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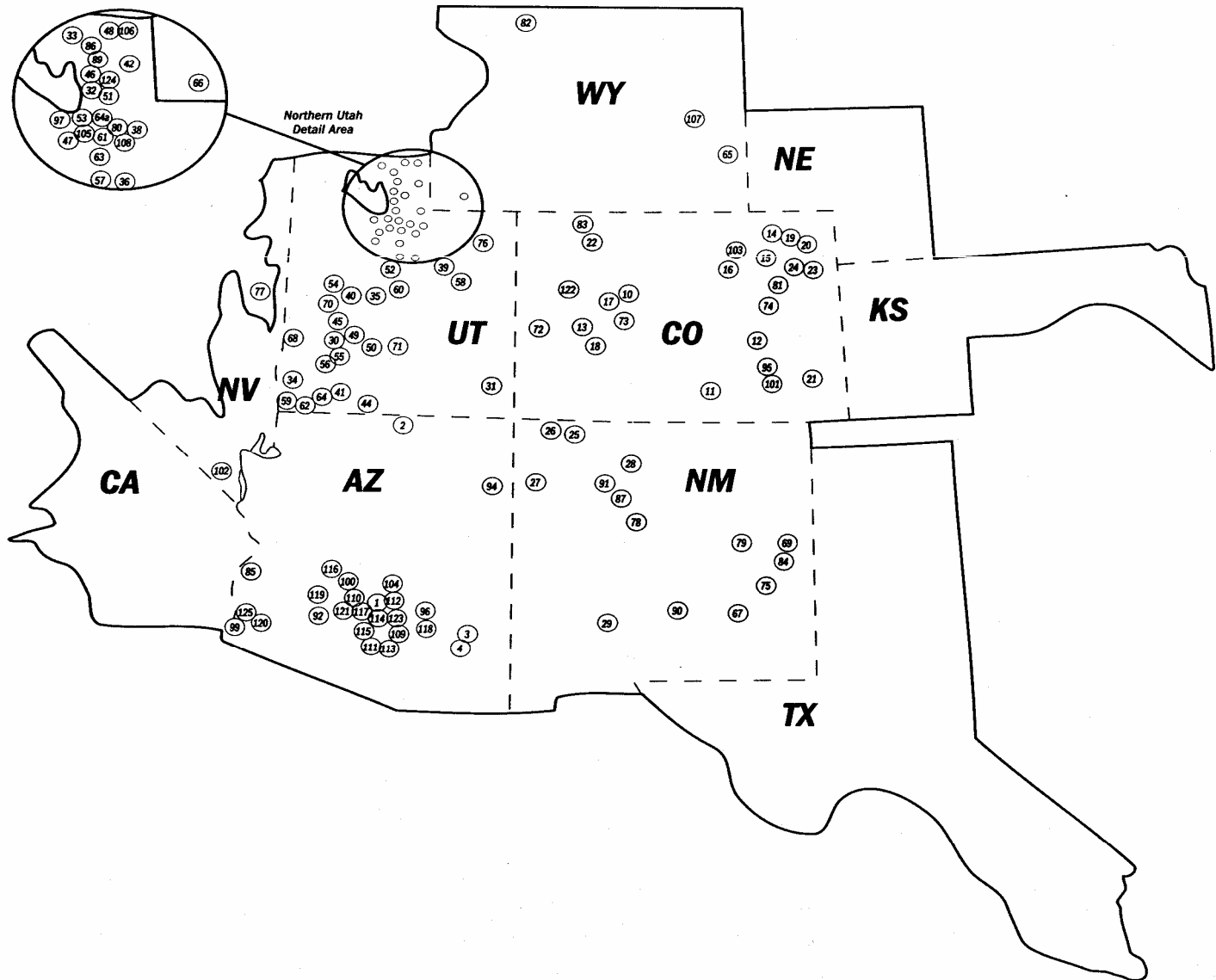
# Economic and Financial Effects to Electrical Power Production from Experimentation at Glen Canyon Dam: LSSF, Sediment Conservation Flows and Non-Native Fish Suppression Flows (SC/NNFS)

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# Upcoming Modeling Events

(SC/NNFS)

- Stakeholder Review of Modeling Methods.
  - Comment Deadline October 31, 2003
- Peer Review of Modeling Methods.
  - To begin after completion of stakeholder review

(LSSF)

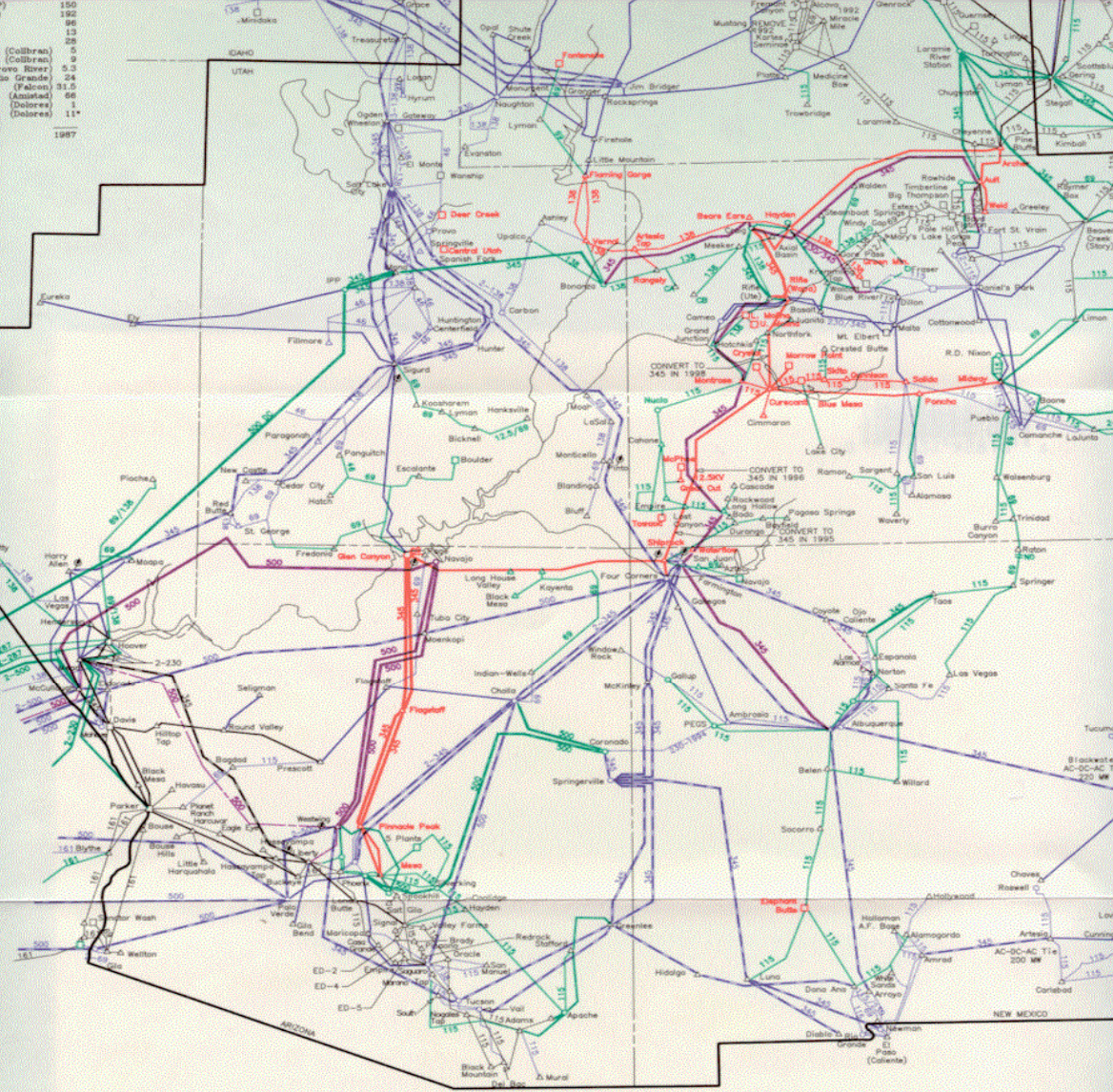
- Post Peer Review Modeling Completed.

# Study Objectives and Background

## (SC/NNSF and LSSF)

- Describe and explain the methods used to estimate the financial impact of the change in operations at Glen Canyon Dam on Western Area Power Administration
- Illustrate the change in Glen Canyon operations
- Describe power system impacts





# The Colorado River Storage Project Transmission Grid

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# Hydro-LP/GTMax

- Model developed by Argonne National Laboratories for the CRSP Management Office of Western Area Power Administration.
- Simulates an optimized water release pattern for generation to meet customer load
- Maximizes revenues and minimizes costs
- Uses available water, market price, customer load, and unit environmental and operating constraints
- Used to analyze impacts of proposed constraints
- Forecasts available resources

# **Recent Hydro-LP Applications Outside of Western Area Power Administration**

- Argonne National Laboratories, under the sponsorship of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), used GTMax software to model the role of hydropower in Southeast Europe, especially within the context of a future regional electricity market (2005).
- Study carried out by Argonne National Laboratory in collaboration with numerous utility experts from the region.
- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation uses Hydro-LP to optimize water for certain aspects of the Flaming Gorge Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

# 7 Balkan Countries Were Modeled in the Study

- Albania
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Macedonia
- Romania
- Serbia and Montenegro



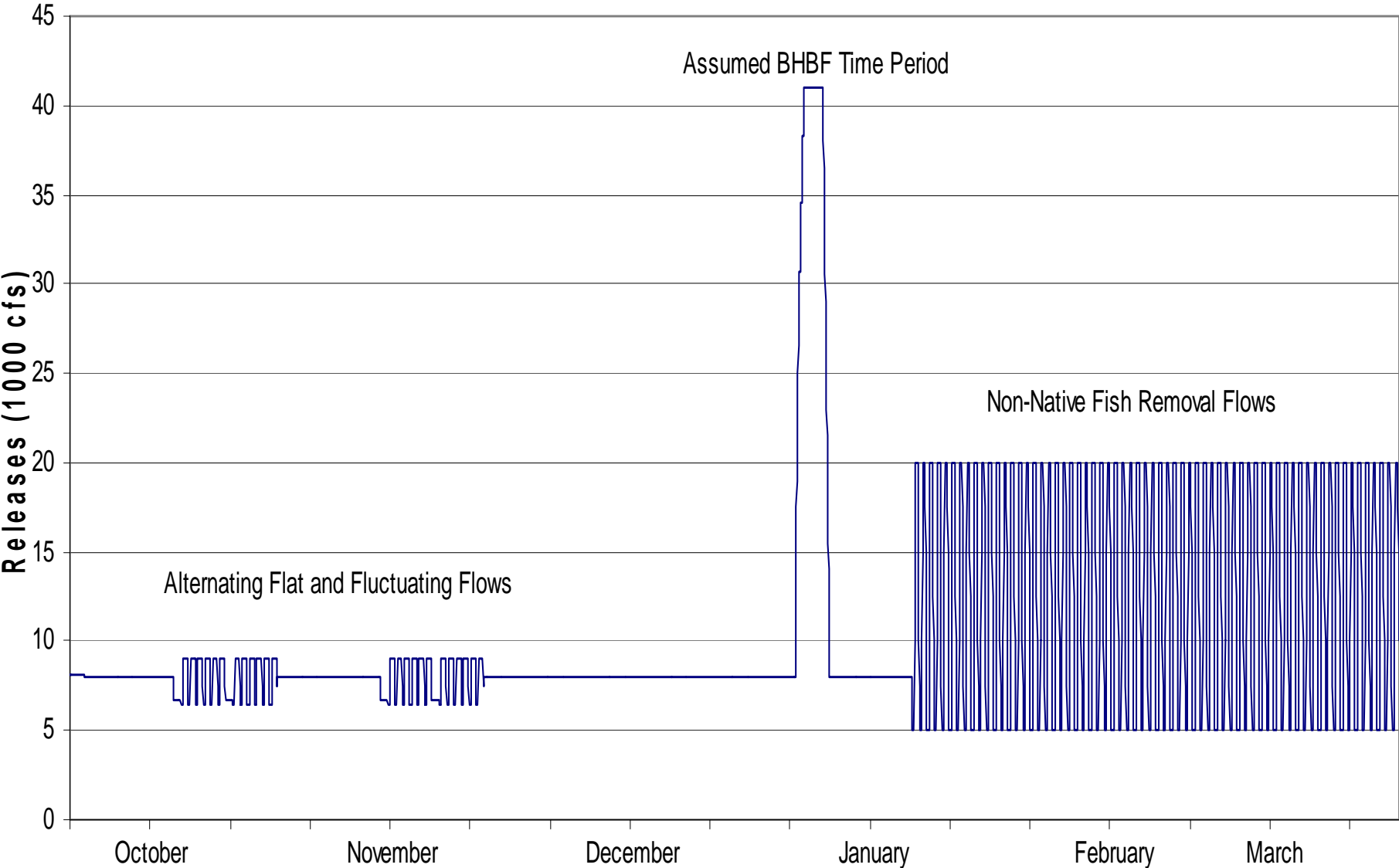


# SC/NNFS

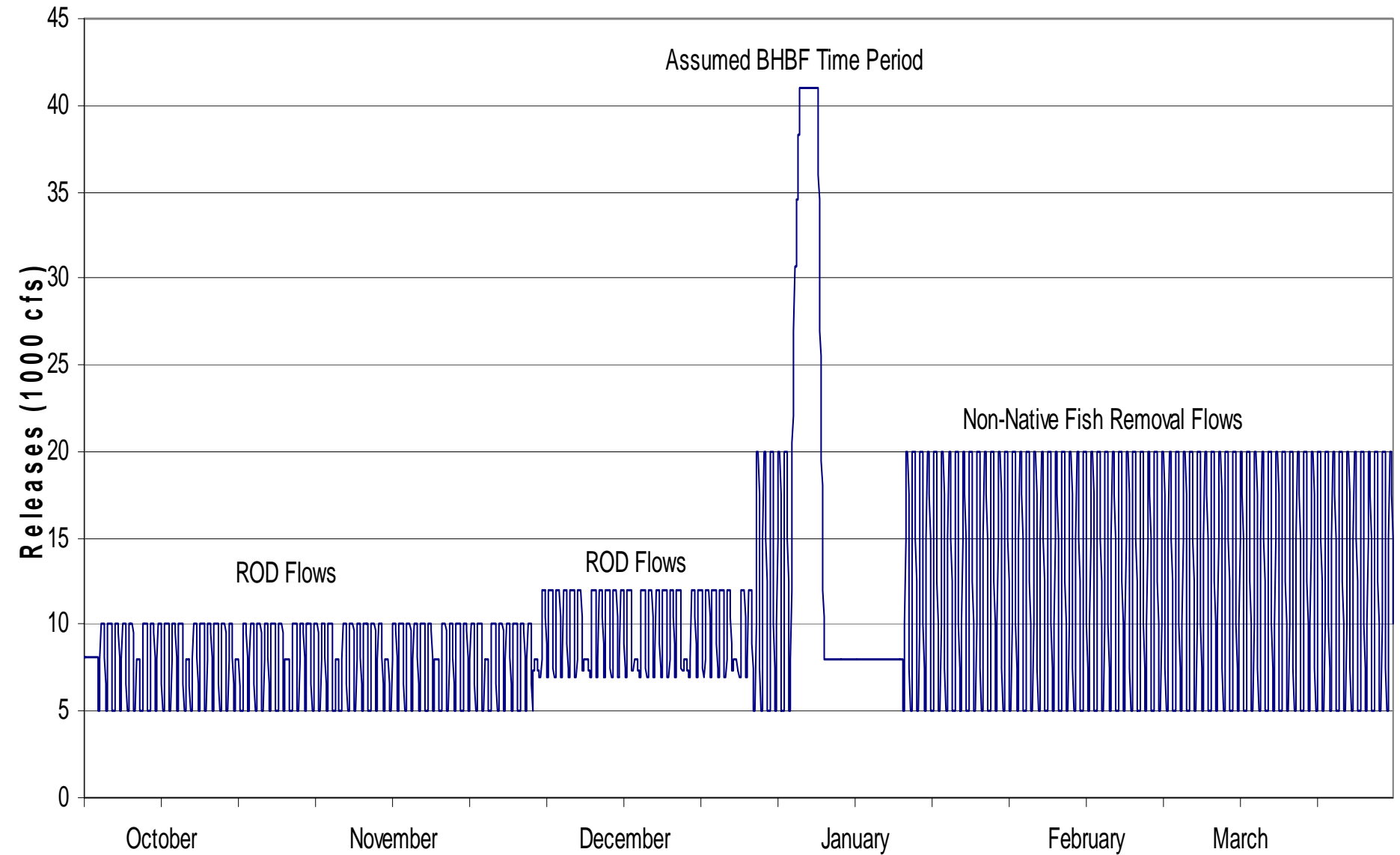
## The Operations of the Six Major CRSP Units Were Analyzed for Four Scenarios

- Four scenarios were examined:
  - Autumn Sediment Input
  - Winter Sediment Input
  - No Sediment Input
  - Habitat Maintenance Flow (HMF)
- Hydro LP analysis performed on hourly basis for a typical week during the months of Record of Decision (ROD) operations and Non-Native Fish Suppression flows (fish flows).
- Hydro LP analysis performed weekly during Beach Habitat Building Flows (BHBF) and HMF.
- Analysis performed during WY 2003-2004 hydrological conditions.

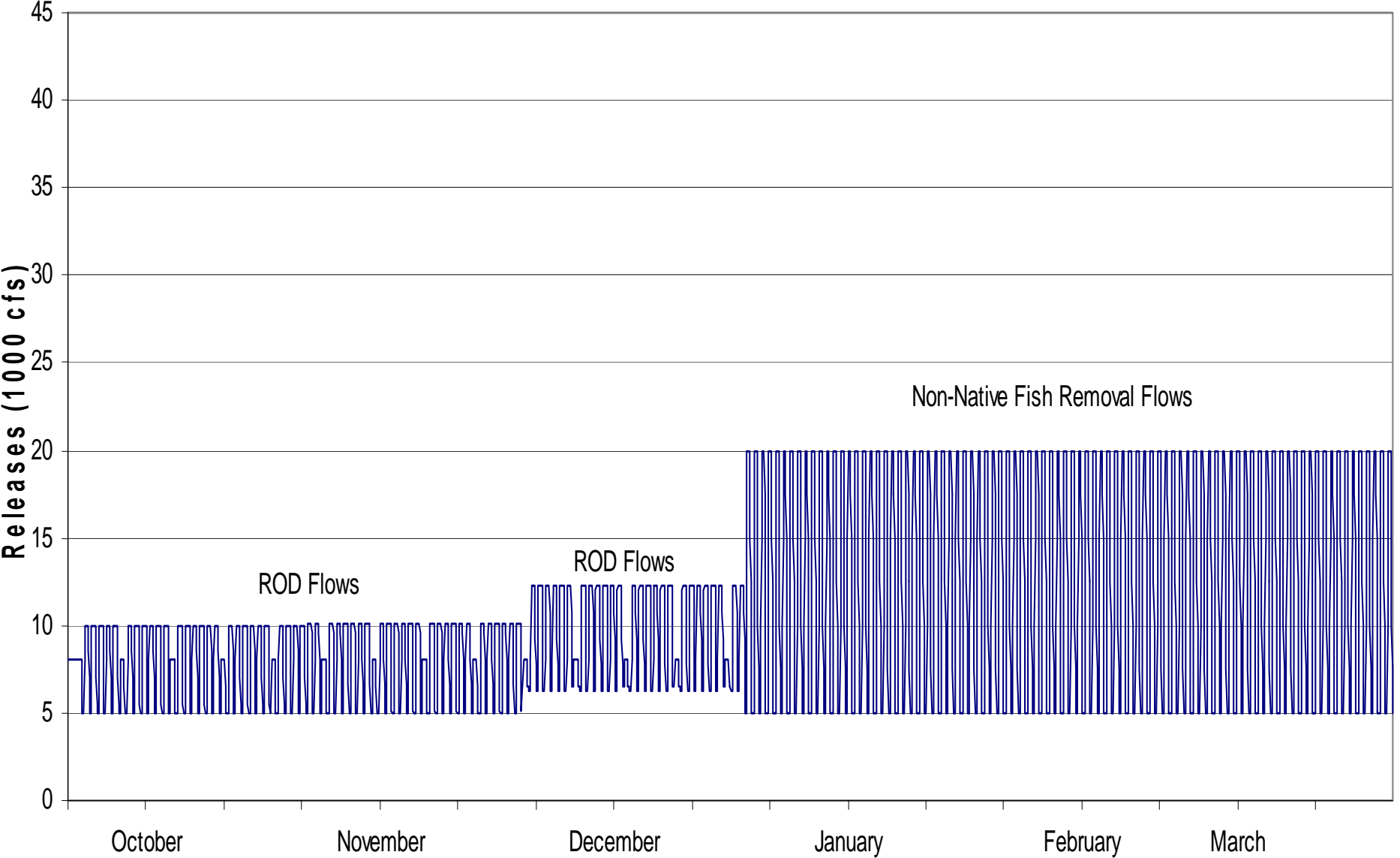
Scenario 1 (Autumn Sediment Input)



## Scenario 2 (Winter Sediment Input)

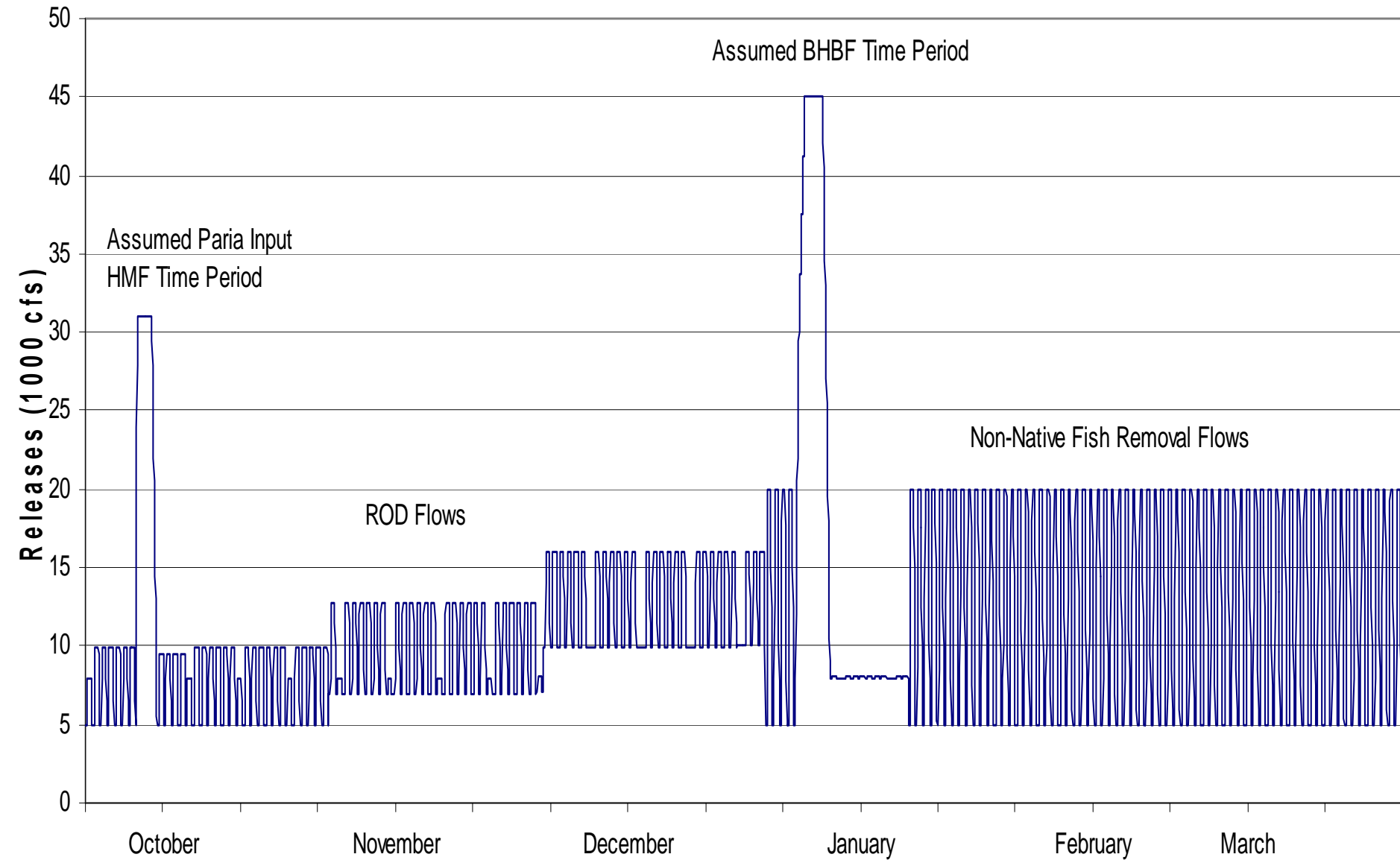


Scenario 3 (No Sediment Input)

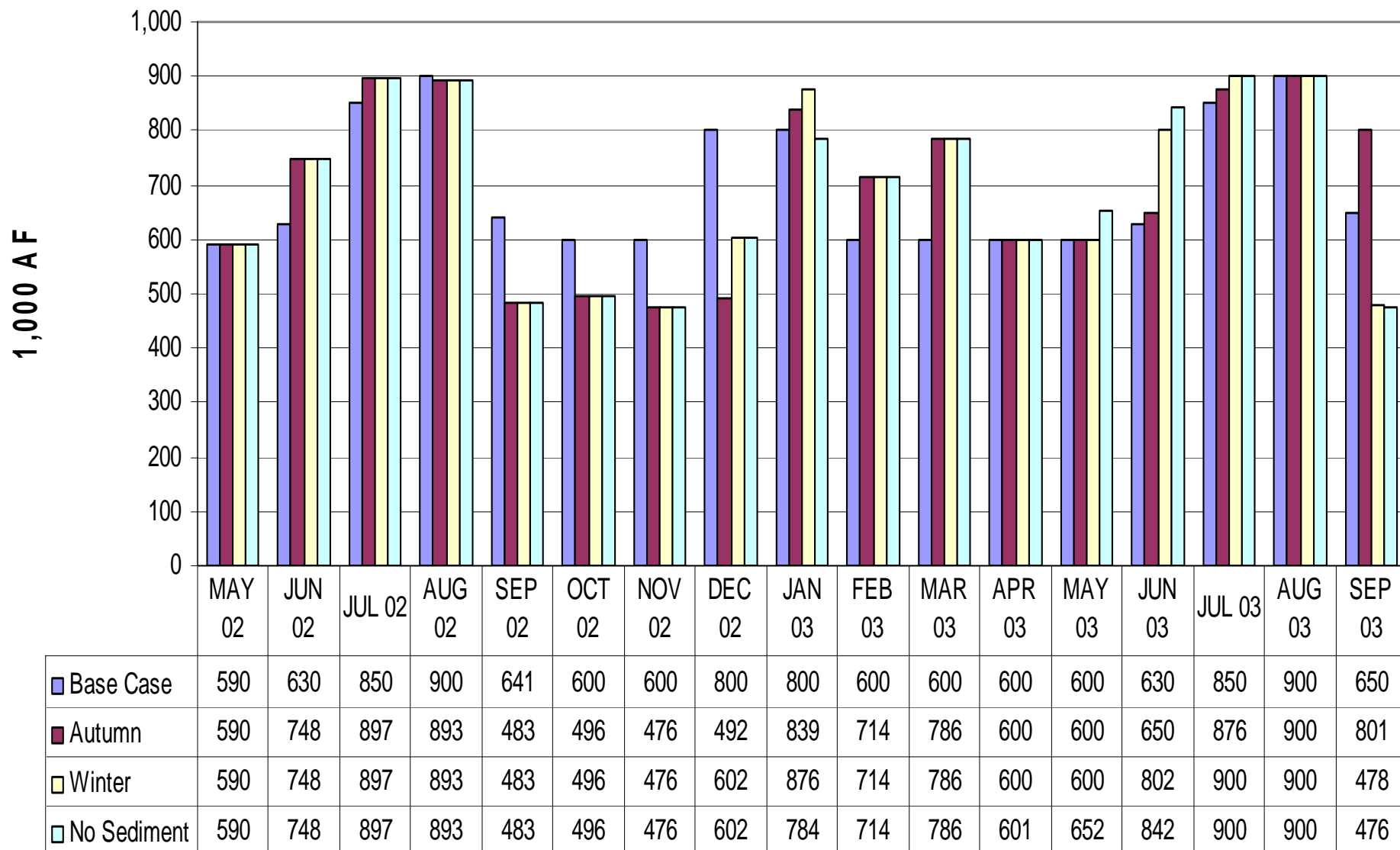




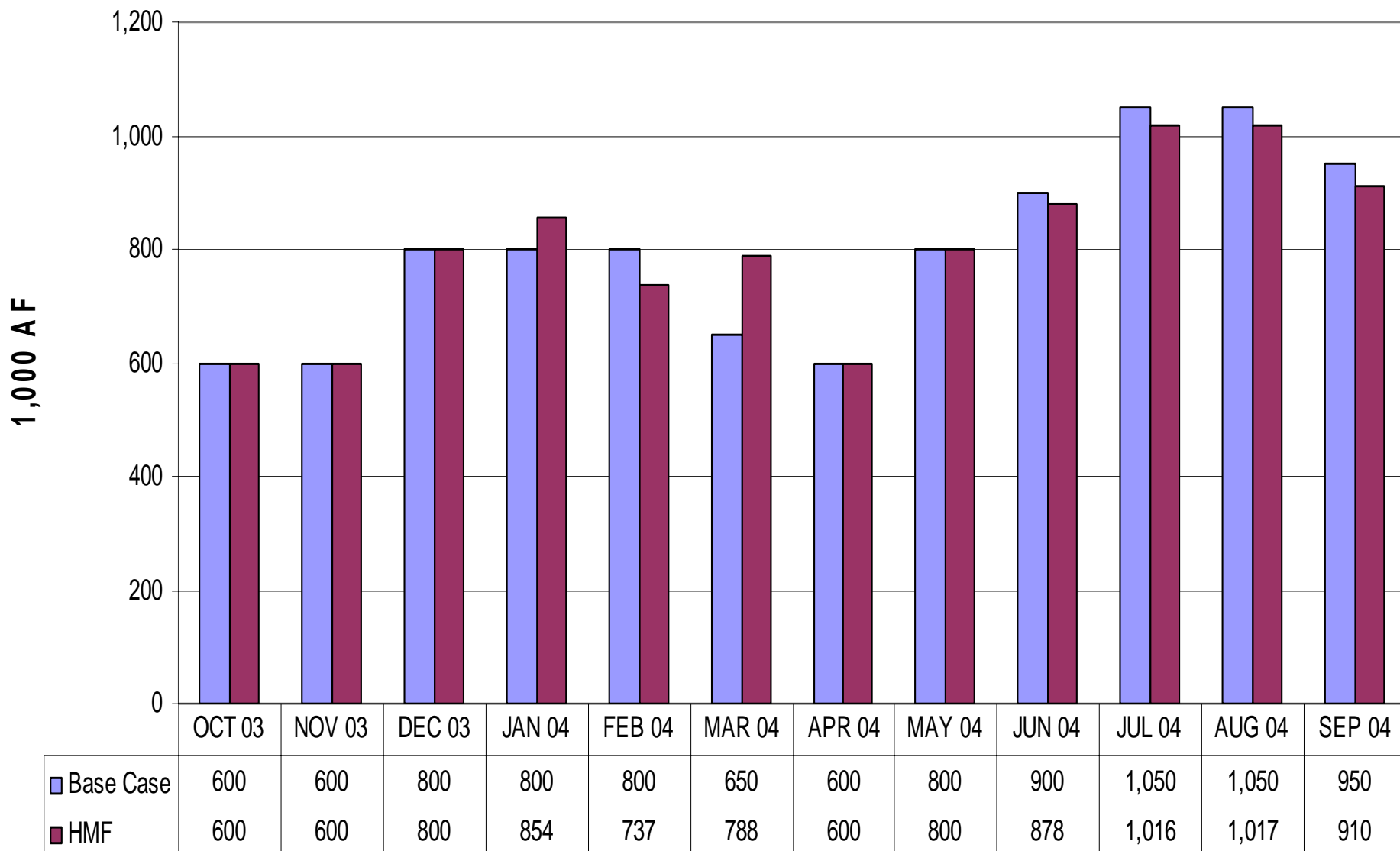
## Scenario 4 (Habitat Maintenance Flow)



# Comparison of Water Releases for WY 2002-2003 (Autumn, Winter and No Sediment Input Scenarios)



# Comparison of Water Releases for WY 2004 (Habitat Maintenance Flow)



## **Base Case Assumptions**

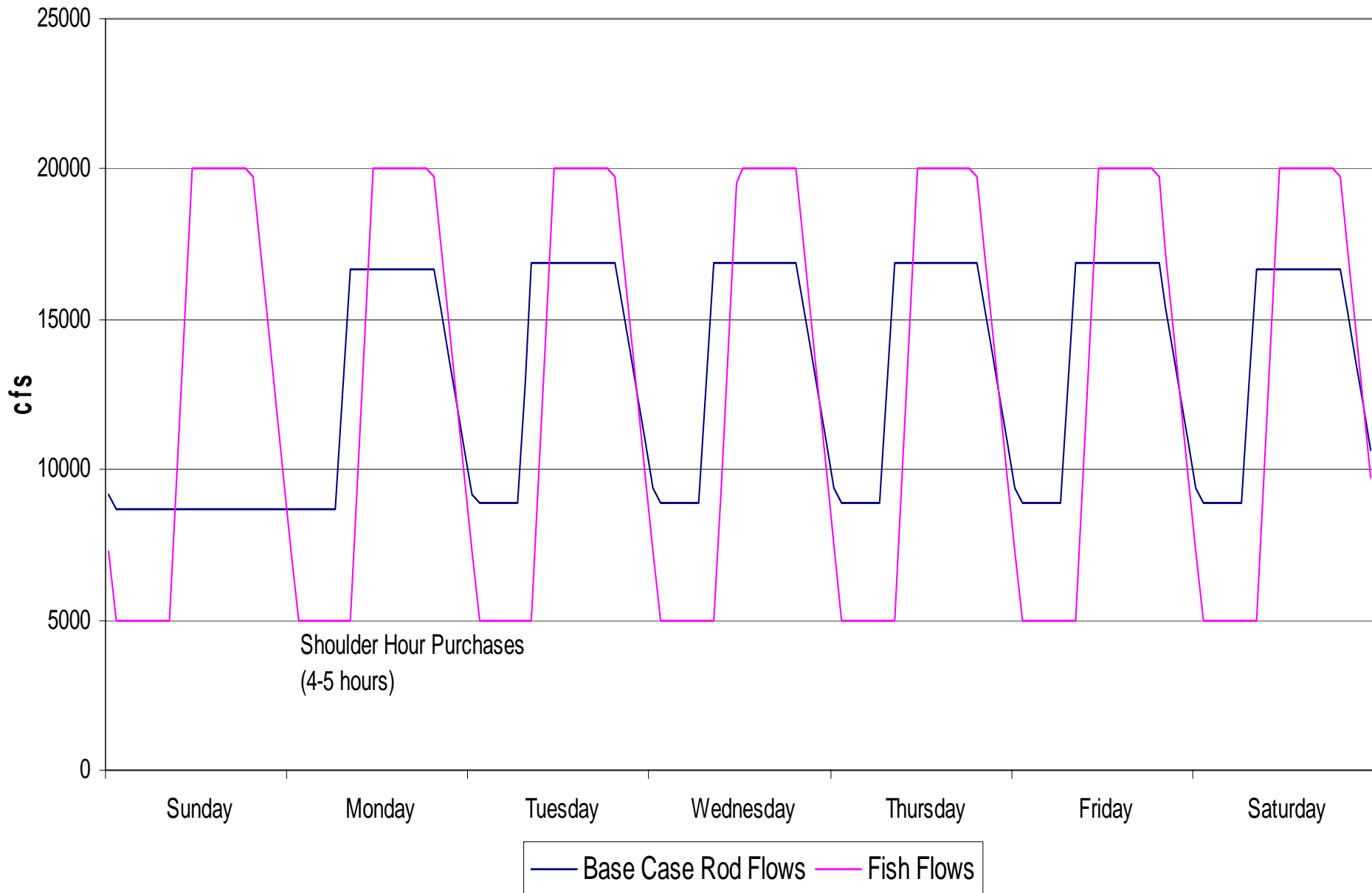
- Glen Canyon Record of Decision
- Normal Operations at other CRSP Units
- USBR No Test Monthly Water Estimates
  - WY 2003 8.23 maf year
  - WY 2004 average hydrological condition
- CRSP Customer Average Historical Load
- Estimated Average Hourly Purchase Prices
  - May 2002 to July 2003
- Forecast Average Hourly Purchase Prices
  - August 2003 to September 2004



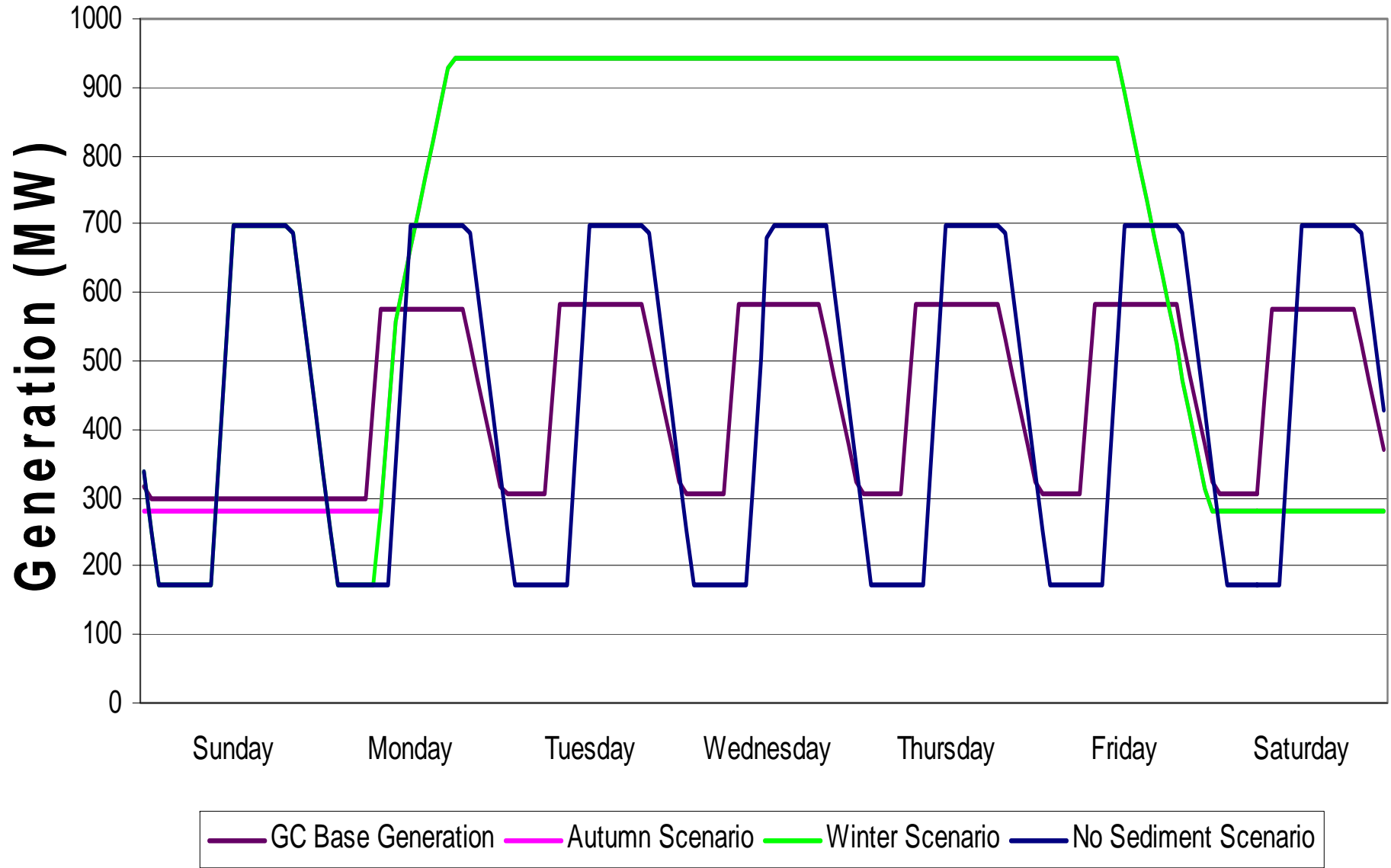
# Test Case Assumptions

- Autumn Sediment Input, Winter Sediment Input and HMF
  - Test Case Operating Constraints at GCD
  - Normal Operations at Other CRSP Units
  - USBR Test Monthly Water Volume Estimates
  - Base Case Load
  - Average Hourly Pre-Schedule and Day Ahead Prices
- No Sediment Input (Actually Occurred)
  - Actual Monthly Water Volumes
  - All other test variables the same
- $[(L - B) - (L - T)] = T - B$
- $[(L - B)P_B - (L - T)P_T] = [L(P_B - P_T) + TP_T - BP_B]$

## ROD Flow vs. Fish Flow Comparison



# January: Glen Canyon Generation



## Results: Total Financial Impact by Scenario

Scenario	Financial Impact
Autumn Sediment Input	(\$3,162,000)
Winter Sediment Input (January BHBF)	(\$6,573,000)
Winter Sediment Input (February BHBF)	(\$6,613,000)
Winter Sediment Input (March BHBF)	(\$6,240,000)
No Sediment Input	(\$4,978,000)
Habitat Maintenance Flow	(\$320,000)

- Comparison:
- Total purchases during the No Sediment Input Scenario (May 2002 — June 2003) totaled \$76,354,243
  - This indicates how hydrological conditions are overwhelming

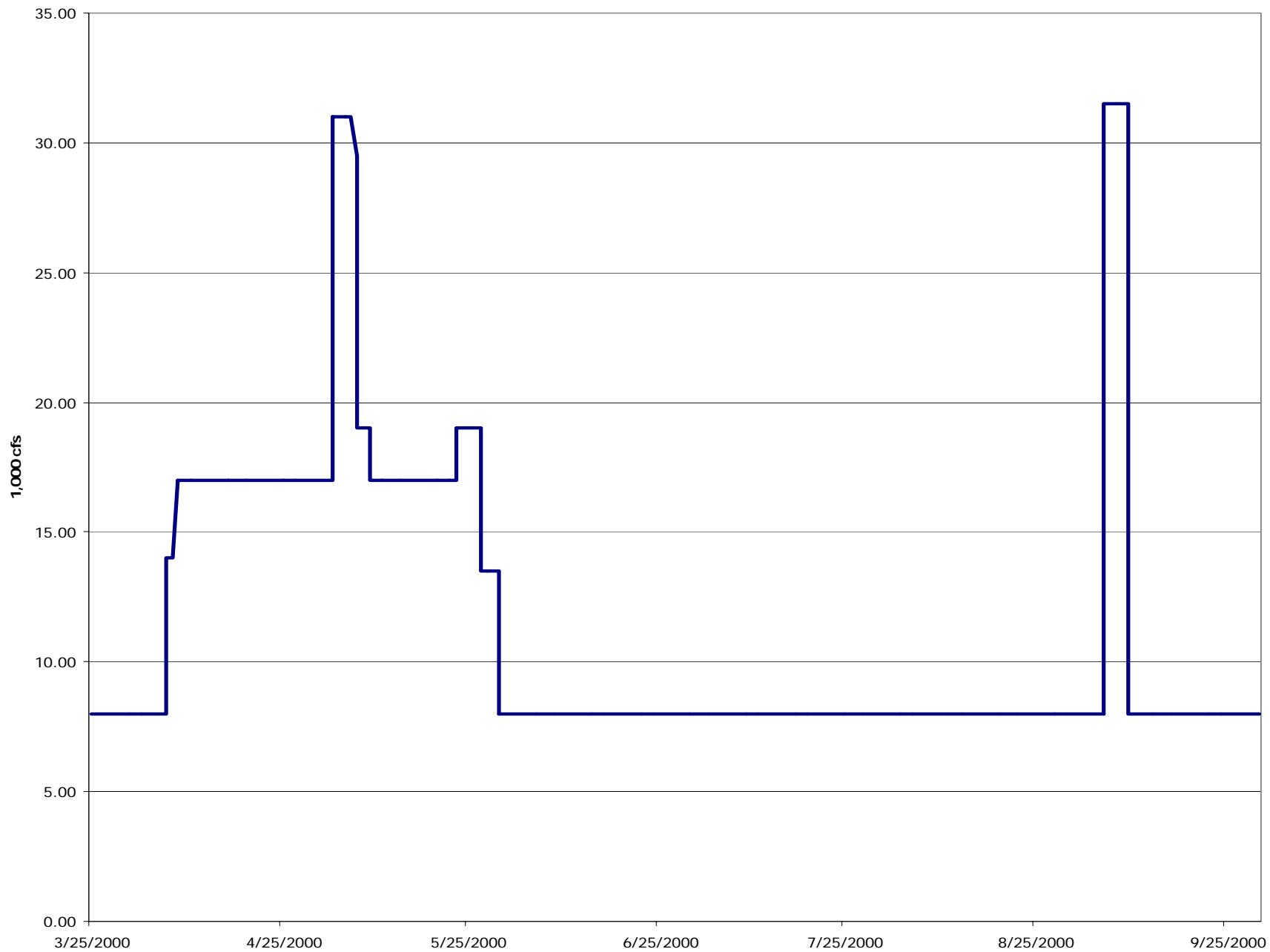


# LSSF

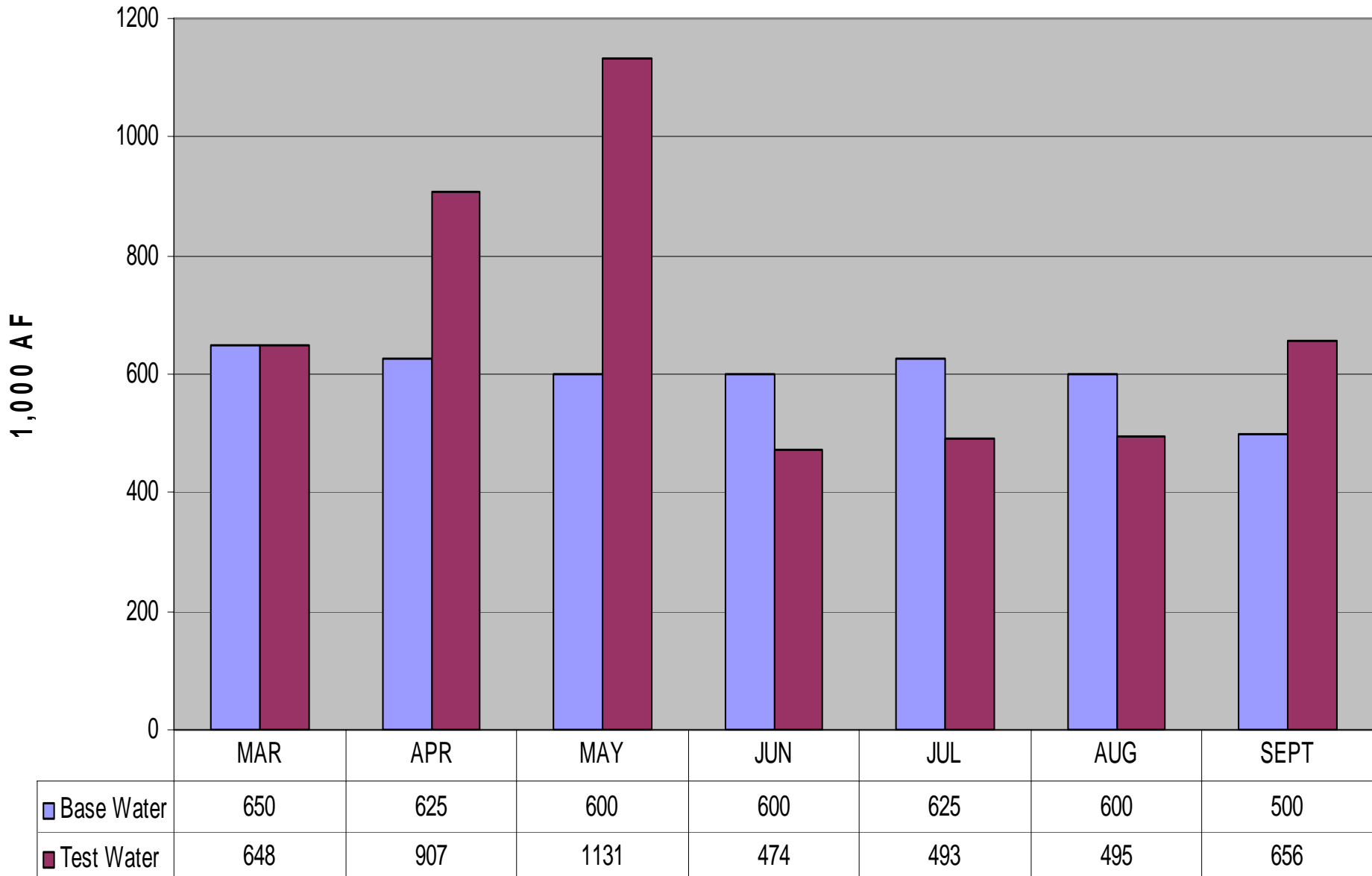
## Post Stakeholder and Peer-Review Analysis of LSSF Flow Scenario

- Hydro LP analysis performed on an hourly basis for every week during the LSSF study period.
- No Test Compared Against Hydro-LP Test Scenario and SCADA generation data
- Analysis performed from March 1, 2000 to September 30, 2000.
- Quantification of Water Volume needed to equalize No Test and Test Water Releases.

## LSSF Test Releases



## LSSF: Comparison of Water Releases



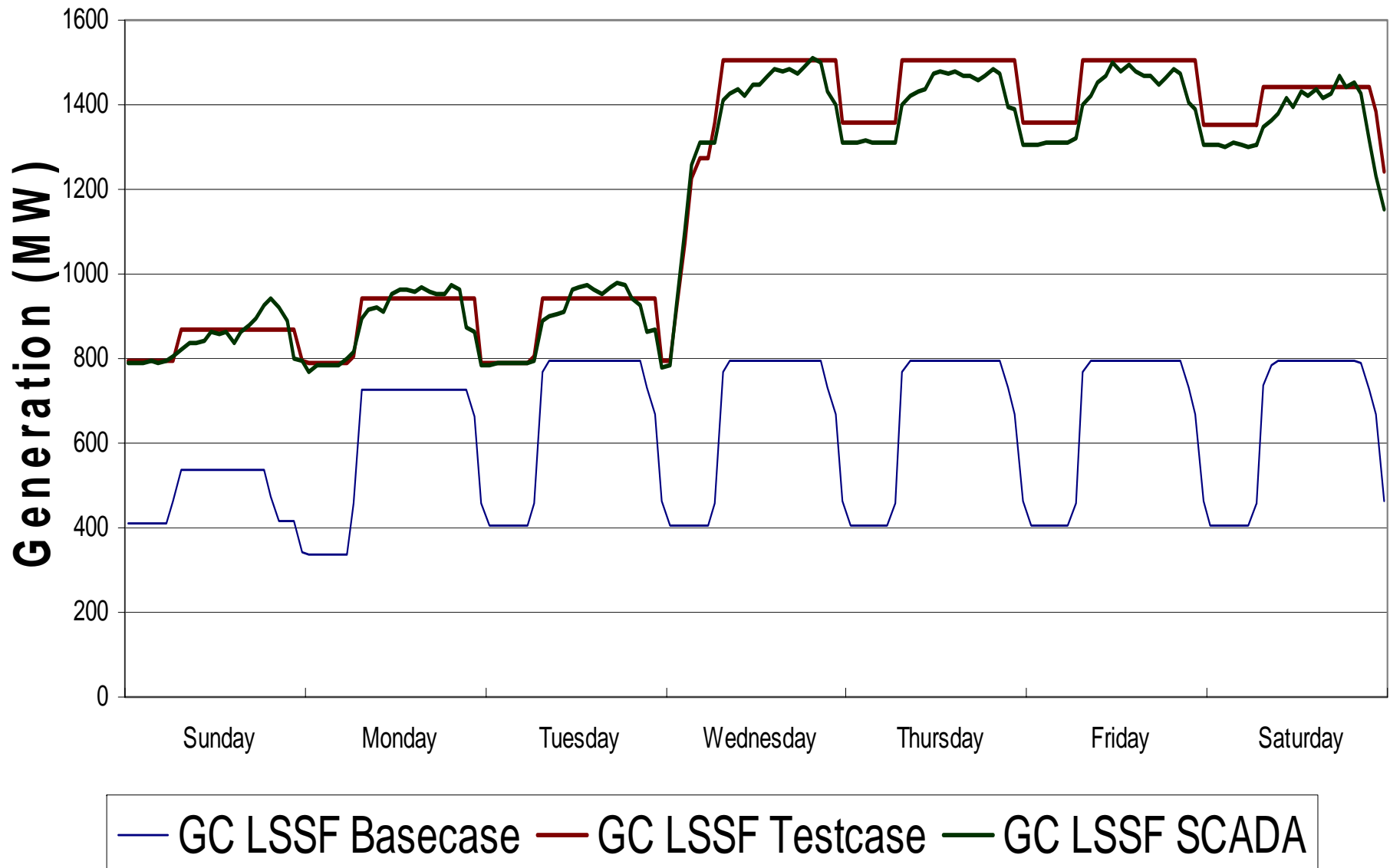
## **Base Case Assumptions**

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- Normal Operations at other CRSP Units
- USBR No Test Monthly Water Estimates
- CRSP Customer Average Historical Load
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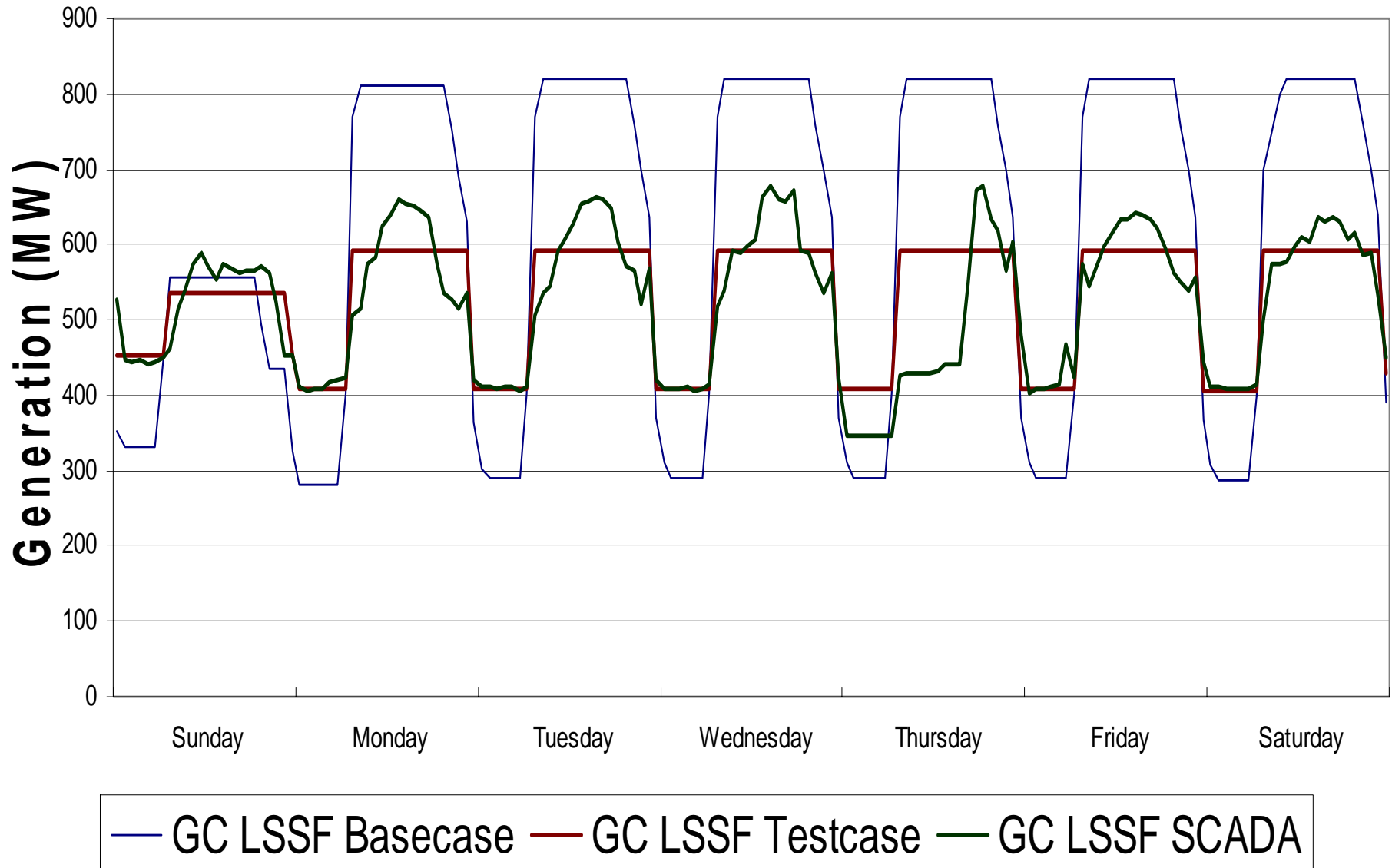
# Test Case Assumptions

- Hydro-LP Assumptions
  - Actual Monthly Water Volume
  - Actual Hourly Release Pattern
  - Base Case Load
  - Base Case Prices
  - All Other CRSP Units Base Case Operating Constraints
- SCADA Assumptions
  - Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System Generation Data

# May: Total CRSP Generation



# August: Total CRSP Generation





# Equalization

- 604 Thousand Acre-Feet Water Release to Comply with Equalization Regulations
- Calculations:
  - Six-month and one-year period using WY 2001 data
  - Average hourly conversion factor
  - Average hourly pre-schedule and day-ahead prices
  - Two-thirds of purchases at on-peak prices
  - One-third of purchases at off-peak prices

	<b>Off-Peak Impact</b>	<b>On-Peak Impact</b>	<b>Overall Impact</b>
Six Month Equalization Period	\$(29,481,922)	\$(14,984,408)	\$(24,649,417)
One Year Equalization Period	\$(30,727,911)	\$(16,804,886)	\$(26,086,902)

# Results: Total Financial Impact by Month

<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Financial (Test – No Test)</b>	<b>Financial (SCADA – No Test)</b>
March	2000	(\$207,000)	(\$275,000)
April	2000	\$3,576,000	\$3,622,000
May	2000	\$6,831,000	\$6,972,000
June	2000	(\$4,406,000)	(\$4,423,000)
July	2000	(\$6,398,000)	(\$6,351,000)
August	2000	(\$7,680,000)	(\$7,704,000)
September	2000	\$2,474,000	\$2,609,000
Equalization	One Year	(\$26,087,000)	(\$26,087,000)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(\$31,900,000)</b>	<b>(\$31,637,000)</b>

## Conclusions

- The financial impact of poor hydrological conditions is much greater than the financial impact of experimental flows.
- There is a significant impact from experimental flows.
- Water reallocation outside of the experimental flow test period produces significant financial impacts.
- Unforeseen circumstances can materially effect the outcome of results.

# Questions?

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