



RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Board Memorandum

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

DATE: July 28, 2025

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SUBJECT: MONTHLY WATER REPORT – May 31, 2025

Total water production (potable and non-potable) was 7,049 acre-feet (AF) or 2,297 million gallons. For reference, an acre-foot is the volume of water needed to cover 1 acre of land with water 1 foot deep. This equates to about 325,850 gallons of water – about half the size of an Olympic swimming pool.

For Fiscal Year 2024-25 to date, total water production and deliveries of 72,333 AF increased by 7, 337 AF (11%) from last fiscal year, as shown in Figure 1 of the attachment to this report. Total production by calendar year is shown in Figure 2 (attached). The annual rolling production totals by month are shown in Figure 3 (attached). In May, the peak water usage on the potable water distribution system was 71 million gallons per day and occurred on May 19, 2025, as shown in Figure 4 (attached).

May potable water production totaled 6,060 AF, a decrease of 147 AF (2%) from last May. Under its production, conveyance, and emergency water supply agreements, the water division wheeled 503 AF of potable water to the Western Municipal Water District and wholesaled 64 AF of potable water to the City of Norco in May.

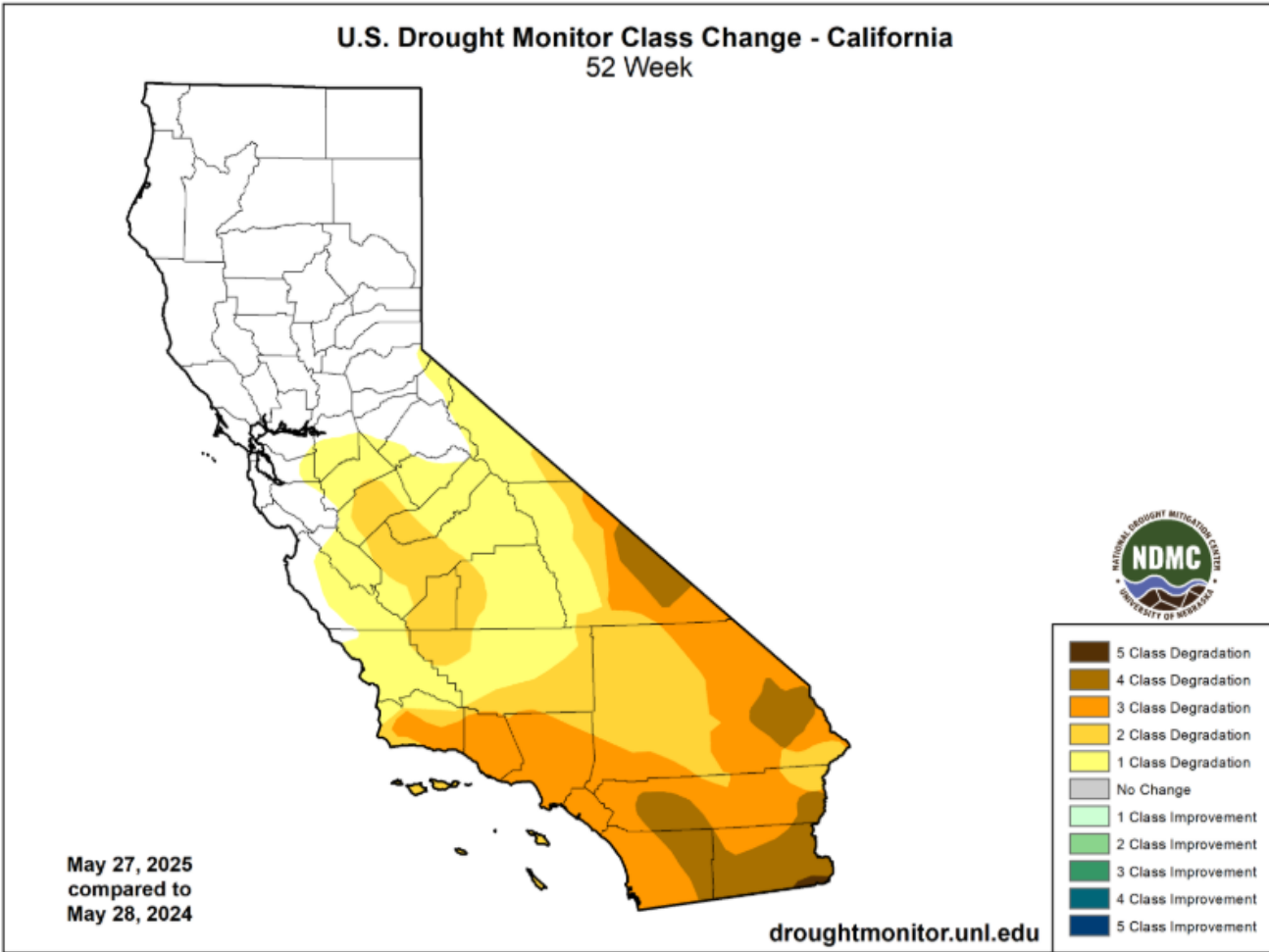
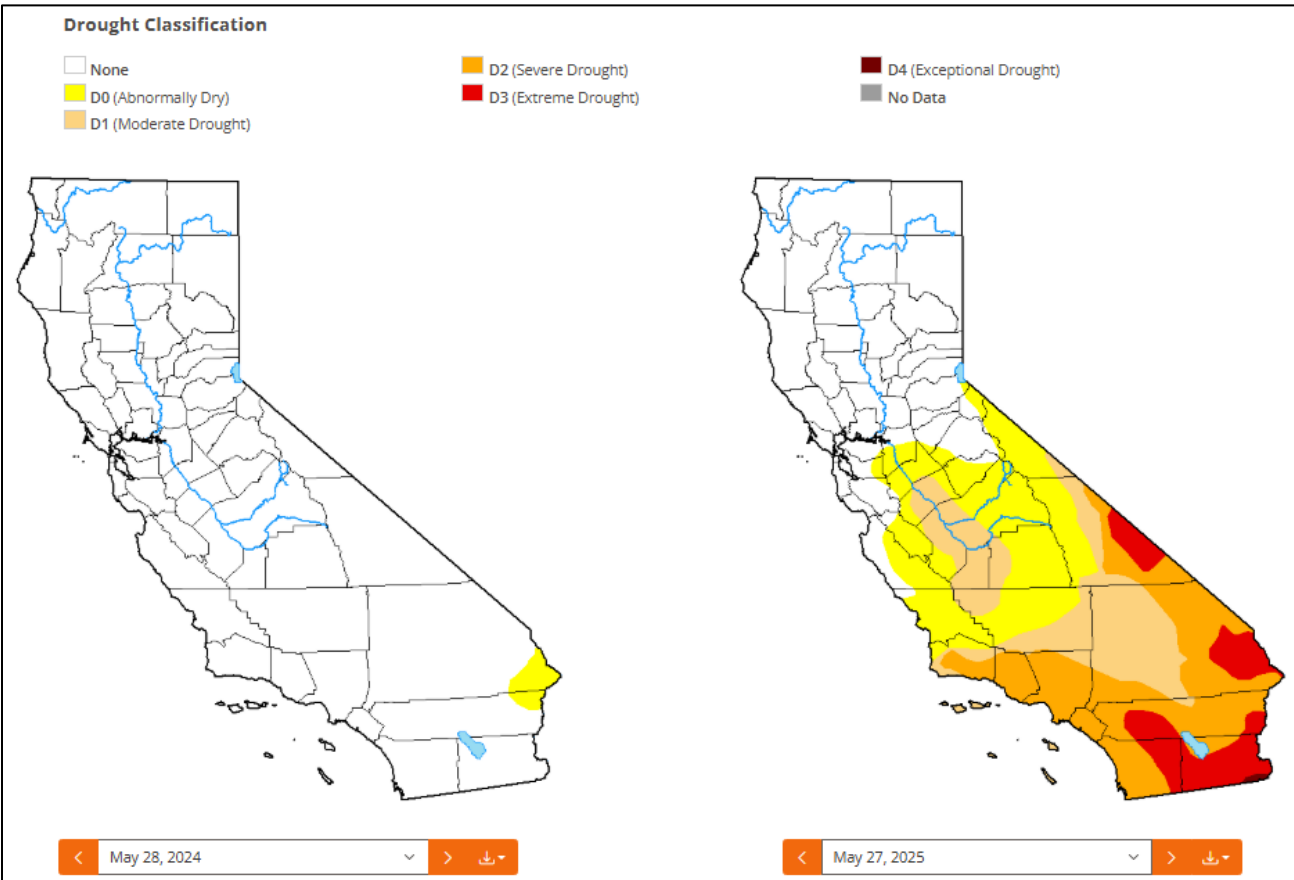
In May, RPU's Gallons Per-Capita per Day (GPCD) was 184, and its Residential Gallons Per-Capita per Day (R-GPCD) was 104. RPU's annual rolling GPCD was 186, RPU's annual rolling R-GPCD was 106, as shown in Figure 5 (attached). On July 3, 2024, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted the 'Making Conservation a California Way of Life' regulation, which includes new performance standards. These standards became effective on January 1, 2025, and RPU is within compliance.

Weather conditions in the City of Riverside indicate that May 2025 was 4.7 degrees warmer compared to May last year, with an increase of 0.72 inches in rainfall compared to May 2024.

On a regional scale, the link below provides real-time updates on the progression and intensity of the Drought within the State:

<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CA>

The maps below show the drought conditions throughout the State between May 2024 and May 2025, and an annual class change map for improvement or degradation in the drought conditions.



Significant events for the water system in May 2025.

Date	Site	Issue	Comments	Status
Nov -24	Scheuer		Well Rehab	Out of Service
Nov -24	Garner B		Well Rehab	Out of Service

Basin Groundwater Levels

Groundwater levels in the Bunker Hill, Rialto-Colton, and Riverside North basins continue to show a long-term decline, while groundwater levels in the Riverside South Basin remain relatively stable as described below and shown in Figure 6 (attached).

- Water levels in the Bunker Hill Basin increased by 12 feet compared to May of last year.
- Water levels in the Rialto-Colton Basin increased by 1 foot compared to May of last year.
- Water levels in the Riverside North Basin decreased by 37 feet compared to May of last year.
- Water levels in the Riverside South Basin increased by 1 foot compared to May of last year.

Since 1994, RPU has invested in capital improvement projects such as stormwater capture in the Bunker Hill Basin to mitigate declining water levels in its groundwater basins and support Riverside's primary water supply source. These stormwater capture projects are currently operational and have the capacity to recharge up to 80,000 AF of stormwater in any wet year, supporting groundwater levels in Riverside's groundwater wells while increasing Riverside's extraction rights as set by the Western-San Bernardino Watermaster.