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*Managing Water in the West*

## Welcome to the Lower Colorado Region



U.S. Department of the Interior  
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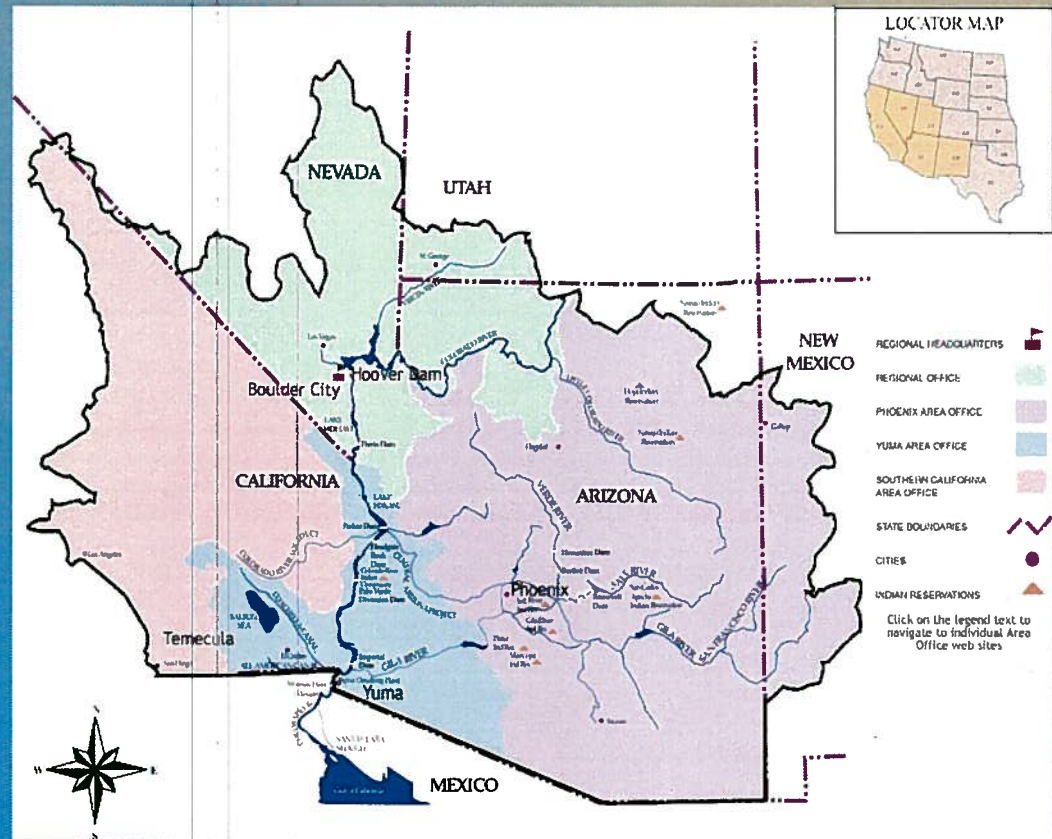
- Created in 1902
- **Mission:** manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.
- Largest wholesaler of water in the country
- Second largest producer of hydropower in the country
- Regions, including LCR, established in 1943



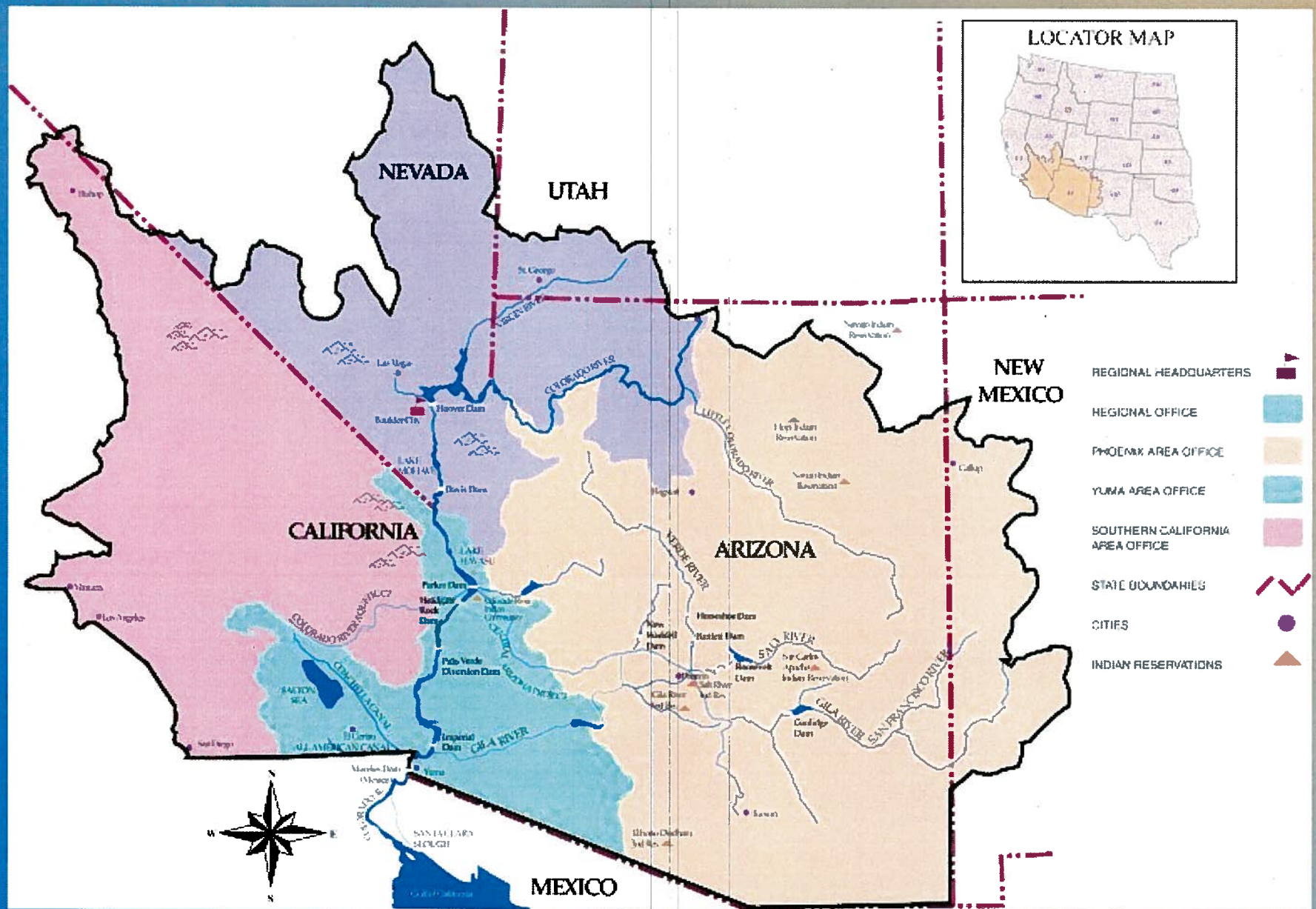
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- Reclamation involved in what is now the Region since 1903 with authorization of the Salt River Project
- Area Offices:
  - Phoenix and Yuma, AZ
  - Temecula, CA
  - Boulder City, NV
  - Hoover Dam



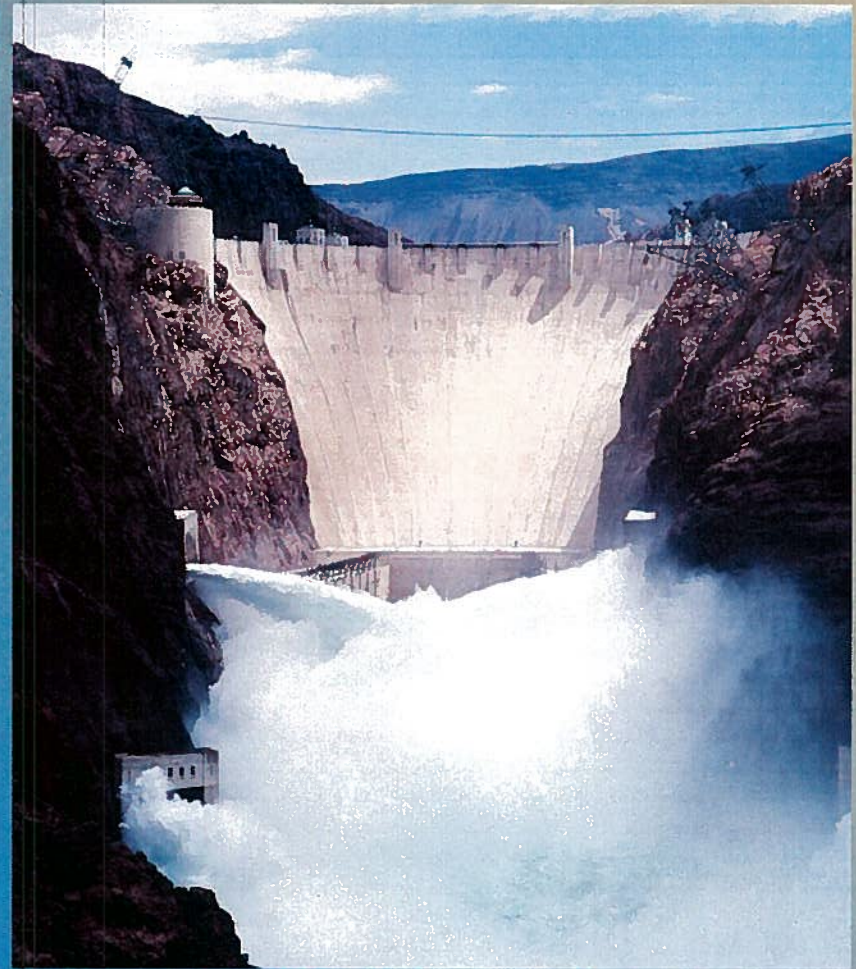
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# LC Region: Key Projects

- Salt River and Boulder Canyon Projects



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- Imperial Dam and All American Canal



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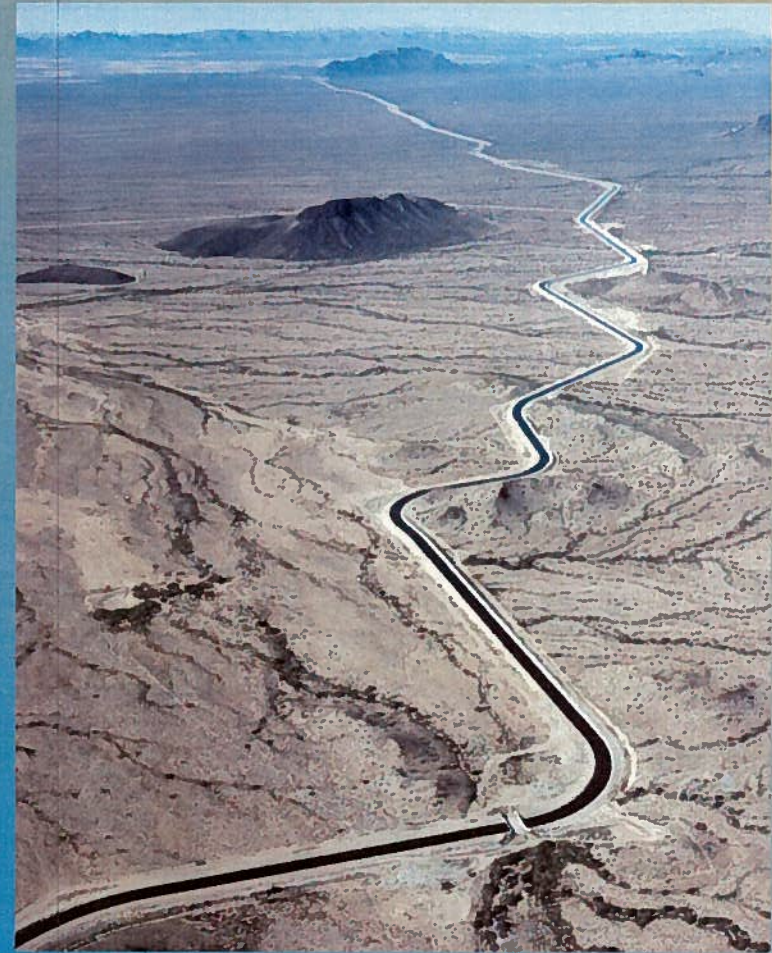
- Parker/Davis Project



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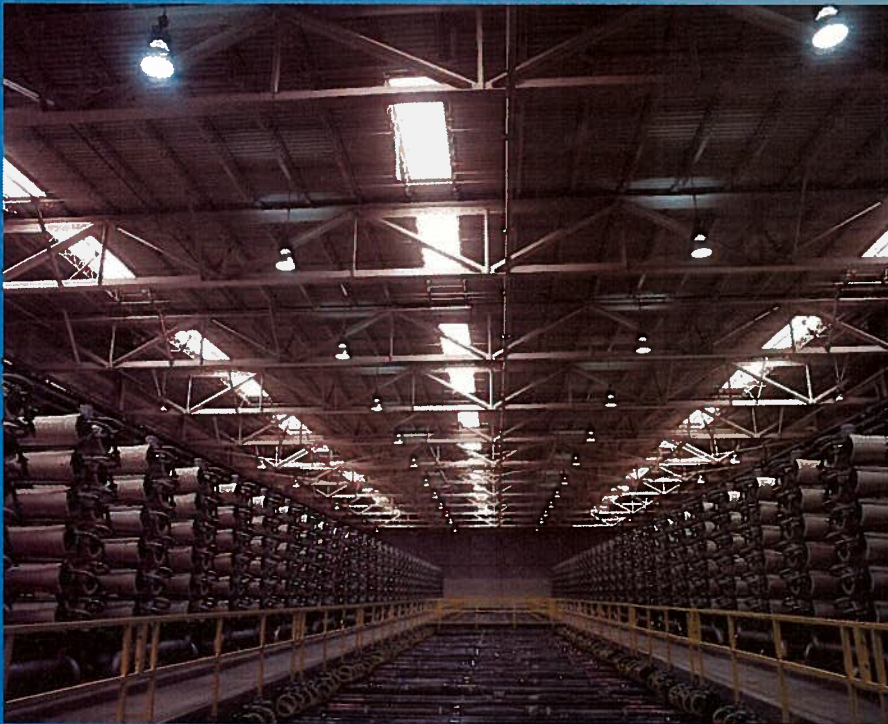
- Central Arizona Project



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# LC Region: Key Projects

- Yuma Desalting Plant



- Southern Nevada Water System



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# LC Region: Project Benefits

- **Water - Deliver 9 MAF annually**
  - For California, Arizona, Nevada and Mexico
  - Irrigate 2 million acres in U.S
  - Municipal water for 20 million people
- **Power – Produce 6 billion kWh annually**
- **Flood Control – Dams have prevented \$ 1.1 billion in damage since 1950**
- **Recreation – for 12 million visitors annually**
- **Fish and wildlife habitat**

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# LC Region: Today

- **Key function: Watermaster for Secretary of Interior**
- **Water conservation**
- **New aspects of 'Law of the River'**
  - Quantification Settlement Agreement
  - Interim Surplus Guidelines
  - Intentionally Created Surplus
  - Offstream storage
- **Coordination with all interests**
  - For improved water management

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# LC Region: Today

- **Multi-Species Conservation Program**
- **Lower Colorado River channel maintenance**
- **Anticipating future needs**
  - Shortage guidelines
  - Operation of Yuma Desalting Plant
  - Bypass replacement/recovery
  - All-American Canal lining
  - Water 2025 program
- **Wastewater reclamation & reuse partnerships**

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