





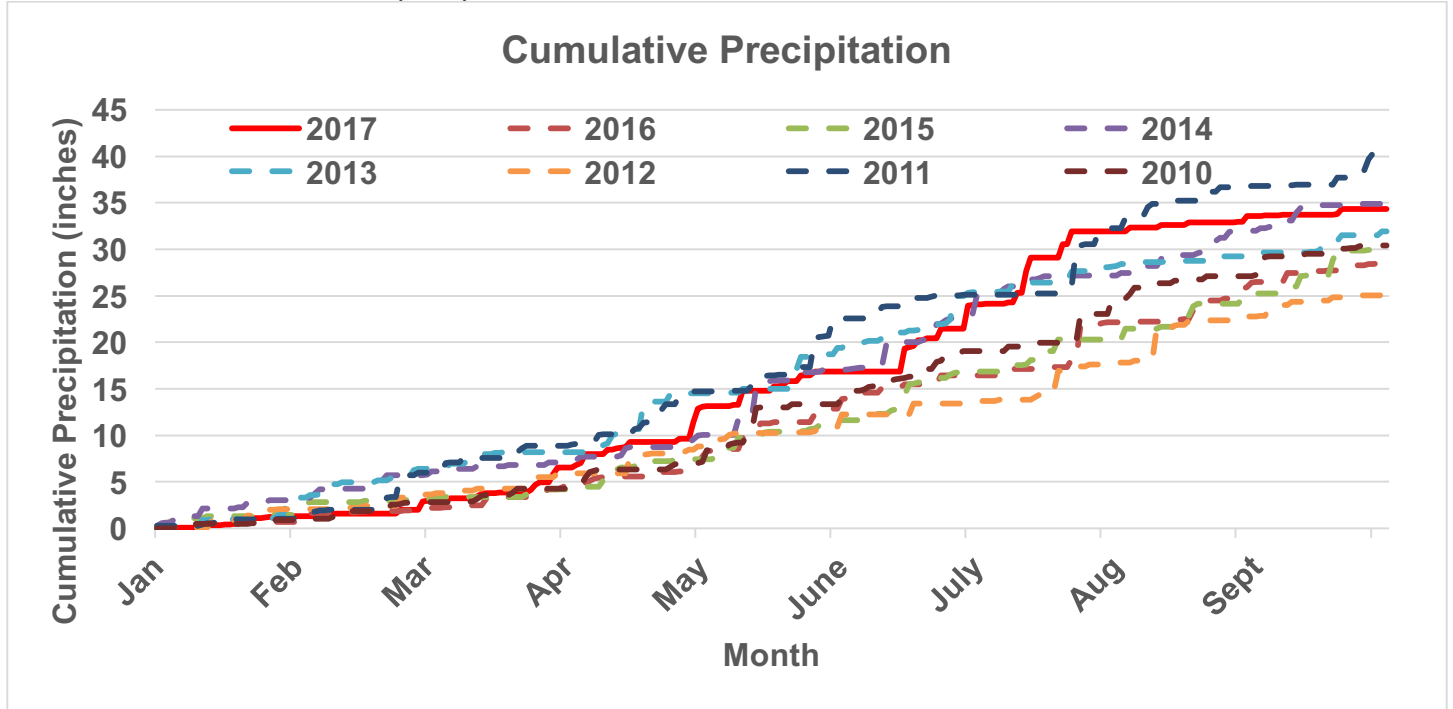








The graph below shows cumulative precipitation levels, and indicates that until late June, 2017 was a relatively average year for precipitation (solid red line). There was a rapid increase in cumulative precipitation through July, which moved 2017 nearer the levels seen in some of our wettest years. This was followed by a relatively dry spell at the end of the season. In contrast, precipitation during the 2012 outbreak year (orange dashed line) was the lowest for cumulative precipitation since 2010.



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