



RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Board Memorandum

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

DATE: August 24, 2026

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SUBJECT: MONTHLY WATER REPORT – June 30, 2026

Total water production (potable and non-potable) was 7,645 acre-feet (AF) or 2,491 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 325,851 gallons of water – about half the size of an Olympic swimming pool.

For Fiscal Year 2025-26 to date, total water production and deliveries of 80,513 AF increased by 560 AF (0.7%) 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 June the peak water usage on the potable water distribution system was 74.4 million gallons per day and occurred on June 22, 2026, as shown in Figure 4 (attached).

June potable water production totaled 6,455 AF, an increase of 136 AF (2%) from last June. Under its production, conveyance, and emergency water supply agreements, the water division wheeled 155 AF of potable water to the Western Municipal Water District and wholesaled 68 AF of potable water to the City of Norco in June.

In June, RPU's Gallons Per-Capita per Day (GPCD) was 218, and its Residential Gallons Per-Capita per Day (R-GPCD) was 127. RPU's annual rolling GPCD was 179, RPU's annual rolling R-GPCD was 102, 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 in compliance, with water use approximately 10,000 AF under the 2025 budget.

Weather conditions in the City of Riverside indicate that June 2026 was 1.3 degrees cooler than June last year, with a decrease of 0.13 inches in rainfall compared to June 2025.

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 June 2025 and June 2026, and an annual class change map for improvement or degradation in the drought conditions.

Figure 1. Statewide Drought Classifications (June 2025 to June 2026)

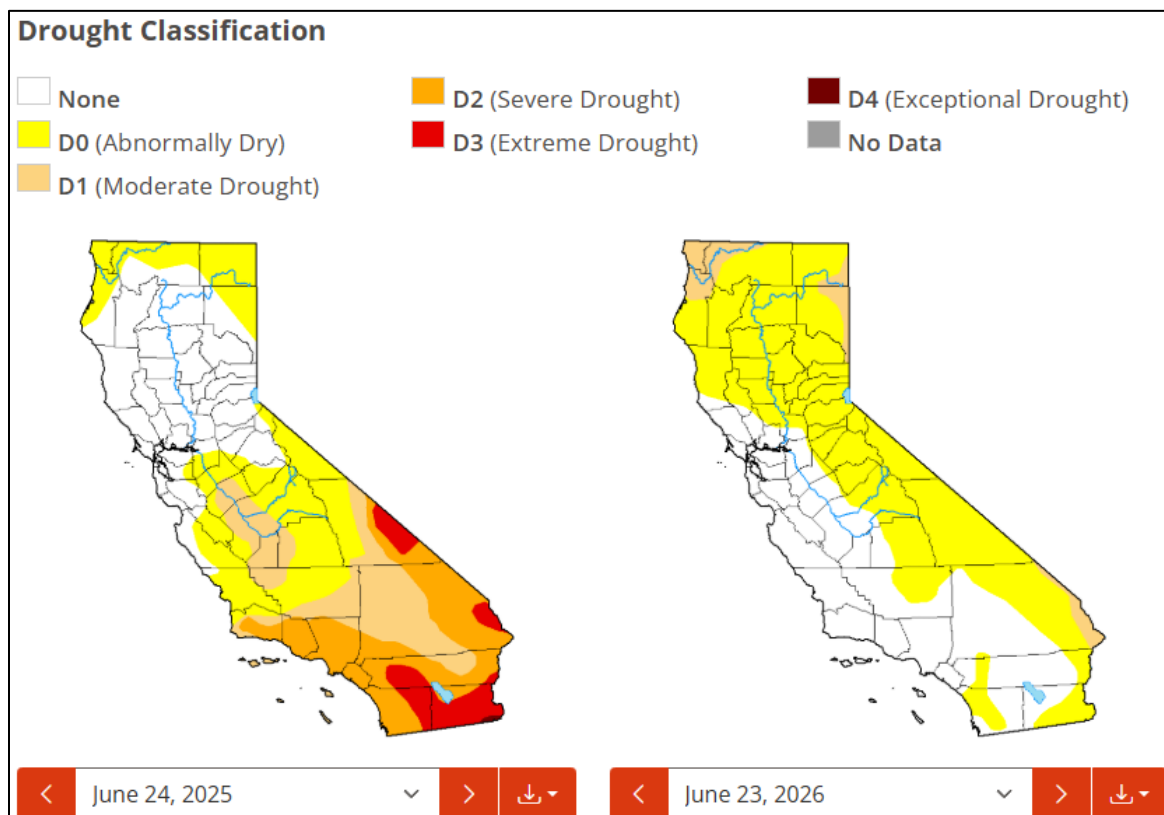


Figure 2. Statewide Drought Class Change (June 2025 to June 2026)

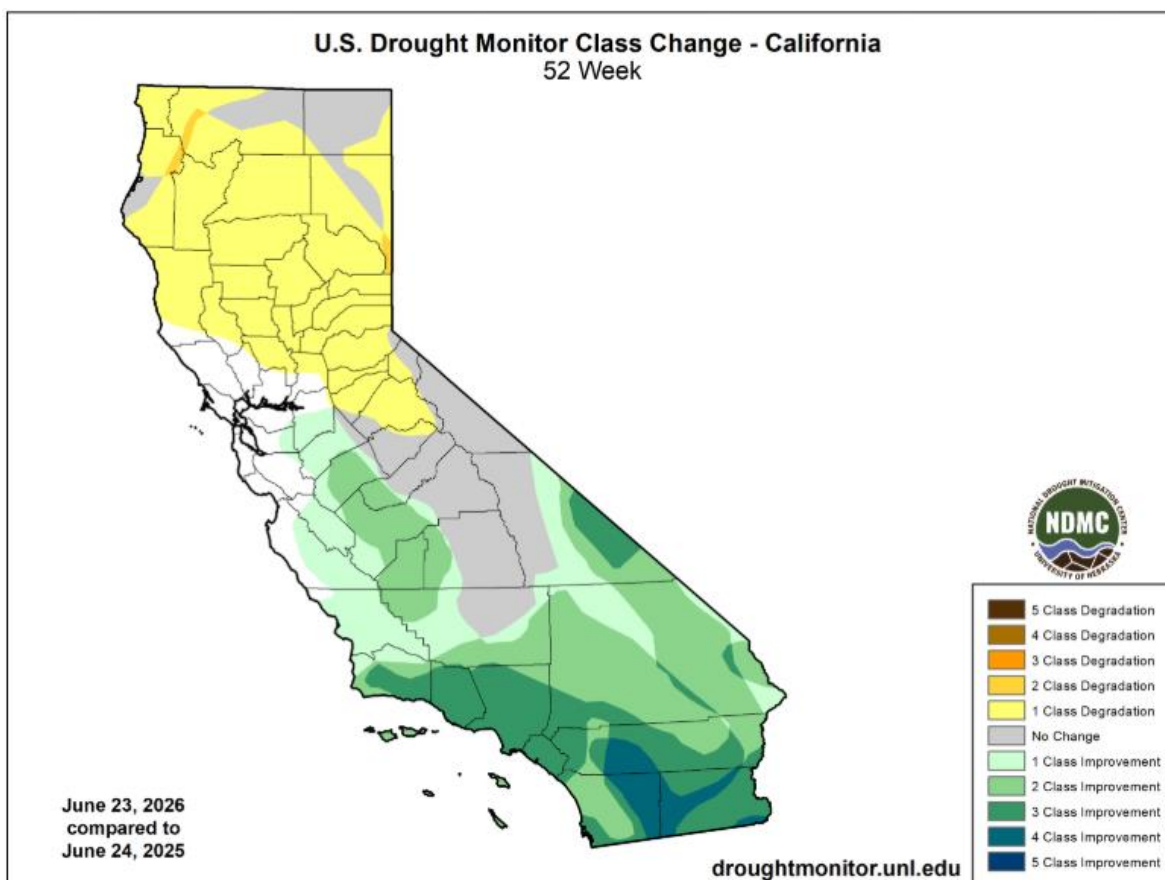


Table 1. Significant Events for the Water System (June 2026)

Date	Site	Issue	Comments	Status
Mar-26	Gage 27-1	Engine	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 7 feet compared to June of last year.
- Water levels in the Rialto-Colton Basin decreased by 4 feet compared to June of last year.
- Water levels in the Riverside North Basin decreased by 19 feet compared to June of last year.
- Water levels in the Riverside South Basin increased by 6 feet compared to June 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.