



Integrated Water Resource Plan

Baseline Results and Level of Service

October 19th, 2022



IWRP Vision Statement

“An actionable and adaptive master plan for Greeley’s water resources that uses modern, defensible methods to develop a roadmap ensuring a reliable water supply for our community through an uncertain future.”



IWRP Timeline



Baseline Evaluation Process

- Set future conditions
 - Baseline Settings
 - Near-term Planning Scenarios
- Simulate range of demands
- Determine which demands result in unsatisfactory performance
 - Planning Level of Service

Planning Scenario Name	Water Supply System	Climate
High Bookend	Reduced Yields -10%	+2°F
Median	Expected Yields <i>No Change</i>	+2°F
Low Bookend	Expected Yields <i>No Change</i>	+2°F, +7% Precipitation
No Climate Change	Expected Yields <i>No Change</i>	No Change
Mix and Match	Reduced Yields -10%	+2°F, +7% Precipitation

Baseline Settings

- Greeley's water rights:
 - Assumed leases are in possession for Greeley
 - All owned water rights are changed for Greeley use
- In-progress projects assumed complete:
 - 10 year CIP
 - Non-Potable Equalizer Pipeline
 - Chimney Hollow Reservoir

Planning Level of Service

- Establishes unacceptable future conditions to justify new projects
- Used for comparative purposes, not intended to be policy

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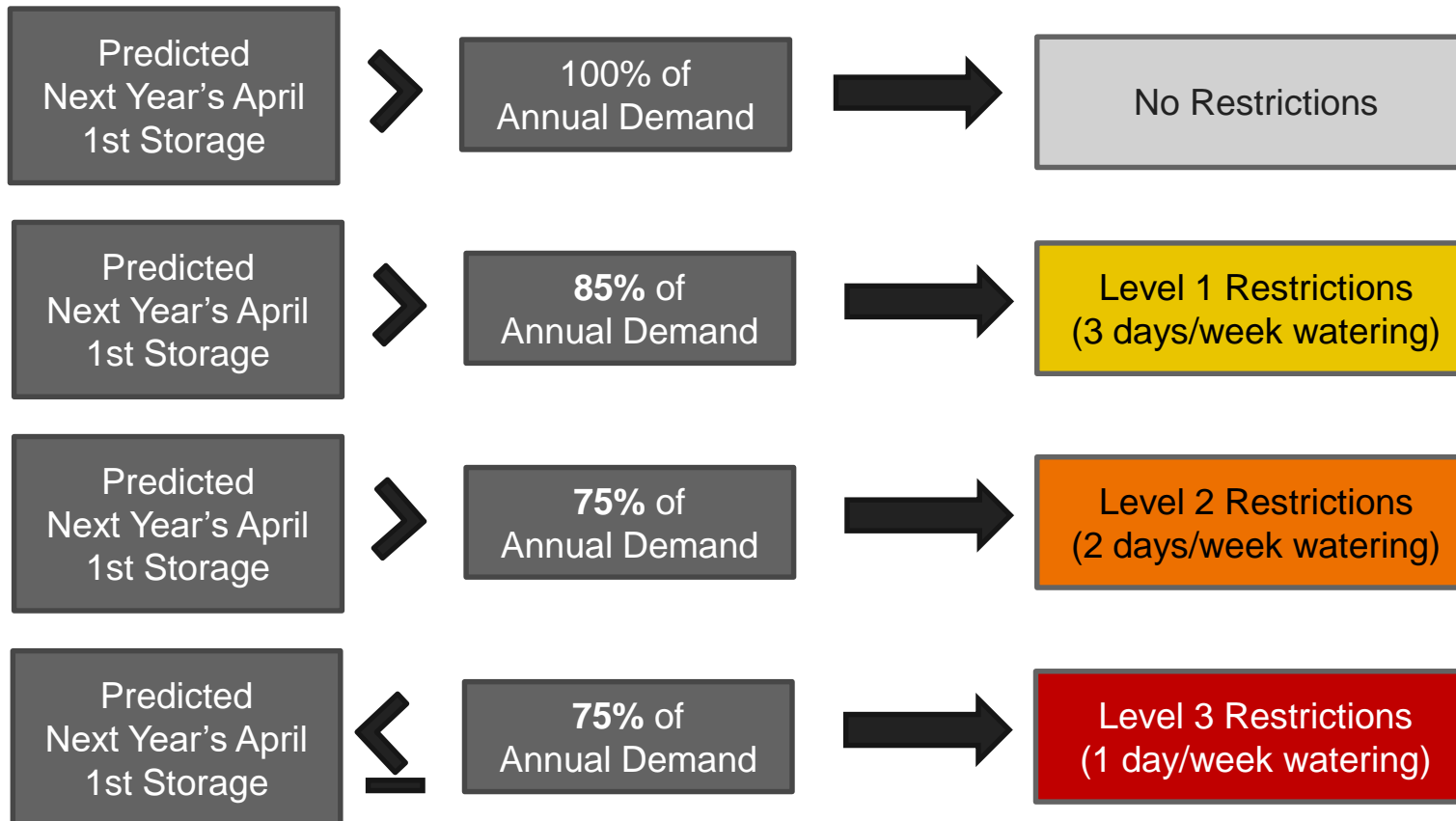
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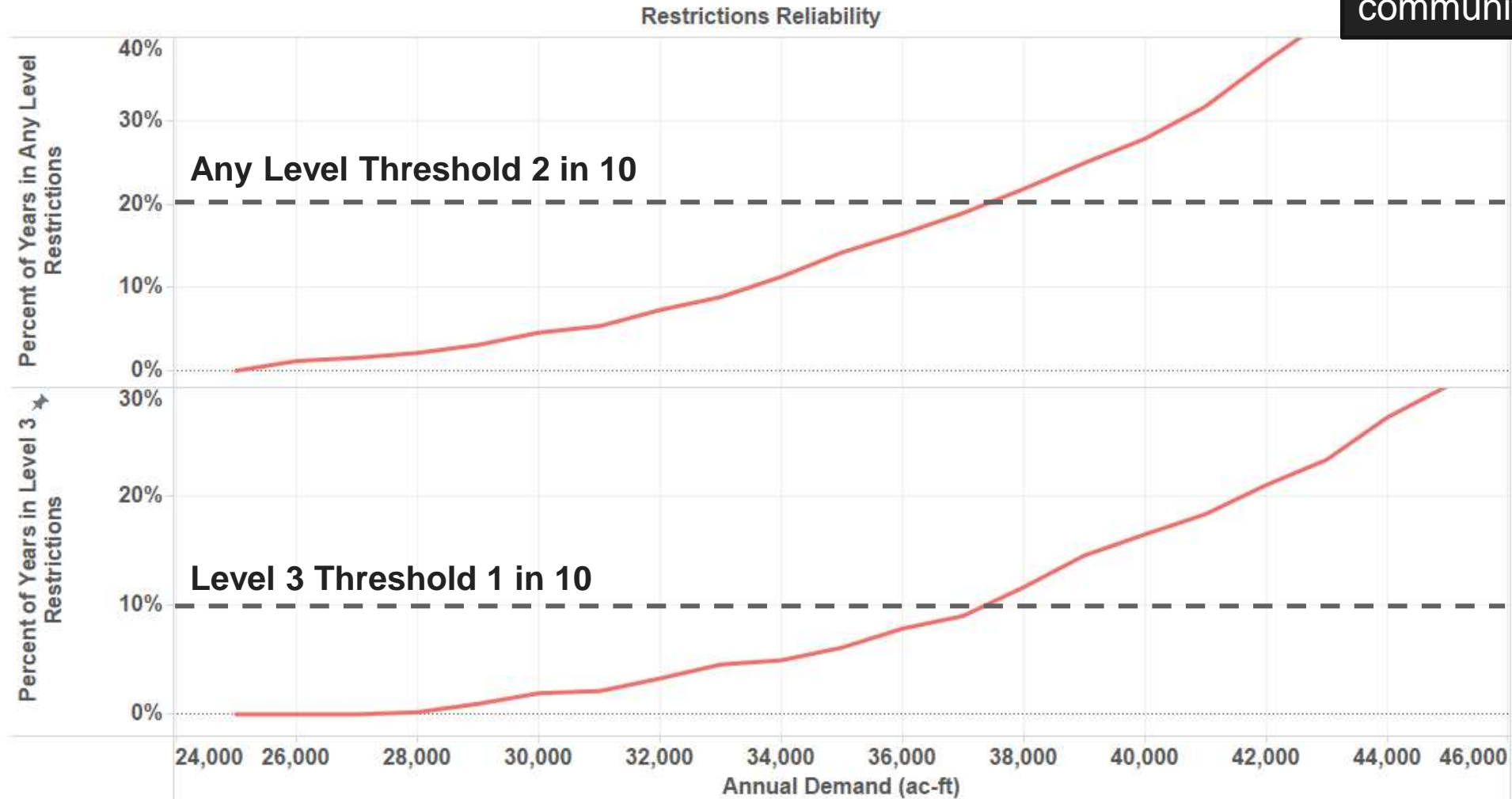
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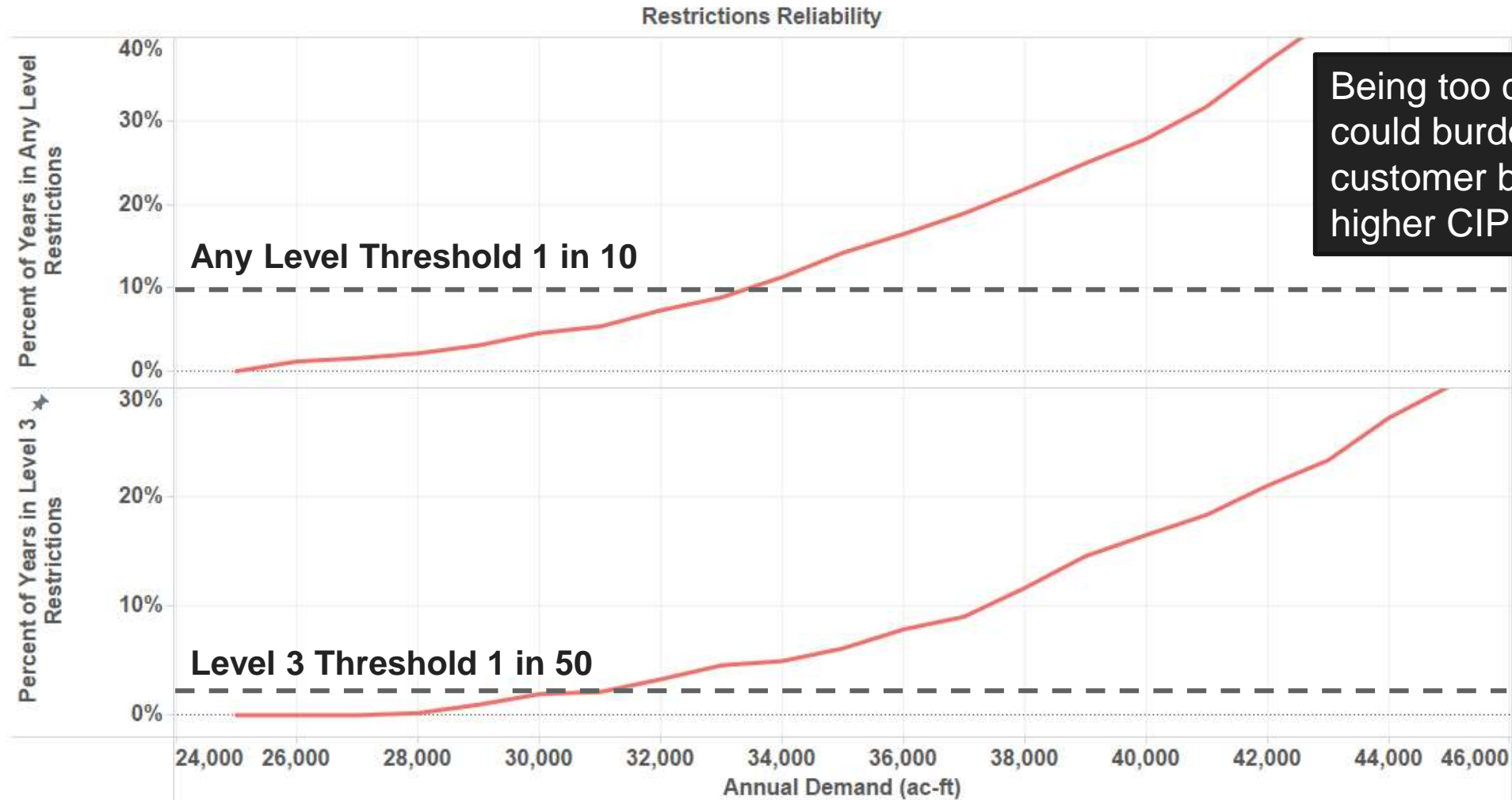
What Level of Service should the IWRP use for planning?

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Proposed Planning Level of Service

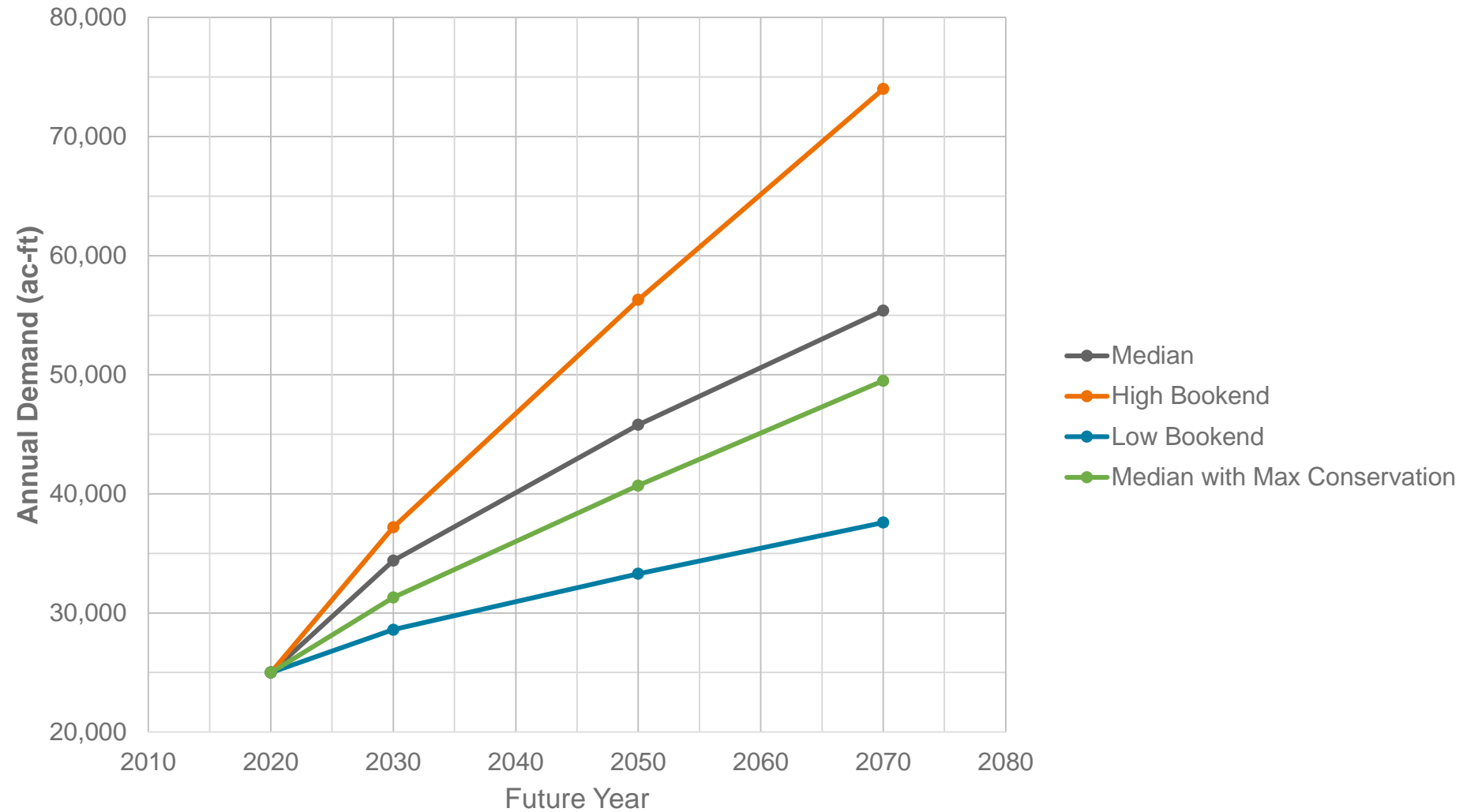
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Drought Restriction Planning Level of Service

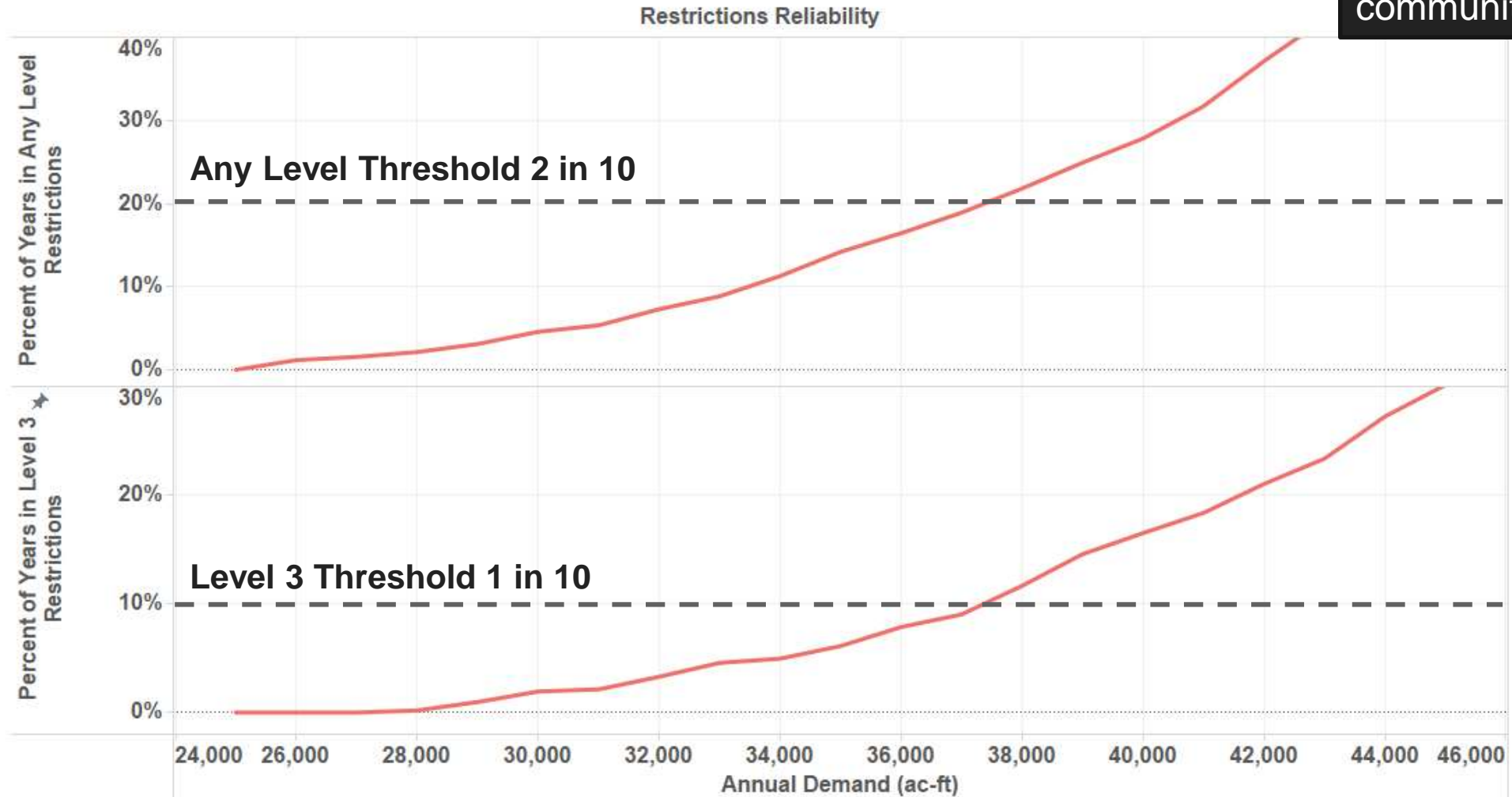
- IWRP uses series conservative assumptions
 - GSM operations
 - Underlying droughts more severe than recent history
- Ultimately will time Terry Ranch, thus is a future Greeley would not experience
- Reflects Front Range water providers planning criteria and experiences
- Balances customer impacts from water restriction and higher rates
- Use of Drought Levels will be monitored as a potential Terry Ranch Trigger

IWRP Projected Demands

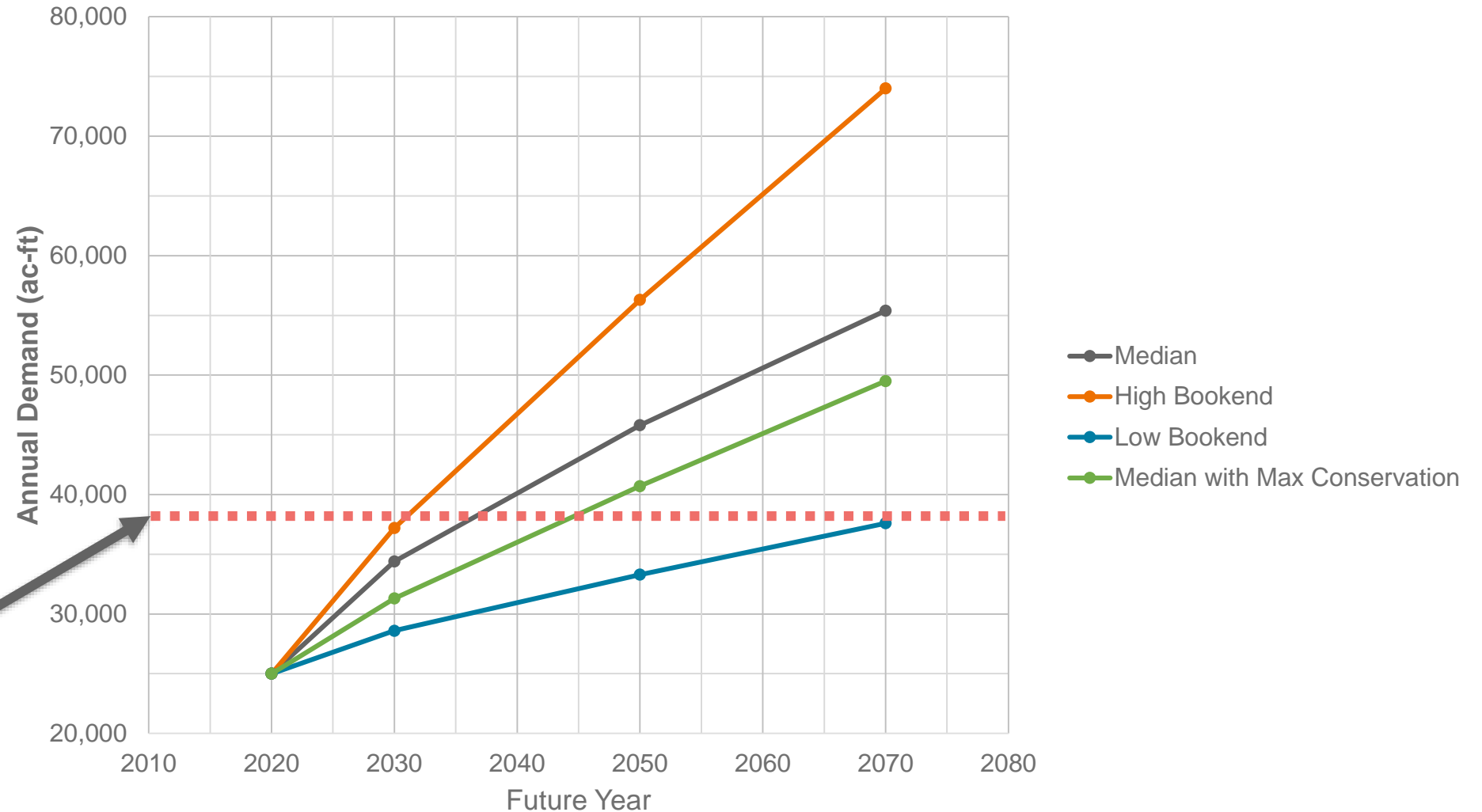


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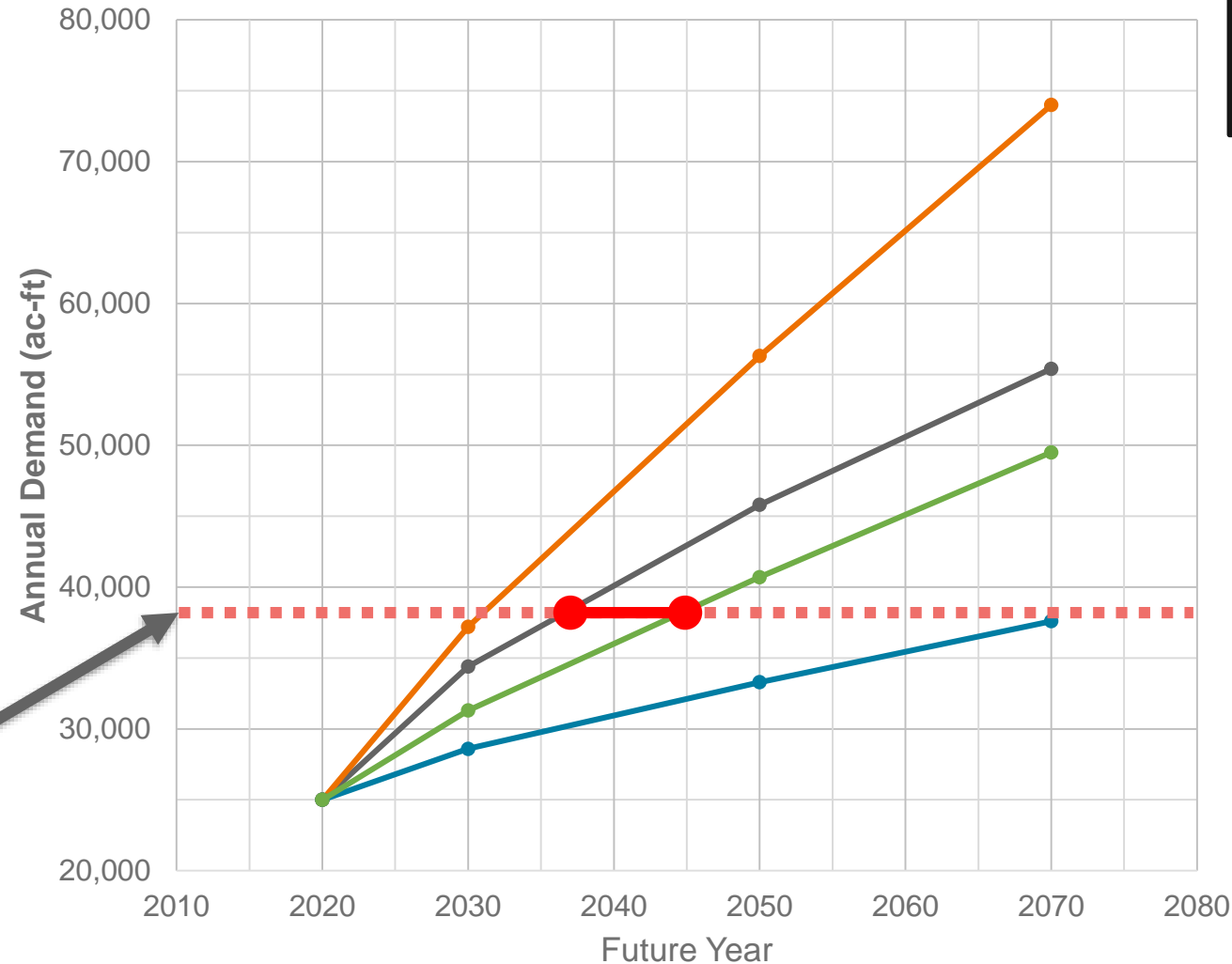


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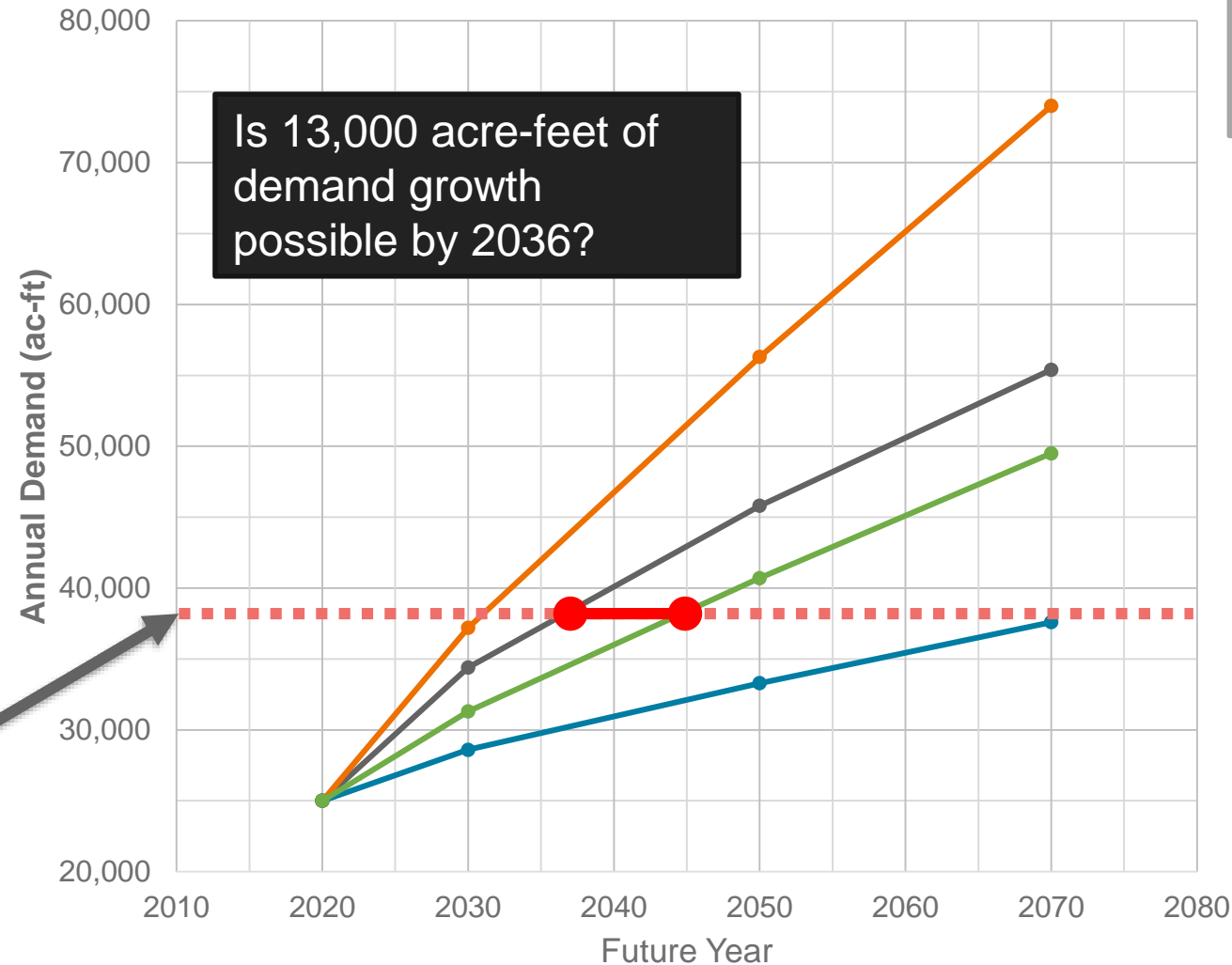


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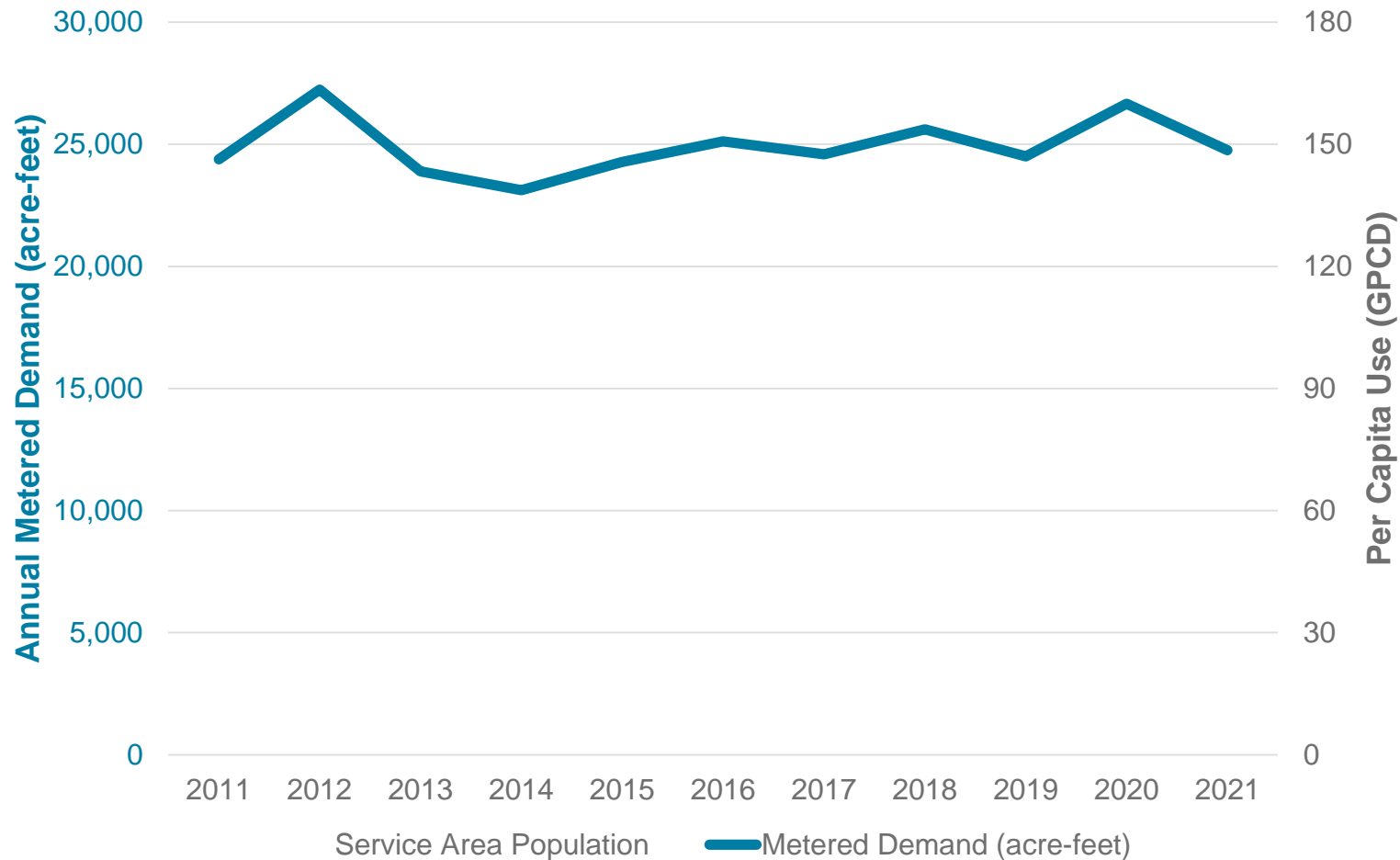
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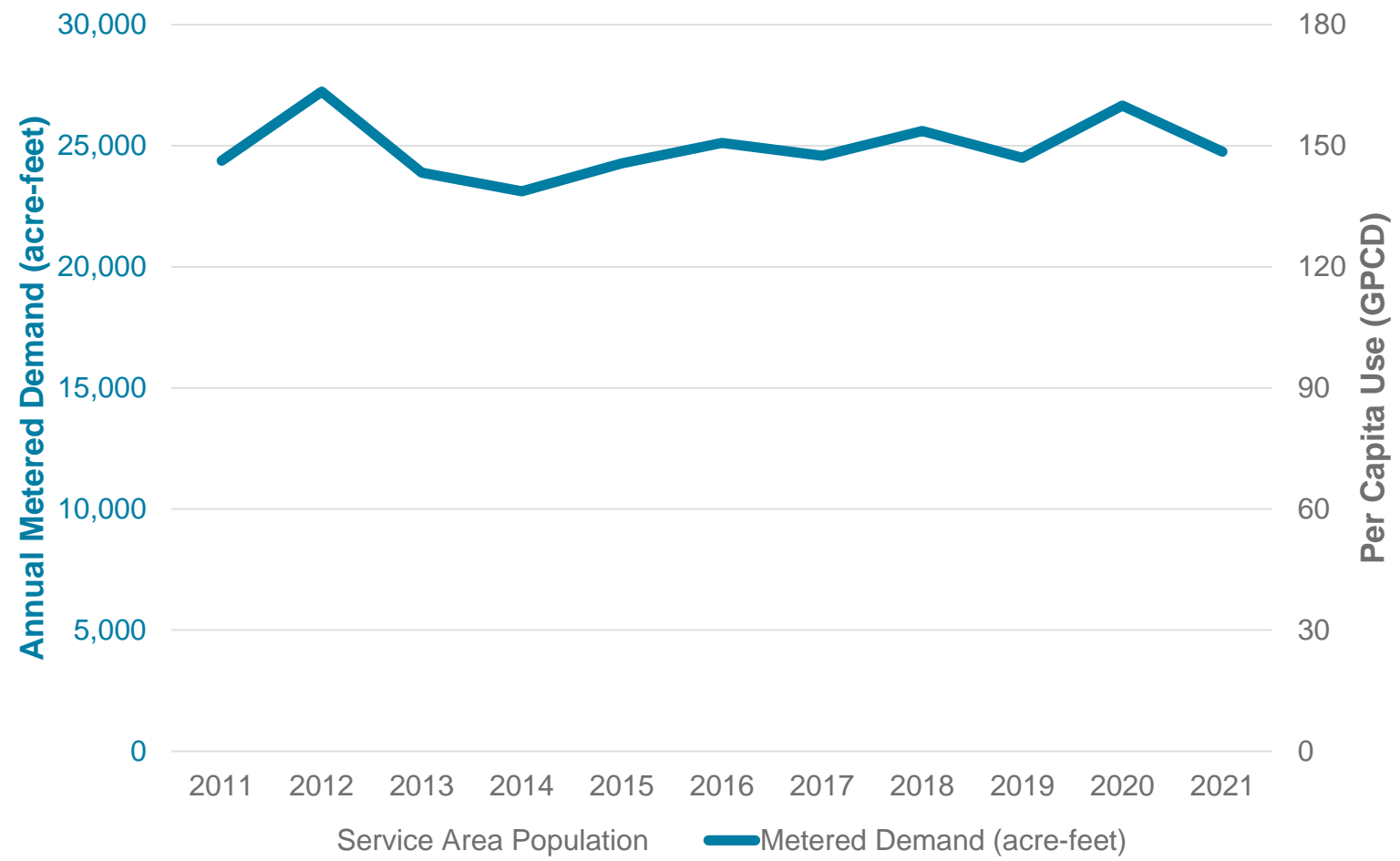
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Recent Trends – Metered Demands



- Negligible growth in demands
- Variation due to hot and dry summers (2012, 2020) greater than 10-year change
- Trends extend into mid-2000s

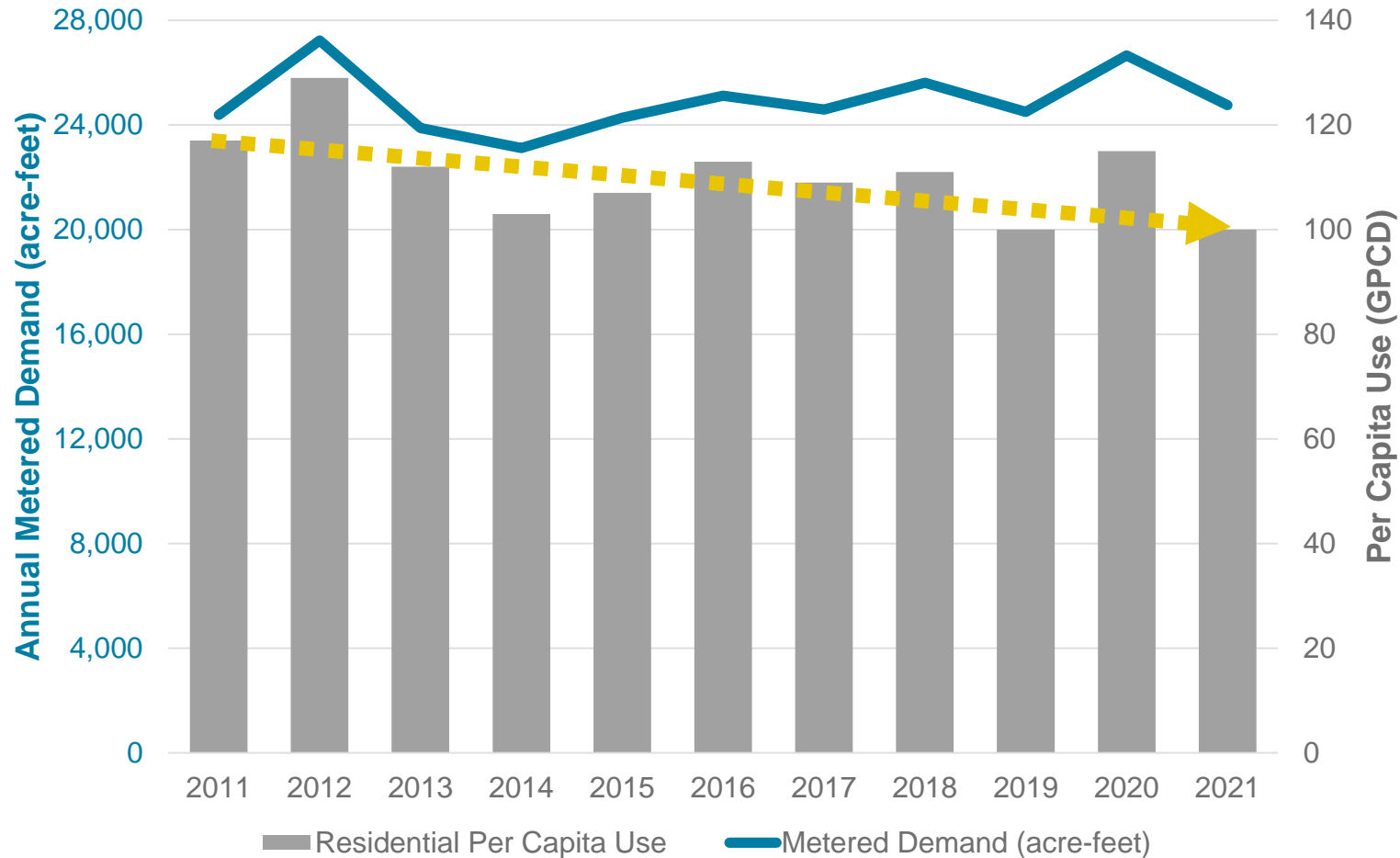
Recent Trends – Population Growth



Population served increased by ~30,000 people, or 25%

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Recent Trends – Per Capita Use



Per capita water use continues to decrease

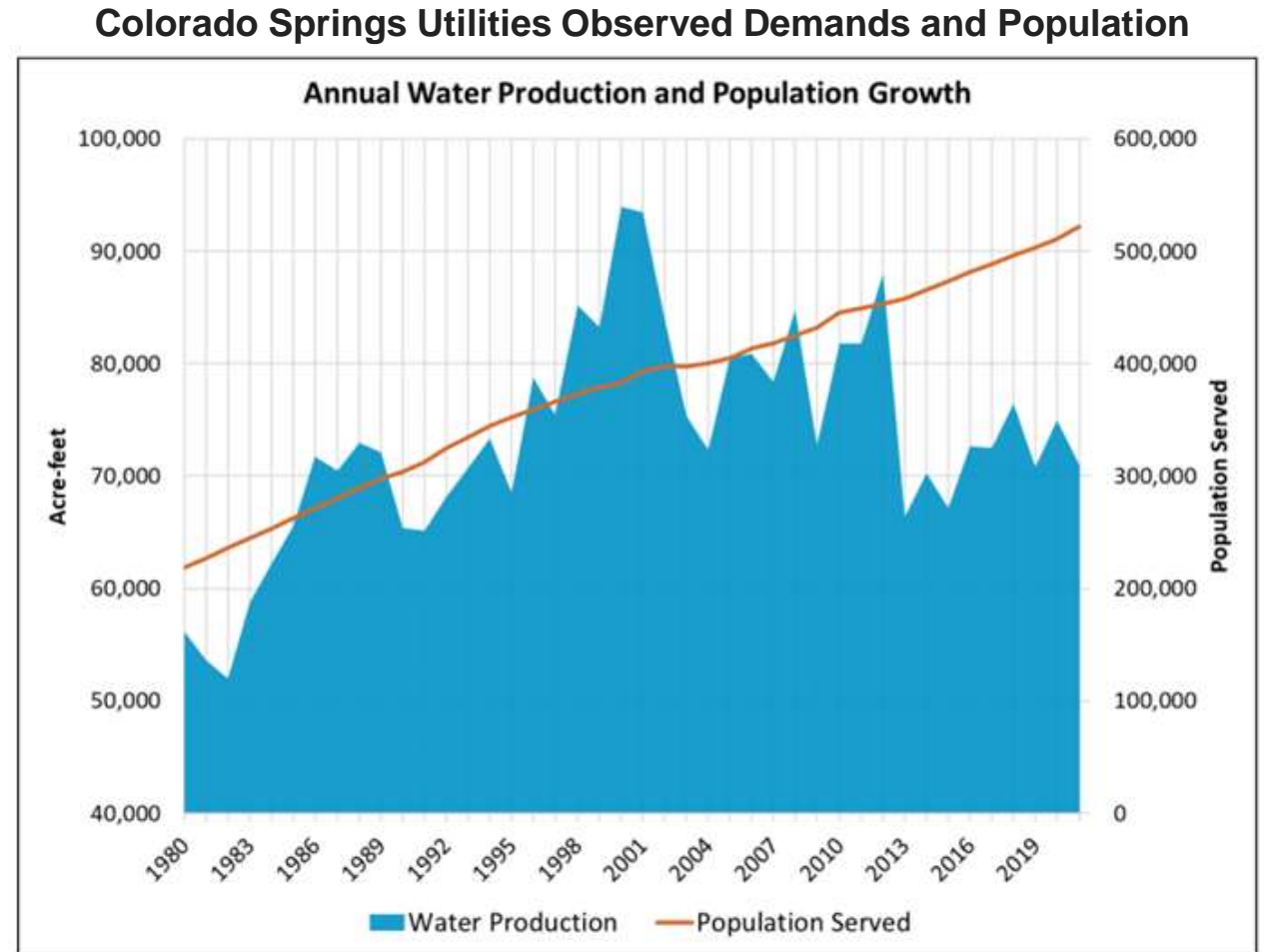
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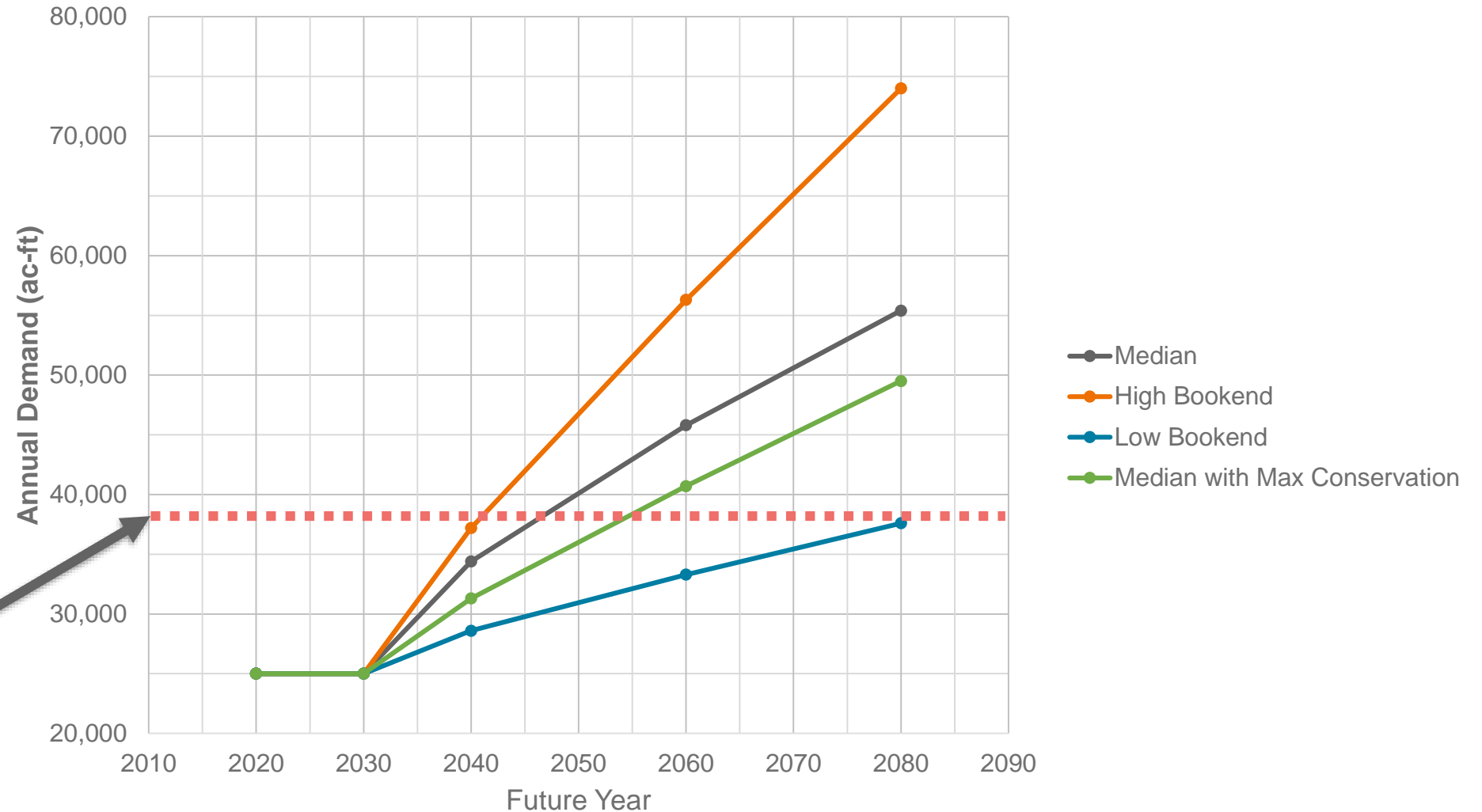
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Source: 2022 Colorado Springs Utilities Water Use Efficiency Plan

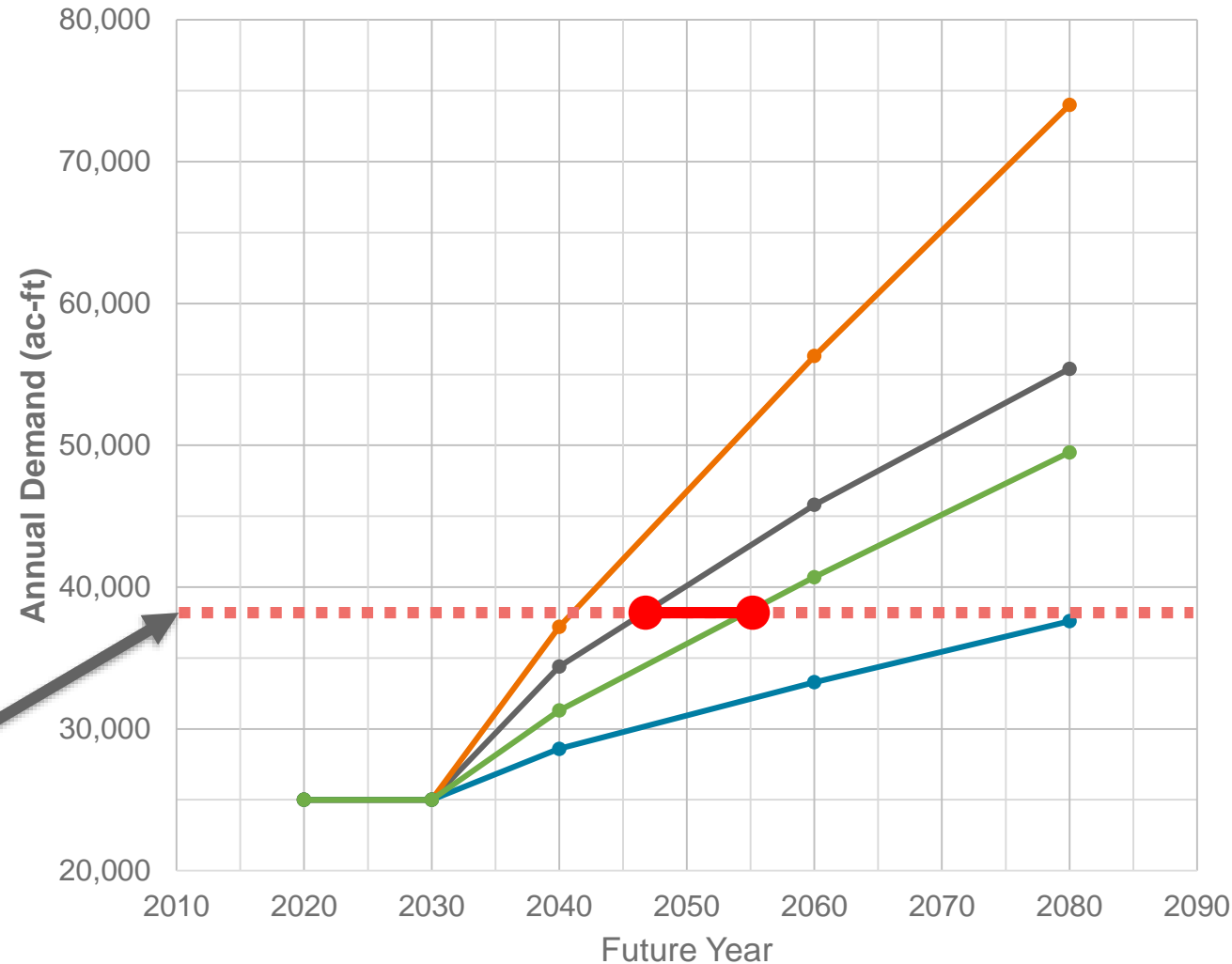
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What happens if there is minimal demand change until 2030?



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- 38,000 ac-ft would not occur under median scenario until 2047
- If additional conservation is used, may not occur until 2055

— Median
— High Bookend
— Low Bookend
— Median with Max Conservation

IWRP Will Define System Conditions to Trigger Terry Ranch

- Current system is not at risk of failure
- Potential CIP Projects are independent of demand
 - Acquiring/changing water rights
 - Improving Non-Potable Demand System
 - Initial Terry Ranch Infrastructure
- System Conditions for Triggers
 - Annual demands
 - Use of drought restrictions
- System Conditions to Monitor
 - Per capita use
 - Indoor vs. outdoor use
 - Change in 20-year temperature mean compared to 1980-2000
 - Change case outcomes



Questions?