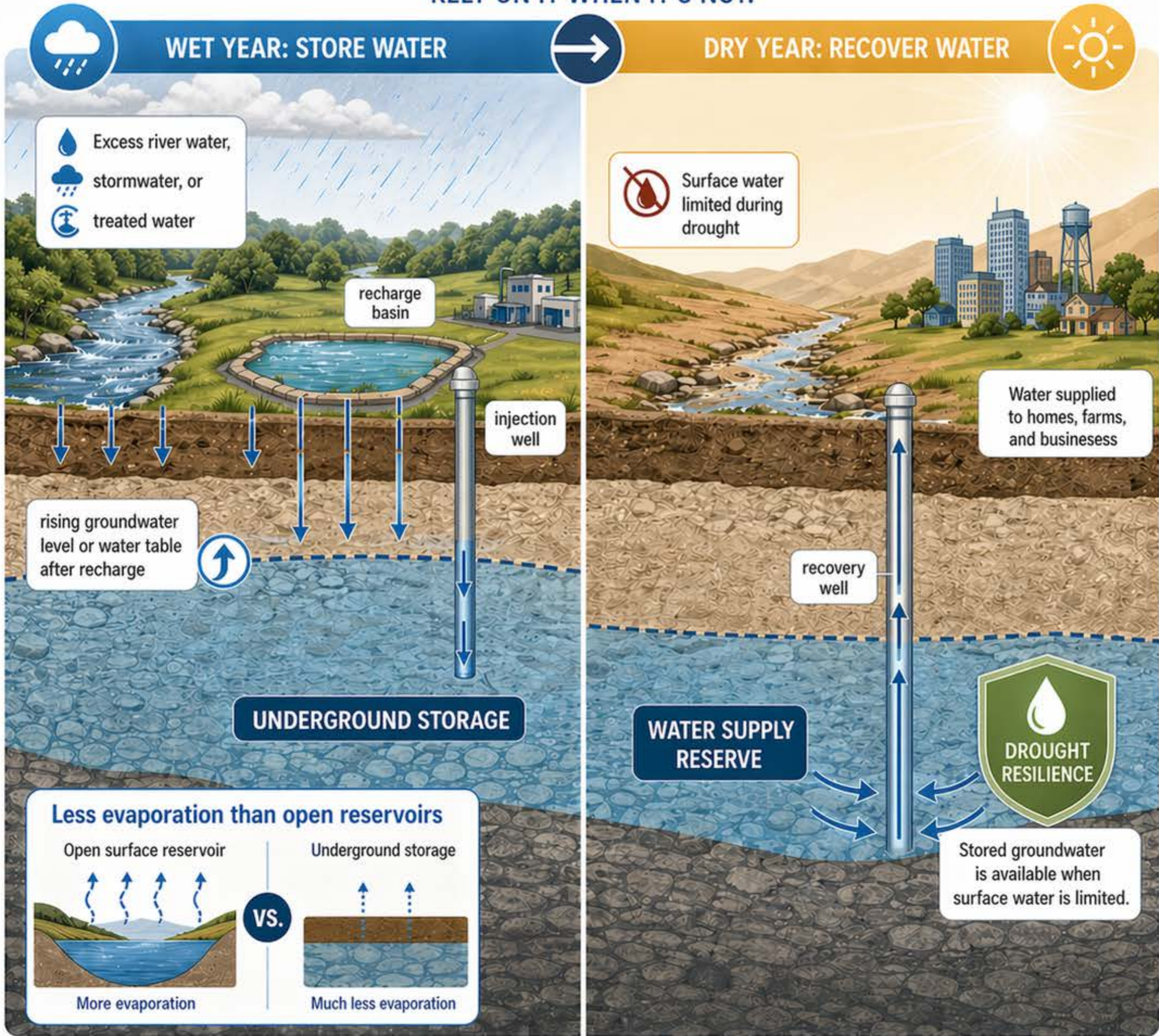


Why Aquifer Storage Can Help with Drought

STORE WATER UNDERGROUND WHEN IT'S AVAILABLE.
RELY ON IT WHEN IT'S NOT.



ONE TOOL IN A BROADER WATER STRATEGY



Conserve water



Protect watersheds



Improve water efficiency



Plan and collaborate



Build and maintain storage (surface and groundwater)



Aquifer storage helps build resilience, but it has limits.

- Depends on local geology and water quality
- Storage size is finite
- Not a substitute for conservation and planning



Policy takeaway: Managed Aquifer Recharge is most useful when planned **before drought**, not only during drought.