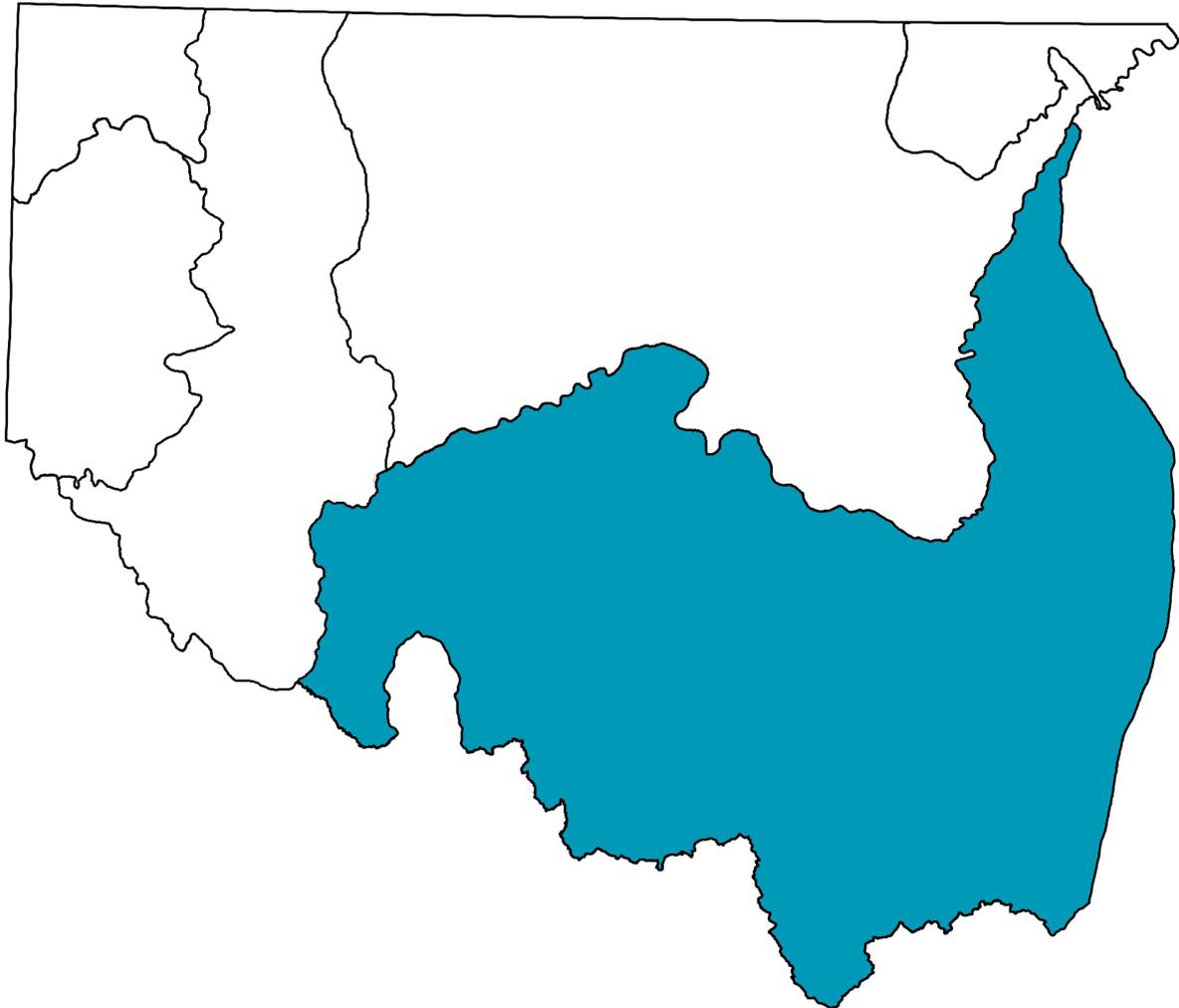


Section 6.1

Coconino Plateau Basin



6.1.1 Geography of the Coconino Plateau Basin

The Coconino Plateau Basin, located in the southeastern part of the planning area is 5,812 square miles in area and the largest basin in the planning area. Geographic features and principal communities are shown on Figure 6.1-1. The basin is characterized by high-elevation mountain ranges, plateaus and canyons. Vegetation types include Mohave and Great Basin desertscrub, Plains and Great Basin grasslands, Great Basin conifer woodland and Rocky Mountain and madrean montane conifer forest. There are small areas of subalpine conifer forest and alpine tundra in the San Francisco Mountains in the southeast corner of the basin. (See Figure 6.0-11)

- Principal geographic features shown on Figure 6.1-1 are:
 - The Colorado River and Grand Canyon forming the northern basin boundary
 - Numerous streams that flow into the Colorado River including Diamond Creek, Havasu Creek and the Little Colorado River
 - Coconino Plateau in the center of the basin
 - Aubrey Cliffs in the western portion of the basin
 - San Francisco Peaks in the southeastern portion of the basin, including the highest peak in the basin and planning area, Mt. Humphries at 12,633 feet.
 - The lowest point at approximately 2,100 feet where the Colorado River exits the basin.

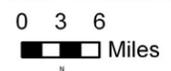
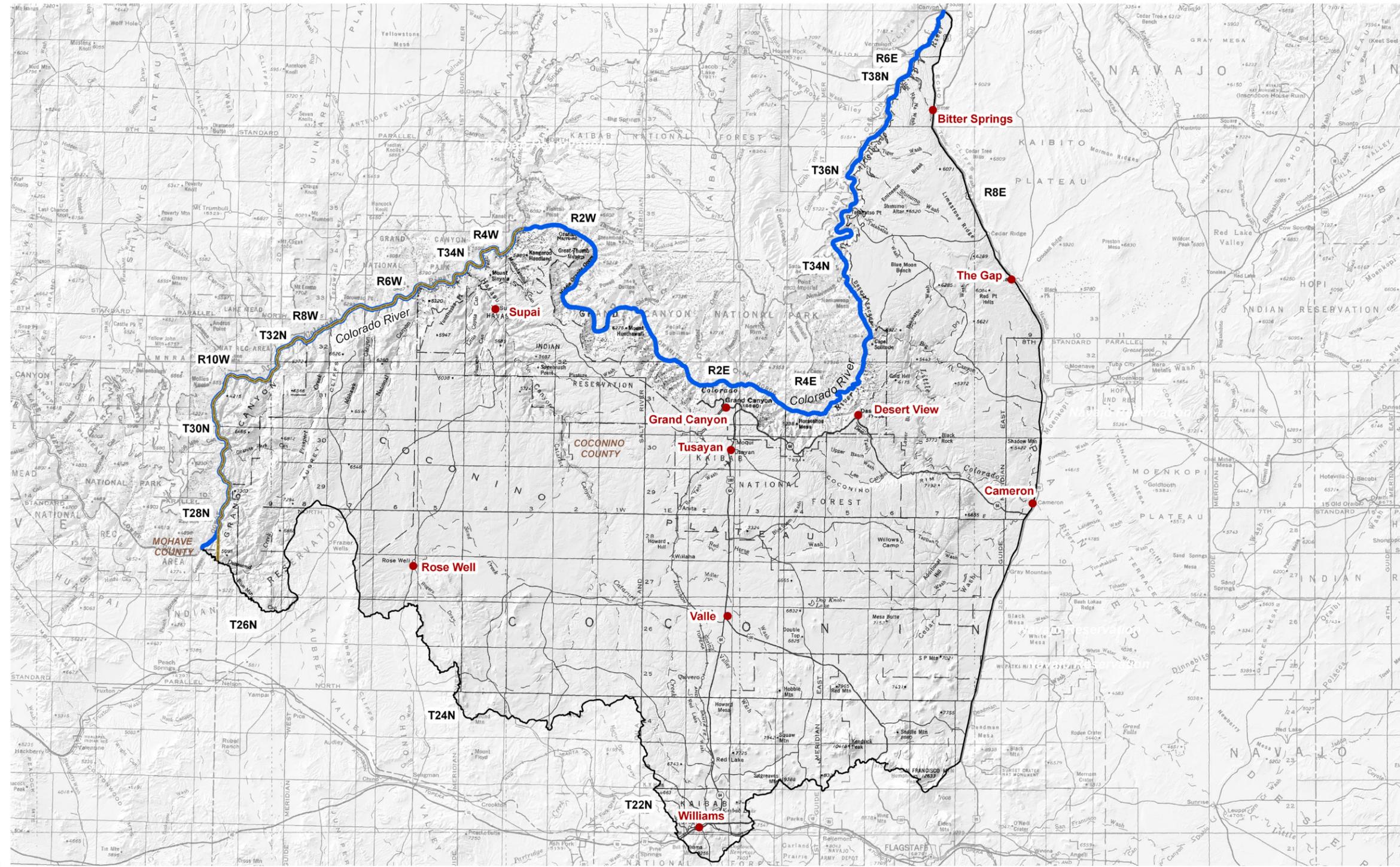


Figure 6.1-1
Coconino Plateau Basin
Geographic Features



Base Map: USGS 1:500,000, 1981



COUNTY
City, Town or Place



6.1.2 Land Ownership in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Land ownership, including the percentage of ownership by category, for the Coconino Plateau Basin is shown in Figure 6.1-2. Principal features of land ownership in this basin are the large blocks of tribal lands and the checkerboard pattern of state trust and private land. A description of land ownership data sources and methods is found in Volume 1, Appendix A. More detailed information on protected areas is found in Section 6.0.4. Land ownership categories are discussed below in the order from largest to smallest percentage in the basin.

Indian Reservation

- 37.3% of the land is under tribal ownership.
- The basin includes all of the Havasupai Indian Reservation and parts of the Hualapai Indian Reservation and the Navajo Indian Reservation.
- This basin contains the largest percentage of tribal lands in the planning area.
- Land uses include domestic, commercial, recreation and ranching.

Private

- 22.0% of the land is private.
- The majority of the private land is in the center of the basin and is interspersed with state trust lands.
- Land uses include domestic, commercial and ranching.

National Forest

- 17.8% of the land is federally owned and managed by the United States Forest Service (USFS).
- Forest lands in the basin are part of the Kaibab and Coconino National Forests.
- The basin contains approximately 25,000 acres in two wilderness areas, Kendrick Mountain in the Coconino and Kaibab National Forests and Kachina Peaks in the Coconino National Forest. (see Figure 6.0-14)
- Land uses include recreation, grazing and timber production.

State Trust Land

- 15.4% of the land is held in trust for the public schools and seven other beneficiaries under the State Trust Land system.
- Most state land is located in the center of the basin interspersed in a checkerboard pattern with private land.
- Primary land use is grazing.

National Park Service (NPS)

- 7.4% of the land is federally owned and managed by the National Park Service as the Grand Canyon National Park.
- Land uses include resource conservation and recreation.

U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

- 0.1% of the land is federally owned and managed by the Hassayampa Field Office of the

Bureau of Land Management.

- The small portion of BLM land is southwest of Grand Canyon Village.
- Primary land use is grazing.

6.1.3 Climate of the Coconino Plateau Basin

Climate data from NOAA/NWS Co-op Network, Evaporation Pan and SNOTEL/Snowcourse stations are compiled in Table 6.1-1 and the locations are shown on Figure 6.1-3. Figure 6.1-3 also shows precipitation contour data from the Spatial Climate Analysis Service (SCAS) at Oregon State University. The Coconino Plateau Basin does not contain AZMET stations. More detailed information on climate in the planning area is found in Section 6.0.3. A description of the climate data sources and methods is found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

NOAA/NWS Co-op Network

- Refer to Table 6.1-1A
- There are five NOAA/NWS Co-op network climate stations in the basin. The average monthly maximum temperature occurs in July and ranges between 83.0°F at Supai and 67.2°F at Grand Canyon #2. The average monthly minimum temperature occurs in January and ranges between 40.7°F at Supai and 29.3°F at Grand Canyon National Park.
- Highest average seasonal rainfall occurs at all stations in the summer (July-September). For the period of record used, the highest annual rainfall is 21.37 inches at Williams and the lowest is 8.76 inches at Supai.

Evaporation Pan

- Refer to Table 6.1-1B
- There is one evaporation pan station in the basin, Grand Canyon National Park 2. This pan is at 6,790 feet and has an annual evaporation rate of 44.04 inches.

SNOTEL/Snowcourse

- Refer to Table 6.1-1D
- There are four SNOTEL/Snowcourse stations in the basin, one at the Grand Canyon and the others located in the San Francisco Peaks area.
- The highest average monthly snowpack at most stations is in April.

SCAS Precipitation Data

- See Figure 6.1-3
- Additional precipitation data shows average annual rainfall as high as 40 inches at the southeastern tip of the basin and as low as four inches along the Colorado River and in the vicinity of Cameron.

Table 6.1-1 Climate Data for the Coconino Plateau Basin

A. NOAA/NWS Co-op Network:

Station Name	Elevation (in feet)	Period of Record Used for Averages	Average Temperature Range (in °F)		Average Precipitation (in inches)				
			Max/Month	Min/Month	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	Annual
Grand Canyon N.P.	6,890	1971-2000	69.2/Jul	29.3/Jan	4.38	1.92	5.73	3.65	15.68
Grand Canyon N.P. 2	6,970	1971-2000	67.0/Jul	30.4/Jan	5.20	2.17	5.40	3.73	16.50
Grand Canyon N.P. 3	6,960	1957-1977 ¹	69.0/Jul	30.5/Jan	2.92	1.84	3.89	3.87	12.51
Supai	3,200	1956-1987 ¹	83.0/Jul	40.7/Jan	2.36	1.20	3.02	2.18	8.76
Williams	6,750	1971-2000	68.3/Jul	33.4/Jan	6.77	2.28	7.28	5.04	21.37

Source: WRCC, 2005b

Notes:

N.P. = National Park

¹ Average temperature for period of record shown; average precipitation from 1971-2000

B. Evaporation Pan:

Station Name	Elevation (in feet)	Period of Record Used for Averages	Avg. Annual Evap (in inches)
Grand Canyon N P. 2	6,790	1976 - 2002	44.04

Source: WRCC, 2005a

C. AZMET:

Station Name	Elevation (in feet)	Period of Record	Average Annual Reference Evapotranspiration, in inches (Number of years to calculate averages)
None			

D. SNOTEL/Snowcourse:

Station Name	Elevation (in feet)	Period of Record	Average Snowpack, as Snow Water Content, at the Beginning of the Month, in Inches (Number of measurements to calculate average)					
			Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Bear Paw	10,100	1968 - current	9.8 (16)	11.6 (27)	17.7 (36)	20.5 (37)	18.1 (20)	7.1 (11)
Grand Canyon	7,500	1947 - current	1.2 (24)	2.3 (58)	2.0 (59)	0.7 (56)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Snowslide Canyon	9,750	1968 - current	6.7 (16)	9.0 (27)	13.4 (36)	15.2 (37)	9.1 (20)	0.7 (10)
Snowslide Canyon (SNOTEL)	9,730	1998 - current	6.8 (9)	9.9 (9)	14.16 (9)	16.4 (9)	10.8 (9)	0.7 (9)

Source: Natural Resources Conservation Service 2006a and 2006b

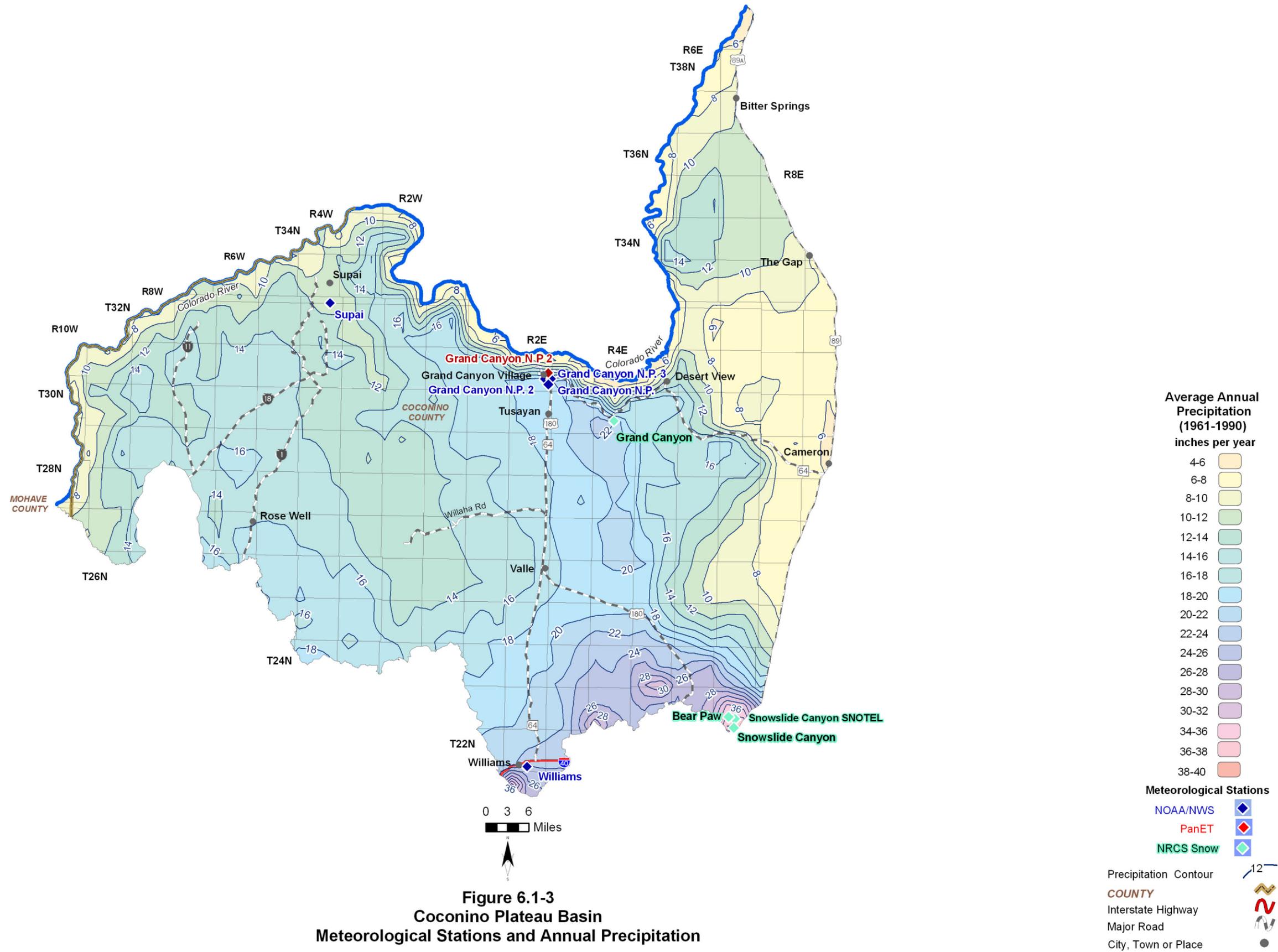


Figure 6.1-3
Coconino Plateau Basin
Meteorological Stations and Annual Precipitation

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
Precipitation Data Source: Oregon State University, 1998

6.1.4 Surface Water Conditions in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Streamflow data, including average seasonal flow, average annual flow and other information are shown in Table 6.1-2. Flood ALERT equipment in the basin is shown in Table 6.1-3. Reservoir and stockpond data, including maximum storage or maximum surface area, are shown in Table 6.1-4. The location of streamflow gages identified by USGS number, flood ALERT equipment, USGS runoff contours and large reservoirs are shown on Figure 6.1-5. Descriptions of stream, reservoir and stockpond data sources and methods are found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

Streamflow Data

- Refer to Table 6.1-2.
- Data from 12 stations located at eight watercourses are shown in the table and on Figure 6.1-5. Six of the 12 stations have been discontinued and five of the six remaining stations are real-time stations.
- Average seasonal flow is relatively similar in all seasons at more than half of the stations due to regulated flow on the Colorado River or proximity to springs. Exceptions are, Moenkopi Wash near Cameron and Bright Angel Creek near Grand Canyon.
- The largest annual flow recorded in the basin is 15.97 million acre feet (maf) in 1997 at the Colorado River above Diamond Creek near Peach Springs station with a contributing drainage area of more than 149,000 square miles.
- Most streams in this basin have a mean and median annual flow of over 10,000 acre-feet. The Colorado River and the Little Colorado River have a mean annual flow of over 100,000 acre-feet.
- The main tributary to the Colorado River, the Little Colorado River has a mean annual flow of more than 162,000 acre-feet near Cameron. As shown on Figure 6.1-4, there is significant variability in year to year flow at this station.

Flood ALERT Equipment

- Refer to Table 6.1-3.
- As of October 2005 there were two stations in the basin.

Reservoirs and Stockponds

- Refer to Table 6.1-4.
- The basin contains 12 large reservoirs. The largest is Dogtown with a maximum storage capacity of 1,390 acre-feet.
- The most common use of the large reservoirs is for fire protection or as a stock or farm pond. Dogtown, Kaibab and Cataract Reservoirs provide water supply for the City of Williams.
- Half of the large reservoirs in this basin are either dry or intermittent lakes.
- Surface water is stored or could be stored in 45 small reservoirs in the basin.
- There are 757 registered stockponds in this basin.

Runoff Contour

- Refer to Figure 6.1-5.
- Average annual runoff is highest, two inches per year or 106.6 acre-feet per square mile, in the southeastern portion of the basin and decreases to 0.1 inches, or 5.33 acre-feet per square mile, along most of the Colorado River.

Figure 6.1-4 Annual Flows (acre-feet) at Little Colorado River near Cameron, water years 1948-2006 (Station #9402000)

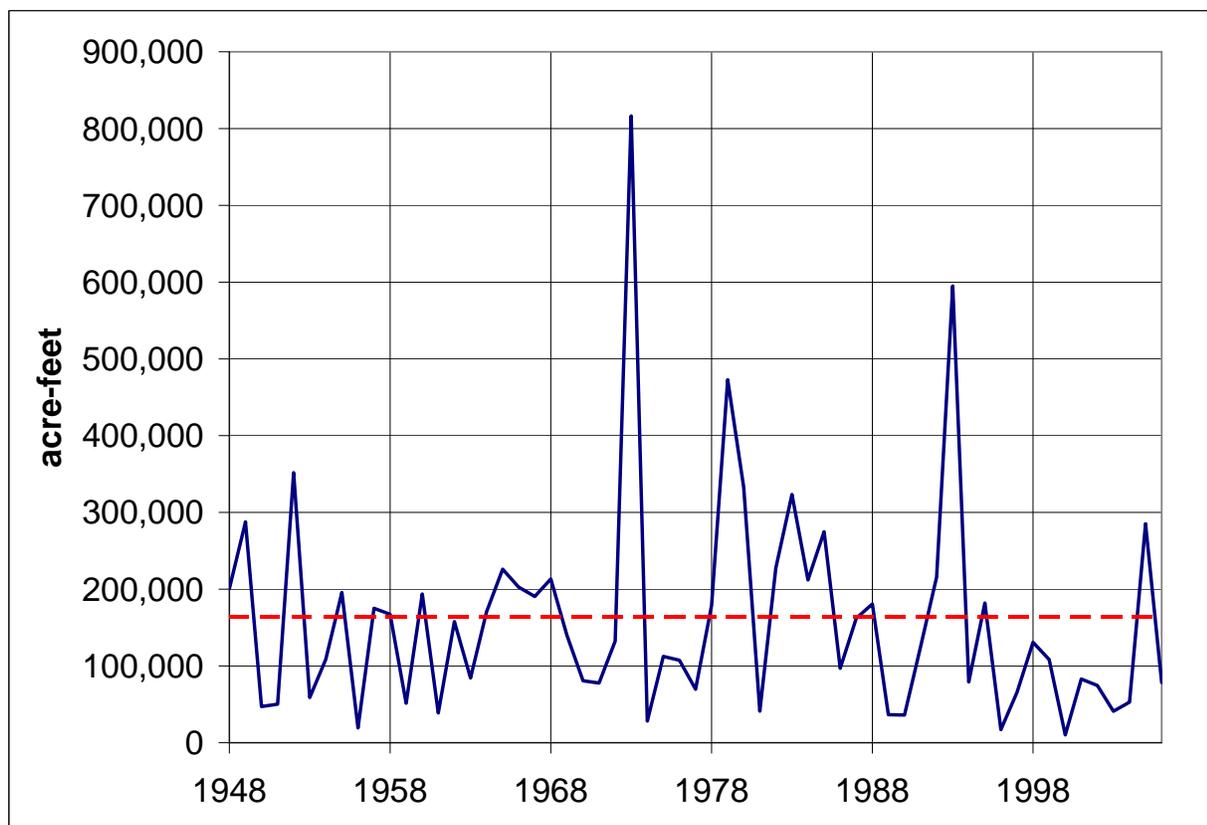


Table 6.1-2 Streamflow Data for the Coconino Plateau Basin

Station Number	USGS Station Name	Drainage Area (in mi ²)	Gage Elevation (in feet)	Period of Record	Average Seasonal Flow (% of annual flow)				Annual Flow/Year (in acre-feet)				Years of Annual Flow Record
					Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	Minimum	Median	Mean	Maximum	
9401500	Moenkopi Wash near Cameron	2,662	4,161	10/1953-1/1965 (discontinued)	6	3	78	13	3,671 (1960)	6,936	9,981	19,909 (1963)	11
9402000	Little Colorado River near Cameron	26,459	3,979	6/1947-current (real time)	34	26	27	14	10,215 (2000)	138,315	162,519	816,449 (1973)	55
9402300	Little Colorado River above the mouth near Desert View	NA	2,760	5/1990-current (real time)	31	34	18	7	No statistics run; less than 3 years of data				2
9402450	Cottonwood Spring above confluence with Cottonwood Creek near Grand Canyon	NA	3,920	10/1994-1/2003 (discontinued)	40	16	9	35	No statistics run; less than 3 years of data				2
9403000	Bright Angel Creek near Grand Canyon	101	2,495	10/1923-4/1993 (discontinued)	18	50	16	16	11,366 (1972)	21,502	25,165	65,737 (1941)	51
9403043	Hermit Creek above Tonto Trail near Grand Canyon	NA	2,920	10/1994-1/2003 (discontinued)	26	26	25	24	No statistics run; less than 3 years of data				1
9404110	Havasu Creek at Supai	2,809	3,240	9/1995-current (real time)	25	25	26	24	46,985 (1996)	47,421	47,514	47,930 (1998)	7
9404112	Havasu Creek above Havasu Falls near Supai	2,898	2,900	9/1995-6/2000 (discontinued)	25	24	27	25	39,022 (1996)	39,964	40,090	41,412 (1998)	4
9404115	Havasu Creek above the mouth near Supai	NA	1,800	11/1990-current	25	24	27	24	50,474 (2002)	52,176	52,574	55,471 (1992)	4
9404120	Colorado River above National Canyon near Supai	147,931	1,760	7/1983-4/1996 (discontinued)	24	22	32	22	8,246,104 (1990)	8,542,935	8,526,042	8,789,087 (1991)	3
9404200	Colorado River above Diamond Creek near Peach Springs	149,316	1,340	8/1983-current (real time)	25	25	28	23	8,450,947 (2002)	9,254,765	10,426,177	15,974,970 (1997)	13
9404208	Diamond Creek near Peach Springs	280	1,440	5/1993-current (real time)	29	18	31	22	2,209 (2002)	2,629	2,967	5,026 (1999)	9

Source: USGS (NWIS) 2005 & 2008

Notes:

NA = Not available

Statistics based on Calendar Year

Annual Flow statistics based on monthly values

Annual Flow/Year statistics were only completed for those gages that had at least 3 year of 12 month records

Summation of Average Annual Flows may not equal 100 due to rounding

Period of record may not equal Year of Record used for annual Flow/Year statistics due to only using years with a 12 month record

In Period of Record, current equals November 2008

Seasonal and annual flow data used for statistics current through 12/2004

Table 6.1-3 Flood ALERT Equipment in the Coconino Basin

Station ID	Station Name	Station Type	Install Date	Responsibility
3920	City Dam in Williams	Precipitation/Stage	9/23/2005	ADWR
7540	Manzanita Repeater	Repeater/Precipitation	NA	Mohave County FCD

Source: ADWR 2005a

Notes:

ADWR = Arizona Department of Water Resources

FCD = Flood Control District

NA = Information is not available at this time

Table 6.1-4 Reservoirs and Stockponds in the Coconino Plateau Basin

A. Large Reservoirs (500 acre-feet capacity and greater)

MAP KEY	RESERVOIR/LAKE NAME (Name of dam, if different)	OWNER/OPERATOR	MAXIMUM STORAGE (AF)	USE ¹	JURISDICTION
1	Dogtown	City of Williams	1,390	F,R,S	State
2	Kaibab	City of Williams	967	F,R,S	State
3	Long Point	AZ Land Dept/ Babbitt Ranches	946 ²	P	State
4	Cataract (West Cataract Creek)	City of Williams	860 ²	R,S	State
5	Gonzales ^{3,5}	Private	776	O	Landowner

B. Other Large Reservoirs (50 acre surface area or greater)⁴

MAP KEY	RESERVOIR/LAKE NAME (Name of dam, if different)	OWNER/OPERATOR	MAXIMUM SURFACE AREA (acres)	USE ¹	JURISDICTION
6	Davenport	Kaibab NF	252	P	Federal
7	Red Lake Tank ⁵	Private	200	P	Landowner
8	Dog Knob ⁶	Private	178	P	Landowner
9	Stone ⁵	AZ Land Dept.	153	P	State
10	Tule ⁶	Private	108	P	Landowner
11	Laguna ⁵	Hualapai Tribe	89	P	Tribal
12	Smoot	Private	50	P	Landowner

Source: Compilation of databases from ADWR & others

C. Small Reservoirs (greater than 15 acre-feet and less than 500 acre-feet capacity)

Total number: 8

Total maximum storage: 892 acre-feet

D. Other Small Reservoirs (between 5 and 50 acres surface area)⁴

Total number: 37

Total surface area: 521 acres

E. Stockponds (up to 15 acre-feet capacity)

Total number: 757

¹ F=fish & wildlife pond; O=Other; P=fire protection, stock or farm pond; R=recreation; S=water supply

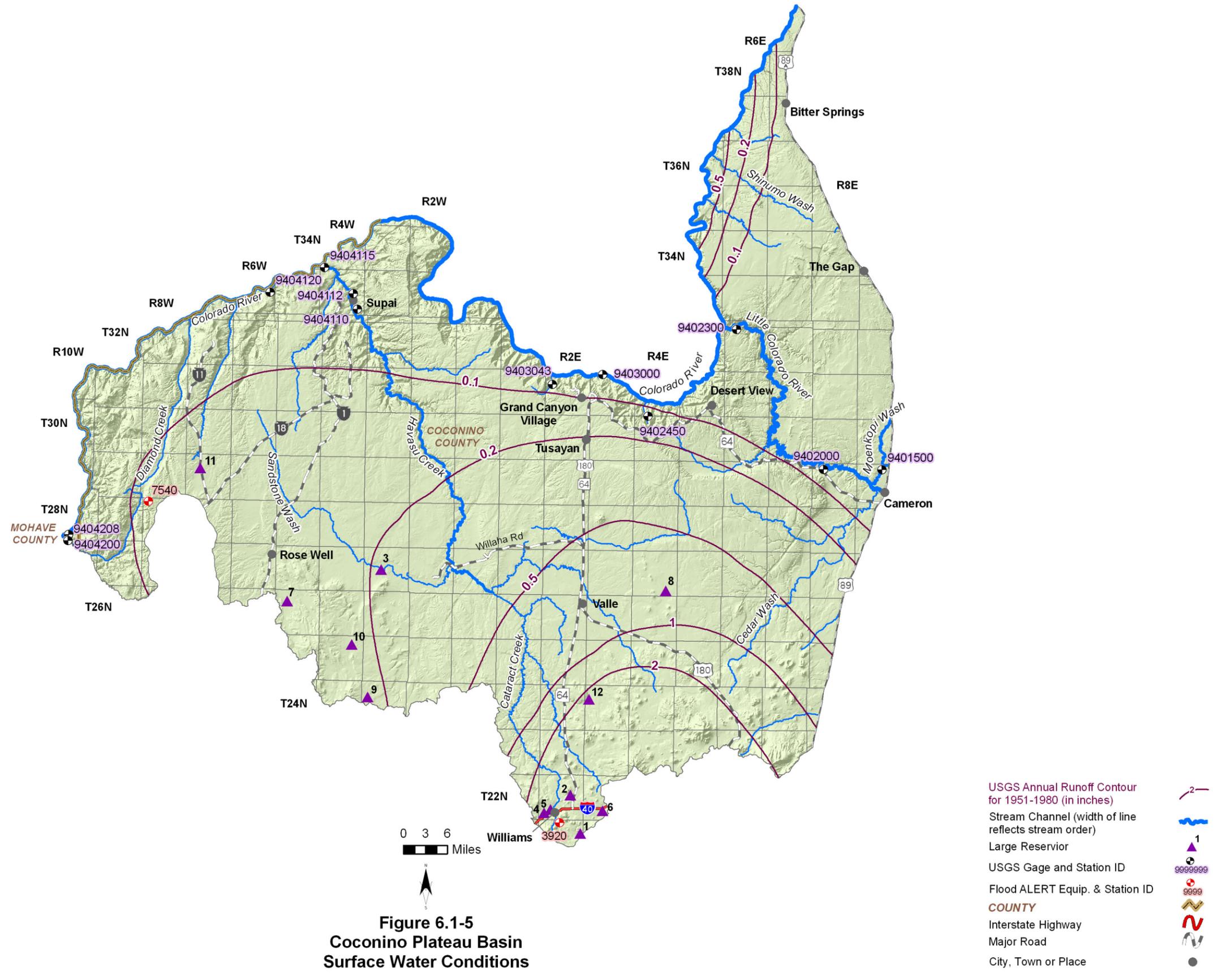
² Normal capacity < 500acre-feet

³ The height of this dam is less than 6 feet. It is not regulated by State or Federal government.

⁴ Capacity data not available to ADWR

⁵ Intermittent lake

⁶ Dry



6.1.5 Perennial/Intermittent Streams and Major Springs in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Major and minor springs with discharge rates and date of measurement, and the total number of springs in the basin are shown in Table 6.1-5. The locations of major springs and perennial and intermittent streams are shown on Figure 6.1-6. Descriptions of data sources and methods for intermittent and perennial reaches and springs are found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

- Most of the perennial streams are located along and in the vicinity of the northern basin boundary. All perennial reaches, aside from the Colorado River, are short, spring fed and flow into the Colorado River.
- Intermittent streams are found along the Colorado River and in the vicinity of Williams. The Little Colorado River is intermittent for most of its length in the basin.
- There are 30 major springs with a measured discharge of 10 gallons per minute (gpm) or greater at any time. The largest discharge rate is 101,600 gpm at the Blue springs area which supports perennial flow in the Little Colorado River.
- Springs with measured discharge of 1 to 10 gpm are not mapped but coordinates are given in Table 6.1-5B. There are 27 minor springs in this basin.
- Listed discharge rates may not be indicative of current conditions. Many of the measurements were taken during or prior to 1995.
- The total number of springs, regardless of discharge, identified by the USGS varies from 71 to 80, depending on the database reference.

Table 6.1-5 Springs in the Coconino Plateau Basin

A. Major Springs (10 gpm or greater):

Map Key	Name	Location		Discharge (in gpm) ¹	Date Discharge Measured
		Latitude	Longitude		
1	Blue-springs area ²	360700	1114137	101,600	1950-1993
2	Havasu	361303	1124112	28,500	8/23/1994
3	Artesian at River Mile 182	361025	1130711	2,230	5/28/1995
4	Hawaii	360414	1121305	398	4/11/2001
5	Warm (multiple)	361148	1130459	390	5/28/1995
6	Hermit Creek	360417	1121307	328	11/21/2002
7	Diamond	354248	1131538	251	5/19/1993
8	Diamond Creek	354311	1131352	244	6/9/1994
9	Unnamed ^{3,4}	361627	1124331	200	5/20/1950
10	Hance at campground ³	360106	1115732	179	4/8/2001
11	Three Springs ³	355308	1131829	170	3/24/2004
12	Blue Mountain Canyon ³	354302	1131747	100	6/9/1994
13	Unnamed ^{3,4}	361535	1124226	100	5/20/1950
14	Big Canyon	361048	1114218	100	3/15/1967
15	Beecher	360957	1130802	90	5/28/1995
16	West Elk	352248	1115917	70	6/6/1979
17	Granite Spring Canyon ³	354855	1131833	57 ⁵	5/19/1993
18	Matkatamiba	362032	1124017	54	11/10/2003
19	Salt Trail Canyon	361119	1114221	50	3/15/1967
20	East Elk	352236	1115912	47	6/6/1979
21	Garden Creek below Tonto Trail	360440	1120740	45	11/9/2000
22	National Canyon (total flow)	361518	1125239	33	10/21/1997
23	Colorado River Mile 140 ³	362338	1123516	25 ⁶	6/22/1950
24	Newman	352418	1115149	20	6/5/1979
25	Monument ³	360356	1121032	18	11/21/2002
26	Unnamed	362837	1115042	15	4/29/1976
27	Granite Park ³	355750	1131836	14	10/13/1993
28	Monument Creek ³	360455	1121110	13	8/23/2003
29	Pipe Creek	360409	1120557	12 ⁵	12/7/2000
30	Unnamed ^{2,3}	361627	1124226	10	5/20/1950

Table 6.1-5 Springs in the Coconino Plateau Basin (Cont)
B. Minor Springs (1 to 10 gpm):

Name	Location		Discharge (in gpm) ¹	Date Discharge Measured
	Latitude	Longitude		
Fern	361524	1124204	8	8/24/1994
Boucher east	360609	1121414	8	4/12/2001
Tappen	355129	1112633	8	9/26/2001
Royal Arch	361119	1122715	7	3/23/2002
Mohawk Canyon	361246	1125815	5	5/19/2002
Cottonwood	360128	1115912	5	11/29/2000
Miner's	360059	1115817	5 ⁷	11/20/1981
Burro	360436	1120604	4	4/8/2001
Honga above mouth	361237	1130257	4 ⁷	10/10/1993
Pipe	360415	1120606	4	5/22/2000
Raspberry	352030	1113852	4	8/30/1978
222 Mile Canyon	354815	1131920	3	5/31/1995
Big	355959	1131227	3	5/20/1993
Unnamed	355502	1131959	2	10/13/1993
Unnamed	355502	1131959	2	5/31/1995
Red Canyon	360020	1115604	2	6/3/2002
Pumphouse	360440	1120731	2 ⁷	11/19/2001
Grapevine East	360232	1120042	2 ⁷	11/29/2000
Grapevine Main	360039	1120009	1	11/15/2001
Forester Canyon 2	361403	1123142	1	1/20/2002
National Canyon	361346	1125215	1	11/6/2002
Salt Creek	360436	1120940	1	4/1/2001
Clover	351351	1121211	1	8/5/1976
Sapphire	360711	1121846	1	10/23/2003
Horn	360450	1120836	1	11/22/2002
Hockey Puck	355602	1131032	1	6/9/1994
Unnamed ^{3,4}	351509	113524	1	11/1950

Source: Compilation of databases from ADWR & others

**C. Total number of springs, regardless of discharge, identified by USGS
(see ALRIS, 2005a and USGS, 2006b): 71 to 80**

Notes:

¹ Most recent measurement identified by ADWR

² Discharge is average for all springs in the lower 13 mile reach of the Little Colorado River, date measured varies by spring

³ Spring is not displayed on current USGS topo maps

⁴ Location approximated by ADWR

⁵ Discharge measurements vary. Shown is greatest measured discharge; most recent measurement < 10 gpm

⁶ Average discharge

⁷ Discharge measurements vary. Shown is greatest measured discharge; most recent measurement < 1 gpm



6.1.6 Groundwater Conditions of the Coconino Plateau Basin

Major aquifers, well yields, estimated water in storage, number of index wells and date of last water-level sweep are shown in Table 6.1-6. Figure 6.1-7 shows aquifer flow direction and water-level change between 1990-1991 and 2003-2004. Figure 6.1-8 contains hydrographs for selected wells shown on Figure 6.1-7. Figure 6.1-9 shows well yields in four yield categories. A description of aquifer data sources and methods as well as well data sources and methods, including water-level changes and well yields are found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

Major Aquifers

- Refer to Table 6.1-6 and Figure 6.1-7.
- Major aquifers in the basin include volcanic rocks, basin fill and sedimentary rocks (C- and R-aquifers and Moenkopi and Chinle Formations).
- Almost all of the basin geology consists of consolidated crystalline and sedimentary rock.
- Flow direction is toward the Little Colorado River in the eastern portion of the basin and generally toward the west and north in the western portion of the basin.

Well Yields

- Refer to Table 6.1-6 and Figure 6.1-9.
- As shown on Figure 6.1-9, well yields in this basin are generally less than 100 gallons per minute (gpm). However, there are several relatively high yield wells owned by the City of Flagstaff in the southeast part of the basin.
- One source of well yield information, based on 16 reported wells, indicates that the median well yield in this basin is 45.5 gpm.

Water Level

- Refer to Figure 6.1-7. Water levels are shown for wells measured in 2003-2004.
- The Department annually measures three index wells in this basin. Hydrographs for two of these wells (B and C) and one other well are shown in Figure 6.1-8.
- All water level information is from the southern portion of the basin. Although not shown on the map, there are three wells with a depth to water of over 2,700 feet in the vicinity of Williams. The shallowest water level shown on the map is five feet in a perched aquifer south of Williams.

Table 6.1-6 Groundwater Data for the Coconino Plateau Basin

Basin Area, in square miles:	5,812	
Major Aquifer(s):	Name and/or Geologic Units	
	Volcanic Rock	
	Basin Fill	
	Sedimentary Rock (Moenkopi and Chinle Formations)	
	Sedimentary Rock (C Aquifer)	
	Sedimentary Rock (R Aquifer)	
Well Yields, in gal/min:	44 (1 well measured)	Measured by ADWR (GWSI) and/or USGS
	Range 4-1,500 Median 45.5 (16 reported)	Reported on registration forms for large (>10-inch) diameter wells (Wells55)
	Range 30-100	ADWR (1990)
	Range 0-10	Anning and Duet (1994)
Estimated Natural Recharge, in acre-feet/year:	N/A	
Estimated Water Currently in Storage, in acre-feet:	3,000,000*	Montgomery et al, 2000
Current Number of Index Wells:	2	
Date of Last Water-level Sweep:	1964 (5 wells measured)	

* Estimated by ADWR based on the assumptions by Montgomery et al (2000) of an average specific yield (drainage porosity) of 0.1%. Montgomery et al's study area extended beyond and did not include all of the Coconino Plateau Basin.

N/A = Not Available

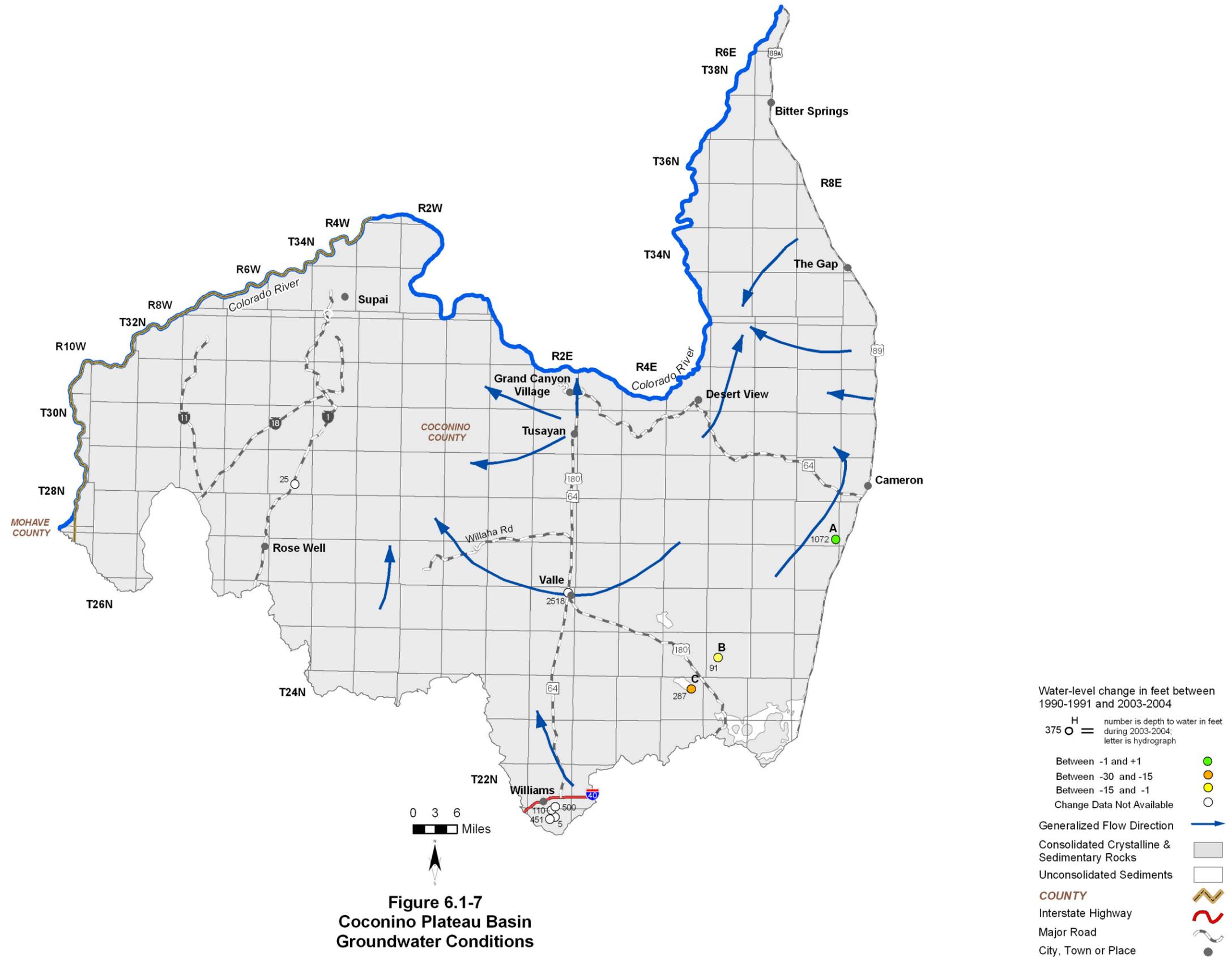


Figure 6.1-7
Coconino Plateau Basin
Groundwater Conditions

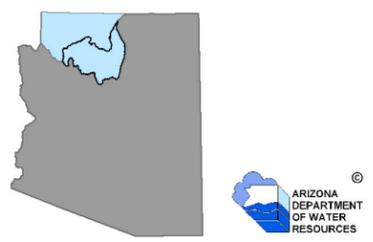
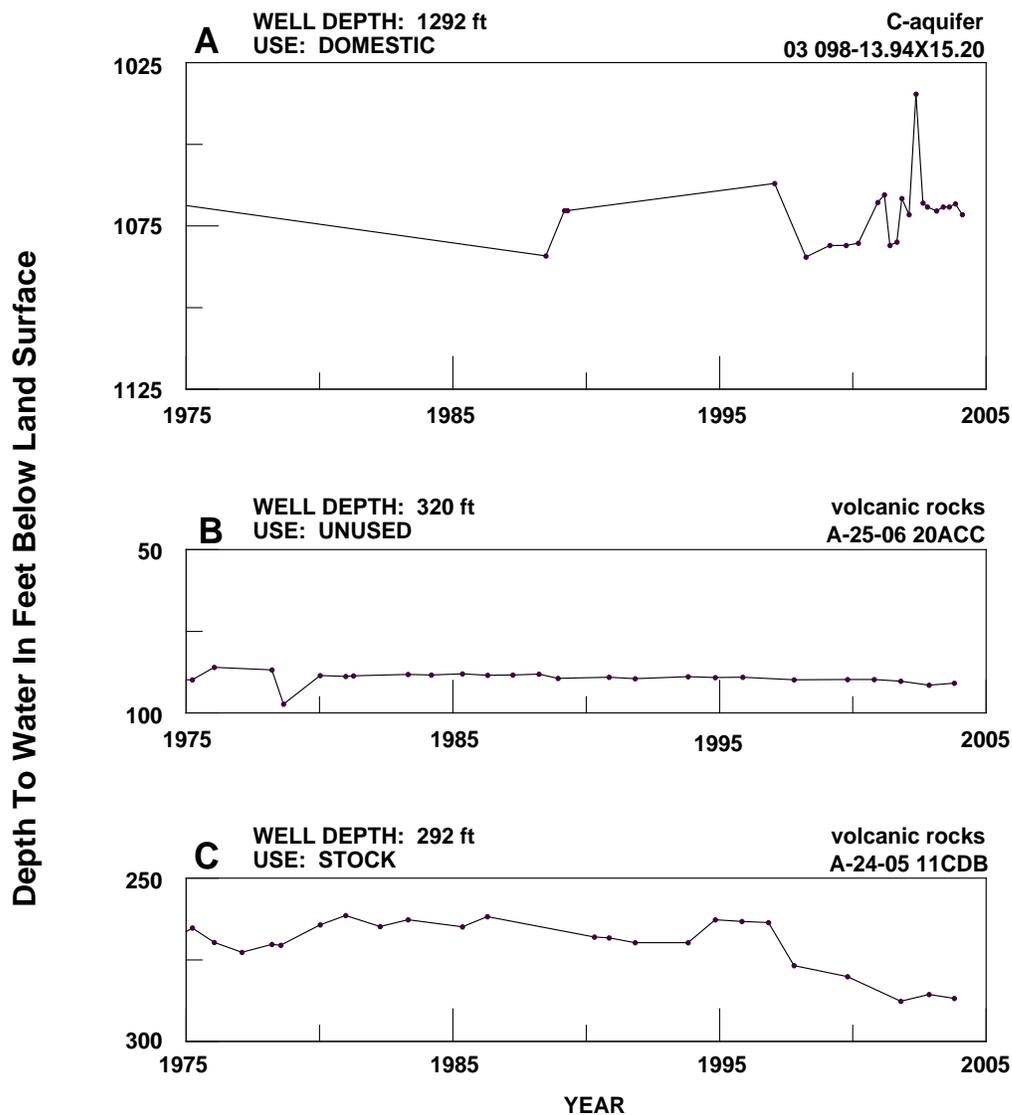


Figure 6.1-8
Coconino Plateau
Hydrographs Showing Depth to Water in Selected Wells



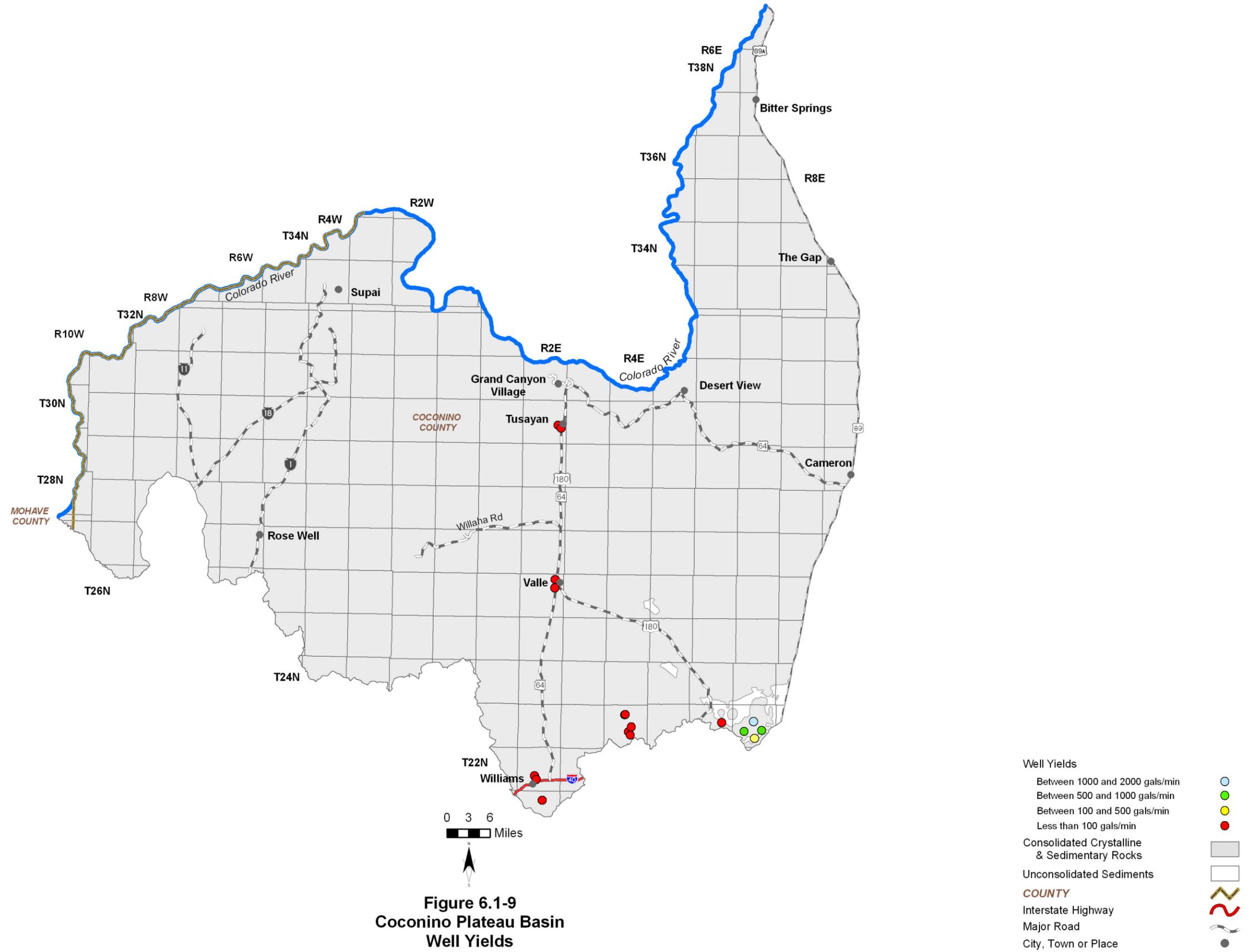
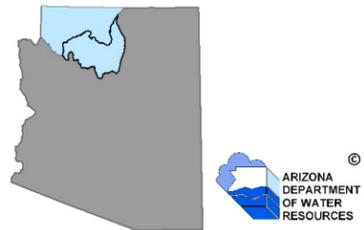


Figure 6.1-9
Coconino Plateau Basin
Well Yields



6.1.7 Water Quality of the Coconino Plateau Basin

Wells, springs and mine sites with parameter concentrations that have equaled or exceeded drinking water standard(s), including location and parameter(s) are shown in Table 6.1-7A. Impaired lakes and streams with site type, name, length of impaired reach, area of impaired lake, designated use standard and parameter(s) exceeded is shown in Table 6.1-7B. Figure 6.1-10 shows the location of water quality occurrences keyed to Table 6.1-7. All community water systems are regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act and treat water supplies to meet drinking water standards. Not all parameters were measured at all sites; selective sampling for particular constituents is common. A description of water quality data sources and methods is found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

Well, Mine or Spring sites that have equaled or exceeded drinking water standards (DWS)

- Refer to Table 6.1-7A.
- Twenty-two wells or springs have parameter concentrations that have equaled or exceeded drinking water standards.
- The parameter most frequently equaled or exceeded in the sites measured was arsenic. Other parameters equaled or exceeded include total dissolved solids, radionuclides, thallium, nitrates, mercury and lead.

Lakes and Streams with impaired waters

- Refer to Table 6.1-7B and Figure 6.1-10
- The water quality standard for suspended sediment concentration was exceeded in one 28-mile stream reach, the Colorado River from Parashant Canyon to Diamond Creek. This impaired reach is located along part of the border with the Shivwits Plateau Basin.
- This reach is not part of the ADEQ water quality improvement effort called the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Program at this time.

Effluent Dependent Reaches

- Refer to Figure 6.1-10
- There is one effluent dependent reach in this basin, which receives discharged effluent from the South Rim Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Table 6.1-7 Water Quality Exceedences in the Coconino Plateau Basin¹

A. Wells, Springs and Mines

Map Key	Site Type	Site Location			Parameter(s) Concentration has Equaled or Exceeded Drinking Water Standard (DWS) ²
		Township	Range	Section	
1	Spring	33 North	5 East	NA	TDS
2	Spring	32 North	7 East	31	TDS
3	Spring	31 North	2 East	15	Rad
4	Well	31 North	9 East	33	Tl
5	Spring	30 North	4 East	4	As
6	Spring	29 North	9 East	15	NO3
7	Well	25 North	2 East	27	TDS
8	Spring	33 North	4 West	11	Pb
9	Well	33 North	4 West	22	As
10	Spring	33 North	4 West	35	As, Pb
11	Spring	33 North	7 West	31	As
12	Spring	33 North	8 West	36	As, Hg
13	Spring	33 North	8 West	36	As, Hg
14	Spring	32 North	8 West	22	As
15	Spring	30 North	10 West	25	As
16	Spring	29 North	9 West	19	As
17	Spring	29 North	10 West	14	As, TDS
18	Spring	29 North	10 West	14	As
19	Spring	29 North	10 West	25	As
20	Well	27 North	6 West	12	Pb
21	Spring	27 North	9 West	15	As
22	Spring	27 North	10 West	24	As

Source: Compilation of databases from ADWR & others

B. Lakes and Streams

Map Key	Site Type	Site Name	Length of Impaired Stream Reach (in miles)	Area of Impaired Lake (in acres)	Designated Use Standard ³	Parameter(s) Exceeding Use Standard ²
a	Stream	Colorado River (Parashant Canyon to Diamond Creek)	28 ⁴	NA	A&W	Se, suspended sediment concentration

Source: ADEQ 2005e

Notes:

¹ Water quality samples collected between 1951 and 1994.

²As = Arsenic

Pb = Lead

Hg = Mercury

NO3 = Nitrate

Rad = One or more of the following radionuclides - Gross Alpha, Gross Beta, Radium, and Uranium

Se = Selenium

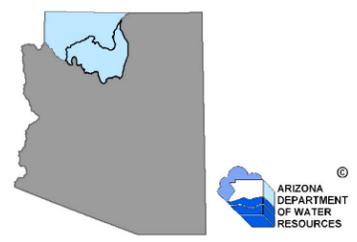
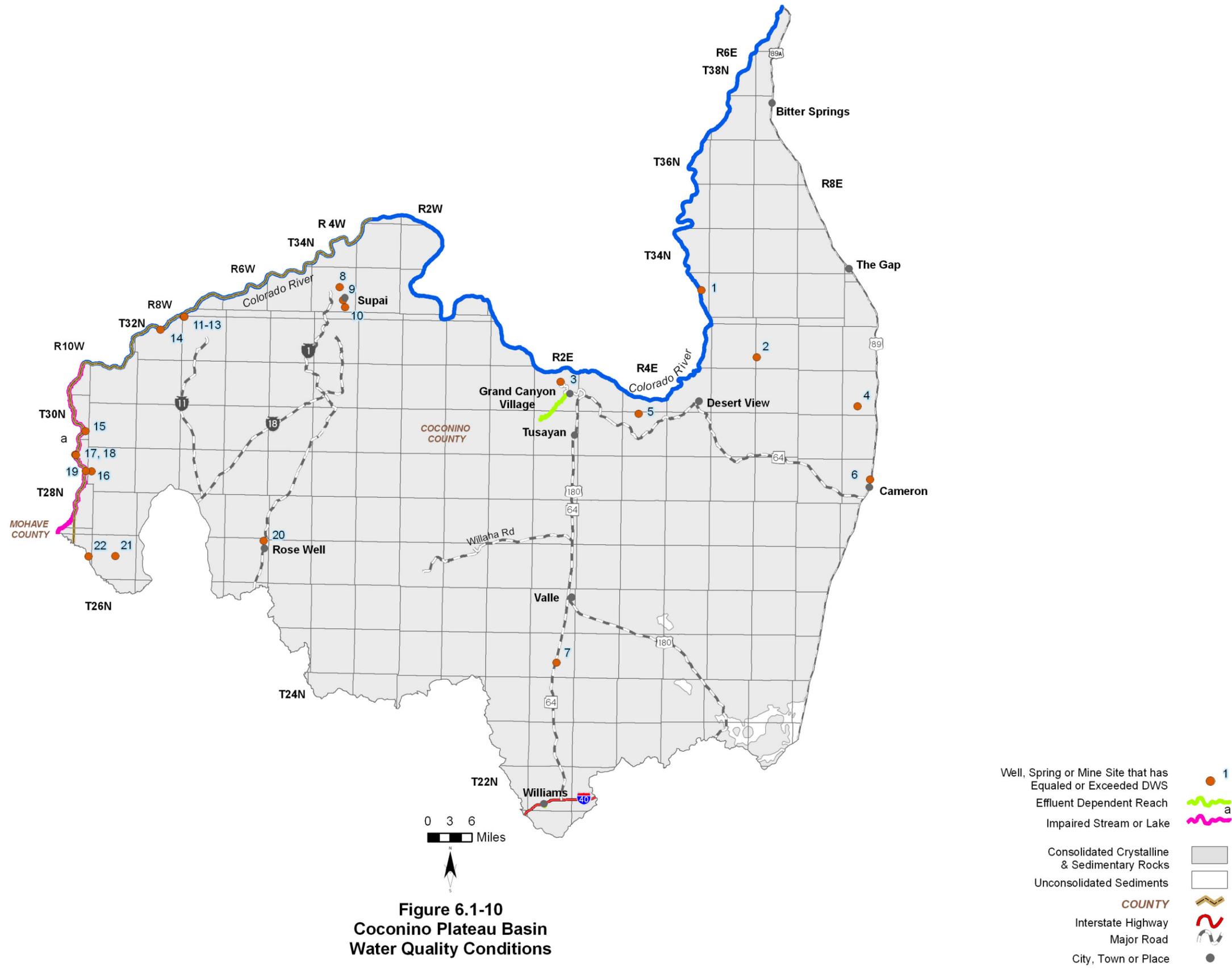
Tl = Thallium

TDS = Total Dissolved Solids

³ A&W = aquatic and wildlife

⁴ Total length of the impaired reach. This reach is located along part of the border with the Shivwits Plateau Basin.

NA = Not Applicable



6.1.8 Cultural Water Demand in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Cultural water demand data including population, number of wells and the average well pumpage and surface water diversions by the municipal, industrial and agricultural sectors are shown in Table 6.1-8. Effluent generation including facility ownership, location, population served and not served, volume treated, disposal method and treatment level is shown in Table 6.1-9. Figure 6.1-11 shows the location of demand centers. A description of cultural water demand data sources and methods is found in Volume 1, Appendix A. More detailed information on cultural water demand is found in Section 6.0.7.

Cultural Water Demand

- Refer to Table 6.1-8 and Figure 6.1-11.
- Population in this basin increased from 6,977 in 1980 to 9,164 in 2000 and is projected to reach 17,500 by 2030. This is the most populous basin in the planning area.
- All cultural water use in this basin is for municipal demand. Municipal demand centers include Williams, Tusayan, Grand Canyon Village, Valle, Supai and Cameron.
- Groundwater demand is small and has remained relatively constant from 1971-2005. In 2000 the City of Williams started using groundwater because surface water supplies were unavailable due to drought. Groundwater use in Williams increased to 389 acre-feet in 2006.
- Data on municipal surface water use prior to 1991 is not available. From 1991-2005 municipal surface water use decreased from 500 acre-feet per year (AFA) to 300 AFA due to surface water shortages in Williams.
- As of 2005 there were 172 registered wells with a pumping capacity of less than or equal to 35 gallons per minute and 38 wells with a pumping capacity of more than 35 gallons per minute.

Effluent Generation

- Refer to Table 6.1-9.
- There are eight wastewater treatment facilities in this basin.
- Information on population served was available for two facilities and information on effluent generation was available for five facilities. These facilities serve over 4,200 people and generate over 1,700 acre-feet of effluent per year.
- Four facilities discharge to watercourses, one discharges to an evaporation pond, one discharges for irrigation, four discharge to golf course or landscape irrigation, two discharge for municipal uses such as toilet flushing and two discharge to an unlined impoundments that recharge the aquifer.

Table 6.1-8 Cultural Water Demand in the Coconino Plateau Basin¹

Year	Estimated and Projected Population	Number of Registered Water Supply Wells Drilled		Average Annual Demand (in acre-feet)						Data Source
				Well Pumpage			Surface-Water Diversions			
		Q ≤ 35 gpm	Q > 35 gpm	Municipal	Industrial	Agricultural	Municipal	Industrial	Agricultural	
1971		93 ²	18 ²	<500			NR			ADWR (1994a)
1972										
1973										
1974										
1975										
1976										
1977				<500			NR			
1978										
1979										
1980	6,977									
1981	7,051	7	0	<500			NR			
1982	7,126									
1983	7,200									
1984	7,275									
1985	7,349									
1986	7,424									
1987	7,498	18	7	<500			NR			
1988	7,573									
1989	7,647									
1990	7,722									
1991	7,866	14	6	370	NR	NR	500	NR	NR	USGS (2007) ADWR (2008b) ADWR (2008c)
1992	8,010									
1993	8,155									
1994	8,299									
1995	8,443									
1996	8,587	19	7	400	NR	NR	600	NR	NR	
1997	8,731									
1998	8,876									
1999	9,020									
2000	9,164	21	0	500	NR	NR	300	NR	NR	
2001	9,636									
2002	10,109									
2003	10,581									
2004	11,053									
2005	11,525									
2010	13,886									
2020	16,081									
2030	17,500									
WELL TOTALS:		172	38							

¹ Does not include effluent or evaporation losses from stockponds and reservoirs.

² Includes all wells through 1980.

NR - Not reported

Note: Surface water diverted in the Kanab Plateau Basin is delivered to the Coconino Plateau Basin for use at the Grand Canyon South Rim. This diversion is not included in the table.

Table 6.1-9 Effluent Generation in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Facility Name	Ownership	City/Location Served	Population Served	Volume Treated/Generated (acre-feet/year)	Disposal Methods									Current Treatment Level	Population Not Served	Year of Record
					Water-course	Evaporation Pond	Irrigation	Golf Course/Turf/Landscape	Municipal Reuse	Wildlife Area	Discharged to Another Facility	Infiltration Basins	Other			
Cameron WWTP	Navajo Tribe	Cameron	190	11								X		Secondary	380	2000
Desert View WWTP	National Park Service	Campground	NA	11		X								NA		2004
Grand Canyon Inn	Private	Hotel	Varies	NA				X					X	NA		
Valle Airport WRF	Private	Valle	400	7	Unnamed Wash			X						Secondary	250	2008
South Rim WWTP	National Park Service	Park	NA	448	Bright Angel Wash			X	X				X	Tertiary	NA	2004
Supai Village Sewer System	Havasupai Tribe	Supai	1,000	56								X		Secondary	NA	2001
Tusayan WWTP	South Grand Canyon Sanitary District	Tusayan	NA	68	Coconino Wash		X		X					NA		2004
Williams WWTP	Williams	Williams	2,690	1,138	Mohawk Canyon			Elephant Rock						Secondary	NA	2000
Total			4,280	1,739												

Source: Compilation of databases from ADWR & others

Notes:

Year of Record is for the volume of effluent treated/generated
 NA: Data not currently available to ADWR
 WWTP: Waste Water Treatment Plant
 WRF: Water Reclamation Facility



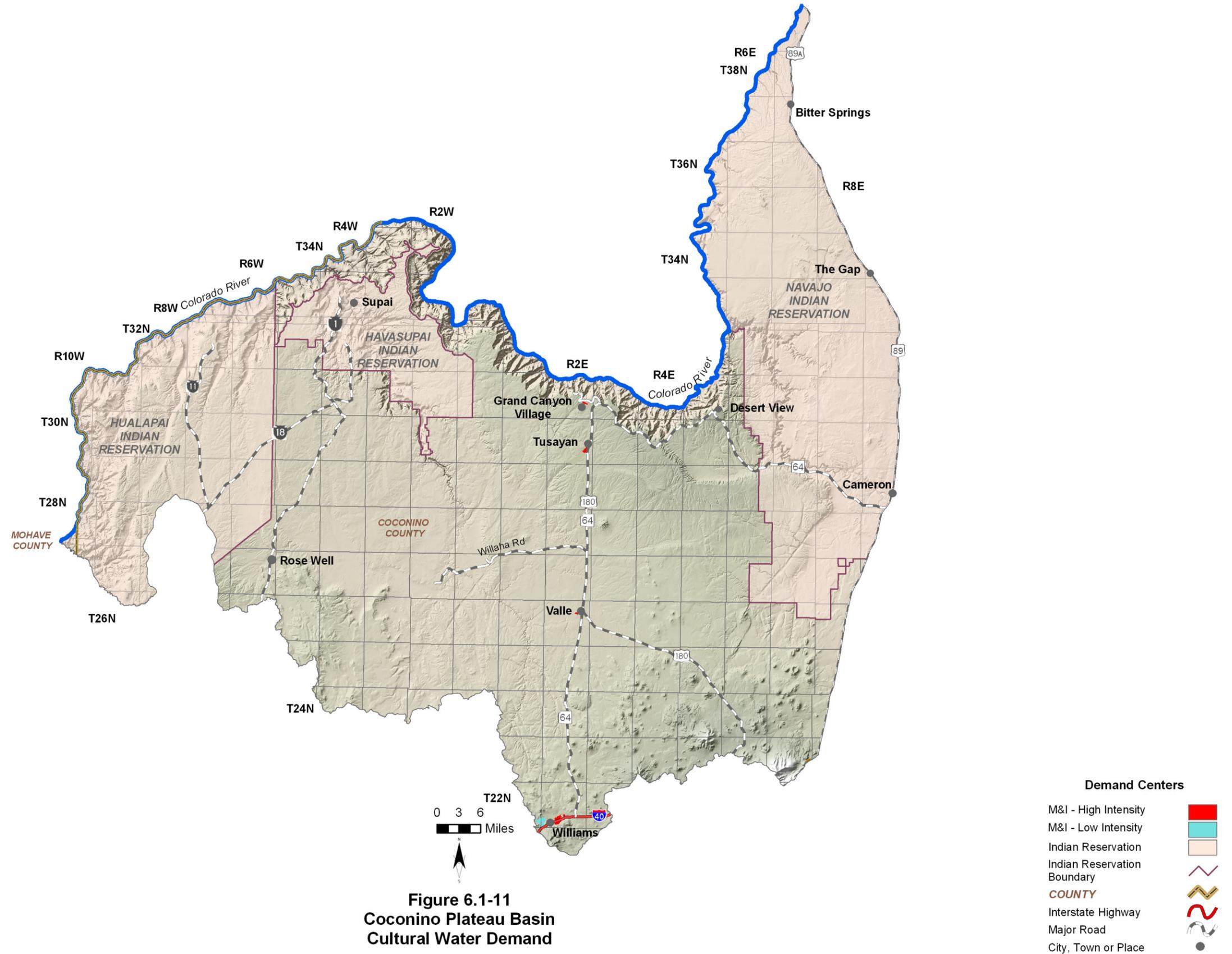


Figure 6.1-11
Coconino Plateau Basin
Cultural Water Demand

Primary Data Source: USGS National Gap Analysis Program, 2004

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6.1.9 Water Adequacy Determinations in the Coconino Plateau Basin

Water adequacy determination information including the subdivision name, location, number of lots, adequacy determination, reason for the inadequacy determination, date of determination and subdivision water provider are shown in Table 6.1-10. Figure 6.1-12 shows the locations of subdivisions keyed to the Table. A description of the Water Adequacy Program is found in Volume 1, Appendix C. Adequacy determination data sources and methods are found in Volume 1, Appendix A.

- All subdivisions receiving an adequacy determination are in the vicinity of Williams and Valle. Fifty-three water adequacy determinations for 2,050 lots have been made in this basin through December 2008; all were determinations of inadequacy.
- The most common reason for a determination of inadequacy was because the applicant chose not to submit necessary information and/or available hydrologic data were insufficient to make a determination.

Table 6.1-10 Adequacy Determinations in the Coconino Plateau Basin¹

Map Key	Subdivision Name	County	Location			No. of Lots	ADWR File No. ²	ADWR Adequacy Determination	Reason(s) for Inadequacy Determination ³	Date of Determination	Water Provider at Time of Application
			Township	Range	Section						
1	Bally Mountain	Coconino	23 North	2 East	35	19	53-500306	Inadequate	A3	1/14/1993	Dry Lot Subdivision
2	Canyon Vista Ranch	Coconino	23 North	2 East	21	11	53-400438	Inadequate	A1,A2	12/5/2000	Water Hauler
3	Cataract Creek Estates	Coconino	22 North	2 East	21	82	53-700394	Inadequate	A1	2/25/2008	City of Williams
4	Chaparral Heights	Coconino	23 North	2 East	16	44	53-500440	Inadequate	A2,A3	12/1/1986	Dry Lot Subdivision
5	Escalante at Williams Mountain	Coconino	21 North	2 East	6	52	53-402197	Inadequate	A1	6/14/2006	City of Williams
			22 North	2 East	31						
6	Escalante at Williams Mountain Phase 2a & 2b	Coconino	21 North	2 East	6	53	53-700309	Inadequate	A1	6/18/2007	City of Williams
7	Forest Canyon Estates	Coconino	22 North	2 East	32	70	53-700510	Inadequate	A1	5/7/2008	City of Williams
8	Grand Canyon Airpark Subdivision	Coconino	26 North	2 East	11	41	53-700502	Inadequate	A1	4/2/2008	Valle Domestic Water District
9	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 11	Coconino	26 North	3 East	18	29	53-402219	Inadequate	A1	7/10/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
10	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 12	Coconino	26 North	2 East	24	64	53-402216	Inadequate	A1	7/10/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
			26 North	3 East	19				A1		
11	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 12	Coconino	26 North	3 East	19	24	53-401972	Inadequate	A1	1/26/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
12	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 16	Coconino	26 North	3 East	22	9	53-700254	Inadequate	A1	4/17/2007	Dry Lot Subdivision
13	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 17	Coconino	26 North	3 East	9	7	53-402239	Inadequate	A1	8/21/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
14	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 3	Coconino	26 North	3 East	28	5	53-402221	Inadequate	A1	7/10/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
15	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 6	Coconino	26 North	3 East	20	5	53-700255	Inadequate	A1	4/4/2007	Dry Lot Subdivision
16	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 7	Coconino	26 North	3 East	21	8	53-402217	Inadequate	A1	7/10/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
17	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 8	Coconino	26 North	3 East	17	7	53-700228	Inadequate	A1	3/14/2007	Dry Lot Subdivision
18	Grand Canyon Subdivision Unit 9	Coconino	26 North	3 East	7	9	53-402218	Inadequate	A1	7/10/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
19	Highland Meadows North	Coconino	22 North	2 East	30	105	53-401783	Inadequate	A1	7/22/2005	City of Williams
20	Highland Meadows Place, Phase 2	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	16	53-401318	Inadequate	A1	1/18/2005	City of Williams
21	Highland Meadows Place, Phase 3	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	37	53-401833	Inadequate	A1	8/15/2005	City of Williams
22	Highland Meadows West	Coconino	22 North	1 East	36	20	53-402279	Inadequate	A1	8/31/2006	City of Williams
23	Highland Meadows at Williams #1	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	29	53-300384	Inadequate	A1	12/19/1997	City of Williams
24	Highland Meadows at Williams #2	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	125	53-400042	Inadequate	A1	4/14/1999	City of Williams
25	Highland Meadows at Williams Phase 4	Coconino	22 North	1 East	36	66	53-401786	Inadequate	A1	7/7/2005	City of Williams
26	Highland Meadows at Williams, Phase 3, Unit 1	Coconino	22 North	1 East	31, 36	38	53-401256	Inadequate	D	4/26/2004	City of Williams
27	Highland Meadows at Williams, Phase 3, Unit 2	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	39	53-401476	Inadequate	D	11/24/2004	City of Williams
28	Howard Mesa Ranch, Phase 2	Coconino	25 North	2 East	33	63	53-300584	Inadequate	A2	12/22/1998	Dry Lot Subdivision

Table 6.1-10 Adequacy Determinations in the Coconino Plateau Basin¹ (Cont)

Map Key	Subdivision Name	County	Location			No. of Lots	ADWR File No. ²	ADWR Adequacy Determination	Reason(s) for Inadequacy Determination ³	Date of Determination	Water Provider at Time of Application
			Township	Range	Section						
29	Howard Mesa Subdivision, Units 2 & 3	Coconino	25 North	2 East	27, 35	75	53-400073	Inadequate	A2	5/14/1999	Dry Lot Subdivision
30	Junipine Estates #2,3	Coconino	23 North	2 East	20	238	53-500831	Inadequate	A2,A3	9/25/1973	Dry Lot Subdivision
31	Kiabab Estates West	Coconino	22 North	2 East	11	9	NA	Inadequate	A2,A3	2/3/1992	Dry Lot Subdivision
32	Lake Kaibab Park	Coconino	23 North	2 East	15, 22, 23	4	53-500877	Inadequate	A3	4/8/1991	D&D Water Company
33	Lake Kaibab Park #1	Coconino	23 North	2 East	27, 35	14	53-500878	Inadequate	A3	4/27/1990	City of Williams
34	Lake Kaibab Park #2	Coconino	23 North	2 East	35	7	53-500879	Inadequate	A3	4/6/1994	A-1 Water Service
35	Lake Kaibab Park Unit One	Coconino	23 North	2 East	27, 35	4	53-401801	Inadequate	A1	7/14/2005	Dry Lot Subdivision
36	Lake Kaibab Park Unit Two	Coconino	23 North	2 East	27, 35	10	53-401836	Inadequate	A1	8/11/2005	Dry Lot Subdivision
37	Lake Kaibab Park Unit Two, Lots 380, 562 & 573	Coconino	23 North	2 East	27, 35	3	53-402250	Inadequate	A1	9/29/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
38	Lake Kaibab Park and Lake Kaibab Park Unit Two	Coconino	23 North	2 East	15, 22, 23, 26, 35	8	53-700204	Inadequate	A1	1/16/2007	Dry Lot Subdivision
39	Lazy "E"	Coconino	22 North	2 East	30	20	53-500901	Inadequate	D	11/23/1981	Dry Lot Subdivision
40	Lazy "E" #2	Coconino	22 North	2 East	30, 31	18	53-500902	Inadequate	A2,A3	7/3/1986	Dry Lot Subdivision
41	Lazy "E" #3	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	39	53-500903	Inadequate	A2,A3	6/18/1993	Dry Lot Subdivision
42	Mason Commercial Center #01	Coconino	22 North	2 East	28	4	53-500938	Inadequate	A1,A2	8/26/1993	City of Williams
43	Mi Casa	Coconino	22 North	2 East	31	5	53-500973	Inadequate	A1	1/16/1987	City of Williams
44	Mountain Shadows	Coconino	22 North	2 East	15, 22	14	53-400126	Inadequate	A2,A3	7/21/1999	Dry Lot Subdivision
45	Pinecrest Estates	Coconino	22 North	2 East	29	51	53-300067	Inadequate	A1	11/20/1995	City of Williams
46	Pinecrest Estates II	Coconino	22 North	2 East	29	84	53-400737	Inadequate	A1,A2	7/1/2002	City of Williams
47	Red Lake Estates Unit 1	Coconino	23 North	2 East	1	120	53-400401	Inadequate	A2,A3	10/30/2000	A-1 Water Service
48	Red Lake Estates, Unit II	Coconino	23 North	2 East	1	23	53-400932	Inadequate	A2,A3	5/5/2003	A-1 Water Service
49	Red Lake Mountain Ranch	Coconino	23 North	2 East	3	54	53-501287	Inadequate	A1	3/21/1989	Dry Lot Subdivision
50	Spring Flower Ranch	Coconino	23 North	2 East	24	64	53-402038	Inadequate	A1	3/16/2006	Dry Lot Subdivision
51	Sycamore Point Estates	Coconino	22 North	2 East	27	40	53-401830	Inadequate	A1	8/15/2005	City of Williams
52	Timber Canyon	Coconino	23 North	2 East	33	24	53-300249	Inadequate	A3	2/4/1997	A-1 Water Service
53	Williams Pine Meadows Estates	Coconino	21 North	2 East	3, 4	41	53-501688	Inadequate	A1	1/9/1995	Dry Lot Subdivision

Source: ADWR 2008a

Notes:

¹Each determination of the adequacy of water supplies available to a subdivision is based on the information available to ADWR and the standards of review and policies in effect at the time the determination was made. In some cases, ADWR might make a different determination if a similar application were submitted today, based on the hydrologic data and other information currently available, as well as current rules and policies.

² Prior to February 1995, ADWR did not assign file numbers to applications for adequacy. Between 1995-2006 all applications for adequacy were given a file number with a 22 prefix.

In 2006 a 53 prefix was assigned to all water adequacy reports and applications regardless of their issue date.

³ A. Physical/Continuous

- 1) Insufficient Data (applicant chose not to submit necessary information, and/or available hydrologic data insufficient to make determination)
- 2) Insufficient Supply (existing water supply unreliable or physically unavailable; for groundwater, depth-to-water exceeds criteria)
- 3) Insufficient Infrastructure (distribution system is insufficient to meet demands or applicant proposed water hauling)

B. Legal (applicant failed to demonstrate a legal right to use the water or failed to demonstrate the provider's legal authority to serve the subdivision)

C. Water Quality

D. Unable to locate records

NA = Not available to ADWR at this time

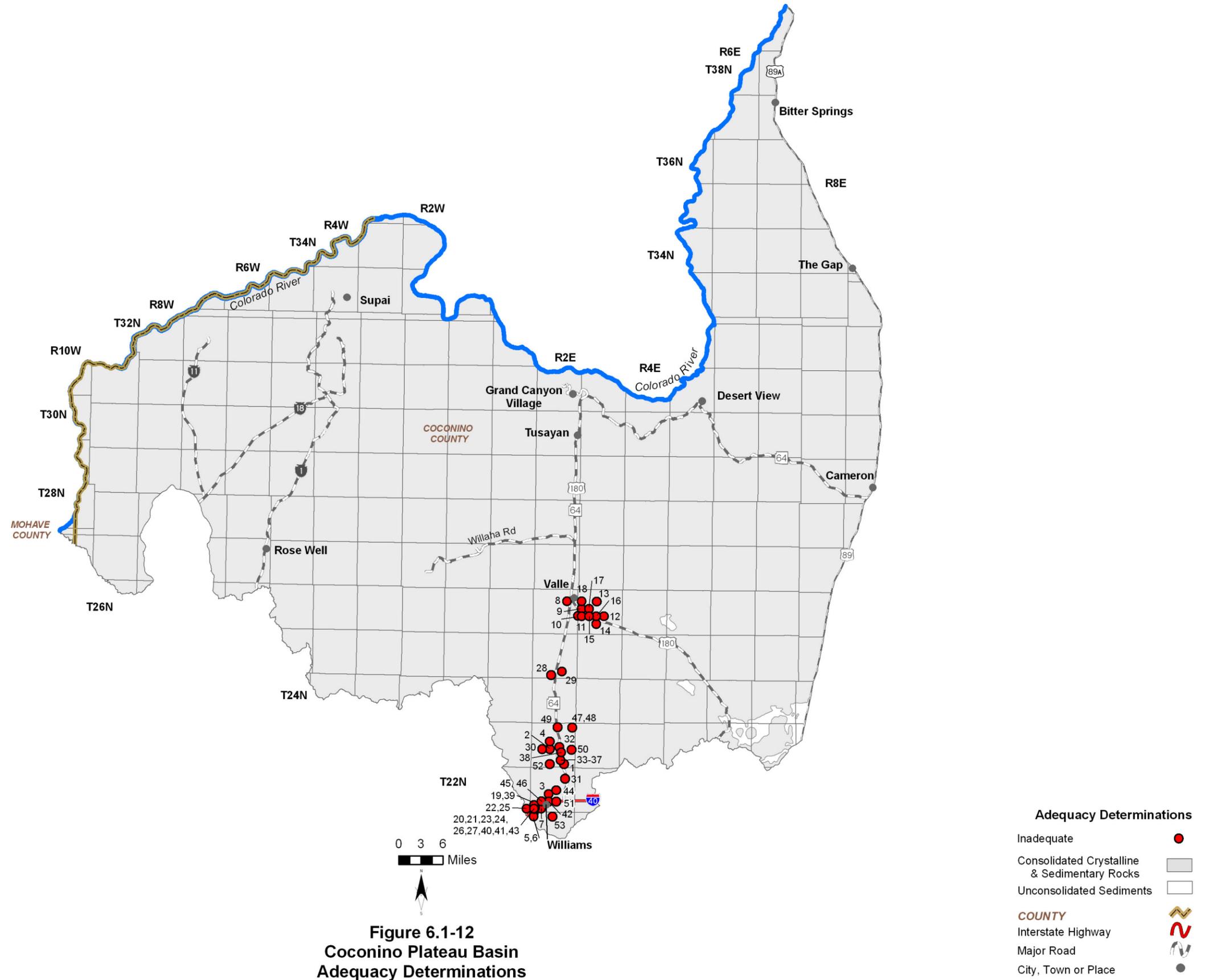


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