

Drought over, at least from Denver's vantage

Brimming reservoirs highest since 1999

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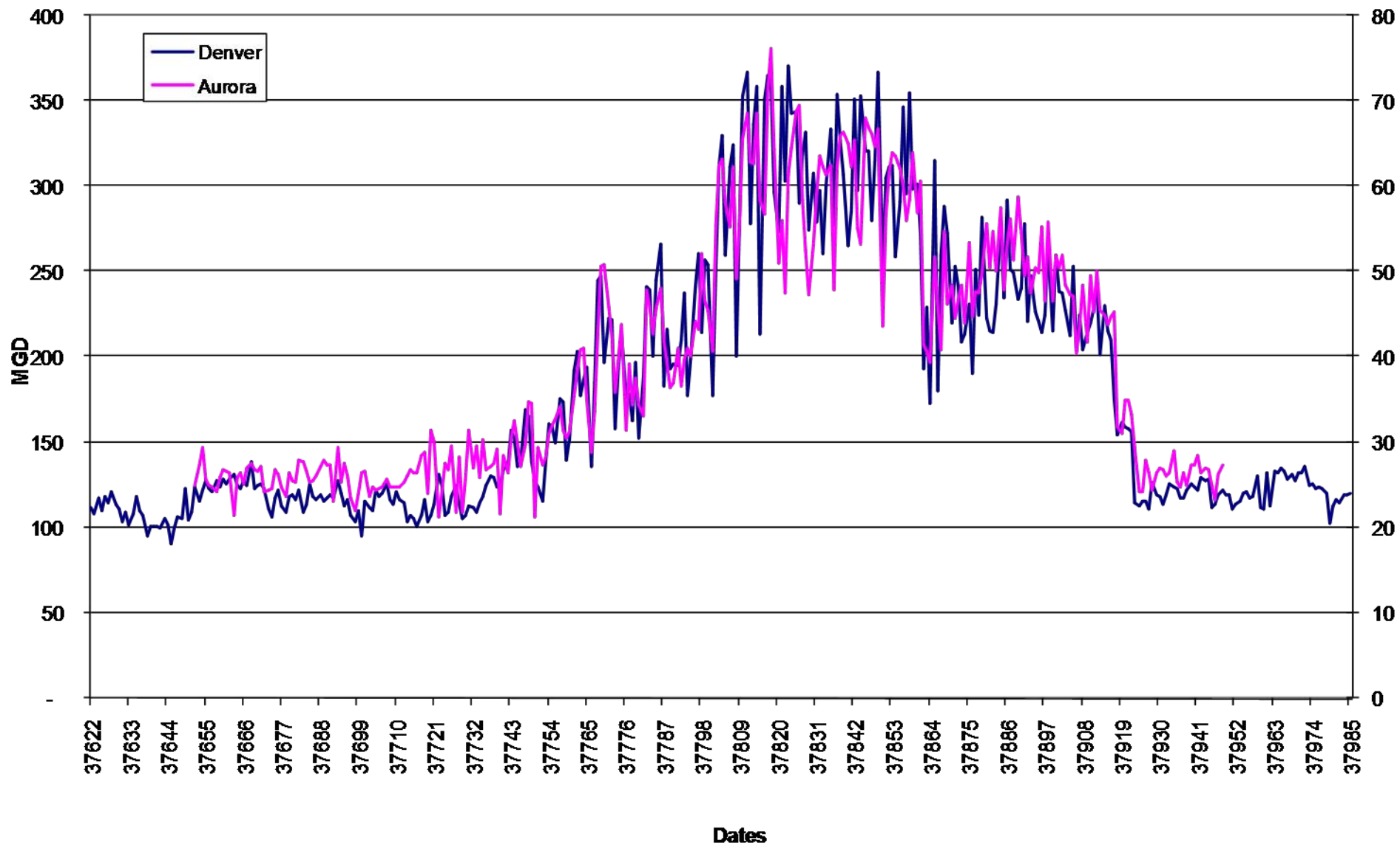


Denver Water's reservoirs are fuller now than they've been in any October since 1999. As far as the utility's water-storage system is concerned, **"The drought is essentially over,"** a company resource engineer said Friday. Denver Water reservoirs are at 90 percent capacity, three percentage points higher than the long-term average for this time of year, 87 percent.

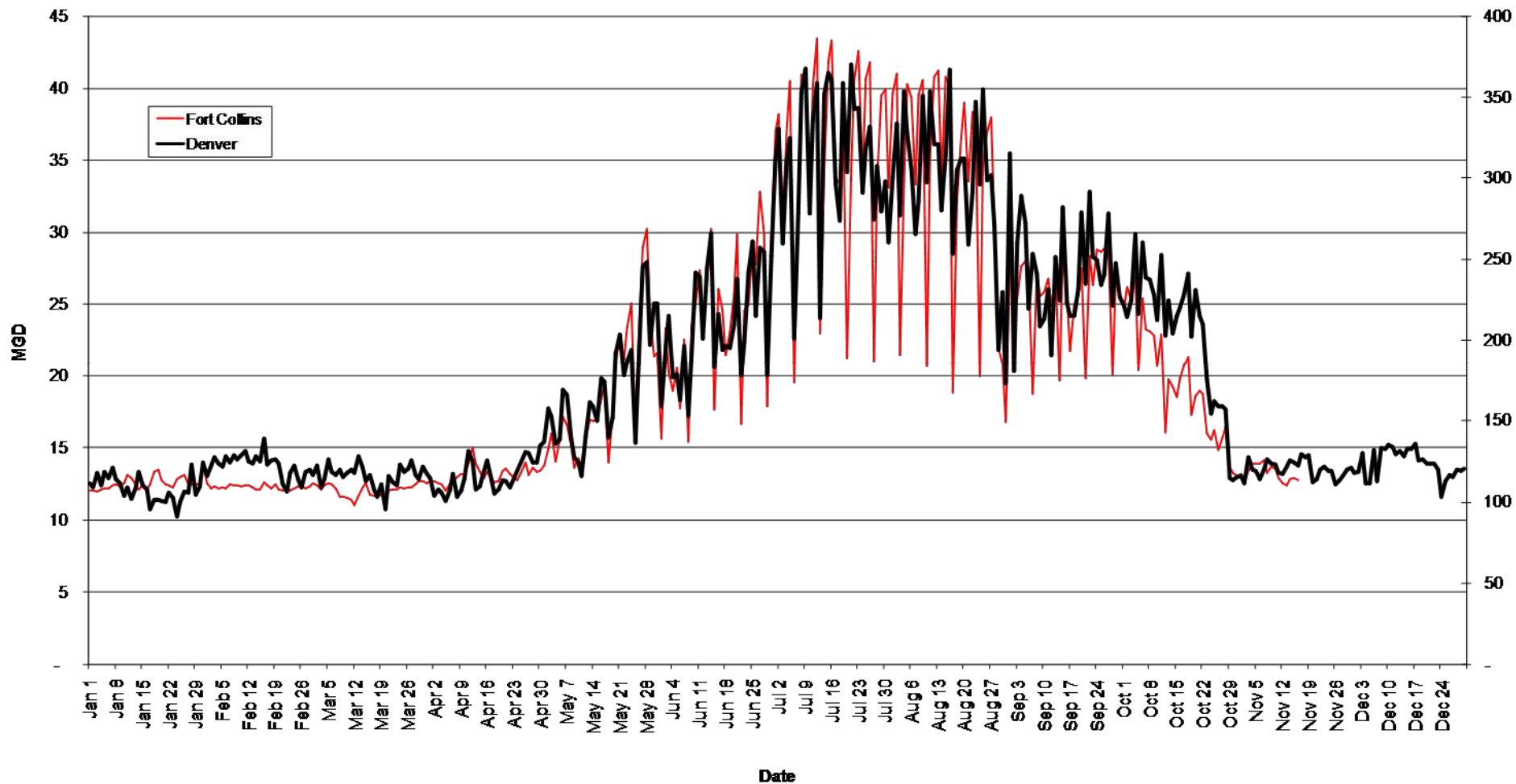
2004 Reduction Goals

- Denver 30%
- Aurora 15-20%
- Boulder 25%
- Colorado Springs 20%
- Erie 10%

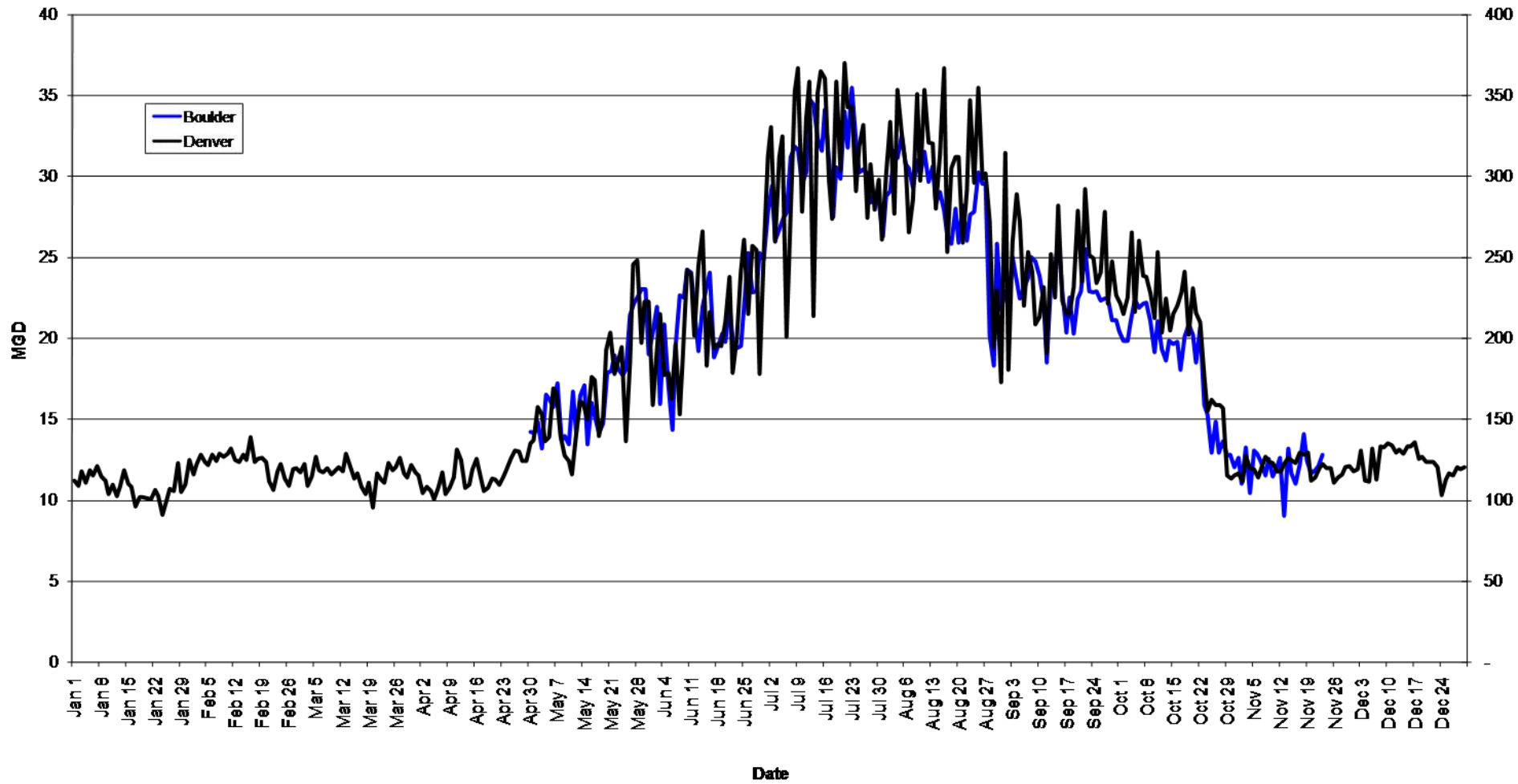
Denver vs. Aurora



Fort Collins vs. Denver



Boulder vs. Denver



Drought Response Timing

