

Daily Analysis of Divertible Flow Available for Sites Reservoir

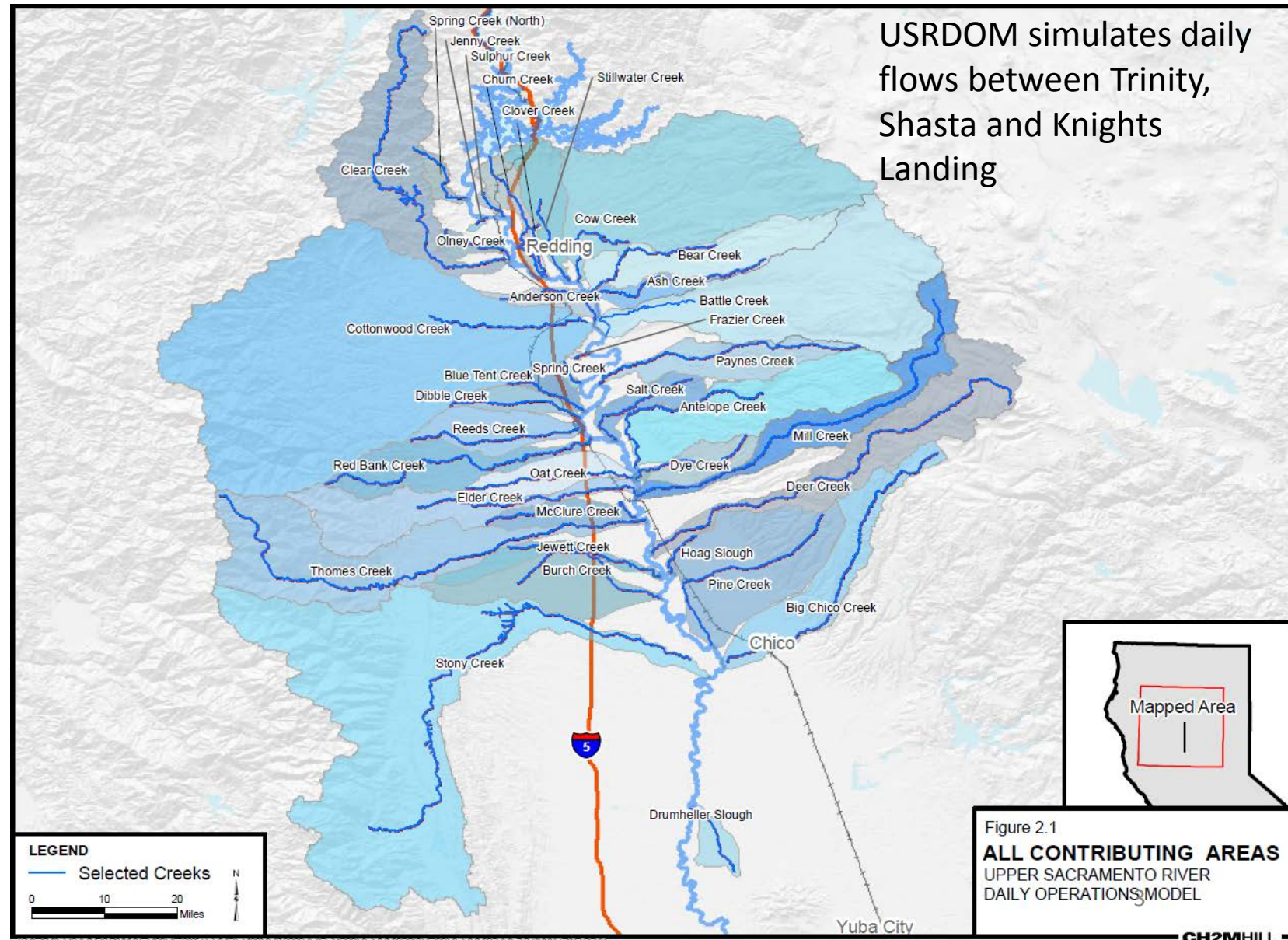
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Daily Modeling for Sites Project

- A set of daily modeling tools has been developed to evaluate the quantity of flow available for potential diversions to the proposed Sites Reservoir under a range of hydrologic conditions and operations criteria
- These tools can be used to:
 - Support further understanding of the interactions of Sites Project with flow conditions in the Sacramento River
 - Evaluate the affect of various flow regulations, facility constraints, and operation criteria on flow availability for Sites Project

Daily Model - USRDOM

- Upper Sacramento River Daily Operations Model
- Simulates daily flow conditions in the Upper Sacramento River based on operations specified by CalSim II
- Can be used to evaluate Sites Reservoir benefits
- Original hydrology dataset included 82-year period from WY 1922 to WY 2003 using available historical gage records and operations data



Daily Modeling Application

USRDOM HindCast (2018)

- 1964 – 2018
- HEC5Q
- Calibrated with gage data (Sac R at Bend Bridge, Colusa, and Wilkins Slough)
- Simulates daily flows in the Upper Sacramento River based on CalSim outputs for WY 1964 - 2018



Flow Availability Tool

- 2009 – 2018
- Excel
- Inputs from USRDOM Hindcast (2018) model and gage data
- Determines daily flow availability for Sites diversions

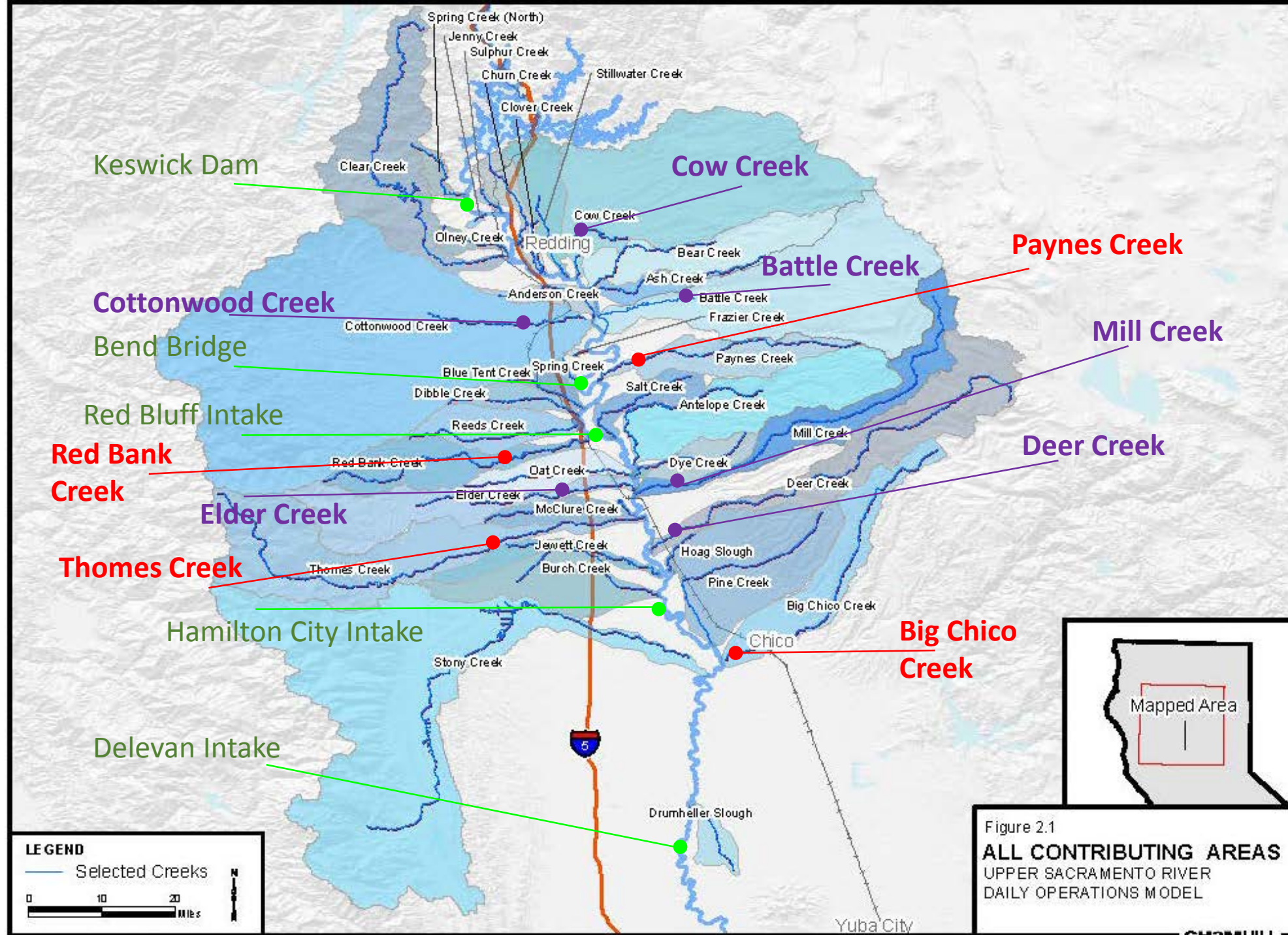


Divertible and Storable Flow Tool

- 2009 – 2018
- Excel & Power BI
- Inputs from USRDOM Hindcast (2018) model, Flow Availability Tool, and gage data
- Determines divertible and storable flow for Sites based on user specified conveyance constraints and diversion criteria
- Applications:
 - Education
 - Sensitivity Analysis
 - Diversion strategy based on system conditions

Upper Sacramento River Tributaries

- 11 tributaries along the Upper Sacramento River are used as inputs for USRDOM
- The first six historical datasets are used to estimate inflows for the remaining five datasets:
 1. Deer Creek near Vina
 2. Mill Creek near Los Molinos
 3. Battle Creek near Cottonwood
 4. Elder Creek near Paskenta
 5. Cottonwood Creek near Cottonwood
 6. Cow Creek near Millville
 7. Big Chico Creek
 8. Black Butte
 9. Paynes Creek
 10. Red Bank
 11. Thomes Creek



Keswick Dam

Cow Creek

Paynes Creek

Cottonwood Creek

Battle Creek

Mill Creek

Bend Bridge

Red Bluff Intake

Red Bank
Creek

Deer Creek

Elder Creek

Thomes Creek

Hamilton City Intake

Big Chico
Creek

Delevan Intake



Figure 2.1
ALL CONTRIBUTING AREAS
 UPPER SACRAMENTO RIVER
 DAILY OPERATIONS MODEL

USRDOM HindCast Calibration

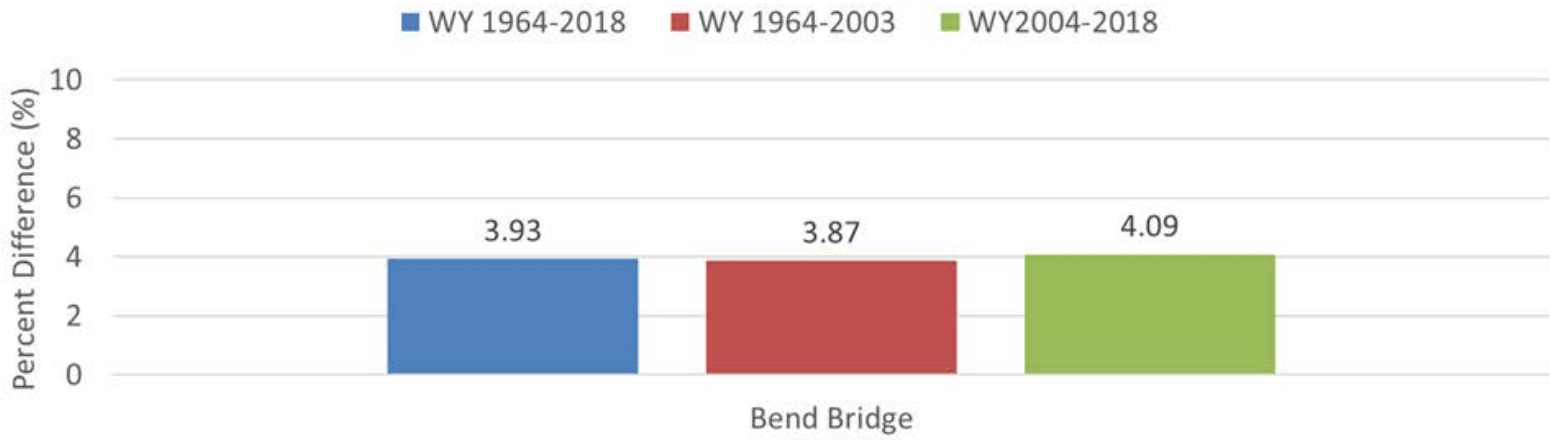
- “Closure Terms” (buffer flows) are used to account for ungaged tributaries and uncertainty between synthesized and observed flow data
- Two closure terms are used to account for all Sacramento River diversions, accretions, depletions, and inflows from tributaries that are not explicitly included in the model
 - Upper Segment Closure Term (UPPERSACRCLOSURE) – Accounts for region between Keswick and Bend Bridge
 - Middle Segment Closure Term (MIDDLESACRCLOSURE) – Accounts for region between Bend Bridge and Colusa Weir

USRDOM HindCast Calibration

- The closure terms were refined over a 5 step process:
 - Step 1 - Upper Segment closure term is computed using a water balance estimate of all known inflows and diversions modeled upstream of Bend Bridge
 - Step 2 - Upper Segment closure term is iteratively refined to match gage readings for the Sacramento River at Bend Bridge
 - Step 3 – Upper Segment closure term is adjusted to account for potential gage error at Bend Bridge
 - Step 4 – Middle Segment closure term is developed to match gage readings for the Sacramento River at Colusa Weir
 - Step 5 – Middle Segment closure term is adjusted to account for potential gage error at Colusa Weir

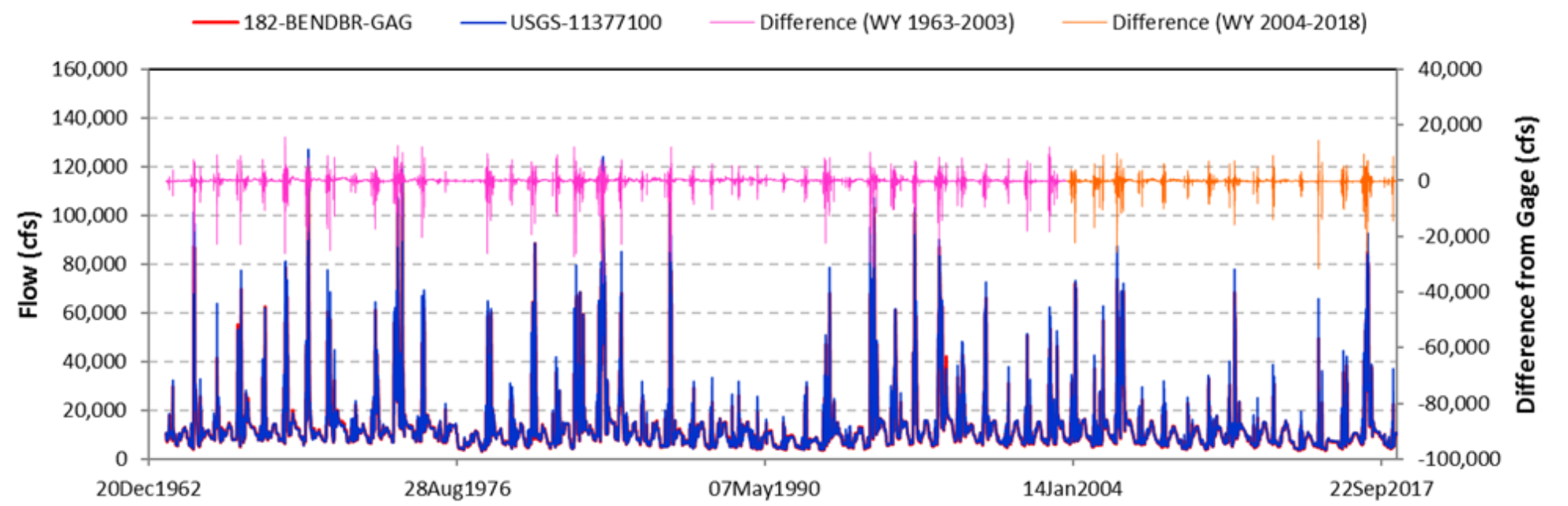
Upper Segment Calibration

Average Absolute Percent Difference from Gage - Step 3 (Addressing Gage Uncertainty in the Upper Segment)



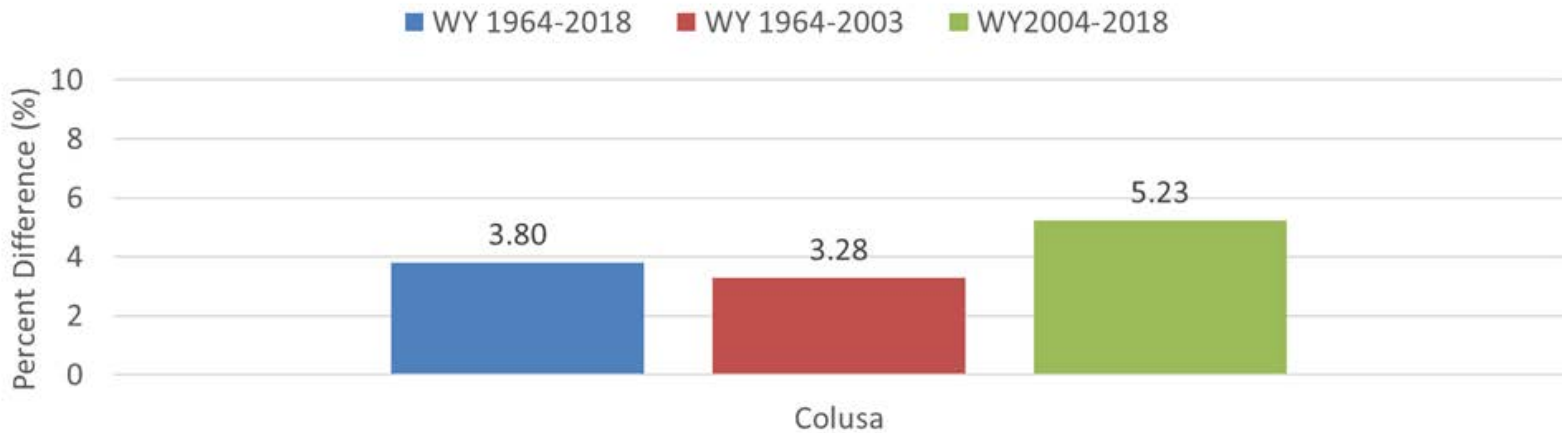
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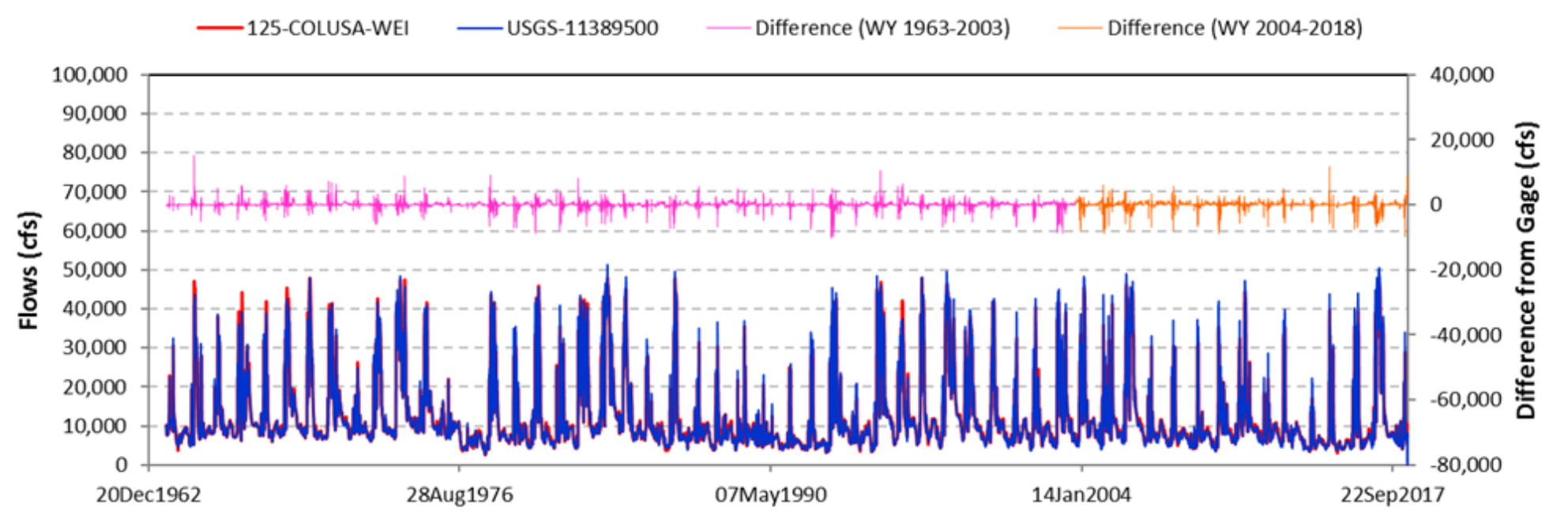
Middle Segment Calibration

Average Absolute Percent Difference - Step 5 (Addressing Uncertainties in the Middle Segment)



Sac R at Colusa Flow (cfs) (WY 1964 -2018)

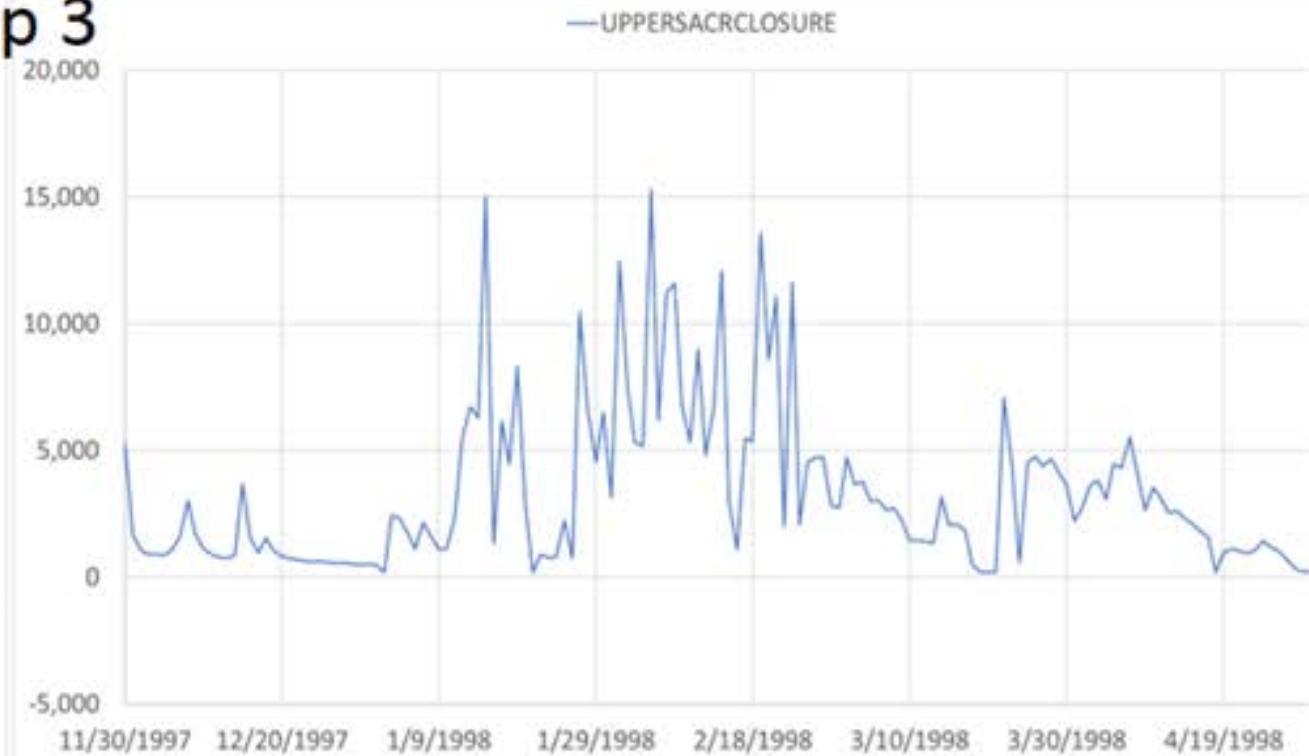
	Average	Min	Max
Observed	11,708.5	0.0	51,300.0
Modeled	11,826.5	2,588.5	47,924.9
Difference	118.0	-10,130.4	15,287.7



Step 3

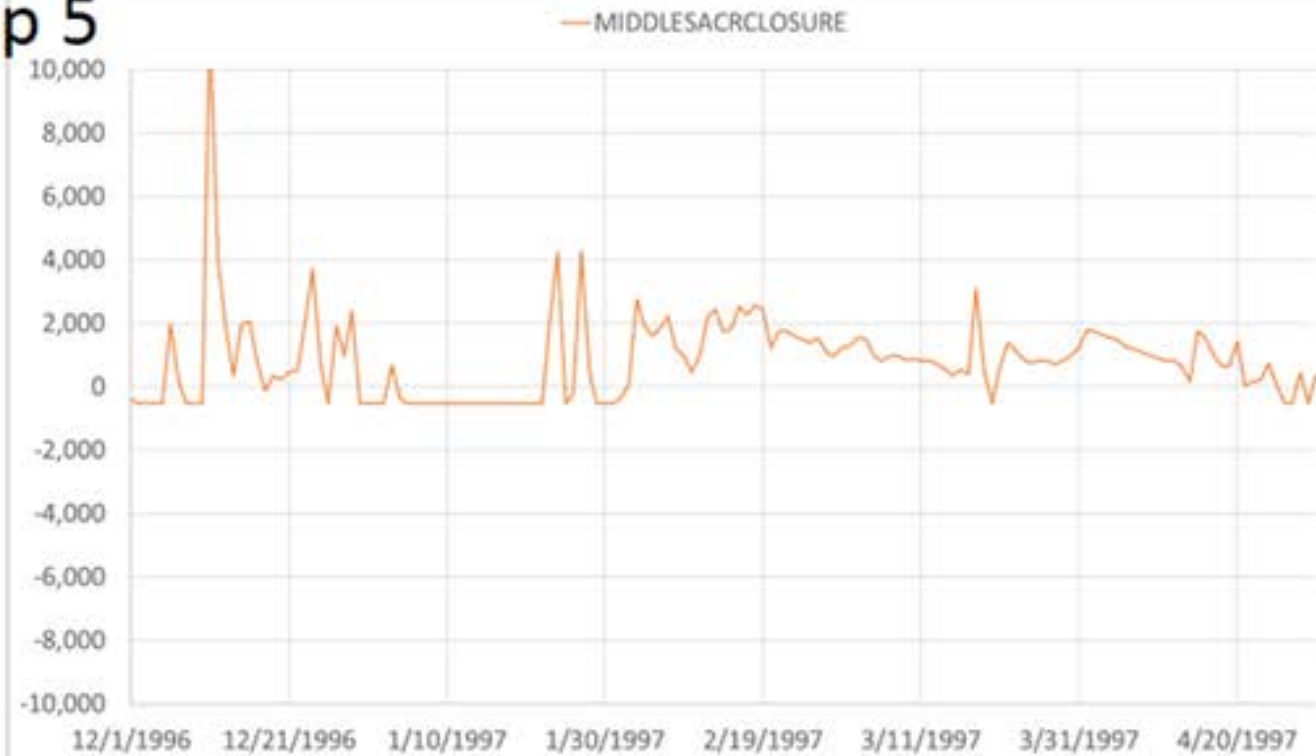
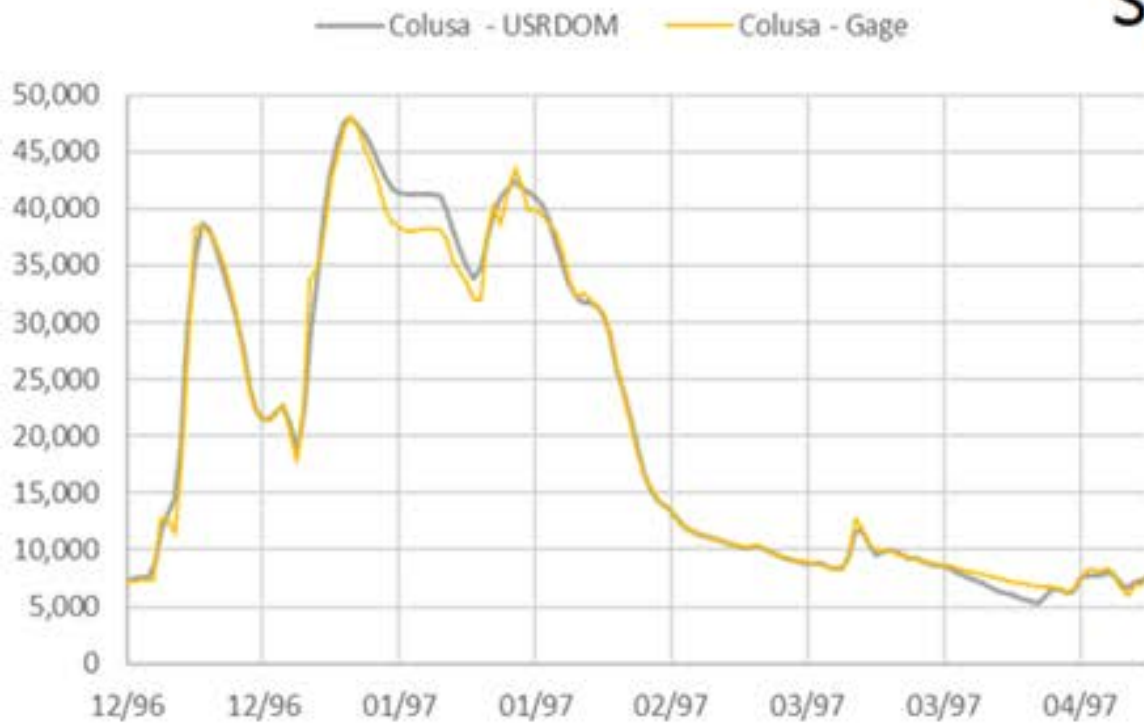


- USRDOM simulated flow (blue) vs USGS gage readings (orange) for the Sacramento River at Bend Bridge after calibrating USRDOM's Upper Segment



- Upper Segment Closure Term

Step 5



- USRDOM simulated flow (grey) vs USGS gage readings (yellow) for the Sacramento River at Colusa Weir after calibrating USRDOM's Middle Segment

- Middle Segment Closure Term

Flow Availability Tool

- Determines daily flow available for diversion to Sites Reservoir, subject to hydrology and regulations outside the scope of Sites Project operations for October 1st, 2008 – May 31st, 2018
 - Period consistent with implementation of NMFS's RPA from the 2009 BiOp
- Flow availability is computed using historical records and accounting for current flow requirements
 - Delta balance conditions from COA reports
 - Term 91 conditions
 - Delta outflow requirements
 - Export/Inflow ratio constraint
 - San Joaquin River exports
 - Health and safety requirements
 - Fall X2
 - Spring X2
 - Jersey Point, Emmaton, Rio Vista water quality standards

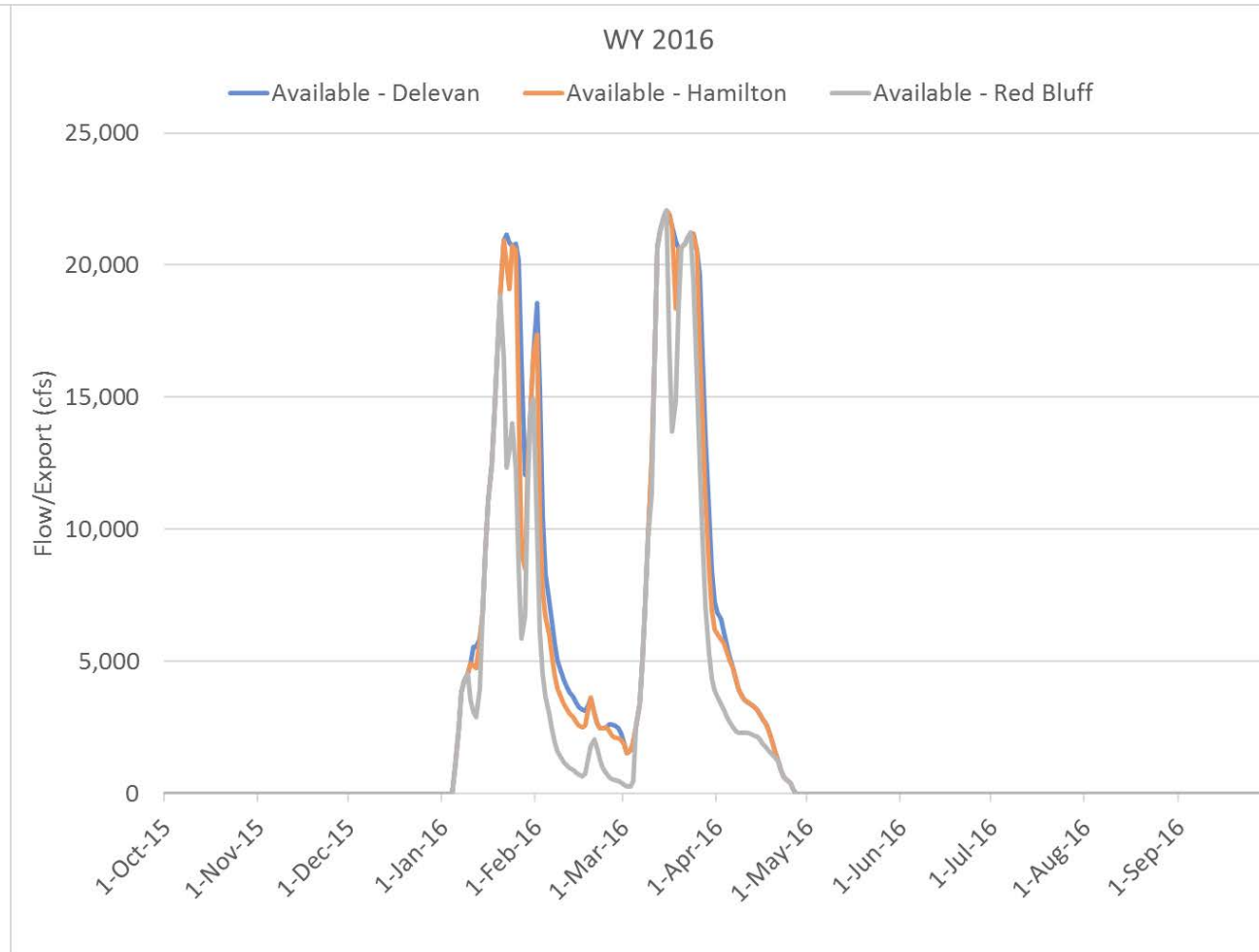
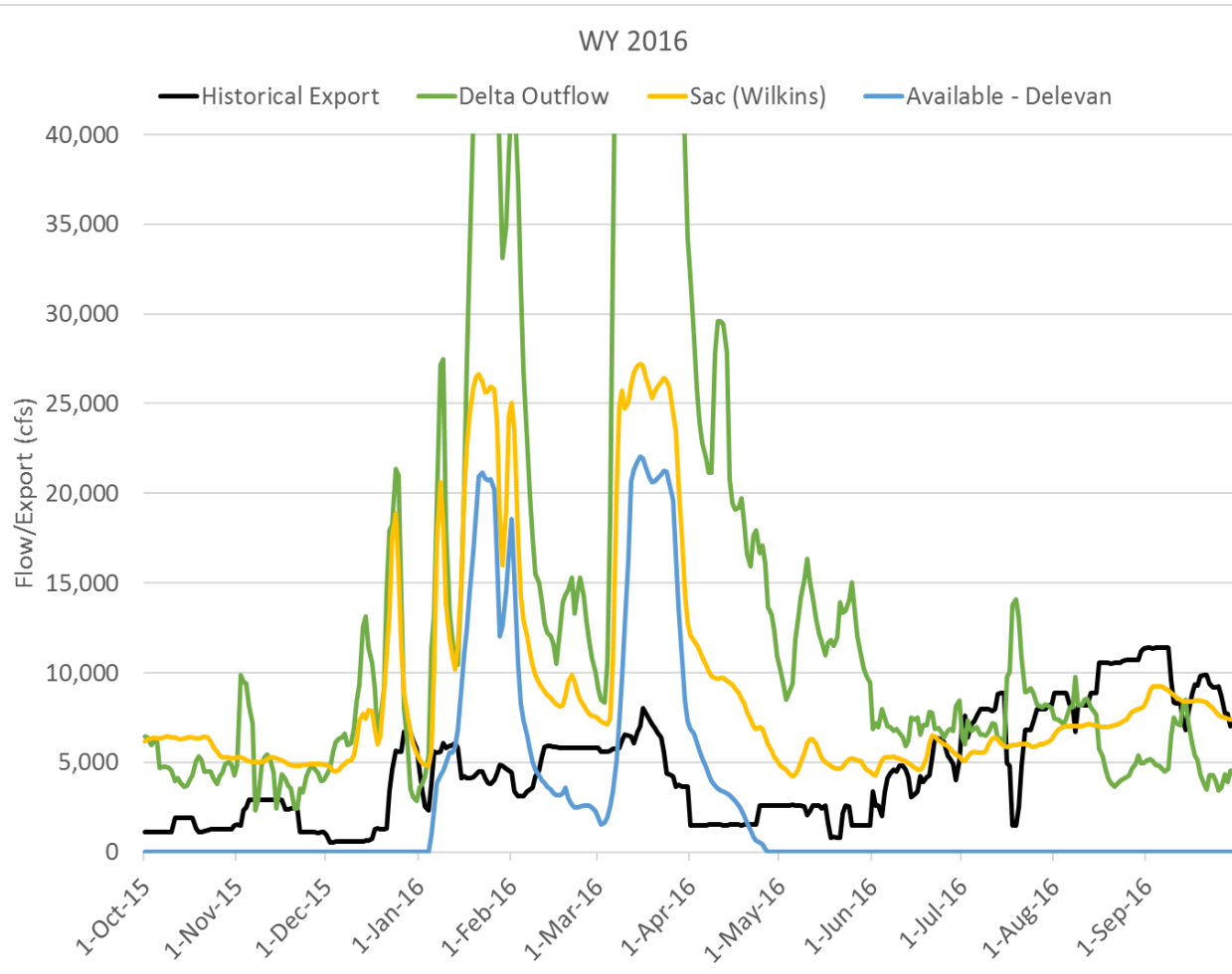
Historical Data Compilation for the Flow Availability Tool

- USGS Daily Flow
 - American River at Fair Oaks
 - Sacramento tributary flow (inputs for USRDOM)
- CDEC Daily Data
 - San Luis storage from WY 2007 through May 2018
 - Feather River flow
- Reclamation Data (inputs for USRDOM)
- Outputs from the USRDOM HindCast Model
- CVO COA Reports from WY 2008 through November 2017
- Dayflow from WY 2008 through WY 2017

Historical Data Compilation for the Flow Availability Tool

- Delta Operations for Salmonids and Sturgeon (DOSS) meeting summaries from January 2009 through June 15th 2018
- Smelt Working Group (SWG) meeting summaries from January 2009 through June 15th 2018
- Delta Assessment Team (DAT) Summaries from January 2009 through June 15th 2018
- Water Operations Management Team (WOMT) from January 2009 through June 15th 2018
- SWRCB Term 91 indicator data from January 2007 through May 2018

Flow Availability Tool – Example Figures



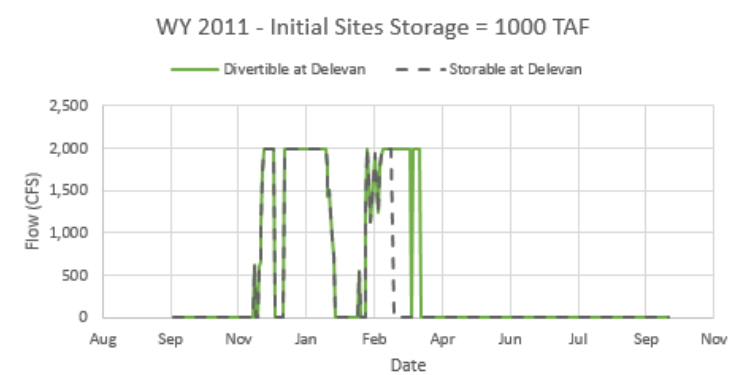
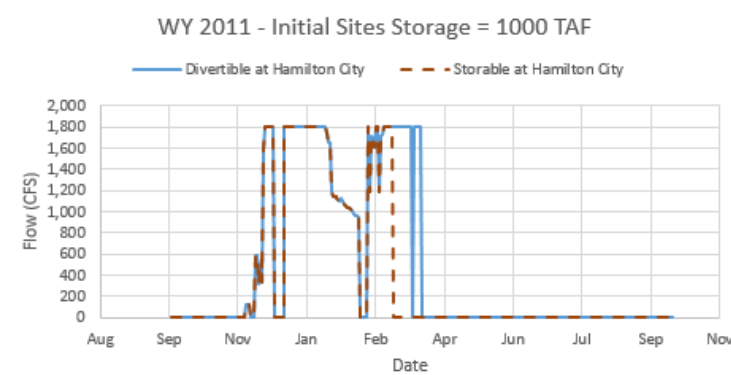
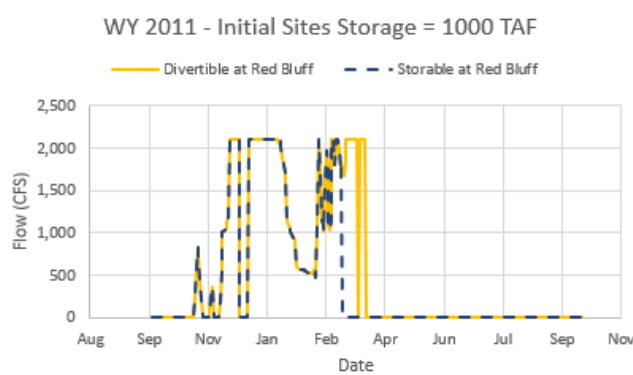
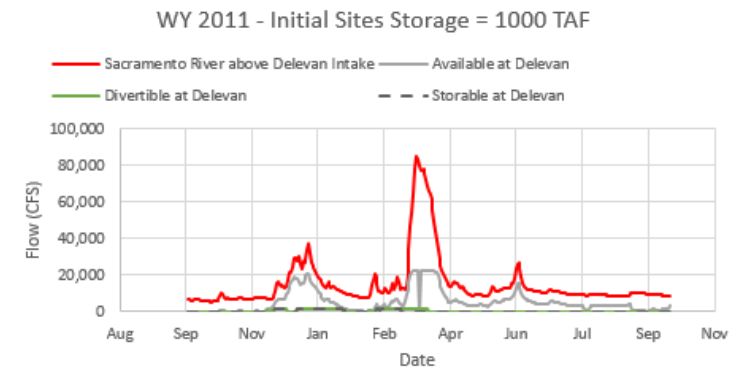
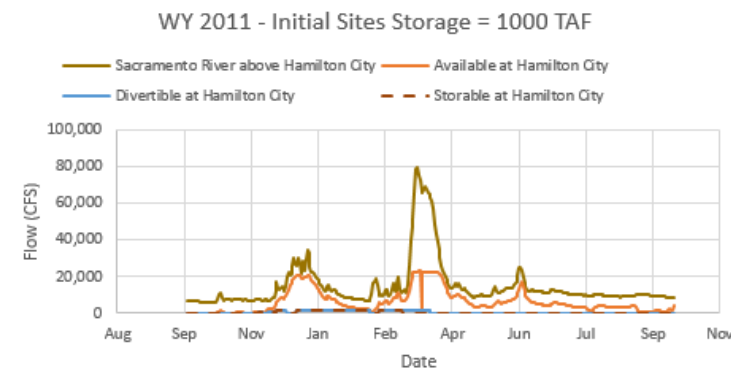
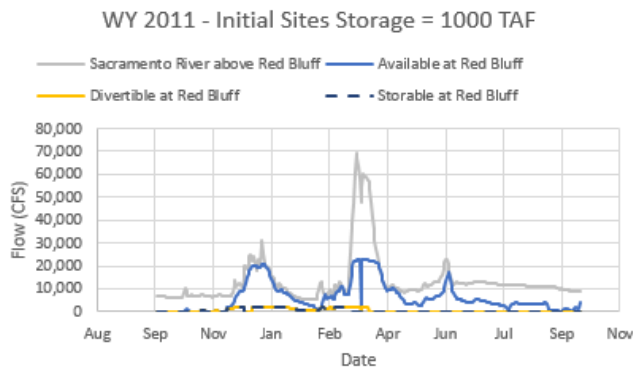
Divertible & Storable Flow Tool

- Determines daily divertible and storable flow for Sites Project in October 1st, 2008 – May 31st, 2018 based on water availability and user specified conveyance constraints and diversion criteria
- The tool includes a dashboard with options to toggle between various combinations of hydrographs, diversion criteria, and initial storage conditions
- Results can be viewed in Excel and Power BI
- Divertible Flow = “Available Flow” subject to flow requirements and conveyance constraints associated with Sites Project
- Storable Flow = “Divertible Flow” subject to storable capacity

Divertible & Storable Flow Tool Excel Dashboard

User Specifications		Run Current Setup
Year:	2011	▼
Initial Sites Storage (TAF):	1,000	
Diversion Criteria:		
Sites Storage Capacity (TAF)	1,810	
Intake Conveyance Capacities		
TCC	2,100	
GCC	1,800	
Delevan	2,000	
Bypass Requirements (cfs)		
Sac R Below Red Bluff	3,250	
Sac R Below Hamilton City	4,000	
Sac R Below Delevan Intake	5,000	
Wilkins Slough	5,000	
Freeport (July-Nov)	11,000	
Freeport (Dec, Feb-Jun)	13,000	
Freeport (Jan)	15,000	
Delta Outflow	0	
Pulse Definition Controls		
Beginning month (CY)	10	
Ending month (CY)	5	
Initiation Threshold (cfs)	15,000	
Maintenance Threshold (cfs)	15,000	
Removal of Restrictions (cfs)	25,000	
Pulse Day Termination (days)	7	
Diversion Season		
Starting Month (CY 7-12)	11	
Ending Month (CY 1-6)	3	
Min Pumping Levels (cfs)		
Red Bluff	125	
Hamilton City	100	
Delevan	500	

WY 2011 - Initial Sites Storage = 1000 TAF														
Month	Available Flow (TAF)			Divertible Flow (TAF)			Storable Flow (TAF)			Accumulative Storable Flow (TAF)				
	Red Bluff	Hamilton City	Delevan	Red Bluff	Hamilton City	Delevan	Red Bluff	Hamilton City	Delevan	Red Bluff	Hamilton City	Delevan	Total	
10	6.13	6.13	6.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
11	13.84	13.84	13.84	11.46	0.70	1.23	11.46	0.70	1.23	11.46	0.70	1.23	13.40	
12	777.43	767.18	712.63	89.91	69.55	79.52	89.91	69.55	79.52	101.38	70.25	80.76	252.39	
1	626.22	533.40	417.34	108.76	100.78	98.33	108.76	100.78	98.33	210.14	171.03	179.08	560.25	
2	202.34	168.63	81.03	51.66	54.84	29.78	51.66	54.84	29.78	261.80	225.87	208.86	696.53	
3	872.93	855.47	783.45	116.75	105.58	116.91	39.64	34.18	39.65	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
4	823.63	801.42	651.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
5	281.95	280.89	277.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
6	453.06	436.01	424.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
7	226.33	226.33	226.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
8	209.55	209.55	209.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301.44	260.05	248.51	810.00	
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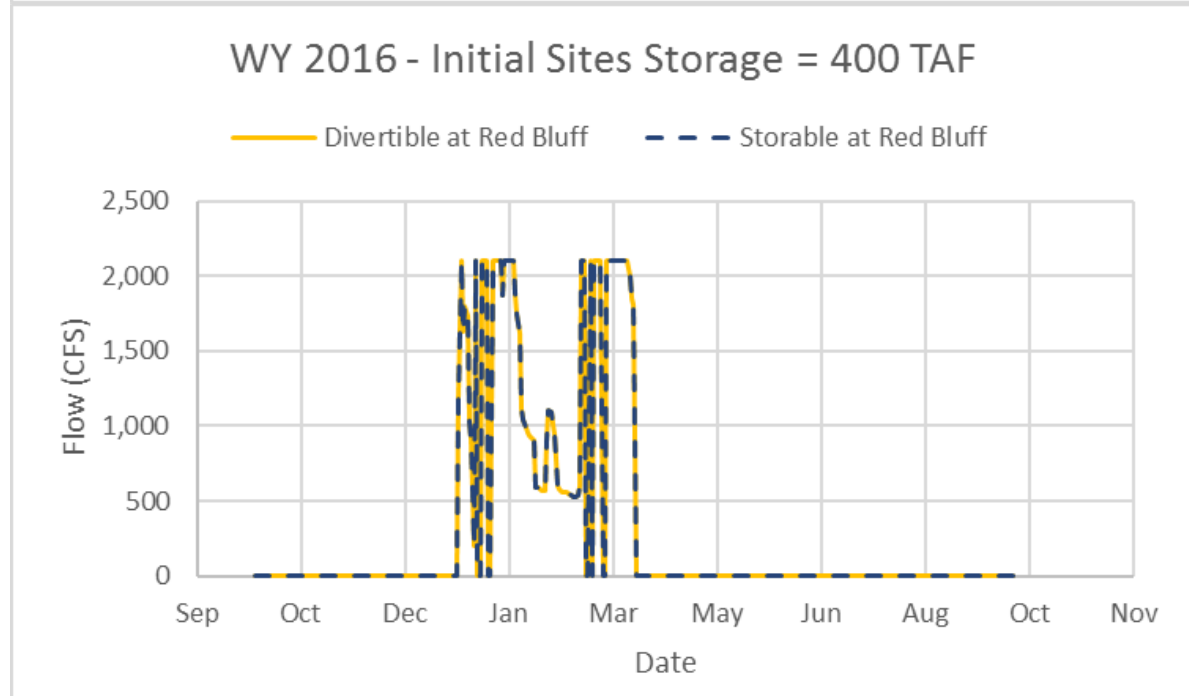
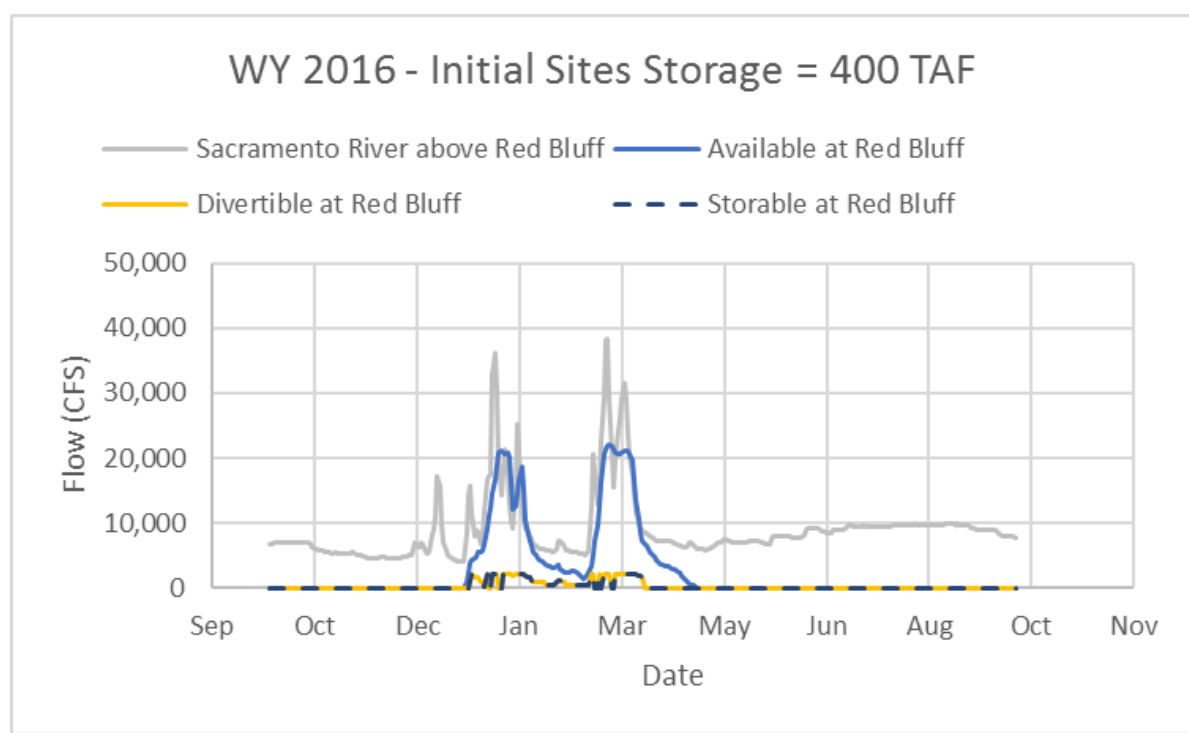


Example 1 (2016 hydrology with low initial Sites storage)

Year:	2016
Initial Sites Storage (TAF):	400
<u>Diversion Criteria:</u>	
Sites Storage Capacity (TAF)	1,810
Intake Conveyance Capacities	
TCC	2,100
GCC	1,800
Delevan	2,000
Bypass Requirements (cfs)	
Sac R Below Red Bluff	3,250
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Wilkins Slough	5,000
Freeport (July-Nov)	11,000
Freeport (Dec, Feb-Jun)	13,000
Freeport (Jan)	15,000
Diversion Season	
Starting Month (CY 7-12)	11
Ending Month (CY 1-6)	3
Min Pumping Levels (cfs)	
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Delevan	500

Hydrology, availability, divertibility, and storability at Red Bluff intake:

Zoomed in on Divertible and Storable Flow:

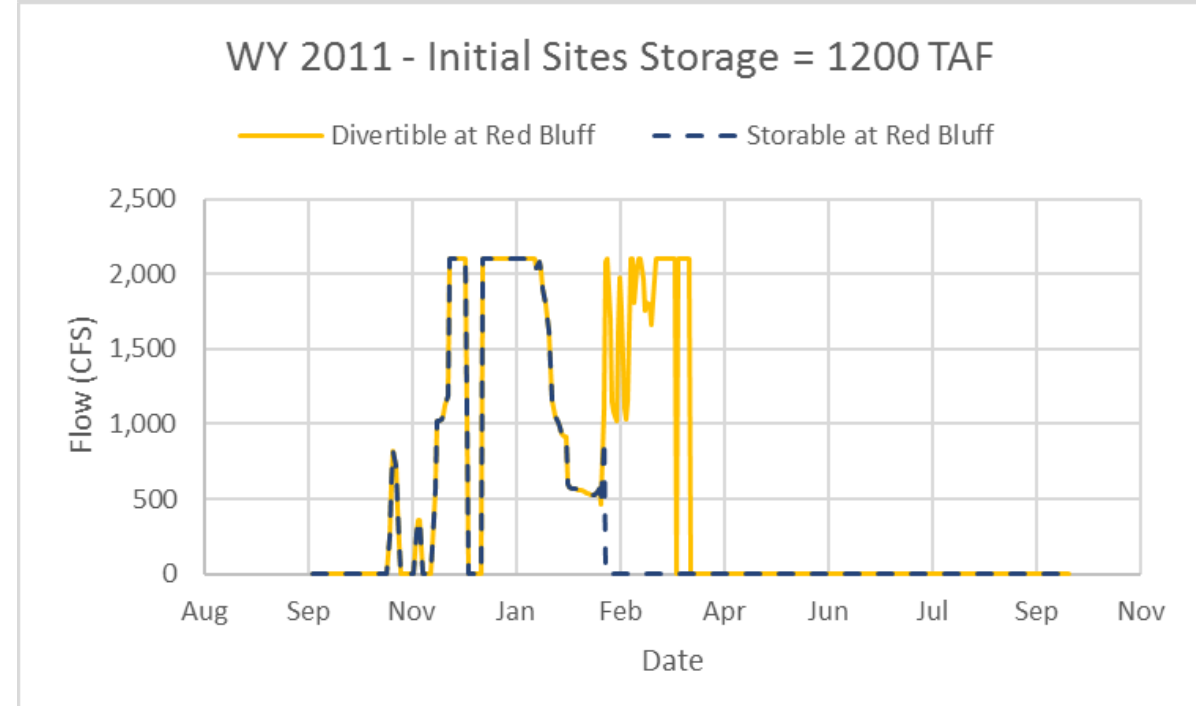
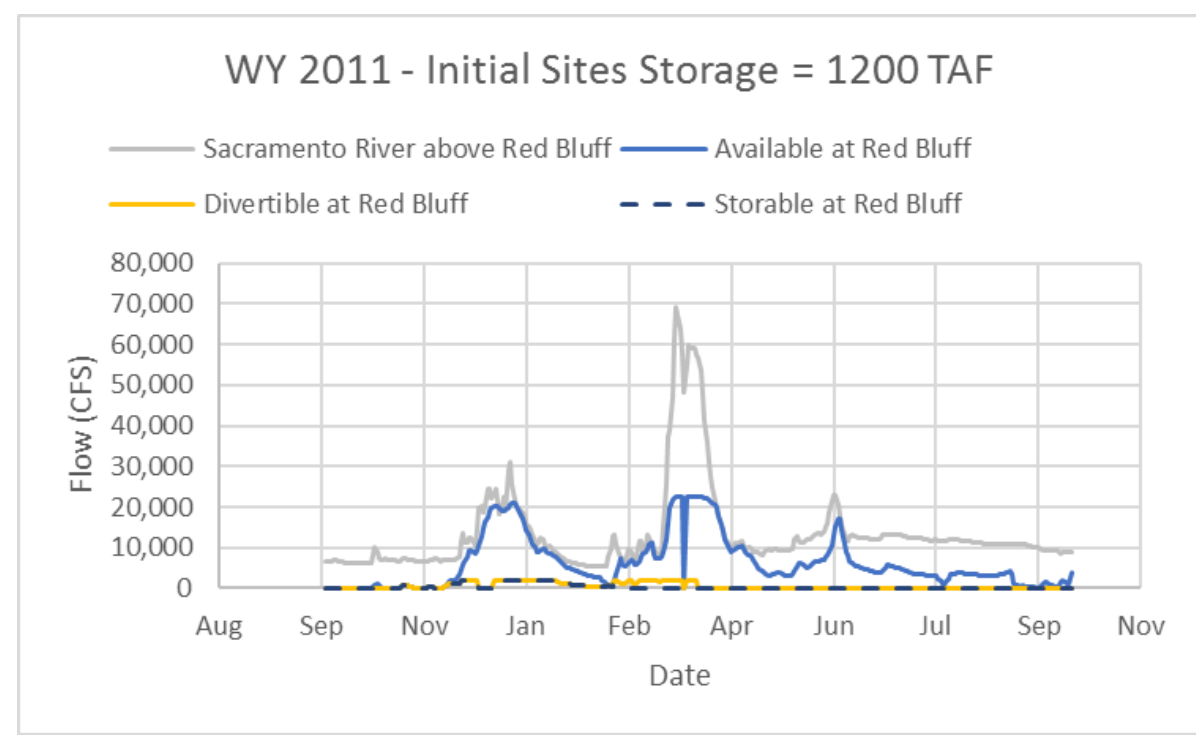


Example 2 (2011 hydrology with higher Sites storage)

Year:	2011
Initial Sites Storage (TAF):	1,200
<u>Diversion Criteria:</u>	
Sites Storage Capacity (TAF)	1,810
Intake Conveyance Capacities	
TCC	2,100
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Hydrology, availability, divertibility, and storability at Red Bluff intake:

Zoomed in on Divertible and Storable Flow:



Ability to Evaluate Multiple Scenarios

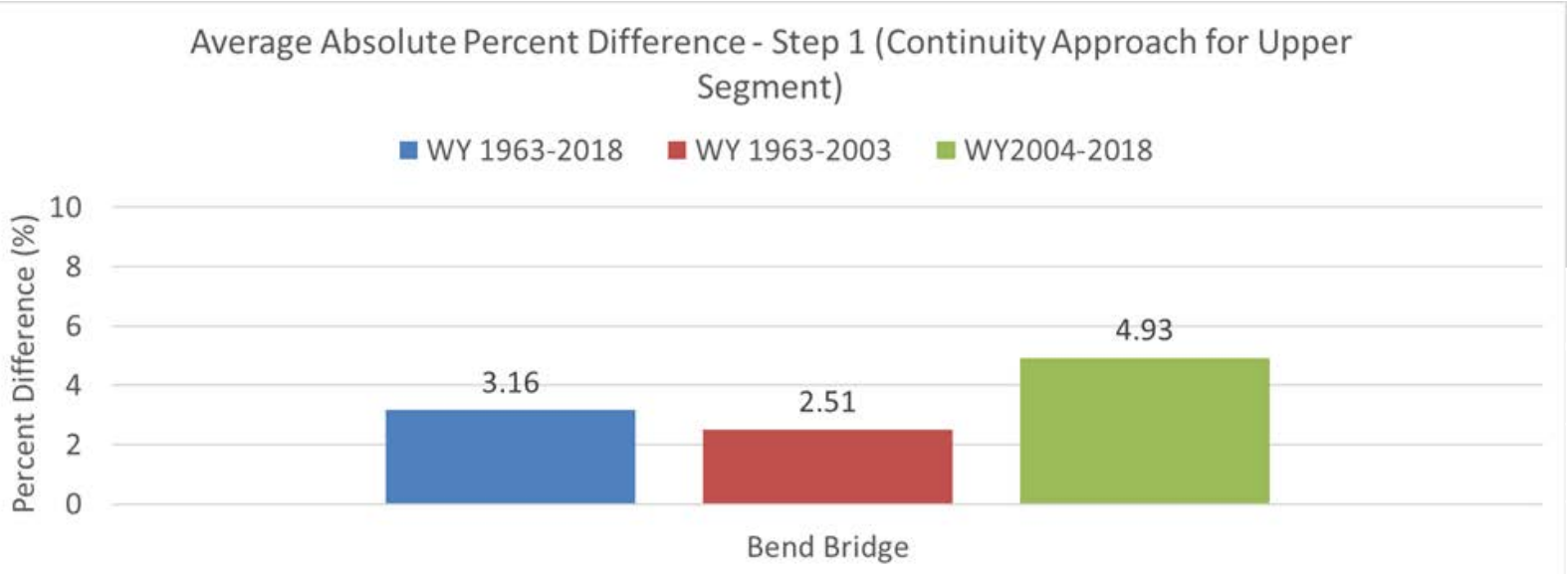
- A macro is built into the spreadsheet tool to iterate through multiple combinations of varying inputs and constraints
- The inputs and outputs from each scenario can be fed into Power BI to sift through the data and analyze relationships between the inputs (i.e., minimum pumping levels or bypass flow requirements) and outputs (i.e., Divertible and Storable flows)
 - Power BI is a business analytics service developed by Microsoft. It provides a platform for interactive visualizations of data

Supporting Slides

USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 1

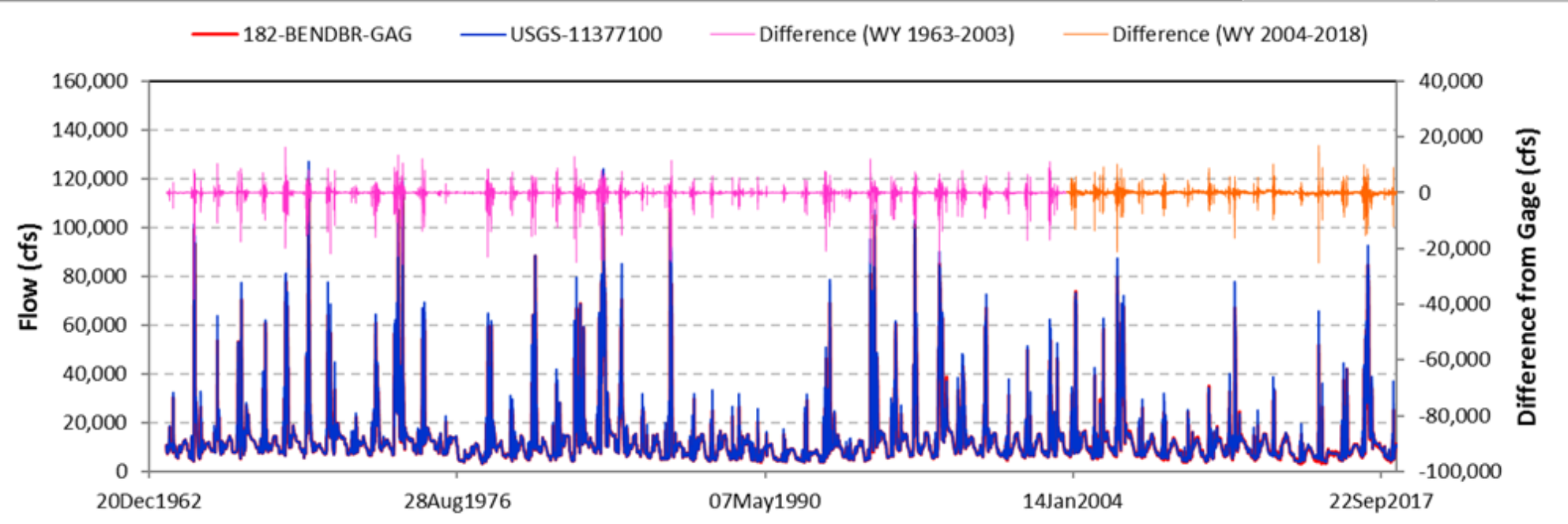
- The Upper Segment closure term is computed by estimating the differences between observed (gaged) flows at Bend Bridge and all known inflows and diversions modeled in USRDOM upstream of that location
- **UPPERSACRCLOSURE** = $BB - [WR + SR + Cow + Cot + Bat - ACID]$
 - Where:
 - BB = Sacramento River flow at Bend Bridge computed by USRDOM (182-BENDBR-GAG)
 - WR = Whiskeytown release (daily average from Reclamation's monthly data)
 - SR = Shasta release (difference between Keswick Dam and Whiskeytown release plus Clear Creek tunnel flow)
 - Cow = Cow Creek Inflow (USGS 11374000)
 - Cot = Cottonwood Creek Inflow (USGS 11376000)
 - Bat = Battle Creek Inflow (USGS 11376550)
 - ACID = ACID diversion (daily average from Reclamation's monthly data)

USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 1 Result



Bend Bridge Flow (cfs) (WY 1963 -2018)

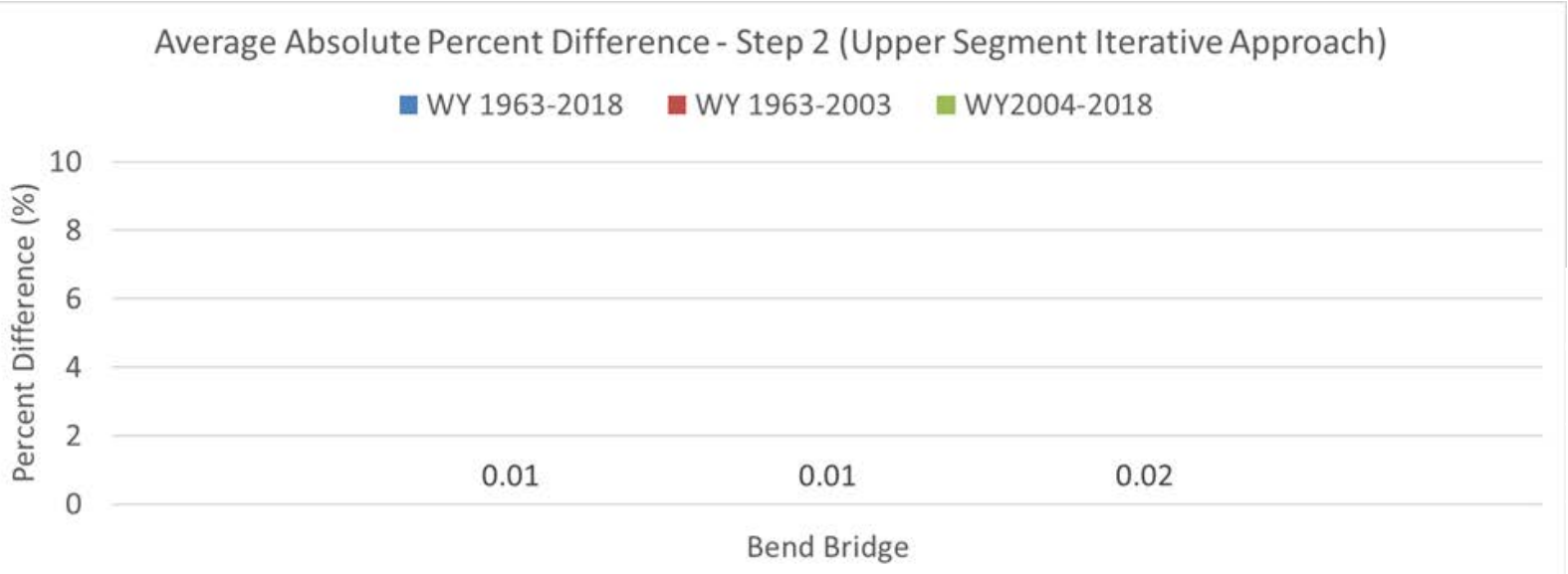
	Average	Min	Max
Observed	12,525.7	3,200.0	127,000.0
Modeled	12,482.3	3,143.8	119,440.4
Difference	-43.4	-38,236.1	16,200.8



USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 2

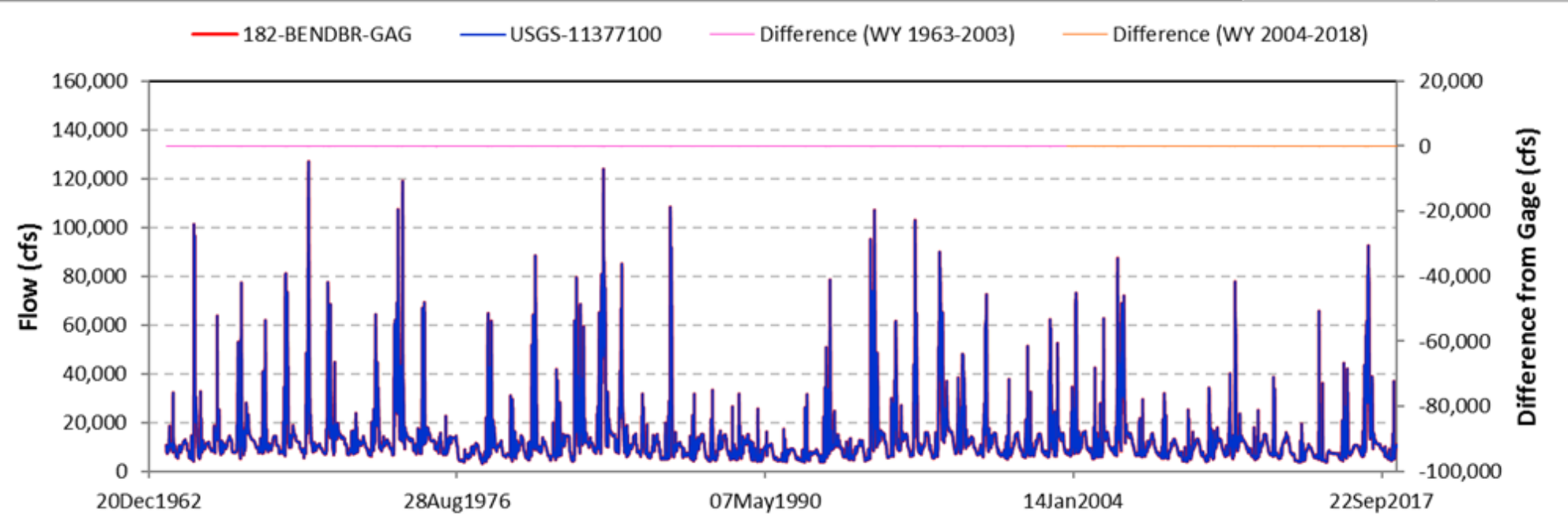
- The Upper Segment closure term is refined by setting it equal to itself plus the difference between gaged flow at Bend Bridge and USRDOM's synthesized flow at Bend Bridge
- The model is re-run, resulting in a smaller discrepancy between Bend Bridge gaged flow and Bend Bridge synthesized flow
- This process was repeated 3 more times (4 iterations in total)

USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 2 Result



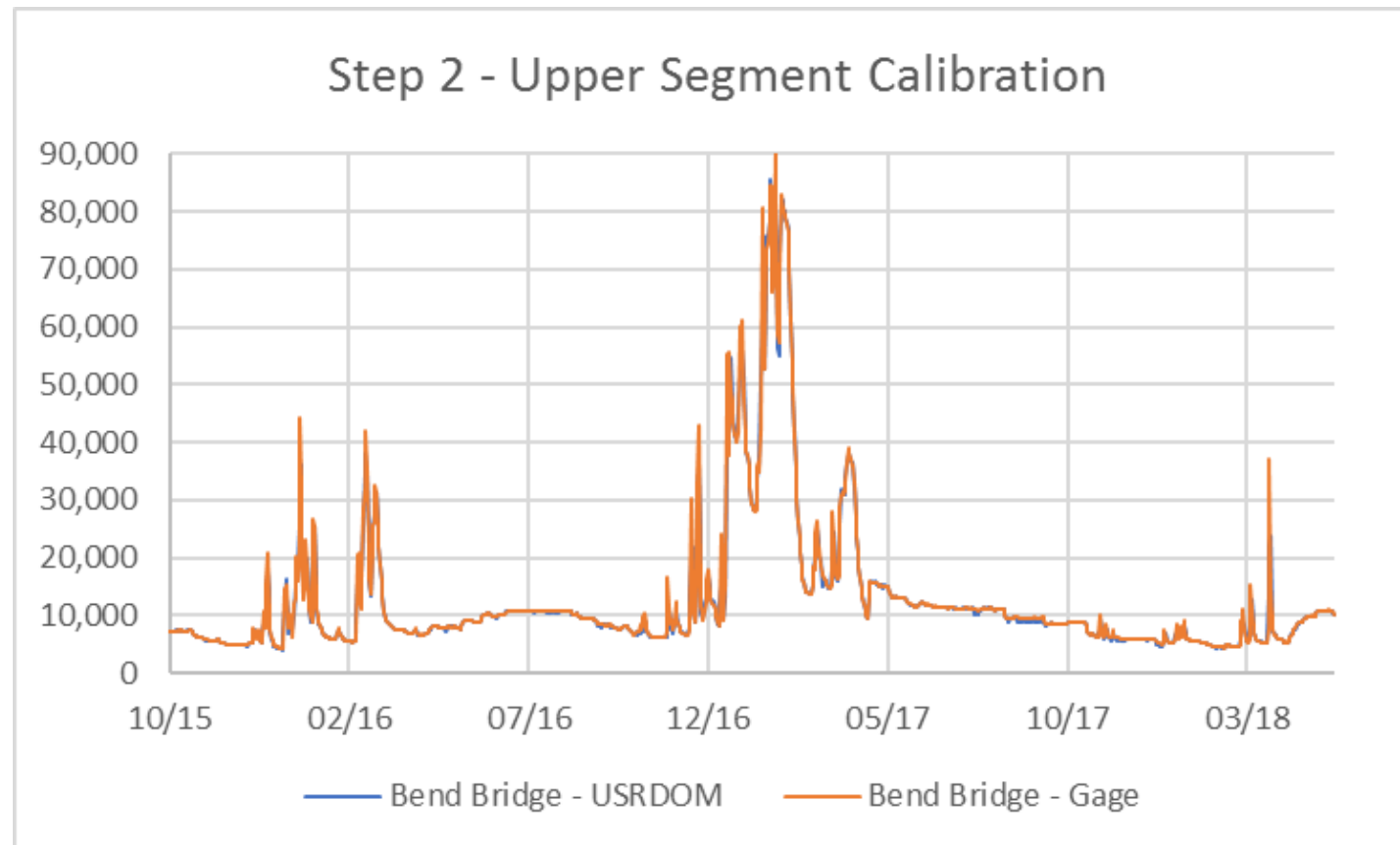
Bend Bridge Flow (cfs) (WY 1964 -2018)

	Average	Min	Max
Observed	12,525.7	3,200.0	127,000.0
Modeled	12,525.7	3,199.8	127,043.8
Difference	0.0	-264.4	114.9



USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 2

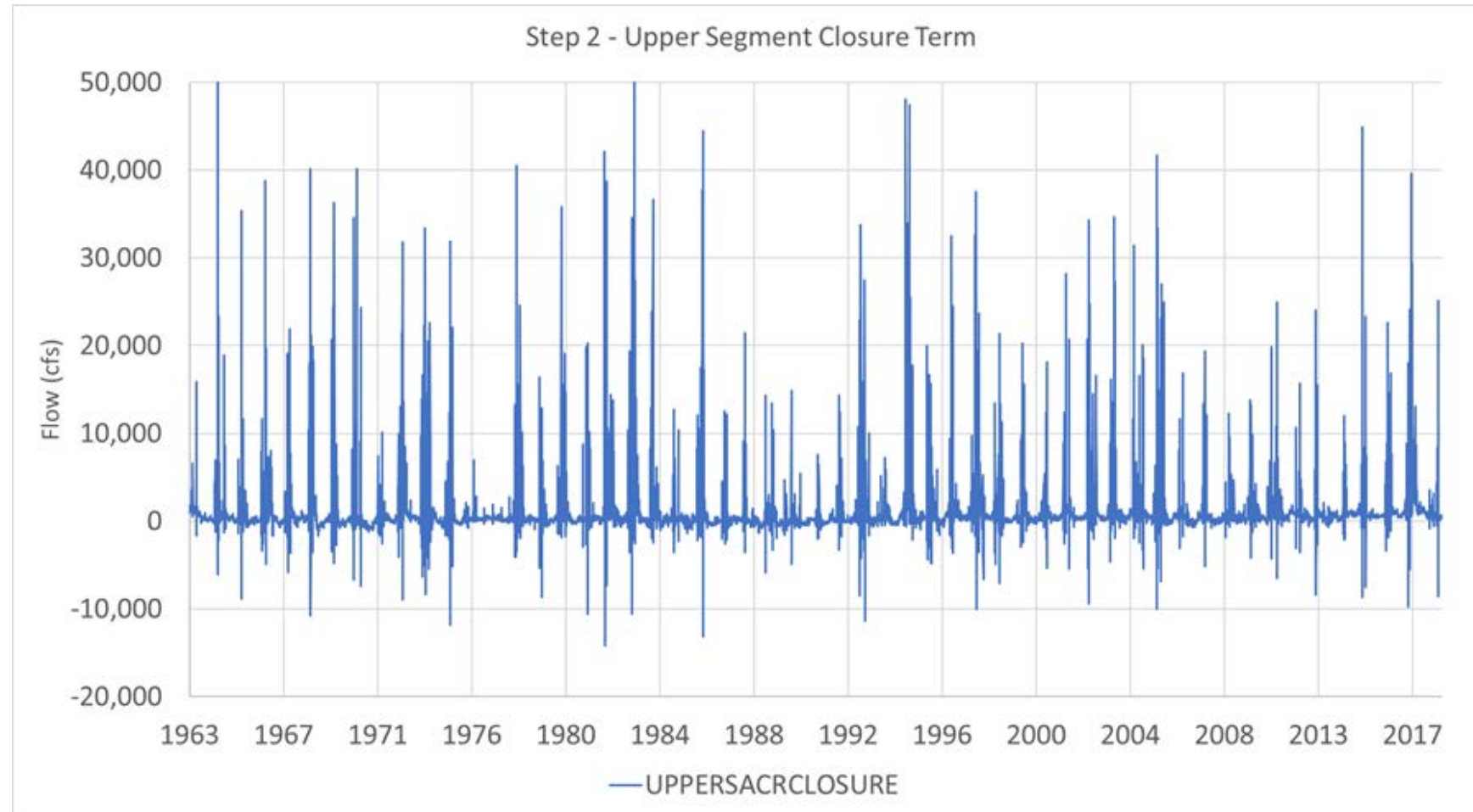
- The model near perfectly replicates gaged records at Bend Bridge



USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 2 Issues

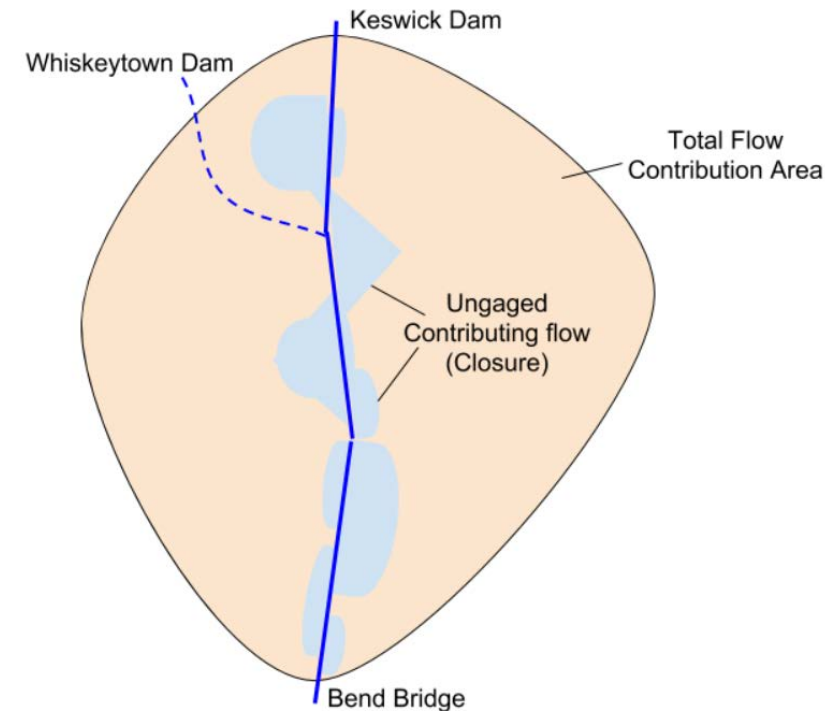
- The “Step 2” method assumes complete accuracy in gaged records and it does not account for gage error
- However, gage readings can become inaccurate for because of extreme weather conditions, damage to the gage, improper calibration, etc.

- The Upper Segment closure term often adds (positive values) and removes (negative values) a significant quantity of flow into and out of the river
 - In some of these instances, the magnitude of the closure term is too high to be attributed merely to unmodeled diversions, accretions, depletions, and tributary inflows
 - Gage error is assumed under these circumstances



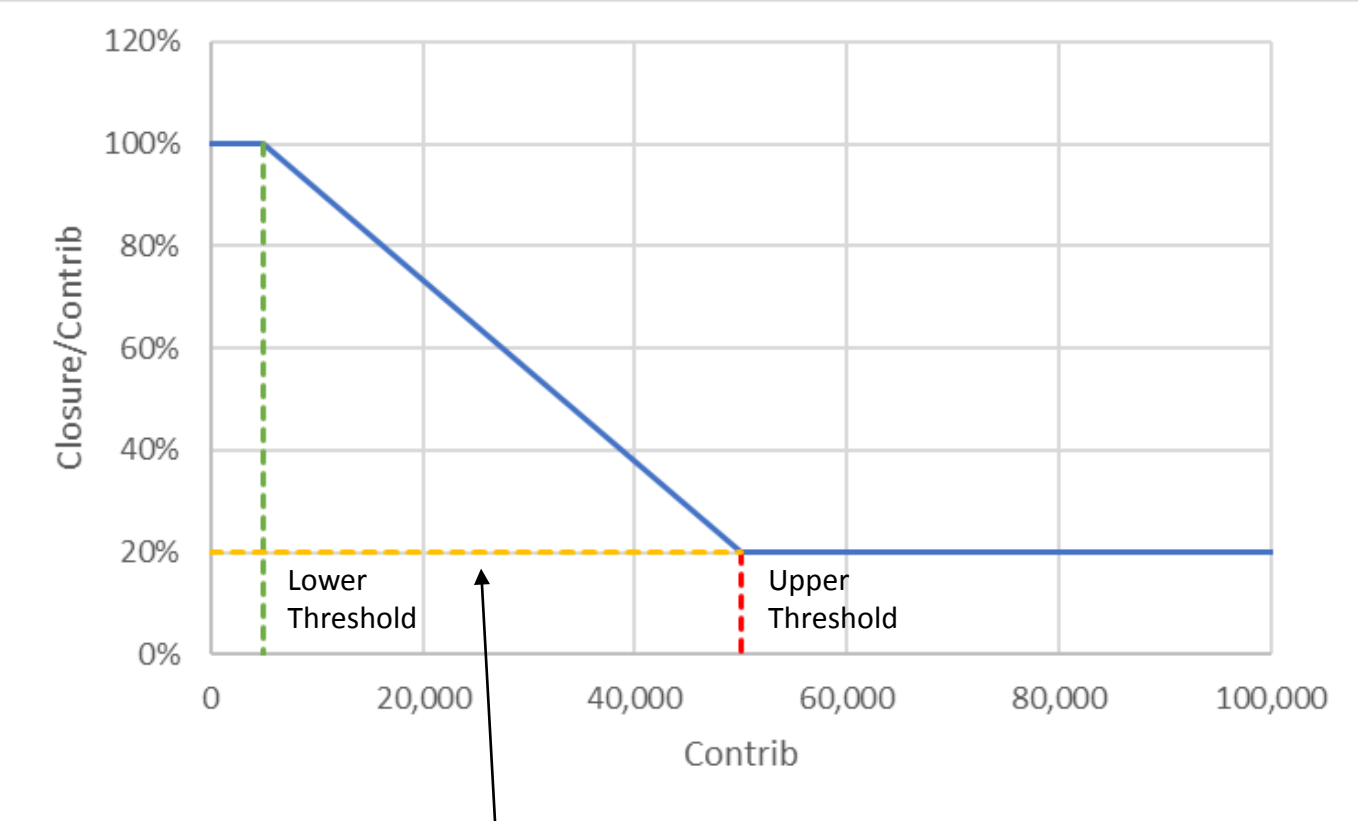
USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 3

- The purpose of Step 3 is to account for potential gage error at Bend Bridge.
- The Upper Segment closure term is adjusted to reduce unreasonably large magnitudes of flow from being brought into the river or taken out of it



Upper Segment Closure Term Rules:

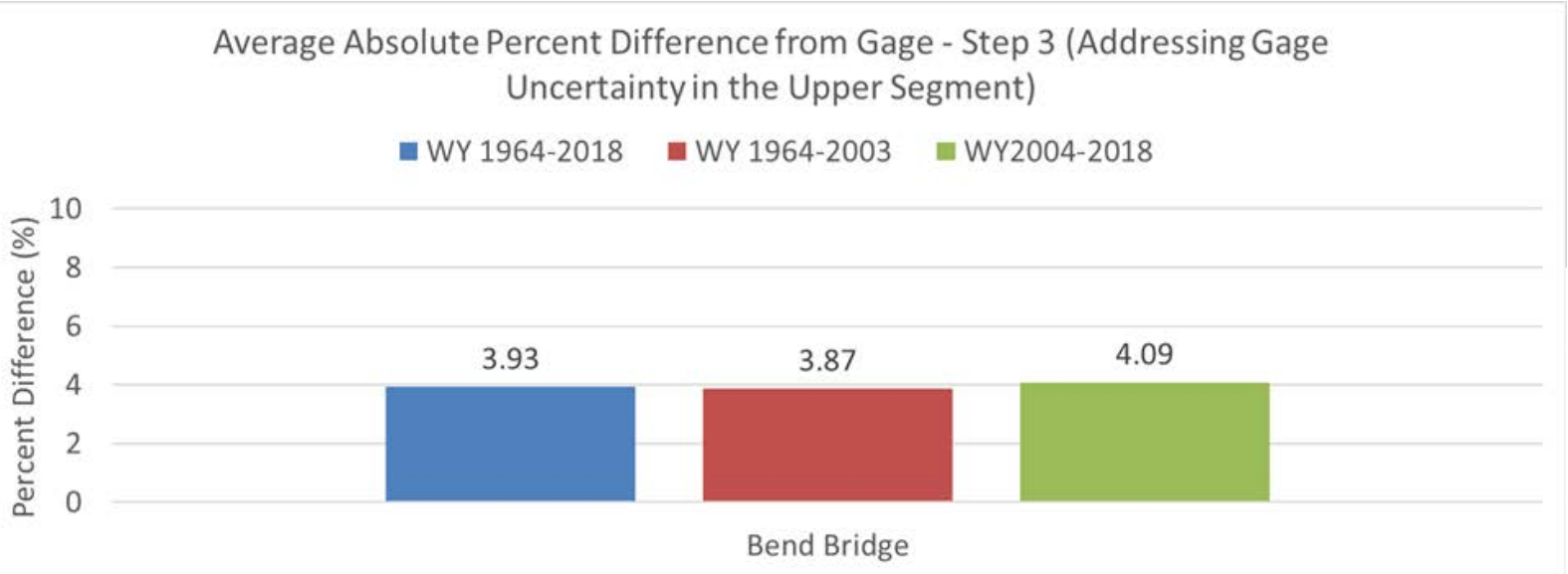
1. Closure \geq Background Closure
2. If Total Flow Contribution \leq Background Closure:
 (Closure Term) / (Total Flow Contribution) = 100%
3. If Background Closure \leq Total Flow Contribution \leq Lower Threshold = 5,000 cfs
 (Closure Term) / (Total Flow Contribution) \leq 100%
4. If Lower Threshold \leq Total Flow Contribution \leq Upper Threshold
 (Closure Term) / (Total Flow Contribution) \leq [(Total Flow Contribution) * m_u + i_u] / 100
 Where:
 m_u = slope of Upper Segment curve = -0.00179
 i_u = y-intercept of Upper Segment curve = 109
5. If Total Flow Contribution \geq Upper Threshold
 (Closure Term) / (Total Flow Contribution) $\leq U_{r,u}$
 Where:
 $U_{r,u}$ = unengaged ratio of Upper Segment



(Unengaged Area) / (Total Flow Contribution Area) = 19.8%

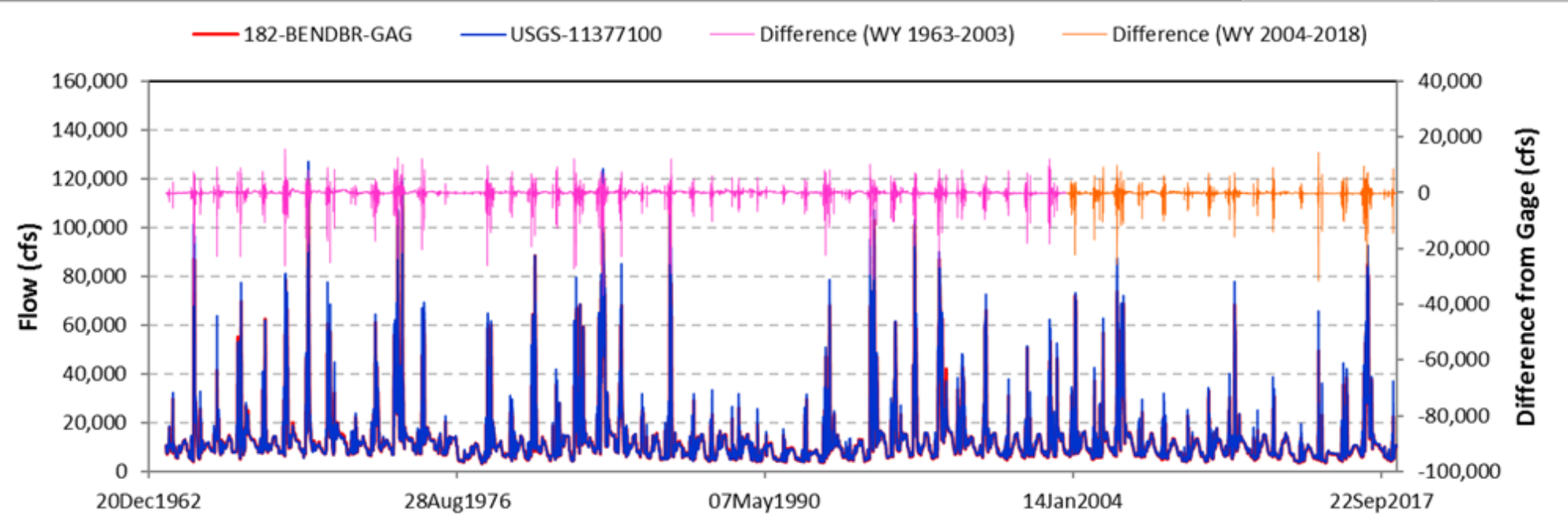
- **Closure** = Closure Term flow
- **Total Flow Contribution (Upper Segment)** = Bend Bridge flow – (Keswick Dam flow + Clear Creek Flow + Background Closure)
- **Background Closure** = Background closure term for the Upper Segment (average July-October closure term computed in Step 2) = 196 cfs
- **Lower Threshold** = Flow at which storm event covers roughly the total flow contribution area = 5,000 cfs
- **Upper Threshold** = Flow at which storm event significantly exceeds total flow contribution area = 50,000 cfs

USRDOM HindCast Calibration – Step 3 Result

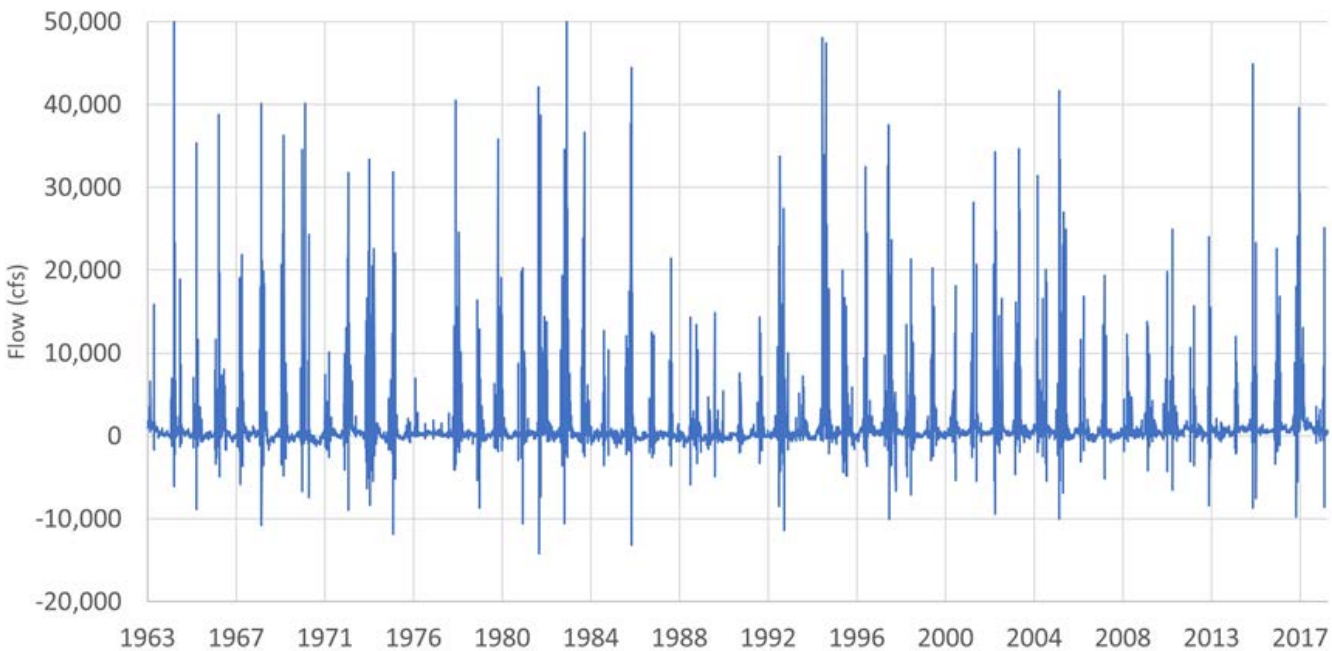


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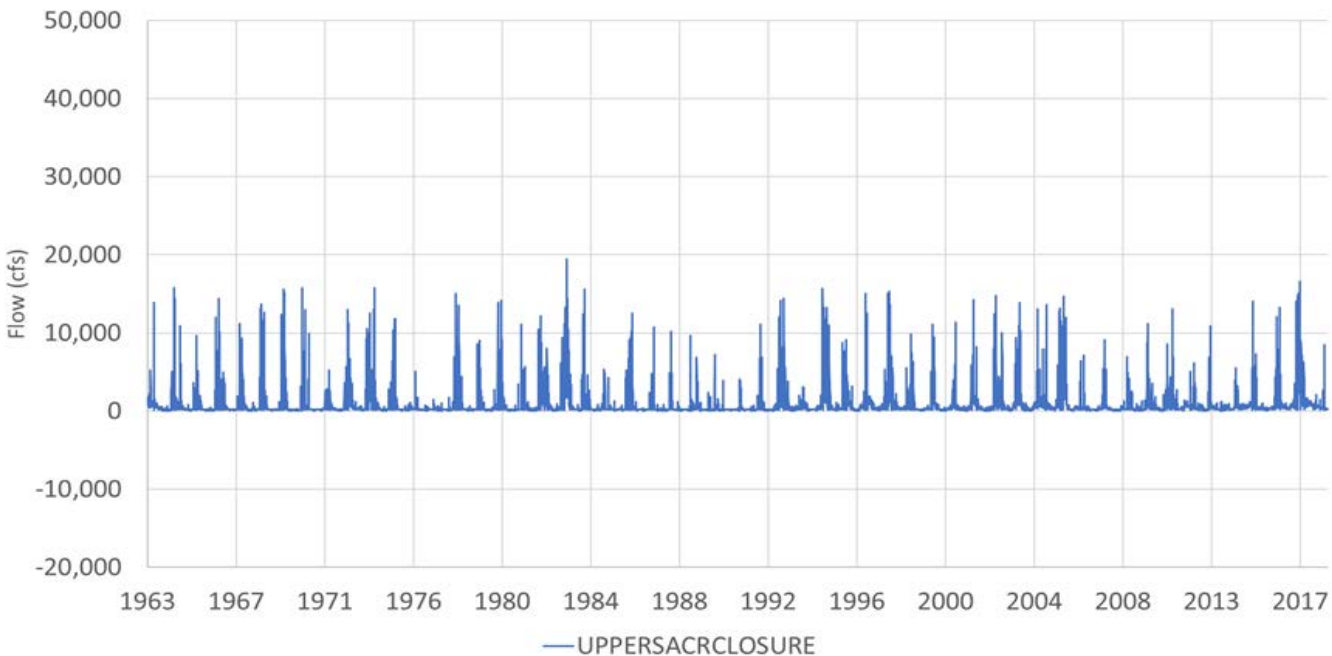
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Step 2 - Upper Segment Closure Term

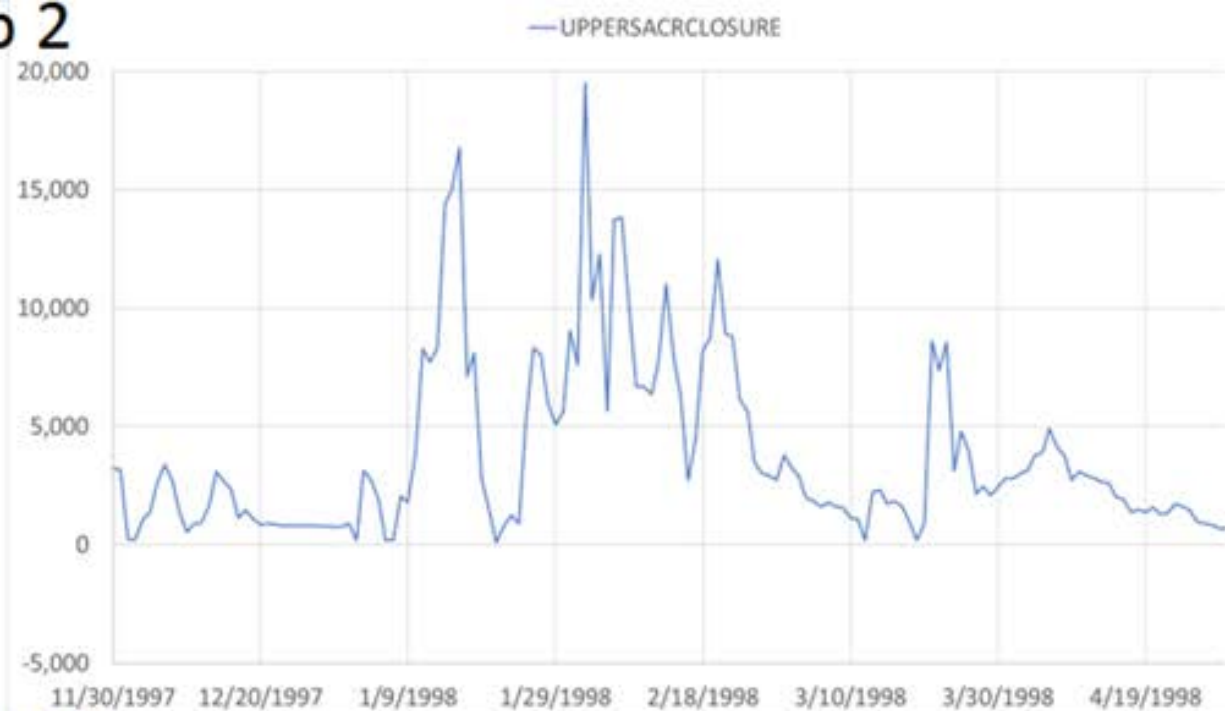
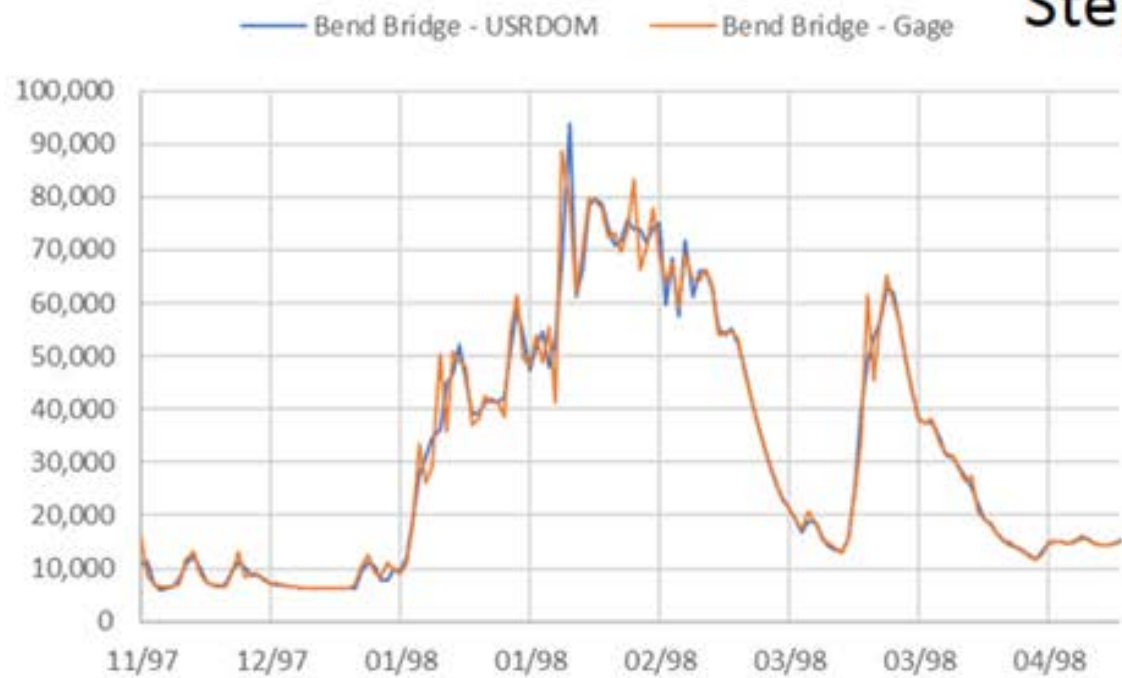


Step 3 - Upper Segment Closure Term

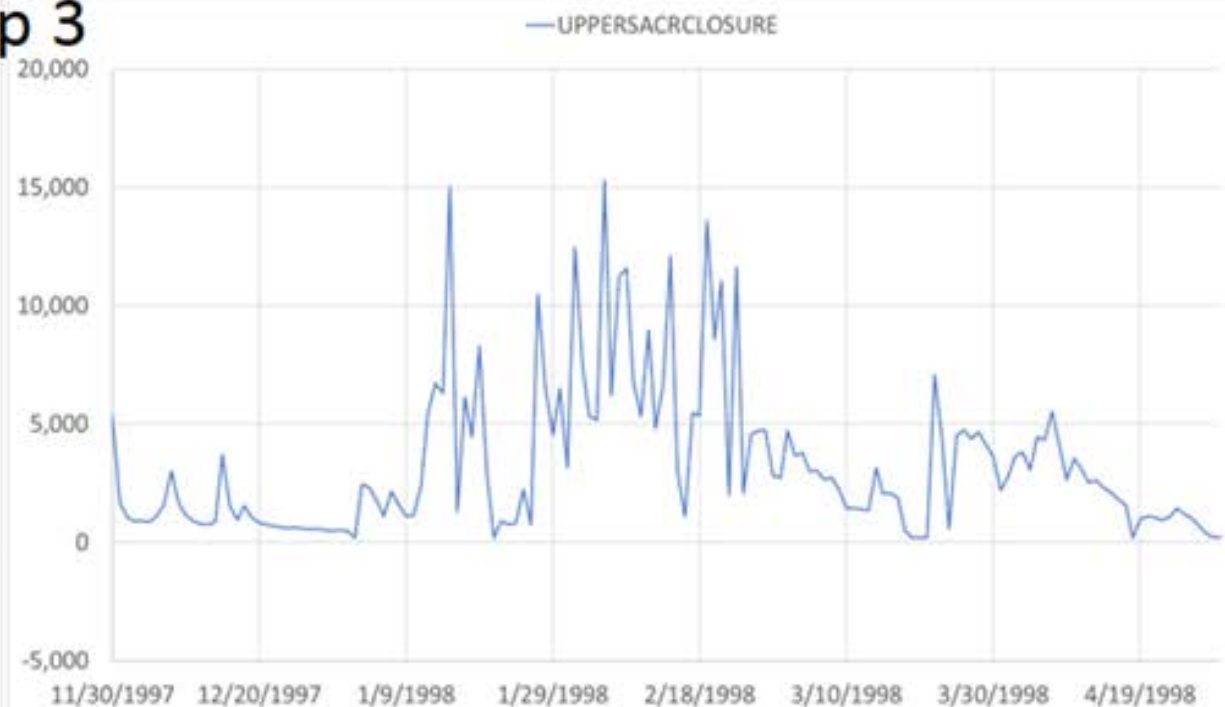
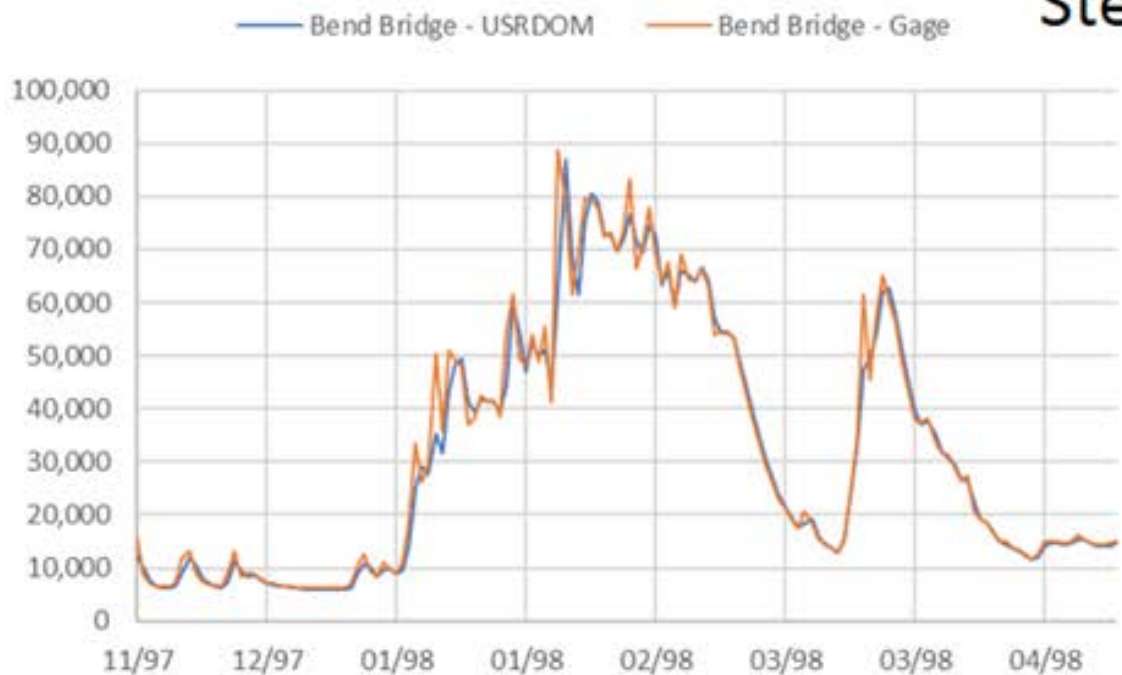


- The Upper Segment closure term no longer reaches magnitudes as high as it did in Step 2. In addition, the closure term never dips below zero since it is no longer permitted to remove flow from the system

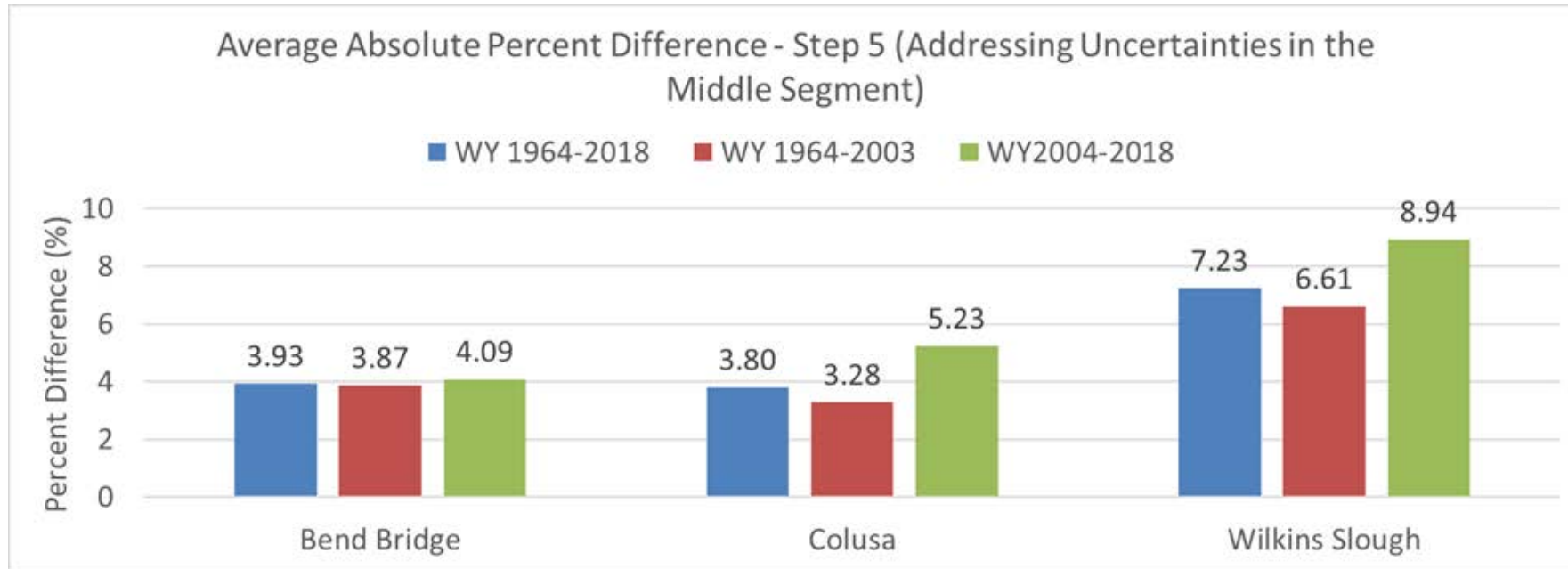
Step 2



Step 3



Lower Segment Performance after Calibration



USGS Data

Location	Gage Number
ACID_Canal_at_Sharon	11370700
Antelope_Ck_nr_RedBluff	11379000
Battle_Ck_nr_Coleman	11376550
Battle_Ck_nr_Cottonwood	11376500
Bear_Ck_nr_Millville	11374100
BigChico_Ck_nr_Chico	11384000
Churn_Ck_blw_Newton_nr_Redding	11372060
Churn_Ck_nr_Redding	11372050
Clear_Ck_at_FrenchGulch	11371000
Clear_Ck_nr_Igo	11372000
ColusaWeir_Spill_to_Butte	11389470
Cottonwood_Ck_nr_Cottonwood	11376000
Cow_Ck_nr_Millville	11374000
Deer_Ck_nr_Vina	11383500
Elder_Ck_nr_Paskenta	11379500

Location	Gage Number
Mcloud_R_at_Baird	10151
Mill_Ck_nr_LosMolinos	11381500
MoultonWeir_Spill_to_Butte	11389350
Paynes_Ck_nr_RedBluff	11377500
Pit_R_nr_Ydallpom	11366500
RedBank_Ck_nr_Rawson	11378860
RedBank_Ck_nr_RedBluff	11378800
Sac_R_abv_BendBridge	11377100
Sac_R_at_Antler	10052
Sac_R_at_BendBridge	11377200
Sac_R_at_Butte	11389000
Sac_R_at_Colusa	11389500
Sac_R_at_Kennett	11369500
Sac_R_at_Keswick	11370500
Sac_R_at_KnightsLanding	11391000

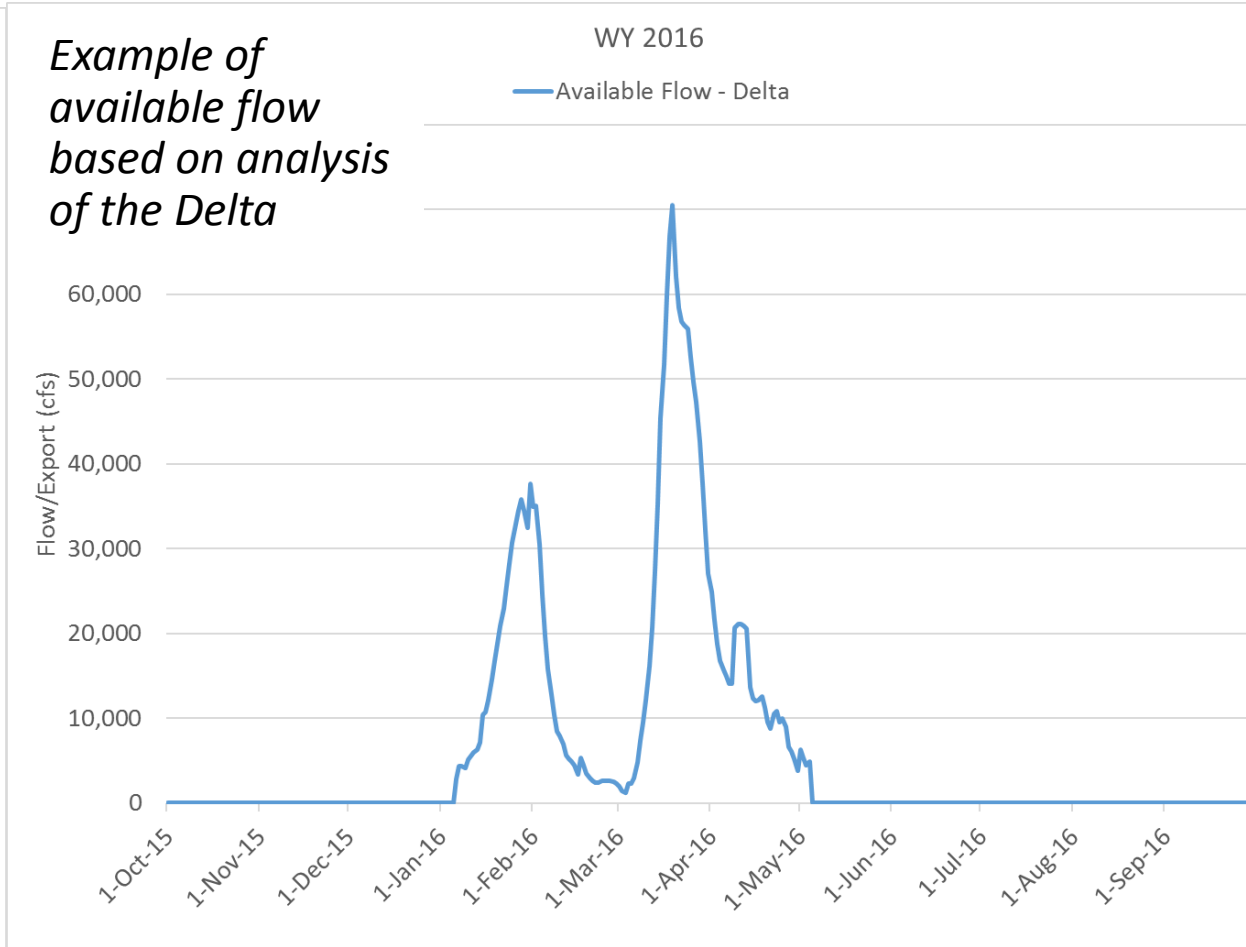
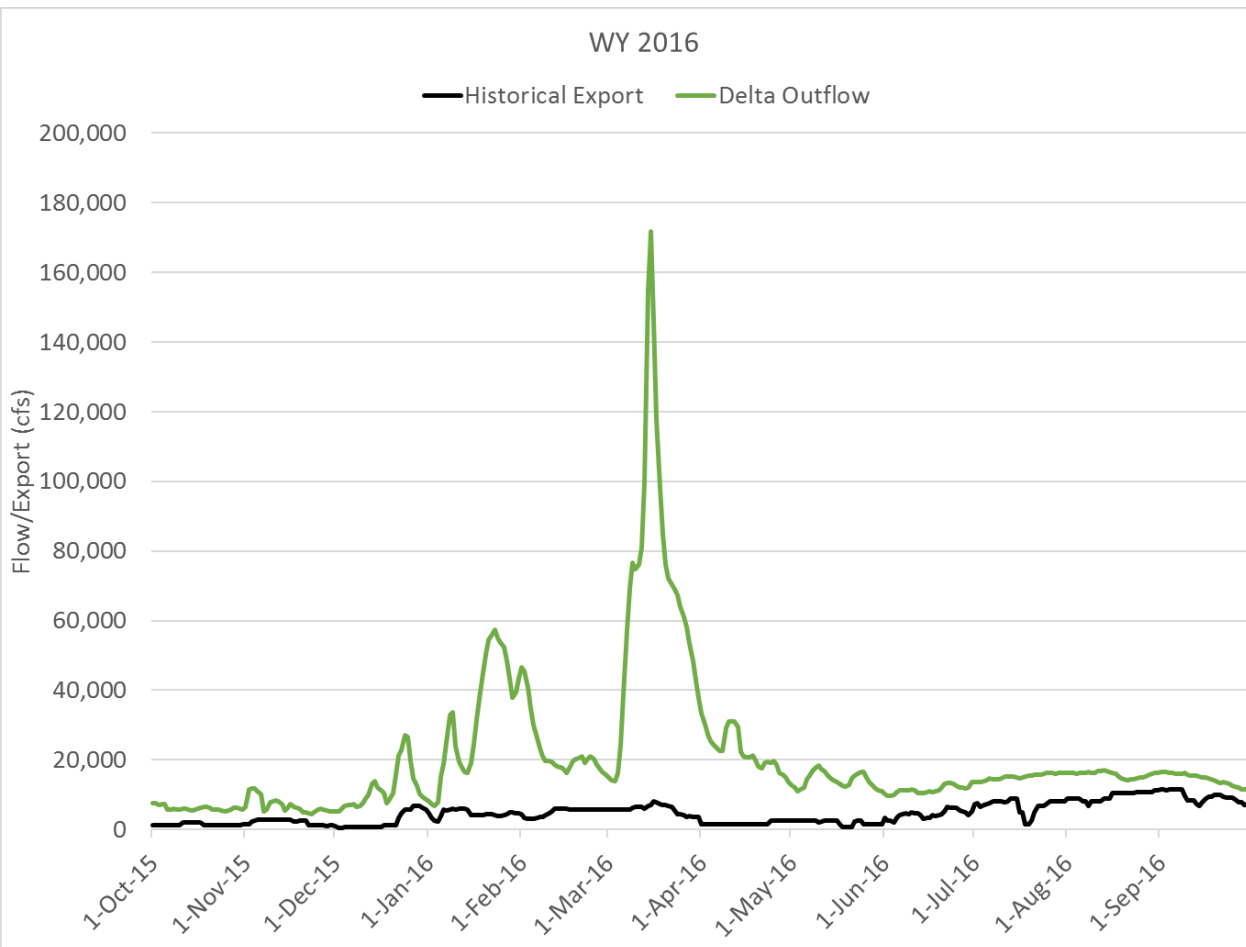
Location	Gage Number
JudgeFrancisCarr_nr_FrenchGulch	11525430
Sac_R_bl_WilkinsSlough_nr_Grime	11390500
Sac_R_opp_MoultonWeir	11389390
Spring_Ck_a_Keswick	11371600
Stony_Ck_nr_HamCity	11388500
Thomas_Ck_at_Rawson	11382090
Thomes_Ck_at_Paskenta	11382000
TisdaleWeir_nr_Grimes	11390480
Trinity_R_abv_Coffee	11523200
Trinity_R_at_Lewiston	11525500
Sac_R_opp_MoultonWeir	11389390

Data from Reclamation

Location	Data (October 1, 2001 – May 31, 2018)
Carr Powerplant (JCR)	Generation Release
Keswick	Evaporation, Reservoir Storage, Computed Inflow, Total Release
Lewiston	Evaporation, Reservoir Storage, Computed Inflow, Total Release
Shasta	Evaporation, Reservoir Storage, Computed Inflow, Total Release
Trinity	Evaporation, Reservoir Storage, Computed Inflow, Total Release
Whiskeytown	Evaporation, Reservoir Storage, Computed Inflow, Clear Creek Natural Flow, Total Release
ACID	Diversion
GC Canal	Diversion
TC Canal	Diversion

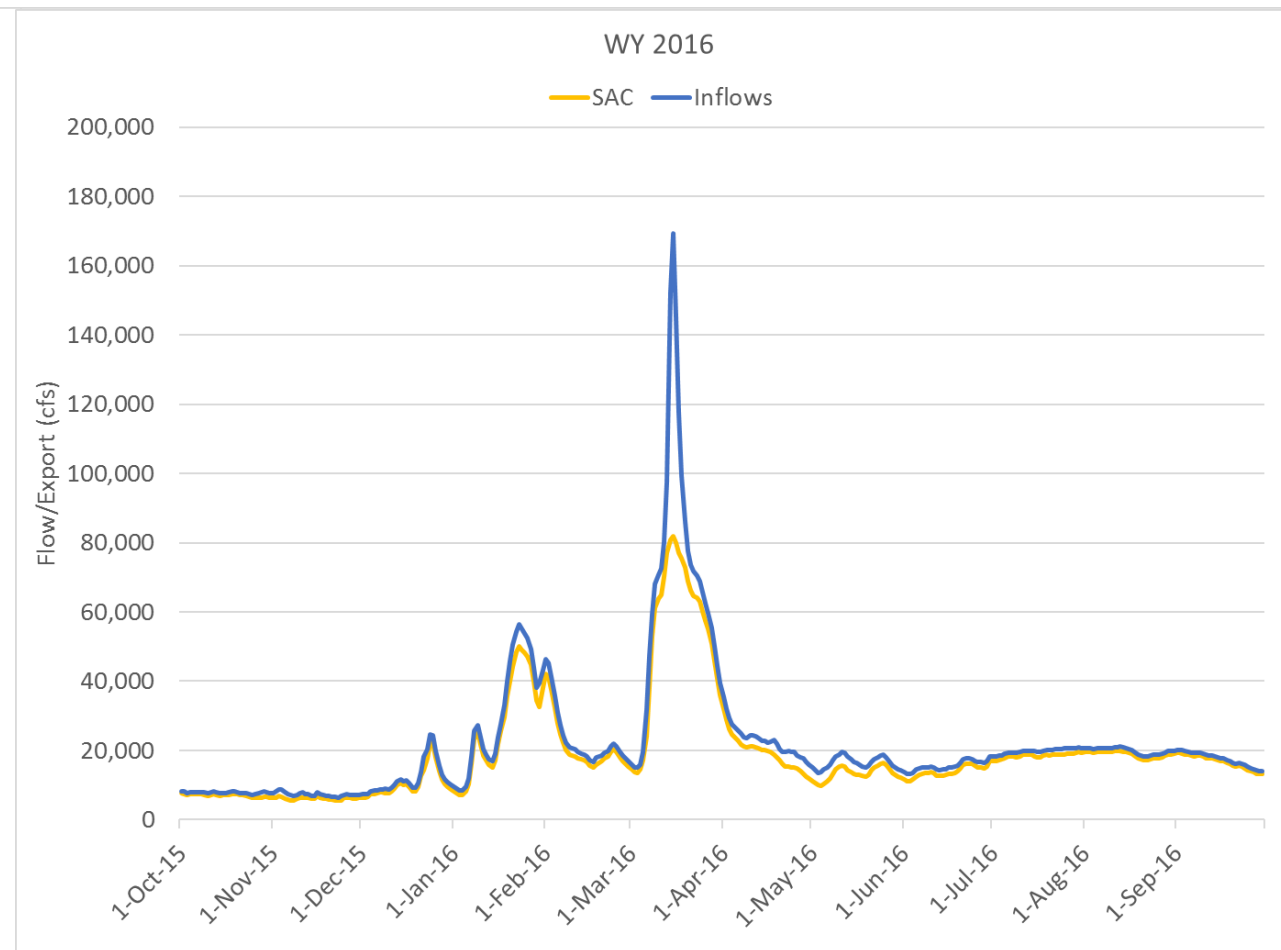
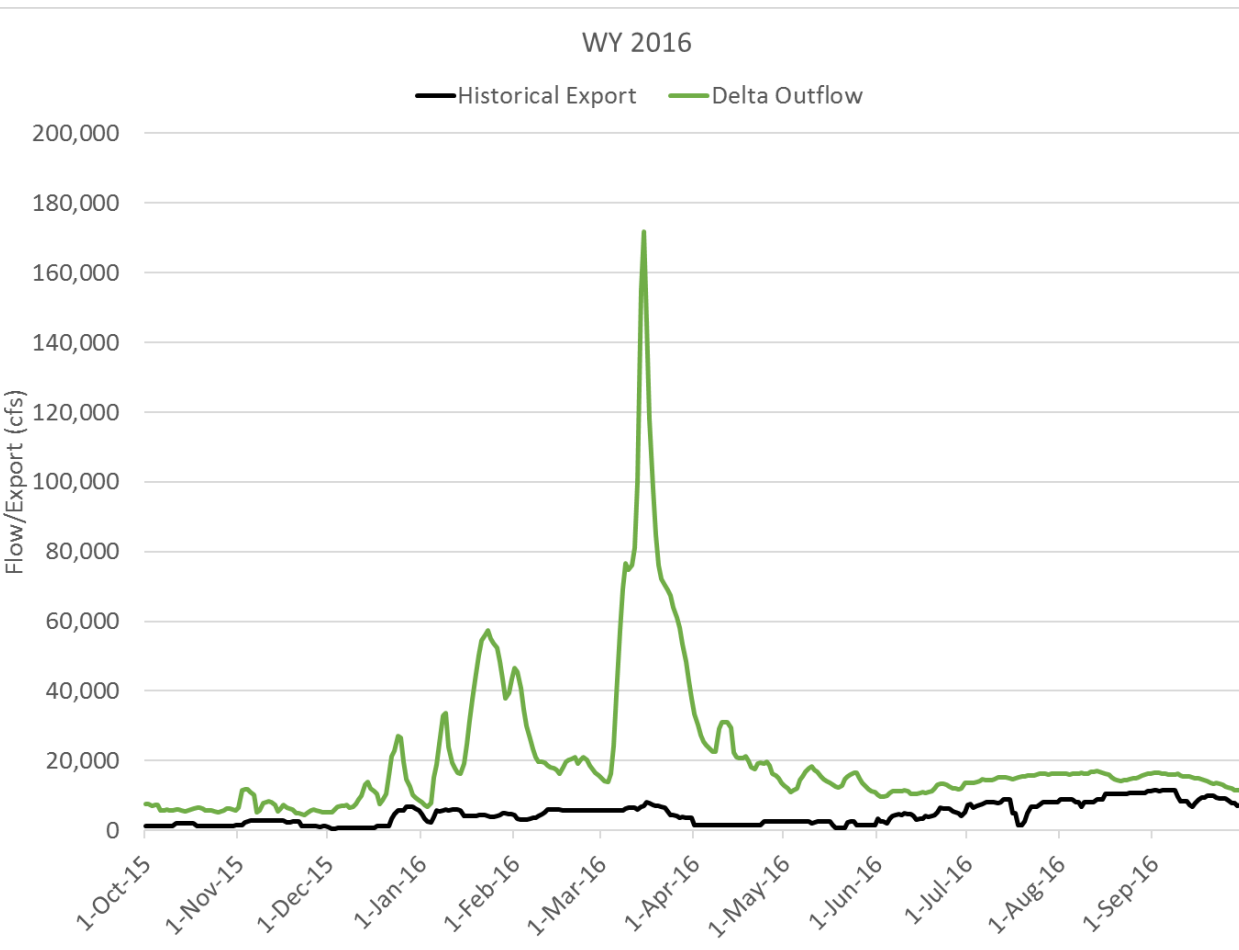
- ACID, TC Canal and GC Canal diversions are equal to the monthly average diversion

Flow Availability Tool – Preliminary Figures



- Preliminary figures from the Flow Availability Tool help demonstrate how much water can be diverted to Sites on a daily time-step

Flow Availability Tool – Preliminary Figures

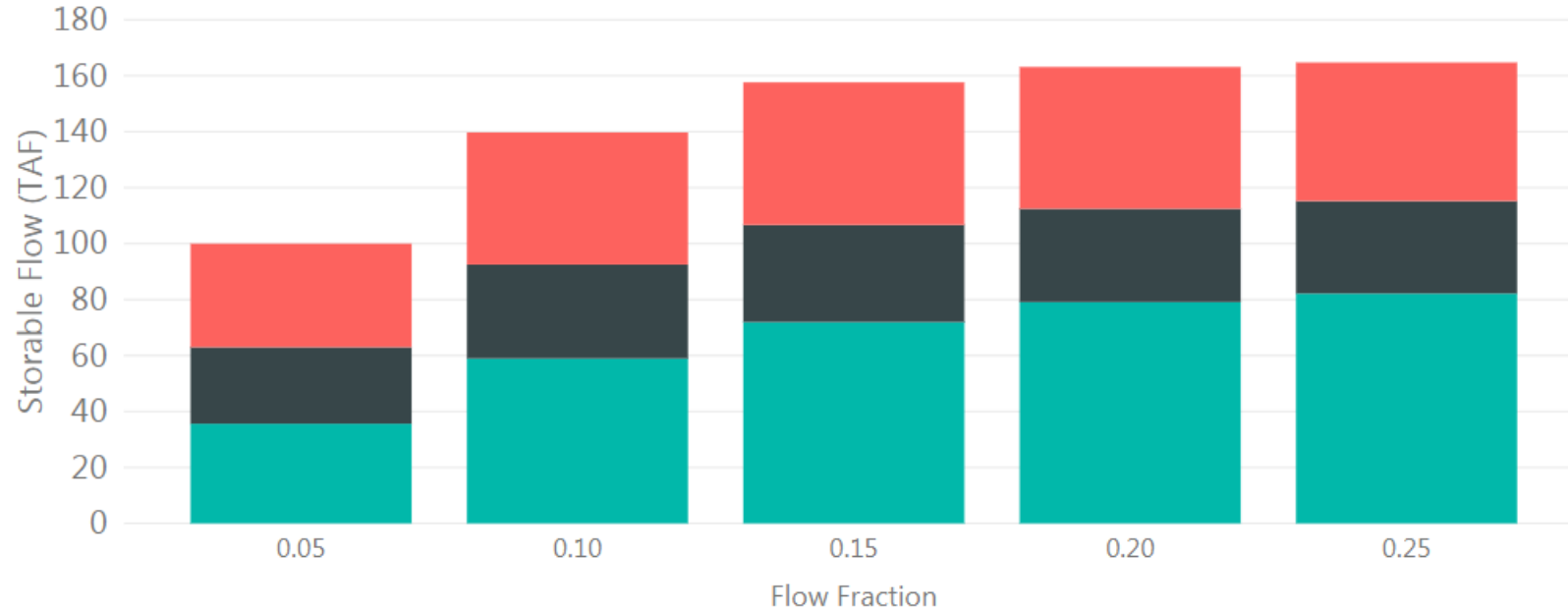


Power BI Dashboard

- For example, this stacked chart represents storable flow at each intake for WYs 2011, 2015, & 2017 under varying environmental “Flow Fraction” requirements

Average of RDLBF Storable Accu, Average of Ham City Storable Accu and Average of Delevan Storable Accu by Ham City FracFlow

● Average of RDLBF Storable Accu ● Average of Ham City Storable Accu ● Average of Delevan Storable Accu



Year/Hydrolog...

- 2017
- 2016
- 2015
- 2014
- 2013
- 2012
- 2011
- 2010
- 2009

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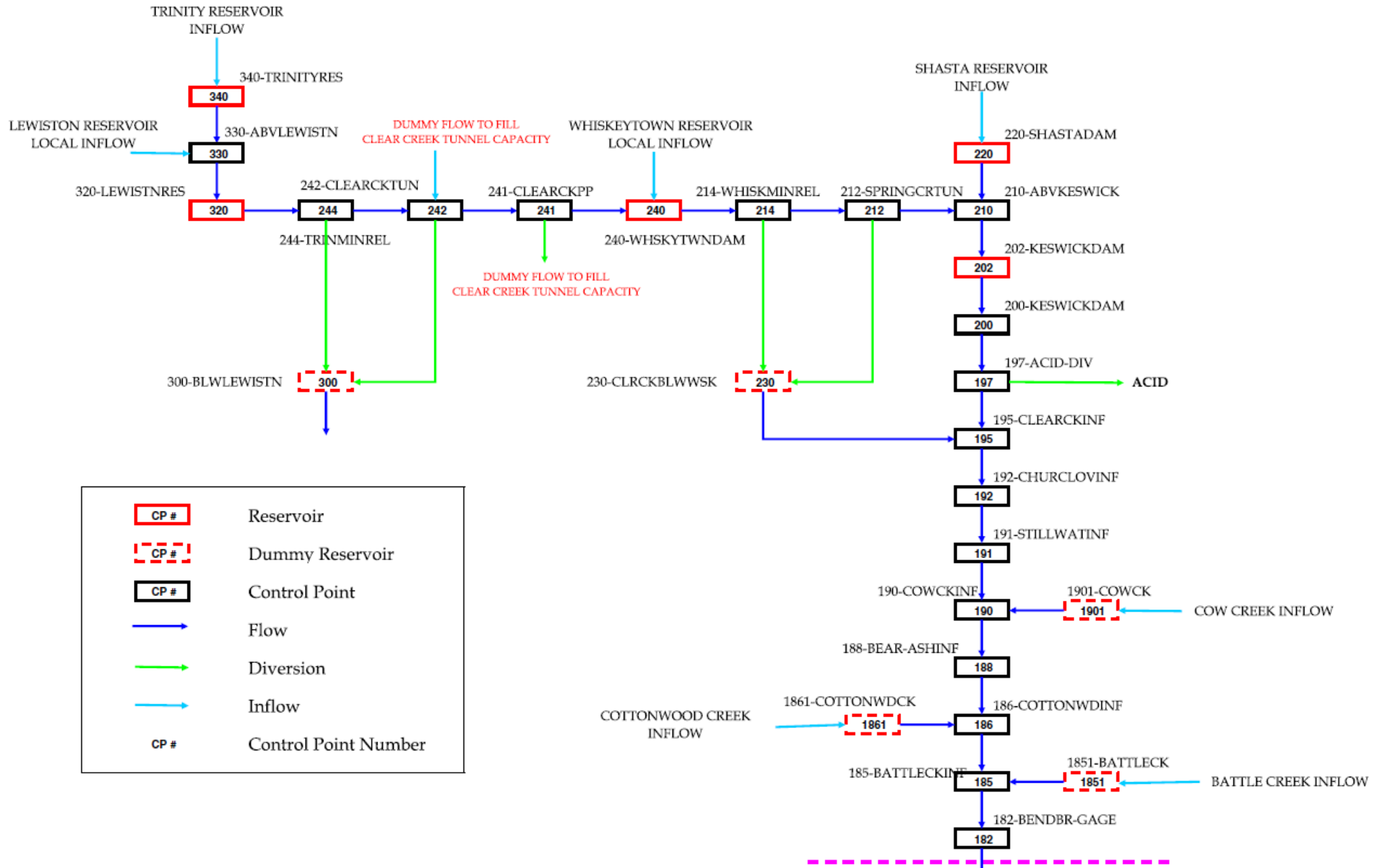
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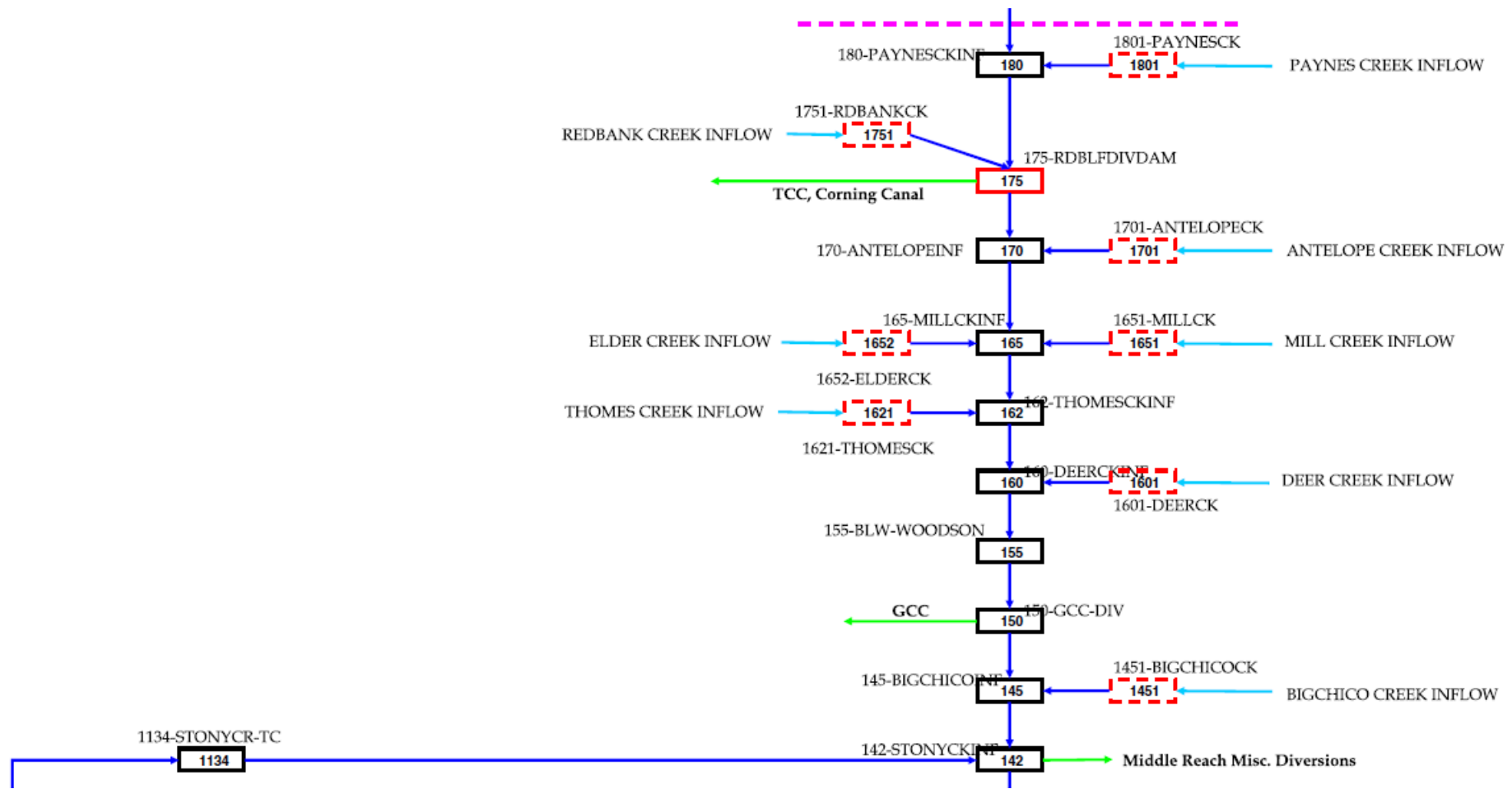
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- 1790
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- 1710

Delevan FracFlow	Average of RDLBF Storable Accu	Average of Ham City Storable Accu	Average of Delevan Storable Accu	Average of Total Storable Accu
0.05	35.64	27.35	37.00	99.99
0.10	58.94	33.58	47.20	139.71
0.15	71.96	34.72	50.93	157.61
0.20	79.10	33.35	50.67	163.12
0.25	82.17	33.05	49.50	164.72
Total	65.56	32.41	47.06	145.03



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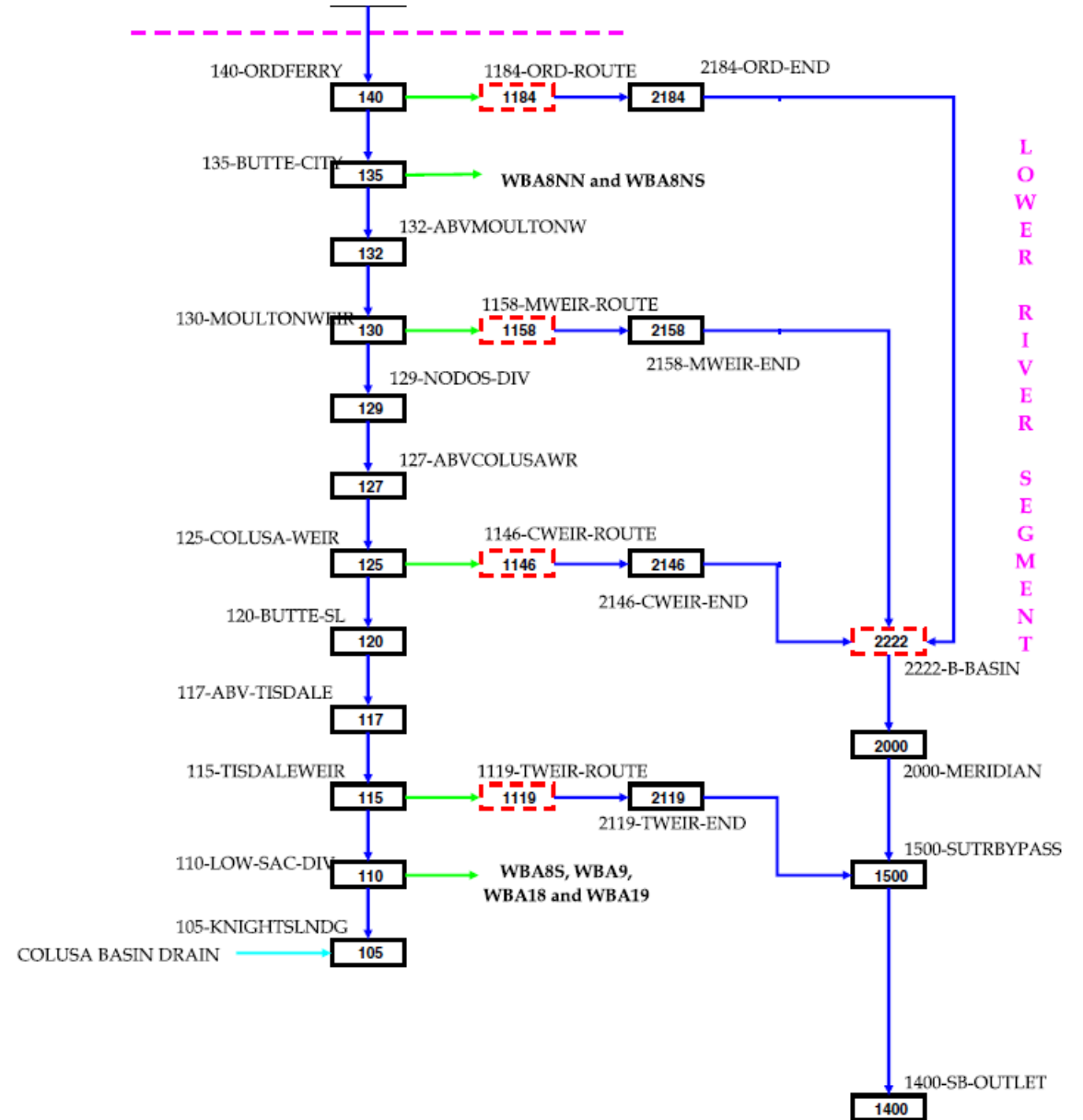
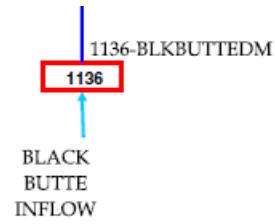
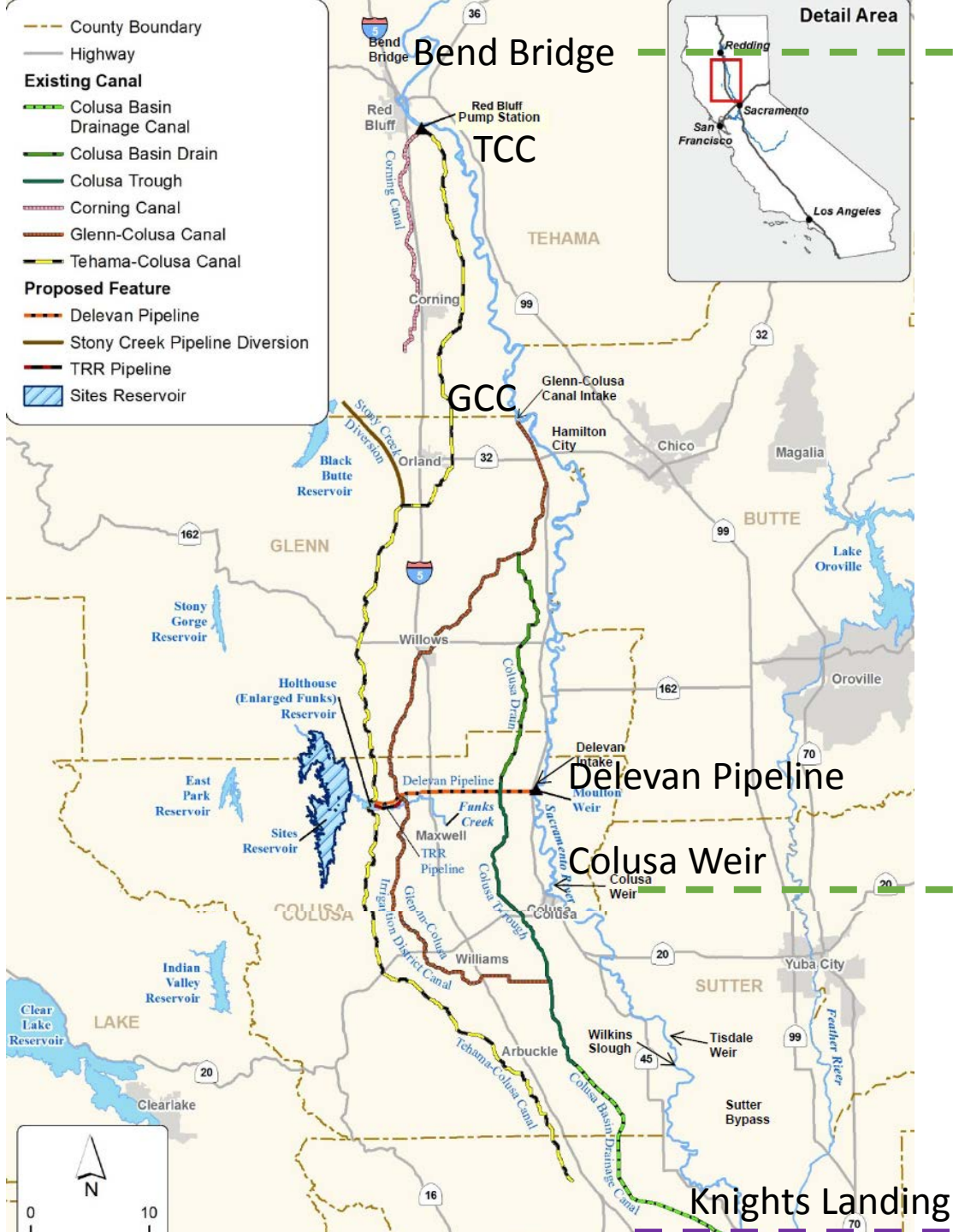


FIGURE 3.1
USRDOM CALIBRATION/VERIFICATION SCHEMATIC



Upper Segment ↑ (Whiskeytown & Shasta to Bend Bridge)

Middle Segment (Bend Bridge to Colusa Weir)

Lower Segment (Colusa Weir to Knights Landing)