

Natural Service

Resources Conservation Wyoming Basin Outlook Report February 1, 2012



Snake River Station SNOTEL (near Yellowstone south entrance)

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How forecasts are made

Most of the annual streamflow in the western United States originates as snowfall that has accumulated in the mountains during the winter and early spring. As the snowpack accumulates, hydrologists estimate the runoff that will occur when it melts. Measurements of snow water equivalent at selected manual snow courses and automated SNOTEL sites, along with precipitation, antecedent streamflow, and indices of the El Niño / Southern Oscillation are used in computerized statistical and simulation models to prepare runoff forecasts. These forecasts are coordinated between hydrologists in the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the National Weather Service. Unless otherwise specified, all forecasts are for flows that would occur naturally without any upstream influences.

Forecasts of any kind, of course, are not perfect. Streamflow forecast uncertainty arises from three primary sources: (1) uncertain knowledge of future weather conditions, (2) uncertainty in the forecasting procedure, and (3) errors in the data. The forecast, therefore, must be interpreted not as a single value but rather as a range of values with specific probabilities of occurrence. The middle of the range is expressed by the 50% exceedance probability forecast, for which there is a 50% chance that the actual flow will be either above or below, the predicted value. To describe the expected range around this 50% value, four other forecasts are provided, two smaller values (90% and 70% exceedance probability) and two larger values (30%, and 10% exceedance probability). For example, there is a 90% chance that the actual flow will be more than the 90% exceedance probability forecast. The others can be interpreted similarly.

The wider the spread among these values, the more uncertain the forecast is. As the season progresses, forecasts become more accurate, primarily because a greater portion of the future weather conditions become known; this is reflected by a narrowing of the range around the 50% exceedance probability forecast. Users should take this uncertainty into consideration when making their operational decisions. If users anticipate receiving a lesser supply of water, or if they wish to increase their chances of having an adequate supply of water for their operations, they may want to base their decisions on the 90% or 70% exceedance probability forecasts, or something in between. On the other hand, if users are concerned about receiving too much water (for example, threat of flooding), they may want to base their decisions on the 30% or 10% exceedance probability forecasts, or something in between. Regardless of the forecast value users choose for operations, they should be prepared to deal with either more or less water. (Users should remember that even if the 90% exceedance probability forecast is used, there is still a 10% chance of receiving less than this amount.) By using the exceedance probability information, users can easily determine the chances of receiving more or less water.

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Wyoming Water Supply Outlook Report

General

The snow water equivalent (SWE) across Wyoming is below average for February $1^{\rm st}$ at 93%. Monthly precipitation for the basins varied from 58-150% of average. Year-to-date precipitation for Wyoming basins varied from 75-117% of average. Forecasted runoff varies from 52-123% of average across the Wyoming basins for an overall average of 83%. Basin reservoir levels for Wyoming vary from 90-240% of average for an overall average of 116%.

Snowpack

Snow water equivalent (SWE), across Wyoming is below average for this time of year at 93%. SWE in the NW portion of Wyoming is now about 92% of average (82% of last year). NE Wyoming SWE is currently about 110% of average (98% of last year). The SE Wyoming SWE is currently about 72% of average (55% of last year). The SW Wyoming SWE is about 79% of average (66% of last year).

Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was well below average across Wyoming. The Belle Fourche & Cheyenne Basins had the highest precipitation for the month at 150% of average. The Bighorn River Basin had the lowest precipitation amount at 58% of average. The following table displays the major river basins and their departure from average for this month.

	Departure	De ₁	parture
Basin	from average	Basin from a	average
Snake River	+12%	 Upper North Platte River	 19%
Yellowstone & Madison	-03%	Lower North Platte	+09%
Wind River	-10%	Little Snake River	-35%
Bighorn	-42%	Upper Green River	+38%
Shoshone & Clarks Fork	t +13%	Lower Green River	+05%
Powder & Tongue River	-31%	Upper Bear River	+01%
Belle Fourche & Cheyer	ne +50%		

Streams

Stream flow yield for April to September is expected to be well below average across Wyoming. Most probable yield for the entire State of Wyoming is forecast to be about 83% (varying from 52-116% of average). The Snake River and Upper Yellowstone & Madison River Basins are expected to yield about 88% and 94% of average, respectively; 81-105% of average for the various forecast points in the basins. Yields from the Wind and Bighorn River Basins are expected to be about 75% and 87% of average, respectively; varying from 75-103% of average in the basins. Yields from the Shoshone and Clarks Fork River Basins of Wyoming are expected to yield about 99% and 100% of average, respectively; varying from 98-103% of average. Yields from the Tongue & Powder River Basins are expected to be about 116% and 108% of average, respectively; varying from 96-123% of average. Yields for the Belle Fourche & Cheyenne River Basins are expected to be about 98% and 87% of average, respectively. Yields for the Upper and Lower North Platte River of Wyoming are expected to be

about 56% and 52% of average, respectively; varying from 52-122% of average. Yields for the Little Snake, Green River, and Little Bear of Wyoming are expected to be 70%, 74%, and 64% of average respectively; yield estimates vary from 64-82% of average.

Reservoirs

Reservoir storage varies widely across the state however reservoir storage is at 116% of average for the entire state. Reservoirs on the North Platte River are above average at 125%. Reservoirs in the northeast are above average in storage at 120%. Reservoirs in the Wind River Basin are above average at 106%. Reservoirs on the Big Horn are above average at 105%. The Buffalo Bill Reservoir on the Shoshone is above average at 108%. Reservoirs on the Green River are above average at 111%. See the following table for further information about reservoir storage.

Major Reservoirs in Wyoming Feb 1, 2012

BASIN AREA CURRENT	AS	LAST YR AS	AVERAGE AS	CURRENT AS	CURRENT AS
RESERVOIR % CAPAC	ITY	% CAPACITY	% CAPACITY	% AVERAGE	% LAST YR
WYOMING AND SURROUND	ING	STATES			
ALCOVA	85	85	84	101	100
ANGOSTURA	78	79	80	97	98
BELLE FOURCHE	71	84	57	125	84
BIG SANDY	60	46	49	123	130
BIGHORN LAKE	66	64	63	104	103
BOYSEN	05	95	99	105	110
BUFFALO BILL	70	69	64	108	101
BULL LAKE	62	47	57	109	132
DEERFIELD	99	97	84	117	102
ENNIS LAKE	70	68	76	92	104
FLAMING GORGE	89	83	79	113	107
FONTENELLE	48	53	53	90	90
GLENDO	73	77	66	110	95
GRASSY LAKE	80	86	78	103	93
GUERNSEY	29	32	20	145	90
HEBGEN LAKE	82	80	71	116	102
JACKSON LAKE	75	78	58	130	97
KEYHOLE	86	57	53	162	151
PACTOLA	95	96	83	114	99
PALISADES	88	62	74	119	143
PATHFINDER	75	77	67	113	98
PILOT BUTTE	80	79	63	126	101
SEMINOE	86	83	56	152	103
SHADEHILL	45	60	60	75	76
TONGUE RIVER	69	65	29	240	105
VIVA NAUGHTON RES	67	73	71	94	92
WHEATLAND #2	73	58	46	160	127
WOODRUFF NARROWS	79	73	44	179	107
TOTAL 28 RESERVOIRS	81	75	70	116	107

Raw KAF Total Current=10712 Last Year=10012 Average=9262 Capacity=13288

BASIN SUMMARY OF SNOTEL and SNOW COURSE DATA

February 2012

SNOW COURSE	ELEVATION	DATE	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE 71-00
ALBANY	9400	1/30/12	36	9.2	13.2	9.5
ASTER CREEK	7750	1/31/12	70	20.3	21.6	19.6
BALD MOUNTAIN SNOTEL	9380	2/01/12	48	11.9	16.0	13.5
BASE CAMP	7030	1/30/12	62	16.1	15.7	14.0
BASE CAMP SNOTEL	7030	2/01/12		14.4	14.1	12.7
BATTLE MTN. SNOTEL	7440	2/01/12	24	6.2	6.7	7.8
BEARLODGE DIVIDE	4680	1/30/12	4	.7	4.6	1.8
BEARTOOTH LK. SNOTEL	9280	2/01/12	69	16.5	17.3	16.2
BEAR TRAP SNOTEL	8200	2/01/12	23	4.4	5.5	3.5
BIG GOOSE SNOTEL	7760	2/01/12	29	7.1	5.2	6.0
BIG PARK	8620	1/31/12	43	10.1	17.4	12.3
BIG SANDY SNOTEL	9080	2/01/12	38	8.8	9.8	9.5
BLACKWATER SNOTEL	9780	2/01/12	61	17.0	17.9	16.6
BLIND BULL SNOTEL	8900	2/01/12	63	15.1	20.3	18.4
BLUE RIDGE	9620	1/26/12	25	6.2	8.0	7.7
BONE SPGS. SNOTEL	9350	2/01/12	49	12.9	12.9	10.6
BROOKLYN LK. SNOTEL	10220	2/01/12		10.0	20.5	15.3
BURGESS JCT. SNOTEL	7880	2/01/12	34	8.5	6.7	7.4
BURROUGHS CRK SNOTEL	8750	2/01/12	43	9.8	10.1	10.1
CANYON SNOTEL	8090	2/01/12	40	8.1	11.0	8.9
CASPER MTN. SNOTEL	7850	2/01/12	46	12.9	7.6	9.0
CASTLE CREEK SNOTEL	8400	2/01/12	25	5.3	4.3	
CASTLE CREEK	8400	1/31/12	21	4.4	3.3	3.3
CCC CAMP	7000	1/30/12	31	6.7	10.8	8.4
CHALK CK #1 SNOTEL	9100	2/01/12	39	9.3	20.9	15.3
CHALK CK #2 SNOTEL	8200	2/01/12	33	6.3	14.0	9.9
CINNABAR PARK SNOTEL	9690	2/01/12	42	9.8	18.0	13.2
CLOUD PEAK SNOTEL	9850	2/01/12	45	11.6	10.2	8.1
COLE CANYON SNOTEL	5910	2/01/12	16	3.9	5.5	4.5
COLD SPRINGS SNOTEL	9630	2/01/12	24	5.3	5.8	6.0
COTTONWOOD CR SNOTEL	7700	2/01/12		12.1	18.4	14.2
CROW CREEK SNOTEL	8830	2/01/12	19	5.2	7.8	5.1
DARBY CANYON	8250	1/31/12	51	13.4	17.9	15.9
DEER PARK SNOTEL	9700	2/01/12	30	7.5	14.1	11.7
DIVIDE PEAK SNOTEL	8860	2/01/12	32	8.7	14.3	13.0
DOME LAKE SNOTEL	8880	2/01/12	43	10.4	7.4	7.9
DU NOIR	8760	1/31/12	16	3.1	5.4	5.8
EAST RIM DIV SNOTEL	7930	2/01/12	38	8.1	9.8	8.5
ELKHART PARK SNOTEL	9400	2/01/12		8.6	8.7	8.8
EVENING STAR SNOTEL	9200	2/01/12	75	19.2	22.5	19.7
FOUR MILE MEADOWS	7860	1/30/12	34	6.9	9.6	8.7
FOXPARK	9060	1/30/12	16	3.1	7.0	4.9
GEYSER CREEK	8500	1/31/12	17	3.4	3.5	4.8
GLADE CREEK	7040	2/01/12	60	16.3	18.2	16.1
GRAND TARGHEE SNOTEL	9260	2/01/12	72	22.3	33.6	
GRANITE CRK SNOTEL	6770	2/01/12		10.8	13.7	12.4
GRANNIER MEADOWS	8860	1/26/12	28	6.2	9.3	9.1
GRASSY LAKE	7270	2/01/12	76	22.3	25.3	23.5
GRASSY LAKE SNOTEL	7270	2/01/12	77	20.5	24.5	23.0
GRAVE SPRINGS SNOTEL	8550	2/01/12	25	5.7	5.1	5.7

SNOW COURSE	ELEVATION	DATE	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE 71-00
GROS VENTRE SNOTEL	8750	2/01/12	34	7.1	10.2	9.5
GROVER PARK DIVIDE	7000	1/30/12	32	6.7	7.6	7.5
HAIRPIN TURN	9480	1/31/12	34	8.3	16.2	11.1
HANSEN S.M. SNOTEL	8360	2/01/12	18	3.9	4.7	4.2
HAMS FORK SNOTEL	7840	2/01/12	30	6.8	11.2	8.4
HASKINS CREEK	8980	1/27/12	55	12.8	25.8	19.6
HOBACK GS	6640	1/26/12	38	7.1	6.6	
HOBBS PARK SNOTEL	10100	2/01/12	39	10.0	9.5	9.8
HUCKLEBERRY DIVIDE	7300	1/31/12	56	14.2	15.9	14.2
INDIAN CREEK SNOTEL	9430	2/01/12		13.7	22.1	17.6
JACKPINE CREEK	7350	1/31/12	52	14.2	14.2	14.7
KELLEY R.S. SNOTEL	8180	2/01/12	40	9.5	14.5	10.7
KENDALL R.S. SNOTEL	7740	2/01/12	47	10.6	8.8	9.8
KIRWIN SNOTEL	9550	2/01/12	37	8.8	7.8	7.7
LAKE CAMP	7780	1/27/12	36	7.4	7.5	6.5
LA PRELE SNOTEL	8380	2/01/12	30	6.2	8.0	7.3
LARSEN CREEK	9020	1/25/12	31	6.5	7.5	8.4
LARSEN CREEK SNOTEL	9020	2/01/12	31	7.4	9.4	
LEWIS LAKE SNOTEL	7850	2/01/12	72	19.4	23.8	23.1
LIBBY LODGE	8750	1/31/12	28	6.5	11.9	7.8
LITTLE BEAR RUN	6240	1/25/12	12	2.4	4.1	2.6
LITTLE GOOSE SNOTEL	8870	2/01/12	31	7.8	5.9	
LITTLE WARM SNOTEL	9370	2/01/12	26	5.2	8.1	7.8
LOOMIS PARK SNOTEL	8240	2/01/12		9.7	12.8	11.2
LUPINE CREEK	7380	1/30/12	18	4.5	6.4	6.0
MALLO	6420	1/27/12	28	4.5	6.9	5.2
MARQUETTE SNOTEL	8760	2/01/12	22	5.7	2.0	5.9
MEDICINE LODGE LAKES	9340	1/31/12	31	6.6	11.0	7.5
MIDDLE FORK	7420	1/26/12	17	3.8	2.7	3.8
MIDDLE POWDER SNOTEL	7760	2/01/12	29	7.0	6.4	7.2
MORAN	6750	2/01/12	42	9.8	10.0	9.3
MOSS LAKE	9800	1/30/12	36	9.2	23.6	15.3
NEW FORK SNOTEL	8340	2/01/12	32	8.2	8.3	7.7
NORRIS BASIN	7500	1/31/12	29	6.8	8.4	7.7
NORTH BARRETT CREEK	9400	1/31/12	43	8.2	21.6	12.8
NORTH FRENCH SNOTEL	10130	2/01/12	52	12.1	29.5	18.4
	8450	1/31/12	40	9.8	8.9	8.4
NORTH TONGUE OLD BATTLE SNOTEL	9920	2/01/12	54	14.2	28.9	20.0
ONION GULCH	8780	1/26/12	23	4.8	6.1	5.2
OWL CREEK SNOTEL	8980	2/01/12	23 15			3.4
PARKERS PEAK SNOTEL		2/01/12	58	3.2 15.0	3.2	
PHILLIPS BNCH SNOTEL	9400		63		19.6	14.8 18.5
		2/01/12		16.2	20.9	
POCKET CREEK	9350	1/25/12	33 42	7.0 6.7	8.4	8.6
POCKET CREEK SNOTEL	9350	2/01/12			7.7	
POLE MOUNTAIN	8700	1/27/12	32	6.1	8.5	6.1
POWDER RVR.PASS SNTL		2/01/12	28	6.5	10.0	7.2
PURGATORY GULCH	8970	1/27/12	34	8.0	10.4	7.1
RANGER CREEK	8120	1/31/12	24	5.1	7.8	6.2
RENO HILL SNOTEL	8500	2/01/12	46	11.1	9.2	8.4
REUTER CANYON	6280	1/27/12	26	5.1	8.8	6.5
ROWDY CREEK	8300	1/26/12	47	10.7	14.9	14.6
RYAN PARK	8400	1/30/12	26	4.6	11.0	7.4
SAGE CK BASIN SNTL SALT RIVER SNOTEL	7850 7600	2/01/12 2/01/12	38 34	8.7 7.4	12.4 11.5	7.5 9.2

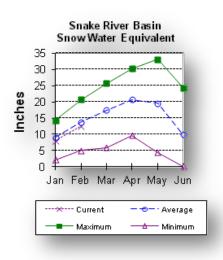
SNOW COURSE	ELEVATION	DATE	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE 71-00
SAND LAKE SNOTEL	10050	2/01/12	57	14.7	26.8	19.9
SANDSTONE RS SNOTEL	8150	2/01/12	28	5.6	9.5	9.7
SAWMILL DIVIDE	9260	1/25/12	45	11.4	8.4	8.8
SHELL CREEK SNOTEL	9580	2/01/12	44	10.6	11.7	9.9
SHERIDAN R.S.	7750	2/01/12	12	2.0	2.8	4.1
SNAKE RIVER STATION	6920	1/31/12	54	13.7	15.0	14.1
SNAKE RV STA SNOTEL	6920	2/01/12	52	12.6	13.2	12.6
SNIDER BASIN SNOTEL	8060	2/01/12	37	8.3	14.1	9.8
SOLDIER PARK SNOTEL	8780	2/01/12	31	9.2	4.5	
SOLDIER PARK	8780	1/30/12		4.5	2.6	3.5
SOUR DOUGH	8460	1/26/12	21	3.5	4.1	4.2
SOUTH BRUSH SNOTEL	8440	2/01/12	24	4.3	11.6	7.4
SOUTH PASS SNOTEL	9040	2/01/12	42	9.2	11.6	11.4
SPRING CRK. SNOTEL	9000	2/01/12	62	14.6	24.1	17.4
ST LAWRENCE ALT SNTL	8620	2/01/12	18	3.6	3.7	4.8
SUCKER CREEK SNOTEL	8880	2/01/12	39	10.3	8.6	7.2
SYLVAN LAKE SNOTEL	8420	2/01/12	46	11.5	16.1	15.2
SYLVAN ROAD SNOTEL	7120	2/01/12	37	8.9	10.8	8.8
T CROSS RANCH	7900	1/30/12	25	5.7	4.5	5.3
THUMB DIVIDE	7980	1/31/12	39	9.8	12.9	12.2
THUMB DIVIDE SNOTEL	7980	2/01/12	44	10.4	13.7	11.8
TIE CREEK SNOTEL	6870	2/01/12	20	5.2	4.3	4.0
TIMBER CREEK SNOTEL	7950	2/01/12	17	3.6	2.7	3.6
TOGWOTEE PASS SNOTEL	9580	2/01/12	58	14.1	20.0	16.9
TOWNSEND CRK SNOTEL	8700	2/01/12	25	5.5	5.6	5.6
TRIPLE PEAK SNOTEL	8500	2/01/12	61	15.0	21.4	16.6
TURPIN MEADOWS	6900	1/30/12	34	7.1	10.9	7.6
TWO OCEAN SNOTEL	9240	2/01/12	85	23.3	23.0	19.0
TYRELL RANGER STA.	8300	1/26/12	21	4.1	7.0	5.2
WEBBER SPRING SNOTEL	9250	2/01/12	43	11.0	20.1	16.1
WHISKEY PARK SNOTEL	8950	2/01/12	47	11.3	22.8	18.5
WILLOW CREEK SNOTEL	8450	2/01/12	64	16.2	22.9	20.2
WINDY PEAK SNOTEL	7900	2/01/12	21	4.7	6.4	4.5
WOLVERINE SNOTEL	7650	2/01/12	28	8.9	11.4	8.6
WOOD ROCK G.S.	8440	1/25/12	34	7.5	6.1	6.5
YOUNTS PEAK SNOTEL	8350	2/01/12	47	11.6	11.8	12.0

NOTE: Missing snow depth entries indicate the site has no snow depth sensor or the sensor is malfunctioning. Missing data under Average 71-00 indicates the site is relatively new.

Snake River Basin

Snow

The Snake River Basin snow water equivalent (SWE) is 91% of average. SWE in the Snake River Basin above Jackson Lake is 99% of average. Pacific Creek Basin SWE is 116% of average. Gros Ventre River Basin SWE is 83% of average. SWE in the Hoback River drainage is 85% of average. SWE in the Greys River drainage is 83% of average. In the Salt River area SWE is 83% of average. SWE in the Snake River Basin above Palisades is 91% of average. See the "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.



Precipitation

Precipitation across the basin was above average last month. Monthly precipitation for the basin was 112% of average (130% of last year). Last month's percentages range from 72-151% of average for the 16 reporting stations. Water-year-to-date precipitation is 94% of average for the Snake River Basin (82% of last year). Year-to-date percentages range from 66-113% of average.

Reservoir

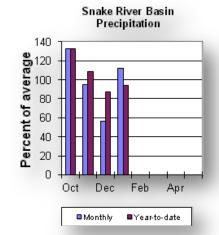
Current reservoir storage is 122% of average for the 3 storage reservoirs in the basin. Grassy Lake storage is about 103% of average (12,100 ac-ft compared to 13,000

last year). Jackson Lake storage is 130% of average (638,800 ac-ft compared to 661,000 ac-ft last year).

Palisades Reservoir storage is about 119% of average (1,236,500 ac-ft compared to 867,500 ac-ft last year). Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for April through September are below average for the basin. The Snake near Moran is 860,000 ac-ft (95% of average). Snake River above reservoir near Alpine is 2,470,000 ac-ft (91% of average). The Snake near Irwin is 3,390,000 ac-ft (88% of average). The Snake near Heise is 3,640,000 ac-ft (88% of average). Pacific Creek near Moran is 187,000 ac-ft (105% of



average). Buffalo Fork above Lava near Moran is 345,000 ac-ft (100% of average). Gros Ventre River at Kelly is 245,000 ac-ft (100% of average). Greys River above Palisades Reservoir is 335,000 ac-ft (85% of average). Salt River near Etna is 340,000 ac-ft (81% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Snake River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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			Future Co				
Forecast Pt	l			-	-		
Forecast	90%	70%	1)%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF) (1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
Snake R nr Mo	oran (1,2)						
APR-JUL	595	720	780	96	840	965	815
APR-SEP	650	795	860	95	925	1070	905
Snake R nr Al	lpine (1,2)					
APR-JUL	1610	1980	2150	91	2320	2690	2370
APR-SEP	1850	2280	2470	91	2660	3090	2730
Snake R nr Ii	cwin (1,2)						
APR-JUL	2160	2690	2930	88	3170	3700	3330
APR-SEP	2520	3120	3390	88	3660	4260	3870
Snake R nr He	eise (2)						
APR-JUL	2470	2860	3130	88	3400	3790	3560
APR-SEP	2890	3340	3640	88	3940	4390	4160
Pacific Ck At	Moran						
APR-JUL	138	163	180	105	197	220	171
APR-SEP	143	169	187	105	205	230	178
Buffalo Fork	ab Lava n	r Moran					
APR-JUL	240	275	300	100	325	360	301
APR-SEP	280	320	345	100	370	410	344
Gros Ventre F	R at Kelly						
APR-JUL	138	175	200	100	225	260	200
APR-SEP	176	215	245	100	275	315	244
Greys R Nr Al	lpine						
APR-JUL	200	255	290	85	325	380	340
APR-SEP	230	295	335	85	375	440	395
Salt R Nr Etr	na						
APR-JUL	134	220	275	81	330	415	340
APR-SEP	174	275	340	81	405	505	420

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SNAKE RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
GRASSY LAKE	15.2	12.1	13.0	11.8
JACKSON LAKE	847.0	638.8	661.0	490.1
PALISADES	1400.0	1236.5	867.5	1040.3

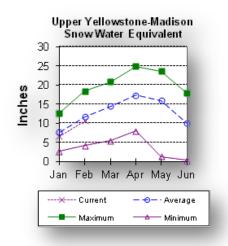
SNAKE RIVER BASIN

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	Number of	This Year as	Percent of
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
SNAKE above Jackson Lake	9	90	99
PACIFIC CREEK	3	101	116
GROS VENTRE RIVER	4	71	84
HOBACK RIVER	5	76	85
GREYS RIVER	4	68	83
SALT RIVER	5	69	83
SNAKE above Palisades	28	79	91

Upper Yellowstone & Madison River Basins

Snow

Snow water equivalent (SWE) is at 86% of average in the Madison drainage. SWE in the Yellowstone drainage is at 96% of average. See the "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the front of this report for details.



Precipitation

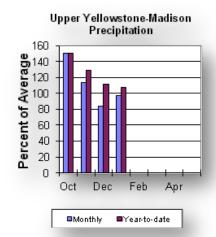
Last month precipitation in the Madison and Yellowstone drainage was about 97% of average (106% of last year). The 5 reporting stations percentages range from 72-121% of average. Water-year-to-date precipitation is about 108% of average (88% of last year's amount). Year to date percentage ranges from 89-141%.

Reservoir

Ennis Lake is storing about 28,900 ac-ft

of water (70% of capacity, 92% of average or 104% of last year's volume). Hebgen Lake is

storing about 309,000 ac-ft of water (82% of capacity, 116% of average or 102% of last year's volume). Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.



Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for April through September are below average for the basins. Yellowstone at Lake Outlet is 755,000 ac-ft (94% of average). Yellowstone at Corwin Springs will yield around 1,850,000 ac-ft (94% of average).

Yellowstone near Livingston will yield around

2,110,000 ac-ft (93% of average). Hebgen Reservoir inflow is 435,000 ac-ft (86% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Upper Yellowstone & Madison River Basins

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Forecast Pt	======		Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	====== i	
Forecast	90%	70%	J 5	0% Ĭ	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)		_
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Yellowstone H	R at Yello	wstone La	ake				
APR-JUL	470	535	575	98	615	680	590
APR-SEP	620	700	755	94	810	890	805
Yellowstone H	R at Corwi	n Springs	5				
APR-JUL	1320	1470	1580	96	1690	1840	1650
APR-SEP	1540	1720	1850	94	1980	2160	1970
Yellowstone H	R at Livir	ngston					
APR-JUL	1480	1670	1800	95	1930	2120	1900
APR-SEP	1730	1960	2110	93	2260	2490	2280
Hebgen Reserv	voir Inflo	ow (2)					
APR-JUL	270	310	340	86	370	410	395
APR-SEP	350	400	435	86	470	520	505

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UPPER YELLOWSTONE & MADISON RIVER BASINS

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****					
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average					
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ENNIS LAKE	41.0	28.9	27.8	31.3					
HEBGEN LAKE	377.5	309.0	301.9	266.5					

UPPER YELLOWSTONE & MADISON RIVER BASINS

Watershed Snowpack Analysis - February 1, 2012

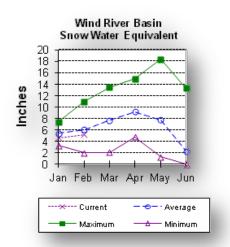
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YELLOWSTONE RIVER in WY 10 76 82

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Wind River Basin

Snow

The Wind River Basin above Boysen Reservoir is 86% of average for snow water equivalent at this time of the year. SWE in the Wind River above Dubois is 85% of average. The Little Wind SWE is 93% of average, and the



Popo Agie drainage SWE is about 82% of average. See the "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the front of this report for details.

Precipitation

Last month's precipitation in the basin varied from 46-118% of average. Precipitation, for the basin, was about 90% of average from the 8 reporting stations; that is about 128% of last year's amount. Water year-to-date precipitation is 93% of average and about 94% of last year at this time. Year-to-date percentages range from 76-118% of average.

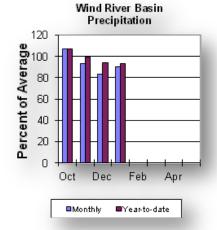
Reservoirs

Current storage varies from 105-126% of average. Current storage in Bull Lake is about 93,400 ac-ft (109% of average) - the reservoir is at 132%

of last year. Boysen Reservoir is storing about 105% of average (624,300 ac-ft) - the reservoir is about 110% of last year. Pilot Butte is at 126% of average (25,200 ac-ft) - the reservoir is at 101% of last year. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September runoff period for the basin are below average. Dinwoody Creek near Burris is 88,000 ac-ft (94% of average). The Wind River above Bull Lake Creek is 450,000 ac-ft (84% of average). Bull Lake Creek near Lenore is 174,000 ac-ft (96% of average). Wind River at Riverton will yield around



500,000 ac-ft (78% of average). Little Popo Agie River near Lander is around 45,000 ac-ft (85% of average). South Fork of Little Wind near Fort Washakie will yield around 80,000 ac-ft (95% of average). Little Wind River near Riverton will yield around 270,000 ac-ft (86% of average). Boysen Reservoir inflow will yield around 605,000 ac-ft (75% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Wind River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Forecast Pt	======	======	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	:=====	
Forecast	90%	70%	50)%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF) (1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
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Dinwoody Ck r							
APR-JUL	50	58	64	96	70	78	67
APR-SEP	71	81	88	94	95	105	94
Wind R ab Bul	ll Lake Ck	(2)					
APR-JUL	230	310	365	84	420	500	435
APR-SEP	310	395	450	84	505	590	535
Bull Lake Ck	nr Lenore						
APR-JUL	111	130	143	97	156	175	148
APR-SEP	133	158	174	96	190	215	182
Wind R at Riv	verton (2)						
APR-JUL	250	355	425	78	495	600	545
APR-SEP	305	420	500	78	580	695	640
Little Popo A	Agie R nr	Lander					
APR-JUL	17.2	30	39	85	48	61	46
APR-SEP	22	36	45	85	54	68	53
SF Little Wir	nd R nr Fo	rt Washa	kie				
APR-JUL	48	62	71	97	80	94	73
APR-SEP	54	69	80	95	91	106	84
Little Wind F	R nr River	ton					
APR-JUL	84	177	240	86	305	395	280
APR-SEP	101	200	270	86	340	440	315
Boysen Reserv	voir Inflo	w (2)					
APR-JUL	145	385	550	77	715	955	717
APR-SEP	168	430	605	75	780	1040	809

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WIND RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

Reservoir	Usable	********	Usable Storage	*******
	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
BULL LAKE	151.8	93.4	70.6	85.9
BOYSEN	596.0	624.3	568.8	592.0
PILOT BUTTE	31.6	25.2	24.9	20.0

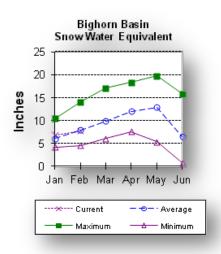
WIND RIVER BASIN

Watershed	Number of Data Sites	This Year as Pe Last Year	ercent of Average
WIND RIVER above Dubios	8	84	85
LITTLE WIND	2	103	93
POPO AGIE	7	80	82
WIND above Boysen Resv	15	86	86

Bighorn River Basin

Snow

The Bighorn River Basin SWE above Bighorn Reservoir is at 98% of average. The Nowood River is at 90% of average. The Greybull River SWE is at 110% of average. Shell Creek SWE is 101% of average. See the "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the front of this report for details.



Precipitation

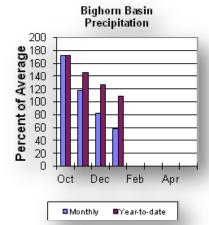
Last month's precipitation was 58% of average (42% of last year). Sites ranged from 33-124% of average for the month. Year-to-date precipitation is 109% of average; that is 100% of last year at this time. Year-to-date percentages, from the 10 reporting stations, range from 78-169%.

Reservoir

Boysen Reservoir is currently storing 624,300 ac-ft (105% of average). Bighorn Lake is now at 894,000 ac-ft (104% of average).

Boysen is currently storing 110% of

last year volume at this time and Big Horn Lake is storing 103% of last year's volume. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.



Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September runoffs are anticipated to be below average. Boysen Reservoir inflow should yield 605,000 ac-ft (75% of average); the Greybull River near Meeteetse should yield around 205,000 ac-ft (103% of average); Shell Creek near Shell should yield around

74,000 ac-ft (103% of average) and the Bighorn River at Kane should yield around 965,000 ac-ft (87% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Bighorn River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Forecast Pt	=======	======	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	====== i	
Forecast	90%	70%	1 50)%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)		_
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Boysen Reser	voir Inflo	w (2)					
APR-JUL	145	385	550	77	715	955	717
APR-SEP	168	430	605	75	780	1040	809
Greybull R n	r Meeteets	e					
APR-JUL	117	138	152	103	166	187	148
APR-SEP	162	188	205	103	220	250	200
Shell Ck nr	Shell						
APR-JUL	47	56	62	103	68	77	60
APR-SEP	58	67	74	103	81	90	72
Bighorn R at Kane (2)							
APR-JUL	370	680	890	89	1100	1410	1000
APR-SEP	410	740	965	87	1190	1520	1110

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BIGHORN RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	*****	Usable Storage	*****				
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average				
	========	========						
BOYSEN	596.0	624.3	568.8	592.0				
BIGHORN LAKE	1356.0	894.0	870.5	859.5				

BIGHORN RIVER BASIN

Watershed	Number of	This Year as I	Percent of
	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
NOWOOD RIVER	5	72	90
GREYBULL RIVER	2	118	110
SHELL CREEK BIGHORN (Boysen-Bighorn)	4	84	101
	11	82	98

Shoshone and Clarks Fork River Basin

Snow

Snowpack in these basins is near average for this time of year. Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) is 95% of average in the Shoshone River Basin. The Clarks Fork River Basin SWE is 96% of average. See the "Basin



Summary of Snow Course Data" at the front of this report for details.

Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 113% of average (94% of last year). Monthly percentages range from 78-121% of average. The basin year-to-date precipitation is now 116% of average (96% of last year). Year-to-date percentages range from 93-141% of average for the 8 reporting stations.

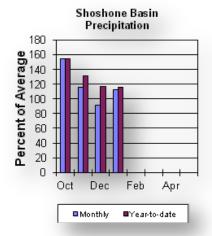
Reservoir

Current storage in Buffalo Bill Reservoir is about 108% of average (101% of last year's storage) - the reservoir is at

about 70% of capacity. Currently, about 449,400 ac-ft are stored in the reservoir compared to 446,100 ac-ft last year. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are expected to be near average for the basin. The North Fork Shoshone River at Wapiti is 535,000 ac-ft (103% of average). The South Fork of the Shoshone River near Valley is 260,000 ac-ft (98% of average), and the South Fork above Buffalo Bill Reservoir runoff is 225,000 ac-ft (100% of average). The Buffalo Bill Reservoir inflow is expected to yield around 795,000 ac-ft (99% of



average). The yield for the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone near Belfry, Montana is expected to be around 595,000 ac-ft (100% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Shoshone & Clarks Fork River Basins

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Fo	recast Pt	=======	=====	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	======	
	Forecast	90%	70%	50	18	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
	Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
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NF	Shoshone F	-						
	APR-JUL	390	440	475		510		460
	APR-SEP	445	500	535	103	570	625	520
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SF	Shoshone F	_						
	APR-JUL	183	210	225	100	240		225
	APR-SEP	215	240	260	98	280	305	265
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SF	Shoshone F		-		100	0.45	005	0.1.5
	APR-JUL	147	187	215	100	245		215
	APR-SEP	153	196	225	100	255	295	225
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вu	ffalo Bill		•	•	0.0	880	0.5.5	E00
	APR-JUL	575	660	715	99	770	855	720
	APR-SEP	645	735	795	99	855	945	805
C1	arks Fk Yel	lowstone R	nr Relf	rv				
01	APR-JUL	455	510	545	101	580	635	540
	APR-SEP	500	555	595	100	635	690	595
	TIER DEE	300	555	575	100	033	0,70	373

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SHOSHONE & CLARKS FORK RIVER BASINS

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****				
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average				
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BUFFALO BILL	646.6	449.4	446.1	414.3				
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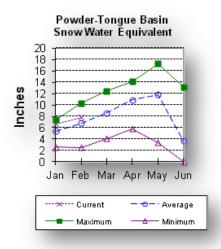
SHOSHONE & CLARKS FORK RIVER BASINS

Watershed	Number of	This Year as Pe	ercent of
	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
SHOSHONE RIVER	6	91	95
CLARKS FORK in WY	7	82	96

Powder and Tongue River Basins

Snow

Snow water equivalent (SWE) in the Upper Tongue River drainage is 122% of average. The Goose Creek drainage is 127% of average. SWE in the Clear Creek drainage is 118% of average. Crazy Woman Creek drainage is 89% of



average. Upper Powder River drainage SWE is 98% of average. Powder River Basin SWE in Wyoming is 107% of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

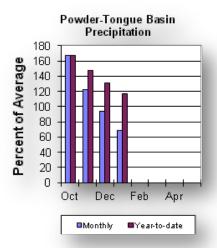
Last month's precipitation was 69% of average for the 9 reporting stations (43% of last year). Monthly percentages range from 52-106% of average. Year-to-date precipitation is 117% of average in the basin; this is 106% of last year at this time. Precipitation for the year ranges from 98-138% of average.

Reservoir

The Tongue River Reservoir currently is storing 240% of average (54,400 ac-ft) compared to 105% of average at this time last year.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are expected to be above average for the basins. The yield for Tongue River near Dayton is 121,000 ac-ft (111% of average). Big Goose Creek near Sheridan is 70,000 ac-ft (117% of average). Little Goose Creek near Bighorn is 49,000 acft (117% of average). The Tongue River Reservoir Inflow is 290,000 ac-ft (116% of average). The Middle Fork of the Powder River near Barnum is 17,900 ac-ft (96% of average). The North Fork of the Powder River near Hazelton should yield around 10,000 acft (96% of average). Rock Creek near Buffalo will yield about 28,000 ac-ft (117% of average), and Piney Creek at Kearny should yield about 64,000 ac-ft (123% of average). The Powder River at Moorehead is 245,000 acft (107% of average). The Powder River near



Locate is 280,000 ac-ft (108% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.

Powder & Tongue River Basins

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Forecast Pt	======	======	Chance of	Exceeding	g * =====	======	
Forecast	90%	70%	50)응	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF) (1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
Tongue R nr 1	Dayton (2)						
APR-JUL	75	93	106	110	119	137	96
APR-SEP	88	108	121	111	134	154	109
Big Goose Ck	nr Sherid	lan					
APR-JUL	42	53	61	117	69	80	52
APR-SEP	50	62	70	117	78	90	60
Little Goose	Ck nr Big	ghorn					
APR-JUL	28	35	40	118	45	52	34
APR-SEP	36	44	49	117	54	62	42
Tongue River	Reservoir	Inflow	(2)				
APR-JUL	153	215	260	118	305	365	220
APR-SEP	178	245	290	116	335	400	250
MF Powder R	nr Barnum						
APR-JUL	11.3	14.7	17.0	96	19.3	23	17.8
APR-SEP	12.0	15.5	17.9	96	20	24	18.7
NF Powder R	nr Hazelto	n					
APR-JUL	6.7	8.2	9.2	96	10.2	11.7	9.6
APR-SEP	7.4	9.0	10.0	96	11.0	12.6	10.4
Rock Ck nr B	uffalo						
APR-JUL	18.0	22	24	121	26	30	19.9
APR-SEP	22	25	28	117	31	34	24
Piney Ck at 1	Kearny						
APR-JUL	37	50	59	120	68	81	49
APR-SEP	42	55	64	123	73	86	52
Powder R at I	Moorhead						
APR-JUL	115	174	215	105	255	315	205
APR-SEP	142	205	245	107	285	350	230
Powder R nr 1	Locate						
APR-JUL	121	195	245	104	295	370	235
APR-SEP	147	225	280	108	335	415	260

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POWDER & TONGUE RIVER BASINS

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

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	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
TONGUE RIVER	79.1	54.4	51.7	22.7

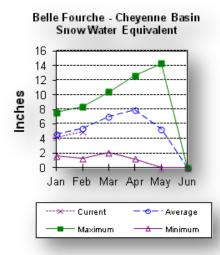
POWDER & TONGUE RIVER BASINS

	Number of	This Year as	Percent of
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
UPPER TONGUE RIVER	10	116	122
GOOSE CREEK	3	136	127
CLEAR CREEK	4	125	118
CRAZY WOMAN CREEK	3	73	89
UPPER POWDER RIVER	4	81	98
POWDER RIVER in WY	8	102	107

Belle Fourche and Cheyenne River Basins

Snow

The Belle Fourche River Basin SWE is 91% of average at this time of year.



For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 150% of average or 60% of last year in the Black Hills. There were 3 reporting stations. Monthly percentages range from 146-154%. Year-to-date precipitation is 86% of average and 50% of last year's amount. Yearly percentages range from 77-98% of average.

Reservoir

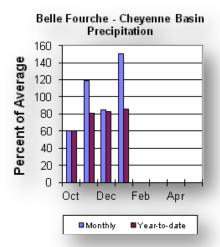
Current reservoir storage is about 120% of average in the basin. Angostura is currently storing 97% of average (94,800 ac-ft), about 78% of capacity. Belle

Fourche reservoir is storing 125% of average (126,600 ac-ft), about 71% of capacity. Deerfield reservoir is storing 117% of average (15,000 ac-ft), about 99% of capacity. Keyhole reservoir is storing 162% of average (166,000 ac-ft), about 86% of capacity. Pactola reservoir is storing

114% of average (52,200 ac-ft), about 95% of capacity. Shadehill reservoir is storing 75% of average (36,700 ac-ft), about 45% of capacity. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The following runoff values are the 50% exceedance forecasts for the Apr through July period. The Deerfield Reservoir Inflow is expected to be 5,000 ac-ft (98% of average). Pactola Reservoir Inflow is expected to yield around 20,000 ac-ft (87% of average). See the following page for detailed runoff volumes.



Belle Fourche & Cheyenne River Basins

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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	<=== Dr	ier ===	Future Co	onditions	=== Wett	er ===>	
Forecast Pt	 ======		Chance of	~			
Forecast	90%	70%	50)%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
=========	=======	=======	=======	=======	=======	=======	========
Deerfield Re	servoir In	flow (2)					
MAR-JUL	1.9	4.3	6.0	98	7.7	10.1	6.1
APR-JUL	2.4	3.8	5.0	98	6.3	8.5	5.1
Pactola Reservoir Inflow (2)							
MAR-JUL	4.2	15.4	23	89	31	42	26
APR-JUL	7.2	14.0	20	87	27	39	23

The average is computed for the 1971-2000 base period.

- (1) The values listed under the 10% and 90% Chance of Exceeding are actually 5% and 95% exceedance levels.
- (2) The value is natural volume actual volume may be affected by upstream water management.
- (3) Median value used in place of average.

BELLE FOURCHE & CHEYENNE RIVER BASINS

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

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	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
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ANGOSTURA	122.1	94.8	96.4	98.1
BELLE FOURCHE	178.4	126.6	150.3	101.4
DEERFIELD	15.2	15.0	14.7	12.8
KEYHOLE	193.8	166.0	109.7	102.3
PACTOLA	55.0	52.2	52.9	45.8
SHADEHILL	81.4	36.7	48.5	49.1
	========	========	===========	========

BELLE FOURCHE & CHEYENNE RIVER BASINS Watershed Snowpack Analysis - February 1, 2012

	Number of	This Year as Pe	ercent of
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
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BELLE FOURCHE	8	67	91
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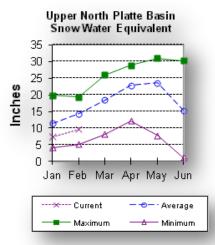
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^{* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%,} and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

Upper North Platte River Basin

Snow

The SNOTELS above Seminoe Reservoir are showing about 68% of average (SWE) for this time of the year. SWE in the drainage area above Northgate is 67% of average at this time. SWE in the Encampment River drainage is about 72% of average. Brush Creek SWE for the year is about 63% of average. Medicine Bow and Rock Creek drainages SWE are about 67%



of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

Eight reporting stations show last month's precipitation at 81% of average or 74% of last year's amount. Precipitation varied from 55-95% of average last month. Total water-year-to-date precipitation is about 86% of average for the basin, which is about 59% of last year's amount. Year to date percentage ranges from 67-136% of average.

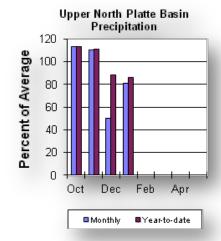
Reservoirs

Seminoe Reservoir is estimated to be storing 870,300 ac-ft or 86% of capacity. Seminoe Reservoir is also

storing about 152% of average for this time of the year and 103% of last year. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The following yields are the 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period and are expected to be below average for the Upper North Platte River Basin. Yield for the North Platte River near Northgate will be around 152,000 ac-ft (56% of average). The Encampment River near Encampment is 105,000 ac-ft (64% of average). Rock Creek near Arlington is 41,000 ac-ft (72% of average). The Sweetwater River near Alcova forecast is for 62,000 ac-ft (78% of average). Seminoe



Reservoir inflow should be around 485,000 ac-ft (56% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.

Upper North Platte River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

=========	=======	=======		=======		=======	========
	<=== Dr	ier ===	Future Co	nditions	=== Wett	er ===>	
Forecast Pt	======	======	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	======	
Forecast	90%	70%	50)용	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF) (1000AF)	(% AVG.) ((1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
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North Platte		_					
APR-JUL	55	76	139	57	186	255	245
APR-SEP	61	83	152	56	205	280	270
Encampment R	_						
APR-JUL	53	80	99	64	118	145	156
APR-SEP	57	86	105	64	124	153	165
D 1 G1 3							
Rock Ck nr A							
APR-JUL	23	33	40	76	47	57	53
APR-SEP	23	34	41	72	48	59	57
C	3.7						
Sweetwater R		4.0			7.0	2.2	5 .4
APR-JUL	21	42	57	77	72	93	74
APR-SEP	23	46	62	78	78	101	80
Seminoe Reservoir Inflow (2)							
APR-JUL	182	290	455	57	620	865	800
APR-SEP	194	310	485	56	660	925	860
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^{* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%,} and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

The average is computed for the 1971-2000 base period.

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- (3) Median value used in place of average.

UPPER NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Last Year	Average
SEMINOE 1016.7 870.3	848.4 	573.2

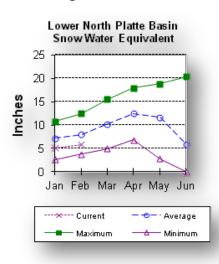
UPPER NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN

Watershed	Number of	This Year as Pe	rcent of
	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
N PLATTE above Northgate ENCAMPMENT RIVER BRUSH CREEK	7	50	67
	4	54	72
	5	39	63
MEDICINE BOW & ROCK CREEKS N PLATTE above Seminoe	3	48	67
	19	49	68

Lower North Platte River Basin

Snow

SWE for the North Platte River Basin is at 73% of average. The Sweetwater drainage SWE is currently at 72% of average. Deer and LaPrele Creek SWE are at 110% of average. SWE for the North Platte above the Laramie River drainage is 70% of average. SWE for the Laramie River above Laramie is 81% of average. SWE for the Little Laramie River is 77% of average. The Laramie River above mouth, SWE is 79% of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.



Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 109% of average or 95% of last year's amount. Of the 8 reporting stations, percentages for the month range from 77-178%. The water year-to-date precipitation for the basin is currently 110% of average (82% of last year). Year-to-date percentages range from 82-154% of average.

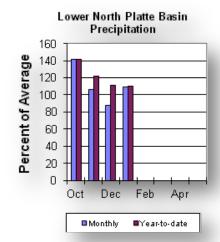
Reservoir

The Lower North Platte River basin reservoir storage is average at 125%. Reservoir storage is as follows: Alcova 156,900 ac-ft (101% of average); Glendo 369,600 ac-ft (110% of average); Guernsey 13,200 ac-ft (145% of average); Pathfinder

767,300 ac-ft (113% of average); Seminoe 870,300 ac-ft (152% of average); and Wheatland #2 72,500 ac-ft (160% of average):

Streamflow

The following yields are based on the 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period. The Sweetwater River near Alcova is forecast to yield about 62,000 ac-ft (78% of average). Deer Creek at Glenrock is forecast to yield 44,000 ac-ft (119% of average). LaPrele Creek above the reservoir is forecast to yield 25,000 ac-ft (104% of average). North Platte - Alcova to Orin Gain is forecast to yield 196,000 ac-ft (122% of average). North Platte River below Glendo Reservoir is 510,000 ac-ft (52% of average), and below Guernsey Reservoir is anticipated to



yield around 520,000 ac-ft (52% of average). Laramie River near Woods Landing should yield around 115,000 ac-ft (85% of average). The Little Laramie near Filmore should produce about 43,000 ac-ft (67% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.

Lower North Platte, Sweetwater & Laramie River Basins

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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	<=== Dr	ier ===	Future C	onditions	=== Wett	er ===>	
Forecast Pt	======	======	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	======	
Forecast	90%	70%	5	0%	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
Sweetwater R	nr Alcova						
APR-JUL	21	42	57	77	72	93	74
APR-SEP	23	46	62	78	78	101	80
Deer Ck at G	lenrock						
APR-JUL	17.0	26	44	119	62	89	37
APR-SEP	17.0	26	44	119	62	89	37
La Prele Ck a	ab La Prel	e Reservo	oir				
APR-JUL	4.8	16.2	24	100	32	43	24
APR-SEP	5.7	17.2	25	104	33	44	24
North Platte	R-Alcova	to Orin (Gain				
APR-JUL	70	138	185	122	230	300	152
APR-SEP	75	147	196	122	245	315	161
North Platte	R bl Glen	do Res (2	2)				
APR-JUL	240	400	505	53	610	770	960
APR-SEP	230	400	510	52	620	790	990
North Platte	R bl Guer	nsey Res	(2)				
APR-JUL	177	370	505	52	640	835	970
APR-SEP	180	380	520	52	660	860	1010
Laramie R nr	Woods						
APR-JUL	66	89	105	85	121	144	123
APR-SEP	73	98	115	85	132	157	135
Little Laramie R nr Filmore							
APR-JUL	21	32	40	68	48	59	59
APR-SEP	22	35	43	67	51	64	64

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LOWER NORTH PLATTE, SWEETWATER & LARAMIE RIVER BASINS Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	******	Usable Storage	*****
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
ALCOVA	184.3	156.9	156.6	155.0
GLENDO	506.4	369.6	390.3	334.9
GUERNSEY	45.6	13.2	14.6	9.1
PATHFINDER	1016.5	767.3	784.6	678.3
SEMINOE	1016.7	870.3	848.4	573.2
WHEATLAND #2	98.9	72.5	57.1	45.3

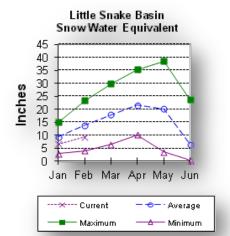
LOWER NORTH PLATTE, SWEETWATER & LARAMIE RIVER BASINS Watershed Snowpack Analysis - February 1, 2012

	Number of	This Year as	Percent of
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
SWEETWATER	4	71	72
DEER & Laprele Creeks	2	101	110
N PLATTE abv Laramie R.	25	53	70
LARAMIE RIVER abv Laramie	10	59	81
LITTLE LARAMIE RIVER	5	55	77
LARAMIE RIVER above mouth	13	57	79
NORTH PLATTE	31	54	73

Little Snake River Basin

Snow

Currently, snow water equivalent (SWE) in the Little Snake River drainage



is 67% of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

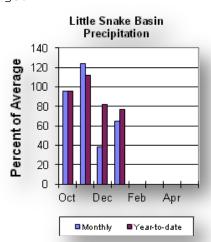
Precipitation across the basin was 65% of average (74% of last year) for the 5 reporting stations. Last month's precipitation ranged from 55-72% of average. The Little Snake River basin water-year-to-date precipitation is currently 77% of average (56% of last year). Year-to-date percentages range from 60-91% of average.

Reservoir

High Savery Dam - 11,800 ac-ft

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecast for the April through July time frame on the Little Snake River drainage is expected to be below average this year. The Little Snake River near Slater should yield around 110,000 ac-ft (69% of average). The Little Snake River at Savery is estimated to yield around 230,000 ac-ft (70% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.



Little Snake River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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Forecast Pt	=======	=====	Chance of	Exceeding	* =====	======	
Forecast	90%	70%	50) 응	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF) [(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)İ	(1000AF)
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Little Snake	R nr Slate	(2)					
APR-JUL	73	94	110	69	127	155	159
11111 001	, 3	7 1	110	0,5	12,	133	137
Little Snake	R nr Savery	7 (2)					
APR-JUL	139	190	230	70	275	345	330
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^{* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%,} and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

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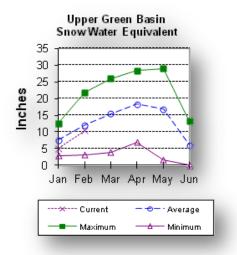
LITTLE SNAKE RIVER BASIN

Watershed	Number of	This Year as Pe	ercent of
	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
LITTLE SNAKE RIVER	8	54	67

Upper Green River Basin

Snow

SWE in the Green River Basin above Warren Bridge is about 91% of average.



SWE for the West Side of Upper Green River Basin is about 82% of average. Newfork River Basin SWE is now about 95% of average. Big Sandy-Eden Valley Basin is 85% of average. SWE in the Green River Basin above Fontenelle Reservoir is about 86% of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

The 11 reporting precipitation sites in the basin were 138% of average last month (142% of last year). Last month's precipitation varied from 97-191% of average. Water year-to-date precipitation is about 97% of average (84% of last year). Year to date

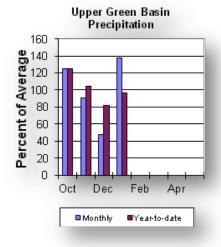
percentage of average ranges from 80-120% for the reporting stations.

Reservoir

Storage in Big Sandy Reservoir is 22,900 acft or 60% of capacity. This is 123% of average. Fontenelle Reservoir is 164,300 acft or 48% of capacity; 90% of average. This is 93% of average for the Upper Green River basin. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July runoff period in the Upper Green River Basin are forecast to be below average. The yield on the Green River at Warren Bridge is 235,000 ac-ft (89% of average). Pine Creek above Fremont Lake is 96,000 ac-ft (92% creek above Fremont Lake is 96,000 ac-ft (92% creek).



of average). New Fork River near Big Piney is 350,000 ac-ft (89% of average). Fontenelle Reservoir Inflow is estimated to be 685,000 ac-ft (80% of average), and Big Sandy near Farson is expected to be around 52,000 ac-ft (90% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.

Upper Green River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

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	<=== Dri	ler === 1	Future Cor	nditions	=== Wett	er ===>	
Forecast Pt Forecast Period	 ======= 90% (1000AF)	70%	Chance of E 508 (1000AF) (š	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg (1000AF)
Green R at Wa	arren Brido	re					
APR-JUL	182	215	235	89	260	295	265
Pine Ck ab Fr APR-JUL	remont Lake 80	89	96	92	103	114	104
New Fork R n	r Pia Dines	7					
APR-JUL	245	305	350	89	400	475	395
Fontenelle Re	Fontenelle Reservoir Inflow (2)						
APR-JUL	405	560	685	80	820	1040	860
Big Sandy R :	nr Farson 36	45	52	90	59	72	58

^{* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%,} and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

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- (3) Median value used in place of average.

UPPER GREEN RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

Reservoir	Usable	*********	Usable Storage	*******
	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
BIG SANDY	38.3	22.9	17.6	18.6
FONTENELLE	344.8	164.3	182.5	182.2
		========	==========	

UPPER GREEN RIVER BASIN

	Number of	This Year as P	ercent of
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average
=======================================	=======================================	=======================================	========
GREEN above Warren Bridge	5	83	91
UPPER GREEN (West Side)	7	65	82
NEWFORK RIVER	3	92	94
BIG SANDY/EDEN VALLEY	2	88	85
GREEN above Fontenelle	14	73	86
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Lower Green River Basin

Snow

SWE in the Green River Basin above Flaming Gorge is 87% of average. SWE in the Hams Fork Basin is 82% of average. Blacks Fork Basin SWE is currently 78% of average. In the Henrys Fork drainage SWE is 121%. For



more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

Precipitation for the 3 reporting stations during last month was at 105% of average or 107% of last year. Precipitation ranged from 81-116% of average for the month. The basin year-to-date precipitation is currently 80% of average (64% of last year). Year-to-date percentages range from 75-85% of average.

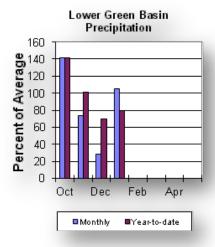
Reservoirs

Fontenelle Reservoir is currently storing 164,300 ac-ft; this is 90% of average (90% of last year). Flaming Gorge is currently

storing 3,344,000 ac-ft; this is 113% of average (107% of last year). Viva Naughton is currently storing 28,600 ac-ft, 94% of average or 67% of capacity. Detailed reservoir data is shown on the following page and on the reservoir storage summary at the beginning of this report.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July runoff period in the Lower Green River Basin are forecast to be below average. The Green River near Green River is forecast to yield about 695,000 ac-ft (79% of average). The Blacks Fork near Robertson is forecast to yield 70,000 ac-ft (74% of average). East Fork of Smiths Fork near Robertson is forecast to yield 20,000 ac-ft



(69% of average). Hams Fork below Pole Creek near Frontier is forecast to be 45,000 ac-ft (69% of average). The Hams Fork Inflow to Viva Naughton Reservoir is forecast to be 59,000 ac-ft (66% of average). The Flaming Gorge Reservoir inflow will be about 880,000 ac-ft (74% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.

Lower Green River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

	<=== Dri	er ===	Future Co	nditions	=== Wette	er ===>	
Forecast Pt Forecast Period	 ======= 90% (1000AF)	70%	50	!	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg (1000AF)
G B G		=======	=======			=======	=======
Green R nr G APR-JUL	430	WY (2) 585	695	79	805	960	875
Blacks Fk nr	Robertson						
APR-JUL	45	59	70	74	82	100	95
EF of Smiths	Fork nr Ro	bertson	(2)				
APR-JUL	11.5	16.3	20	69	24	31	29
Hams Fk bl Pole Ck nr Frontier							
APR-JUL	25	36	45	69	55	71	65
Viva Naughton							
APR-JUL	35	43	59	66	75	100	89
Flaming Gorge Reservoir Inflow (2)							
APR-JUL	500	715	880	74	1060	1370	1190

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LOWER GREEN RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

	Usable	******	obabic bedrage	
Reservoir	Capacity	This Year	Last Year	Average
	==========	=======	=========	=======
FONTENELLE	344.8	164.3	182.5	182.2
FLAMING GORGE	3749.0	3344.0	3111.0	2966.0
VIVA NAUGHTON RES	42.4	28.6	31.0	30.3

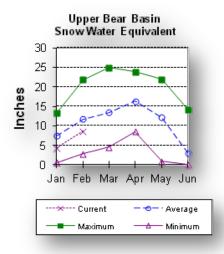
LOWER GREEN RIVER BASIN

Watershed	Number of Data Sites	This Year as P Last Year	ercent of Average
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HAMS FORK RIVER	4	62	82
BLACKS FORK	2	66	78
HENRYS FORK	2	113	121
GREEN above Flaming Gorge	22	74	86
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Upper Bear River Basin

Snow

Snow water equivalent (SWE) in the Upper Bear River Basin in Utah is



estimated to be 62% of average. SWE in the Wyoming portion of the Bear River drainage (Smiths and Thomas Forks) is at 82% of average. Bear River Basin SWE, above the Idaho State line, is 74% of average. For more information see "Basin Summary of Snow Course Data" at the beginning of this report.

Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 101% of average for the 2 reporting stations; this is 106% of the precipitation received last year. The year-to-date precipitation, for the basin, is 75%

of average; this is 60% of last year's amount.

Reservoir

Storage in Woodruff Narrows reservoir is 45,000 ac-ft (179% of average). Current reservoir storage is about 79% of capacity. Reservoir storage last year at this time was 42,000 ac-ft.

Streamflow

The following 50% exceedance forecasts are for the April through September period. The Bear River near the Utah-Wyoming State Line is 94,000 ac-ft (75% of average). The Bear River above Reservoir near Woodruff is 91,000 ac-ft (64% of average). The Smiths Fork River near Border is

Upper Bear Basin

90,000 ac-ft (74% of average). See the following table for more detailed information on projected runoff.

Upper Bear River Basin

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 2012

	<=== Dr	ier ===	Future Con	nditions	=== Wett	er ===>	
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Forecast Pt	======	========= Chance of Exceeding * =========					
Forecast	90%	70%	509	ē	30%	10%	30 Yr Avg
Period	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(% AVG.)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)	(1000AF)
=========	========	=======	========		=======		========
Bear R nr UT-	-WY State	Line					
APR-JUL	45	69	85	75	101	125	113
APR-SEP	49	76	94	75	112	139	125
Bear R ab Res nr Woodruff							
APR-JUL	3.0	52	90	66	128	184	136
APR-SEP	3.0	43	91	64	139	210	142
Smiths Fk nr Border							
APR-JUL	44	66	80	78	94	116	103
APR-SEP	50	74	90	74	106	130	121

The average is computed for the 1971-2000 base period.

- (1) The values listed under the 10% and 90% Chance of Exceeding are actually 5% and 95% exceedance levels.
- (2) The value is natural volume actual volume may be affected by upstream water management.
- (3) Median value used in place of average.

UPPER BEAR RIVER BASIN

Reservoir Storage (1000AF) End of January

Usable ********* Usable Storage ********

Reservoir Capacity This Year Last Year Average

WOODRUFF NARROWS 57.3 45.0 42.0 25.2

UPPER BEAR RIVER BASIN

	Number of	This Year as I	Percent of			
Watershed	Data Sites	Last Year	Average			
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UPPER BEAR RIVER in Utah	5	43	62			
SMITHS & THOMAS FORKS	4	62	82			
BEAR RIVER abv ID line	7	53	74			
NORTHWEST	74	82	91			
NORTHEST	23	98	109			
SOUTHEAST	35	55	72			
SOUTHWEST	31	66	79			

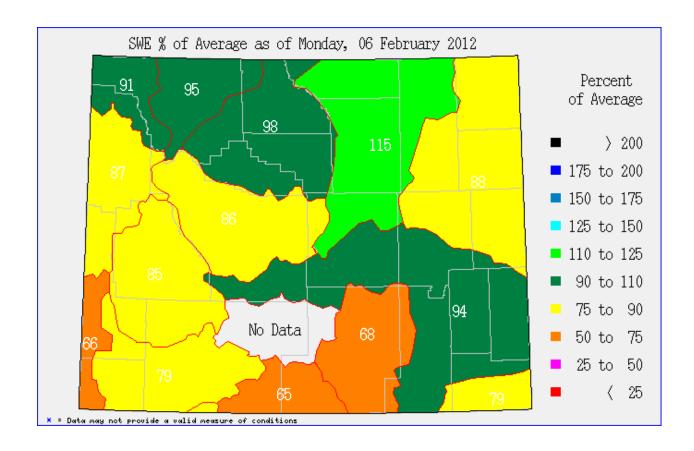
^{* 90%, 70%, 50%, 30%,} and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual volume will exceed the volumes in the table.

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