

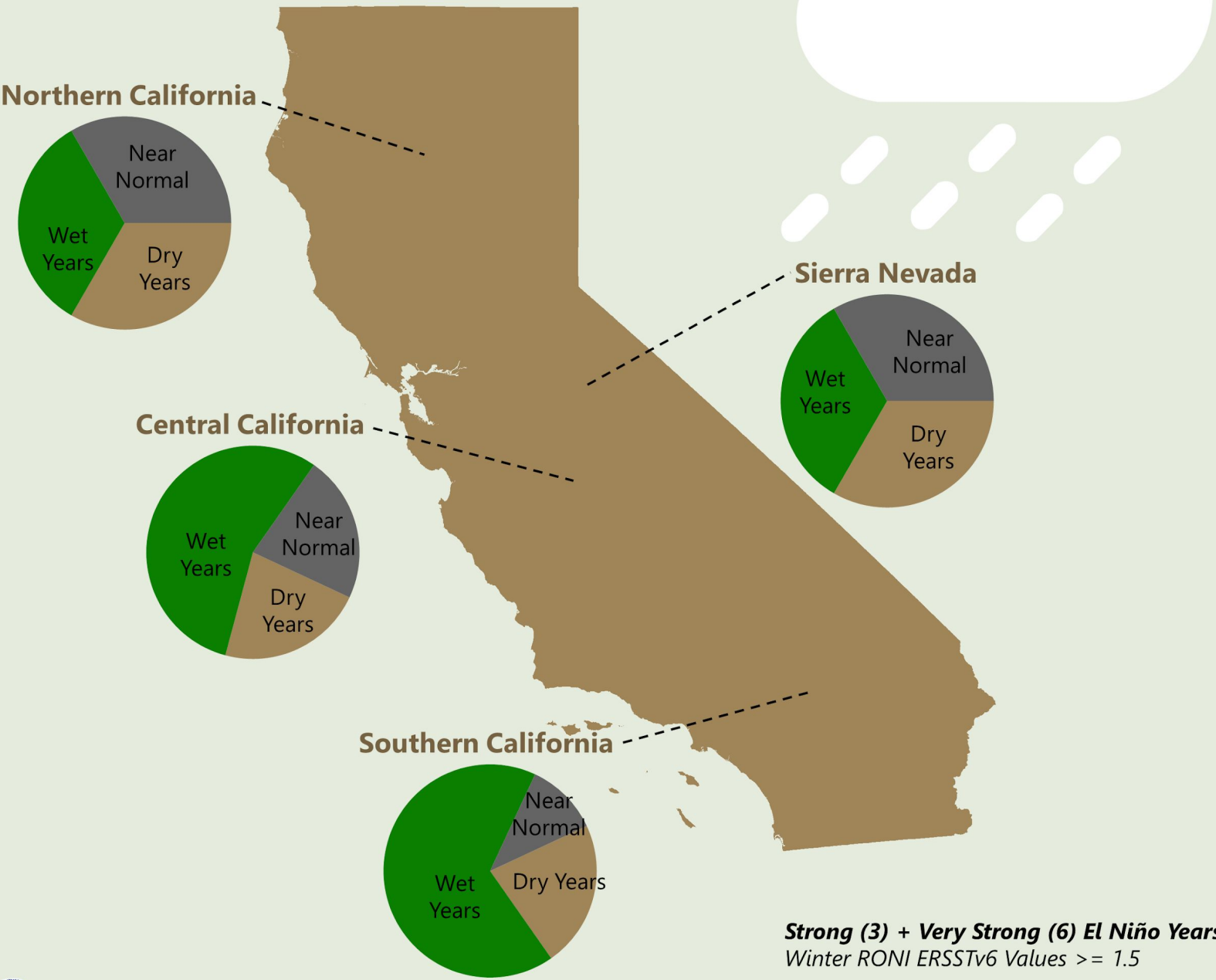


Historical **Strong** & **Very Strong** El Niños

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Strong & Very Strong El Niños

Past observations do not guarantee a future outcome



Strong (3) + Very Strong (6) El Niño Years
Winter RONI ERSSTv6 Values ≥ 1.5

Data: PRISM, Oregon State University
Updated: WY2026

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- There have been **3 Strong** + **6 Very Strong El Niños** since 1950.
- Of those 9, the breakdown has been...
 - **Northern CA:**
 - **3 Wet**
 - **3 Normal**
 - **3 Dry**
 - **Central CA:**
 - **5 Wet**
 - **2 Normal**
 - **2 Dry**
 - **Sierra Nevada:**
 - **3 Wet**
 - **3 Normal**
 - **3 Dry**
 - **Southern CA:**
 - **6 Wet**
 - **1 Normal**
 - **2 Dry**

