

Energy and Water are ... Interdependent



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Energy and power production require water:

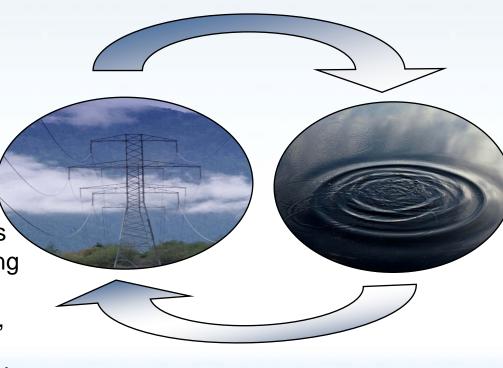
Thermoelectric cooling

Hydropower

 Energy minerals extraction/mining

 Fuel Production (fossil fuels, H₂, biofuels)

Emission control



Water production, processing, distribution, and end-use require energy:

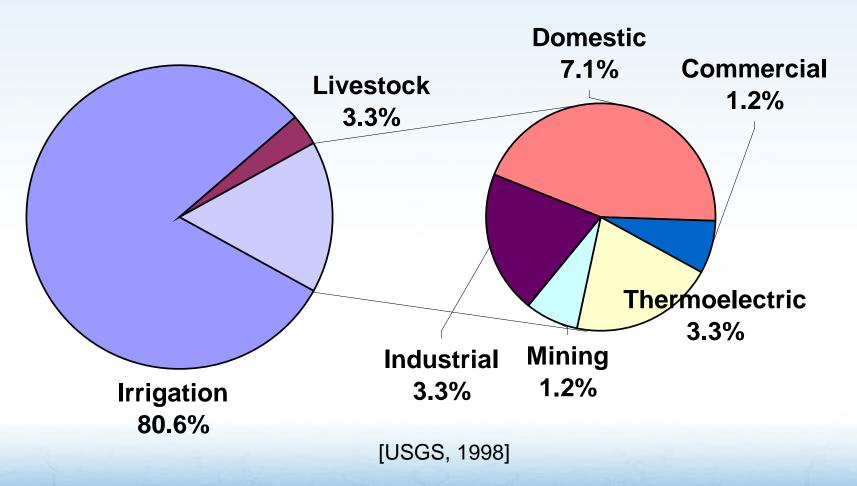
- Pumping
- Conveyance and Transport
- Treatment
- Use conditioning
- Surface and Ground water



Water Consumption by Sector



U.S. Freshwater Consumption, 100 Bgal/day

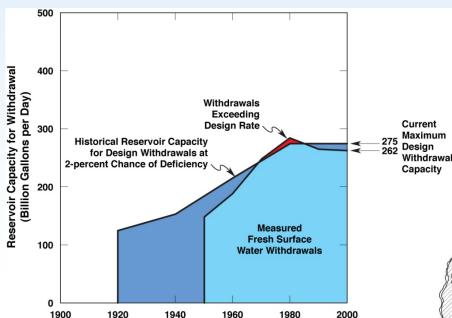


Energy uses 27 percent of all non-agricultural fresh water



Growing Limitations on Fresh Surface and Ground Water Availability



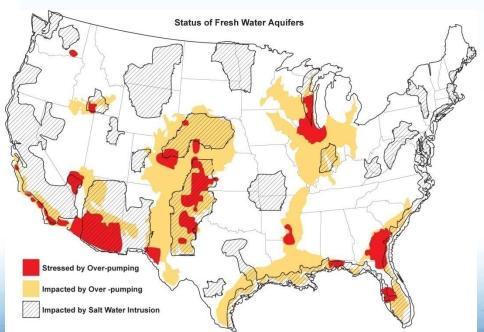


(Based on USGS WSP-2250 1984 and Alley 2007)

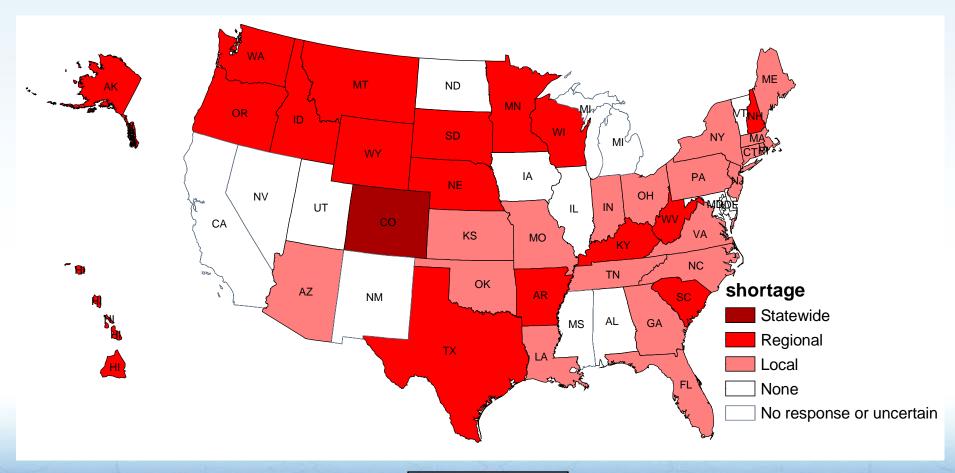
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 Many major ground water aquifers seeing reductions in water quality and yield

- Little increase in surface water storage capacity since 1980
- Concerns over climate impacts on surface water supplies



Most State Water Managers Expect Shortages Over The Next Decade Under Average Conditions

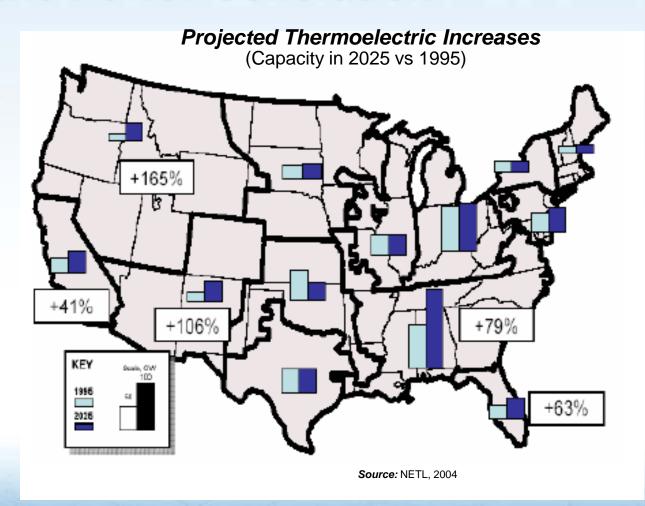


Source: GAO 2003



Regional Growth in Thermoelectric Power Generation

- Most growth in regions that are already water stressed
- Most new plants expected to use evaporative cooling because of EPA 316 A &B requirements



Water Use and Consumption for Electric Power Generation



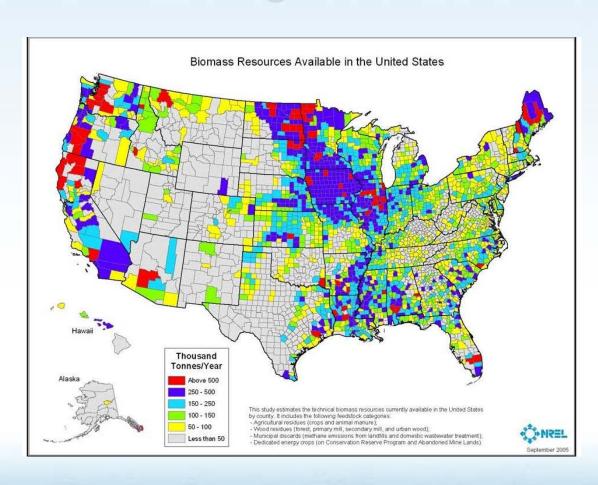
Plant-type	Cooling Process	Water Use Intensity (gal/MWh _e)			
		Steam Condensing		Other Uses	
		Withdrawal	Consumption	Consumption	
Fossil/ biomass steam turbine	Open-loop	20,000-50,000	~200-300	~30	
	Closed-loop	300–600	300–480		
Nuclear steam turbine	Open-loop	25,000–60,000	~400	~30	
	Closed-loop	500-1,100	400–720		
Natural Gas Combined- Cycle	Open-loop	7,500–20,000	100	7–10	
	Closed-loop	230	180		
Integrated Gasification Combined-Cycle	Closed-loop	200	180	150	
Carbon sequestration for fossil energy generation	~40-60% increase in water withdrawal and consumption				
Geothermal Steam	Closed-loop	2000	1350	50	
Concentrating Solar	Closed-loop	750-900	740- 890	10	
Wind and Solar Photovoltaic	N/A	0	0	1-2	



Alternative Transportation Fuel Water Use Impacts Will be Regional



Green River Formation 40,000 sq km Green R. Basin Wyoming **Rock Springs** Colorado Utah Vernal **Uinta Piceance**



Oil Shale

Basin

Biomass



Basin

Water Demand/Impact of Transportation Fuels

Fuel Type and Process	Relationship to Water Quantity	Relationship to Water Quality	Water Consumption	
			Water consumed per-unit-energy [gal / MMBTU] †	Average gal water consume per gal fuel
Conventional Oil & Gas - Oil Refining	Water needed to extract and refine; Water produced from extraction	Produced water generated from extraction; Wastewater generated from processing;	7 – 20	~ 1.5
- NG extraction/Processing			2-3	~ 1.5
Biofuels - Grain Ethanol Processing	Water needed for growing feedstock and for fuel processing;	Wastewater generated from processing; Agricultural irrigation runoff and infiltration contaminated with fertilizer, herbicide, and pesticide compounds	12 - 160	~ 4
- Corn Irrigation for EtOH			2500 - 31600	~ 980*
- Biodiesel Processing			4 – 5	~1
- Soy Irrigation for Biodiesel			13800 – 60000	~ 6500*
- Lignocellulosic Ethanol and other synthesized Biomass to Liquid (BTL) fuels	Water for processing; Energy crop impacts on hydrologic flows	Wastewater generated; Water quality benefits of perennial energy crops	24 – 150 ^{‡§} (ethanol) 14 – 90 ^{‡§} (diesel)	~ 2 - 6 ‡§ ~ 2 - 6 ‡§
Oil Shale - In situ retort	Water needed to Extract / Refine	Wastewater generated; In-situ impact uncertain; Surface leachate runoff	1 – 9 ‡	~ 2 ‡
- Ex situ retort			15 -40 ‡	~ 3 ‡
Oil Sands	Water needed to Extract / Refine	Wastewater generated; Leachate runoff	20 - 50	~ 4 - 6
Synthetic Fuels - Coal to Liquid (CTL)	Water needed for synthesis and/or steam reforming of natural gas (NG)	Wastewater generated from coal mining and CTL processing	35 - 70	~ 4.5- 9.0
- Hydrogen RE Electrolysis			20 – 24 ‡	~ 3 ‡
- Hydrogen (NG Reforming)	Haturai gas (146)		40 – 50 ‡	~ 7 ‡

[†] Ranges of water use per unit energy largely based on data taken from the Energy-Water Report to Congress (DOE, 2007)

[‡] Estimates based on unvalidated projections for commercial processing; § Assuming rain-fed biomass feedstock production

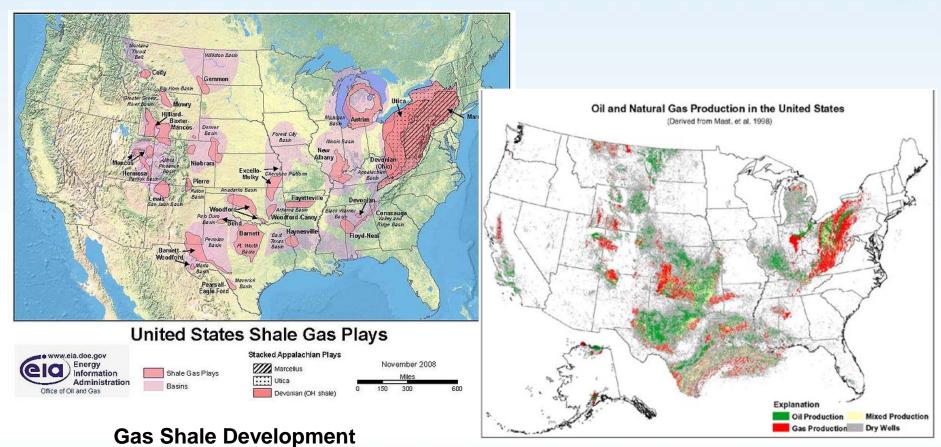




^{*} Conservative estimates of water use intensity for irrigated feedstock production based on per-acre crop water demand and fuel yield

Energy Development Produced Water Quality and Use Challenges and Options

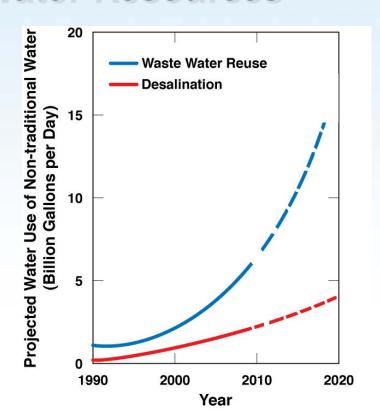




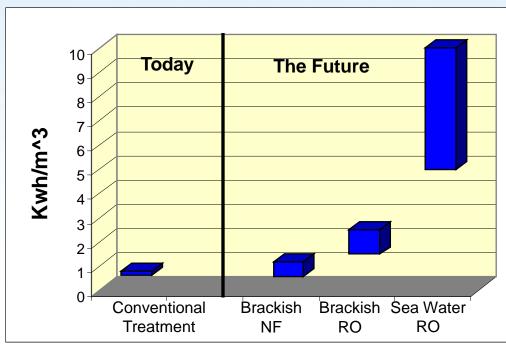
Oil and Gas Produced Water



Growing Use of Non-traditional Water Resources







(Modified from Water Reuse 2007, EPA 2004, Mickley 2003)

(Einfeld 2007)

- Desal growing at 10% per year, waste water reuse at 15% per year
- Reuse not accounted for in USGS assessments
- Non-traditional water use is energy intensive

