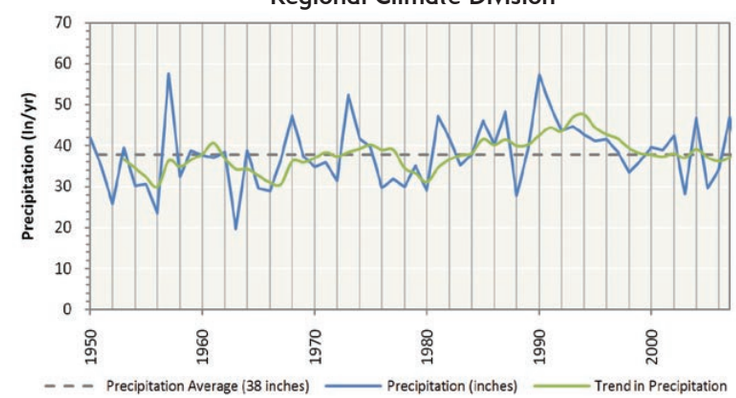
Streamflow Data Source

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



Historical Precipitation

Regional Climate Division



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Notes & Assumptions

- Precipitation data are based on regional information, while streamflow is basin-specific.
- Measured streamflow implicitly reflects the conditions that exist in the stream at the time the data were recorded (e.g., hydrology, diversions, reservoirs, and infrastructure).
- For water supply planning, the range of potential future hydrologic conditions, including droughts, is represented by 58 years of monthly surface water flows (1950 to 2007). Climate change variations to these flows are documented in a separate OCWP report.
- Surface water supplies are calculated by adjusting the historical streamflow to account for upstream demands, return flows, and out-of-basin supplies.
- The upstream state is assumed to use 60 percent of the flow at the state line based on OWRB permitting protocol.
- Historical flow is based on USGS stream gages at or near the basin outlet. Where a gage did not exist near the outlet or there were missing data in the record, an estimation of flow was determined from representative, nearby gages using statistical techniques.
- Existing surface water rights may restrict the quantity of available surface water to meet future demands. Additional permits would decrease the amount of available water.

Groundwater Resources - Aquifer Summary (2010)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Aquifer			Portion of Basin Overlaying Aquifer	Current Groundwater Rights	Aquifer Storage in Basin	Equal Proportionate Share	Groundwater Available for New Permits
Name	Type	Class[1]	Percent	AFY	AF	AF/acre/year	AFY
Red River	Alluvial	Major	69%	3,700	565,000	temporary 2.0	289,200
Antlers	Bedrock	Major	99%	1,000	3,874,000	2.1	424,100
Woodbine	Bedrock	Minor	99%	2,900	3,182,000	temporary 2.0	406,300
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Bedrock	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A
Non-Delineated Groundwater Source	Alluvial	Minor	N/A	0	N/A	temporary 2.0	N/A

1 Bedrock aquifers with typical yields greater than 50 gpm and alluvial aquifers with typical yields greater than 150 gpm are considered major.

Groundwater Resources

- The majority of water rights in Basin 13 are from the Red River major alluvial aquifer. The Red River alluvial aquifer underlies the southern and western portions of the basin and has more than 550,000 AF of groundwater storage in Basin 13. There are also a substantial number of permits in the Woodbine minor bedrock aquifer and Antlers major bedrock aquifer. The Antlers aquifer underlies almost the entire basin and is estimated to have more than 3.8 million AF of groundwater storage in Basin 13. The aquifer receives an estimated 5,000 AFY of recharge in Basin 13. Site-specific information on the suitability of the minor aquifers for supply should be considered before large scale use.
- There are no significant groundwater quality issues in the basin.

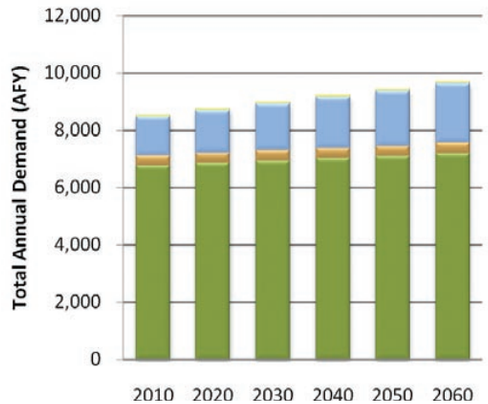
Notes & Assumptions

- Alluvial groundwater recharge is not considered separately from streamflow in physical supply availability analyses because any increases or decreases in alluvial groundwater recharge or storage would affect streamflow. Therefore, surface water flows are used to represent available alluvial groundwater recharge.
- Site-specific information on minor aquifers should be considered before large scale use. Suitability for long term supply is typically based on recharge, storage yield, capital and operational costs, and water quality.
- Groundwater permit availability is generally based on the amount of land owned or leased that overlies a specific aquifer.
- Temporary permit amounts are subject to change when the aquifer's equal proportionate share is set by the OWRB.
- Current groundwater rights represent the maximum allowable use. Actual use may be lower than the permitted amount.
- Bedrock groundwater recharge is the long-term annual average recharge to aquifers in the basin. Recharge rates on a county- or aquifer-wide level of detail were established from literature (published reports) of each aquifer. Seasonal or annual variability is not considered; therefore the modeled bedrock groundwater supply is independent of changing hydrologic conditions.

Water Demand

- The water needs of Basin 13 are about 23% of the total demand in the Blue-Boggy Watershed Planning Region and will increase by 16% (2,290 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of the demand over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in demand from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.
- Surface water is used to meet 61% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 14% (1,150 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of surface water use over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation sector. However, the majority of growth in surface water use from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial sector.
- Alluvial groundwater is used to meet 18% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 15% (380 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of alluvial groundwater use over this period will be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in alluvial groundwater use from 2010 to 2060 will be in the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.
- Bedrock groundwater is used to meet 21% of the total demand in the basin and its use will increase by 26% (760 AFY) from 2010 to 2060. The majority of bedrock groundwater use over this period will initially be in the Crop Irrigation demand sector. However, the majority of growth in bedrock groundwater use from 2010 to 2060 and largest 2060 bedrock groundwater use will be from the Municipal and Industrial demand sector.

Surface Water Demand by Sector
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



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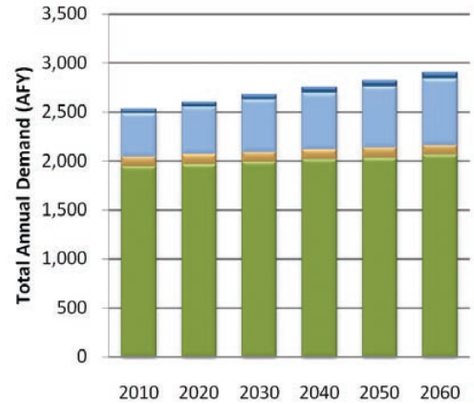
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



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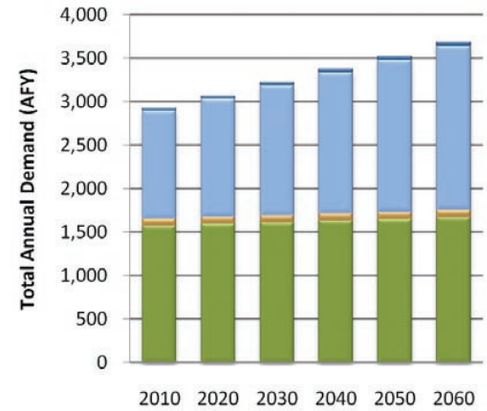
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13



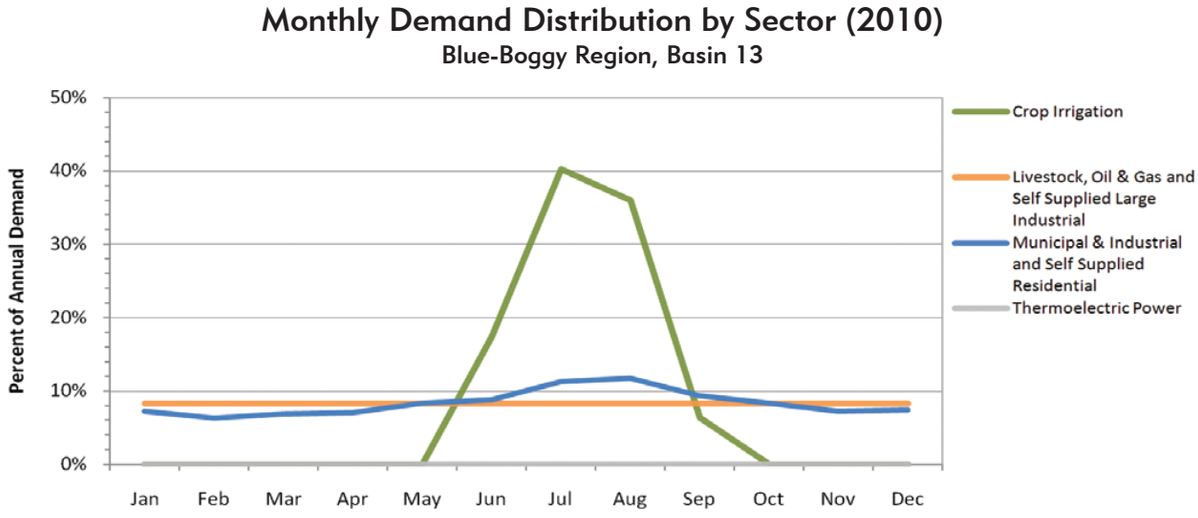
Thermoelectric Power | Self-Supplied Residential | Self-Supplied Industrial | Oil & Gas | Municipal & Industrial | Livestock | Crop Irrigation

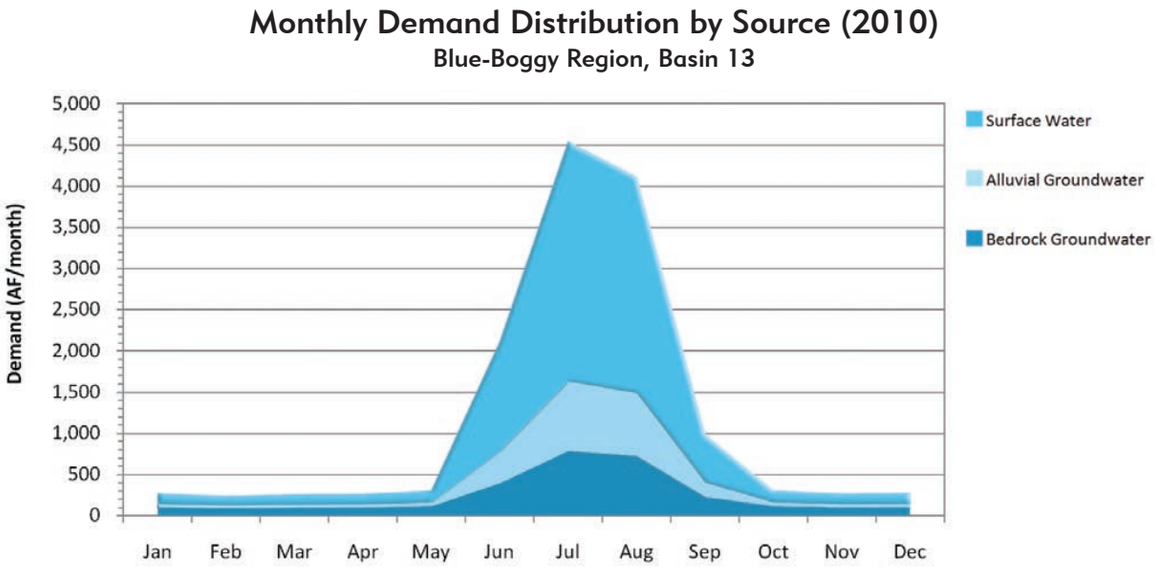
Total Demand by Sector
Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Planning Horizon	Crop Irrigation	Livestock	Municipal & Industrial	Oil & Gas	Self-Supplied Industrial	Self-Supplied Residential	Thermoelectric Power	Total
	AFY							
2010	10,290	530	3,050	0	0	70	0	13,940
2020	10,420	540	3,350	10	0	80	0	14,400
2030	10,550	540	3,670	10	0	80	0	14,850
2040	10,680	540	3,990	10	0	90	0	15,310
2050	10,780	540	4,310	10	0	100	0	15,740
2060	10,930	540	4,640	10	0	110	0	16,230

Notes & Assumptions

- Demand values represent total demand (the amount of water pumped or diverted to meet the needs of the user).
- Values are based on the baseline demand forecast from the March 2011 OCWP Water Demand Forecast Report.
- The effect of climate change, conservation, and non-consumptive uses, such as hydropower, are not represented in this baseline demand analysis but are documented in separate OCWP reports.
- The proportion of each supply source used to meet each water use sector's demand was assumed to be equal to the existing proportion, as represented in water rights.
- The proportions of future demands between water use sectors will vary due to differing growth rates.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the water use sectors.





Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Sector

- The Municipal and Industrial and Self-Supplied Residential demand sectors use 52% more water in summer months than in winter months. Crop Irrigation has a high demand in summer months and little or no demand in winter months. Other demand sectors have a more consistent demand throughout the year.

Current Monthly Demand Distribution by Source

- The peak summer month total water demand in Basin 13 is about 17 times the monthly winter demand, which is more pronounced than the overall statewide pattern. Surface water use in the peak summer month is about 22 times the winter monthly use. Monthly alluvial groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 19 times the monthly winter use. Monthly bedrock groundwater use peaks in the summer at about 8 times the monthly winter use.

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Notes & Assumptions

- The proportions of future demands between demand sectors will vary due to differing growth rates between those sectors.
- The overall proportion of supplies used to meet demand will change due to differing growth rates among the demand sectors.

Gaps and Storage Depletions

- Based on projected demand and historical hydrology, surface water gaps and bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2020 while alluvial groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2030.
- Surface water gaps in Basin 13 may occur during the summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. There will be a 7% probability of gaps occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Surface water gaps in 2060 will be up to 7% (200 AF/month) of the surface water demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 2% (80 AF/month) of the fall months' surface water demand. Surface water gaps will have a low probability of occurring in both summer and fall.
- Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in Basin 13 may occur during the summer and fall, peaking in size during the summer. There will be a 7% probability of alluvial groundwater storage depletions occurring in at least one month of the year by 2060. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions in 2060 will be up to 7% (60 AF/month) of the alluvial groundwater demand in the peak summer month, and as much as 2% (20 AF/month) of the fall months' alluvial groundwater demand. Alluvial groundwater storage depletions will have a low probability of occurring in both summer and fall months.
- Bedrock groundwater storage depletions in Basin 13 may occur during the summer. Bedrock groundwater storage depletions in 2060 will be 12% (110 AF/month) of the bedrock groundwater demand in the peak summer month.
- Projected annual alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions are minimal relative to the amount of water in storage in major aquifers in the basin. However, localized storage depletions may occur and adversely affect well yields, water quality, and/or pumping costs.

Surface Water Gaps by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Months (Season)	Maximum Gap[1] AF/month	Median Gap AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	200	140	7%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	80	80	2%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Alluvial Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month	Median Storage Depletion AF/month	Probability Percent
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0	0	0%
Mar-May (Spring)	0	0	0%
Jun-Aug (Summer)	60	40	7%
Sep-Nov (Fall)	20	20	2%

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Storage Depletions

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Planning Horizon	Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions			Probability of Gaps/ Storage Depletions	
	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater	Bedrock Groundwater	Surface Water	Alluvial Groundwater
	AFY			Percent	
2020	10	0	40	2%	0%
2030	80	30	90	3%	3%
2040	140	40	140	5%	5%
2050	210	60	200	5%	5%
2060	350	100	260	7%	7%

Bedrock Groundwater Storage Depletions by Season (2060 Demands)

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Months (Season)	Maximum Storage Depletion[1] AF/month
Dec-Feb (Winter)	0
Mar-May (Spring)	0
Jun-Aug (Summer)	110
Sep-Nov (Fall)	0

1 Amounts shown represent the largest amounts for any one month in the season indicated.

Notes & Assumptions

- Gaps and Storage Depletions reflect deficiencies in physically available water (or "wet water"). Permitting, water quality, infrastructure, and nonconsumptive demand constraints are considered in separate OCWP analyses.
- Local gaps and storage depletions may vary from basin-level values due to local variations in demands and local availability of supply sources.
- For this baseline analysis, each basin's future demand is met by the basin's available supplies.
- For this baseline analysis, the proportion of future demand supplied by surface water and groundwater for each sector is assumed equal to current proportions.
- The available surface water supplies used in the OCWP water supply availability analysis include changes in historical streamflow due to increased upstream demand, return flows, and increases in out-of-basin supplies from existing infrastructure.
- Analysis of bedrock groundwater supplies is based upon recharge from major aquifers.
- Groundwater storage depletions are defined as the amount that future demands exceed available recharge.
- Median gaps and storage depletions are based only on months with gaps or storage depletions.
- Annual probability is based upon the number of years that a gap or depletion occurs in at least one month of that year.

Reducing Water Needs Through Conservation

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Conservation Activities[1]	2060 Gap/Storage Depletion			2060 Gap/Storage Depletion Probability	
	Surface Water	Alluvial GW	Bedrock GW	Surface Water	Alluvial GW
	AFY			Percent	
Existing Conditions	350	100	260	7%	7%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation Water Use	130	40	180	5%	3%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in M&I Water Use	270	80	200	7%	7%
Moderately Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	70	20	100	3%	2%
Substantially Expanded Conservation in Crop Irrigation and M&I Water Use	0	0	20	0%	0%

1 Conservation Activities are documented in the OCWP Demand Forecast Report

Reliable Diversions Based on Available Streamflow and New Reservoir Storage

Blue-Boggy Region, Basin 13

Reservoir Storage	Diversion
AF	AFY
100	600
500	1,600
1,000	2,700
2,500	5,500
5,000	10,000
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Demand (AF)	800
Required Storage to Meet Growth in Surface Water Demand (AF)	300

Water Supply Options & Effectiveness

Typically Effective | Potentially Effective | Likely Ineffective | No Option Necessary

Demand Management

Moderately expanded permanent conservation activities in the Municipal and Industrial and Crop Irrigation sectors could reduce surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions by about 80% and bedrock groundwater storage depletions by about 60%. Temporary drought management activities could also potentially reduce gaps, due to the small size and low probability of gaps. Temporary drought management activities may not be necessary for groundwater demand, since the groundwater storage could continue to provide supplies during droughts.

Out-of-Basin Supplies

Out-of-basin supplies could mitigate surface water gaps and alluvial groundwater storage depletions. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study, which evaluated the potential for reservoirs throughout the state, identified six potential out-of-basin sites in the Blue-Boggy Region: Boswell in Basin 7; Chickasaw and Parker in Basin 8; Tupelo in Basin 9; Bennington in Basin 11; and Sandy Creek in Basin 12. (Parker Lake is the only remaining federal reservoir in Oklahoma currently authorized for construction.) However, in light of the distance to these supplies and substantial groundwater supplies, out-of-basin supplies may not be cost-effective for some users.

Reservoir Use

Reservoir storage could provide dependable supplies to mitigate surface water gaps and groundwater storage depletions. The entire increase in demand from 2010 to 2060 could be met by a new river diversion and 800 AF of storage at the basin outlet. The OCWP Reservoir Viability Study also identified Albany Lake as a potentially viable reservoir site in Basin 13. The use of multiple reservoirs in the basin or reservoirs upstream of the basin outlet may increase the size of storage necessary to mitigate future gaps and storage depletions.

Increasing Reliance on Surface Water

Increased reliance on surface water supplies through direct diversions, without reservoir storage, will increase surface water gaps and is not recommended.

Increasing Reliance on Groundwater

Increased reliance on alluvial or bedrock groundwater could mitigate surface water gaps. Any increases in storage depletions would be minimal relative to the volume of water stored in the basin's portion of the Red River or Antlers aquifers. The Aquifer Recharge Workgroup identified a site near Durant and Calera (site # 15) as potentially feasible for aquifer recharge and recovery. Water could potentially be withdrawn from the Red River to recharge the Antlers aquifer.

Notes & Assumptions

- Water quality considerations may limit the use of supply sources, which may require new or additional treatment before use.
- Infrastructure related to the diversion, conveyance, treatment, and distribution of water will affect the cost-effectiveness of using any new source of supply.
- The ability to reduce demands will vary based on local acceptance of additional conservation and temporary drought management activities.
- Gaps and depletions may be mitigated in individual calendar months without reductions in the annual probability (chance of having shortage during another month).
- River diversions for new or additional reservoir storage is based on a hypothetical on-channel reservoir at the basin outlet. Reported yields will vary depending upon the reservoir location; placement at the basin outlet would likely result in a higher yield.
- Surface water diversions may provide substantial annual dependable yield with little or no reservoir storage if surface supplies are frequently equal to or greater than the annual total and monthly pattern of demand.
- Aquifer storage and recovery may provide additional storage or an alternative to surface storage and should be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Glossary

ACRONYMS

AF: acre-foot or acre-feet

AFD: acre-feet per day

AFY: acre-feet per year

BMPs: best management practices

BOD: biochemical oxygen demand

cfs: cubic feet per second

CWAC: Cool Water Aquatic Community

CWSRF: Clean Water State Revolving Fund

DO: dissolved oxygen

DWSRF: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

EPS: equal proportionate share

FACT: Funding Agency Coordinating Team

gpm: gallons per minute

HLAC: Habitat Limited Aquatic Community

HQW: High Quality Waters

HUC: hydrologic unit code

M&I: municipal and industrial

MAY: maximum annual yield

mgd: million gallons per day

µS/cm: microsiemens per centimeter (see specific conductivity)

mg/L: milligrams per liter

NLW: nutrient-limited watershed

NPS: nonpoint source

NPDES: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NRCS: Natural Resources Conservation Service

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (see turbidity)

OCWP: Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan

ODEQ: Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

O&G: Oil and Gas

ORW: Outstanding Resource Water

OWQS: Oklahoma Water Quality Standards

OWRB: Oklahoma Water Resources Board

PBCR: Primary Body Contact Recreation

pH: hydrogen ion activity

ppm: parts per million

RD: Rural Development

REAP: Rural Economic Action Plan

SBCR: Secondary Body Contact Recreation

SDWIS: Safe Drinking Water Information System

SRF: State Revolving Fund

SSI: Self-Supplied Industrial

SSR: Self-Supplied Residential

SWS: Sensitive Water Supply

TDS: Total Dissolved Solids

TMDL: Total Maximum Daily Load

TSI: Trophic State Index

TSS: Total Suspended Solids

USACE: United States Army Corps of Engineers

USEPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency

USGS: United States Geological Survey.

WLA: wasteload allocation

WWAC: Warm Water Aquatic Community

Water Quantity Conversion Factors

Desired Unit
Trace Down to meet Initial Unit Row

Initial Unit (Trace Across to meet Desired Unit Column)	CFS	GPM	MGD	AFY	AFD
CFS	—	450	.646	724	1.98
GPM	.00222	—	.00144	1.61	.00442
MGD	1.55	695	—	1120	3.07
AFY	.0014	.62	.00089	—	.00274
AFD	.504	226	.326	365	—

EXAMPLE: To convert from initial value/unit, 140 MGD (million gallons per day) to desired unit, CFS (cubic feet per second), multiply 140 times 1.55 to come up with the desired conversion, 217 cfs. or: 140 X 1.55 = 217.

CFS - cubic feet per second
GPM - gallons per minute
MGD - millions gallons per day
AFY - acre-feet per year
AFD - acre-feet per day
1 acre-foot = 325,851 gallons

DEFINITIONS

A

Acre-foot: amount of water required to cover one acre to a depth of one foot: equivalent to 43,560 cubic feet or 325,851 gallons.

Agricultural use: water used for livestock, poultry, fish farms, fish hatcheries, veterinary services, feed lots, etc., but excluding irrigation use.

Alkalinity: measurement of the water's ability to neutralize acids. It usually indicates the presence of carbonate, bicarbonates, or hydroxides. Waters that have high alkalinity values are considered undesirable because of excessive hardness and high concentrations of sodium salts. Waters with low alkalinity have little capacity to buffer acidic inputs and are susceptible to acidification (low pH).

Allocation: a measure of the amount of groundwater that may be lawfully produced from a groundwater basin. The allocation may be set by the Board (e.g., specified in a regular permit issued following the determination of the maximum annual yield and equal proportionate share for a basin), or by statute (e.g., 2 acre feet per acre of land over a basin for which the maximum annual yield and equal proportionate share have not been determined).

Alluvial aquifer: aquifer with porous media consisting of loose, unconsolidated sediments deposited by fluvial (river) or aeolian (wind) processes such as river beds, flood plains, dunes, and terraces.

Alluvial groundwater: fresh water found in an alluvial aquifer.

Alluvium: sediments of clay, silt, gravel, and or other unconsolidated material deposited over time by a flowing stream on its floodplain or delta; frequently associated with higher-lying terrace deposits of groundwater.

Ammonia (NH3): see Nitrogen.

Appendix B Areas: those waters of the state into which discharges may be limited and which are located within the boundaries of areas listed in Appendix B of OWRB rules Chapter 45 on Oklahoma's water quality standards; including but not limited to the National and State parks, forests, wilderness areas, wildlife management areas, and wildlife refuges. Appendix B also may include those areas which are inhabited by federally listed, threatened, or endangered species, and other appropriate areas.

Application: formal request that may also be entitled a "petition" to the Board and the first step required by law or rule to acquire the right to perform or engage in activities regulated by the OWRB.

Appropriation: includes the process under Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 105.1 and following, by which an appropriative right to use stream water is acquired. An appropriation may also mean a vested right recognized through administrative adjudications conducted by the OWRB in the 1960s.

Appropriative right: right acquired under the procedure provided by law to take a specific quantity of public water, by direct diversion from a stream, an impoundment thereon, or a playa lake, and to apply such water to a specific beneficial use or uses.

Aquifer: geologic unit(s) or formation(s) that contain sufficient saturated, permeable material to yield economically significant quantities of water to wells and springs.

Artificial recharge: any man-made process specifically designed for the primary purpose of increasing the amount of water entering into an aquifer.

Attainable uses: best uses achievable for a particular waterbody given water of adequate quality. The process of use attainability analysis can, and in certain cases must, be used to determine attainable uses for a waterbody.

Average: number obtained by adding several quantities together and dividing the sum by the number of quantities, also known as the arithmetic mean.

B

Background: ambient condition upstream or upgradient from a facility, practice or activity which has not been affected by that facility, practice or activity.

Basin: geographic area drained by a single major stream; also called watershed, stream system, or drainage basin. For the purposes of the OCWP, the state of Oklahoma has been divided into 82 watershed basins.

Basin outlet: the furthest downstream geographic point in an OCWP planning basin.

Bedrock aquifer: aquifer with porous media consisting of lithified (semi-consolidated or consolidated) sediments such as limestone, sandstone, siltstone or any fractured crystalline rock. Examples include the Arbuckle-Simpson and the Rush Springs aquifers.

Bedrock groundwater: water found in a bedrock aquifer.

Beneficial use: (1) The use of such quantity of stream or groundwater when reasonable intelligence and diligence are exercised in its application for a lawful purpose and as is economically necessary for that purpose. Beneficial uses include but are not limited to municipal, industrial, agricultural, irrigation, recreation, fish and wildlife, etc., as defined in OWRB rules Chapter 20 on stream water use and Chapter 30 on groundwater use. (2) A classification in the Oklahoma's water quality standards (OWQS) of the waters of the State, according to their best uses in the interest of the public set forth in OWRB rules Chapter 45 on OWQS.

Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD): quantifies the amount of dissolved oxygen utilized in the biochemical decomposition of organic material under specified conditions.

Board: the Oklahoma Water Resources Board authorized by law to make final adjudications, execute contracts, adopt rules and carry out other powers and duties set forth by law or, for duties authorized by law to be delegated to the Executive Director, any employee or agent or staff member thereof as assigned by the Executive Director.

C

Chloride: as a chloride ion (Cl^-), one of the major inorganic anions in water and wastewater. Generally chlorides do not pose a health threat to humans, although high content may harm metallic pipes and structures and plant life. The average chloride concentration varies widely in Oklahoma with values of < 10 mg/L in southeastern Oklahoma to > 3,000 mg/L in the Cimarron and upper Red River watersheds.

Chlorophyll-a: primary photosynthetic plant pigment, which is used extensively to estimate phytoplankton (algae).

Clean Water SRF: fund or program created by Title 82 Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 1085.51 and following. Also see State Revolving Fund

Color: true color as well as apparent color. True color is the color of the water from which turbidity has been removed. Apparent color includes not only the color due to substances in solution (true color), but also that color due to suspended matter.

Commercial use: use which includes but is not limited to water for businesses, industrial parks, laundries, cafes, motels/hotels, institutions, food processing and water used in the transportation of metal ores and non-metals by pipelines.

Confluence: point at which two streams flow together and unite.

Conjunctive management: water management approach that takes into account the interactions between groundwaters and surface waters and how those interactions may affect water availability.

Glossary

Conservation: to protect from loss and waste. Conservation of water may mean to save or store water for later use.

Conservation pool: reservoir storage of water for the project's authorized purpose other than flood control.

Consumptive use: use of water which diverts it from a water supply.

Cool Water Aquatic Community (CWAC): OWQS beneficial use designation; subcategory of the beneficial use category "Fish and Wildlife Propagation" where the water quality, water temperature and habitat are adequate to support cool water climax fish communities and includes an environment suitable for the full range of cool water benthos. Typical species may include smallmouth bass, certain darters and stoneflies.

D

Dam: any artificial barrier, together with appurtenant works, which does or may impound or divert water.

Dedicated land: tract or tracts of land which the applicant owns, leases, or from which the applicant holds a valid right to withdraw groundwater and which is listed in the application and used to calculate the amount of groundwater requested.

Definite stream: watercourse in a definite, natural channel, with defined beds and banks, originating from a definite source or sources of supply. The stream may flow intermittently or at irregular intervals if that is characteristic of the sources of supply in the area.

Degradation: any condition caused by the activities of humans which result in the prolonged impairment of any constituent of the aquatic environment.

Demand: amount of water required to meet the needs of people, communities, industry, agriculture, and other users.

Demand Forecast: estimate of expected water demands for a given planning horizon.

Demand management: adjusting use of water through temporary or permanent conservation measures to meet the water needs of the basin or region.

Demand sectors: seven distinct consumptive uses or demands upon the state's waters as delineated in the OCWP: Thermoelectric Power, Self-Supplied Residential, Self-Supplied Industrial, Oil and Gas, Municipal and Industrial, Livestock, and Crop and Irrigation.

Dependable yield: The amount of water a reservoir can provide from storage is referred to as its yield. The dependable yield is considered the maximum amount of water a reservoir can dependably supply during critical drought periods. OCWP physical availability analyses considered the unused yield of existing reservoirs. Future potential reservoir storage was considered as a water supply option.

Depletions: the amount that future demand exceeds available recharge. These shortages can be due to physical supply, water rights, infrastructure, or water quality constraints.

Designated beneficial uses: those uses specified in the Oklahoma Water Quality Standards for each waterbody or segment whether or not they are being attained.

Diffused surface water: water that occurs, in its natural state, in places on the surface of the ground other than in a definite stream or lake or pond.

Direct Diversion: see Diversion.

Dissolved oxygen: The amount of oxygen gas dissolved in a given volume of water at a particular temperature and pressure, often expressed as a concentration in parts of oxygen per million parts of water. Dissolved oxygen is essential to aquatic life. It affects the solubility and availability of nutrients, and therefore the productivity of aquatic ecosystems. Low levels of dissolved oxygen facilitate the release of nutrients from the sediments.

Diversion: to take water from a stream or waterbody into a pipe, canal or other conduit, either by pumping or by gravity flow. It can also mean individually designed diversions across a hillside. They may be used to protect bottomland from hillside runoff, divert water away from active gullies, or protect buildings from runoff.

Domestic use: the use of water by a natural individual or by a family or household for household purposes, for farm and domestic animals up to the normal grazing capacity of the land whether or not the animals are actually owned by such natural individual or family, and for the irrigation of land not exceeding a total of three (3) acres in area for the growing of gardens, orchards, and lawns. Domestic use also includes:(1) the use of water for agriculture purposes by natural individuals, (2) use of water for fire protection, and (3) the use of water by non-household entities for drinking water purposes, restroom use, and the watering of lawns, provided that the amount of stream water used for any such purposes does not exceed five acre-feet per year.

Domestic water public utility: municipality, public trust, rural water district, or other public entity, organized under the laws of and having its principal place of business in the State of Oklahoma and existing at least in part for the purpose of providing water utility service to domestic, commercial and other consumers.

Drainage area: the area above the discharge drained by the receiving stream.

Drinking Water SRF: that fund or program created by Title 82 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1085.71 and following. Also see State Revolving Fund.

Drinking Water Treatment Project: (1) Any engineering undertaking or work to control or develop drinking water treatment facilities of eligible entities for all useful and lawful purposes, (2) Any system necessary to improve or develop drinking water supply, treatment or distribution capabilities, or (3) Any implementation of water source protection programs as authorized by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act.

Drought Management: Those activities which conserve water in an attempt to best sustain a basin or region's needs during times of less than normal recharge.

E

Ecoregion (ecological region): sometimes called a bioregion, an ecologically and geographically defined area. Ecoregions cover relatively large areas of land or water, and contain characteristic, geographically distinct assemblages of natural communities and species. The biodiversity of flora, fauna and ecosystems that characterise an ecoregion tends to be distinct from that of other ecoregions.

Effluent: any fluid emitted by a source to a stream, reservoir or a basin, including a partially or completely treated waste fluid that is produced by and flows out of an industrial or wastewater treatment plant or sewer.

Elevation (MSL): elevation in feet in relation to mean sea level.

Enterococcus: bacteria that are passed through the fecal excrement of humans, livestock and wildlife. The bacteria can be found in the digestive tract of warm-blooded animals and aid in food digestion. EPA approves the use of enterococci as an indicator of potential pathogenic contamination in recreational bathing waters.

Equal proportionate share (EPS): portion of the maximum annual yield of water from a groundwater basin that is allocated to each acre of land overlying the basin or subbasin.

Escherichia coli (E. Coli): a type of pathogenic fecal coliform bacteria, and the most common facultative, disease-causing bacteria in the feces of warm-blooded animals. Most E. coli bacteria are harmless and are found in great quantities in the intestines of people and warm-blooded animals. Some strains, however, can cause illness. EPA approves the use of enterococci as an indicator of potential pathogenic contamination in recreational bathing waters.

Eutrophic: Abundant in nutrients and having high rates of productivity frequently resulting in oxygen depletion below the surface layer.

Eutrophication: the process whereby the condition of a waterbody changes from one of low biologic productivity and clear water to one of high productivity and water made turbid by the accelerated growth of algae.

Existing beneficial uses: those uses listed in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 131.3 actually attained by a waterbody on or after November 28, 1975. These uses may include public water supplies, fish and wildlife propagation, recreational uses, agriculture, industrial water supplies, navigation, and aesthetics.

F

Fecal coliform: a group of organisms common to the intestinal tracts of humans and of animals. The presence of fecal coliform bacteria in water is an indicator of pollution and of potentially dangerous bacterial contamination. In themselves, fecal coliform bacteria do not pose a danger to people or animals; however, where fecal coliform are present, disease-causing bacteria may also be present. Fecal coliform contamination may indicate that water is polluted with human or animal waste, which can harbor other pathogens that may threaten human health.

Financial assistance: the act, process or program of Board participation in the loaning, granting of, or contracting for, financial assistance funds to an applicant for the financing of a Board approved project, the same being as authorized and contemplated under the provisions of Title 82 Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 1085.31 through 1085.84.

First in time, first in right: a phrase indicating that older water rights have priority over more recent rights if there is not enough water to satisfy all rights.

Flood: general and temporary conditions of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from the overflow of lakes, streams, rivers or any other inland waters or watercourses.

Flood control pool: reservoir storage of excess runoff above the **conservation pool** storage capacity which is discharged at a regulated rate to reduce downstream flood damage.

Floodplain: the land adjacent to a body of water which has been or may be covered by flooding, including, but not limited to, the one-hundred year flood as defined in Title 82, Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1603.

Flow: the rate of water discharged from a source given in volume with respect to time.

Long-term average flow: an arithmetic average stream flow over a representative period of record.

Mean annual average flow: The annual mean flow found in "Statistical Summaries," USGS publication no. 87-4205, or most recent version thereof, or other annual mean flow as approved by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board or the permitting agency.

Seasonal base flow: the sustained or fair-weather runoff, which includes but is not limited to groundwater runoff and delayed subsurface runoff.

Seven Day, two-year low flow (7Q2): The design flow for determining allowable discharge load to a stream. The flow is calculated as a moving average of seven consecutive days for each year in a given record. These seven-day low flow values are ranked in ascending order. An order number (m) is calculated based upon the number of years of record (n), with a recurrence interval (R) of two years, as m=(n+1)/R, where R=two years. A value of flow corresponding to the mth order is taken as the seven-day, two-year low flow for those historical data.

Fresh water: water which has less than five thousand (5,000) parts per million total dissolved solids. All other water is considered salt water.

G

Gaps: shortages in supply of stream water. These shortages can be due to physical supply, water rights, infrastructure, or water quality constraints.

Groundwater: fresh water under the surface of the earth regardless of the geologic structure in which it is standing or moving outside the cut bank of any definite stream.

Groundwater basin: a distinct underground body of water overlain by contiguous land having substantially the same geological and hydrological characteristics and yield capabilities. The area boundaries of a major or minor basin can be determined by political boundaries, geological, hydrological, or other reasonable physical boundaries.

Groundwater recharge: see Recharge.

Groundwater storage depletions: see Depletions.

Habitat Limited Aquatic Community (HLAC): an OWQS designation; subcategory of the beneficial use "Fish and Wildlife Propagation" where the water chemistry and habitat are not adequate to support a "Warm Water Aquatic Community."

Hard water: water containing high concentrations (usually greater than 60 ppm) of iron, calcium, magnesium, and hydrogen ions, such water does not lather readily when used with soap and forms a scale of deposits in containers from which it evaporates.

Hardness: A measure of the capacity of water to precipitate soap and form suds or lather. Hardness represents the total concentration of calcium and magnesium ions expressed as milligrams of $CaCO_3$ per liter.

High Quality Waters (HQW): designation in the OWQS refers to waters that exhibit water quality exceeding levels necessary to support the propagation of fishes, shellfishes, wildlife, and recreation in and on the water. This designation prohibits any new point source discharges or additional load or increased concentration of specified pollutants.

Hydraulic conductivity: the capacity of rock to transmit groundwater under pressure.

Hydrologic unit code: utilized by the United States Geologic Survey and other federal and state agencies as a way of identifying all drainage basins in the United States in a nested arrangement from largest to smallest, consisting of a multi-digit code which identifies each of the levels of classification within two-digit fields.

Hypereutrophic: refers to a lake's "trophic status" and describes those lakes with excessive primary productivity and excessive nutrient levels.

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Impaired water: waterbody in which quality does not meet the standards prescribed for its beneficial uses.

Impoundment: body of water such as a pond or lake confined by a dam, dike, floodgate, or other barrier, used to collect and store water.

Industrial use: the use of water in processes designed to convert materials of a lower order of value into forms having greater usability and commercial value.

Infiltration: (1) The gradual downward flow of water from the surface into soil material. (2) Water other than wastewater that enters a sewer system (including sewer service connections and foundation drains) from the ground through such means as defective pipes, pipe joints, connections, or manholes. Infiltration does not include, and is distinguished from inflow.

Inflow: water other than wastewater that enters a sewer system (including sewer service connections) from sources such as, but not limited to, roof leaders, cellar drains, yard drains, area drains, drains from springs and swampy areas, manhole covers, cross connections between storm sewers and sanitary sewers, catch basins, cooling towers, storm waters, surface runoff, street wash waters, or drainage. Inflow does not include, and is distinguished from infiltration.

Instream flows: amount of water determined to be needed or set aside in a stream or river to ensure downstream environmental, social and economic benefits are met.

Interbasin transfer: the physical conveyance of water from one stream basin to another.

Interceptor sewer: a sewer that is designed for one or more of the following purposes: to intercept wastewater from a final point in a collector sewer and convey such wastes directly to a treatment facility or another interceptor; to replace an existing wastewater treatment facility and transport the wastes to an adjoining collector sewer or interceptor sewer for conveyance to a treatment plant; to transport wastewater from one or more municipal collector sewers to another municipality or to a regional plant for treatment; and to intercept an existing major discharge of raw or inadequately treated wastewater for transport directly to another interceptor or to a treatment plant.

Intolerant climax fish community: habitat and water quality adequate to support game fishes or other sensitive species introduced or native to the biotic province or ecological region, which require specific or narrow ranges of high quality environmental conditions.

Irrigation use: use of water for the production of food, fiber, crops, timber, fruits, nuts; and water applied to pastures, fields, landscaping, horticultural services, and golf courses, but not including agriculture use.

K

Kjeldahl nitrogen: see **nitrogen**.

L

Lake: impoundment of waters of the state over 50 acre-feet in volume which is either owned or operated by federal, state, county, or local government or appears in Oklahoma's Clean Lakes Inventory. Surface impoundments which are used as a treatment works for the purpose of treating, stabilizing or holding wastes are excluded from this definition.

Levee: man-made structure, usually an earthen embankment, designed and constructed in accordance with sound engineering practices to contain, control, or divert the flow of water so as to provide protection from temporary flooding.

M

Major groundwater basin: a distinct underground body of water overlain by contiguous land and having substantially the same geological and hydrological characteristics and from which groundwater wells yield at least fifty (50) gallons per minute on the average basinwide if from a bedrock aquifer, and at least one hundred fifty (150) gallons per minute on the average basinwide if from an alluvium and terrace aquifer, or as otherwise designated by the Board.

Maximum annual yield (MAY): determination by the Board of the total amount of fresh groundwater that can be produced from each basin or subbasin allowing a minimum twenty (20) year life of such basin or subbasin.

Mean sea level (MSL): for purposes of the National Flood Insurance Program, the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) of 1929 or other datum, to which base flood elevations shown on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map are referenced.

Median: the middle number in a given sequence of numbers, taken as the average of the two middle numbers when the sequence has an even number of numbers.

Mesotrophic: refers to a lake's "trophic status" and describes those lakes with moderate primary productivity and moderate nutrient levels.

Million gallons per day (mgd): a rate of flow equal to 1.54723 cubic feet per second or 3.0689 acre-feet per day.

Minimum: the least quantity or amount possible, assignable, or allowable.

Mining use: any use wherein the water is applied to mining processes including but not limited to oil and gas recovery operations, for drilling and reworking wells, and for conducting oil and gas field operations.

Minor groundwater basin: distinct underground body of water overlain by contiguous land and having substantially the same geological and hydrological characteristics and which is not a **major groundwater basin**.

Municipal and rural water use: the use of water by a municipality, rural water district, water corporations, or community for the promotion and protection of safety, health and comfort, distribution to natural persons for the maintenance of life and property, public and private business pursuits, and the furtherance of all generally recognized municipal purposes, except large recreational uses such as lakes unless in conjunction with other uses.

N

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES): is a permit program directed by the USEPA and managed by ODEQ that controls water pollution by regulating point sources that discharge pollutants into waters of the United States.

Nephelometric turbidity unit (NTU): unit of measure for turbidity in water based upon a comparison of the intensity of light scattered by the sample with the intensity of light scattered by a standard reference suspension.

Nitrogen: an essential plant element and is often the limiting nutrient in fresh waters.

> **Ammonia (NH3):** A form of nitrogen that is present naturally in surface waters. Concentrations of ammonia vary but are generally less than 10µg/L in surface and groundwater, although can exceed 30 mg/L in wastewater. Excess ammonia contributes to eutrophication of water bodies. This results in prolific algal growths that have deleterious

impacts on other aquatic life, drinking water supplies, and recreation. Ammonia at high concentrations is toxic to aquatic life.

Kjeldahl nitrogen: refers to the analytical technique used to determine the total of ammonia and organic nitrogen.

Nitrate nitrogen (NO3-): measurement of the most oxidized and stable form of nitrogen in a water body. Nitrate is the principle form of combined nitrogen found in natural waters. It results from the complete oxidation of nitrogen compounds, and is generally reported in µg/L or mg/L. Nitrate is the primary form of nitrogen used by plants as a nutrient to stimulate growth. Excessive amounts of nitrogen may result in algae or plant proliferations. At high levels it is toxic to infants.

Nitrite nitrogen (NO2-): measure of a form of nitrogen that occurs as an intermediate in the nitrogen cycle. It is an unstable form that is either rapidly oxidized to nitrate (nitrification) or reduced to nitrogen gas (de-nitrification). This form of nitrogen can also be used as a source of nutrients for plants. Nitrite is generally reported in either µg/L or mg/L. It is normally present in only minute quantities in surface waters (<0.001 mg/L). Since nitrite is also a source of nutrients for plants its presence encourages plant and algae proliferation. Nitrite is toxic to aquatic life at relatively low concentrations.

Organic nitrogen: organically bound nitrogen, it includes natural materials like proteins and peptides, nucleic acids and urea.

Total nitrogen: measure of all forms of nitrogen (organic and inorganic). Total nitrogen is typically calculated by summing nitrate, nitrite, and Kjeldahl nitrogen.

Non-consumptive use: using water in a way that does not reduce the supply; e.g. diverting or instream beneficial use where substantially all the water is returned to the stream such as for navigation, hydropower production, protection of habitat for hunting, maintaining water levels for boating recreation, maintaining flow, level and/or temperature for fishing, swimming, habitat etc.

Nonpoint source (NPS): a source of pollution without a well defined point of origin. Nonpoint source pollution is commonly caused by sediment, nutrients, organic and toxic substances originating from land use activities. Nonpoint source pollution occurs when the rate of materials entering water bodies exceeds natural levels.

Normal pool elevation: the target lake elevation at which a reservoir was designed to impound water to create a dependable water supply; sometimes referred to as the top of the conservation pool.

Normal pool storage: Volume of water held in a reservoir when the lake is at "*normal pool*."

Normal stream flow conditions: flow corresponding to low gradient areas in the hydrograph.

Numerical criteria: concentrations or other quantitative measures of chemical, physical or biological parameters that are assigned to protect a beneficial use.

Numerical standard: the most stringent of the numerical criteria assigned to the beneficial uses for a given stream.

Nutrient impaired reservoir: reservoir with a beneficial use or uses determined by a **Nutrient Limited Watershed** Impairment Study to be impaired by human-induced eutrophication.

Nutrient-Limited Watershed (NLW): watershed of a waterbody with a designated beneficial use which is adversely affected by excess nutrients as determined by Carlson's Trophic State Index (using chlorophyll-a) of 62 or greater, or is otherwise listed as "NLW" in Appendix A of the Oklahoma Water Quality Standards.

Nutrients: elements or compounds essential as raw materials for an organism's growth and development; these include carbon, oxygen, nitrogen and phosphorus.

O

Oklahoma Water Quality Standards (OWQS): rules promulgated by the OWRB in Oklahoma Administrative Code Title 785, Chapter 45 which establish classifications of uses of waters of the state, criteria to maintain and protect such classifications, and other standards or policies pertaining to the quality of such waters. Serve a dual role to establish water quality benchmarks and be the basis for the development of water quality based pollution control programs, including discharge permits, which dictate specific treatment levels required of municipal and industrial wastewater dischargers.

Oligotrophic: refers to a lake's "trophic status" and describes those lakes with low primary productivity and/or low nutrient levels.

Operation and maintenance (O&M): activities required to assure the dependable and economical function of treatment works.

(A) Operation: control of the unit processes and equipment which make up the treatment works. This includes financial and personnel management, records, laboratory control, process control, safety and emergency operation planning.

(B) Maintenance: preservation of functional integrity and efficiency of equipment and structures. This includes preventive maintenance, corrective maintenance and replacement of equipment.

Organic nitrogen: see Nitrogen.

Orthophosphate (PO_{4-3}): See Phosphate

Outfall: a point source which contains all the effluent being discharged to the receiving water.

Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW): Certain waters of the state constitute an outstanding resource or have exceptional recreational and/or ecological significance. These waters include streams designated "Scenic River" or "ORW" in Appendix A of the OWQS, and waters of the State located within watersheds of Scenic Rivers. Additionally, these may include waters located within National and State parks, forests, wilderness areas, wildlife management areas, and wildlife refuges, and waters which contain species listed pursuant to the federal Endangered Species Act. No degradation of water quality shall be allowed in these waters.

P

Percolation: The movement of water through unsaturated subsurface soil layers, usually continuing downward to the groundwater or water table reservoirs, and is distinguished from seepage (contained later in this glossary).

Permit availability: pertains to the amount of water that could be made available for withdrawals under permits issued in accordance with Oklahoma water law.

Permit to appropriate stream water: the specific written authorization to construct works and make an appropriation of stream water which is issued to the one whose application for a permit has been approved by the Board pursuant to the Stream Water Use law in Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 105.1 and following. Types of stream water permits include regular, seasonal, temporary, term, and provisional temporary.

Permittee: the person to whom a permit to use water has been issued by the Board or the person to whom such permit has been duly and properly transferred under Board rules.

pH: the measurement of the hydrogen-ion concentration in the water. A pH below 7 is acidic (the lower the number, the more acidic the water, with a decrease of one full unit representing an increase in acidity of ten times) and a pH above 7 (to a maximum of 14) is basic (the higher the number, the more basic the water). Fresh waters have a pH range from 5.5 in southeast Oklahoma to nearly 9.0 in central Oklahoma.

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Phosphorus:

Orthophosphate (PO_{4-3}): measure of the inorganic oxidized form of soluble phosphorus. It is generally reported in µg/L or mg/L. This form of phosphorus is the most readily available for uptake during photosynthesis. High concentrations of orthophosphate generally occur in conjunction with algal blooms.

Total phosphorus: a measure of both inorganic and organic forms of phosphorus. Phosphorus can be present as dissolved or particulate matter. It is an essential plant nutrient and is often the most limiting nutrient to plant growth in fresh water. It is rarely found in significant concentrations in surface waters. It is often used as an indicator of eutrophication and excessive productivity. Phosphorus is generally reported in µg/L or mg/L. Since phosphorus is generally the most limiting nutrient, its input to fresh water systems can cause extreme proliferations of algal growth. Inputs of phosphorus are the prime contributing factors to eutrophication in most fresh water systems.

Physical supply availability: (1) Existing wet water accessible to be used. (2) An OCWP analysis performed to characterize statewide water supply projected through the 2060 planning horizon, compare with demand projections, and quantify anticipated gaps in the supply.

Plankton: those aquatic organisms consisting of zooplankton (protozoa, small crustaceans, larval stages of mollusks and other invertebrates), phytoplankton (algae), and nanoplankton (diatoms) in the water column.

Planning: (in reference to OWRB financial assistance) process of evaluating alternative solutions to water pollution problems, and through a systematic screening procedure, selecting the most cost effective environmentally sound alternative.

Point source: any discernible, confined and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock or concentrated animal feeding operation from which pollutants are or may be discharged. This term does not include return flows from irrigation agriculture.

Pollutant: any material, substance or property which may cause pollution.

Pollution: contamination or other alteration of the physical, chemical or biological properties of any natural waters of the State, or such discharge of any liquid, gaseous or solid substance into any waters of the State as will or is likely to create a nuisance or render such waters harmful, or detrimental or injurious to public health, safety or welfare, or to domestic, commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational, or other legitimate beneficial uses, or to livestock, wild animals, birds, fish or other aquatic life.

Potable: suitable for drinking.

Power use: water used for power generation, including, but not limited to, fossil-fueled electric power generation and hydroelectric power generation.

Primary Body Contact Recreation (PBCR): OWQS designation; involves direct body contact with the water where a possibility of ingestion exists. In these cases the water shall not contain chemical, physical or biological substances in concentrations that are irritating to skin or sense organs or are toxic or cause illness upon ingestion by human beings.

Primary productivity: is the production of chemical energy in organic compounds by living organisms. In lakes and streams, this essentially is the lowest denominator of the food chain (phytoplankton) bringing energy into the system via photosynthesis.

Prior groundwater right: a right to use groundwater, comparable to a permit, recognized by the OWRB as having been established by compliance with the groundwater laws in effect prior to 1973.

Project Priority List: (in reference to OWRB financial assistance) a contiguous list of projects in order of priority for which Clean Water SRF assistance is expected during a five-year planning period.

Project priority points: (in reference to OWRB financial assistance) the total number of points assigned to a project by using the priority ranking formula.

Provider: private or public entity that supplies water to end users or to other providers.

Public Water Supply (PWS): for purposes of water quantity permitting under the Stream Water Use law or Oklahoma Groundwater Law, use of water for drinking water purposes by housing developments, trailer parks, churches, schools, etc., other than water used for **municipal or rural water use.**

R

Recharge: the inflow of water to an alluvial or bedrock aquifer.

Recreation use: non-consumptive use which includes but is not limited to the use of water for swimming, water skiing, boating, fishing, hunting or other forms of water recreation, and water for fish and wildlife conservation.

Region: for purposes of the OCWP, one of thirteen watershed based regions in Oklahoma each having from one to twelve of the 82 major watershed Basins within.

Reservoir: any surface depression which contains or will contain the water impounded by a dam.

Retail: water sold to the end users both residential domestic use and non-residential users such as places of business, industry, schools and related locations.

Return water or return flow: the portion of water diverted from a water supply which finds its way back into a watercourse.

Reverse osmosis: a process that removes salts and other substances from water. Pressure is placed on the stronger of two unequal concentrations separated by a semi-permeable membrane; a common method of desalination.

Riparian doctrine: legal system based upon riparian rights as distinguished from and contrasted with the **appropriation doctrine** which is based upon appropriation rights (see **Appropriative right**). In a state that follows the reasonable use riparian doctrine, conflicts and controversies regarding water use between riparian landowners are typically resolved in court litigation with the focus on determining reasonableness of types of use, reasonableness of volumes, and timing and methods of use among competing landowners. Unlike an appropriation right, a riparian right is not automatically lost if the riparian landowner makes no use of the water or if the riparian landowner begins use for a period, stops use, and begins the same use or changes use in the future. Each riparian landowner has the same right, based on reasonableness. Historically, the riparian doctrine has been administered though the court system with ad hoc decisions made in individual lawsuits between riparian landowners. There is generally no permit system for riparian rights in states that follow the riparian doctrine, no applications to file, and no administrative hearings held.

Riparian water right (riparian right): the right of an owner of land adjoining a stream or watercourse to use water from that stream for reasonable purposes.

Riverine: relating to, formed by, or resembling a river (including tributaries), stream, brook, etc.

Rural Economic Action Plan (REAP): points-based grant program designed to assist smaller communities with water and wastewater infrastructure needs.

S

Safe Drinking Water Act: the federal Safe Drinking Water Act as may be amended, or any successor statute.

Salinity: the concentration of salt in water measured in mg/L or ppm.

Salt water: any water containing more than five thousand (5,000) parts per million total dissolved solids.

Saturated thickness: thickness below the zone of the water table in which all of the interstices are filled with groundwater.

Scenic Rivers: streams in Scenic River Areas designated by the Oklahoma Legislature which possess such unique natural scenic beauty, water conservation, fish, wildlife and outdoor recreational values of present and future benefit to the people of the state. The areas of the state designated as "scenic river areas" are listed and described in Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1451.

Secchi depth: measure of water clarity by use of a black and white patterned disk (Secchi disk) lowered at depth until its pattern is no longer discernible.

Secondary Body Contact Recreation (SBCR): beneficial use designated by OWQS where ingestion of water is not anticipated such as boating or fishing.

Sediment: water transported and deposited particles derived from rocks, soil, or biological material.

Seepage: The appearance and disappearance of water at the ground surface. Seepage designates the type of movement of water in saturated material. It is distinguished from percolation, which is the predominant type of movement of water in unsaturated material. Seepage can mean specifically loss of water from a reservoir through the lake bottom or earthen dam.

Sensitive sole source groundwater basin or subbasin: a major groundwater basin or subbasin all or a portion of which has been designated by the EPA as a "Sole Source Aquifer" a mechanism to protect drinking water supplies in areas with limited water supply alternatives. It includes any portion of a contiguous aquifer located within five (5) miles of the known areal extent of the surface outcrop of the sensitive sole source groundwater basin.

Sensitive Water Supplies (SWS): designation that applies to public and private water supplies possessing conditions making them more susceptible to pollution events, thus requiring additional protection. This designation restricts point source discharges in the watershed and institutes a 10 µg/L (micrograms per liter) chlorophyll-a criterion to protect against taste and odor problems and reduce water treatment costs.

Soft water: water that contains little to no magnesium or calcium salts.

Special use: (in reference to taking and use of groundwater) includes but is not limited to the use of groundwater for groundwater heat pump systems or artificially recharging a groundwater basin or subbasin.

Specific conductivity: the measurement of the ability of water to conduct an electric current. The greater the content of ions in the water, the more current the water can carry. Ions are dissolved metals and other dissolved materials. Conductivity is reported in terms of microsiemens per centimeter (µS/cm). Natural waters are commonly found to vary between 50 and 1500 µS/cm; however, in Oklahoma, some western rivers have specific conductivity values > 25,000 uS/cm, while many waters in the Ouachita Mountains of southeastern Oklahoma have perennial conductivities of < 25.

Standards: see **Oklahoma Water Quality Standards**.

State Revolving Fund (SRF): fund or program to be used for loans to eligible entities for qualified projects in accordance with Federal law, rules and guidelines administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as well as state law and rules. There are two separate SRF programs administered in Oklahoma: one is for the purpose of controlling water pollution (the Clean Water SRF) administered by OWRB and the other is for the purpose or providing safe drinking water (the Drinking Water SRF) administered jointly OWRB and ODEQ.

Storm sewer: a sewer designed to carry only storm waters, surface runoff, street wash waters, and drainage.

Storm water: storm water runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage.

Stratification: see **Thermal stratification**.

Stream: a common term that is distinguished from the phrase "definite stream" specifically defined by Oklahoma law (see above in this glossary), and is commonly understood to be a body of running water confined to a narrow defined channel that flows under gravity along the land surface, in a subterranean cavern; also applied to small rivers. In common usage denotes any flowing waterbody that may be more specifically described as follows.

- **Ephemeral stream:** a stream that flows only in direct response to precipitation in the immediate watershed or in response to the melting of snow and ice cover.
- **Gaining stream:** stream whose channel or upper surface lies below the water table and therefore receives water in the form of base flow from the zone of saturation.
- **Intermittent stream:** stream or reach of a stream that is below the local water table for at least part of the year, and obtains its flow from both surface runoff and groundwater discharge.
- **Losing stream:** stream that loses water through seepage into the ground.
- **Perennial stream:** stream or part of a stream that flows continuously throughout the year as a result of groundwater discharge or surface runoff.

Stream system: drainage area of a watercourse or series of watercourses which converges in a large watercourse the boundaries of which have been defined and which has been previously designated by the Board as a stream system.

Stream water: water in a **definite stream** and includes but is not limited to water in ponds, lakes, reservoirs, and playa lakes.

Sulfate: commonly found as a natural component of sedimentary and igneous rocks in the form of metallic sulfides. Waters containing sulfates may contain sulfate-reducing bacteria. These bacteria produce hydrogen sulfide gas, which gives off a rotten egg odor. Usually ranges from 5 to 50 mg/L in natural waters, although can be much higher in saline lakes.

Supply Source: the OCWP considers three major sources of water supply. They are alluvial groundwater, bedrock groundwater, and surface water.

Surface Water: water in streams and waterbodies as well as diffused over the land surface.

Surface water gaps: see Gaps.

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Temporary permit: for groundwater basins or subbasins for which a maximum annual yield has not been determined, "temporary" permits are granted to users allocating two acre-feet of water per acre of land per year. Temporary permits are for one-year terms which can be revalidated by the permittee each year, subject to conditions prescribed in OWRB rules or in an individual case by the OWRB. When the equal proportionate share and maximum annual yield are approved by the OWRB, all temporary permits overlying the studied basin are converted to regular permits at the new approved allocation rate.

Terrace deposits: fluvial or wind-blown deposit occurring along the margin and above the level of a body of water and representing the former floodplain of a stream or river.

Thermal stratification: horizontal layers of different densities produced in a lake caused by temperature.

Total dissolved solids (TDS): a measure of the amount of dissolved material in the water column. It is reported in mg/L with values in fresh water naturally ranging from 0-1000 mg/L. Dissolved salts such as sodium, chloride, magnesium and sulfate contribute to elevated filterable residue values. High concentrations of TDS limit the suitability of water as a drinking and livestock watering source as well as irrigation supply. High TDS waters may interfere with the clarity, color, and taste of manufactured products. High TDS naturally occurs in some parts of western Oklahoma.

Total maximum daily load (TMDL): sum of individual wasteload allocations for point sources, safety reserves, and loads from nonpoint source and natural backgrounds.

Total suspended solids (TSS): measure of the particulate matter that is suspended within the water column. High concentrations of TSS increase turbidity, restrict light penetration hindering photosynthetic activity, damage fish gills, and interfere with water treatment processes.

Transmissivity: measure of how much water can be transmitted horizontally in an aquifer. Transmissivity is the product of hydraulic conductivity of the rock and the saturated thickness of the aquifer.

Treatment works: any devices and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling, and reclamation of municipal sewage, including intercepting sewers, outfall sewers, sewage collection systems, pumping, power, and other equipment, and their appurtenances. Also, any other method or system for preventing, abating, reducing, storing, treating, separating, or disposing of municipal waste, including storm water runoff, on-site systems and waste in combined storm water and sanitary sewer systems.

Tributary: stream or other body of water, surface or underground, which contributes its water to another larger stream or body of water.

Trophic State Index (TSI): Carlson's (1977) trophic state index (TSI) is one of the most commonly used measurements to compare lake trophic status, which is based on algal biomass. Carlson's TSI uses chlorophyll-a concentrations to define level of eutrophication on a scale of 1 to 100. The trophic scale is set up so that a ten-unit increase in trophic state represents a doubling of algae biomass. The OWRB's statewide lakes sampling program assigns one of four trophic states to Oklahoma reservoirs on an annual basis. A lake is considered oligotrophic below 40, mesotrophic from 41-50, eutrophic 51-60, and hypereutrophic when greater than or equal to 61. The biological condition of the waterbody indicates the lake's level of nutrient enrichment or eutrophication. Secchi depth and total phosphorus can also be used to calculate TSI.

Trophic status: a lake's trophic state, essentially a measure of its biological productivity and is a major determinant of water quality. There are four status levels: Oligotrophic, Mesotrophic, Eutrophic, and Hypereutrophic.

Turbidity: combination of suspended and colloidal materials (like silt, clay, plankton, etc.), which reduce the transmission of light through scattering or absorption. The clarity of a body of water is important in determining its condition and productivity. Turbidity values are generally reported in Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU). Pure distilled water would have non-detectable turbidity (0 NTU). The extinction depth (for lakes), measured with a Secchi disc, is an alternative means of expressing turbidity.

V

Vadose zone: see Zone of aeration.

Vested stream water right or vested right: a right to use stream water, comparable to a permit, recognized by the OWRB as having been established by compliance with the stream water laws in effect prior to 1972.

W

Warm Water Aquatic Community (WWAC): an OWQS designation; a subcategory of the beneficial use category "Fish and Wildlife Propagation" where the water quality and habitat are adequate to support intolerant climax fish communities and includes an environment suitable for the full range of warm water benthos.

Waste: in reference to water use or water quantity, means use of water in such an inefficient manner that excessive losses occur or any manner that is not a beneficial use or use of water in excess of the amount which is authorized by the water right.

Waste by depletion: unauthorized use of wells or groundwater; drilling a well, taking, or using fresh groundwater without a permit, except for domestic use; taking more fresh groundwater than is authorized by the permit; taking or using fresh groundwater in any manner so that the water is lost for beneficial use; transporting fresh groundwater from a well to the place of use in such a manner that there is an excessive loss in transit; using fresh groundwater to reach a pervious stratum and be lost into cavernous or otherwise pervious materials encountered in a well; drilling wells and producing fresh groundwater there from except in accordance with the well spacing previously determined by the Board; or using fresh groundwater for air conditioning or cooling purposes without providing facilities to aerate and reuse such water.

Waste by pollution: permitting or causing the pollution of a fresh water strata or basin through any act which will permit fresh groundwater polluted by minerals or other waste to filter or otherwise intrude into such a basin or subbasin or failure to properly plug abandoned fresh water wells in accordance with rules of the Board and file reports thereof.

Water and Sewer Program: the loan and grant program administered by the Board for making loans from bond proceeds, emergency grants from the Grant Account of the Water Resources Fund in the State Treasury, contract financial assistance, and related financial assistance for water and sewer projects.

Water quality: physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of water which determine diversity, stability, and productivity of the climax biotic community or affect human health.

Water Quality Standards (WQS): see Oklahoma Water Quality Standards.

Water right: right to the use of stream or groundwater for beneficial use and is reflected by permits or vested rights for stream water or prior rights for groundwater.

Water reuse: treated M&I wastewater captured and reused commonly for non-potable irrigation and industrial applications to reduce demand upon potable water systems.

Water supply: a body of water, whether static or moving either on or under the surface of the ground, or in a man-made reservoir, available for beneficial use on a dependable basis.

Water supply availability: the supply has all three necessary components: physical water, water of a usable quality, and the water right or permit to use the water.

Water supply options: alternatives that a basin or region has to meet changing demands, they include but may not be limited to Demand Management, Out-of-Basin Supplies, building additional storage (reservoirs), direct diversions of stream water, and increasing groundwater wells.

Water supply yield: see **Dependable yield**.

Water table: The upper surface of a zone of saturation; the upper surface of the groundwater.

Waterbody: any specified segment or body of waters of the state, including but not limited to an entire stream or lake or a portion thereof.

Watercourse: the channel or area that conveys a flow of water.

Waters of the state: all streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, watercourses, waterways, wells, springs, irrigation systems, drainage systems, and all other bodies or accumulations of water, surface and underground, natural or artificial, public or private, which are contained within, flow through, or border upon this State or any portion thereof.

Watershed: the boundaries of a drainage area of a watercourse or series of watercourses which diverge above a designated location or diversion point, as determined by the Board.

Well: any type of excavation for the purpose of obtaining groundwater or to monitor or observe conditions under the surface of the earth but does not include oil and gas wells.

Well yield: Well yield represents the amount of water the well can pump or is expected to pump over a given time, usually in gpm. This value is dependent on the aquifer parameters, size of well, and pump size.

Wholesale: Transfer of water to a Retail Provider, increasing the amount a wholesaler must deliver and reducing the amount the purchasing provider will need to divert from its sources.

Withdrawal: water taken from a supply source.

Y

Yield: see Dependable yield and/or Well yield.

Z

Zone of aeration: a subsurface soil zone that likes above the zone of saturation and is characterized by the saturation of soil interstices partially by water and partially by air.

Zone of saturation: a subsurface soil zone in which all voids, large and small, are ideally filled with water under pressure greater than atmospheric; does not include the capillary fringe.

The objective of the Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan is to ensure dependable water supply for all Oklahomans through integrated and coordinated water resources planning and to provide information so that water providers, policy-makers, and water users can make informed decisions concerning the use and management of Oklahoma's water resources.

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