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Wyoming Basin & Water Supply Outlook Report

January 1, 2026

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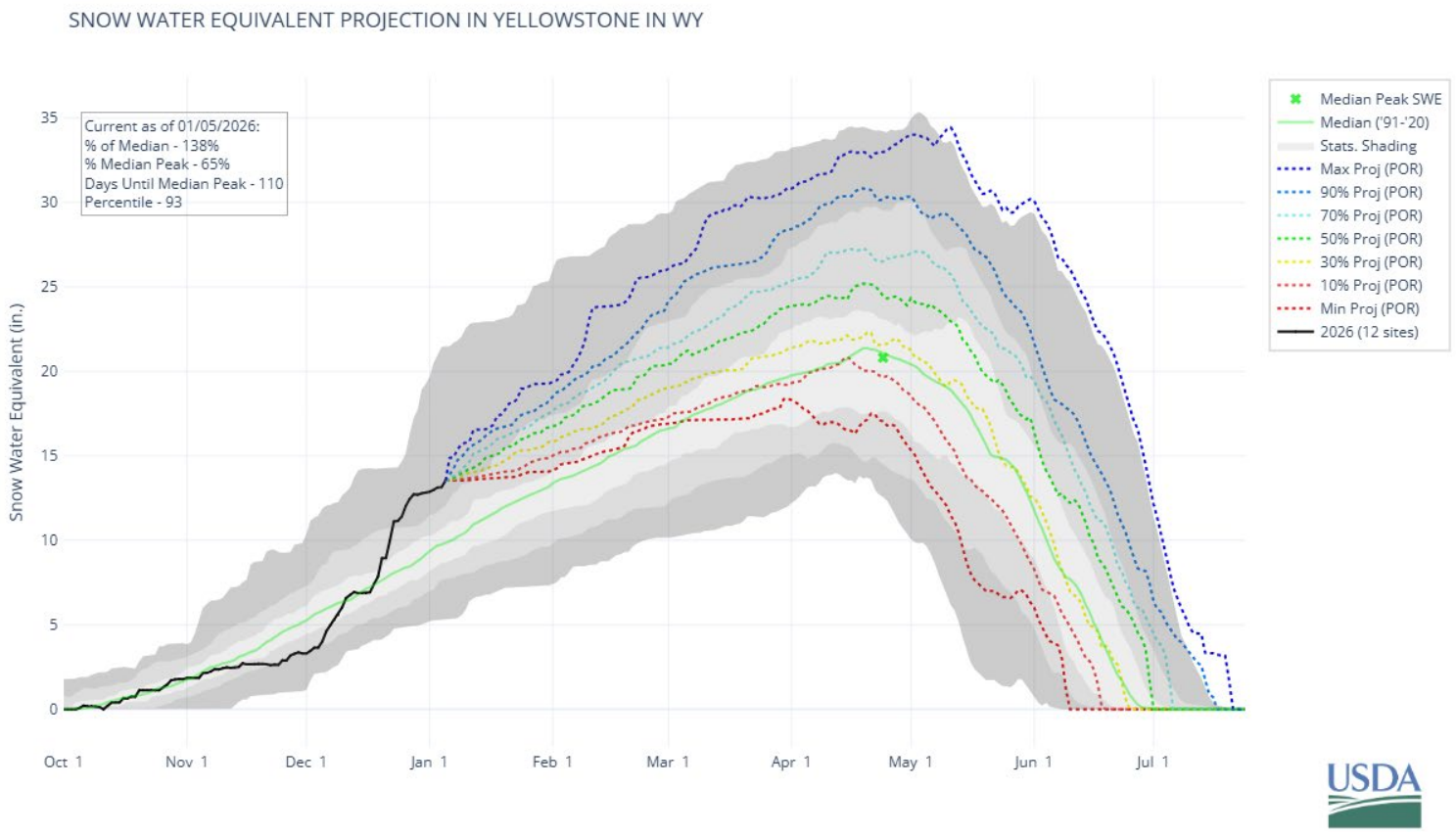
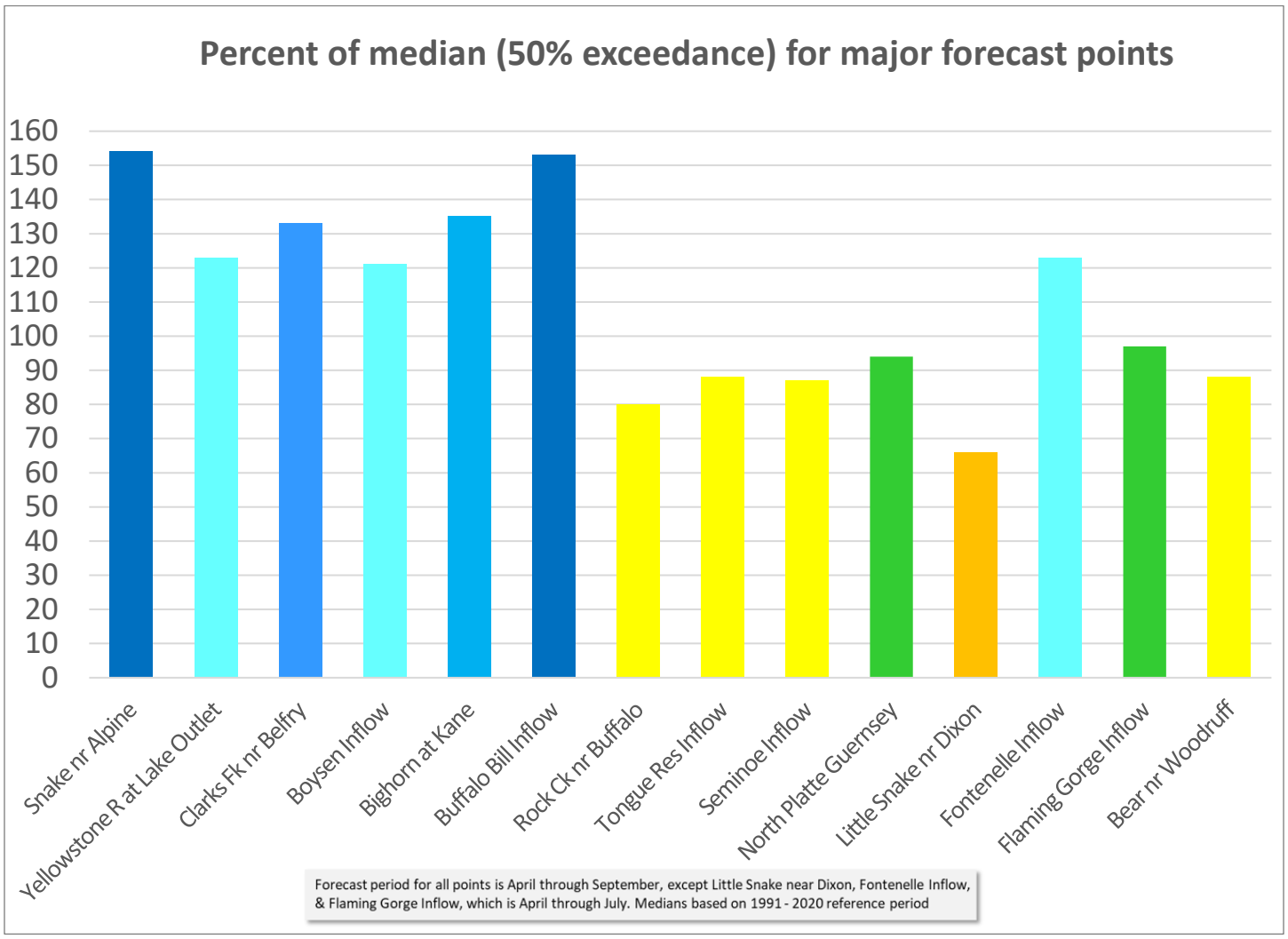


Yellowstone River Basin Snow Water Equivalent Graph, 1/5/2026

Forecasted stream flows for January 1st, 2026



Fifty percent exceedance probability for 7 major forecast points listed above is expected to be above 100% of normal. 5 major forecast points listed above are expected to be below 90% of normal.

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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. 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 above, and a 50% chance that the actual flow will be below, this 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. 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 operational decisions by selecting forecasts corresponding to the level of risk they are willing to assume about the amount of water to be expected. 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.
Note: The median is the official normal for snowpack (SWE), precipitation, reservoir storage, and streamflow calculations. Please refer to the **Appendix** of this report for more detailed information.

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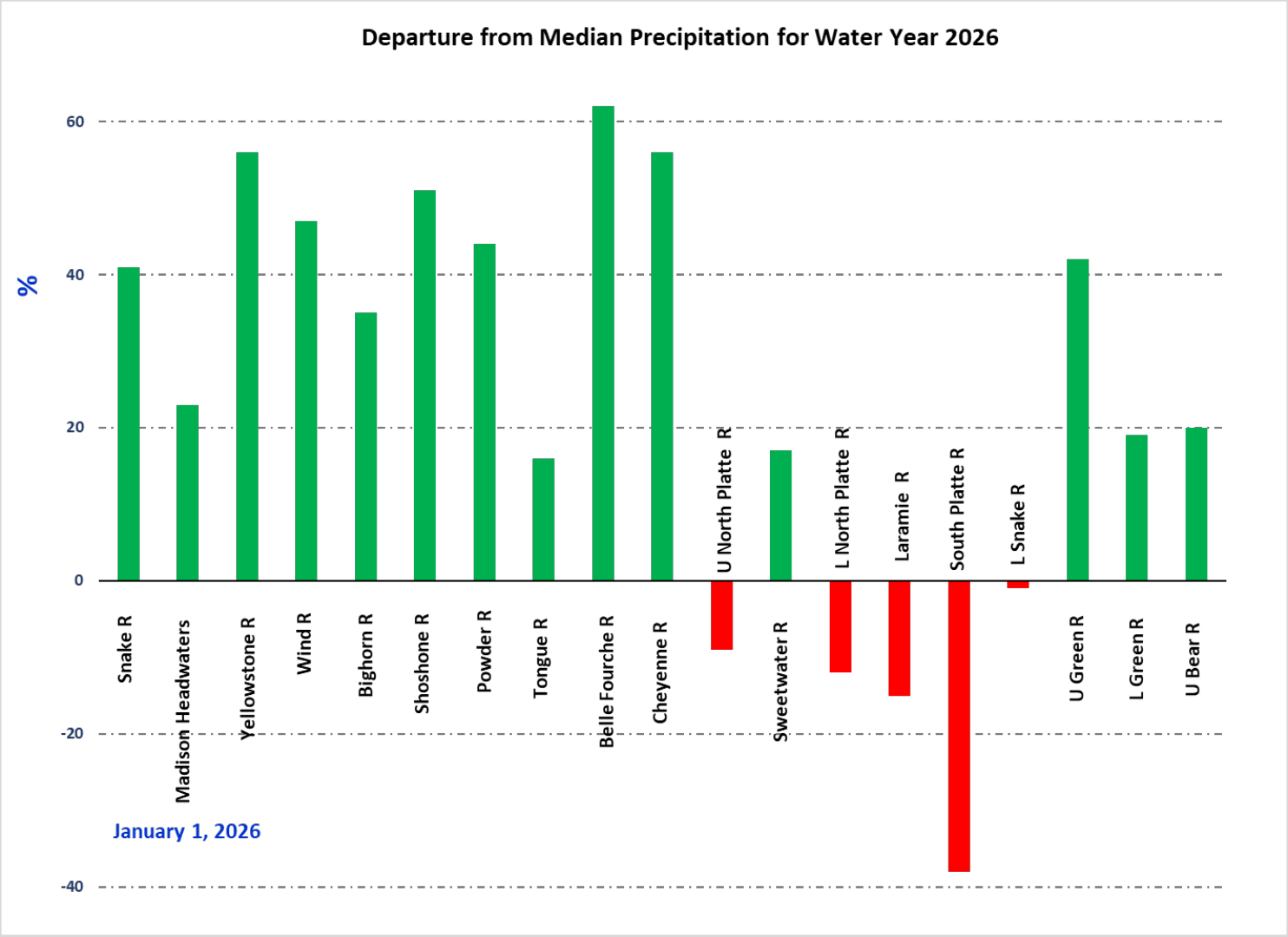
Snowpack

Snow water equivalent (SWE)across Wyoming for January 1st was at 84% of median. SWE in the Yellowstone River Basin was the highest at 137% of median and lowest for the South Platte River Basin at 5% of median. On January 1st, 2026, the following basins were below the Median SWE recorded for the 1991 - 2020 interval: Belle Fouche, Cheyenne, Laramie, Little Snake, Lower North Platte, Powder, South Platte, Tongue, Upper Bear, and Upper North Platte. *See the map on page 6 and the Appendix for further information.*

Precipitation

The Wind River Basin had the highest precipitation for the month at 266% of median. The Lower North Platte River Basin had the lowest precipitation amount for the month at 71% of median. The following graph displays the precipitation in major river basins and their departure from median for the water year beginning January 1st, 2026.

See Appendix for further information.



Streams

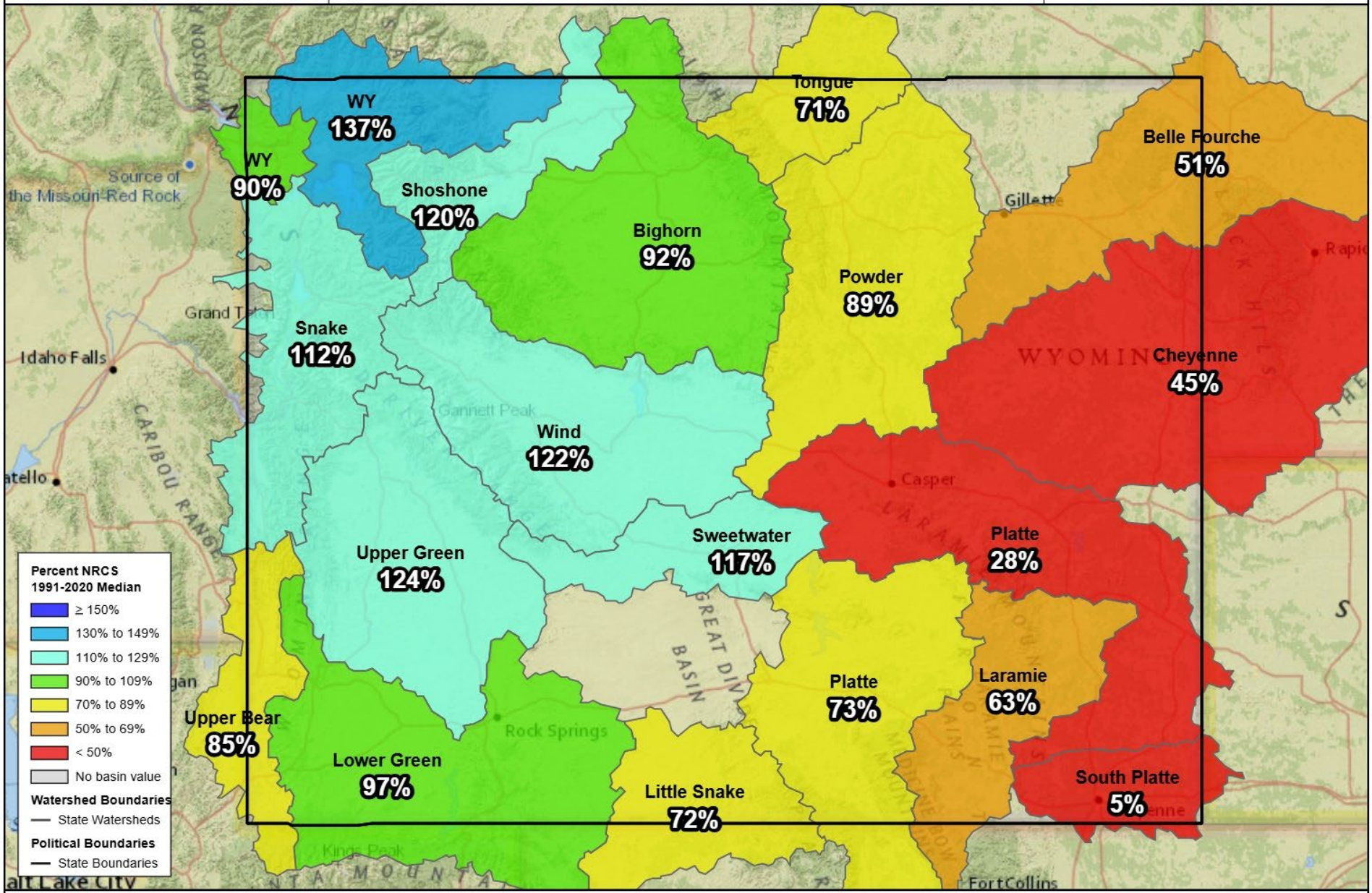
Forecast median streamflow yields for April thru September in Wyoming basins (except Green, Little Snake and Cheyenne) average 115%. Forecast median stream flow yields for April thru July in Upper and Lower Green, Little Snake, and Cheyenne average are 110%, 107%, 80%, and 70% . The Snake River and Yellowstone River in Wyoming, basins should yield about 145% and 128% of median. Yields from the Wind and Bighorn River basins should be about 129% and 117% of median. Yields from the Shoshone River basin should be 146% of median. Yields from the Powder and Tongue River basins should be about 91% and 91% of median. Yields for the Sweetwater, Upper North Platte, Lower North Platte, and Laramie Rivers of Wyoming should be about 167%, 92%, 90%, and 92% of median, respectively.

Reservoirs

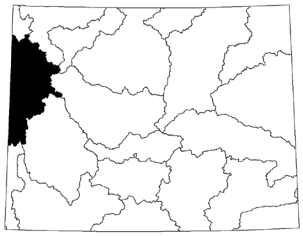
Reservoir storage was 66% of median across the entire state. Reservoirs in the Snake River basin are near median at 96%. Reservoirs in the Wind River basin are below median at 81%. The Boyson Reservoir in the Bighorn basin is near median at 96%. The Buffalo Bill Reservoir on the Shoshone is below median at 85%. Reservoirs in the Belle Fourche and Cheyenne River basins are at 105% and 79% respectively. Reservoirs on the Upper and Lower North Platte River are at 59% and 97% respectively. Reservoirs on the Upper Green River are near median at 95%. Reservoirs on the Lower Green River are near median 96%. Reservoirs in the Upper Bear are below median at 37%. Reservoir in the Laramie Basin is below median at 50%. *See below for further information.* **Wyoming Reservoir Levels**

	Reservoir Storage Summary For the End of December 2025								
	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Alcova	157.4	157.3	156.5	184.3	85%	85%	85%	101%	101%
Angostura	63.1	79.1	90.8	122.1	52%	65%	74%	70%	87%
Belle Fourche	143.3	103.5	124.4	178.4	80%	58%	70%	115%	83%
Big Sandy	16.1	24.1	17.4	38.3	42%	63%	45%	92%	139%
Bighorn Lake	861.3	858.3	895.1	1356.0	64%	63%	66%	96%	96%
Boysen	481.0	496.4	569.8	596.0	81%	83%	96%	84%	87%
Buffalo Bill	383.4	374.3	452.6	646.6	59%	58%	70%	85%	83%
Bull Lake	38.0	35.0	81.6	151.8	25%	23%	54%	47%	43%
Deerfield	15.0	14.3	14.7	15.2	99%	94%	97%	102%	98%
Eden	2.0	4.6	3.7	11.8	17%	127%	31%	54%	124%
Flaming Gorge Reservoir	2995.1	3120.1	3127.0	3749.0	80%	83%	83%	96%	100%
Fontenelle	188.1	174.4	198.5	344.8	55%	51%	58%	95%	88%
Glendo	228.3	212.4	243.4	506.4	45%	42%	48%	94%	87%
Grassy Lake	11.1	10.8	12.5	15.2	73%	71%	82%	89%	86%
Guernsey	12.9	8.2	11.5	45.6	28%	18%	25%	112%	72%
High Savery Reservoir	7.9	11.2	11.6	22.4	35%	50%	52%	68%	96%
Jackson Lake	589.8	649.6	615.6	847.0	70%	77%	73%	96%	106%
Keyhole	110.4	112.2	116.7	193.8	57%	58%	60%	95%	96%
Meeks Cabin Reservoir	5.4	6.5	8.6	32.5	17%	20%	26%	63%	76%
Pactola	46.8	47.1	52.3	55.0	85%	86%	95%	89%	90%
Pathfinder	342.6	600.1	555.1	1016.5	34%	59%	55%	62%	108%
Pilot Butte	26.6	25.8	25.3	31.6	84%	82%	80%	105%	102%
Seminoe	342.1	505.0	613.2	1016.7	34%	50%	60%	56%	82%
Stateline Reservoir	4.1	4.0	5.7	12.0	34%	33%	48%	73%	70%
Tongue River Res	NA	45.3	48.0	79.1	NA	57%	61%	NA	94%
Viva Naughton Res	28.8	31.2	31.1	42.4	68%	74%	73%	93%	100%
Wheatland #2	22.7	22.7	45.8	98.9	23%	23%	46%	50%	50%
Woodruff Creek	2.7	1.7	2.0	4.0	67%	41%	49%	136%	84%
Woodruff Narrows Reservoir	10.5	29.1	33.4	57.3	18%	51%	58%	31%	87%

Snow Water Equivalent	Wyoming Basins Percent NRCS 1991-2020 Median	1st, 2026



Snake River Basin



Snow

The overall Snake River basin SWE (portion above Palisades dam) is 112% of median. SWE in the Snake River Basin above Jackson Lake is 106% of median. Pacific Creek basin SWE is 126% of median. Buffalo Fork SWE is 132% of median. Gros Ventre River basin SWE is 132% of median. SWE in the Hoback River drainage is 123% of median. SWE in the Greys River drainage is 131% of median. Salt River Basin SWE is 103% of median.

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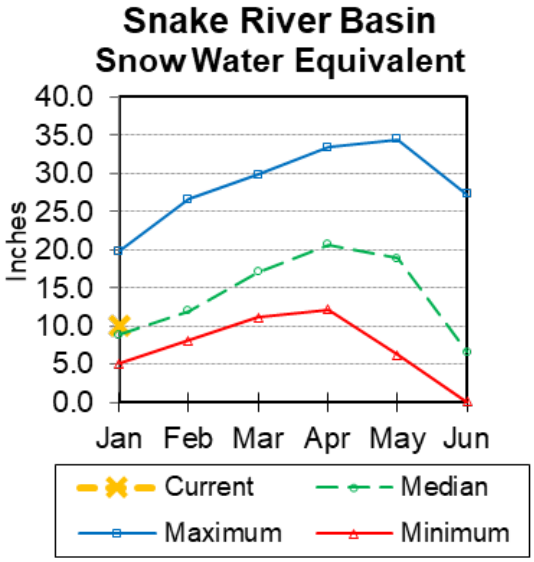
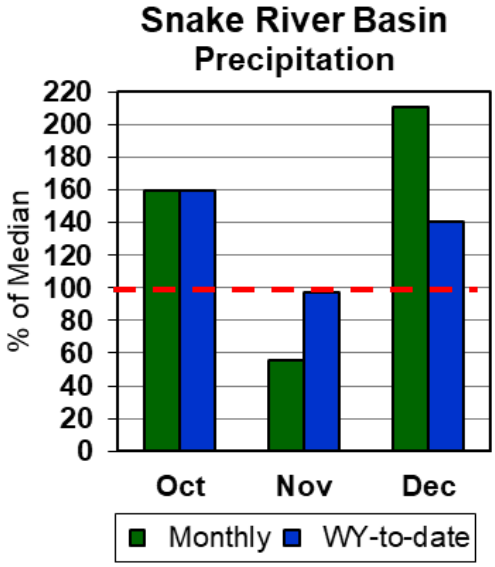




Precipitation

Last month's precipitation for the Snake River Basin was 211% of median. Water-year-to-date precipitation is 141% of median.

Reservoirs

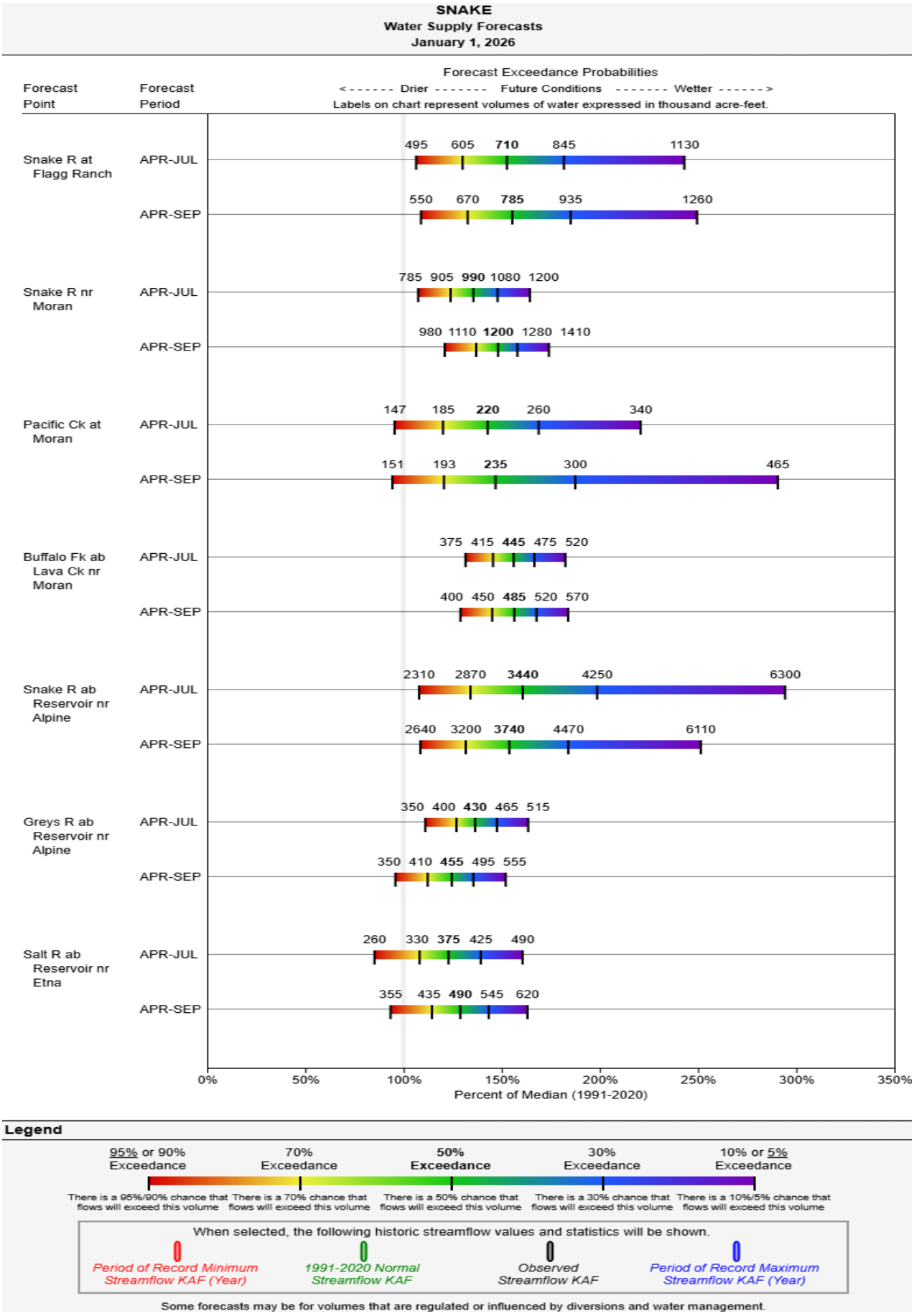
Current reservoir storage is 96% of median for the two storage reservoirs in the basin.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Grassy Lake	11.1	10.8	12.5	15.2	73%	71%	82%	89%	86%
Jackson Lake	589.8	649.6	615.6	847.0	70%	77%	73%	96%	106%
Basin Index					70%	77%	73%	96%	105%
# of reservoirs					2	2	2	2	2

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for April through September are above median for this basin. The Snake near Moran yield should be 148% of median. Snake River above reservoir near Alpine will yield about 154%. Pacific Creek near Moran yield will be around 147%. Buffalo Fork above Lava near Moran will be around 156% of median. Greys River above reservoir near Alpine should yield about 125%. Salt River near Etna yield will be about 129%.

See the following graph for further information.


SNAKE
Water Supply Forecasts
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Forecast Exceedance Probabilities
< ------- Drier -------- Future Conditions -------- Wetter ------- >
Labels on chart represent volumes of water expressed in thousand acre-feet.
Forecast Point
Forecast Period
Snake R at Flagg Ranch
APR-JUL
495 605 710 845 1130
APR-SEP
550 670 785 935 1260
Snake R nr Moran
APR-JUL
785 905 990 1080 1200
APR-SEP
980 1110 1200 1280 1410
Pacific Ck at Moran
APR-JUL
147 185 220 260 340
APR-SEP
151 193 235 300 465
Buffalo Fk ab Lava Ck nr Moran
APR-JUL
375 415 445 475 520
APR-SEP
400 450 485 520 570
Snake R ab Reservoir nr Alpine
APR-JUL
2310 2870 3440 4250 6300
APR-SEP
2640 3200 3740 4470 6110
Greys R ab Reservoir nr Alpine
APR-JUL
350 400 430 465 515
APR-SEP
350 410 455 495 555
Salt R ab Reservoir nr Etna
APR-JUL
260 330 375 425 490
APR-SEP
355 435 490 545 620
0% 50% 100% 150% 200% 250% 300% 350%
Percent of Median (1991-2020)
Legend
95% or 90% Exceedance
70% Exceedance
50% Exceedance
30% Exceedance
10% or 5% Exceedance
There is a 95%/90% chance that flows will exceed this volume
There is a 70% chance that flows will exceed this volume
There is a 50% chance that flows will exceed this volume
There is a 30% chance that flows will exceed this volume
There is a 10%/5% chance that flows will exceed this volume
When selected, the following historic streamflow values and statistics will be shown.
Period of Record Minimum Streamflow KAF (Year)
1991-2020 Normal Streamflow KAF
Observed Streamflow KAF
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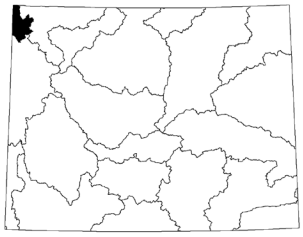
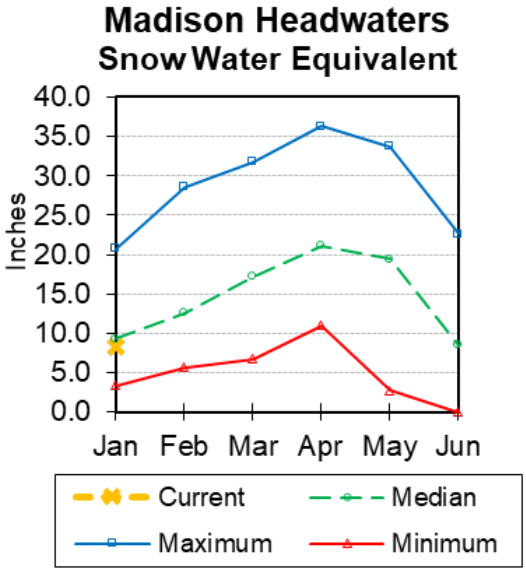
Some forecasts may be for volumes that are regulated or influenced by diversions and water management.

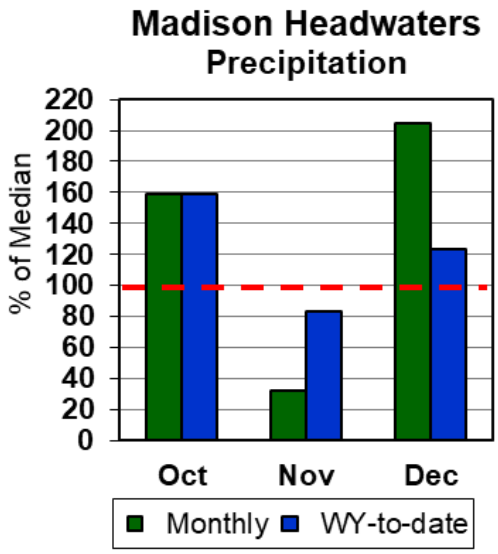
Madison Headwaters in Wyoming



Snow

SWE is 90% of median in the Madison Headwaters in Wyoming drainage. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month precipitation in the Madison Headwaters drainage was 205% of median. Water-year-to-date precipitation is at 123% of median.

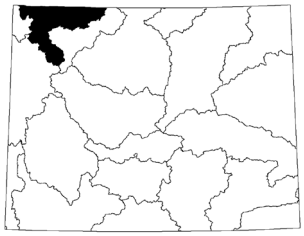
Reservoirs

No reservoir data.

Streamflow

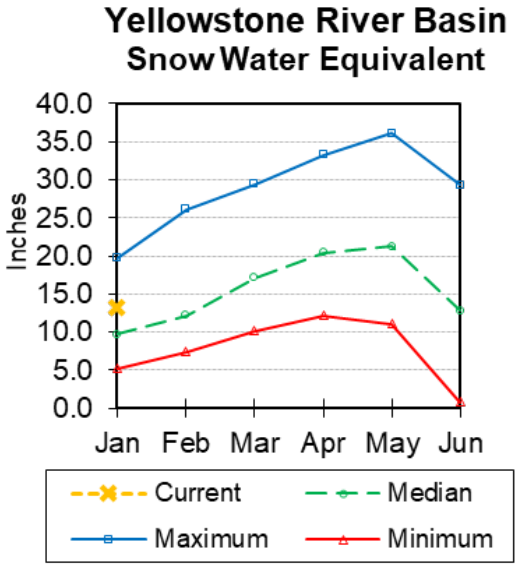
There are no streamflow forecast points for the basin.

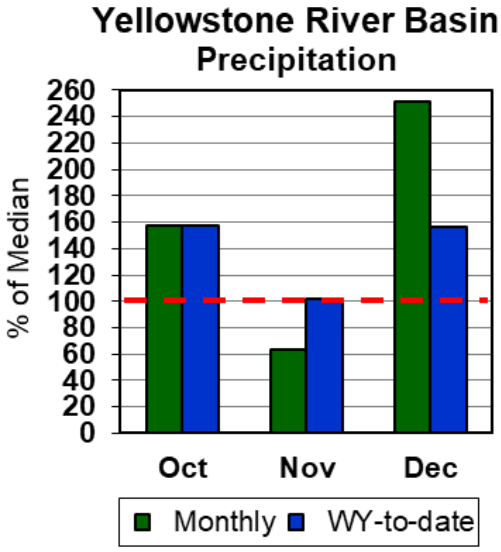
Yellowstone River Basin



Snow

SWE in the Yellowstone River Basin is 137% of median. SWE in the Clarks Fork Drainage of the Yellowstone River basin in Wyoming is 141% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation in the Yellowstone River Basin was 251% of median. Water-year-to-date precipitation is 156% of median.

Reservoirs

No reservoir data.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for April through September are above normal for the basin. Yellowstone at Lake Outlet will yield around 123% of median. Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone near Belfry will yield around 133%.

See the following graph for detailed information.

YELLOWSTONE IN WY
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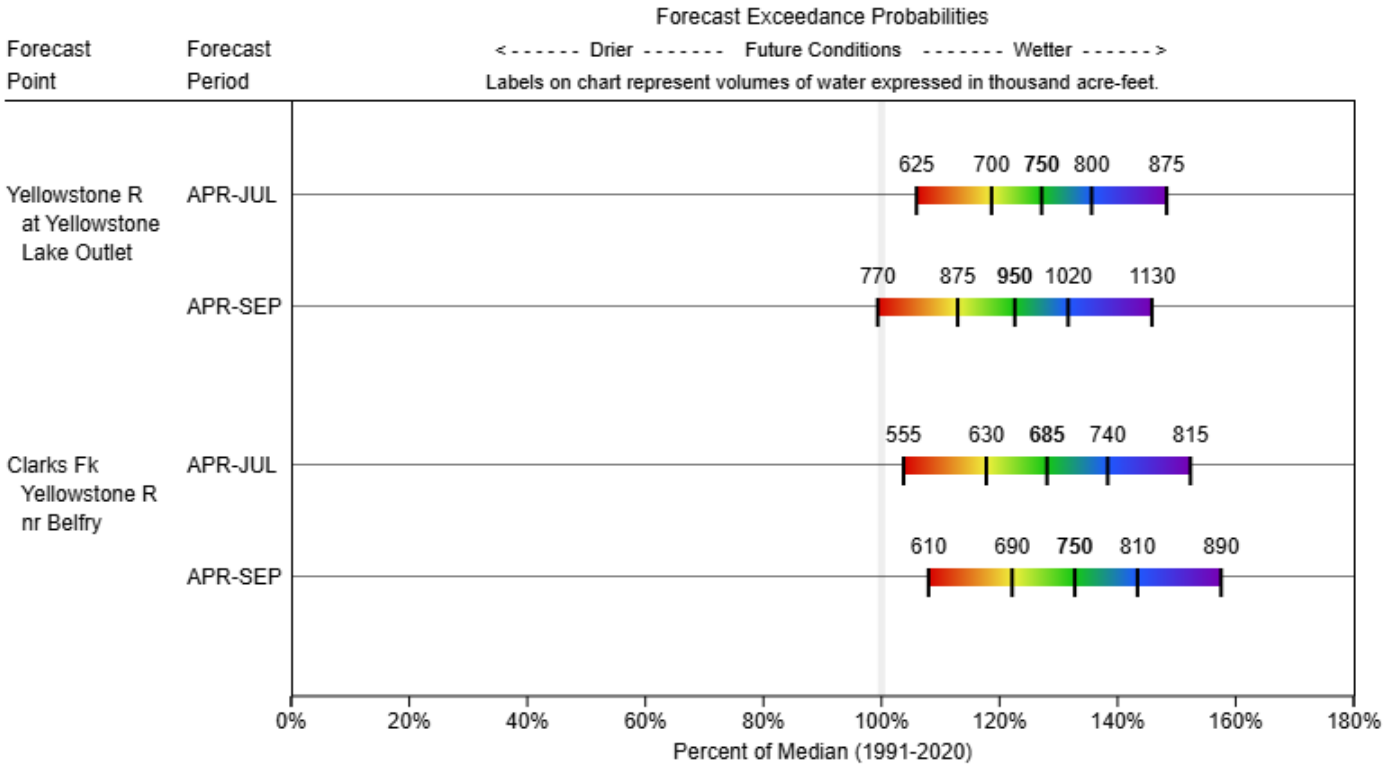
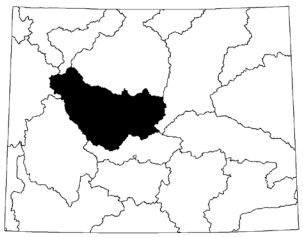
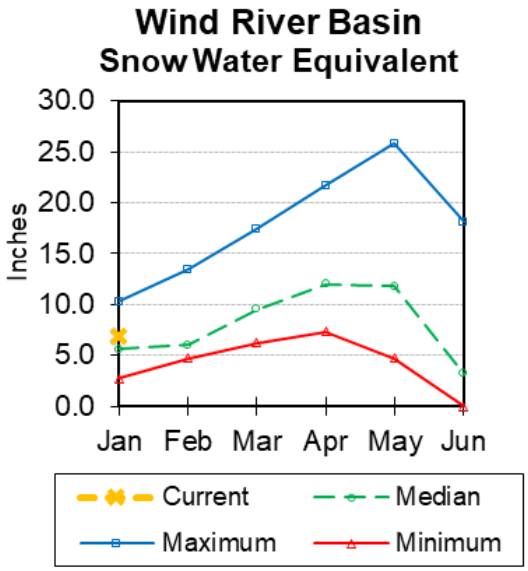


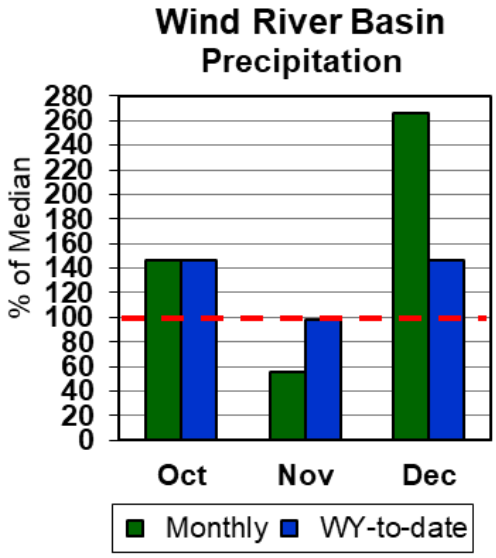
Wind River Basin



Snow

Wind River basin SWE (above Boysen Reservoir) is 122% of median. SWE in the Wind River above Dubois is 131% of median. Little Wind SWE is 124% of median, and Popo Agie drainage SWE is 113% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation for the basin was 266% of median. Water year-to-date precipitation is 147% of median.

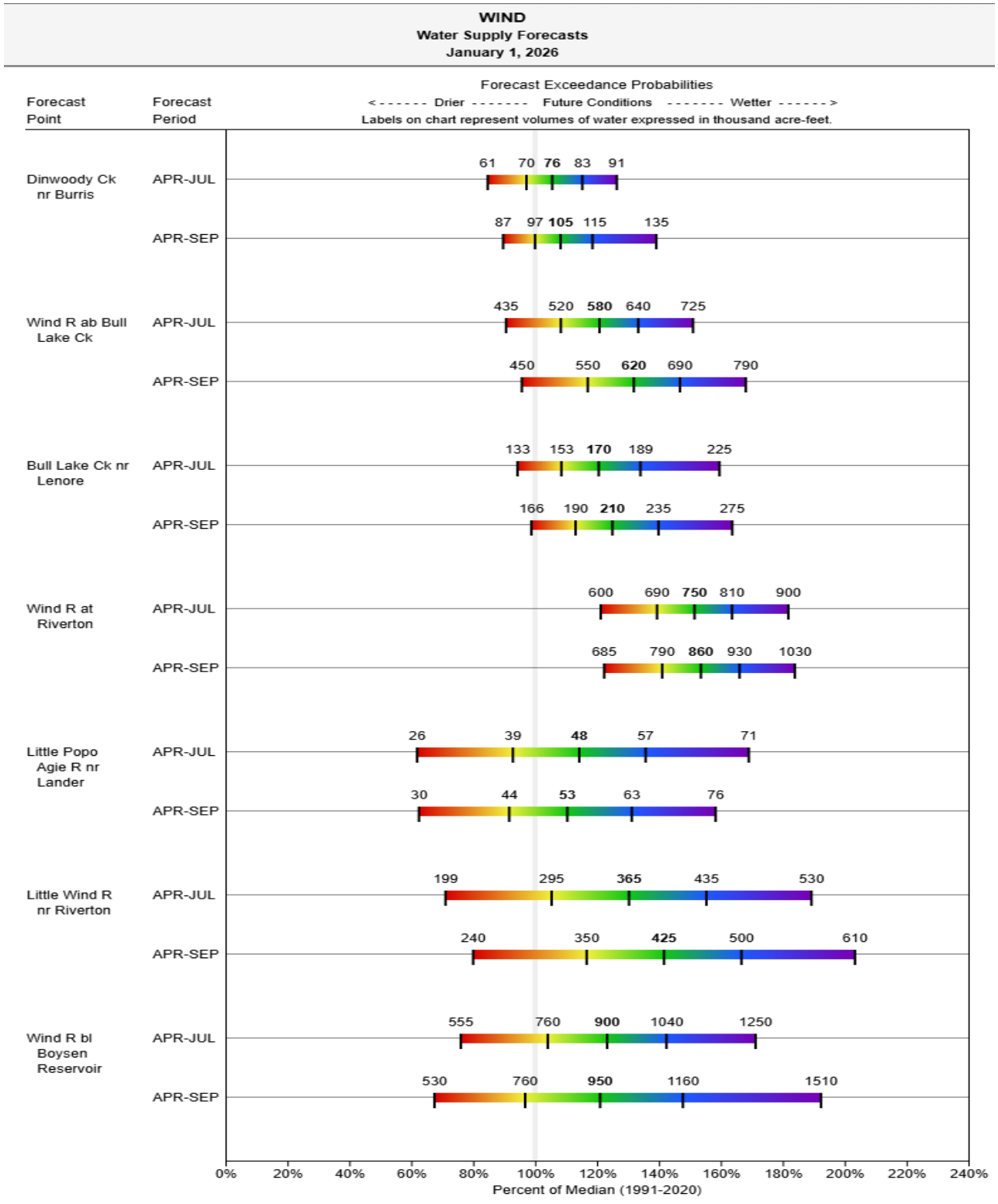
Reservoirs

Current storage is 81% of median in the basin.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Pilot Butte	26.6	25.8	25.3	31.6	84%	82%	80%	105%	102%
Boysen	481.0	496.4	569.8	596.0	81%	83%	96%	84%	87%
Bull Lake	38.0	35.0	81.6	151.8	25%	23%	54%	47%	43%
Basin Index					70%	71%	87%	81%	82%
# of reservoirs					3	3	3	3	3

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September runoff period should yield above median for the Wind River. The Wind River above Bull Lake Creek will yield about 125% of median. Little Popo Agie River near Lander should yield around 110% of median. Little Wind River near Riverton will yield around 142% of median. Boysen Reservoir inflow will yield about 121% of median. *See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.*


WIND
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Labels on chart represent volumes of water expressed in thousand acre-feet.
Forecast Point
Forecast Period
Dinwoody Ck nr Burris
APR-JUL
61 70 76 83 91
APR-SEP
87 97 105 115 135
Wind R ab Bull Lake Ck
APR-JUL
435 520 580 640 725
APR-SEP
450 550 620 690 790
Bull Lake Ck nr Lenore
APR-JUL
133 153 170 189 225
APR-SEP
166 190 210 235 275
Wind R at Riverton
APR-JUL
600 690 750 810 900
APR-SEP
685 790 860 930 1030
Little Popo Agie R nr Lander
APR-JUL
26 39 48 57 71
APR-SEP
30 44 53 63 76
Little Wind R nr Riverton
APR-JUL
199 295 365 435 530
APR-SEP
240 350 425 500 610
Wind R bl Boysen Reservoir
APR-JUL
555 760 900 1040 1250
APR-SEP
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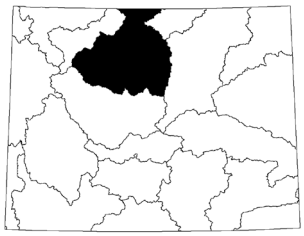
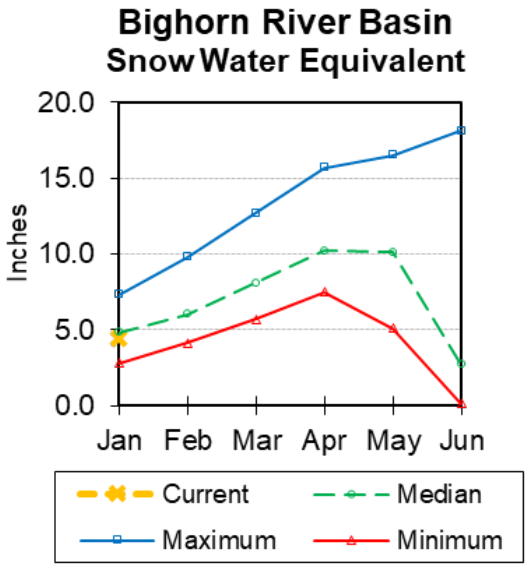
0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100% 120% 140% 160% 180% 200% 220% 240%
Percent of Median (1991-2020)

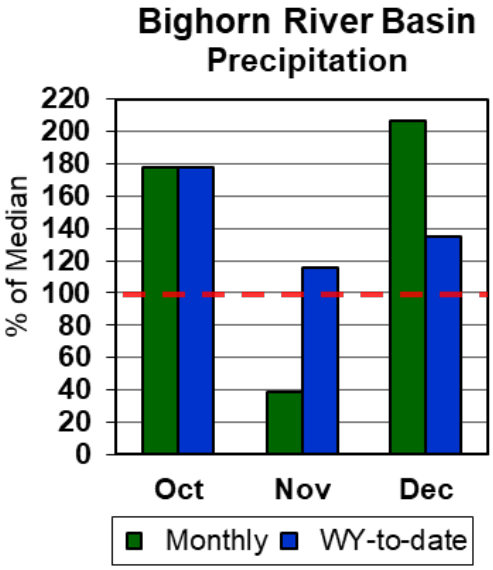
Bighorn River Basin



Snow

The Bighorn River Basin SWE (above Bighorn Reservoir) is 92% of median. The Greybull River SWE is at 89% of median. Shell Creek SWE is at 102% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 207% of median. Year-to-date precipitation is 135% of median.

Reservoirs

Current reservoir storage in the basin is 96% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Bighorn Lake	861.3	858.3	895.1	1356.0	64%	63%	66%	96%	96%
Basin Index					64%	63%	66%	96%	96%
# of reservoirs					1	1	1	1	1

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September runoffs are above normal. The Greybull River near Meeteetse should yield 121% of median. Shell Creek near Shell should yield around 94% of median. The Bighorn River at Kane should yield around 135% of median.

See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.

BIGHORN
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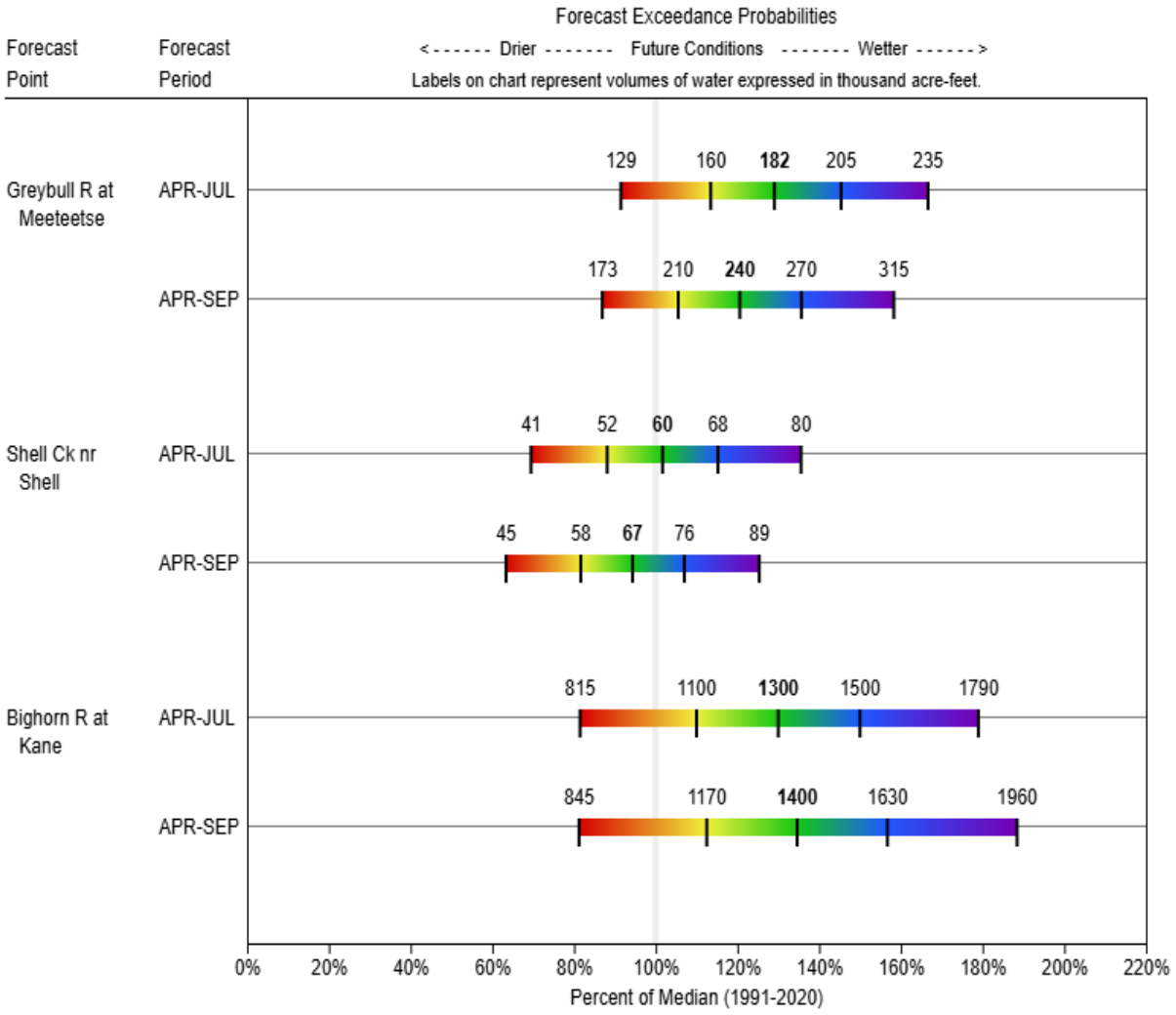
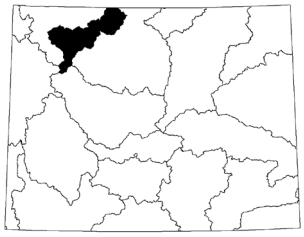
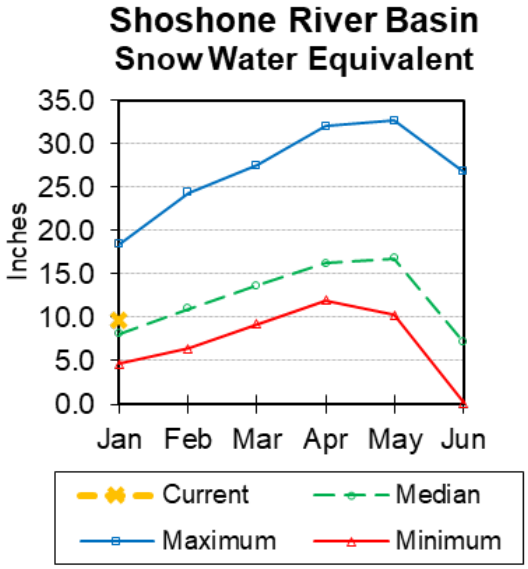


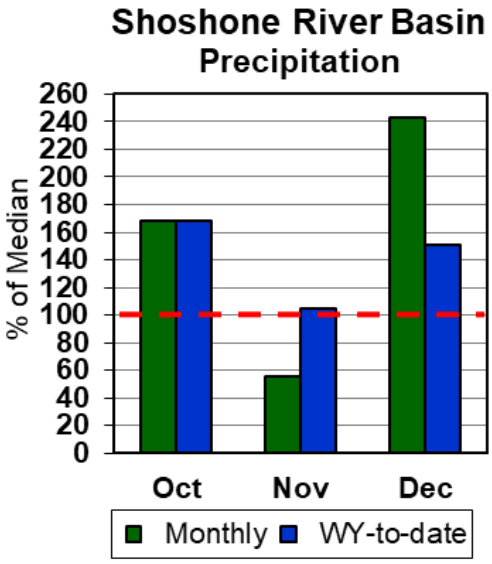
Shoshone River Basin



Snow

Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) is 120% of median in this basin. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 243% of median. The basin year-to-date precipitation is now 151% of median.

Reservoirs

Current storage in Buffalo Bill Reservoir is about 85% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Buffalo Bill	383.4	374.3	452.6	646.6	59%	58%	70%	85%	83%
Basin Index					59%	58%	70%	85%	83%
# of reservoirs					1	1	1	1	1

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are above normal for the basin. The North Fork Shoshone River at Wapiti should yield 142% of median. The South Fork of the Shoshone River near Valley should yield 131% of median. The Buffalo Bill Reservoir inflow should yield 153% of median. *See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.*

SHOSHONE
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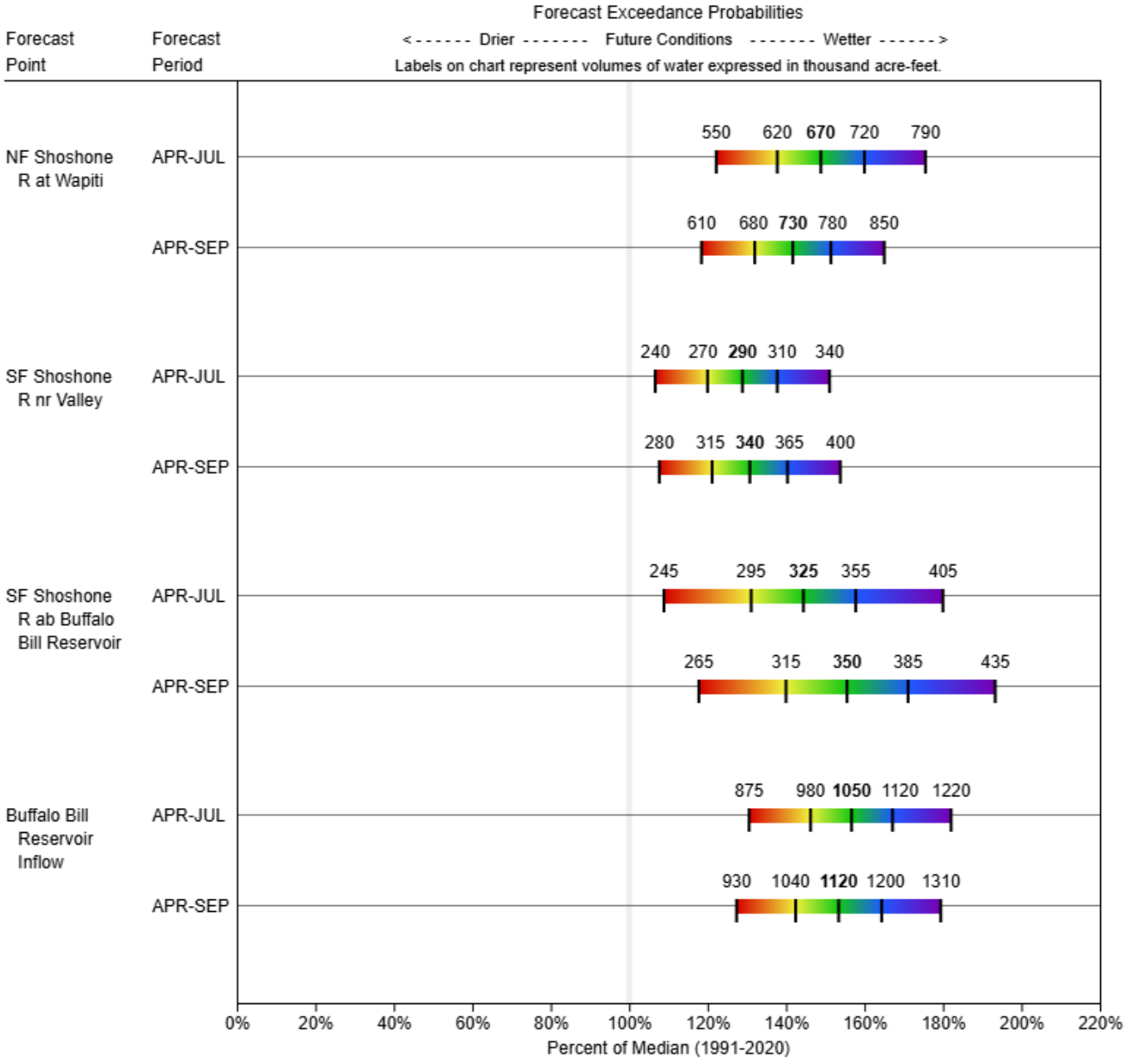
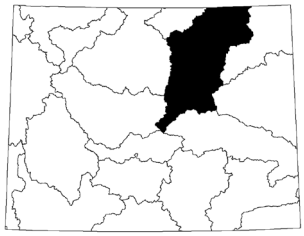
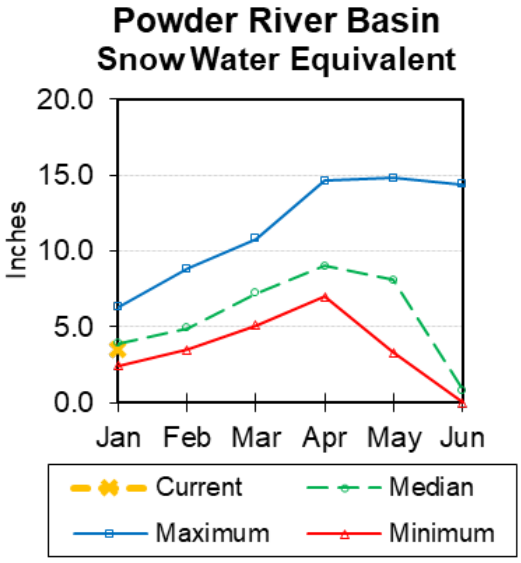


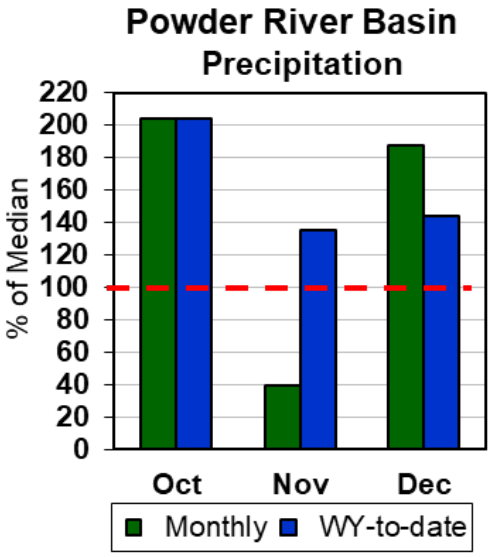
Powder River Basin



Snow

Powder River Basin SWE is at 89% of median. SWE in the Clear Creek drainage is 89% of median. *See appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 187% of median in the basin. Year-to-date precipitation is 144% of median.

Reservoirs

No reservoir data for this basin.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are near normal for the basin. The Middle Fork of the Powder River near Barnum should yield around 102% of median. The North Fork of the Powder River near Hazelton to yield around 86% of median.

See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.

POWDER
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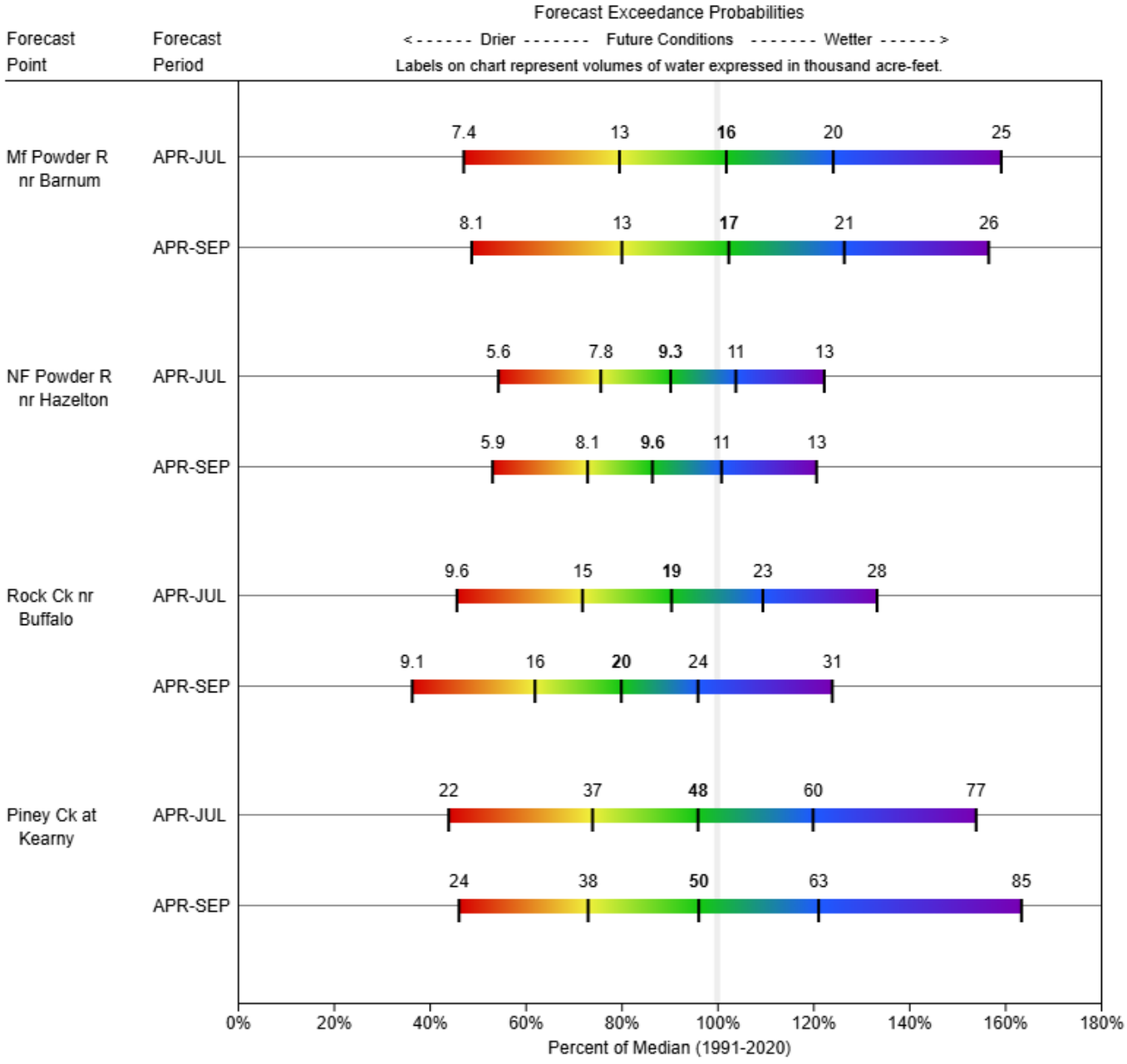
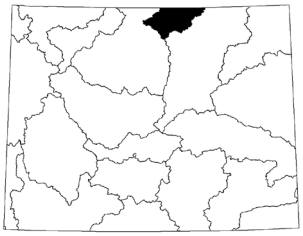
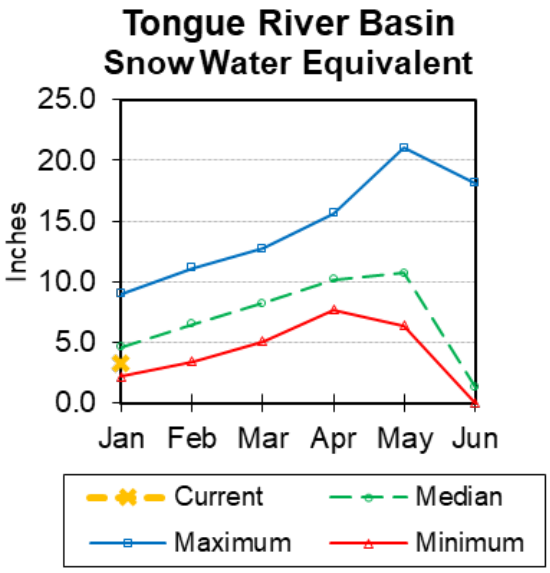


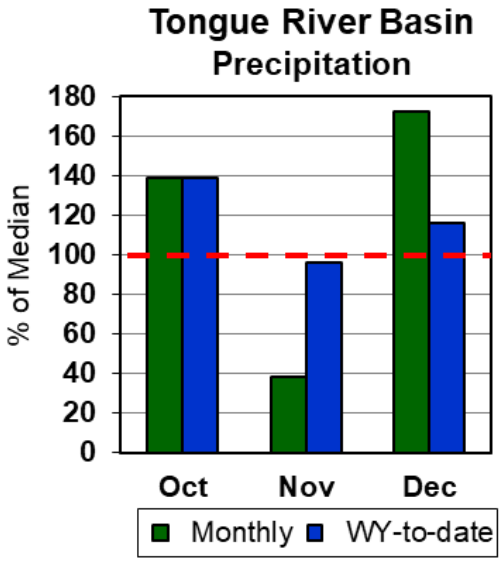
Tongue River Basin



Snow

Upper Tongue River drainage SWE is at 71% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 172% of median. Year-to-date precipitation is 116% of median in the basin.

Reservoirs

No reservoir data for this basin.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are near normal for the basin. The yield for Tongue River near Dayton is forecasted to be 94% of median. Big Goose Creek near Sheridan should yield around 92%. Little Goose Creek near Bighorn should yield 88% of median. The Tongue River Reservoir Inflow should yield 88% of median. *See below for detailed runoff volumes.*

TONGUE
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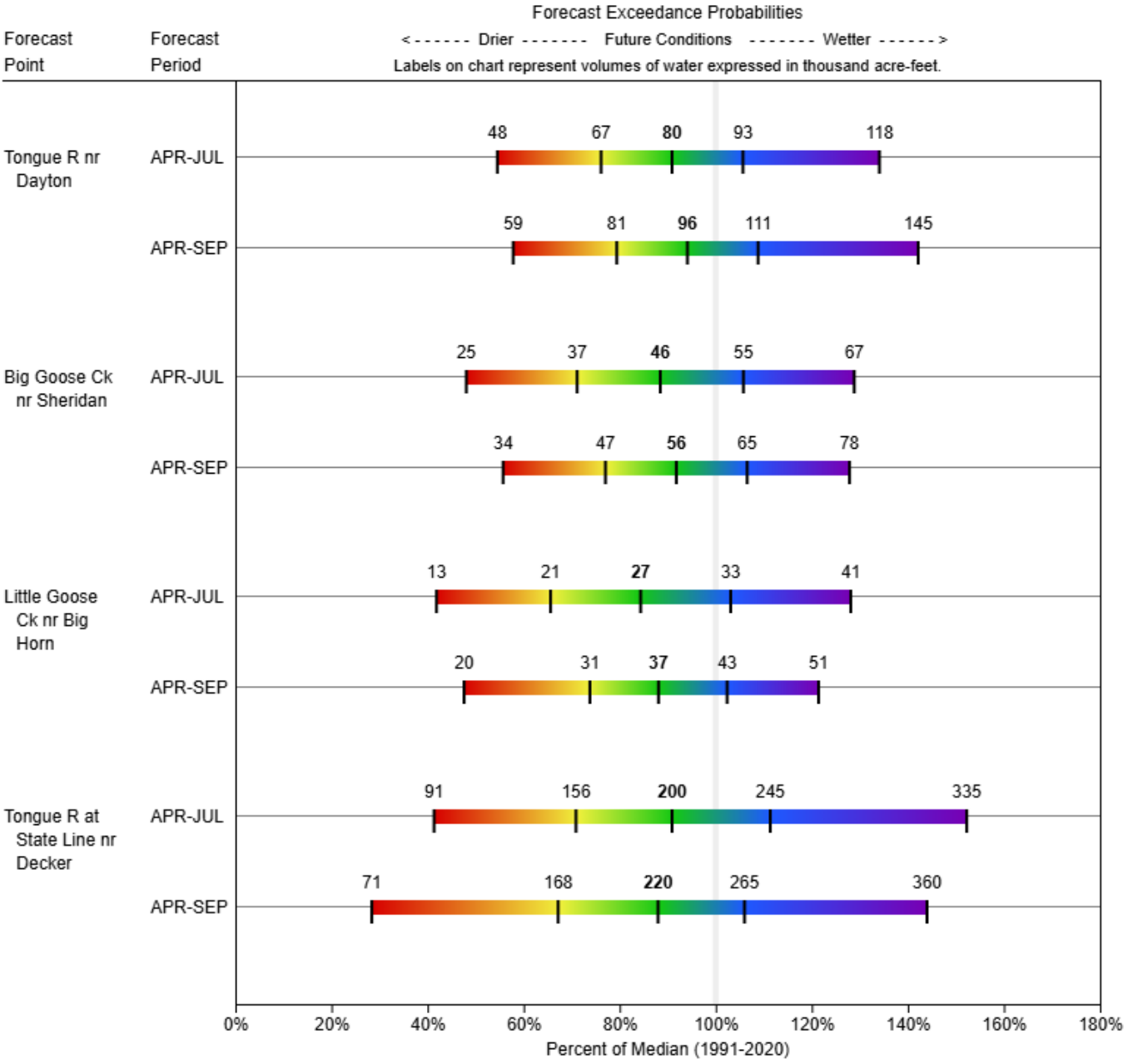
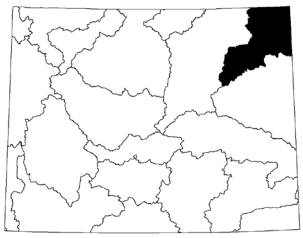
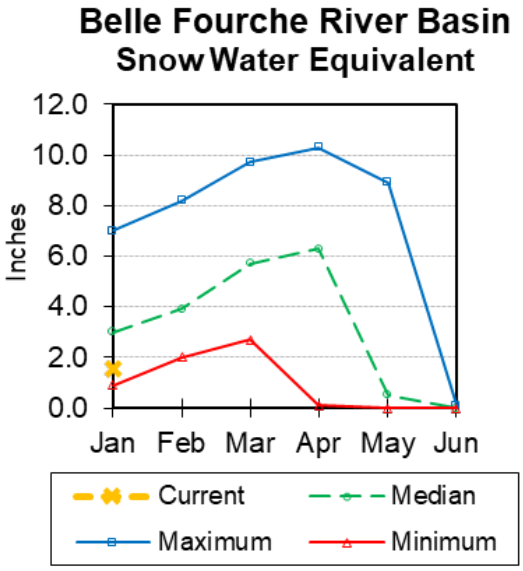


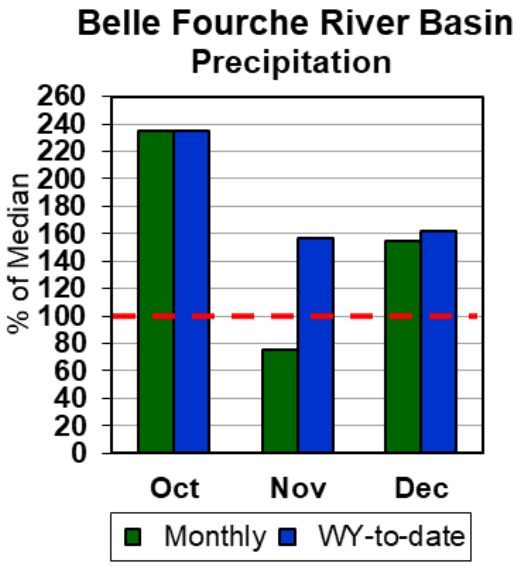
Belle Fourche River Basin



Snow

Currently the Belle Fourche River Basin SWE is at 51% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 155% of median in the Belle Fourche basin. Year-to-date precipitation is 162% of median.

Reservoirs

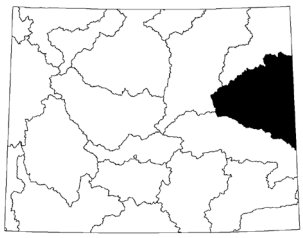
Combined storage for the 2 reservoirs in the basin is at 105% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Belle Fourche	143.3	103.5	124.4	178.4	80%	58%	70%	115%	83%
Keyhole	110.4	112.2	116.7	193.8	57%	58%	60%	95%	96%
Basin Index					68%	58%	65%	105%	89%
# of reservoirs					2	2	2	2	2

Streamflow

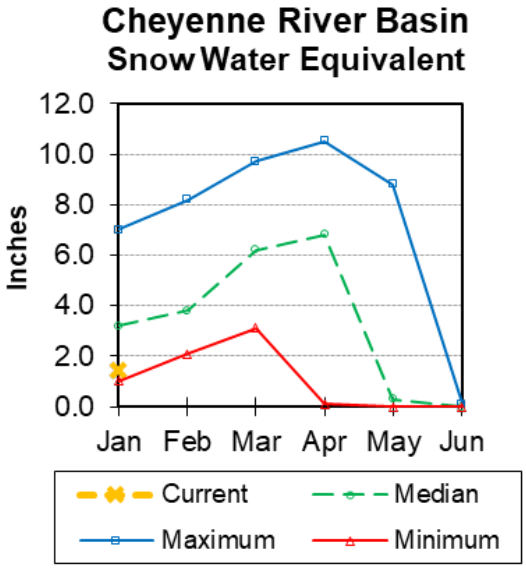
There are no streamflow forecast points for the basin.

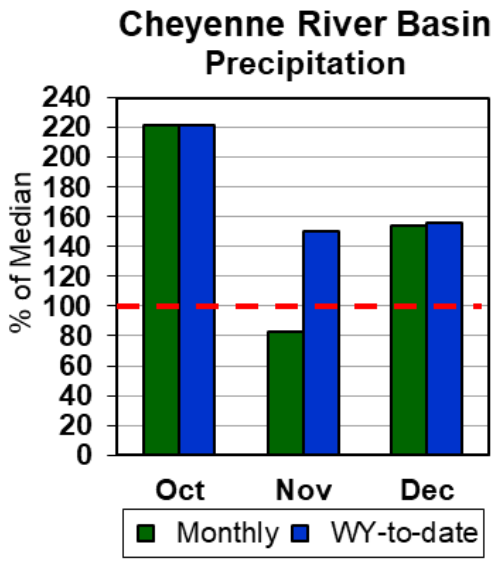
Cheyenne River Basin



Snow

Currently SWE for sites in the Cheyenne River Basin are at 45% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing.*





Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 154% of median. Year-to-date precipitation is 156% of median.

Reservoirs

Combined storage for the 3 reservoirs in the basin is at 79% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Deerfield	15.0	14.3	14.7	15.2	99%	94%	97%	102%	98%
Pactola	46.8	47.1	52.3	55.0	85%	86%	95%	89%	90%
Angostura	63.1	79.1	90.8	122.1	52%	65%	74%	70%	87%
Basin Index					65%	73%	82%	79%	89%
# of reservoirs					3	3	3	3	3

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July period are below normal. The Deerfield Reservoir Inflow yield is forecasted at 79% of median. Pactola Reservoir Inflow yield should be 60% of median. *See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.*

CHEYENNE
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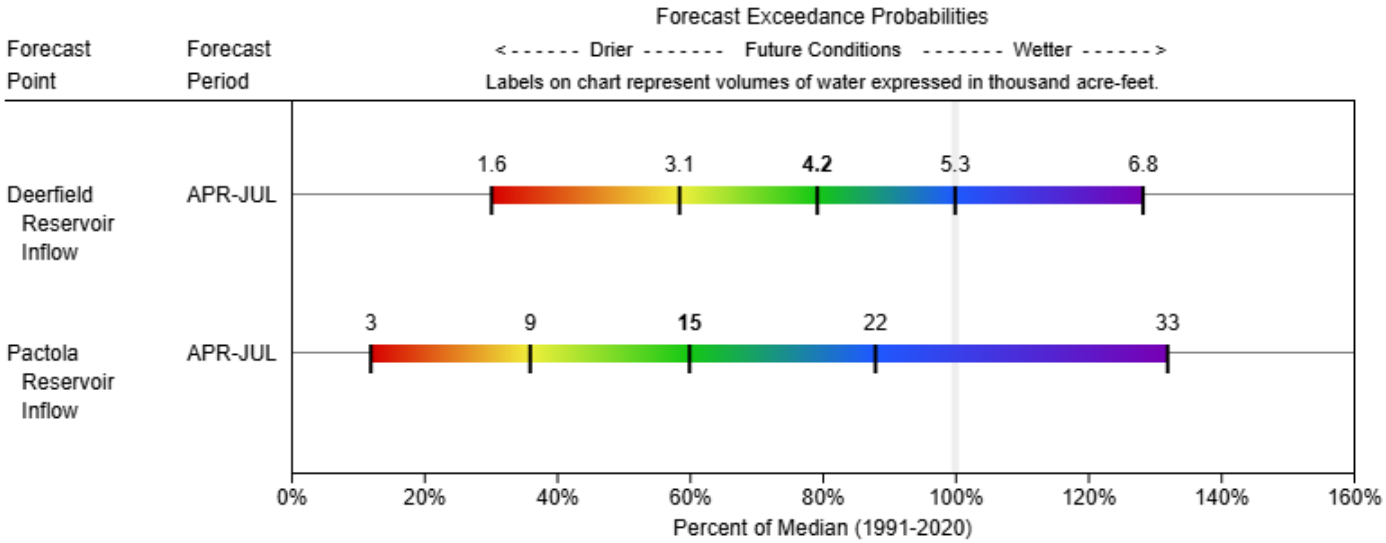
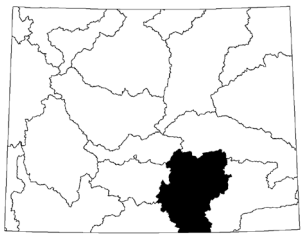


Upper North Platte River Basin



Snow

The Upper North Platte River basin SWE is 73% of median. North Platte above Northgate SWE is 70% of median. Encampment River SWE is 81% of median. Medicine Bow and Rock Creek SWE are 79% of median.

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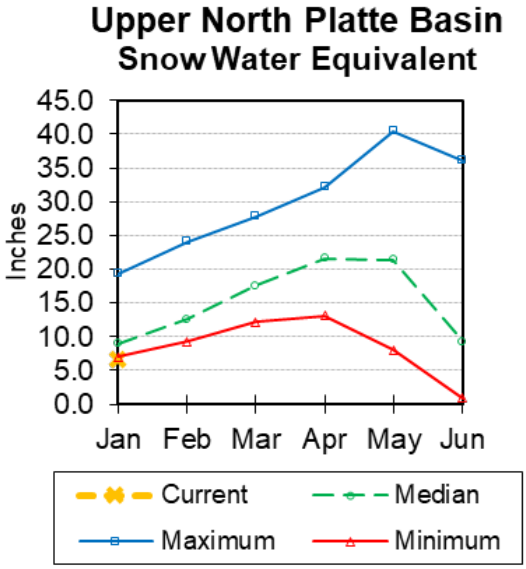

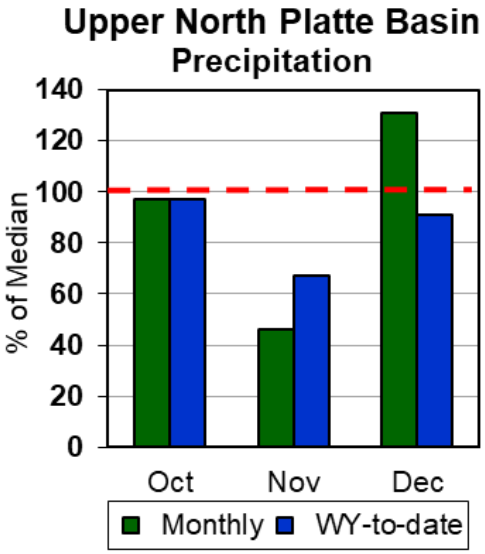

Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 131% of median. Total water-year-to-date precipitation is 91% of median.

Reservoirs

Combined storage for reservoirs in the Upper North Platte River Basin is at 59% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Seminoe	342.1	505.0	613.2	1016.7	34%	50%	60%	56%	82%
Pathfinder	342.6	600.1	555.1	1016.5	34%	59%	55%	62%	108%
Basin Index					34%	54%	57%	59%	95%
# of reservoirs					2	2	2	2	2

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are near normal for the Upper North Platte River Basin. The yield for the North Platte River near Northgate will be around 75% of median. The Encampment River near Encampment yield will be about 102%. Rock Creek near Arlington yield will be around 102%. Seminoe Reservoir inflow should be about 87% of median. *See the following page for more detailed information on projected runoff.*

UPPER NORTH PLATTE
Water Supply Forecasts
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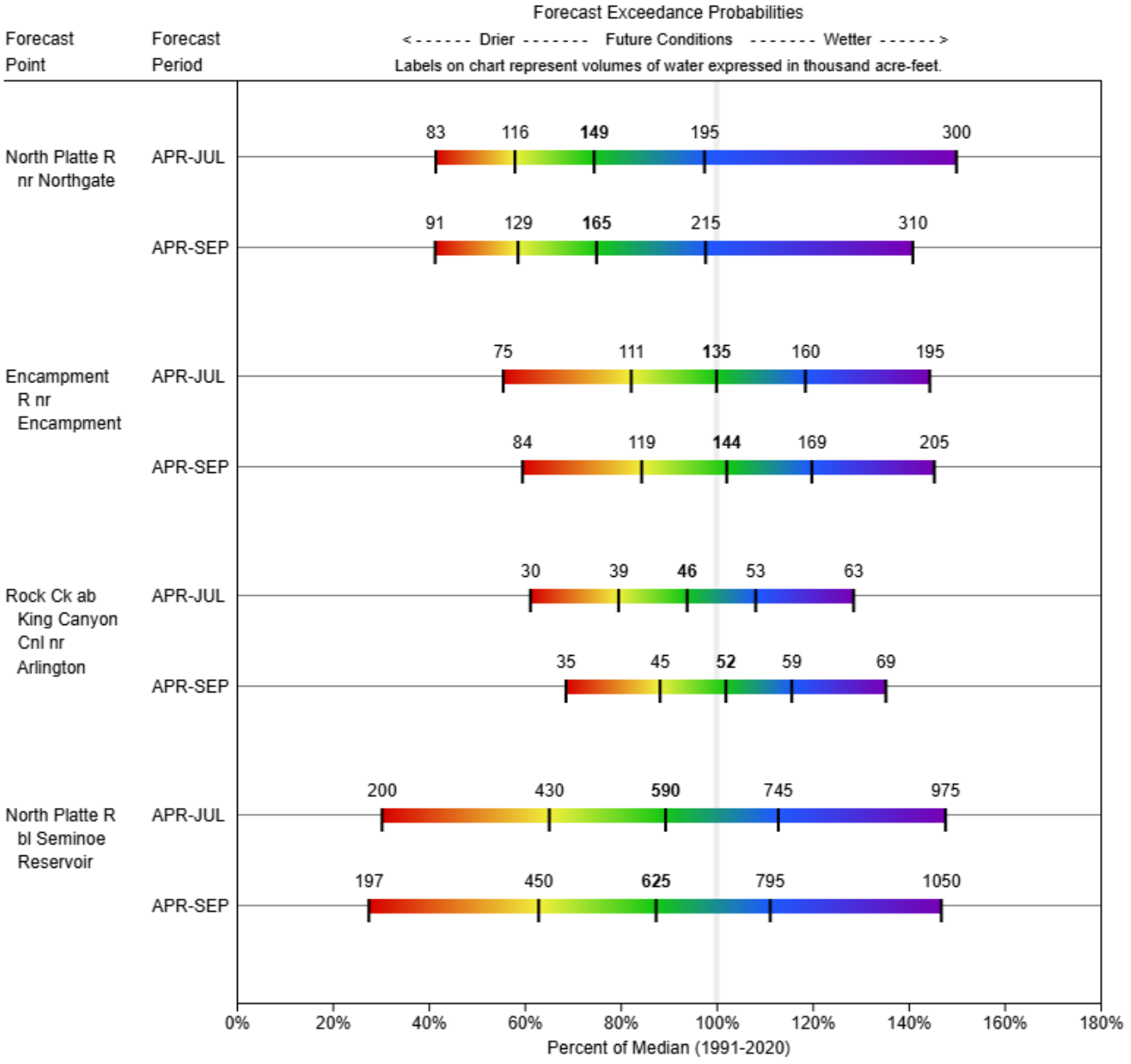
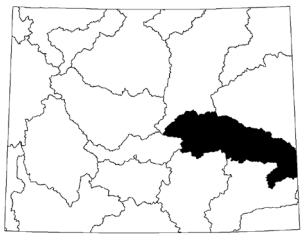
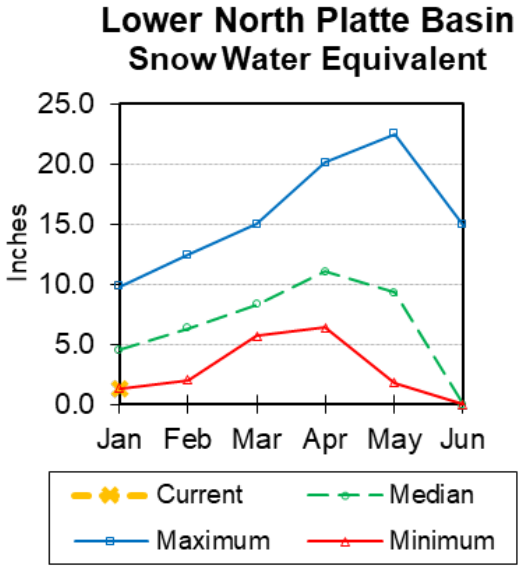


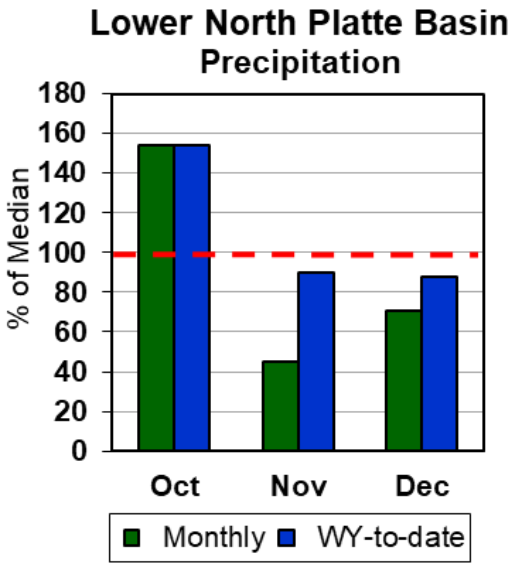
Lower North Platte River Basin



Snow

Currently, SWE in the Lower North Platte River Basin is 28% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 71% of median. The water year-to-date precipitation for the basin is currently 88% of median.

Reservoirs

Combined storage for the 3 reservoirs in the basin is at 97% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Guernsey	12.9	8.2	11.5	45.6	28%	18%	25%	112%	72%
Glendo	228.3	212.4	243.4	506.4	45%	42%	48%	94%	87%
Alcova	157.4	157.3	156.5	184.3	85%	85%	85%	101%	101%
Basin Index					54%	51%	56%	97%	92%
# of reservoirs					3	3	3	3	3

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are near normal. LaPrele Creek near Douglas is forecasted to yield 82% of median. North Platte River below Guernsey Reservoir should yield around 94% of median. *See the following for more detailed information on projected runoff.*

LOWER NORTH PLATTE
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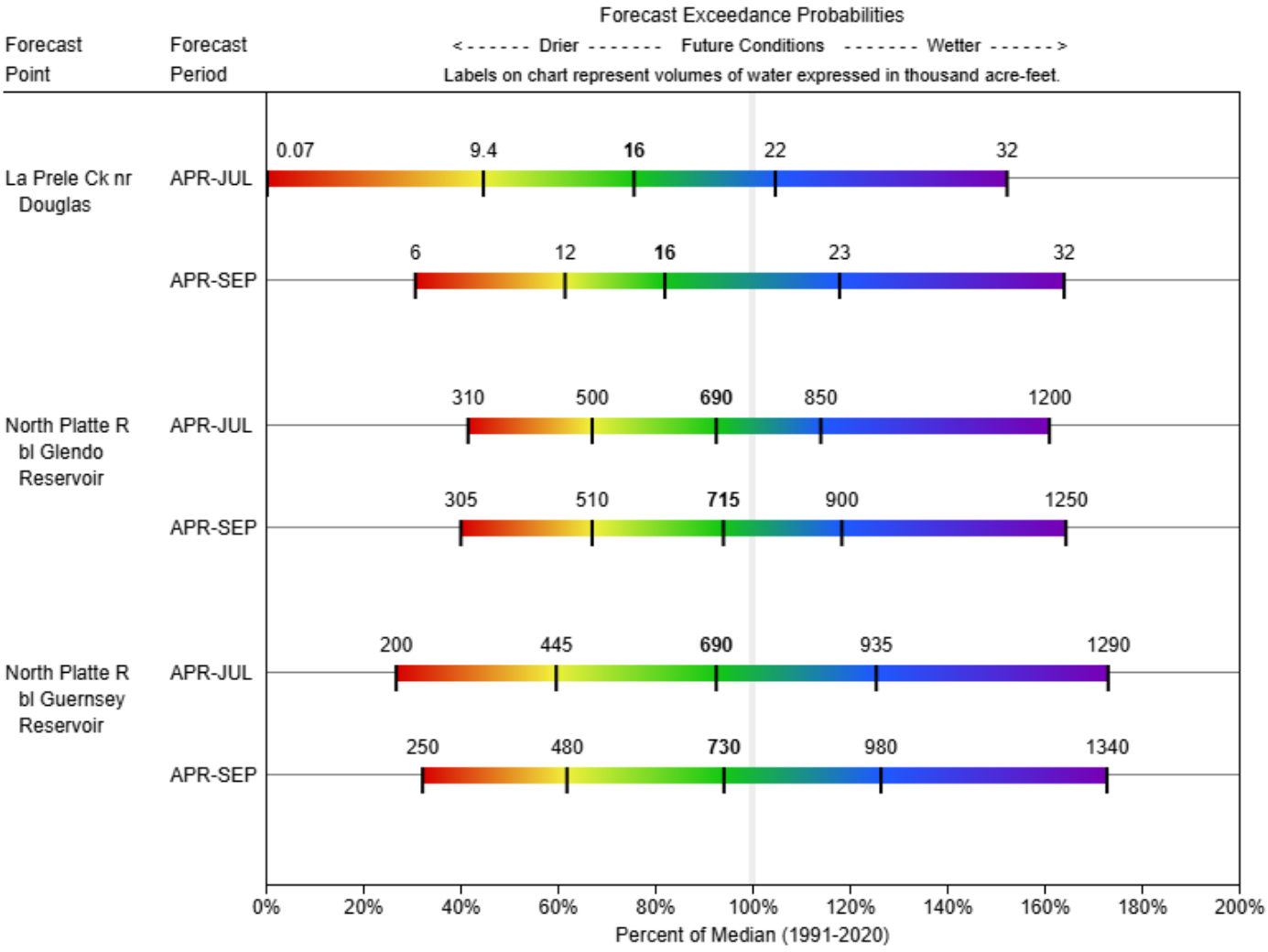
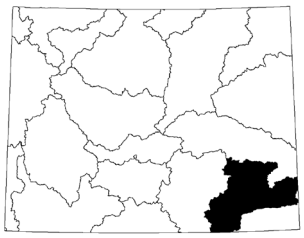
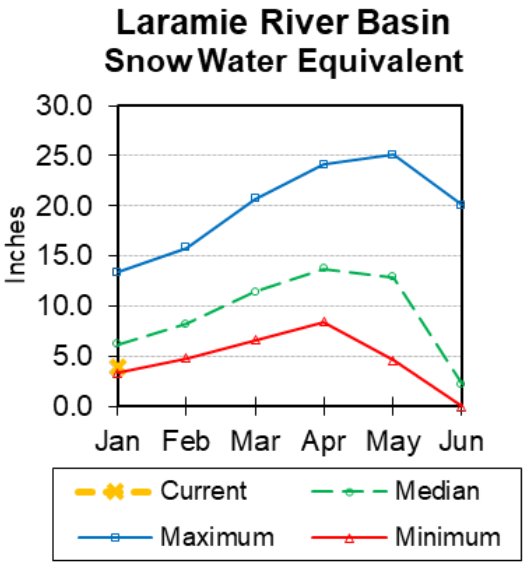


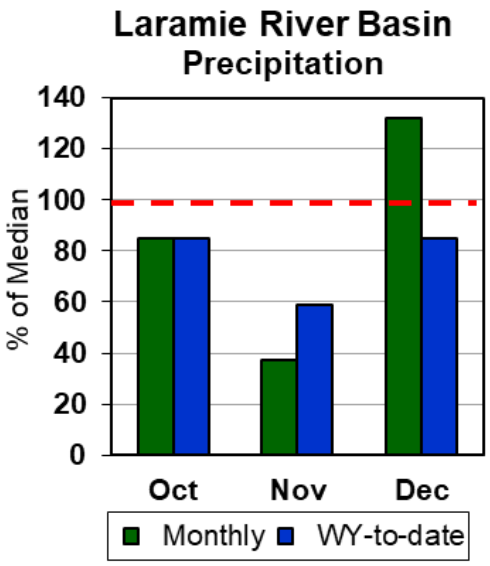
Laramie River Basin



Snow

SWE for the entire Laramie River Basin (above mouth entering North Platte) is 63% of median. SWE for the Laramie River above Laramie is 65% of median. SWE for the Little Laramie River is 81% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 132% of median. The water year-to-date precipitation for the basin is currently 85% of median.

Reservoirs

The storage for the reservoir in this basin is at 50% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Wheatland #2	22.7	22.7	45.8	98.9	23%	23%	46%	50%	50%
Basin Index					23%	23%	46%	50%	50%
# of reservoirs					1	1	1	1	1

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period are near normal. Laramie River near Woods Landing is forecasted to yield around 85% of median. The Little Laramie near Filmore should produce about 98% of median. *See the following graph for detailed runoff volumes.*

LARAMIE
Water Supply Forecasts
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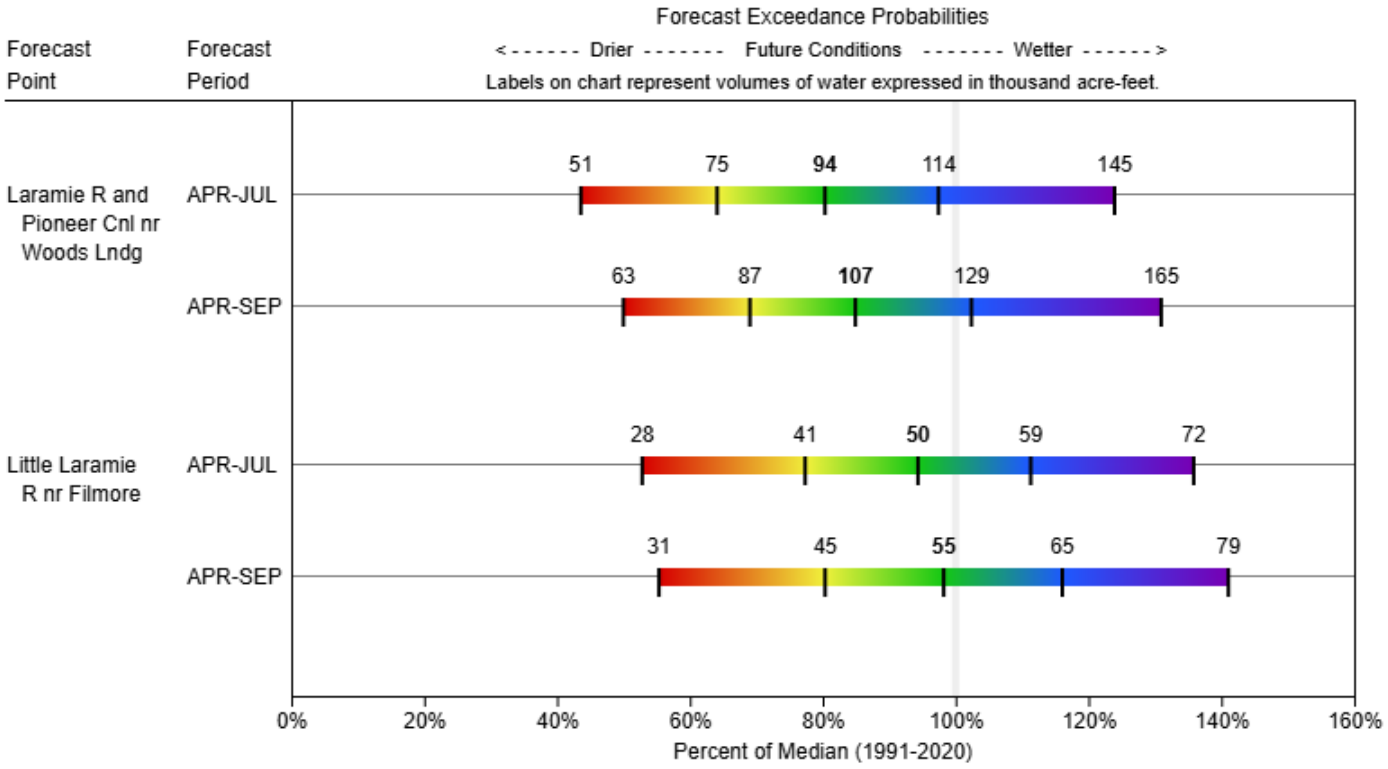
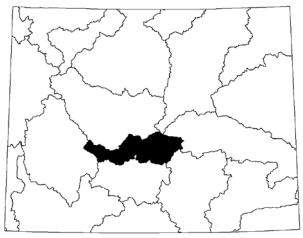
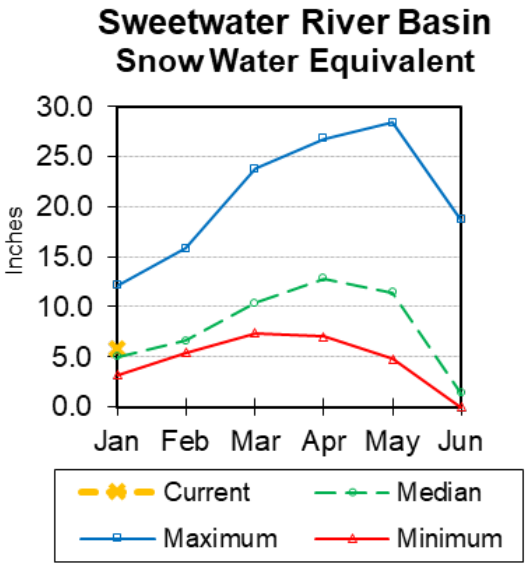


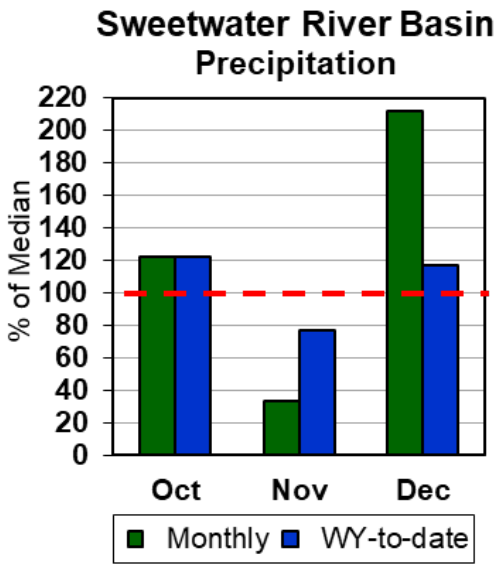
Sweetwater River Basin



Snow

Sweetwater River Basin SWE is at 117% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 212% of median. The water year-to-date precipitation for the basin is currently 117% of median.

Reservoirs

No reservoir data for the basin.

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period in the Sweetwater Basin is above normal. The Sweetwater River near Alcova will yield about 167% of median. *See below for detailed information on projected runoff.*

SWEETWATER
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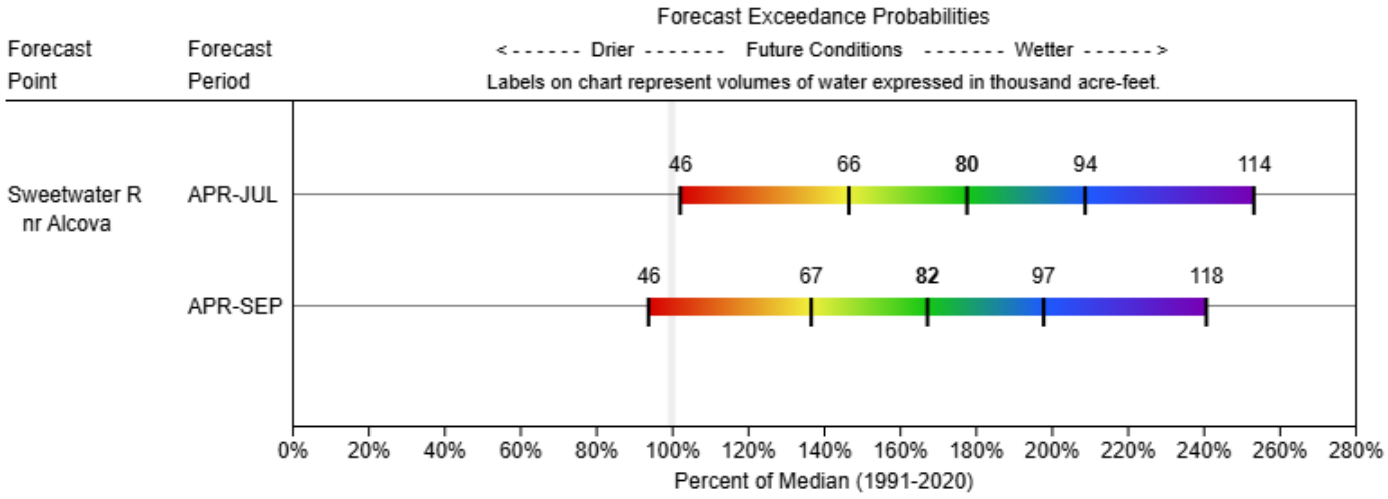
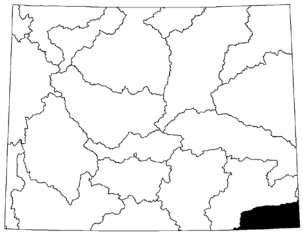
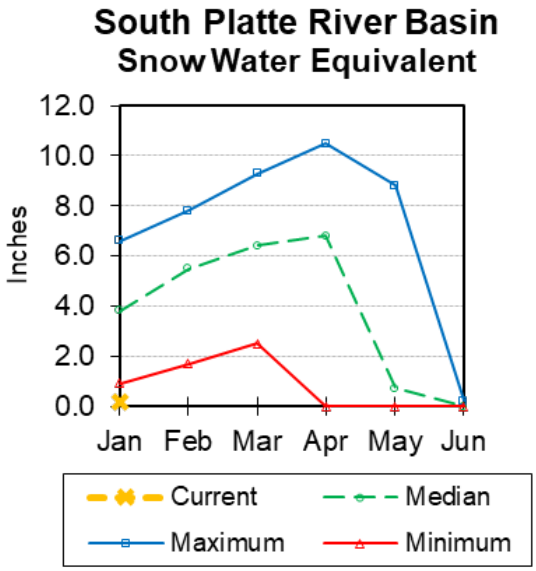


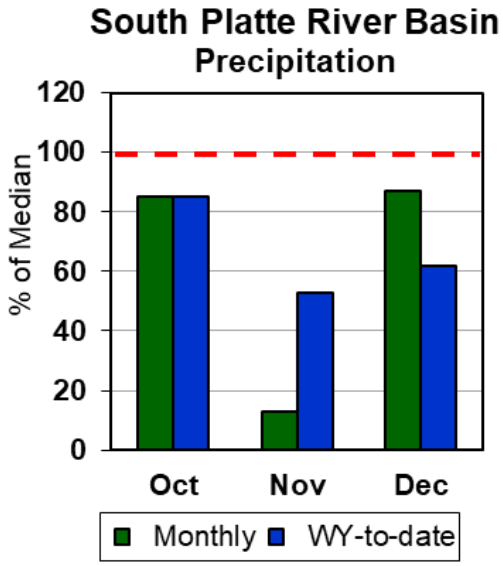
South Platte River Basin (WY)



Snow

The median SWE for sites in the South Platte River Basin is 5% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Last month's precipitation was 87% of median. The water year-to-date precipitation for the basin is currently 62% of median.

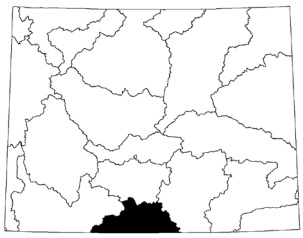
Reservoirs

No reservoir data for the basin.

Streamflow

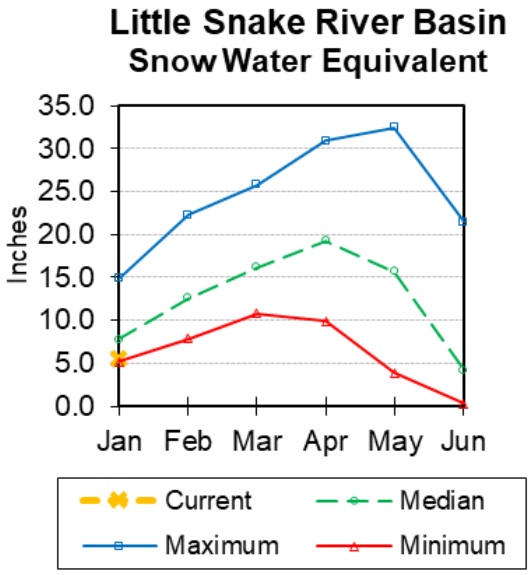
There are no streamflow forecast points for the basin.

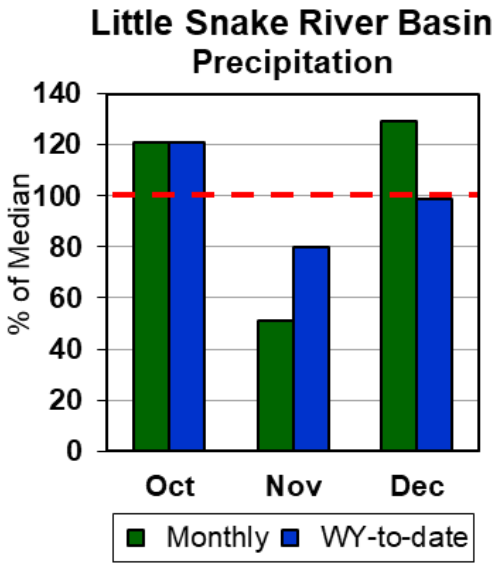
Little Snake River Basin



Snow

Little Snake River drainage SWE is 72% of median. See *Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Precipitation across the basin was 129% of median. The Little Snake River Basin water-year-to-date precipitation is currently 99% of median.

Reservoirs

The storage for the reservoir in this basin is at 68% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
High Savery Res	7.9	11.2	11.6	22.4	35%	50%	52%	68%	96%
Basin Index					35%	50%	52%	68%	96%
# of reservoirs					1	1	1	1	1

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July period is below normal. The Little Snake River near Slater is forecasted to yield around 90% of median. *See below for detailed information on projected runoff.*

LITTLE SNAKE
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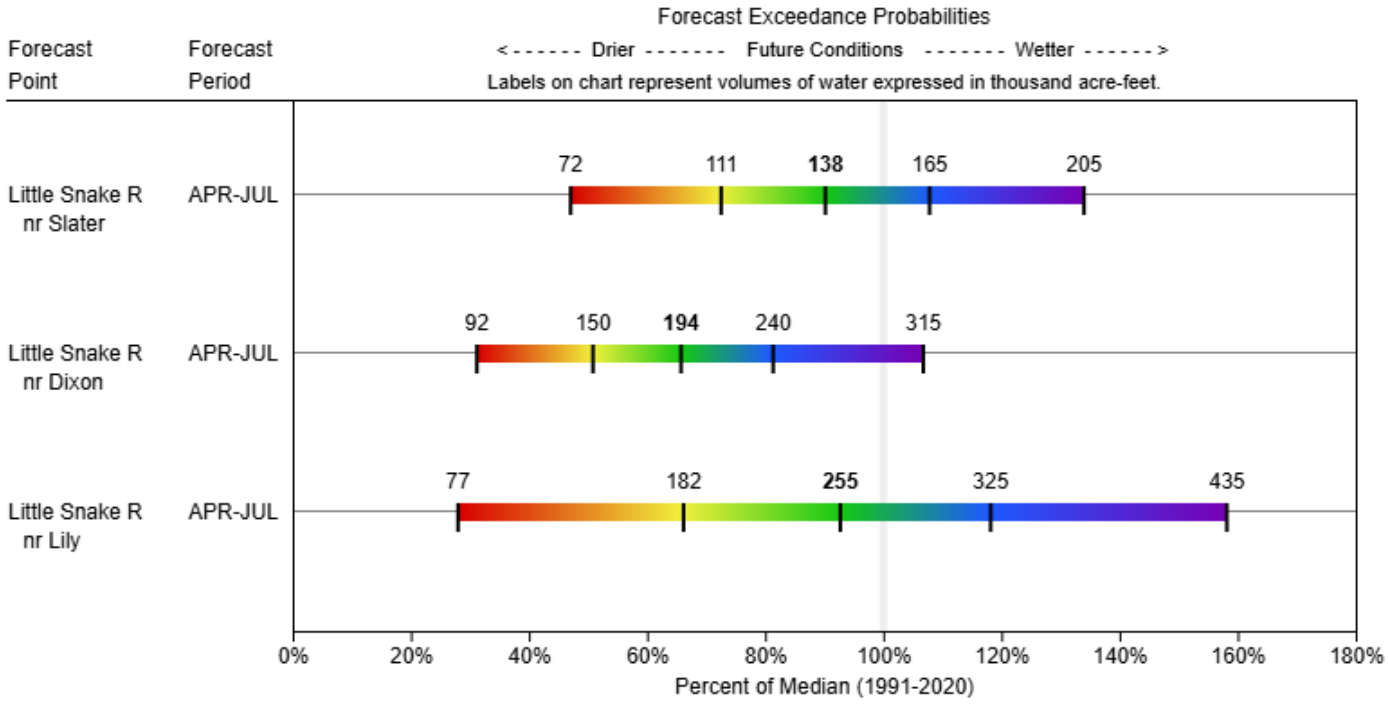
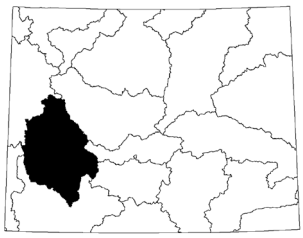
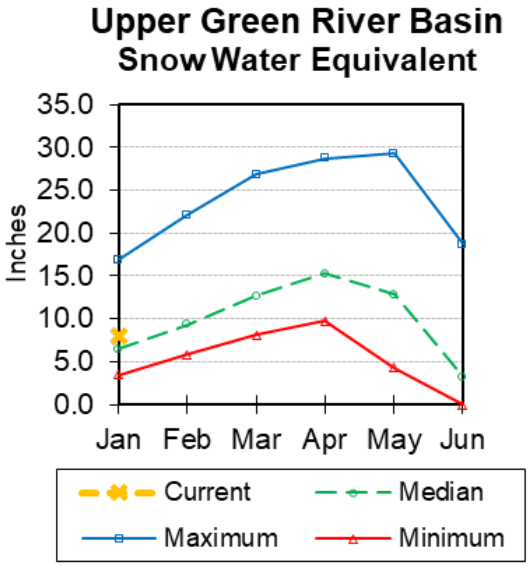


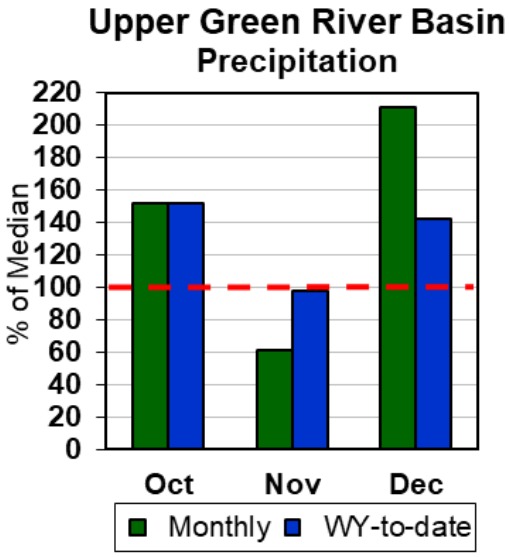
Upper Green River Basin



Snow

The Upper Green River Basin SWE (above Fontenelle Reservoir) is 124% of median. Green River Basin above Warren Bridge SWE is 127% of median. West Side of Upper Green River Basin SWE is 139% of median. *See Appendix at the end of this report for a detailed listing of snow course information.*





Precipitation

Precipitation for sites in the basin was 211% of median last month. Water year-to-date precipitation is 142% of median.

Reservoir

Combined water storage in the basin was at 95% of median for the 3 reservoirs.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Big Sandy	16.1	24.1	17.4	38.3	42%	63%	45%	92%	139%
Eden	2.0	4.6	3.7	11.8	17%	127%	31%	54%	124%
Fontenelle	188.1	174.4	198.5	344.8	55%	51%	58%	95%	88%
Basin Index					53%	52%	56%	95%	92%
# of reservoirs					3	3	3	3	3

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July period will be above normal. The yield on the Green River at Warren Bridge is about 121% of median. New Fork River near Big Piney yield will be around 108% of median. Green River at Fontenelle Dam is estimated to be about 123% of median. *See the following for a more detailed forecast.*

UPPER GREEN

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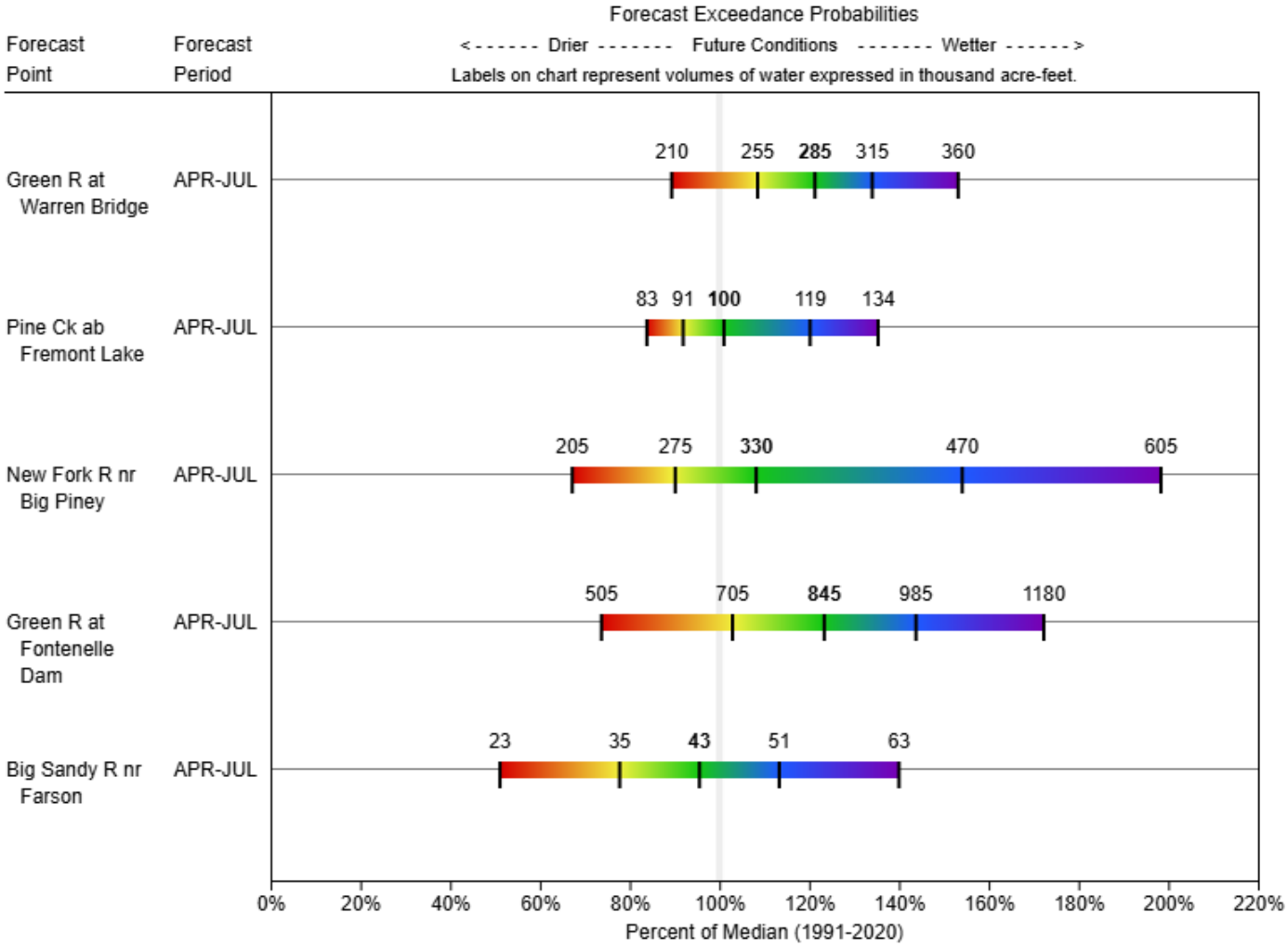
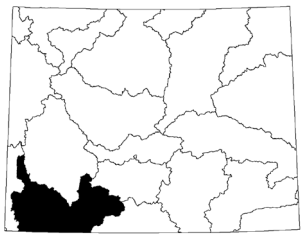


Lower Green River Basin



Snow

Lower Green River Basin SWE is at 97% of median. Hams Fork drainage SWE is 109% of median. Blacks Fork drainage SWE is 86% of median.

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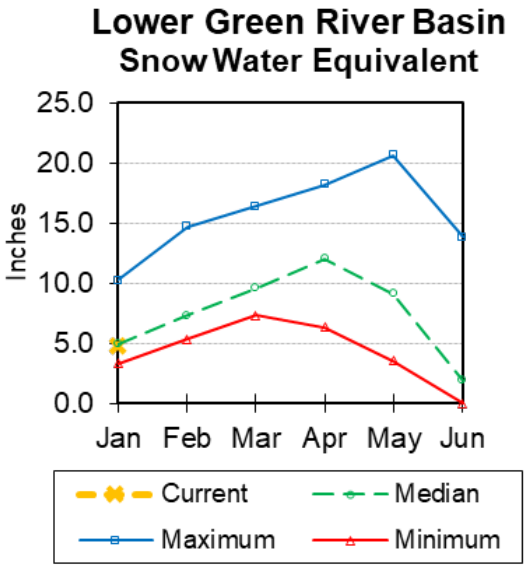

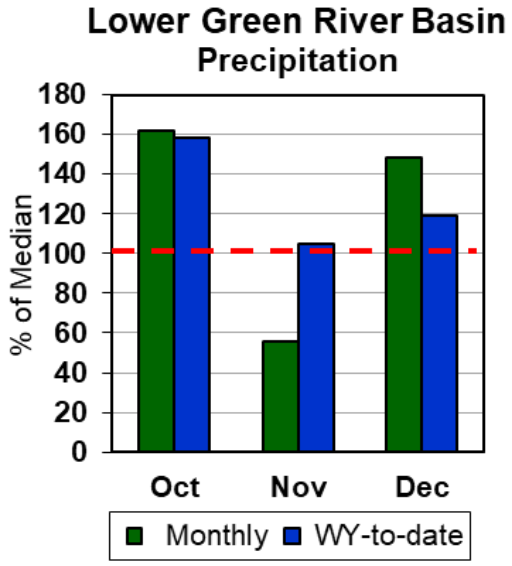

Precipitation

Precipitation for the basin last month was 148% of median. The basin year-to-date precipitation is currently 119% of median.

Reservoirs

Combined storage for the 4 reservoirs in the basin was at 96% of median at the end of last month.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Viva Naughton Res	28.8	31.2	31.1	42.4	68%	74%	73%	93%	100%
Stateline Res	4.1	4.0	5.7	12.0	34%	33%	48%	73%	70%
Flaming Gorge Res	2995.1	3120.1	3127.0	3749.0	80%	83%	83%	96%	100%
Meeks Cabin Res	5.4	6.5	8.6	32.5	17%	20%	26%	63%	76%
Basin Index					79%	82%	83%	96%	100%
# of reservoirs					4	4	4	4	4

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through July period is above normal. The Green River near Green River will yield about 122% of median. The Flaming Gorge Reservoir inflow will be about 97% of median. *See the following page for more detailed information on projected runoff.*

LOWER GREEN
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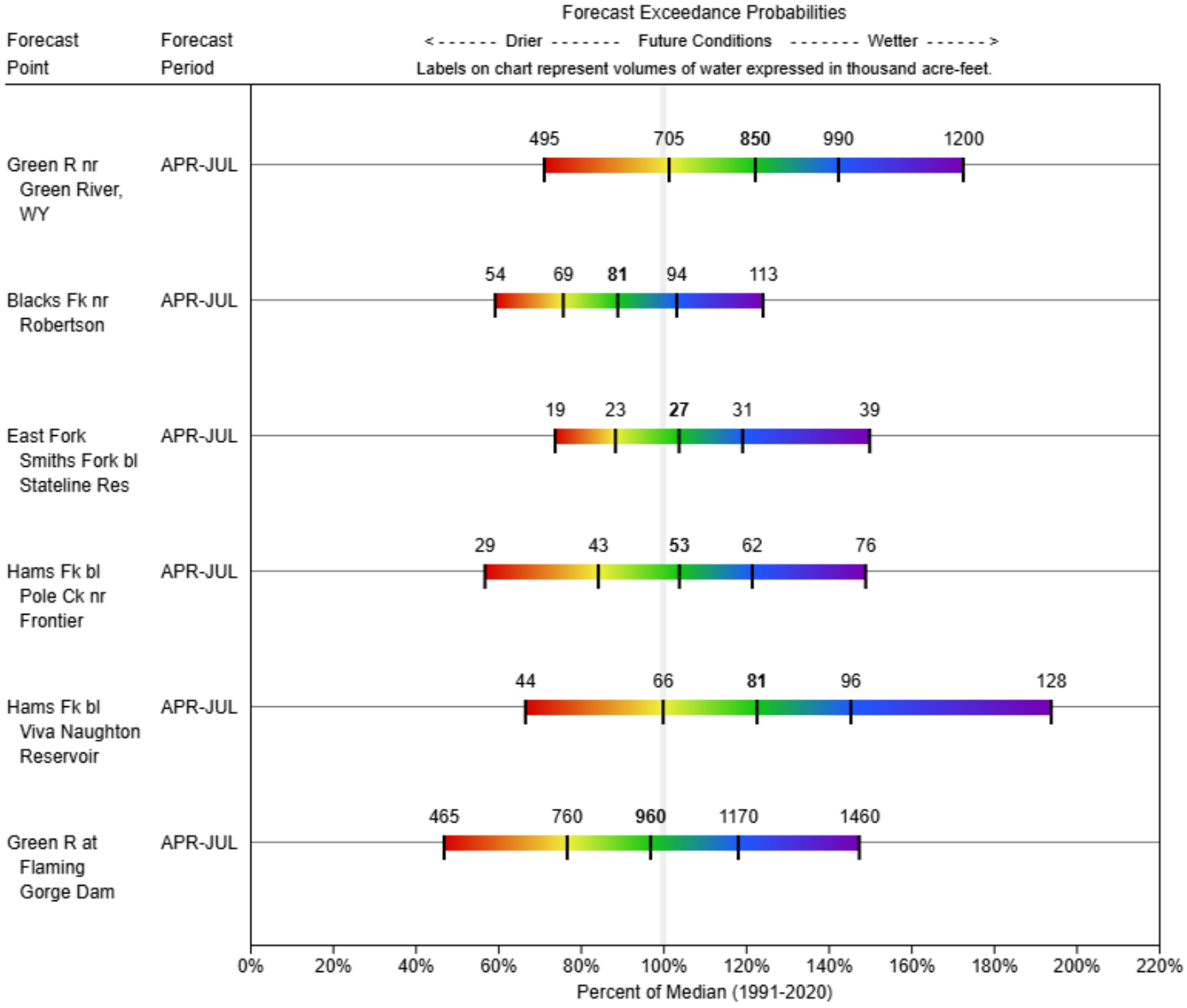
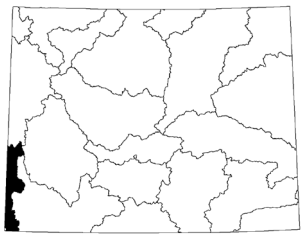


Upper Bear River Basin



Snow

SWE in the Upper Bear River Basin of Utah is 85% of median. SWE in the Wyoming portion of the Bear River drainage (Smiths and Thomas Forks) is 109% of median.

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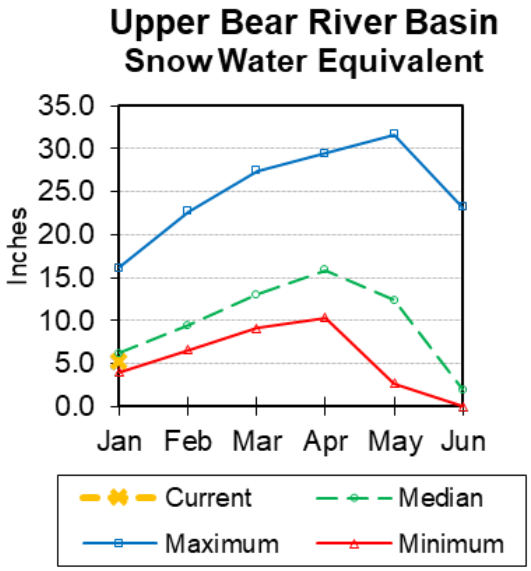

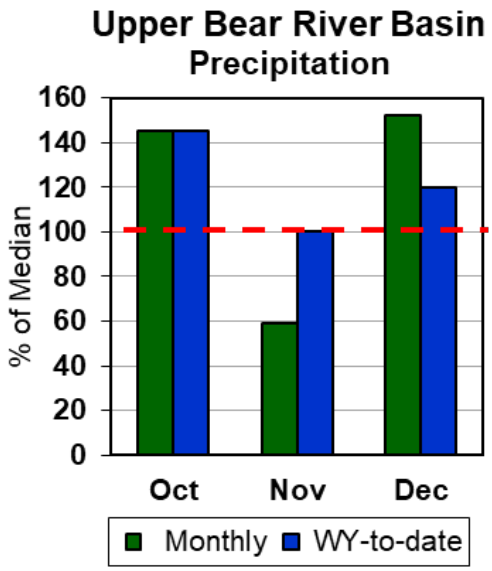

Precipitation

Precipitation for last month was 152% of median in the basin. The year-to-date precipitation for the basin is 120% of median.

Reservoirs

Combined reservoir storage in this basin is at 37% of median.

	Current (KAF)	Last Year (KAF)	Median (KAF)	Capacity (KAF)	Current % Capacity	Last Year % Capacity	Median % Capacity	Current % Median	Last Year % Median
Woodruff Creek	2.7	1.7	2.0	4.0	67%	41%	49%	136%	84%
Woodruff Narrows Res	10.5	29.1	33.4	57.3	18%	51%	58%	31%	87%
Basin Index					21%	50%	58%	37%	87%
# of reservoirs					2	2	2	2	2

Streamflow

The 50% exceedance forecasts for the April through September period is near normal. The Bear River above Reservoir near Woodruff should yield around 88% of median. The Smiths Fork River near Border Jct. will yield around 115%. *See the following page for more detailed information on projected runoff.*

UPPER BEAR
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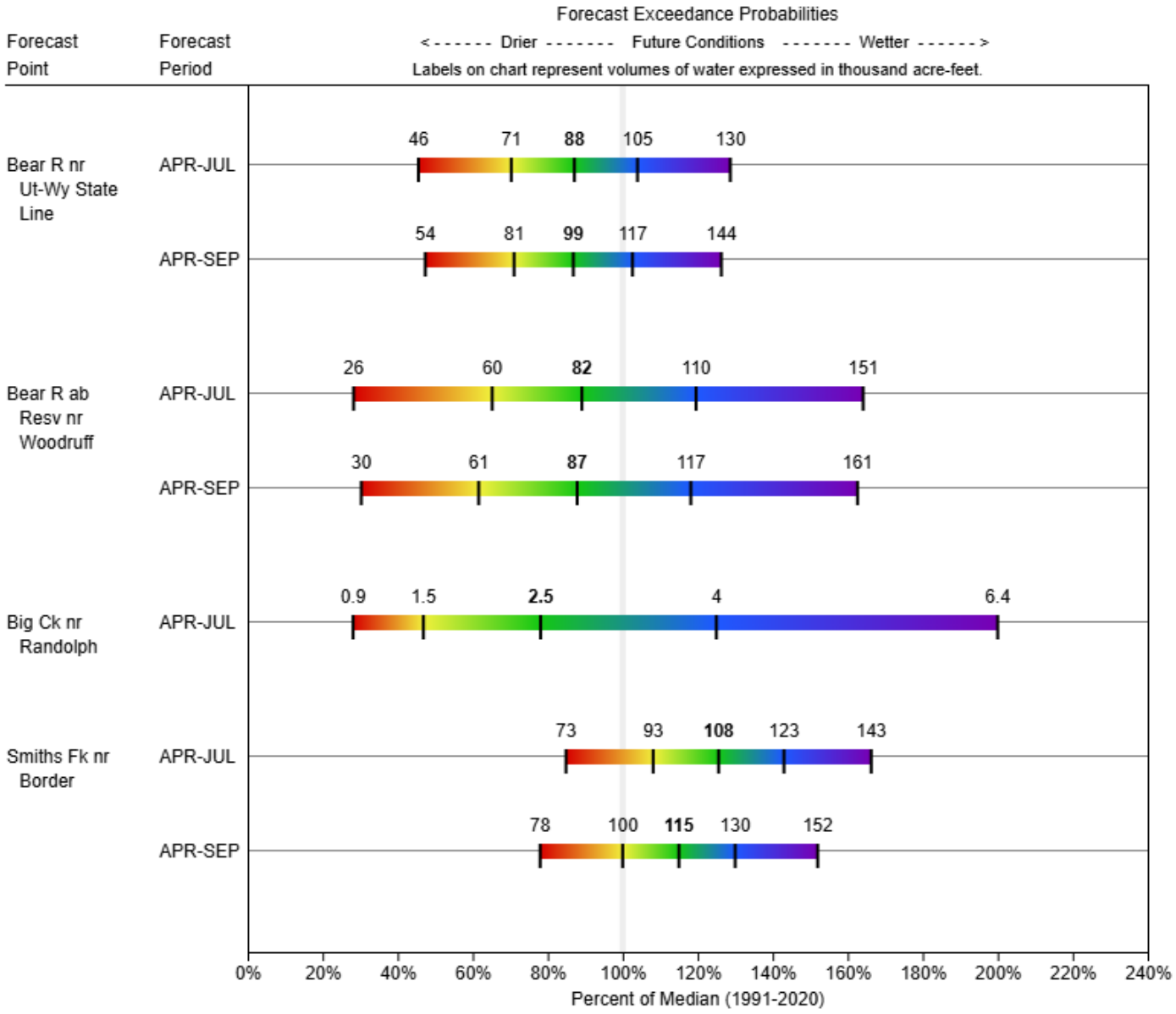

Appendix

MEDIAN INFORMATION

Transitioning from 1981 – 2010 Averages to 1991 – 2020 Medians

Starting January 2022, the NRCS will use the 30-year **median** as the official normal for snowpack (SWE), precipitation, reservoir storage, and streamflow calculations. The National Water and Climate Center (NWCC) will continue to publish and distribute 30-year averages for alternate normal calculations.

The 30-yr reference period for median and normal calculations has also been recently updated from 1981-2010 to 1991-2020.

Please refer to this NWCC website or more information about the significant changes in data and forecast computations:

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/wcc/home/snowClimateMonitoring/30YearNormals/

Topics include:

- **1991 – 2020 Median/Averages Overview**
- **Calculation Methods**
- **Differences Between 1991-2020 and Previous Normals**
- **Median vs. Average**
- **Retrieving 1991-2020 Normals**

For specific seasonal streamflow normal comparisons for NRCS forecasted stations, please refer to:

https://www.wcc.nrcs.usda.gov/ftpref/support/srvo_norms_comps/

LINKS (for more information/graphics)

National Water Climate Center (NWCC)

- Interactive maps featuring current conditions of snow, precipitation, reservoir storages:

  https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/wcc/home/quicklinks/predefinedMaps/

Water Resources Data System and State Climate Office (WRDS)

- Clearinghouse of hydrological and climatological data for the State of Wyoming:

  http://www.wrds.uwyo.edu/

USGS WaterWatch

- Tools and products to monitor streamflow, runoff, drought, and floods:

  https://waterwatch.usgs.gov/index.php

Appendix - Snowpack Data

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