IF
WHEN
HOW
How big is our challenge?
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2040-2060

50,000-75,000 acre feet

$20 million

$1-2 billion

How much does it cost NOT to secure the next water source?
When and how should we act?
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“ONE WATER” concept and being able to manage and share water
“It really is pure and simple—how bad you need the water and how unlucky you are with the drought.”

Engineer Amy Childress of the University of Southern California.
“Cape Town has been very, very unlucky. But it’s taking steps to diversify its water portfolio, and the rest of the world would be wise to follow. Otherwise it’ll be Enron for the lot of us.”
“We face an overwhelming risk on the system, and the time for action is now,” Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Brenda Burman, speaking before one of the biggest single users of the Colorado River.
CONCLUSION
What if we don’t act?
The Benjamin Button Community
“My baby, my baby---please, water for my baby”
Thousands have lived without love, not one without water.