

Private Investment Potential for Desalination in Texas





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 - 2014: Awarded City of Regina WWTP Design-Build-Finance-Operate (\$181 M)



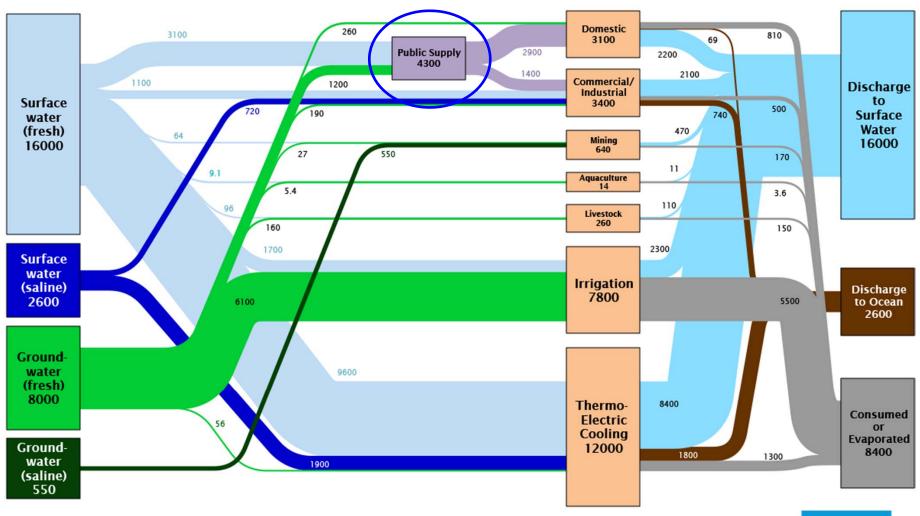
Working Premise

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it."



ESTIMATED TEXAS WATER FLOW IN 2005 (MGD)

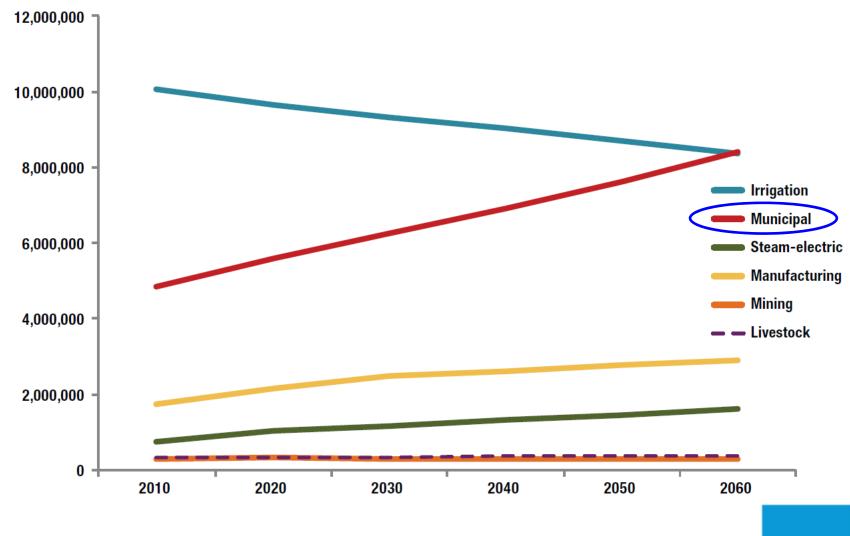
73% of Public Supply from Surface Water





TEXAS WATER DEMAND PROJECTIONS BY USE CATEGORY

(ACRE-FEET PER YEAR)

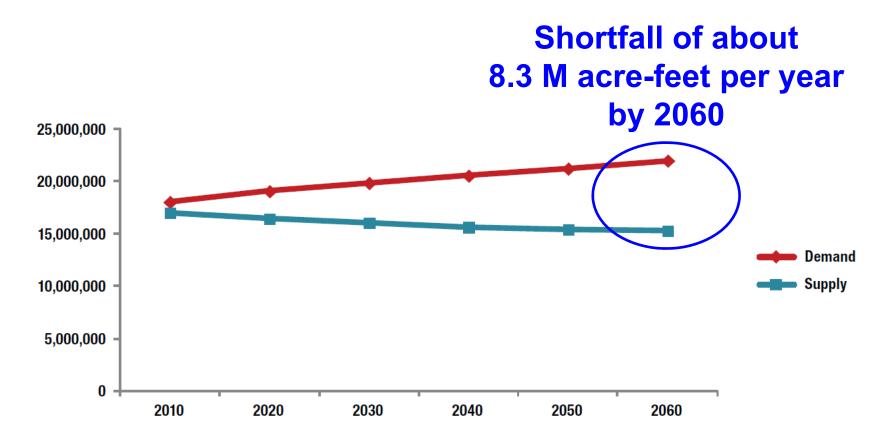


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Source: TWDB 2012



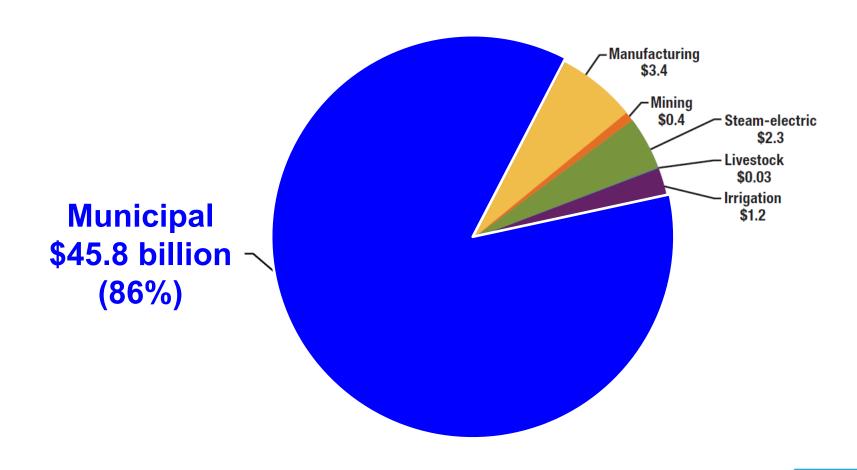
TEXAS PROJECTED WATER DEMAND AND EXISTING SUPPLIES (ACRE-FEET PER YEAR)





TOTAL CAPITAL COSTS OF RECOMMENDED WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES BY WATER USE CATEGORY

(BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

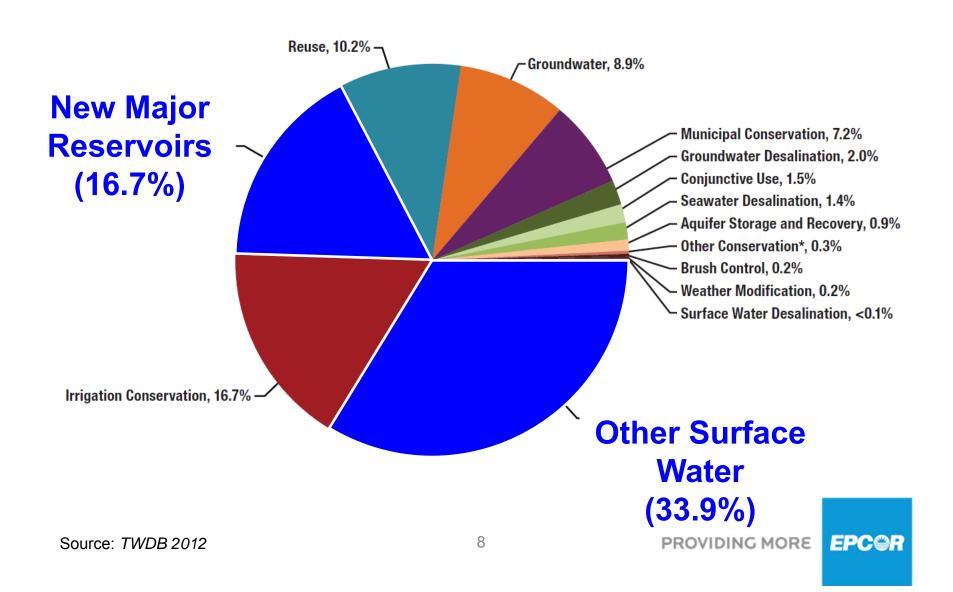


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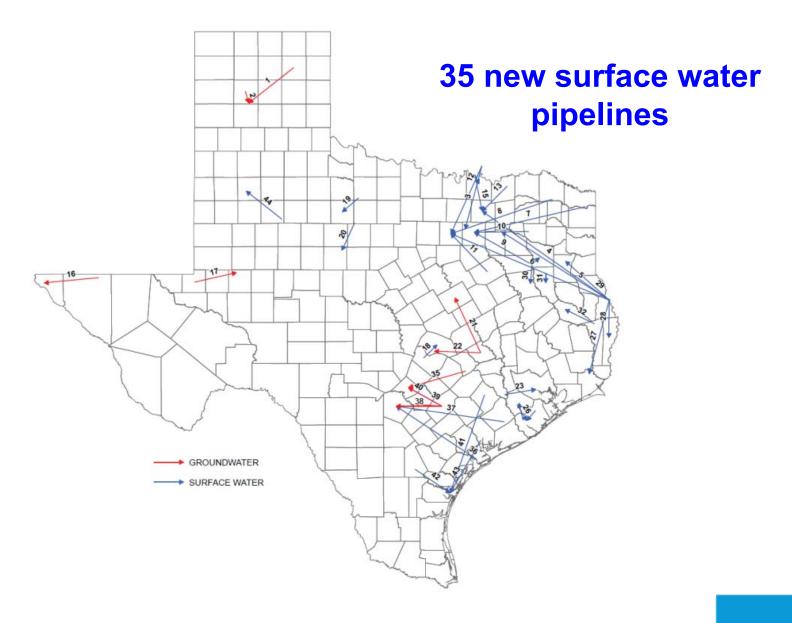
RELATIVE VOLUMES OF RECOMMENDED WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES IN 2060



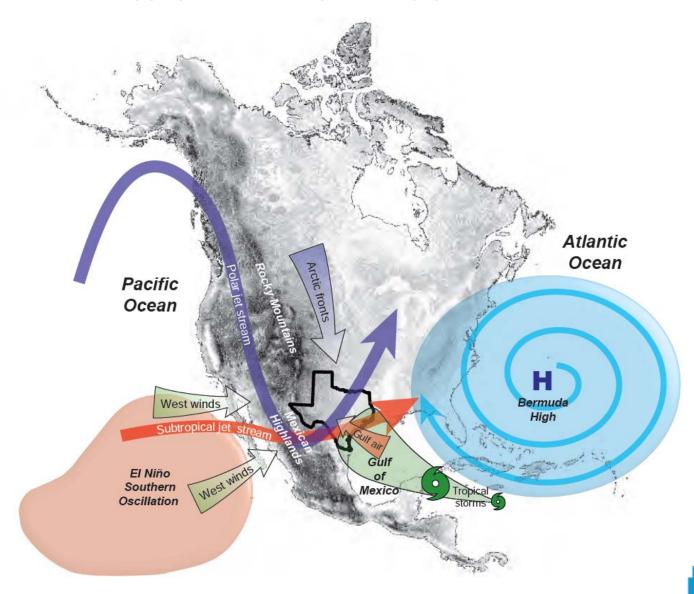


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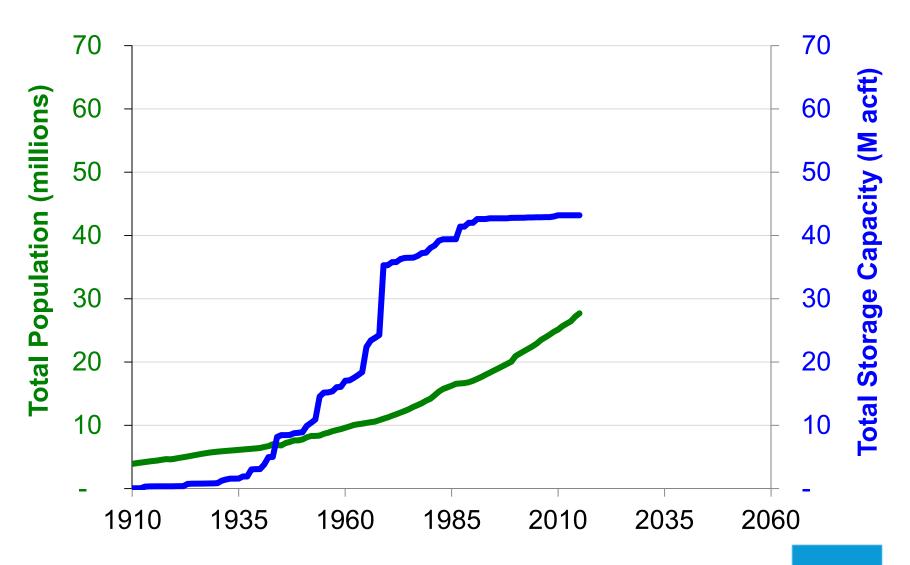
SEASONAL AIR MASSES THAT AFFECT TEXAS CLIMATE



Source: TWDB 2012



TEXAS POPULATION AND RESERVOIR STORAGE CAPACITY

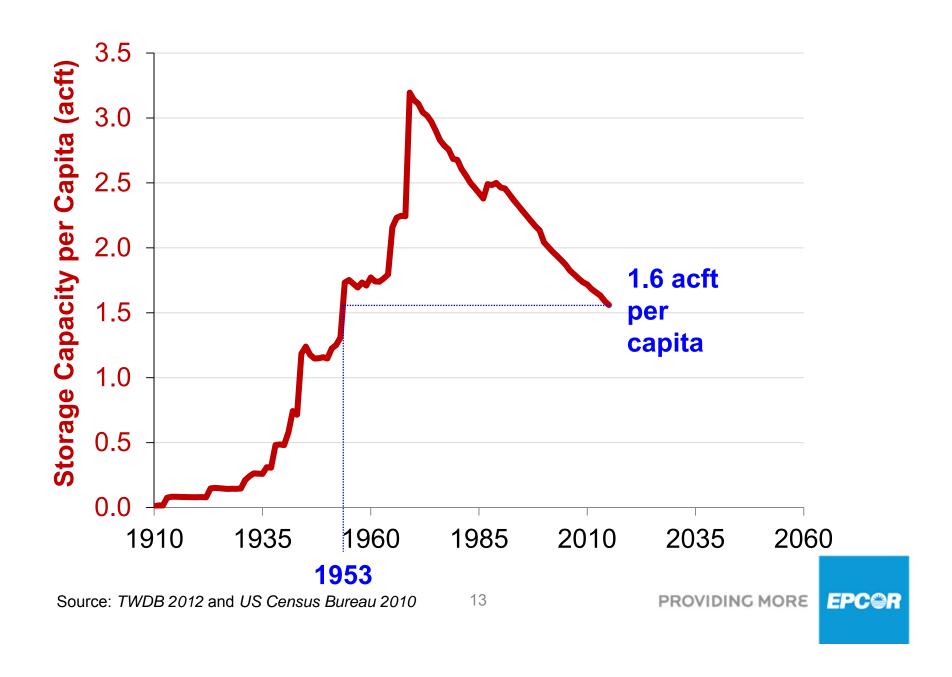


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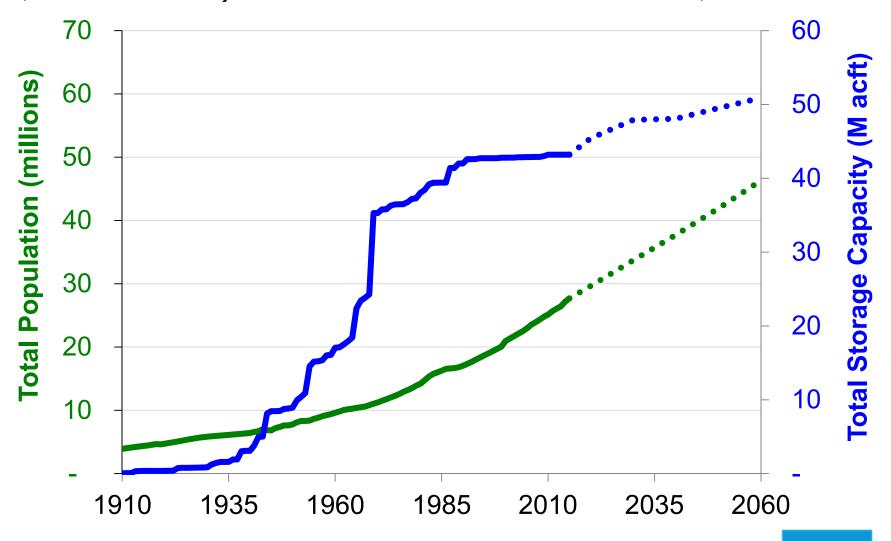


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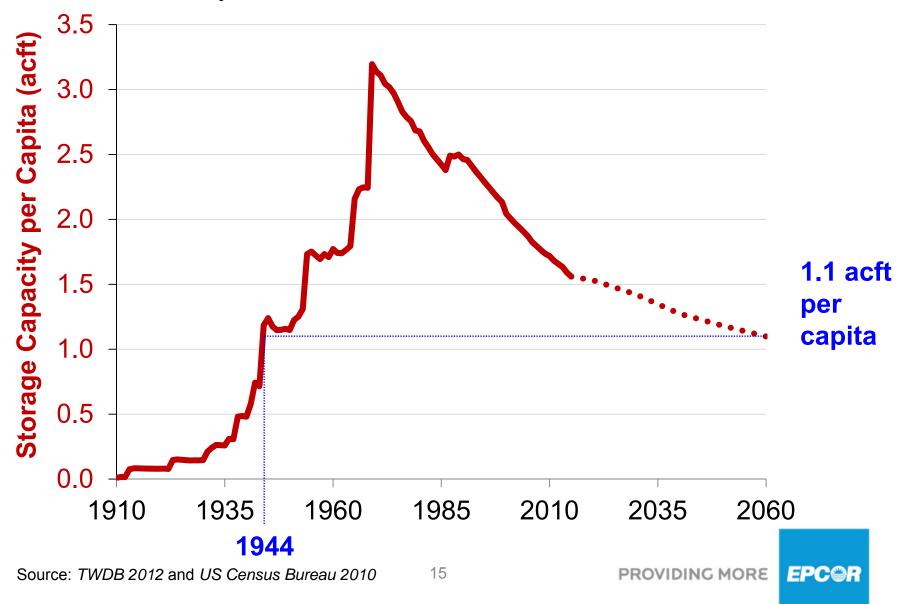
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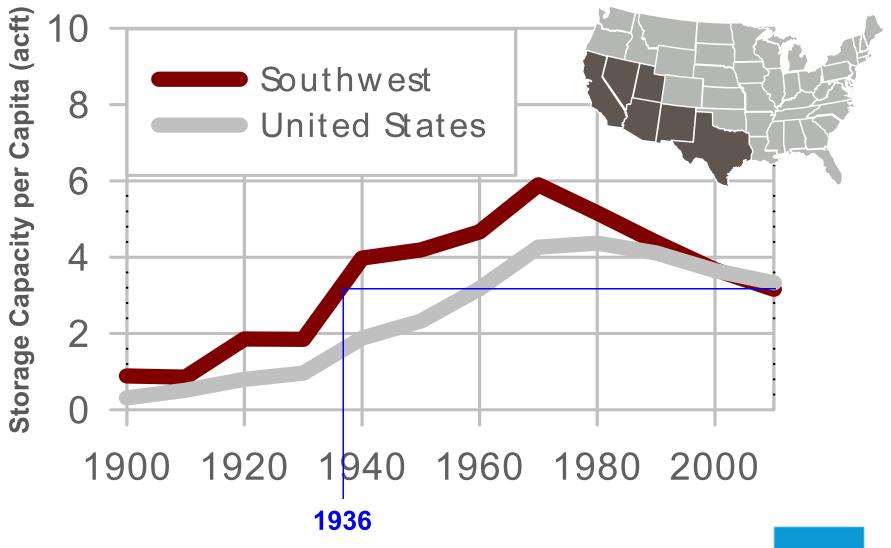


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SOUTHWEST U.S. RESERVOIR STORAGE CAPACITY PER CAPITA

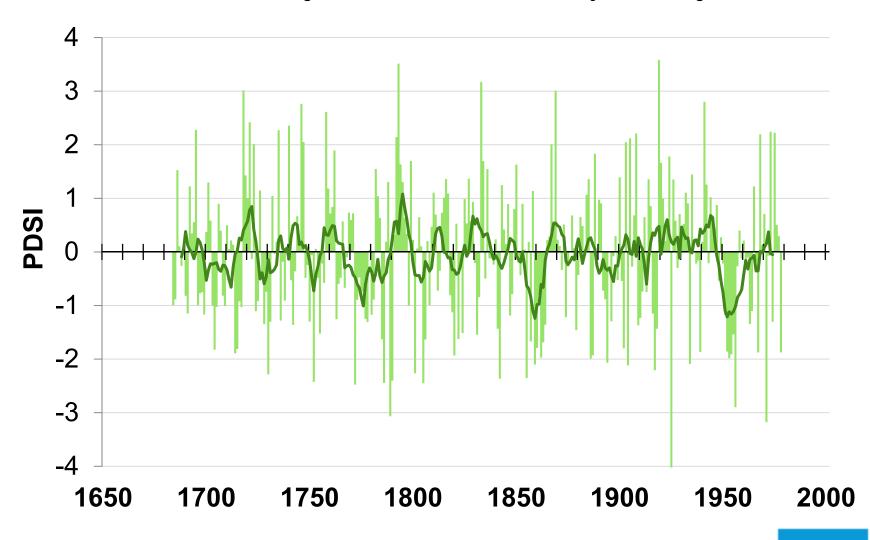


Source: Graf 1999



PALMER DROUGHT SEVERITY INDEX (PDSI) IN TEXAS (1684-1978)

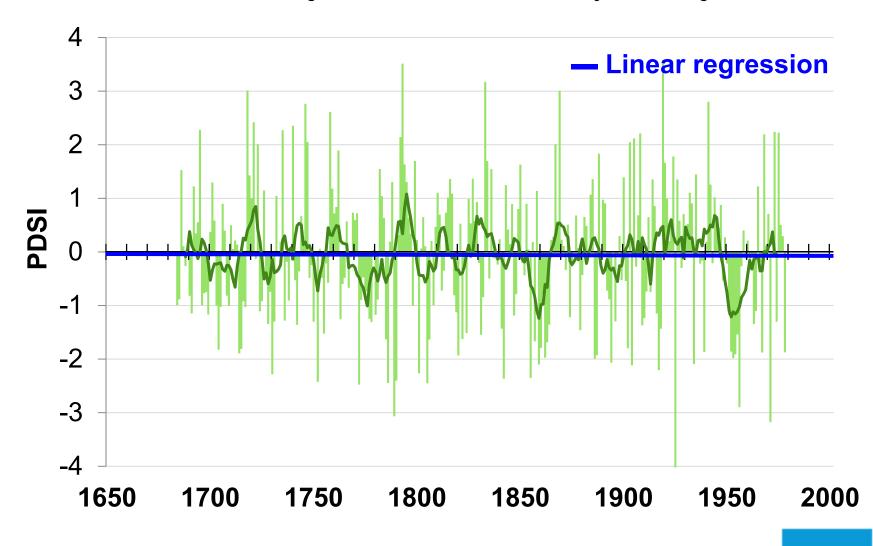
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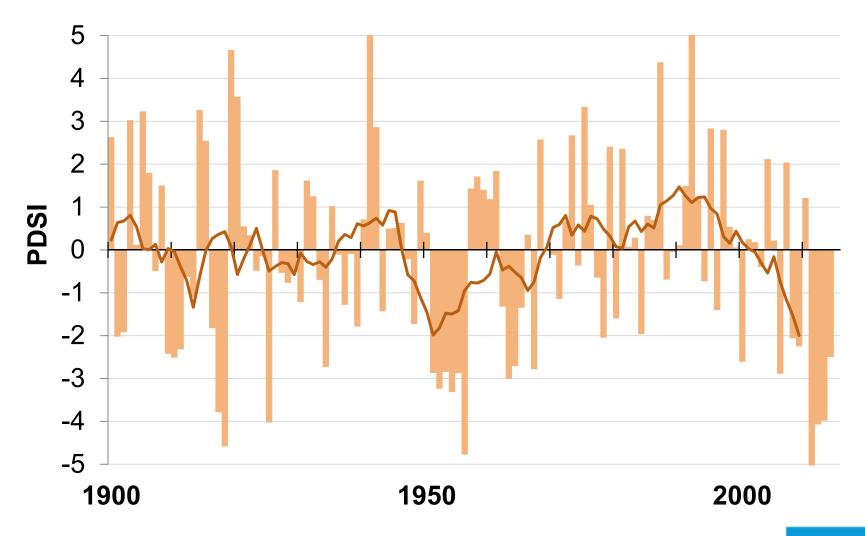
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PALMER DROUGHT SEVERITY INDEX (PDSI) IN TEXAS (1900-2014)

(Actual Instrument Recordings; dark line indicates 10-year average)



Source: NOAA 2015

Conclusions

"It ain't broke, but it won't work."



Conclusions

- During a 'drought' in Texas, paper water ≠ wet water (not now; and not in 2060)
- 'Droughts' in Texas are long-term cycles, not short-term events
- Water rates will increase, even if desalination is not part of the solution
- The real question is this: Will customers get water supply reliability for their increased rates or not?





Thank you

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