

Welcome

Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program--Eastern Division & Loveland Area Projects

Proposed 2025 FES Rate Adjustment Public Information Forum

Forum will begin at 8:30 a.m. MDT

All participants will be muted throughout the presentation
until the Q&A session



Proposed 2025 FES Rate Adjustment Process

Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program--Eastern Division
&
Loveland Area Projects

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Public Information Forum
August 7, 2024



Agenda

- Rate Adjustments
- Rate Process Schedule
- Firm Electric Service Rate Structures and Charge Components
- Power Repayment Study Information
 - Pick-Sloan
 - Fry-Ark
- Rate Proposals
 - Loveland Area Projects
 - Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program--Eastern Division
 - Sale of Surplus Products
- Annual Drought Adder Review Schedule
- Contact Information
- Q&A Session



Reason for Rate Adjustments

- Rate Schedules don't expire until December 31, 2027, however, current firm electric service rates are not recovering projected costs
 - Increases in Operations and Maintenance costs from all the agencies (WAPA, BOR, Corps)
 - Pick-Sloan Mainstem is experiencing less than normal generation but it's improving – need to rebalance the drought adder
- Need to conduct formal process to adjust the Base rate component and to put new rates/rate schedules in place for new 5-year period

Note: RMR and UGP are conducting separate rate processes with combined public information and comment forums



Proposal Recap

Pick-Sloan--ED and LAP

- Utilize Historical Plan of Forced Pick-Sloan Aid Payments
- Implement Two-Step Rates
- Continue utilizing annual drought adder adjustment review process for determining the final Drought Adder components for Jan. 2025 and beyond



Proposed Changes

- Pick-Sloan Power Repayment Study
 - Decrease the Drought Adder component
 - Increase the Base component
- Fry-Ark Power Repayment Study
 - No change to the Drought Adder component that has been at zero since Jan. 2015
 - Increase the Base component
- Sale of Surplus Products
 - No rate changes – simply adjusting the time period to match firm power rate schedules



Rate Process Schedule

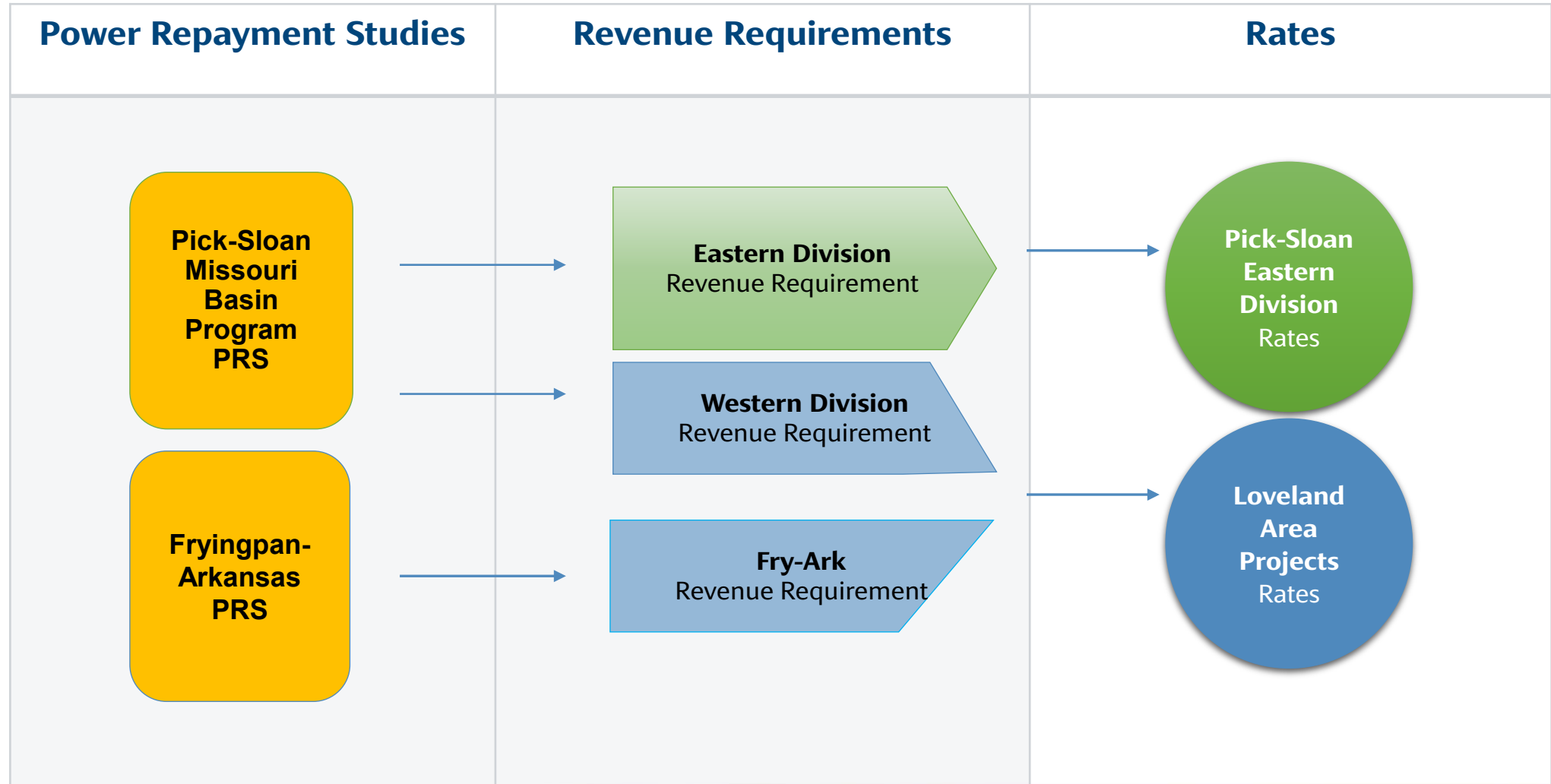
- Federal Register Announcements with Proposed Rates
June 28, 2024
- Formal Consultation and Comment Periods (60 Days)
Customers/Interested Parties may provide
comments via e-mail no later than August 27,
2024, and/or at today's Public Comment Forum
- Information Forum
August 7, 2024
- Comment Forum
August 7, 2024
- Close of Consultation and Comment Periods
August 27, 2024
- Federal Register Publication of Rate Orders
NLT December 1, 2024
- Implementation of New Rates/Rate Schedules
January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2026



Firm Electric Service Rate Structures and Rate Components



Rate Structures



Overview of Component Costs

Drought Adder Component

(max +2 mills/kWh/yr)

- Purchase Power for Drought
- Historical Drought Debt (unpaid)
- Interest on Drought Debt

Base Component

(rate process required)

- O&M (WAPA and Generating Agencies)
- Inflation
- Capital Investments (WAPA and Generating Agencies)
- Interest
- Transmission (WAPA and Generating Agencies)
- Normal Timing Purchase Power



Power Repayment Study Information



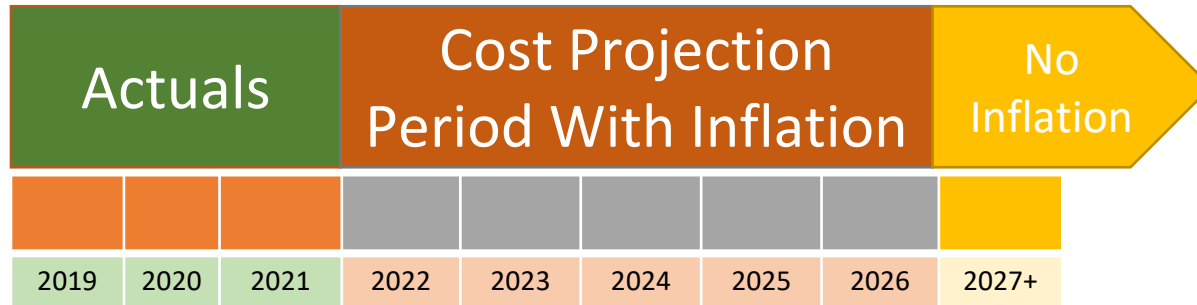
2025 Rate Setting PRS Information

- FY2023 Audited Financials
- 2025 and 2026 Workplans (WAPA, BOR, and Corps)
 - O&M (including inflation)
 - Capital program
 - Interest expense
- Required balloon payments and forced payments
- Corps and BOR Annual Operating Plans
 - Corps 2024 AOP is projecting lower than normal generation for 2024-2029, but more generation than projected in the current rate
 - BOR generation projections for 2024-2027 are higher than the LAP Post-89 avg, not considered to be in drought



PRS Projection Window

2023 Rate Setting PRS

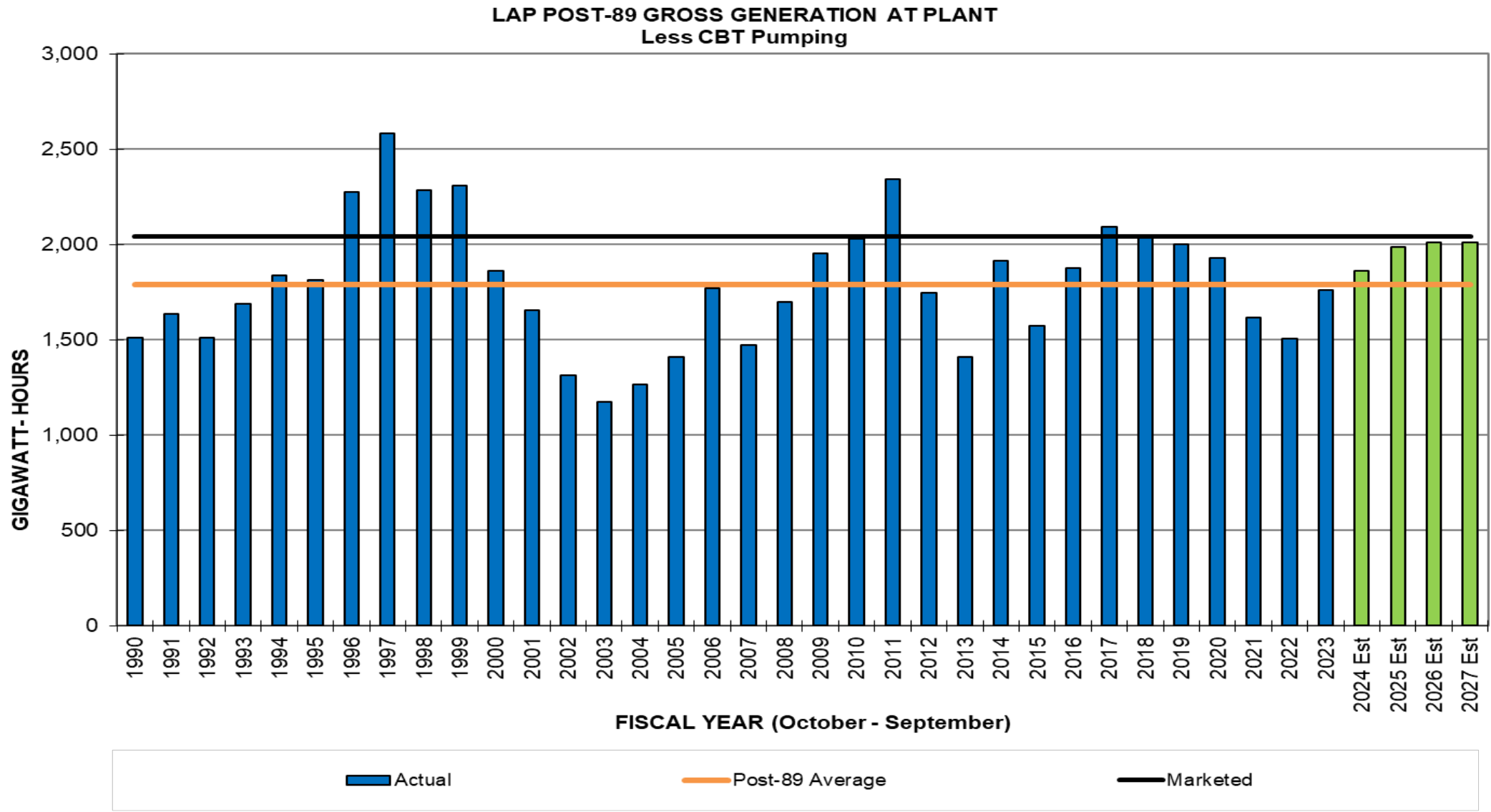


2025-2026 Rate Setting PRS

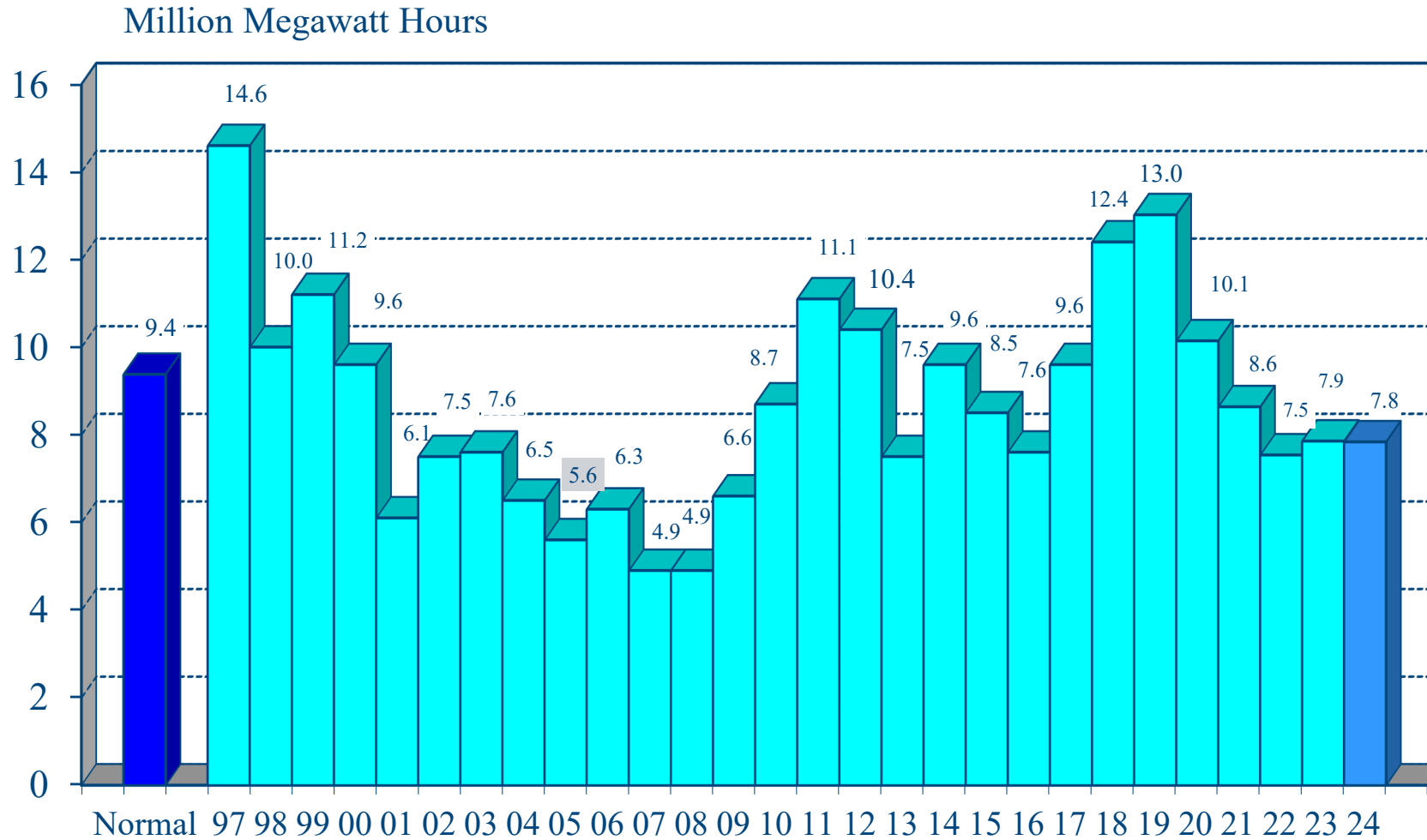


Generation Projections LAP and Pick-Sloan





Mainstem System Generation



Jul 1, 2024 Forecast

Upper Basic: 7.8

Lower Basic: 7.9





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MISSOURI RIVER BASIN WEEKLY UPDATE

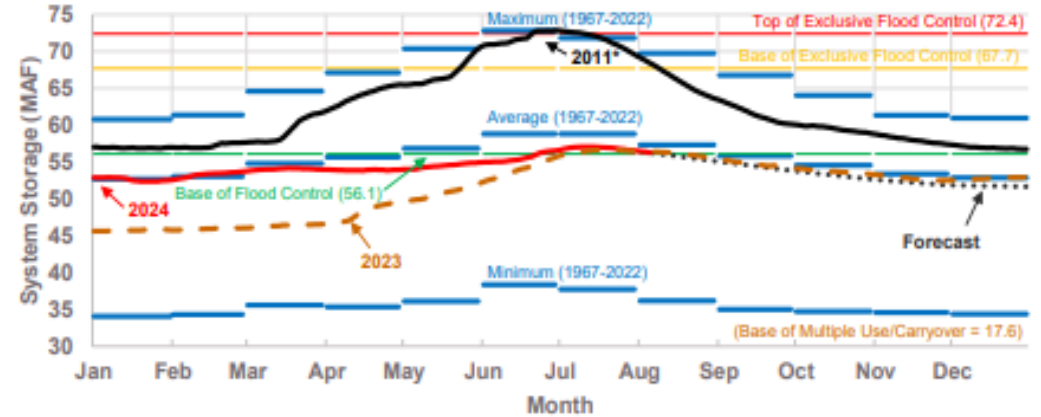
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Mainstem Reservoir Status

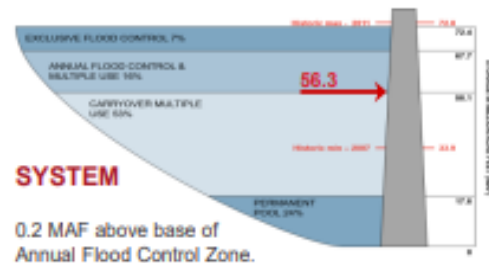
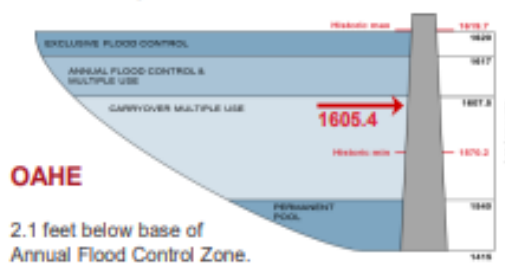
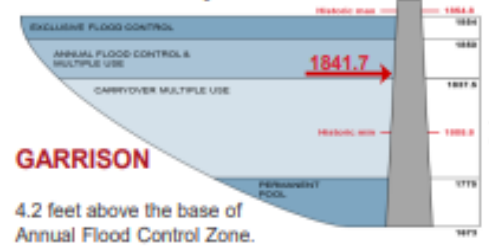
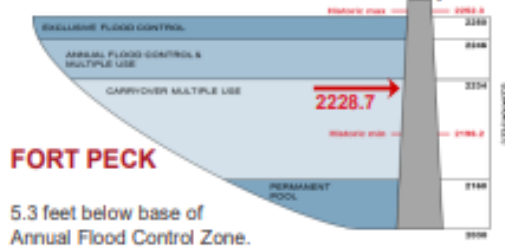
- System storage is 56.3 MAF, 0.2 MAF less than last week (upper right). For the August monthly study with forecasted pool levels and releases for each mainstem project, [click here](#).
- Gavins Point reservoir releases are currently 27,500 cfs and will continue to be adjusted to meet navigation targets downstream. The release schedule for Gavins Point is also shown in our daily forecast ([click here](#)).
- The calendar year runoff forecast for the Missouri River Basin above Sioux City, IA updated on Aug 1st is 23.9 MAF (93% of normal). July runoff for the Basin was 85% of normal above Sioux City, and only 55% of normal above Gavins Point ([click here](#)).
- Drought conditions in the western portion of the Basin are expected to persist or worsen through the end of October (lower right).
- Refer to the 3-Week Forecast ([click here](#)) for the most up-to-date System information – pool levels, inflows, and releases.

System Storage Comparison



*In January 2011, the Base of Flood Control was 56.8 MAF, and the Top of Exclusive Flood Control was 73.1 MAF

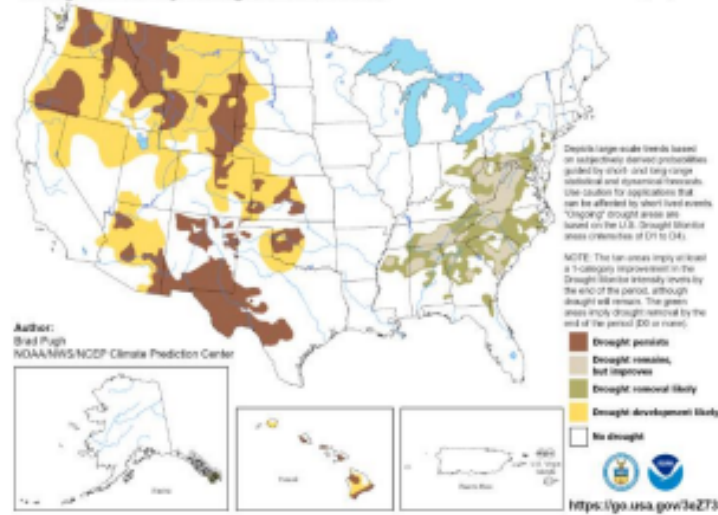
Current Reservoir Levels (Click Here for Comparison Plots)



U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for July 18 - October 31, 2024
Released July 18, 2024



Pick-Sloan 2023 PRS

- 2023 deficit \$24M related to Base component costs
 - Deficit required to be repaid by 2033 (10 years)
 - Must make annual interest payments for this deficit until paid
- \$5M required payments
- 2045 Irrigation Aid is the PRS pinch point
 - Second pinch is 2046 North Loup Irrigation Aid
- Study did not solve at the present rate, requires WAPA to adjust our rates to ensure we can recover annual expenses and meet required payments
 - Study solves with a composite rate of 32.15 mills/kWh
 - ~14% higher than current 28.20 mills/kWh



Impacts on the Pick-Sloan Base Component

- Base Increasing from 24.76 mills/kWh in two steps
 - Step 1 January 2025 increasing to 27.82 mills/kWh
 - Step 2 January 2026 increasing to 30.74 mills/kWh
 - Inclusion of FYs 2022 and 2023 Audited Financials
 - New 6-year Cost Evaluation Period
 - New investments/replacements, O&M expenses, and Inflationary costs
 - Irrigation Aid Required Payments are driving the Pinch Point
- Normal Timing Power Purchases
 - BOR's LAP generation projections are higher than the LAP Post-89 avg. LAP system was not considered to be in "drought" condition at the time the generation forecast was completed

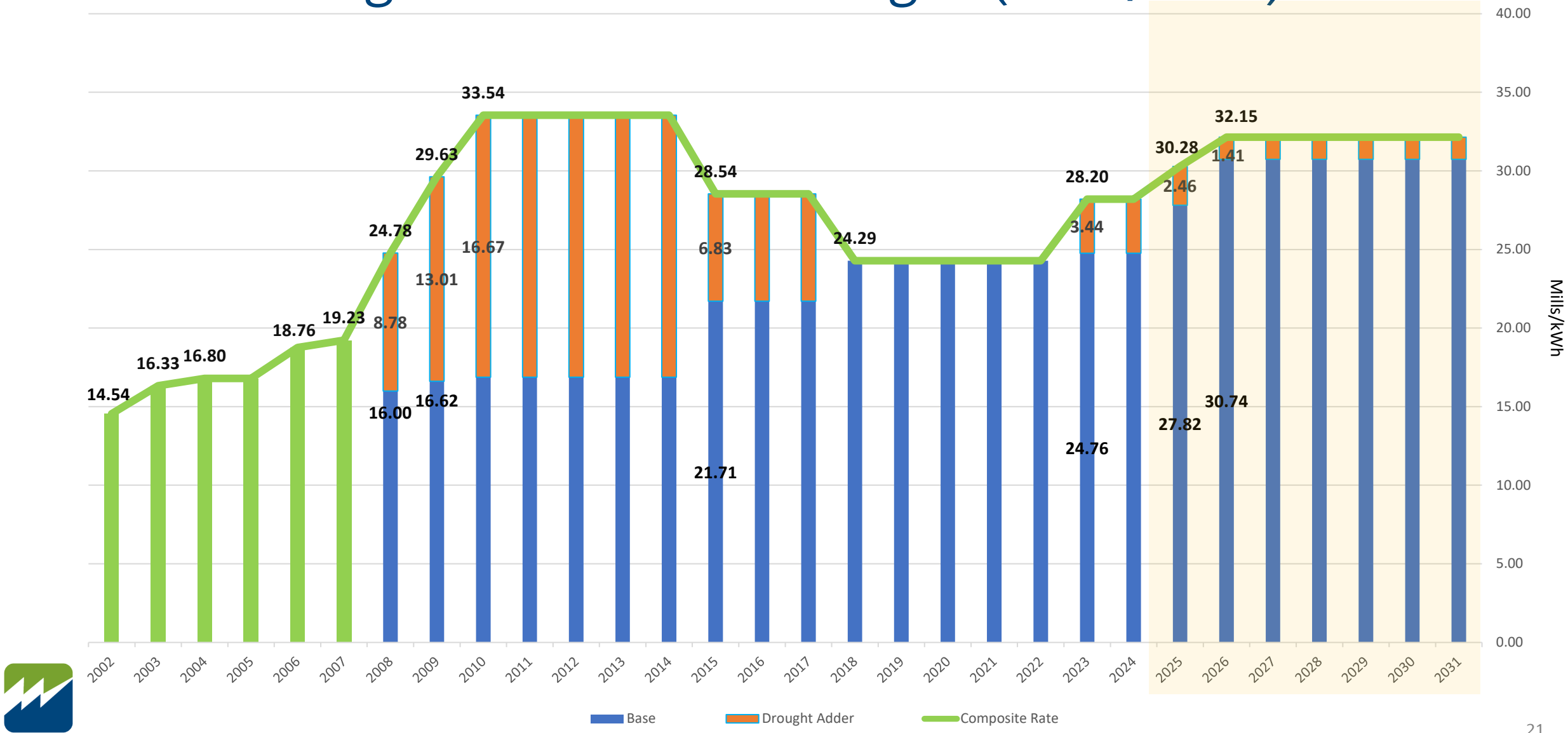


Impacts on the Pick-Sloan Drought Adder Component

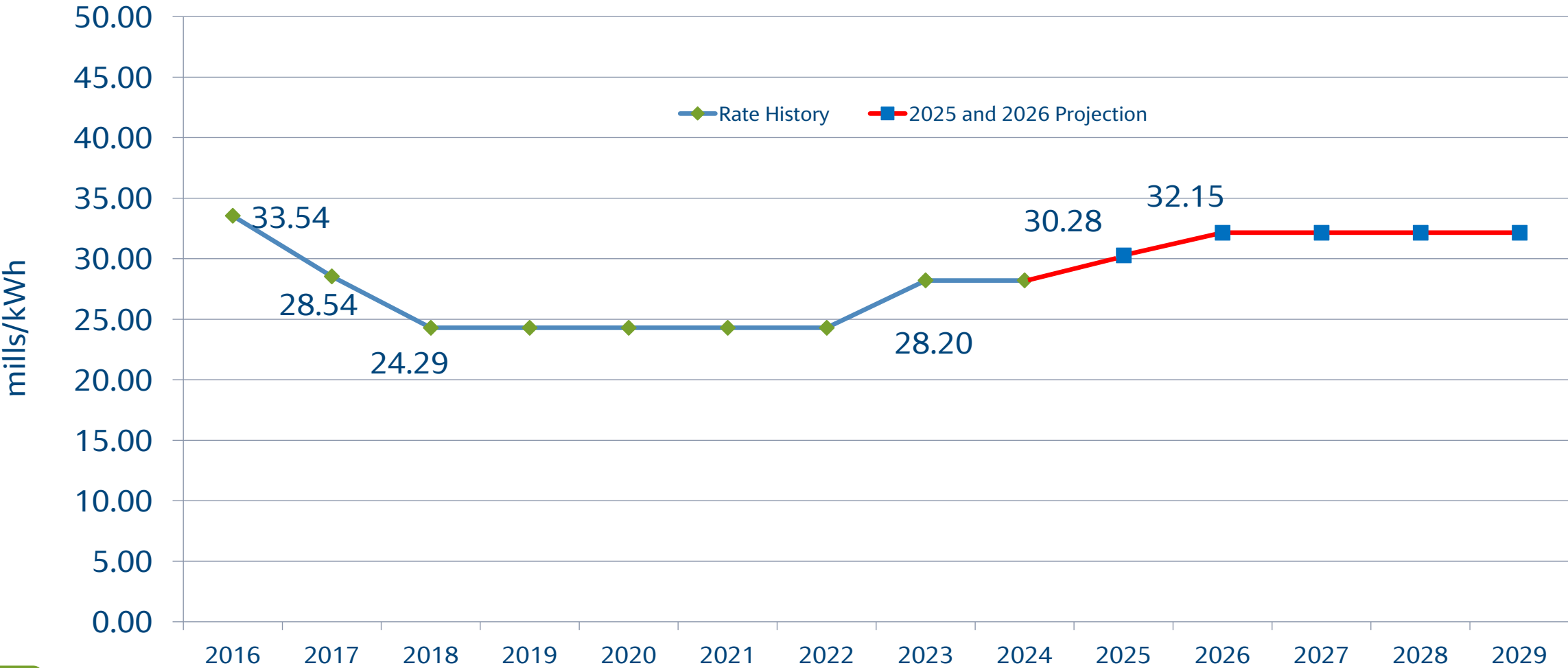
- Drought Adder Decreasing from 3.44 mills/kWh in 2 steps
 - Estimate for 2025 decreasing to 2.46 mills/kWh
 - Estimate for 2026 decreasing to 1.41 mills/kWh
- Corps generation is slightly lower than but nearing average on the Pick-Sloan mainstem for 2024-2029
 - Lower purchases to meet UGP's firm obligations
 - Replacement energy prices are a bit lower than we had projected
 - Better surplus sales due to generation and market pricing



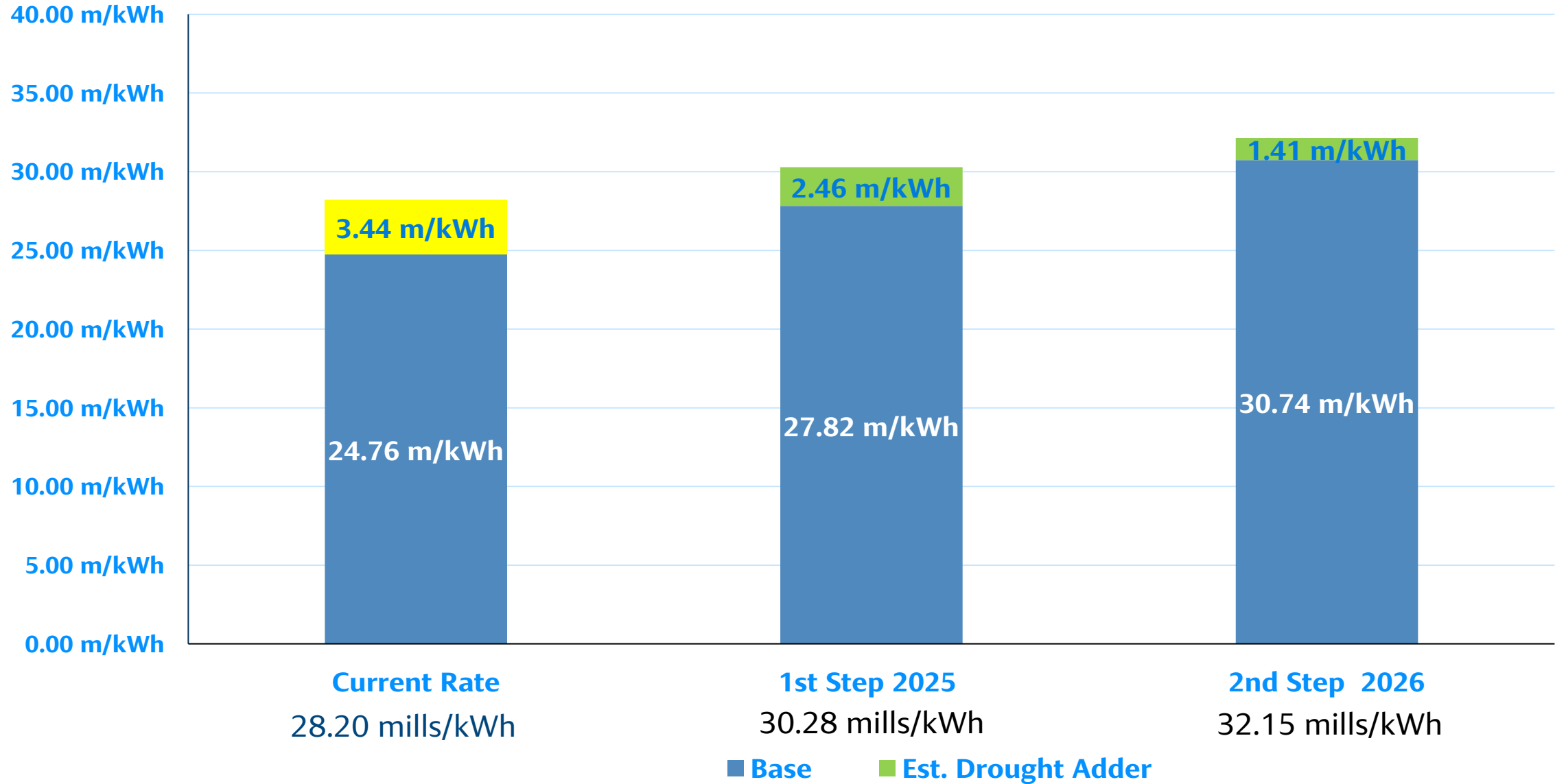
Historical Pick-Sloan Composite Base and Drought Adder Rate Changes (mills/kWh)



Pick-Sloan Composite Rate Projection



Pick-Sloan Composite by Component



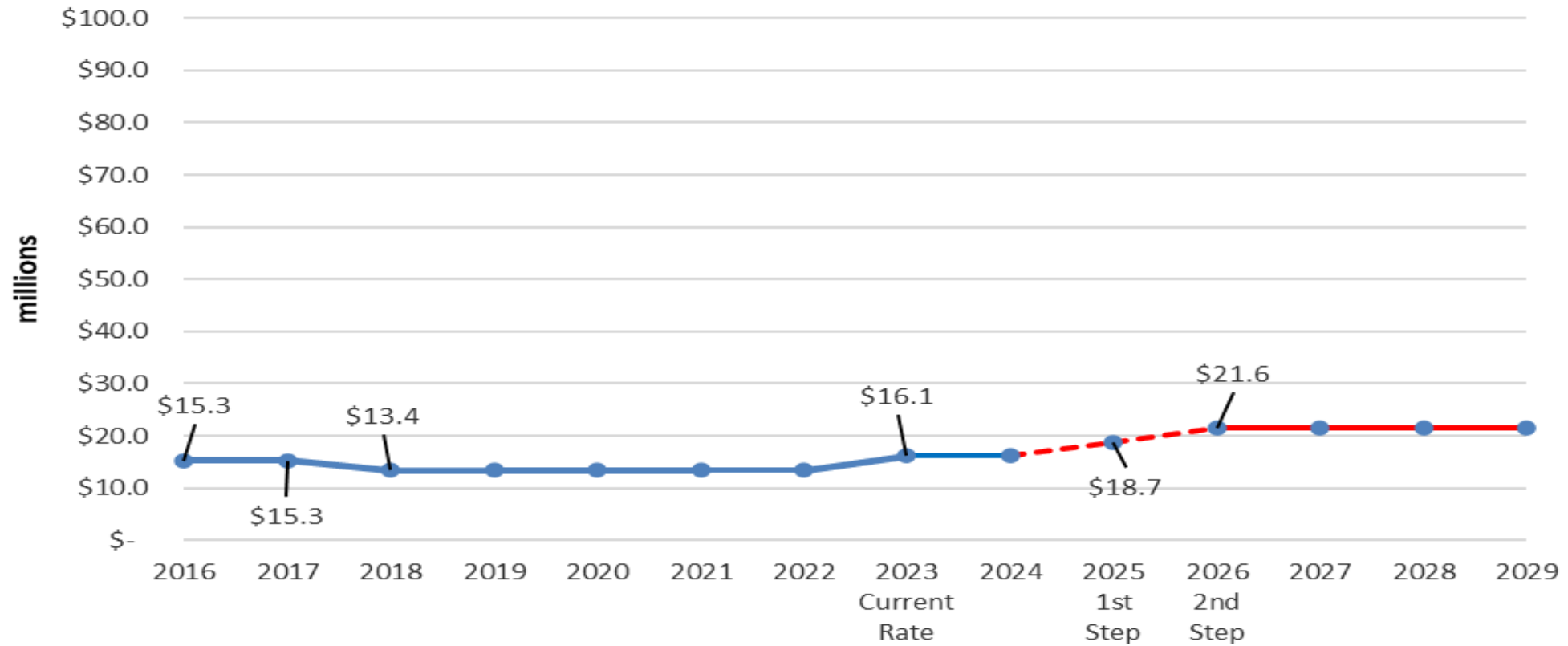
Fry-Ark 2023 PRS

- No outstanding deficits
- 2033 and 2034 continue to be the pinch points in the study – related to the original investment
 - Significant increases in Mount Elbert rehabilitation and cracked rotor replacement costs and increases in O&M are putting pressure on pinch points
 - Using forced payments to pay down the original investment before making some payments towards the rehabilitation and rotor replacements
- Study did not solve at the approved revenue requirement, requires WAPA to adjust our rates to ensure we can recover annual expenses and meet required payments
 - Study solves with a Revenue Requirement of \$21.6M
 - ~34% higher than the approved \$16.1M



Fry-Ark

Revenue Requirement Projection



Impacts on the Fry-Ark Base Component

- Base Increasing \$5.5M in two steps
 - Step 1 January 2025 increasing \$2.6M
 - Step 2 January 2026 increasing \$2.9M
- Inclusion of FYs 22-23 Audited Financials
- New 6-year Cost Evaluation Period
 - New investments/replacements, Interest, O&M expenses, and Inflationary costs
 - Mount Elbert rehabilitation costs within the rate window (\$38.8M)
- Normal Timing Power Purchases for 2024-2027
 - BOR's generation projections are higher than the LAP Post-89 avg.
 - Replacement energy prices in \$62 average range



Impacts on the Fry-Ark Drought Adder Component

- No impact – remains at \$0
 - BOR's generation projections are higher than the LAP Post-89 avg. LAP system was not considered to be in “drought” condition at the time the generation forecast was completed



Rate Proposals



Loveland Area Projects Rate Proposal

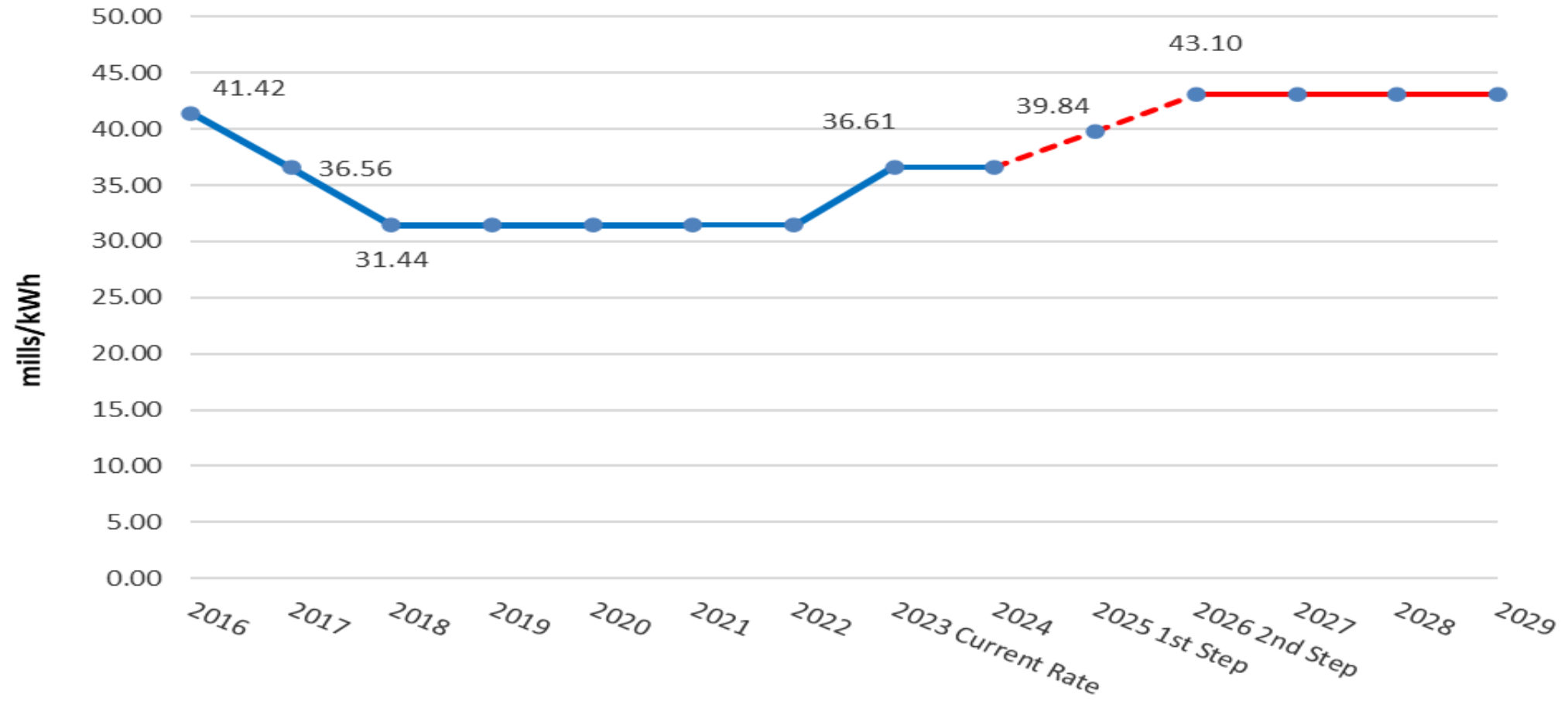


LAP Changes

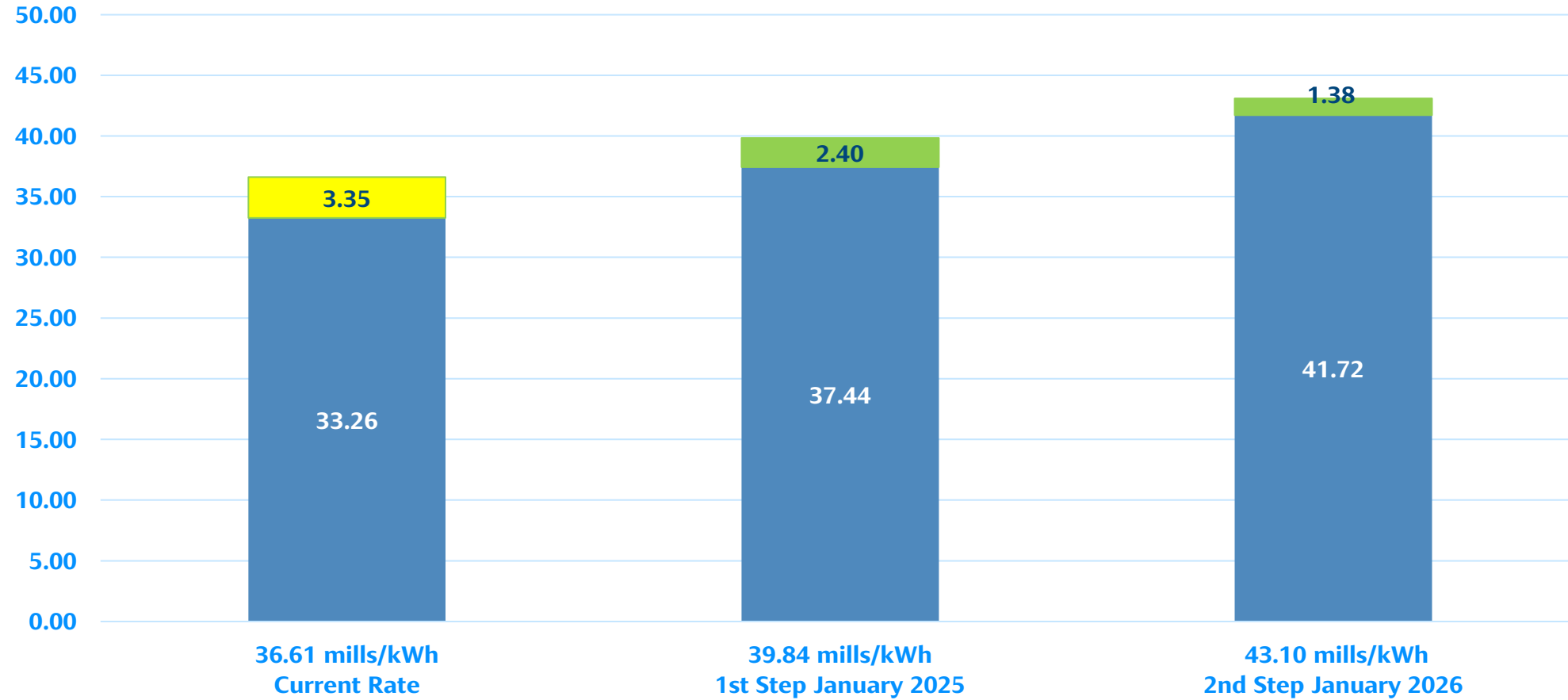
- Composite Rate increasing an estimated 6.49 mills/kWh or 17.7%
 - from 36.61 to 43.10 mills/kWh
- Implementing over a two-year period/in two steps
 - Increasing 3.23 mills/kWh in Jan. 2025
 - Increasing another 3.26 mills/kWh Jan. 2026
- Note: the Drought Adder components used to calculate this overall Composite Rate change are estimates and are subject to change based upon updated AOP/generation models and revised drought costs



LAP Composite Rate Projection



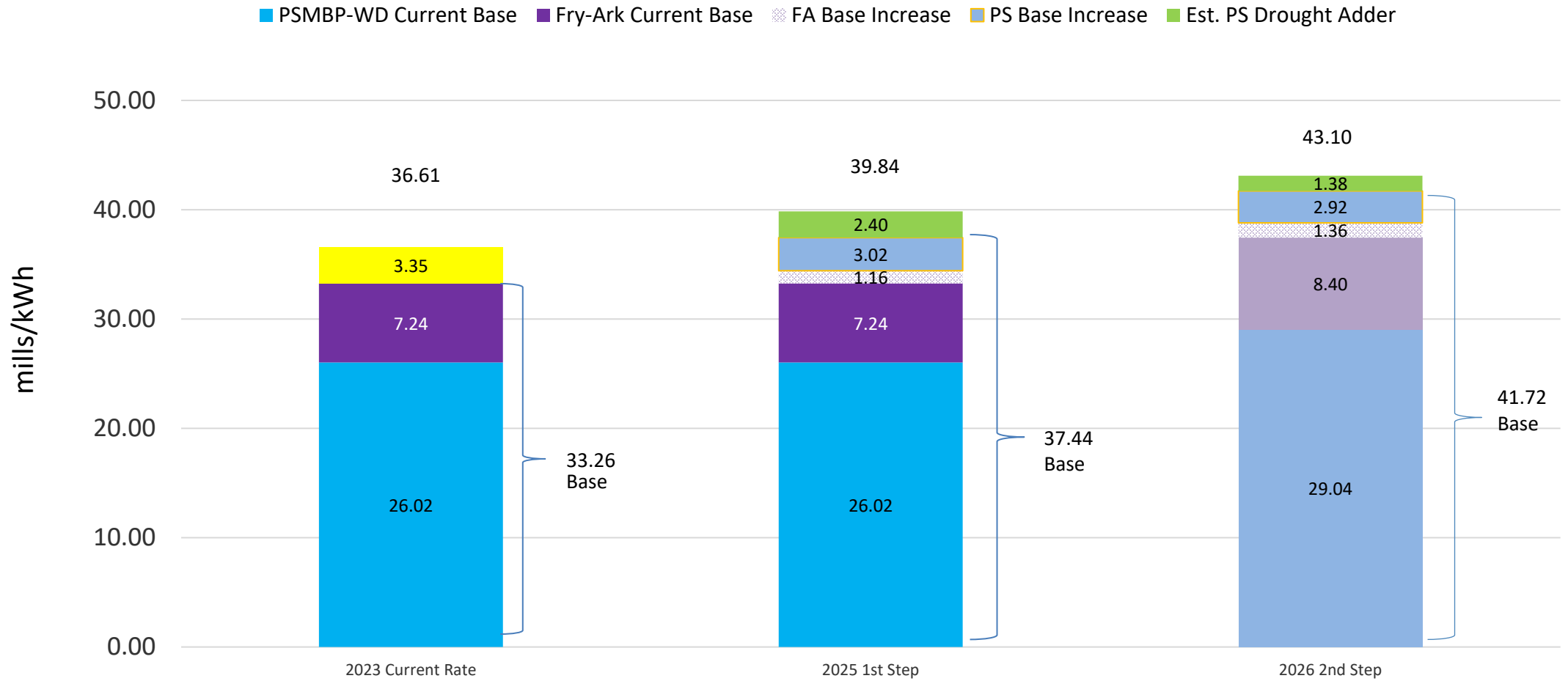
LAP Proposed Composite Rate Base and Drought Adder Components



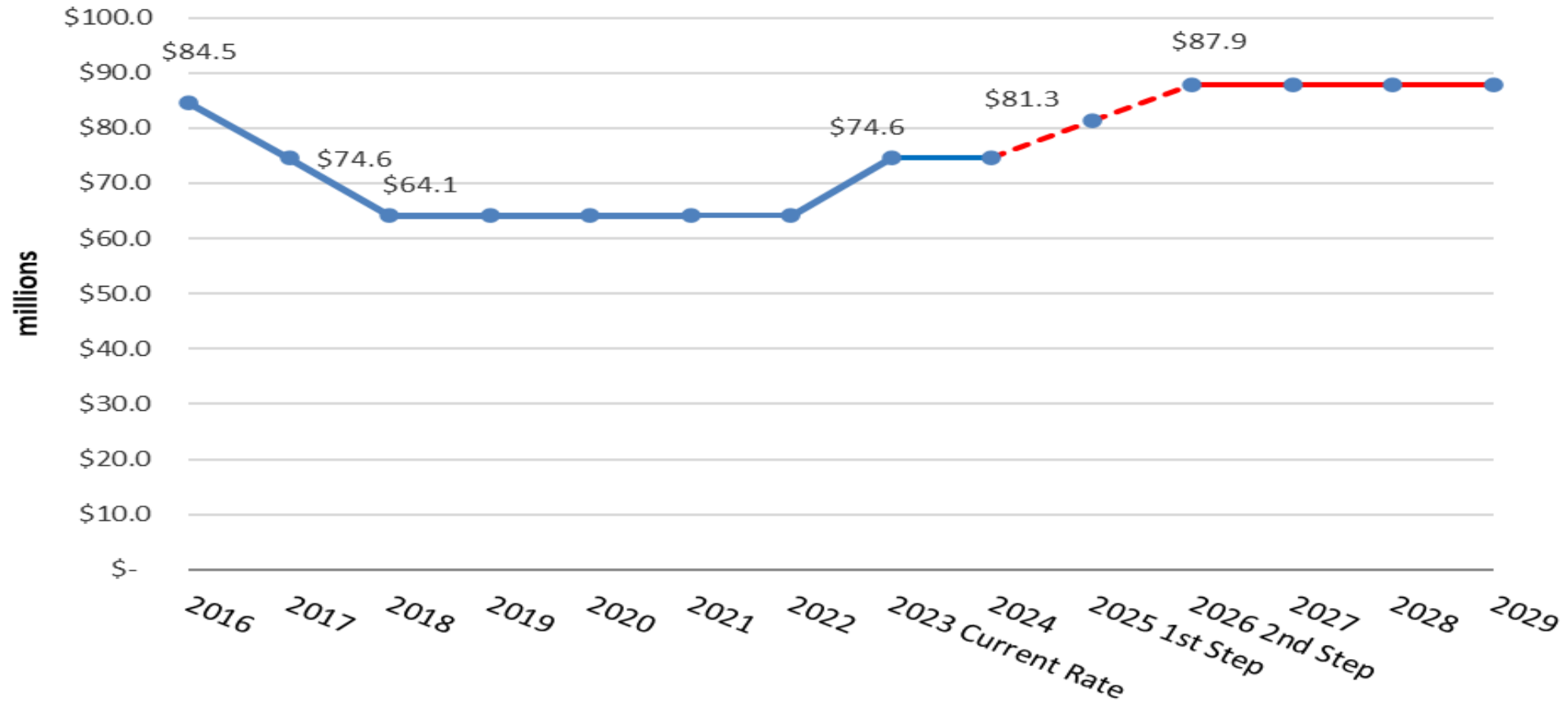
■ Est. Drought Adder ■ Base



LAP Composite - Base and Drought Adder by Project



LAP Revenue Requirement Projection



LAP - Revenue Requirements

LAP Firm Electric Service	Current Under L-F12 As of Jan. 1, 2023 (in million \$)	Proposed Under L-F13 First Step As of Jan. 1, 2025 (in million \$)	First Step Percent Change	Proposed Under L-F13 Second Step As of Jan. 1, 2026 (in million \$)	Second Step Percent Change
Total Revenue Requirement ¹	\$74.6	\$81.3	9.0%	\$87.9	8.1%
Pick-Sloan--WD	\$58.5	\$62.6	7.0%	\$66.3	5.9%
Fry-Ark	\$16.1	\$18.7	16.1%	\$21.6	15.5%
Base Component	\$67.8	\$76.4	12.7%	\$85.1	11.4%
Pick-Sloan--WD	\$51.7	\$57.7	11.6%	\$63.5	10.1%
Fry-Ark	\$16.1	\$18.7	16.1%	\$21.6	15.5%
Drought Adder Component ²	\$6.8	\$4.9	-27.9%	\$2.8	-42.9%
Pick-Sloan--WD	\$6.8	\$4.9	-27.9%	\$2.8	-42.9%
Fry-Ark	\$0.0	\$0.0	0.0%	\$0.0	0.0%

¹ Proposed values are estimates only based on using final base and estimated drought adder components.

² Proposed values are estimates that may change during the existing annual drought adder adjustment process.



LAP – Proposed Rates Summary

LAP Firm Electric Service	Current Under L-F12 As of Jan. 1, 2023 (in million \$)	Proposed Under L-F13 First Step As of Jan. 1, 2025 ¹	First Step Percent Change	Proposed Under L-F13 Second Step As of Jan. 1, 2026 ¹	Second Step Percent Change
LAP Composite Rate (mills/Kilowatt-hour)	36.61	39.84	8.8%	43.10	8.2%
Firm Capacity Rate (\$/kilowatt-month)	\$4.80	\$5.22	8.8%	\$5.65	8.2%
Firm Energy Rate (mills/kilowatt-hour)	18.31	19.92	8.8%	21.55	8.2%

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LAP – Proposed Charge Components

	Proposed Under L-F13 First Step As of Jan. 1, 2025			Proposed Under L-F13 Second Step As of Jan. 1, 2026		
	Base Component	Drought Adder Component¹	Total Charge²	Base Component	Drought Adder Component¹	Total Charge²
Firm Capacity (\$/kilowatt- month)	\$4.91	\$0.31	\$5.22	\$5.47	\$0.18	\$5.65
Firm Energy (mills/kWh)	18.72	1.20	19.92	20.86	0.69	21.55

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Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program--Eastern Division (P-SMBP--ED) Rate Proposal

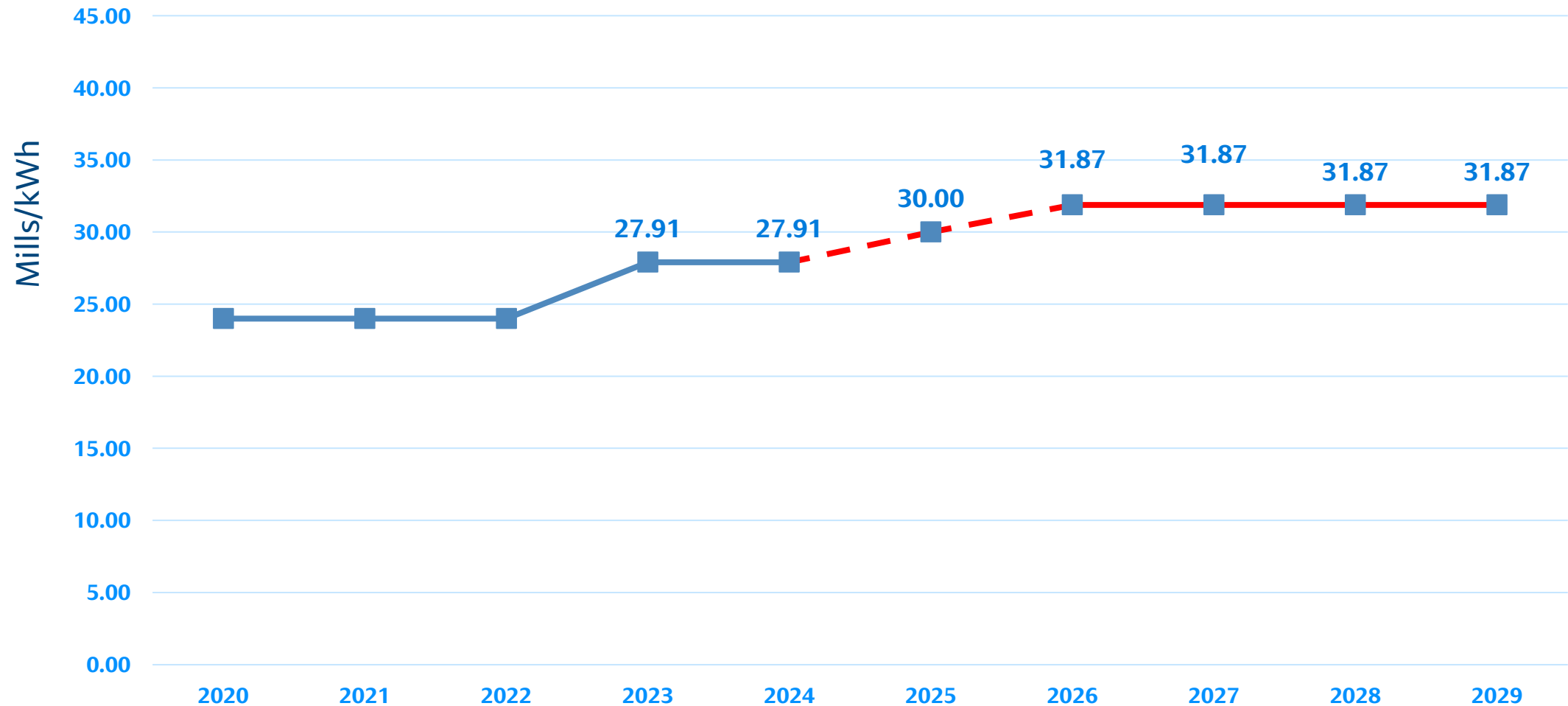


P-SMBP--ED Rate Changes

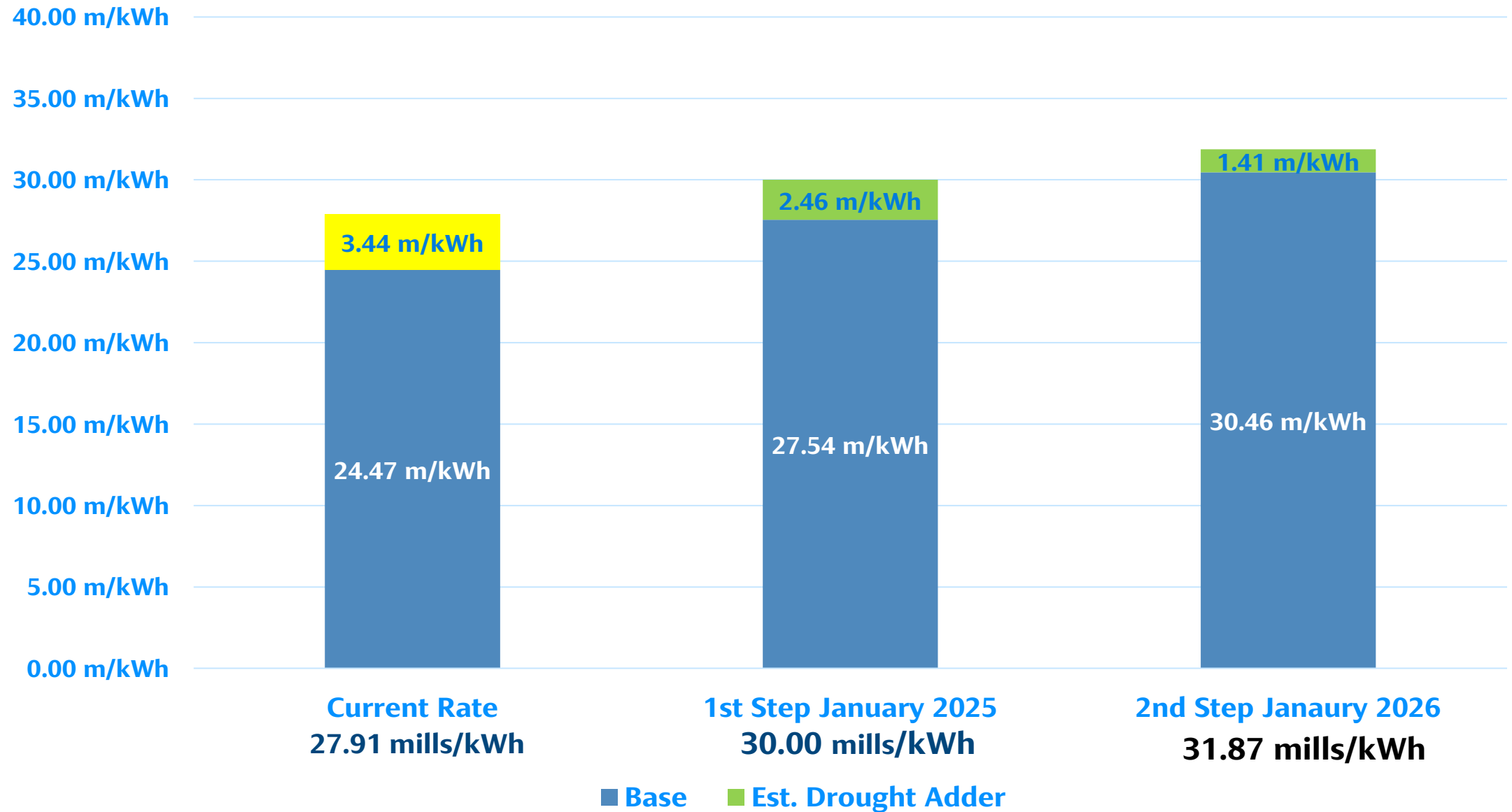
- Composite Rate increasing an estimated 3.96 mills/kWh or 14.2%
 - from 27.91 to 31.87 mills/kWh
- Implementing over a two-year period/in two steps
 - Increasing 2.09 mills/kWh in Jan. 2025
 - Increasing another 1.87 mills/kWh Jan. 2026
- Note: the Drought Adder components used to calculate this overall Composite Rate change are estimates and are subject to change based upon updated AOP/generation models and revised drought costs



P-SMBP--ED Composite Rate Historical and Projected



P-SMBP--ED Proposed Rates for January 2025 and 2026



P-SMBP--ED Revenue Requirement Components

Firm Power Service	Current Jan. 1, 2023 (in million \$)	Proposed Step 1 Jan. 1, 2025 (in million \$)	First Step Percent Change	Proposed Step 2 Jan. 1, 2026 (in million \$)	Second Step Percent Change
Total Revenue Requirement	\$268.4	\$288.1	7.4%	\$306.0	6.2%
Base Component	\$235.4	\$264.5	12.4%	\$292.4	10.5%
Drought Adder Component	\$33.0	\$23.6	-28.5%	\$13.6	-42.4%



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P-SMBP--ED Proposed Rates Summary

P-SMBP--ED Firm Power Service	Current Under P-SED-F14/ P-SED-FP14 As of Jan. 1, 2023	Proposed Under P-SED-F15/ P-SED-FP15 As of Jan. 1, 2025 ¹	First Step Percent Change	Proposed Under P-SED-F15/ P-SED-FP15 As of Jan. 1, 2026 ¹	Second Step Percent Change
P-SMBP--ED Composite Rate (mills/kilowatt-hour)	27.91	30.00	7.5%	31.87	6.2%
Firm Demand (\$/kilowatt-month)	\$6.20	\$6.60	6.5%	\$7.00	6.1%
Firm Energy (mills/kilowatt-hour)	15.27	16.55	8.4%	17.60	6.3%
Firm Peaking Demand (\$/kilowatt-month)	\$5.70	\$6.05	6.1%	\$6.40	5.8%
Firm Peaking Energy ^{2/} (mills/kilowatt-hour)	15.27	16.55	8.4%	17.60	6.3%

^{1/} Proposed values are estimates only based on using final base and estimated drought adder components.

^{2/} Firm peaking energy is normally returned. This will be assessed in the event firm peaking energy is not returned.



	Proposed Charges Under Rate Schedules P-SED-F15 and P-SED-FP15 First Step As of January 1, 2025			Proposed Charges Under Rate Schedules P-SED-F15 and P-SED-FP15 Second Step As of January 1, 2026		
	Base Component	Drought Adder Component 1/	Total Charge 2/	Base Component	Drought Adder Component 1/	Total Charge 2/
Firm Demand (\$/kilowatt- month)	\$6.05	\$0.55	\$6.60	\$6.70	\$0.30	\$7.00
Firm Energy (mills/kWh)	15.21	1.34	16.55	16.80	0.80	17.60
Firm Peaking Demand (\$/kilowatt- month)	\$5.55	\$0.50	\$6.05	\$6.10	\$0.30	\$6.40
Firm Peaking Energy (mills/kWh)	15.21	1.34	16.55	16.80	0.80	17.60



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Sale of Surplus Products LAP and P-SMBP--ED



Sale of Surplus Products

- No Changes being proposed to existing rate schedules L-M3 and P-SM2
 - Surplus energy & capacity products include:
 - Energy
 - Reserves
 - Regulation
 - Frequency Response
 - Requirements
 - Separate agreement(s) with Marketing Offices – not to exceed 1 year
 - Charge
 - Based on market rates plus administrative costs



Annual Drought Adder Review Schedule



Drought Adder Review Schedule for 2024

- Finalize annual Power Repayment Studies (Feb-March)
- Determine if Base and/or Drought Adder needs adjustment via formal rate adjustment
- Corps snowpack is final—new generation projections April 15th
- Perform preliminary review of Drought Adder early summer – notify customers of estimated change to the rate



- **Perform second review of Drought Adder in September**
- **Notify customers in October of Drought Adder change to be implemented January 2025**



P-SMBP--ED

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Question and Answer Session

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