

Water Utilities Update

Low – Income Oversight Board

Water Division

July 21, 2022

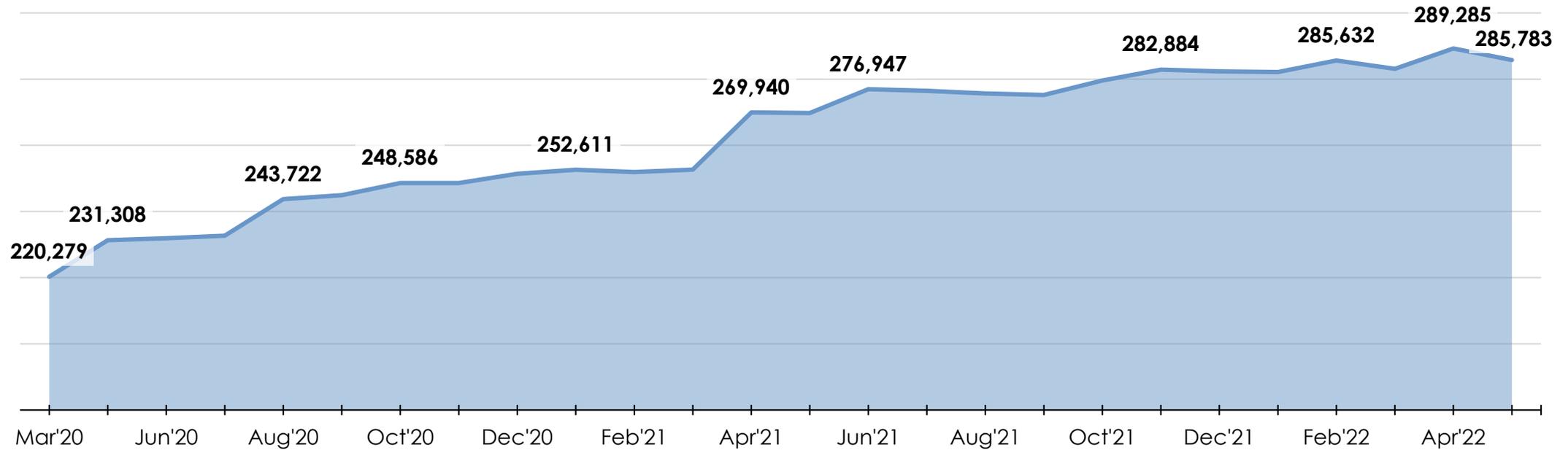


**California Public
Utilities Commission**

Overview

- Customer Assistance Program (CAP) Enrollment
- Conservation
- Water Utility Acquisitions Proceeding

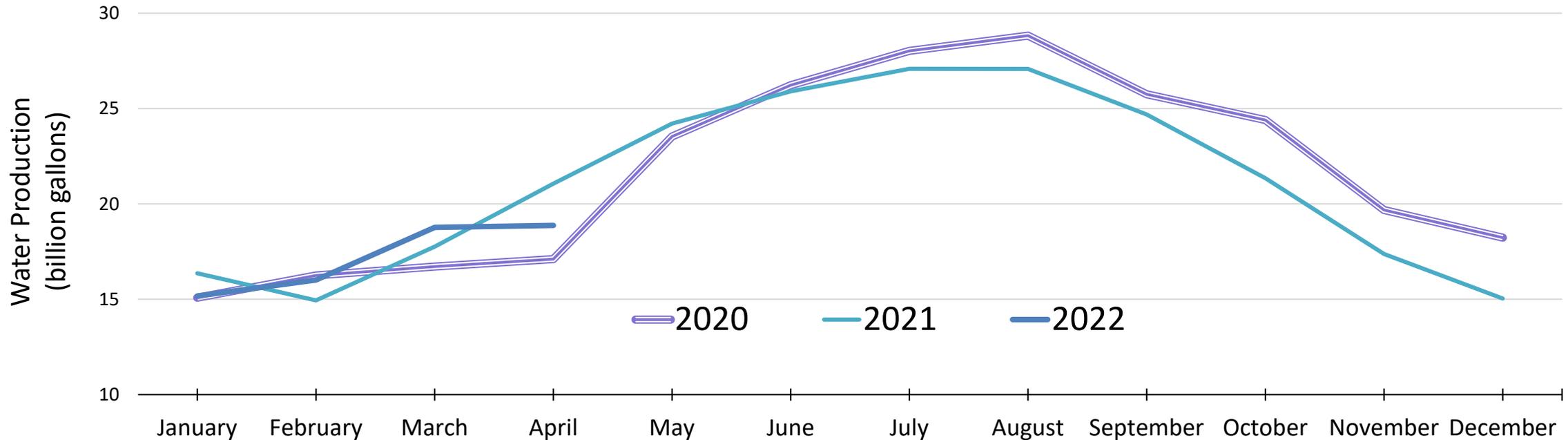
Total CAP Enrollment



- Currently, 23% of total IOU residential customers enrolled in CAP
- Recent Data Exchange occurred in March
- Recertifications of eligibility have restarted for some Class A IOUs

Water Usage Conservation

Investor-Owned Water Utilities



- Governor's call for Voluntary 15% reduction began in July 2021
 - Compared to 2020 usage
- **Water IOUs** currently saving **4.0%** since July 2021
 - Statewide: 2.0%

Water Usage Restrictions

Schedule 14.1

- Tariff Filings for Schedule 14.1 submitted to Commission for approval
 - Elevated Stages activated depending on the utility and service area
- Majority of Class As have **limited outdoor watering** in effect
 - 2 to 3 days per week
- 3 Class As have implemented **mandatory rationing**
 - 15 to 20% reduction in water usage
 - Compared to 2019 or 2020 depending on the utility

Order Instituting Rulemaking R.22-04-003

Water Utility Acquisitions

- OIR opened in April
 - All Water IOUs are parties
- Prehearing Conference is on August 5th
 - Sets schedule and scope of the OIR
- Main Goals
 - Review and improve upon the existing framework from 1999
 - Price and Valuation
 - Ratepayer Impacts
 - Schedule and Timeline
 - Assess acquisitions of failing or at-risk water systems
 - Coordinate with the State Water Resources Control Board
 - Address grant funding