

What would Sierra snowpack loss mean for N. Nevada?

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During the region's last drought from 2015 to 2017, area lakes and reservoirs nearly ran dry; ski seasons started late and ended early; hotel rooms in the Lake Tahoe and Reno-Sparks areas remained vacant; and farmers and ranchers saw their crop yields and herd levels plummet.

While the region's economy continued to recover from the impacts of the Great Recession, some Northern Nevada industry sectors experienced economic hardship on par with the impacts experienced during the Dust Bowl and Great Depression of the 1930s.

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