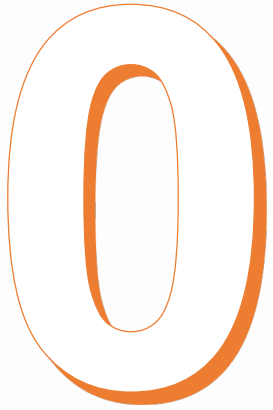




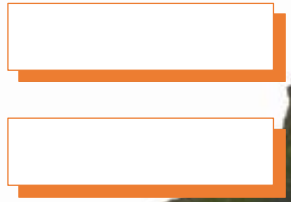
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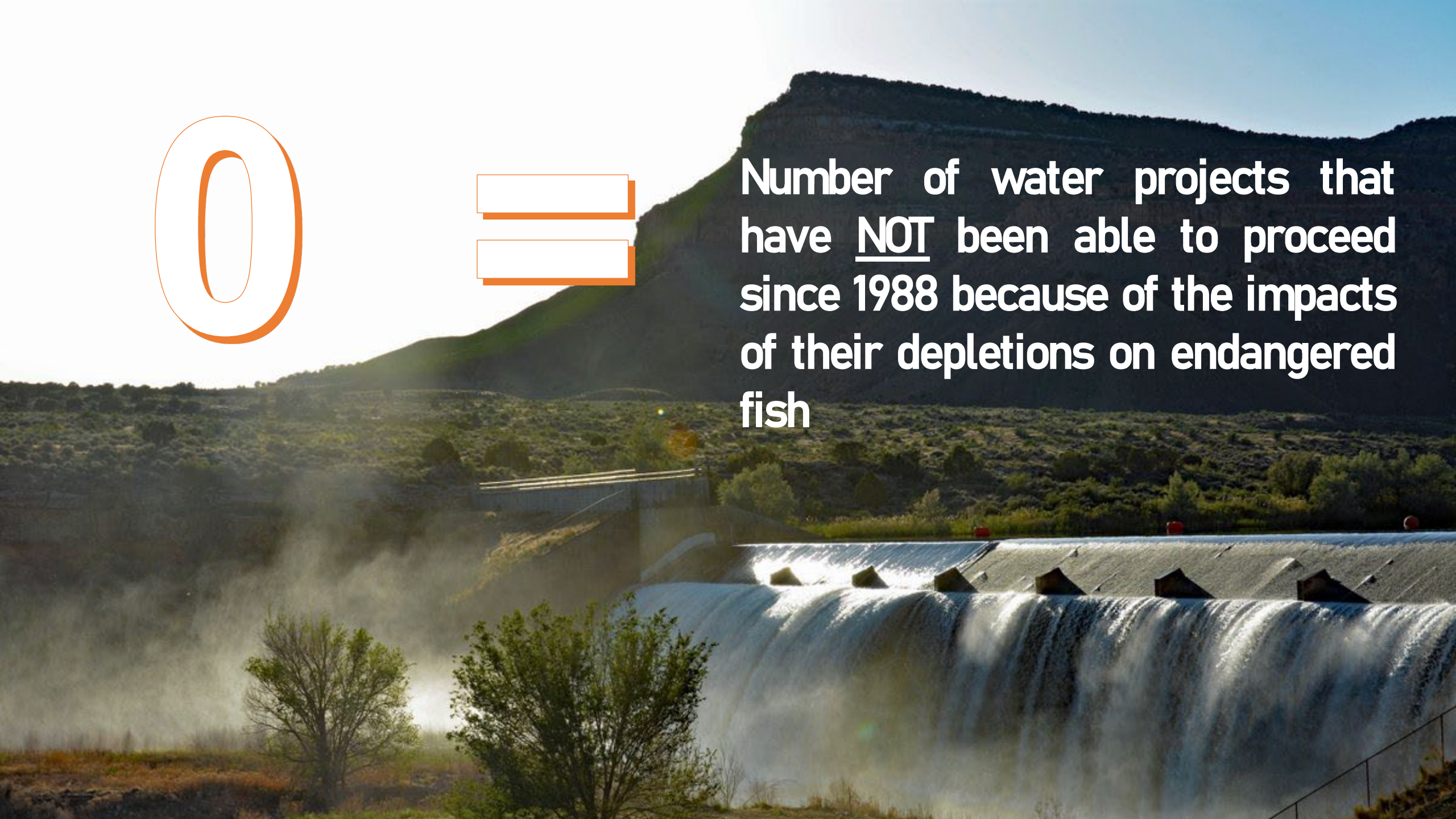
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Number of water projects that have NOT been able to proceed since 1988 because of the impacts of their depletions on endangered fish





1,200

Water Projects
in Colorado.



FISH TALES



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“...I pitched that green frog out there and this whitefish (Colorado pikeminnow) hit it, just about straight across, and he ran down that fast water, riffles, and took out about 200 feet of line before I turned him around. It was a nice...it was one of the most thrilling fish I ever caught if you want to know the truth...”

- Gene Bittler account circa 1910



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“They was as big as a junior high school kid, 90 pounds. That’s a big fish. They were bigger than me I guarantee you. Oh a hell a lot bigger. I was only 5 or 6 years old.”

- Tim Merchant account circa 1910



Photo courtesy of Carl Gaensslen

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“...I don't know they was either awful mad about something or awful hungry about something.”

- Steve Radosevich account circa 1910



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“The best bait you could get from them was if you could find a mice nest...”

- Katherine Rinker account circa 1920-1930s



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“I was told it was a minnow—a member of the minnow family, that’s what it was. And hell, minnows are what you put on the end of a hook. That’s what stuck in my mind—how the hell one of those little fish got that big.”

– *Herbert Snyder*
account circa 1910

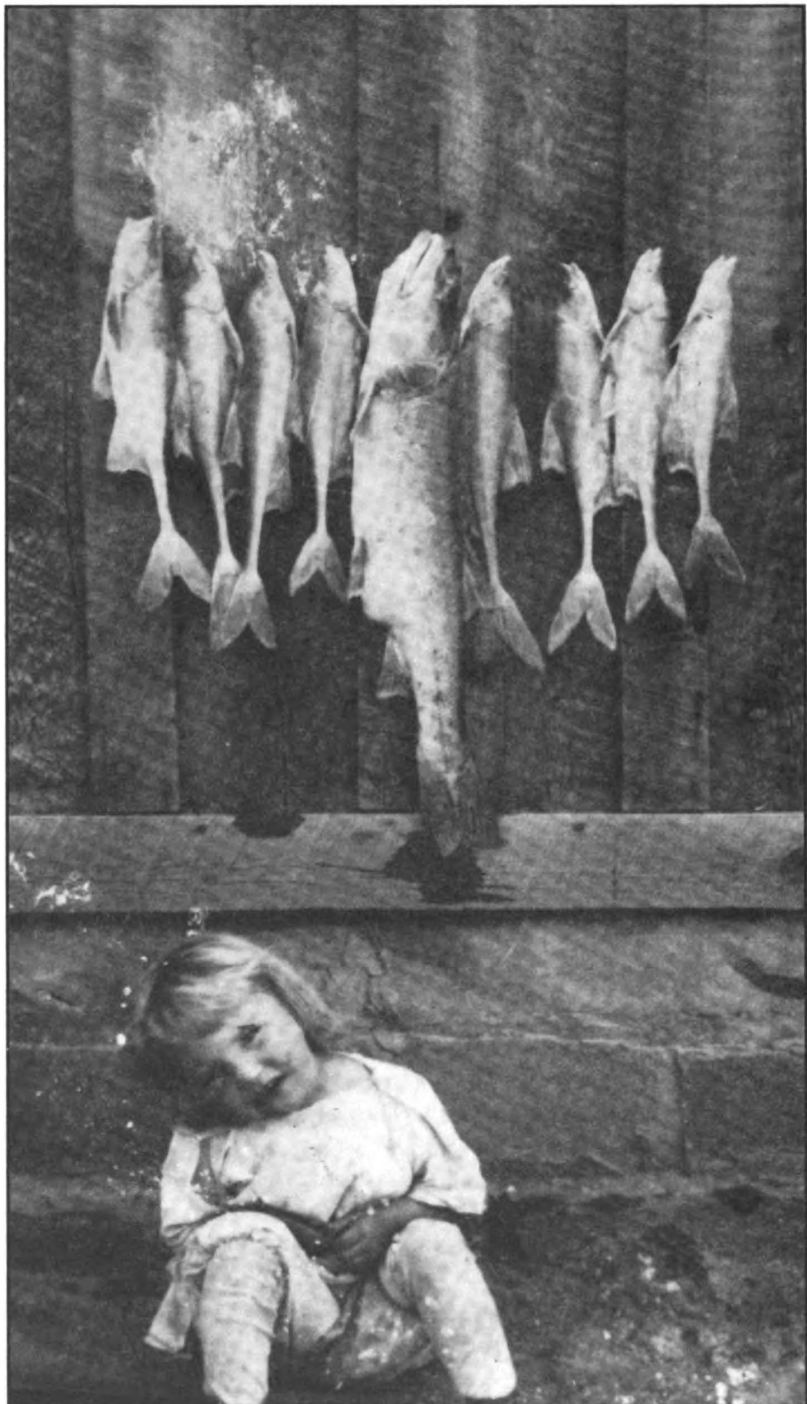
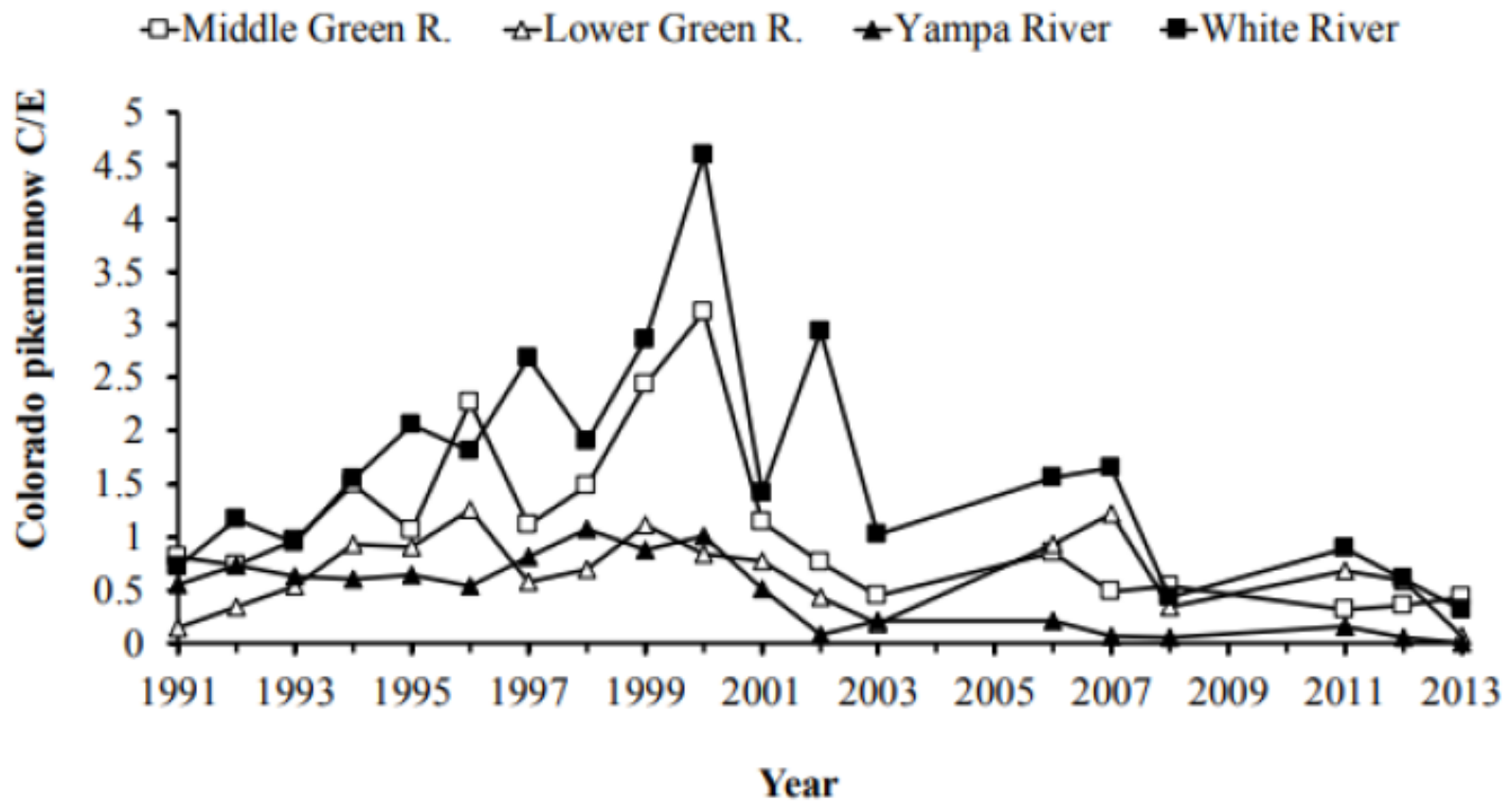


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TIMELINE (Tentative)

- **Aug.-Sep. 2021:** Draft Management Plan/Comments
- Public NEPA documents
- Programmatic Biological Opinion
- Cooperative Agreement





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