



Stormwater Capture and Flows to the Ocean

Conservation and Local Resources Committee

Item #4b

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Stormwater in the Metropolitan Service Area

Groundwater Recharge



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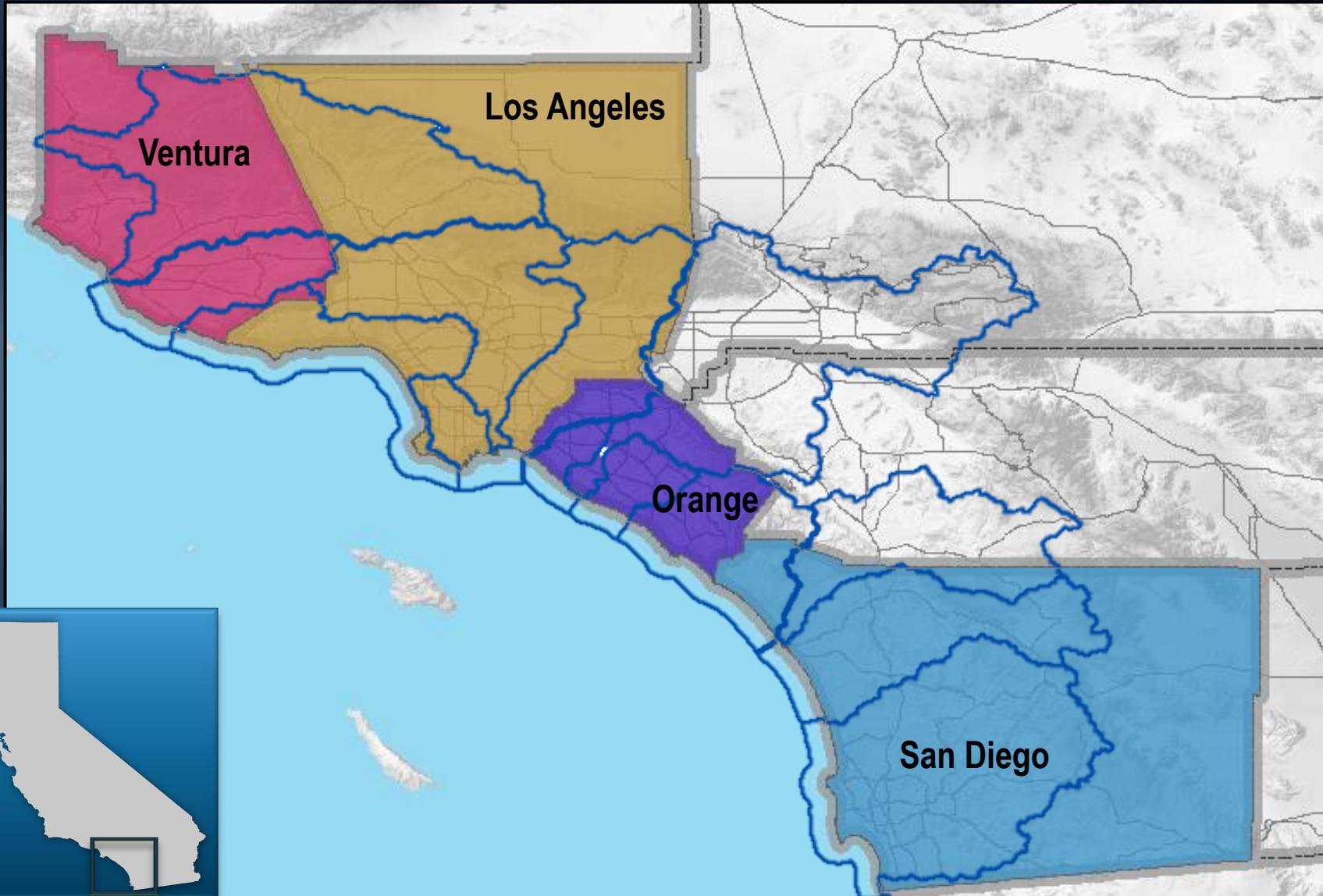


Runoff to Ocean



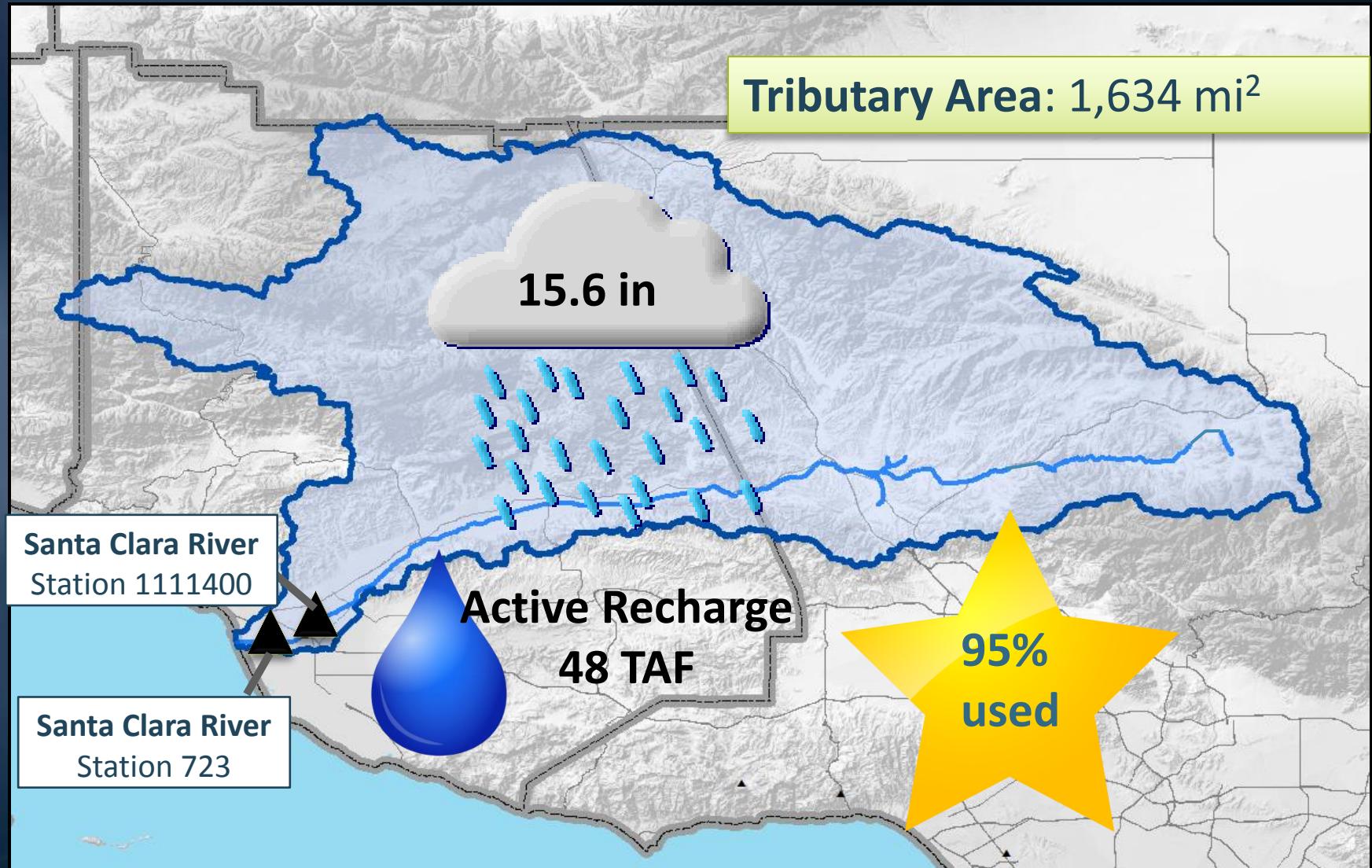
Overview

Watersheds in the Service Area



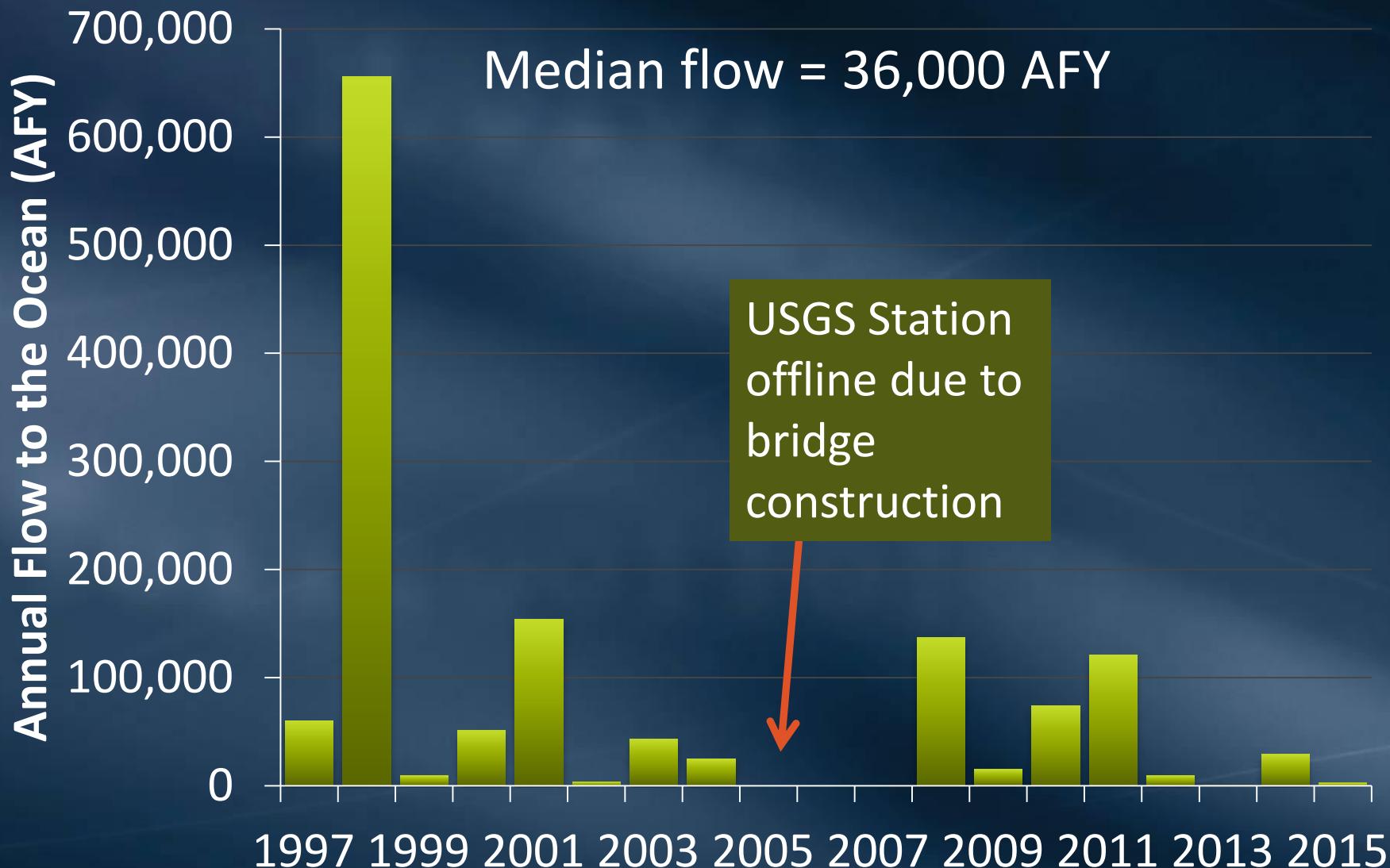
Santa Clara River Watershed

Santa Clara River Watershed Extends into 3 counties



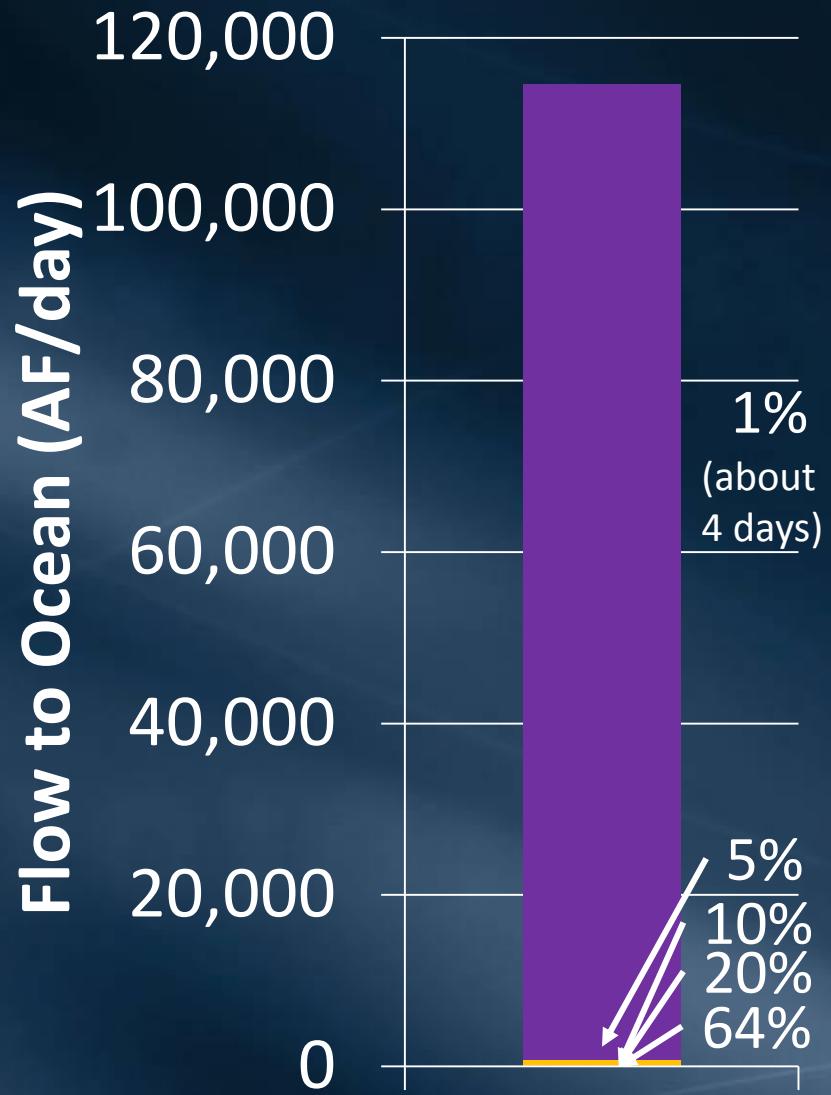
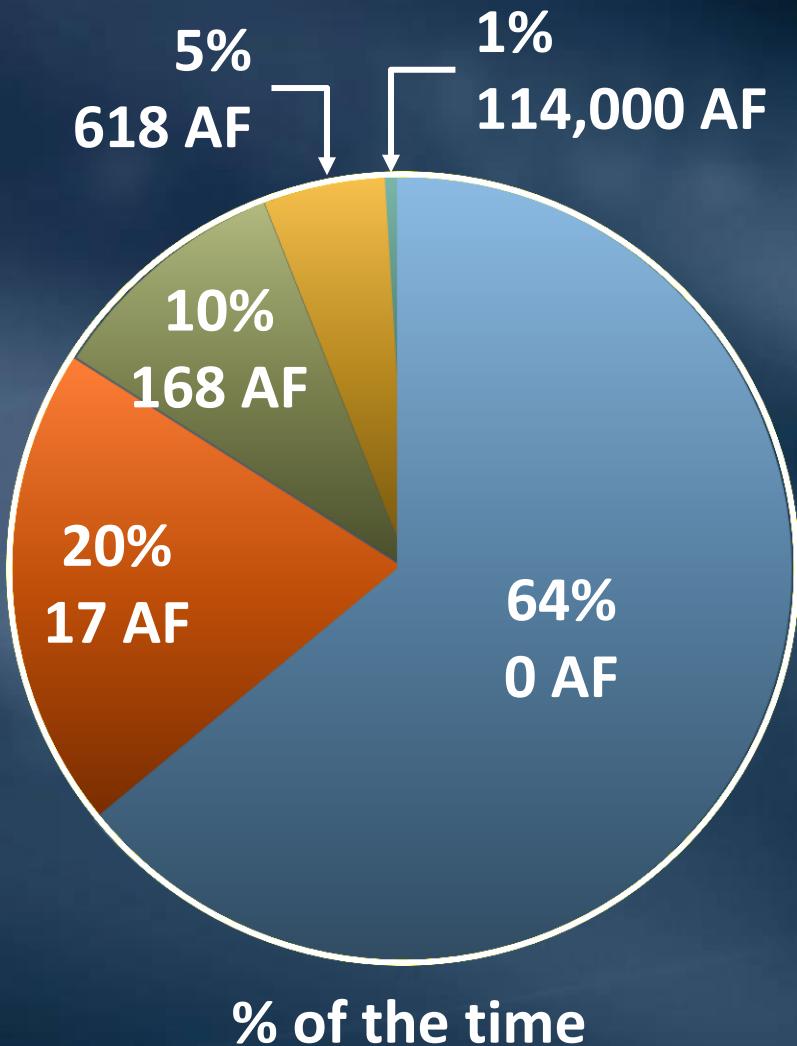
Santa Clara River Flows to Ocean

Ranges from 0-650 TAFY



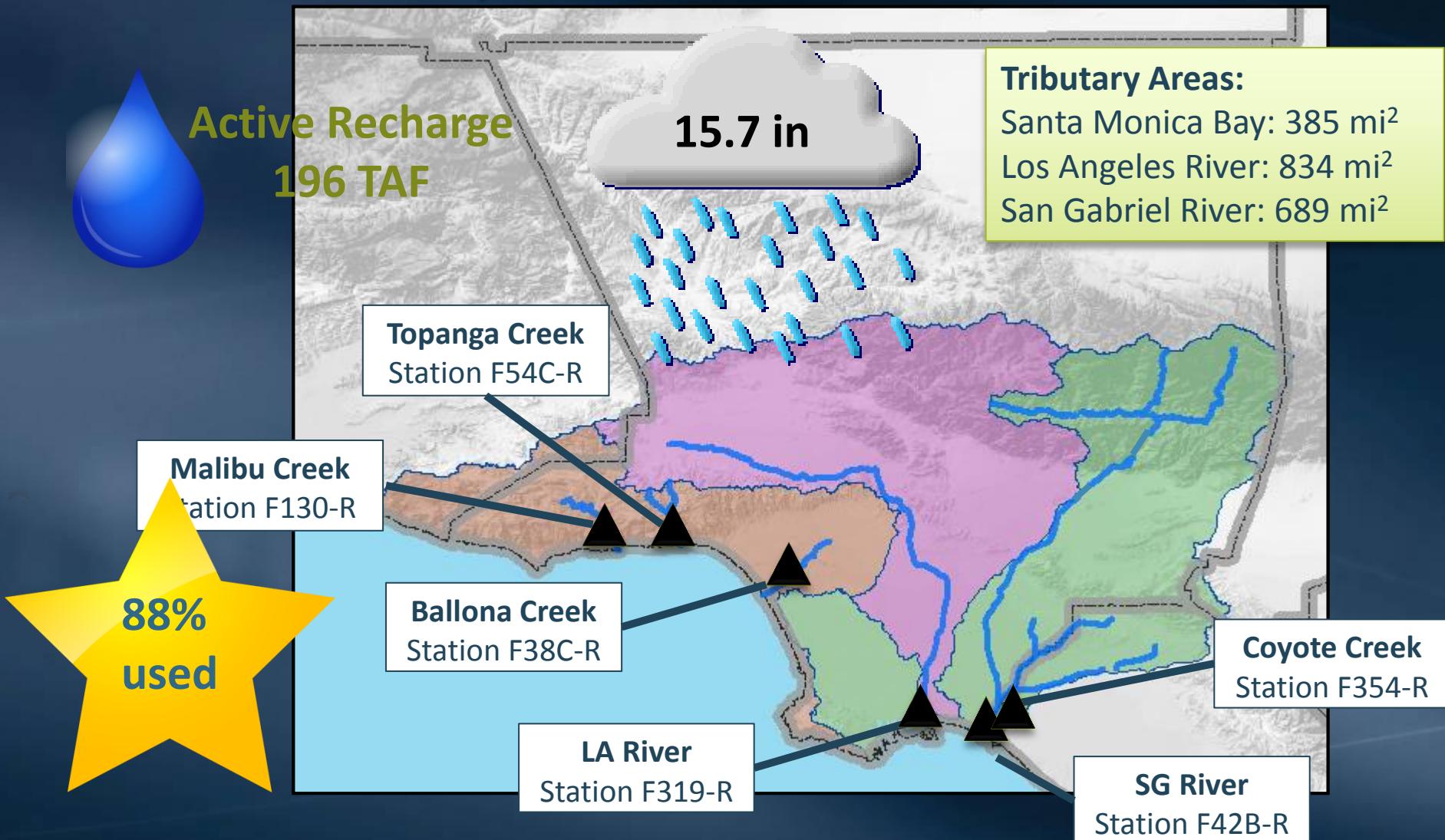
Santa Clara River

No flow 64% of the time



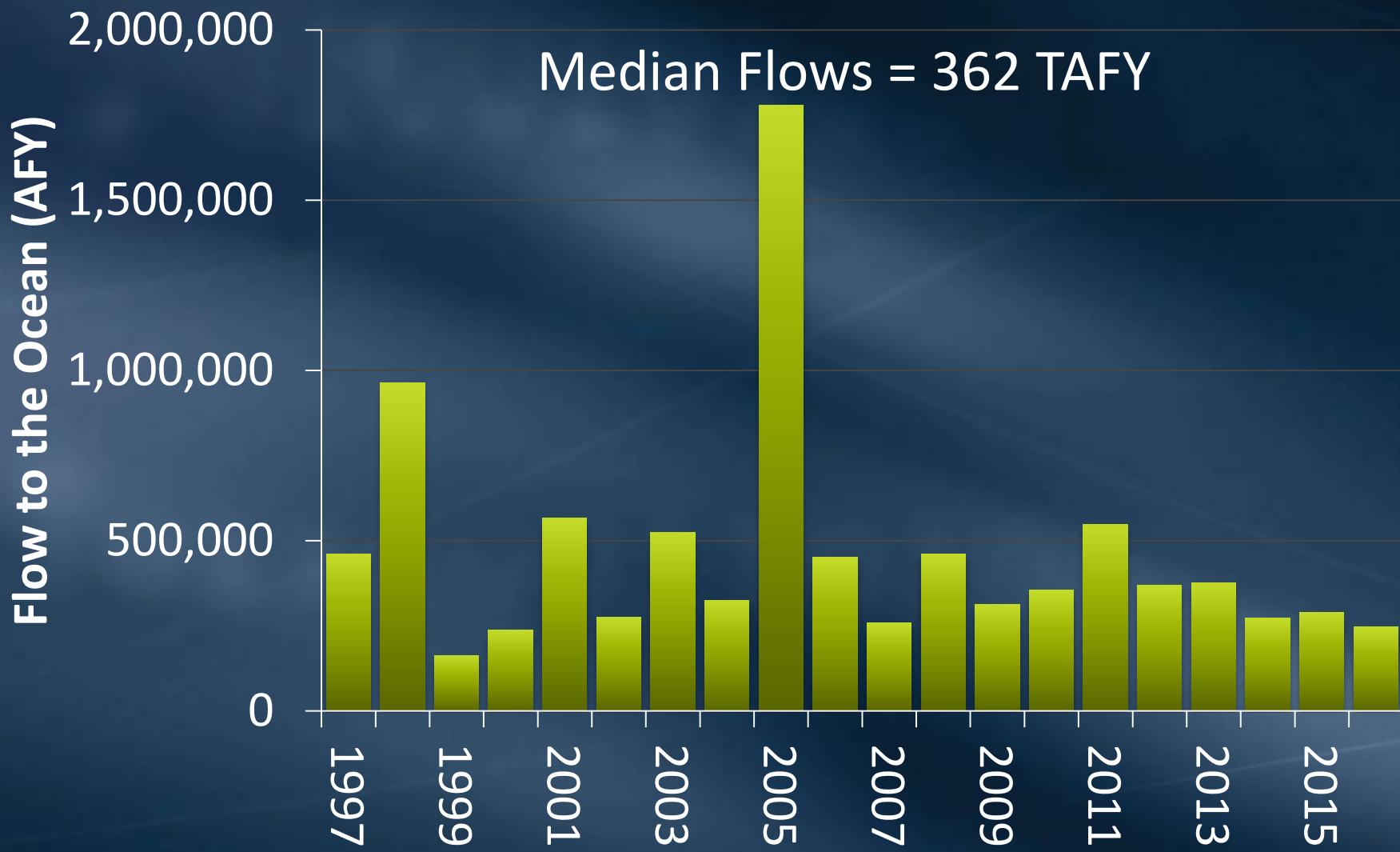
Los Angeles County Watersheds

Santa Monica Bay, LA River, and San Gabriel River



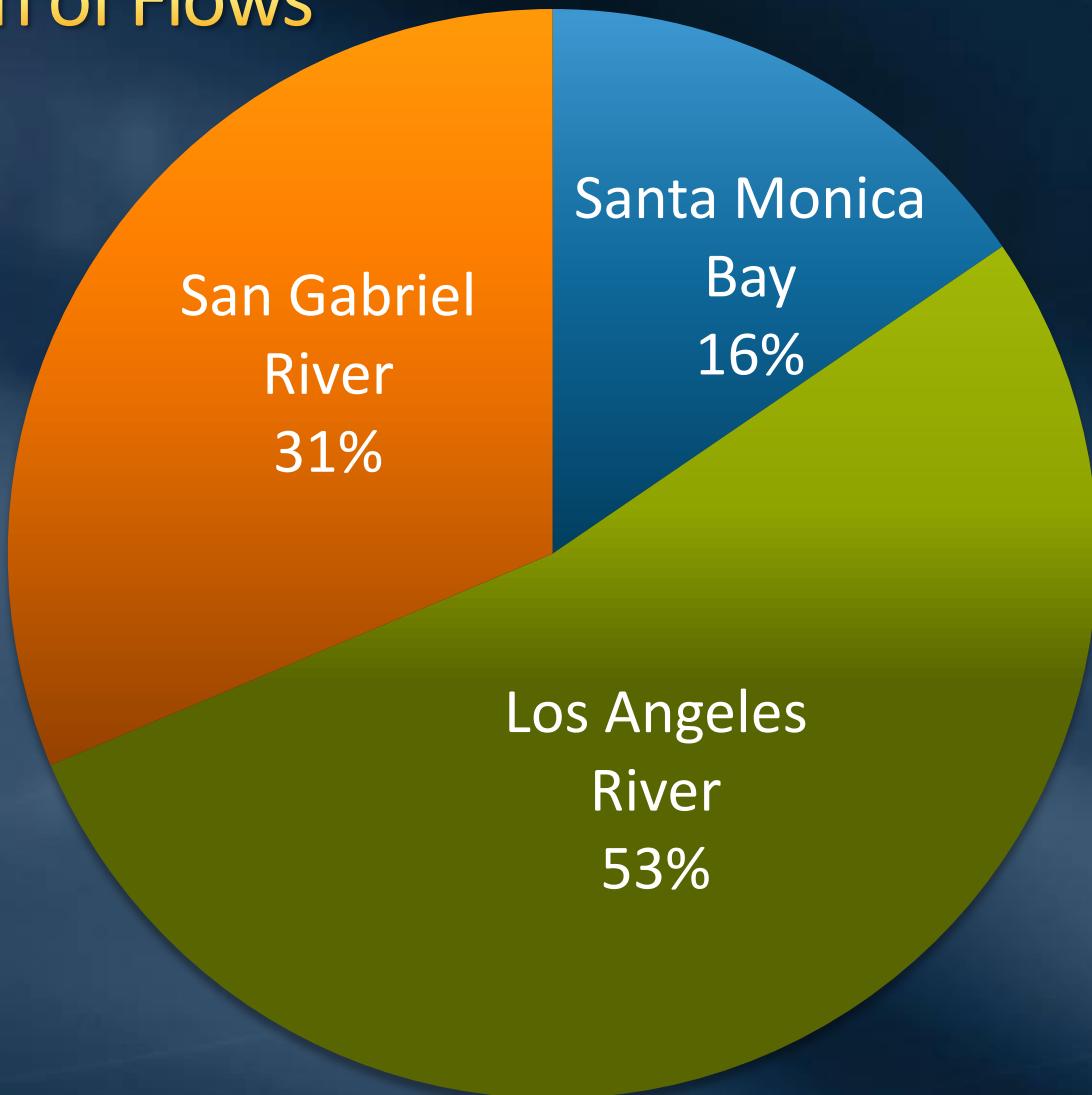
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Ranges from 162 TAF to 1.7 MAF per year



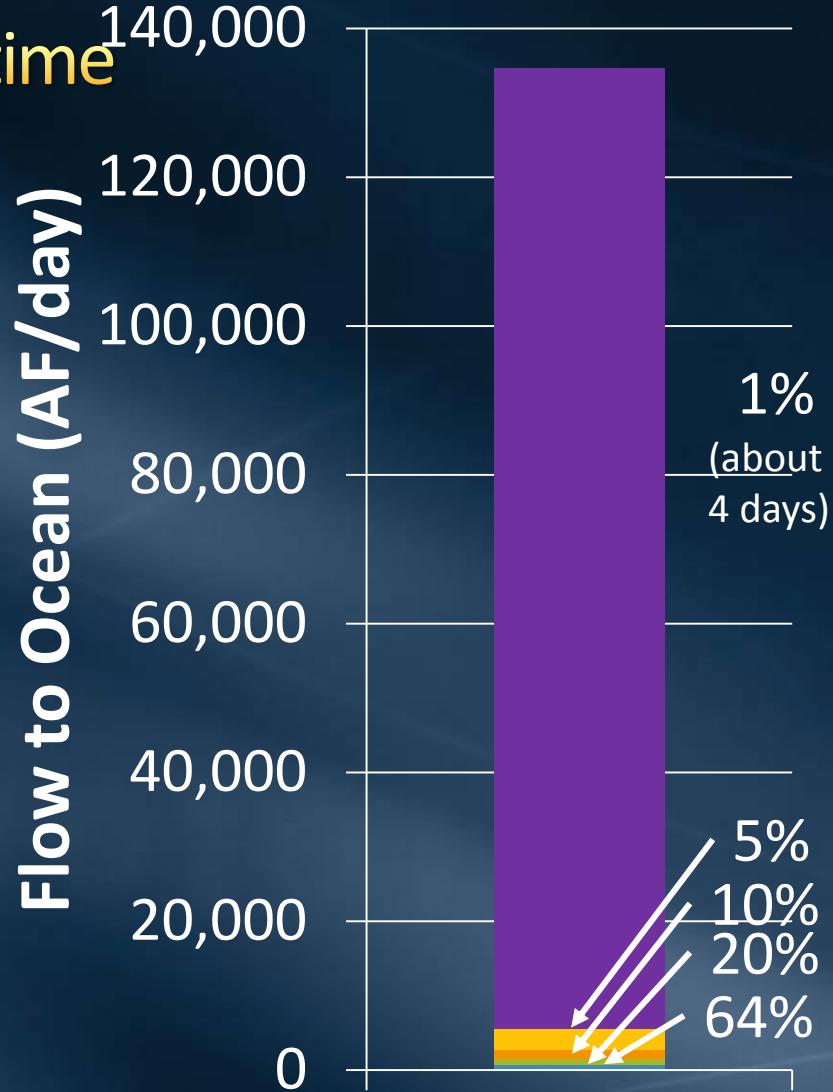
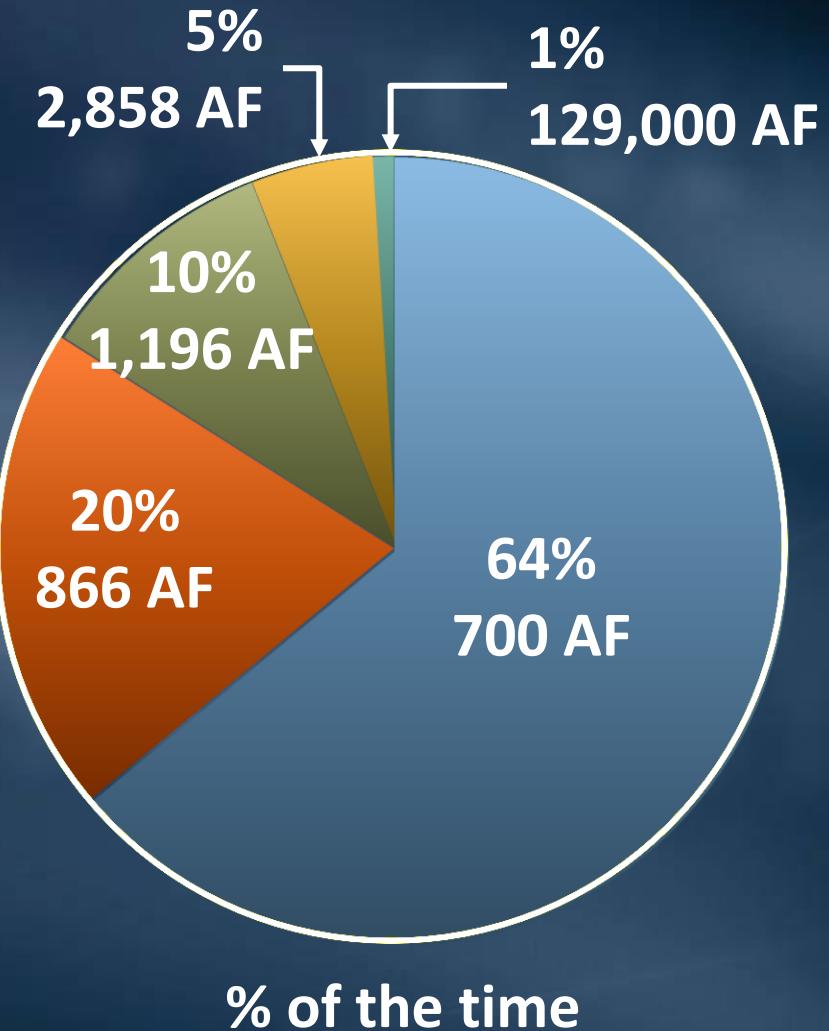
Los Angeles County Flows to Ocean

Distribution of Flows



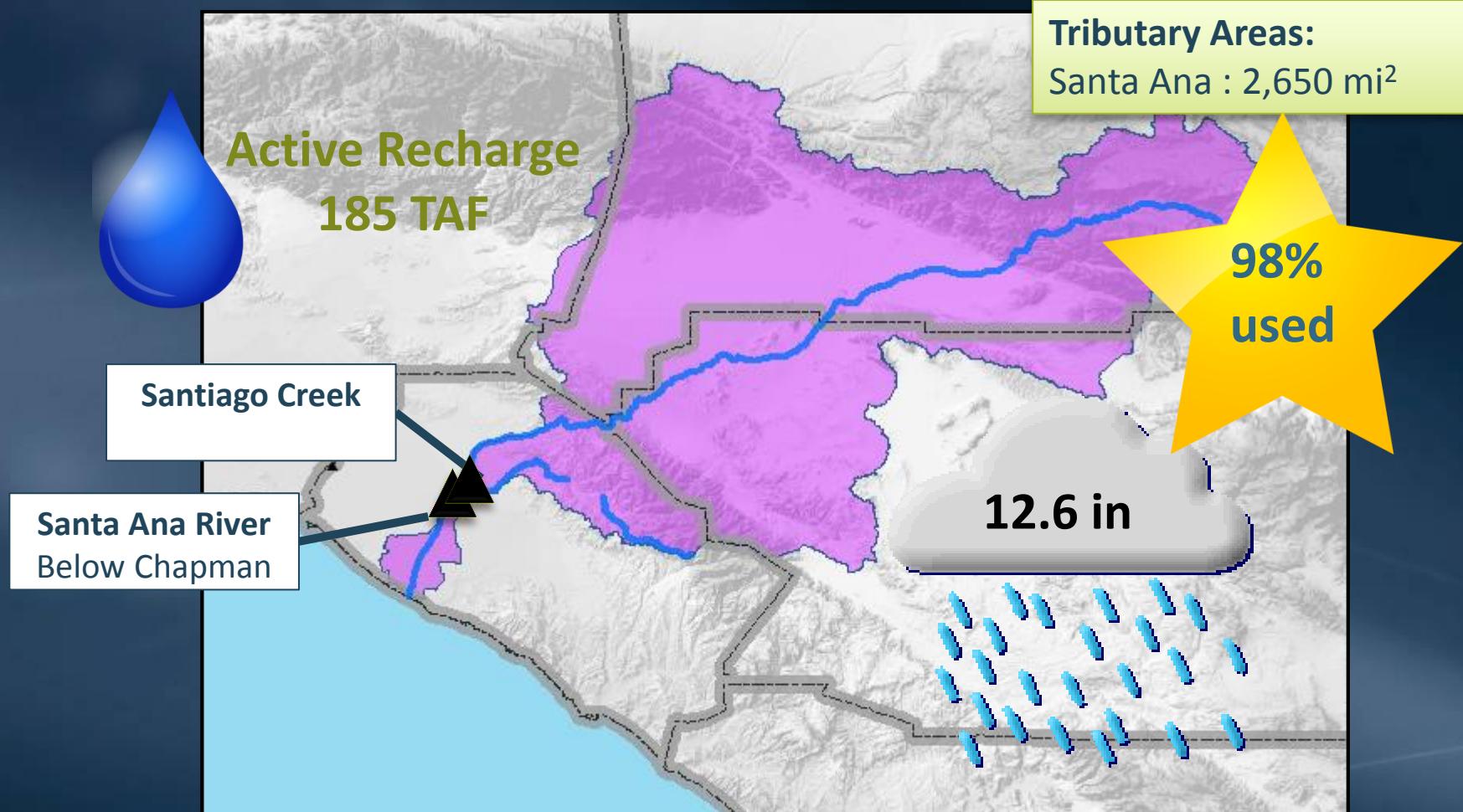
LA County

Minimum of 700 AF 64% of the time



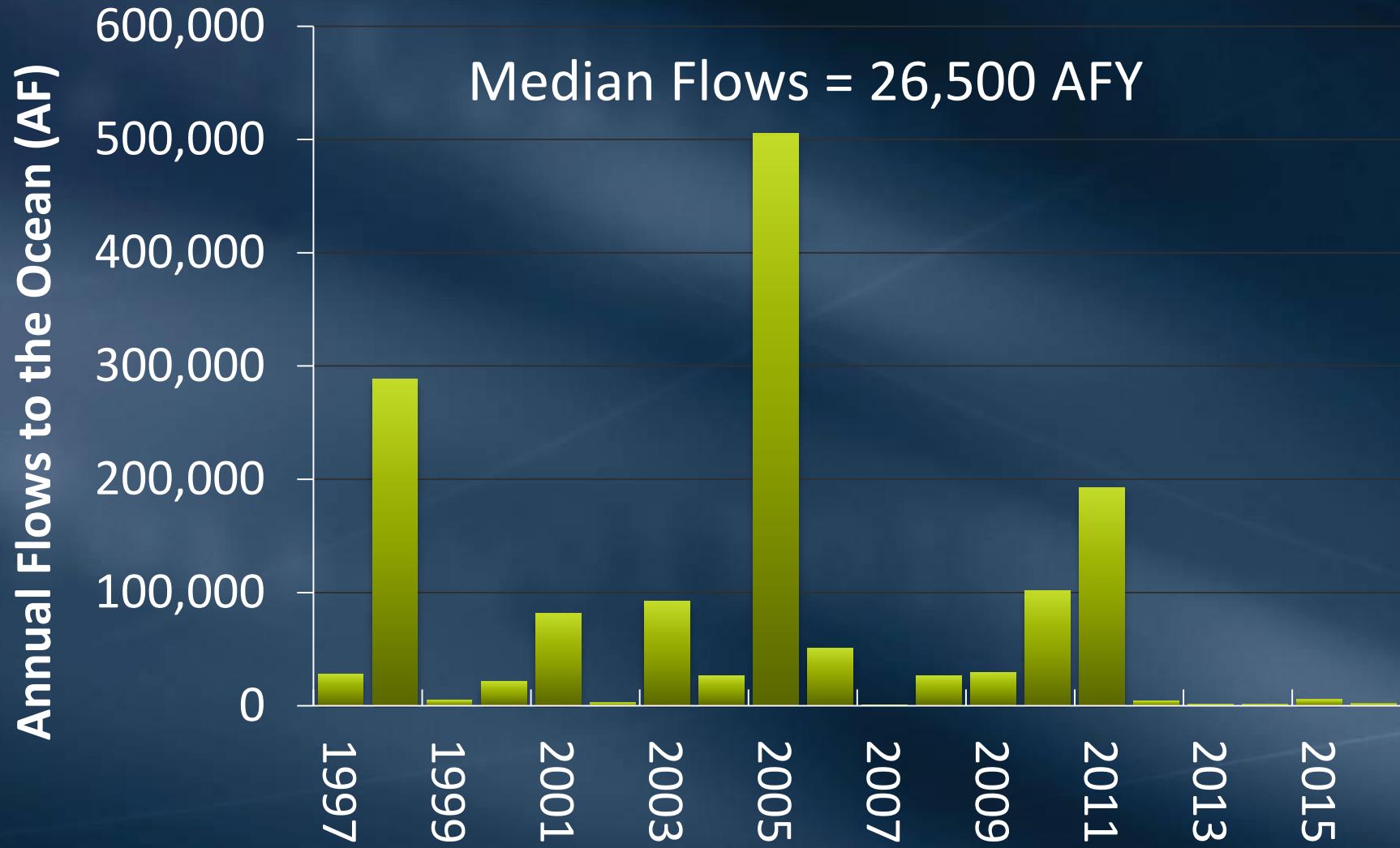
Santa Ana River Watershed

Watershed extends into four counties



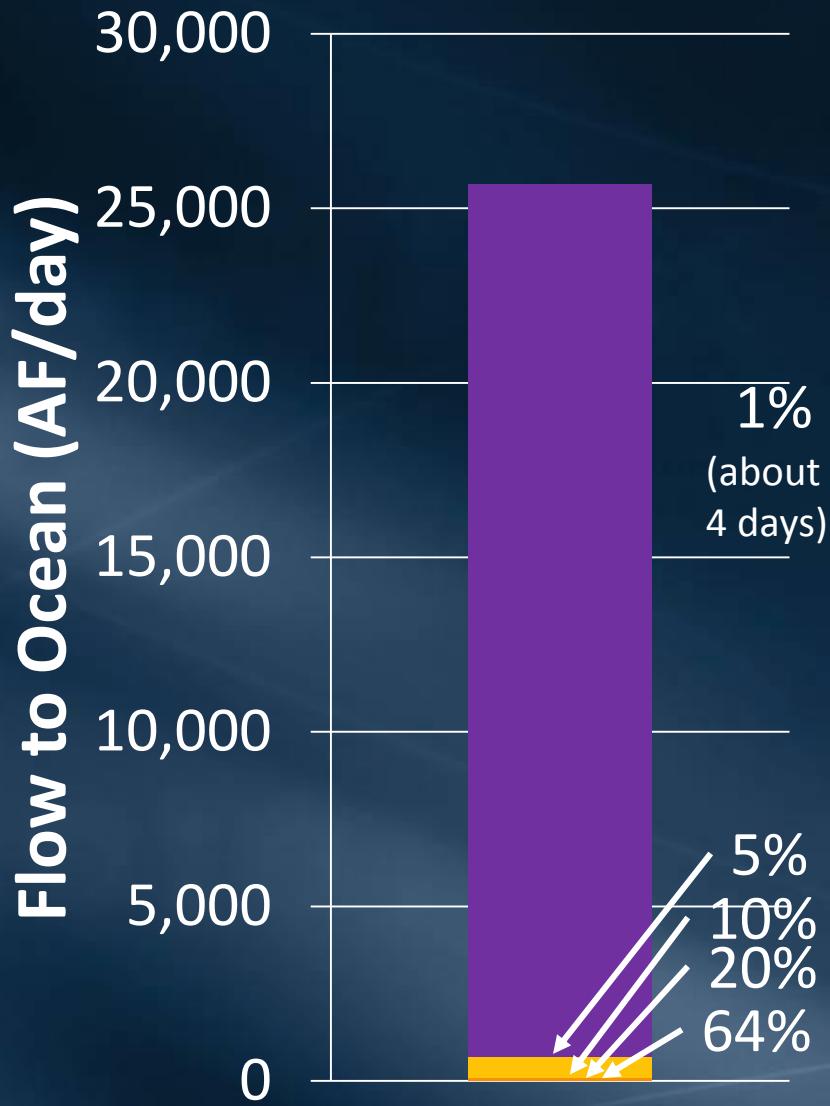
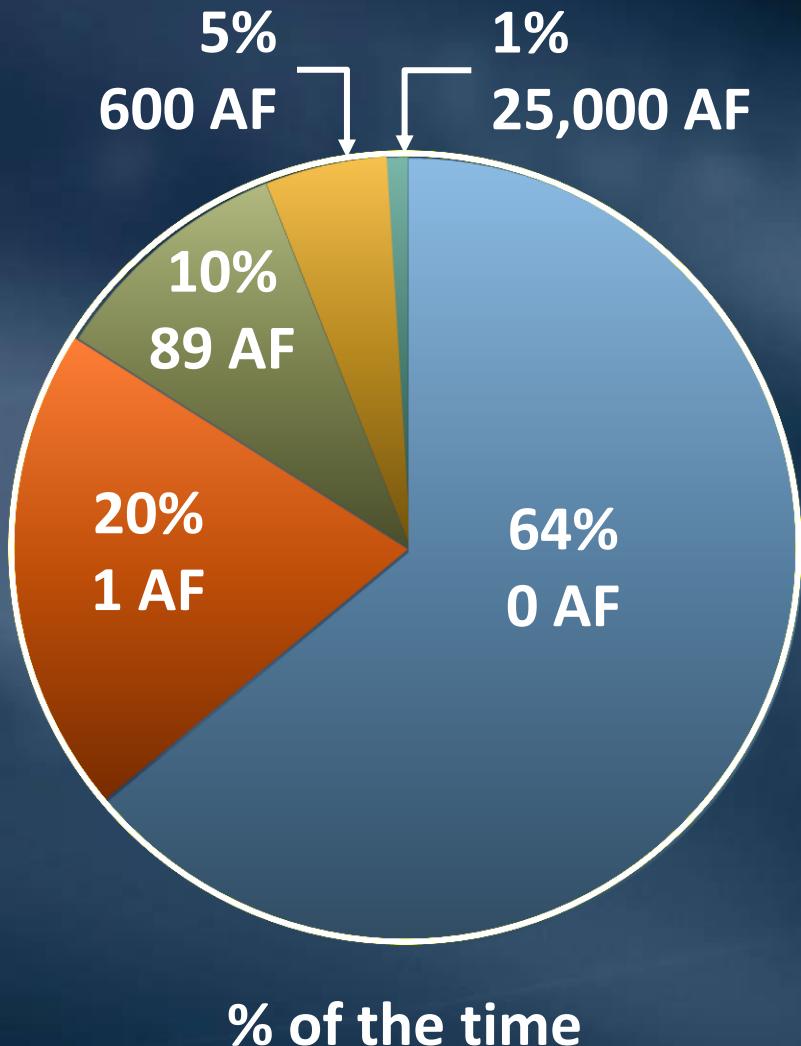
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98 percent of water is used/captured



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San Diego County

Watersheds

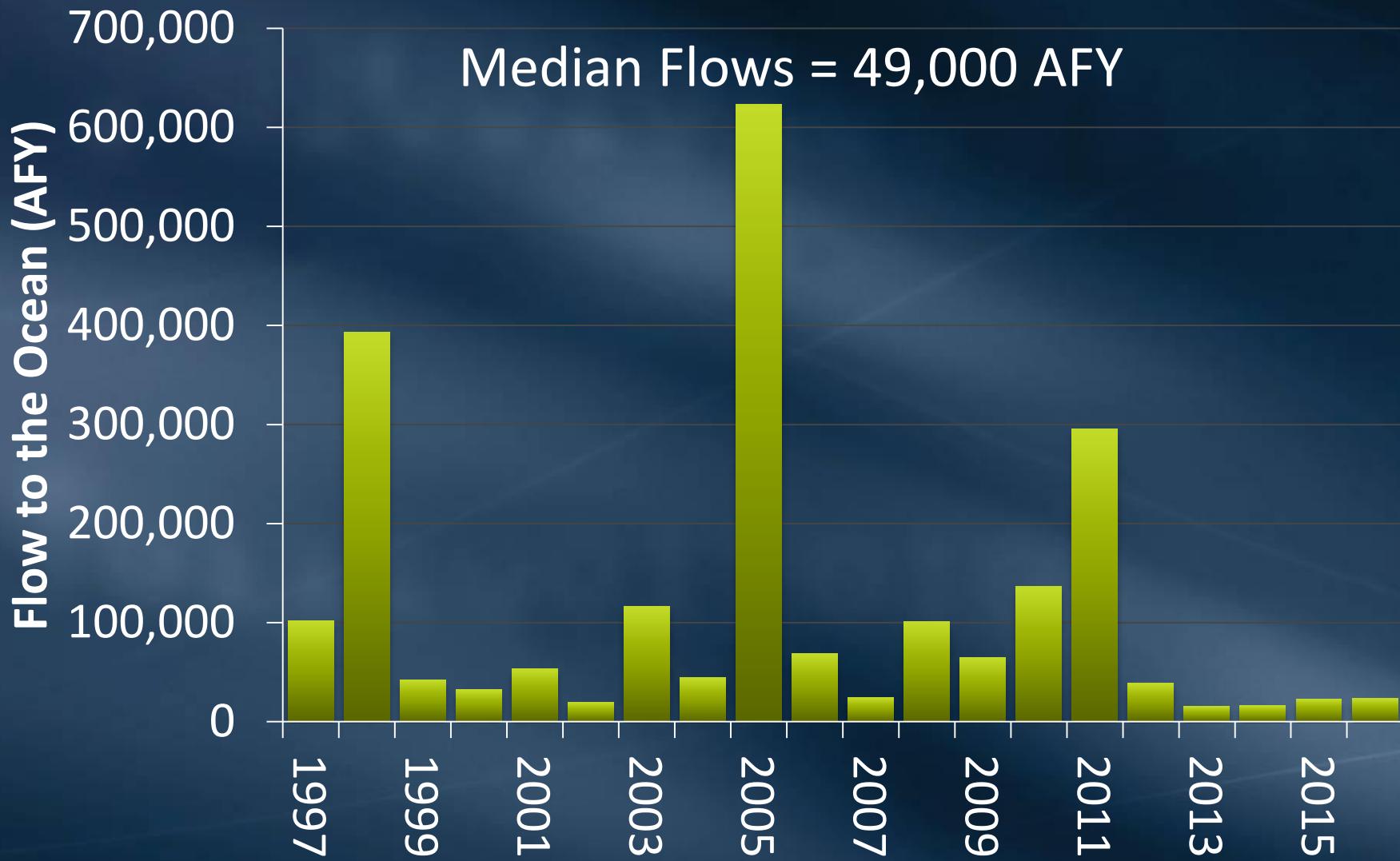
Active Recharge

8 TAF



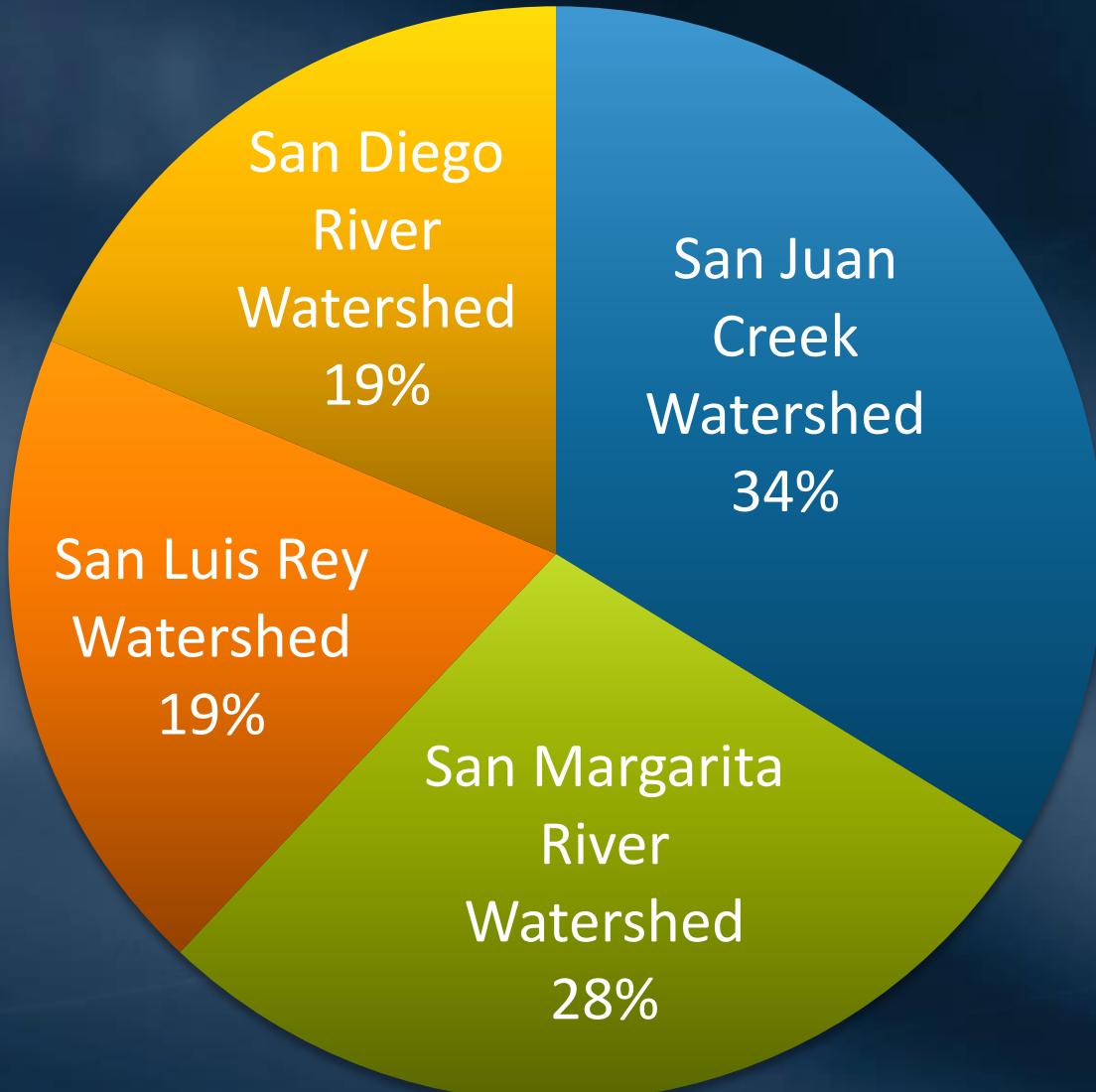
San Diego County Flows to Ocean

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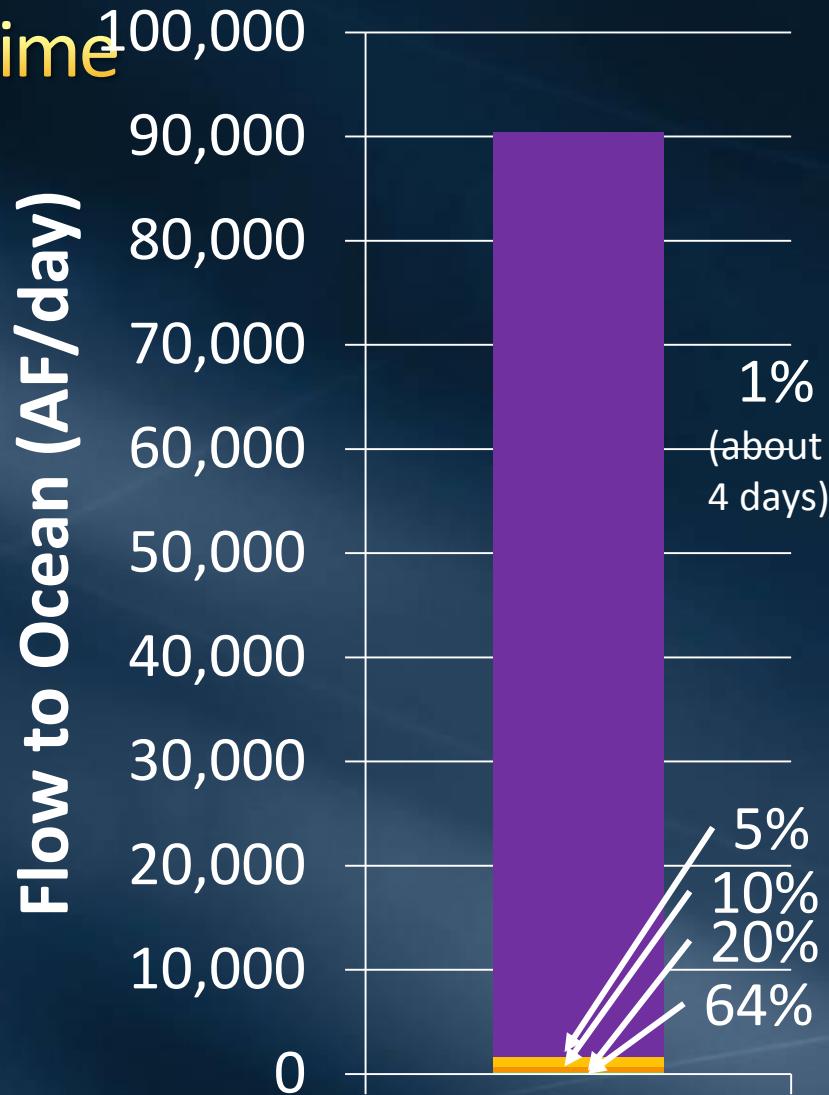
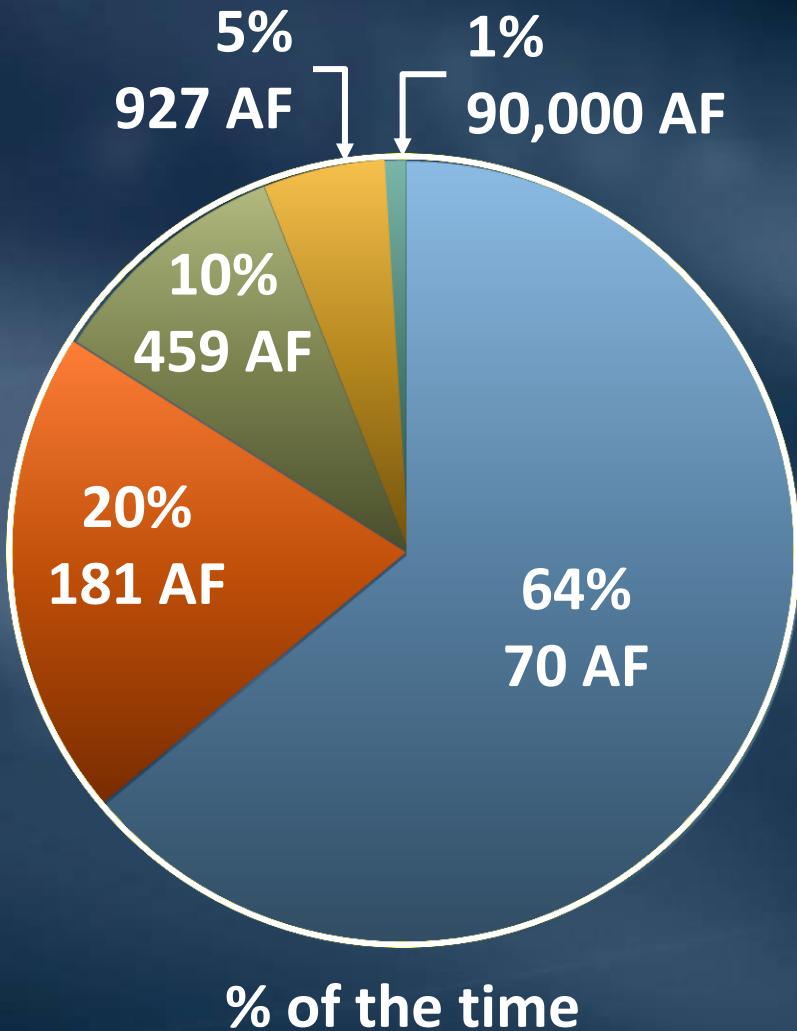
San Diego County Flows to Ocean

Distribution of Flows (WY 1997-2016)



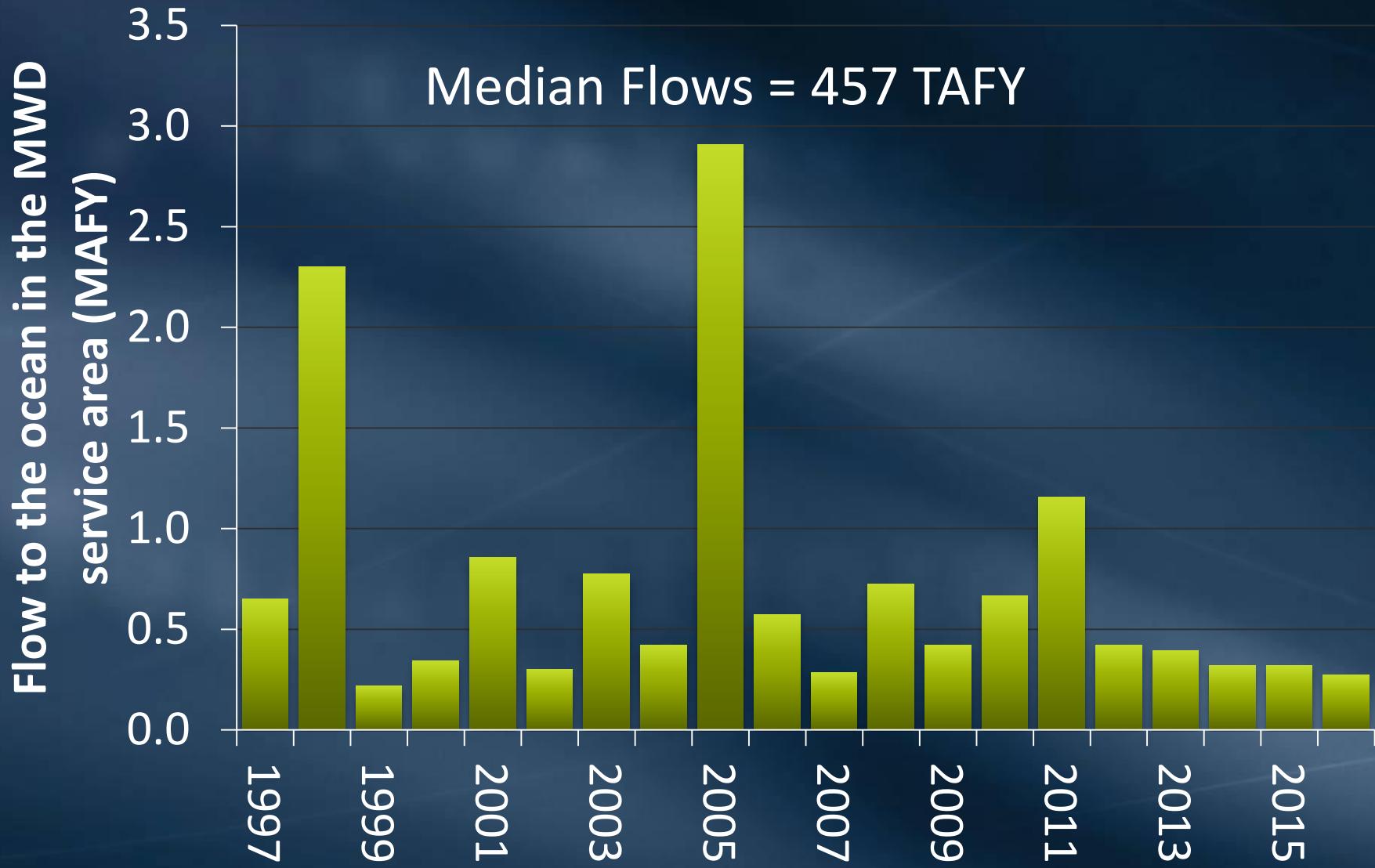
San Diego County

Less than 1,000 AF 95% of the time



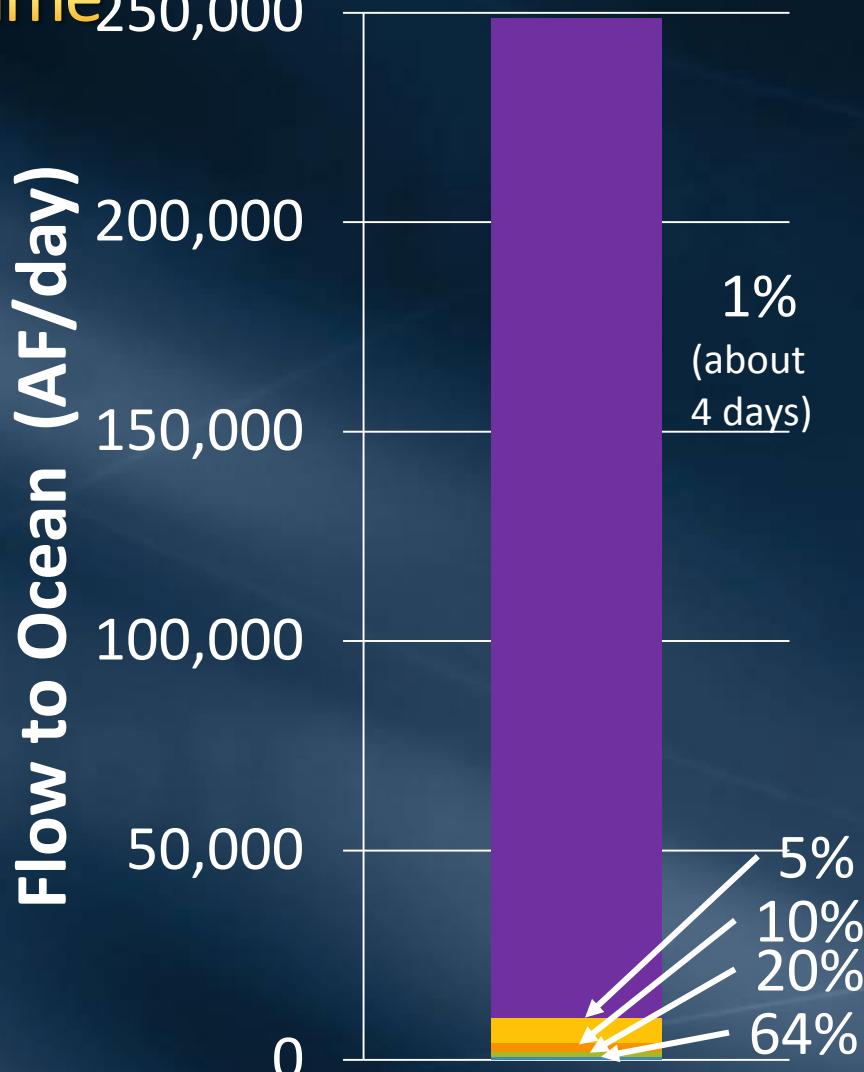
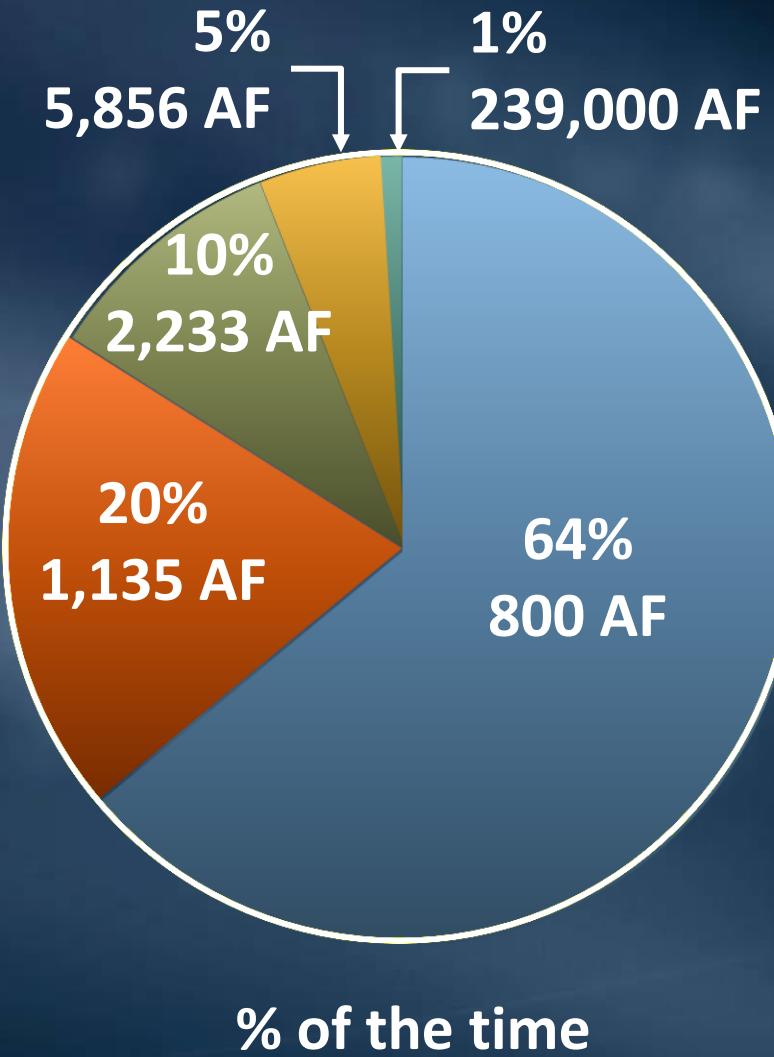
Total Flows to the Ocean

MWD Service Area



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Observations and Future Activity

- Highly variable stormwater capture
 - Most of the flow comes in a few days per year
- Costs/Funding of stormwater projects
 - SCWC Stormwater Task Force Report in April
- Basin Management
 - Review basin management practices regarding stormwater
 - Evaluate how stormwater is accounted for in safe yield calculations



Footnotes

- Data period
 - Water year 1997-2016
- Daily streamflow data
 - USGS stream gauge data
 - County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works annual hydrology reports
- Groundwater recharge data
 - Basin manager/watermaster reports
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