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Southwest hydropower generation hits record lows amid drought

The U.S. Energy Information Administration reported that Southwest hydropower generation fell to record lows this summer amid drought in the Colorado River Basin. It forecast 2026 generation at 6.13 billion kilowatthours, while noting water management actions at Lake Powell, Lake Mead, and Flaming Gorge.

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