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Regarding the questions in the bolded comment, which seem to be referring to WOA, the general theme of my answer would be that Reclamation developed the WOA scenario for their BA, we asked ourselves those same types of questions, we fundamentally disagree with WOA as a representation of the environmental baseline, and we do not use it in our analysis. Some language on it was included in the BO in response to pressure applied by FWS/Reclamation to achieve consistency with the FWS BO and Reclamation BA. Please let me know if that is not accurate.

I can take the lead addressing those questions.