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House Committee on Natural Resources:

We strongly encourage you to support HB 3081 as we do. It is urgent that monies be appropriated for the acquisition and installation of stream gauges in the (Upper) Klamath Basin.

Over 100 owner/irrigators in the Upper Klamath Basin had their wells regulated-off in 2018 from the existing stream gauge readings. These readings and correctness of the gauges are in serious question.

OWRD prepares a Klamath Basin Hydrology Report (graph) each week that is derived from measurements taken on Sunday and then emailed to interested parties on either Monday or Tuesday of that week throughout the year. However at times the starting point for week B's graph does not match the ending point of week A's graph. This has happened eight times from June 11, 2018 to March 3, 2019 (6/11-6/18/2018, 7/30-8/6/2018, 8/12-8/19-8/26-9/3/2018, 9/23-9/30/2018, 2/18-2/20-3/3/2019). Please see the attachments of the first and last examples.

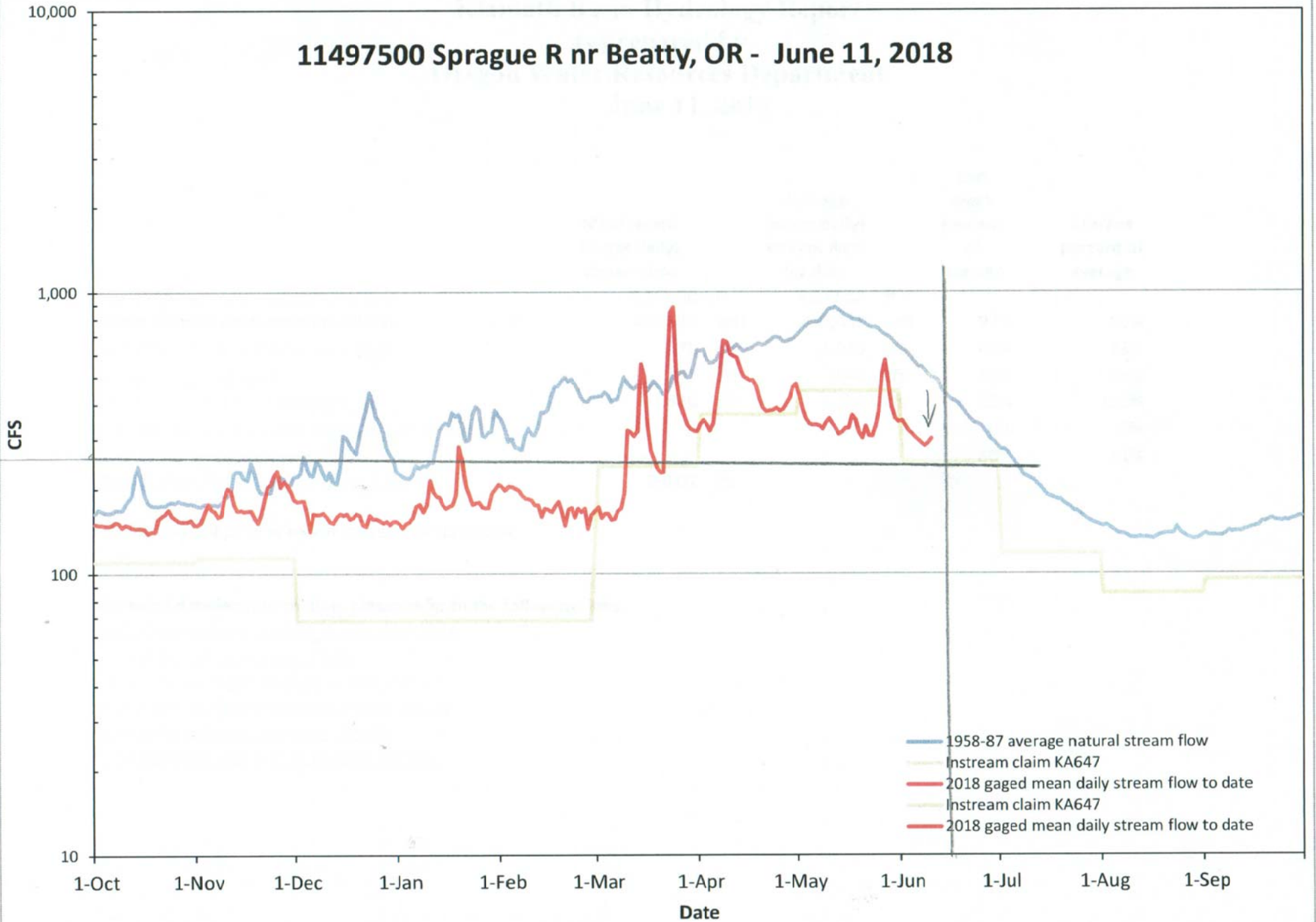
Farmers and ranchers in the Upper Klamath Basin are being put out of business due to the data from the current gauges.

Please support HB 3081 to allow agriculture in the (Upper) Klamath Basin to exist.

Thank you,

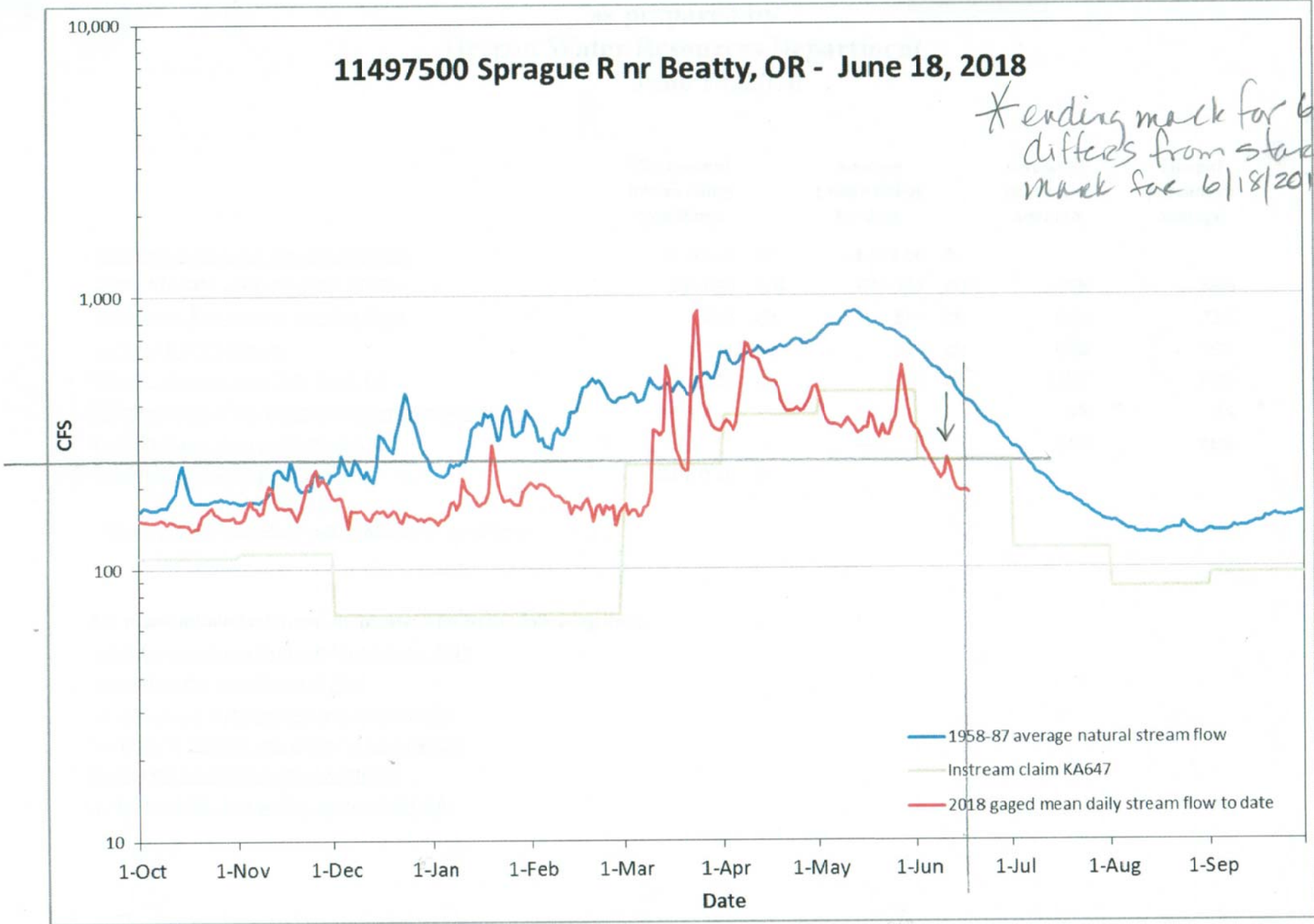
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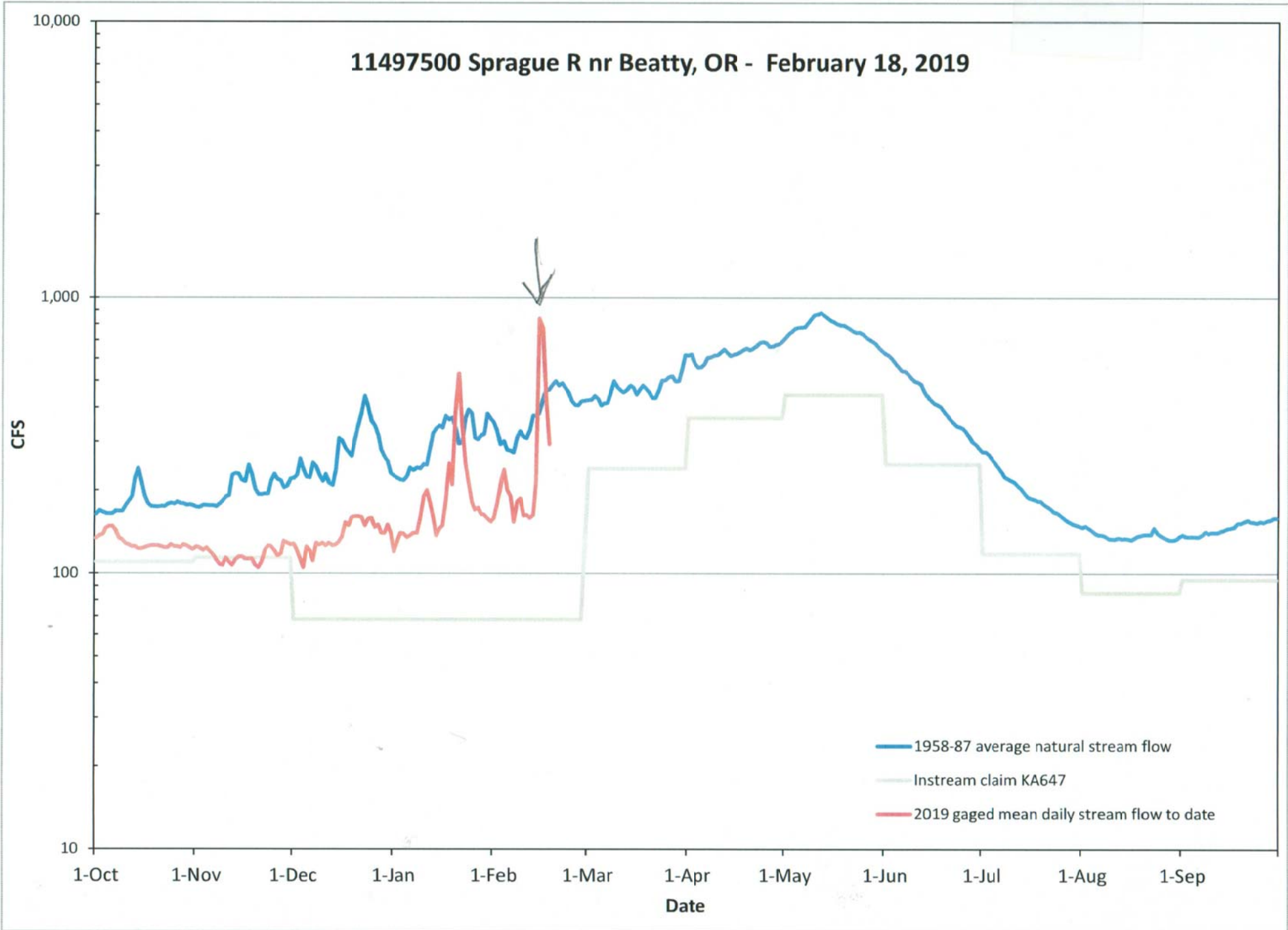


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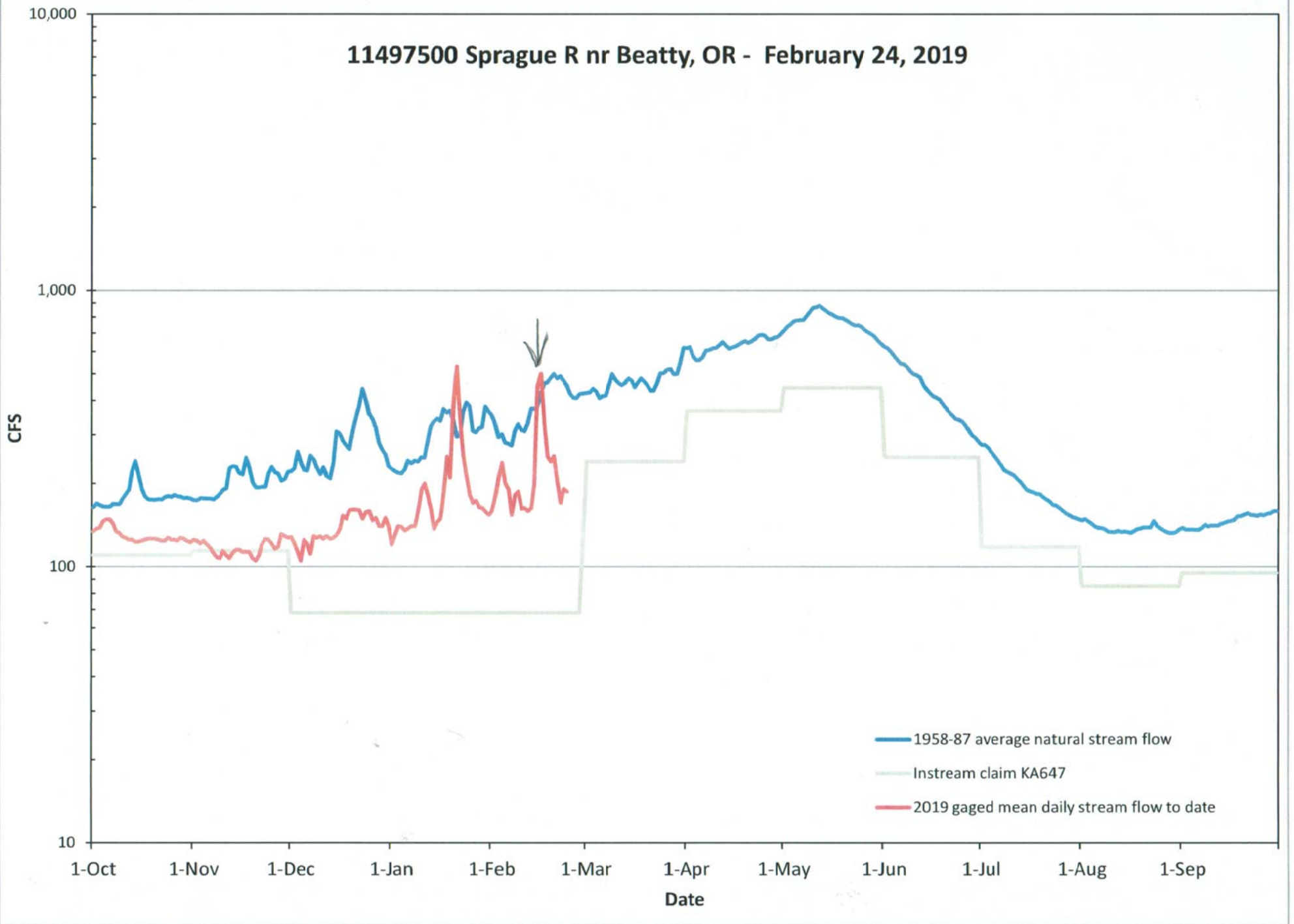
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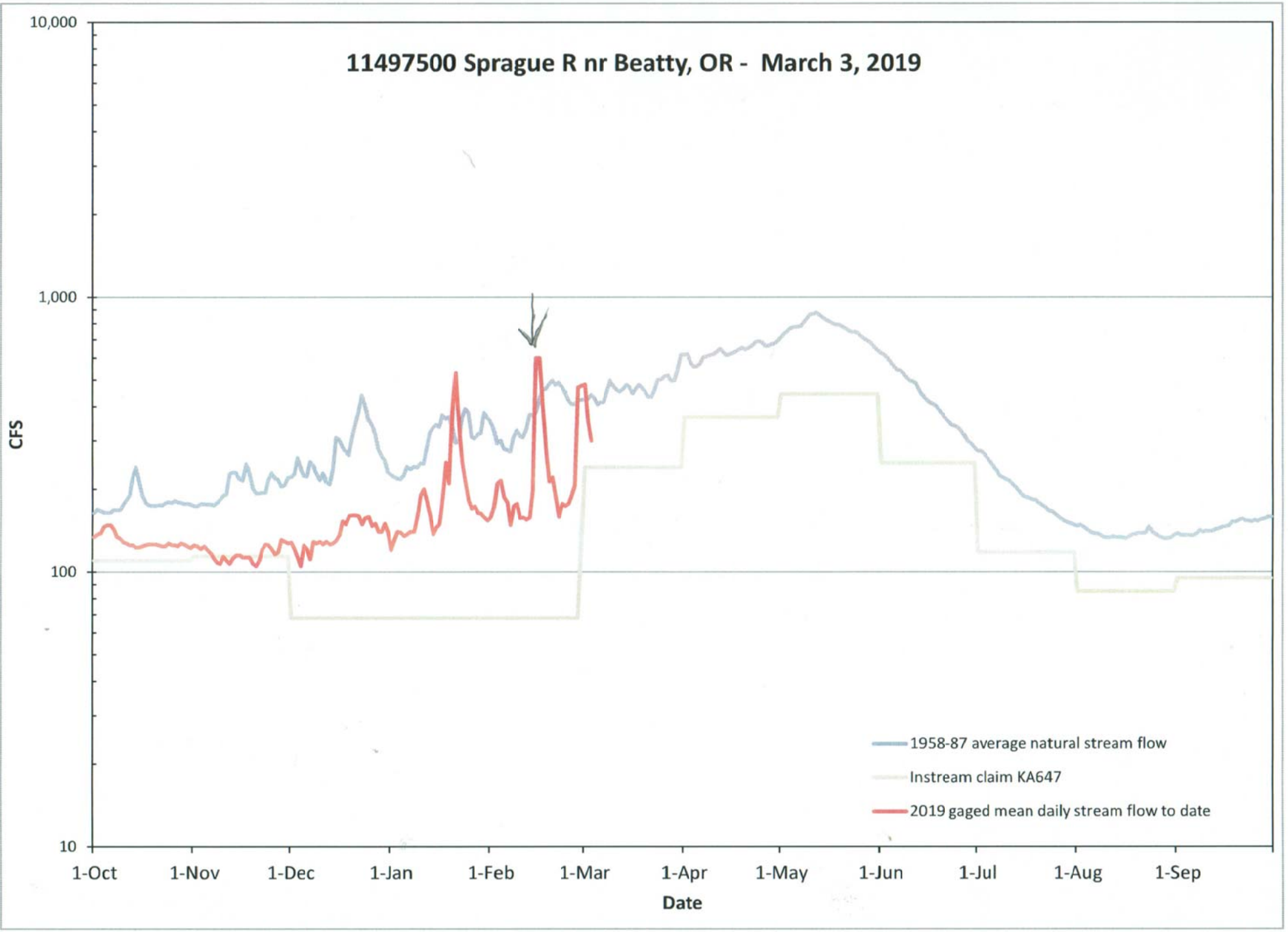
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— 1958-87 average natural stream flow  
— Instream claim KA647  
— 2019 gaged mean daily stream flow to date