

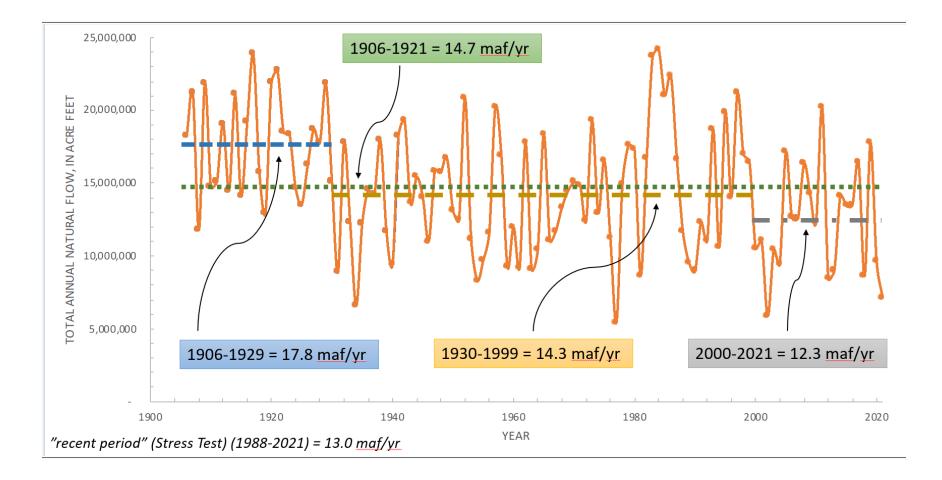
- Two nations
- Nine states
 - Seven US
 - Two in Mexico
- 30 Indian Tribes
- 5+ million acres of irrigated farmland
- 40-ish million people

The "Law of the River" – allocating water by making rules

- 1922: Colorado River Compact
- 1928: Boulder Canyon Project Act
- 1930-44: Hoover Dam contracts
- 1944: Treaty with Mexico
- 1948: Upper Colorado River Compact
- 1956: Colorado River Storage Project Act
- 1963: Arizona v. California
- 1968: Colorado River Basin Project Act
- 2007/2019 Interim Guidelines/DCP



The River the Compact negotiators divided up no longer exists!



River Flows a Century Ago vs. Today

• From Delph Carpenter's Report • 21st Century Flow @ Lee Ferry 17.5 maf Flow @ Lee Ferry 12.0 maf Below Lee Ferry 3.0 maf Below Lee Ferry 1.0 maf TOTAL 20.5 maf TOTAL 13.0 maf Less LB III.(a)&(b) Less LB III.(a)&(b) 8.5 maf 8.5 maf Less UB III.(a) Less UB III.(a) 7.5 maf 7.5 maf **NET Surplus** 4.5 maf Less Mexico 1.5 maf NET Deficit 4.5 maf