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WY Conditions & Outlooks:

Precipitation, Temperatures, Drought, Floods, & Everything In-between

August 18, 2022



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Presentation Outline

- **Current Conditions:** Overview
 - Streamflow
 - Reservoir Supply
 - Water Calls and Allocations
- **Outlooks:** Temperature & Precipitation
 - Fuels' Status & Wildland Fire Outlook
- **Questions**



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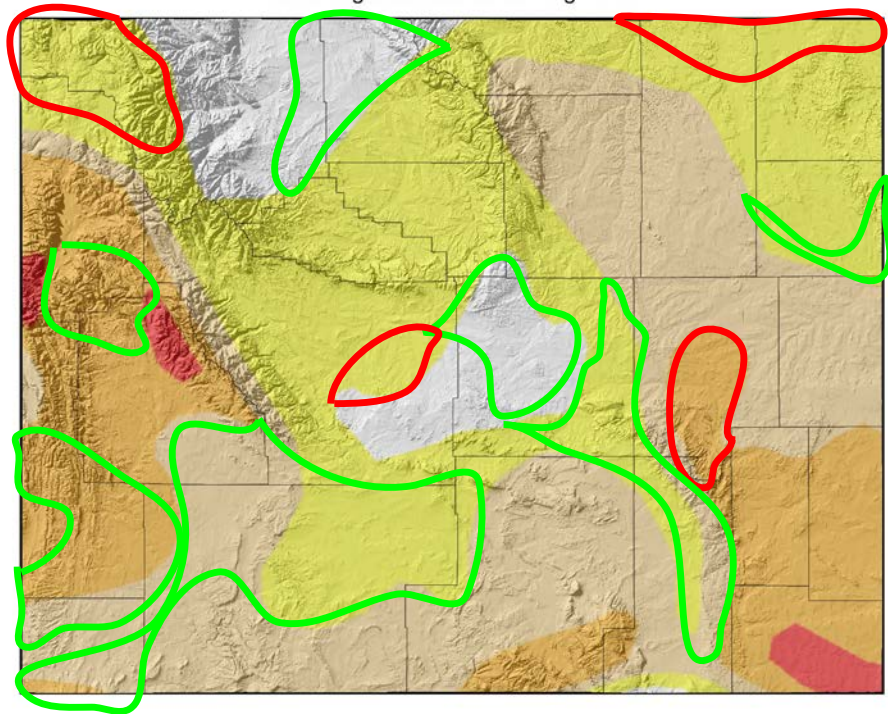
Current Conditions

US Drought Monitor for August 16, 2022

(Released Thursday, August 18, 2022)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

US Drought Monitor for 16 Aug 2022



Map Created by:
National Drought Mitigation Center
<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>



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Drought Level	Percentile
None	>30
D0 (Abnormally Dry)	21 to 30
D1 (Moderate Drought)	11 to 20
D2 (Severe Drought)	6 to 10
D3 (Extreme Drought)	3 to 5
D4 (Exceptional Drought)	0 to 2

<https://youtu.be/45MQ1GB-uTc>

Improvements and **degradations** since the last webinar. Recent precipitation in west and central Wyoming has resulted in upgraded conditions. Dryness, especially in northwest and northeast, caused a downgrade in drought levels.

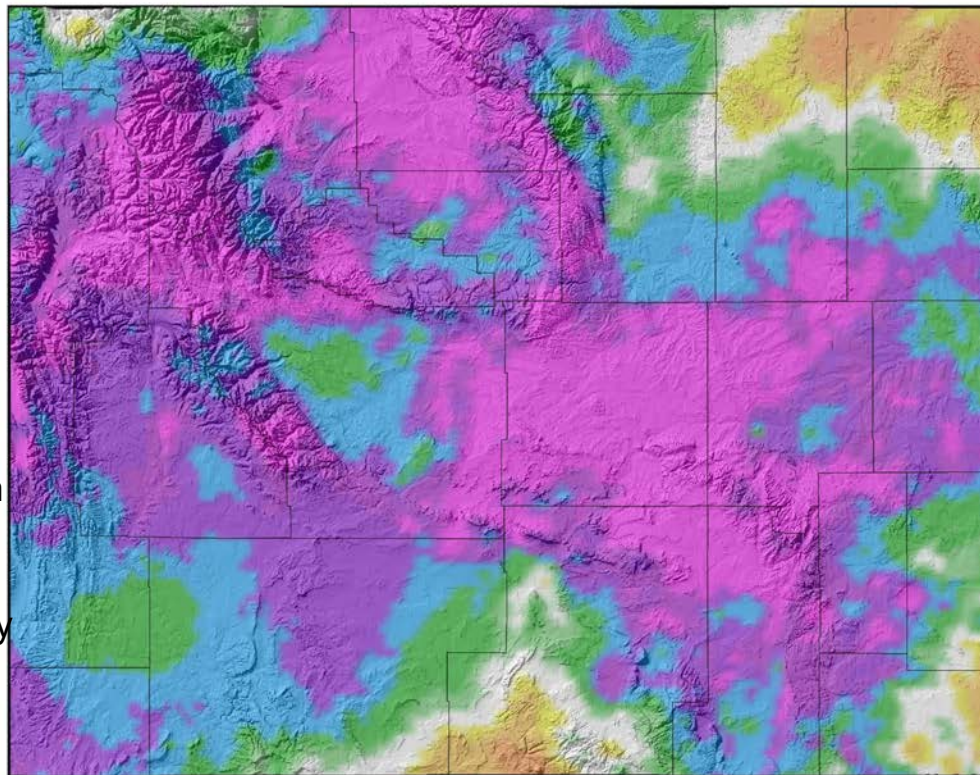
The U.S. Drought Monitor, is a weekly map of drought conditions produced jointly by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the National Drought Mitigation Center (NDMC) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The U.S. Drought Monitor website is hosted and maintained by the NDMC. <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

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14-Day Precipitation Percentile (04 Aug 2022 to 17 Aug 2022)

14-Day Precipitation (Percentile) for 04 Aug 2022 to 17 Aug 2022



Precipitation Data
PRISM Climate Group
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Above Median:

- Most of Wyoming except...

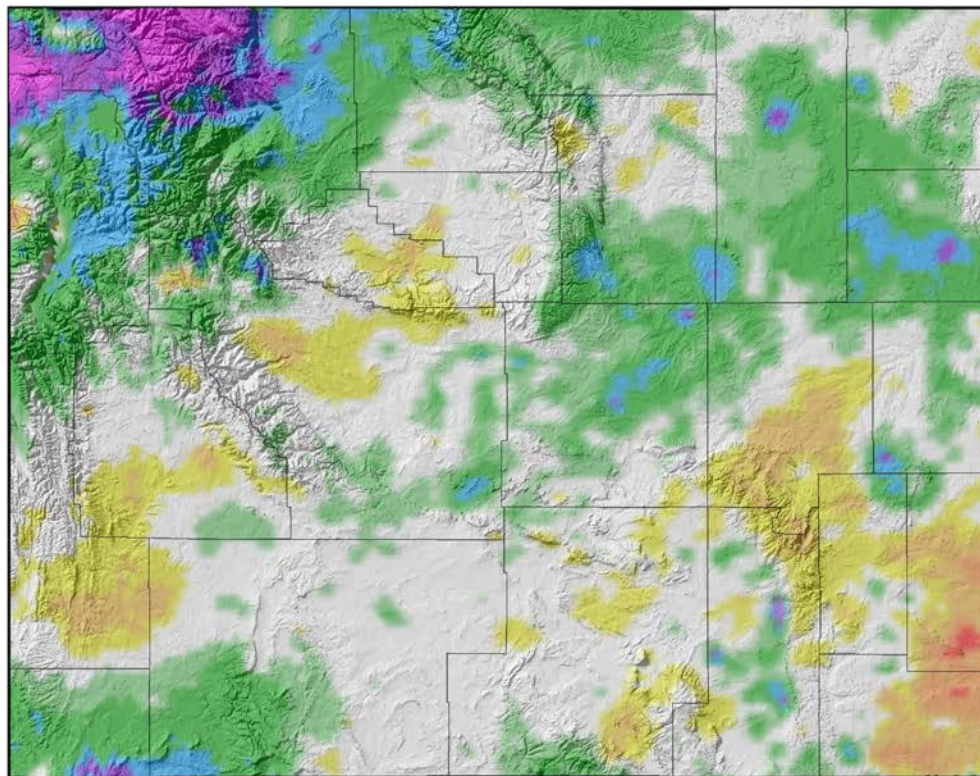
Below Median (Areas of Concern):

- Crook County
- Northern Campbell County
- Far SE Sweetwater & SW Carbon Counties
- Eastern Laramie County
- Extreme Southern Goshen County

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Daily percentiles created from PRISM daily precipitation grids

90-Day Precipitation Percentile (20 May 2022 to 17 Aug 2022)

90-Day Precipitation (Percentile) for 20 May 2022 to 17 Aug 2022



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Above Median:

- Northern tier, especially Park Co
- Note: Park still influenced by Yellowstone flooding event.
- Southwest (SW Sweetwater/ Uinta)

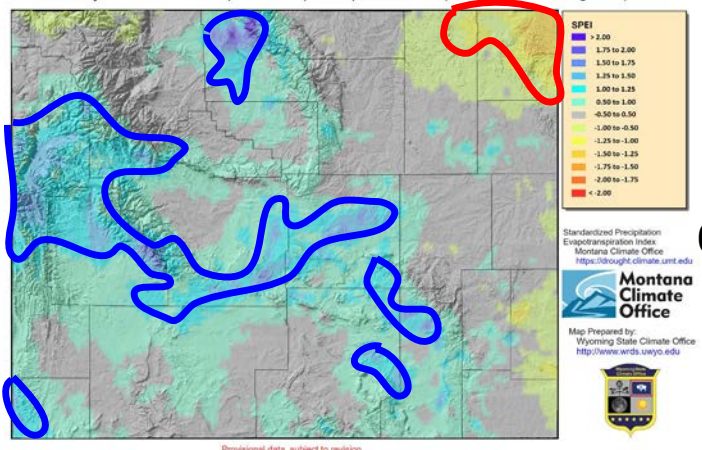
Much of state around Median (Gray Area)

Below Median (Areas of Concern):

- Southeast (Esp Laramie & Goshen Counties but some Converse, Platte, Albany, Carbon)
- Fremont, Hot Springs Counties
- Sublette/Southern Lincoln

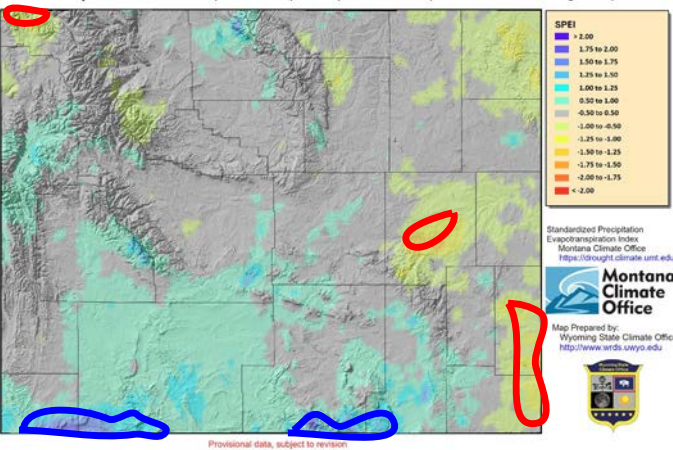
30-Day Standardized Precipitation Evapotranspiration Index (18 Jul 2022 to 16 Aug 2022)

30-Day
→



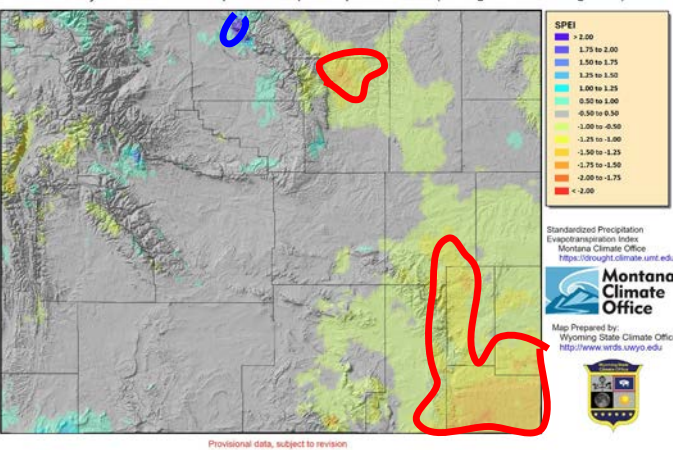
60-Day
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60-Day Standardized Precipitation Evapotranspiration Index (18 Jun 2022 to 16 Aug 2022)



1-Year
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365-Day Standardized Precipitation Evapotranspiration Index (17 Aug 2021 to 16 Aug 2022)



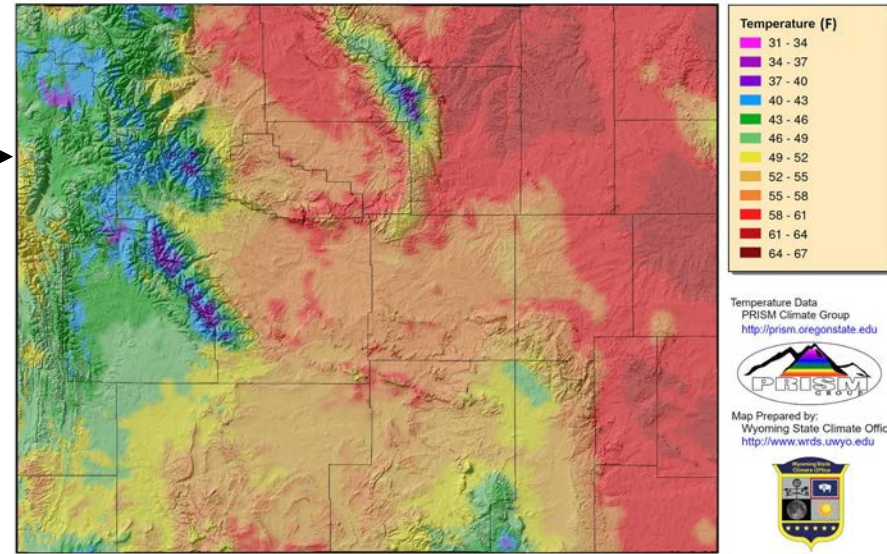
Standardized Precipitation Evapotranspiration Index (SPEI)

Short term: **Emerging concerns in the northeast, continuing concern in far southeastern plains.**
Widespread wetness in central and west/west central.

Long term: **Dryness in southeast and northern Johnson County.**

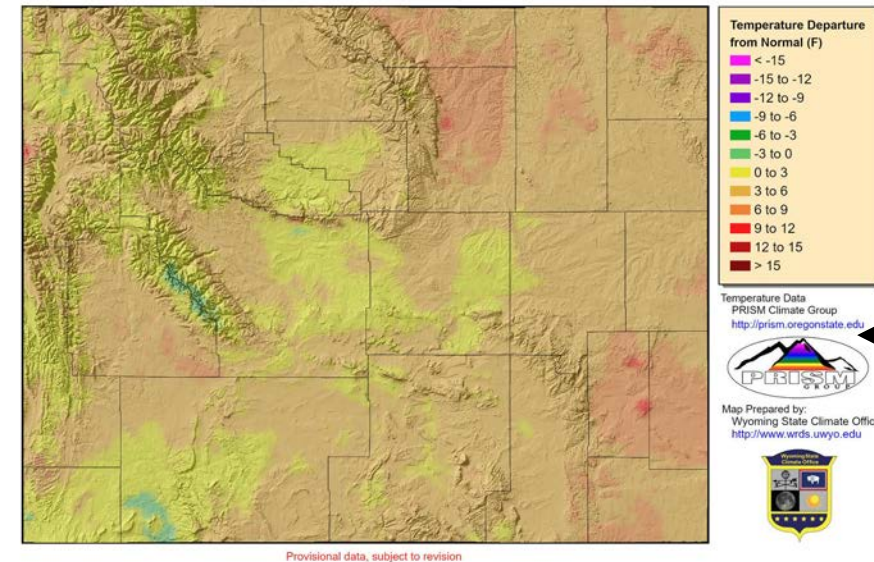
14-Day Average Minimum Temperature (04 Aug to 17 Aug)

- Night time lows above freezing statewide
- Highest in Eastern Plains



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14-Day Average Minimum Temperature (Departure from 1991-2020 Average) for 04 Aug 2022 to 17 Aug 2022



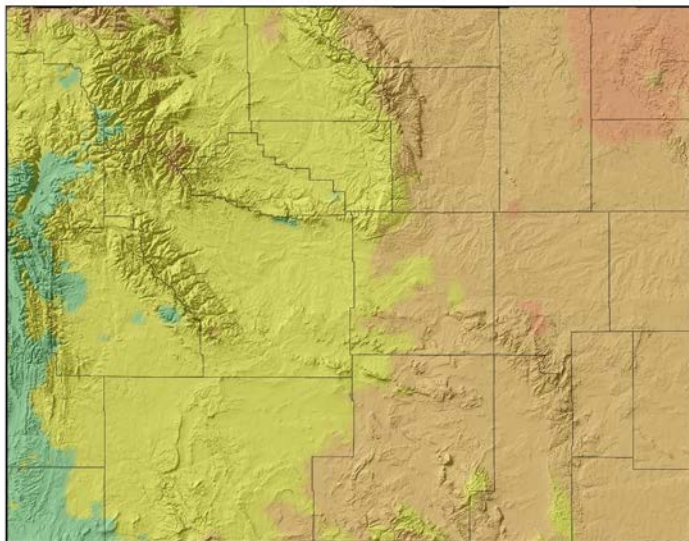
14-Day *Departure from Normal* Average Minimum Temperature

- Mostly +3F to +6F above average except:
- +6F to +9F E of Laramie Range, E of Bighorns
- 0F to +3F SW, High Elevation West, Central WY
- Up to 3F below average Flaming Gorge, Crest of Winds

14-Day Average **Maximum** Temperature (04 Aug to 17 Aug)

- >60F statewide Except very high elevations
- 90F+ for TMax much of eastern plains

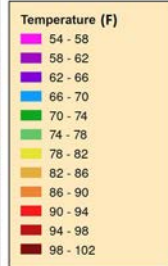
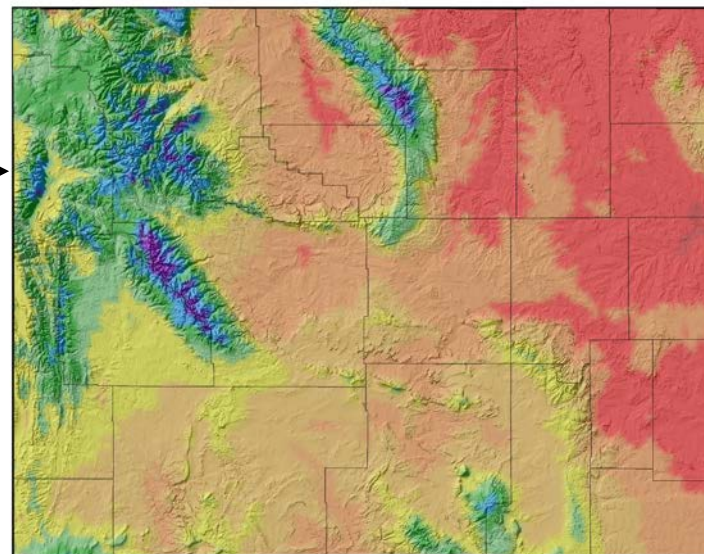
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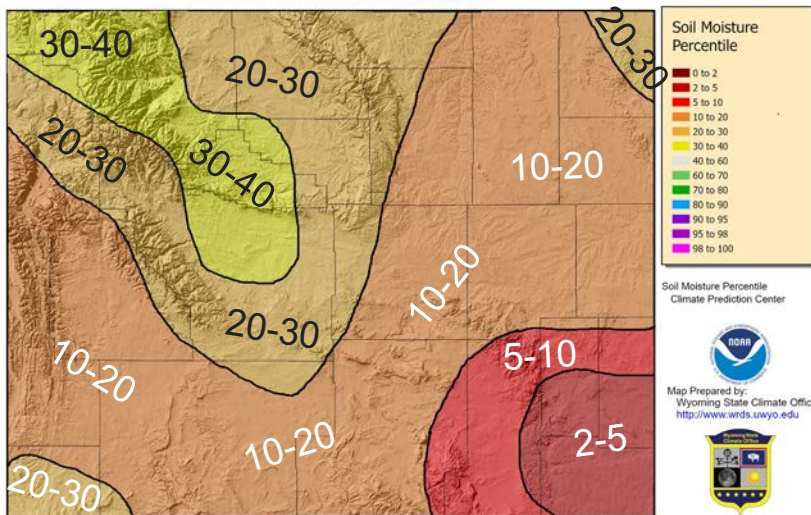
14- Day *Departure from Normal* Average **Maximum** Temperature

- Far west 0F to 3F below average
- Rest of West mostly 0F to 3F above average
- Crook County 6F to 9F above average
- Rest of East 3F to 6F above average

Soil Moisture Percentile

Two Weeks Ago
04 Aug 2022

Soil Moisture Percentile for 04 Aug 2022

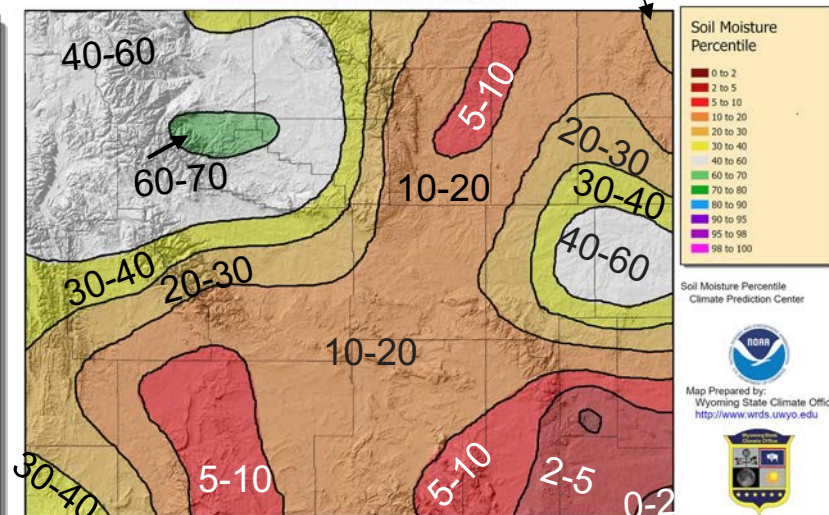


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Modeled Soil Moisture Percentile https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/GIS/GIS_DATA/USDM_Products/soil/soil_percentile.php
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17 Aug 2022

Soil Moisture Percentile for 17 Aug 2022



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Conditions improving in Northwest and East Central. Worsening in Northeast, parts of southwest, and southeast

Soil Moisture at Thunder Basin Grasslands

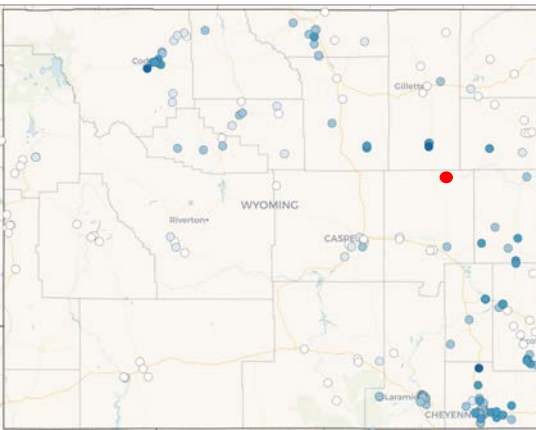
Four Precipitation Events

07-08 Jul: 0.42"

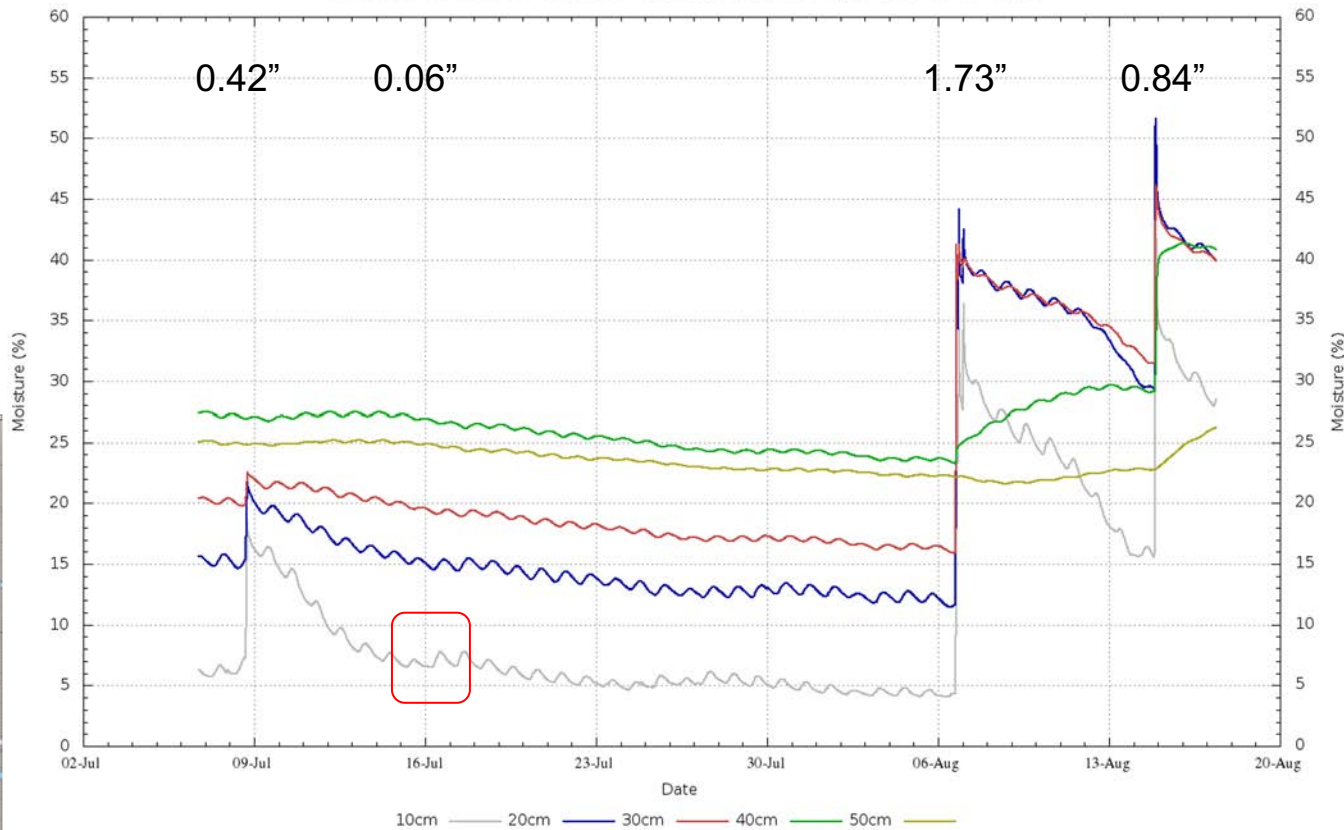
15 Jul: 0.06"

05-07 Aug: 1.73"

13-14 Aug: 0.84"



Thunder Basin Grasslands - 2022-08-17 09:30:00 (Created Wed Aug 17 10:35:01 MDT 2022)



Laramie Station
13 Aug 2022
(1430)
~35 minutes
before
precipitation
started



Laramie (Greenhouse), 13 Aug 2022, 1430 MDT

Laramie Station 13 Aug 2022 (1600)



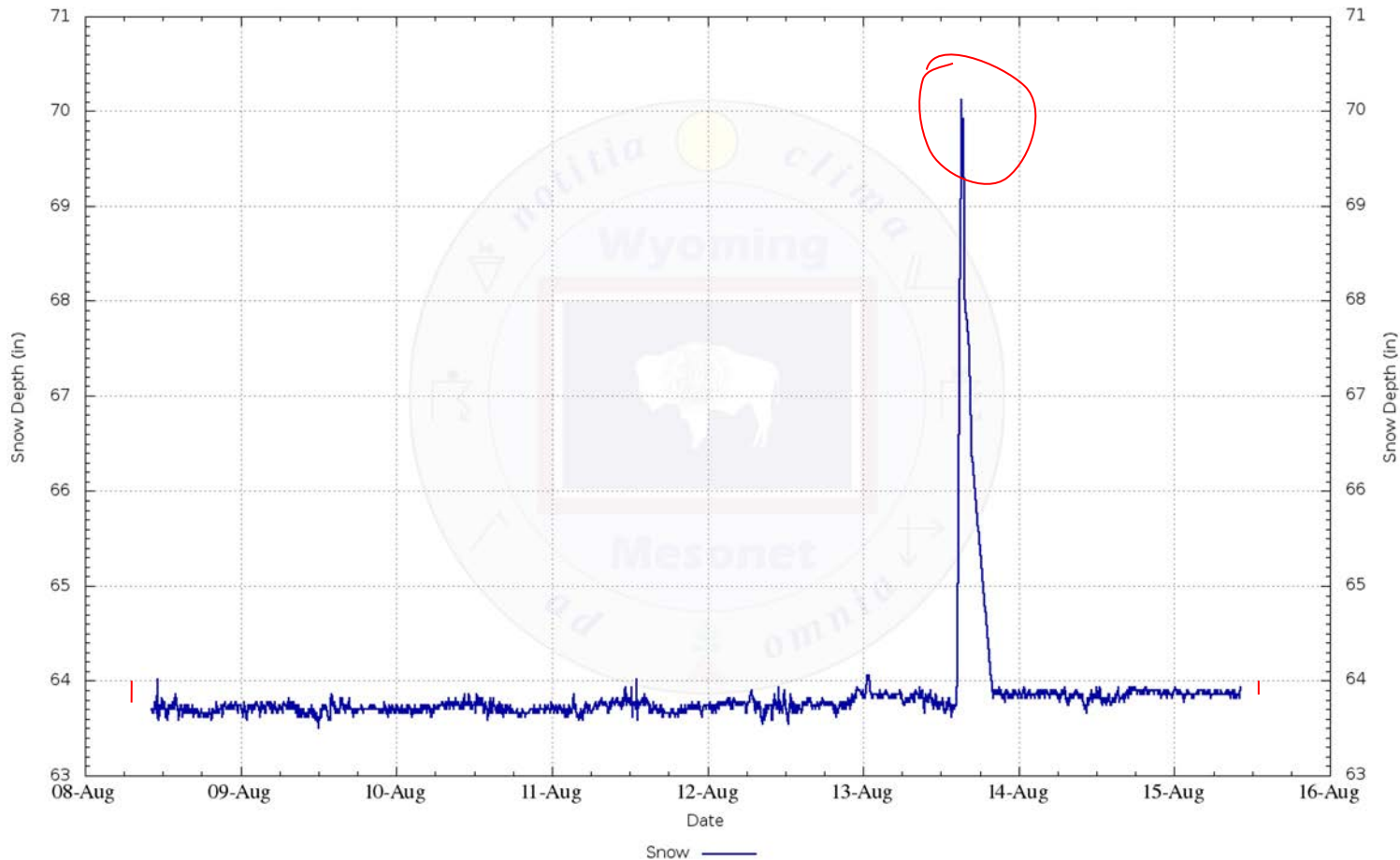
Laramie (Greenhouse): 13 Aug 2022, 1600 MDT

**Laramie Station
13 Aug 2022
(1630)
Down to a
Light Drizzle**



Laramie Station (“Snow” Depth)

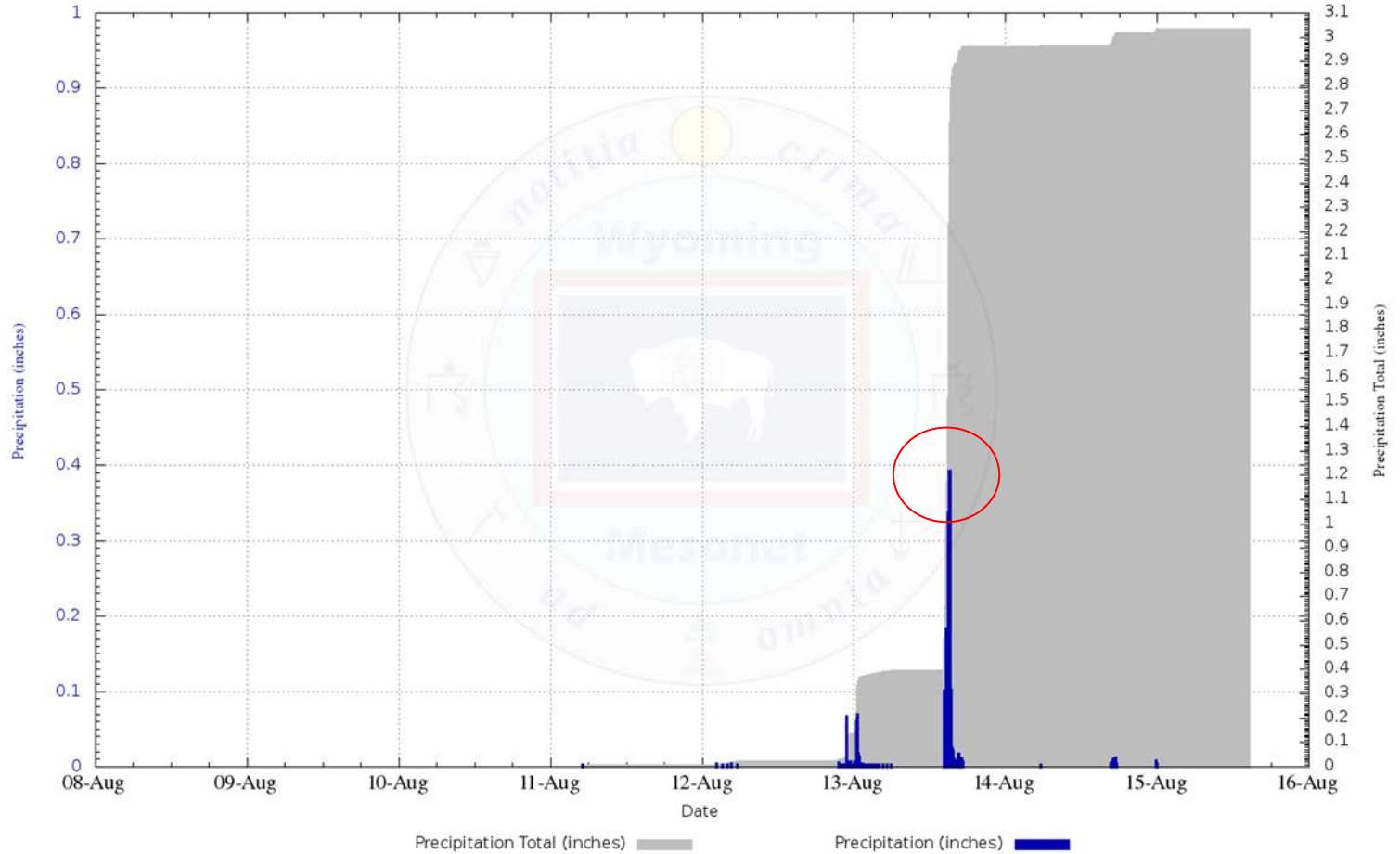
Greenhouse - Snow Depth (Graph Created 11:12 15-Aug-2022)



For Debugging Purposes, the height of the instrument arm has not been subtracted, “Zero” is at about 63.7 inches.

Laramie Station (Precipitation)

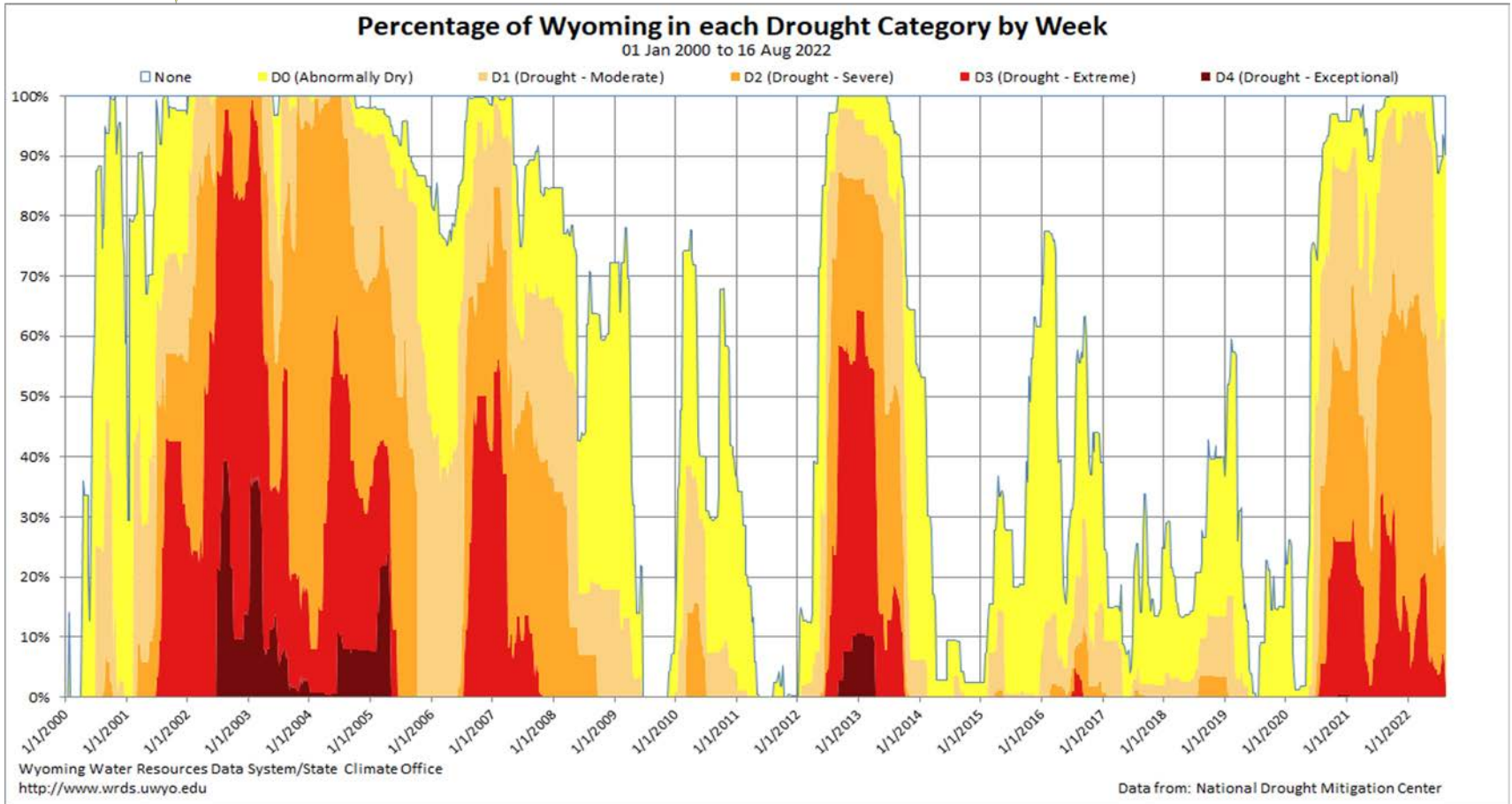
Greenhouse - Precipitation (Graph Created 15:32 15-Aug-2022)



5-Minute and Accumulated Precipitation

Rates during two consecutive 5-minute periods were around 6 inches per hour

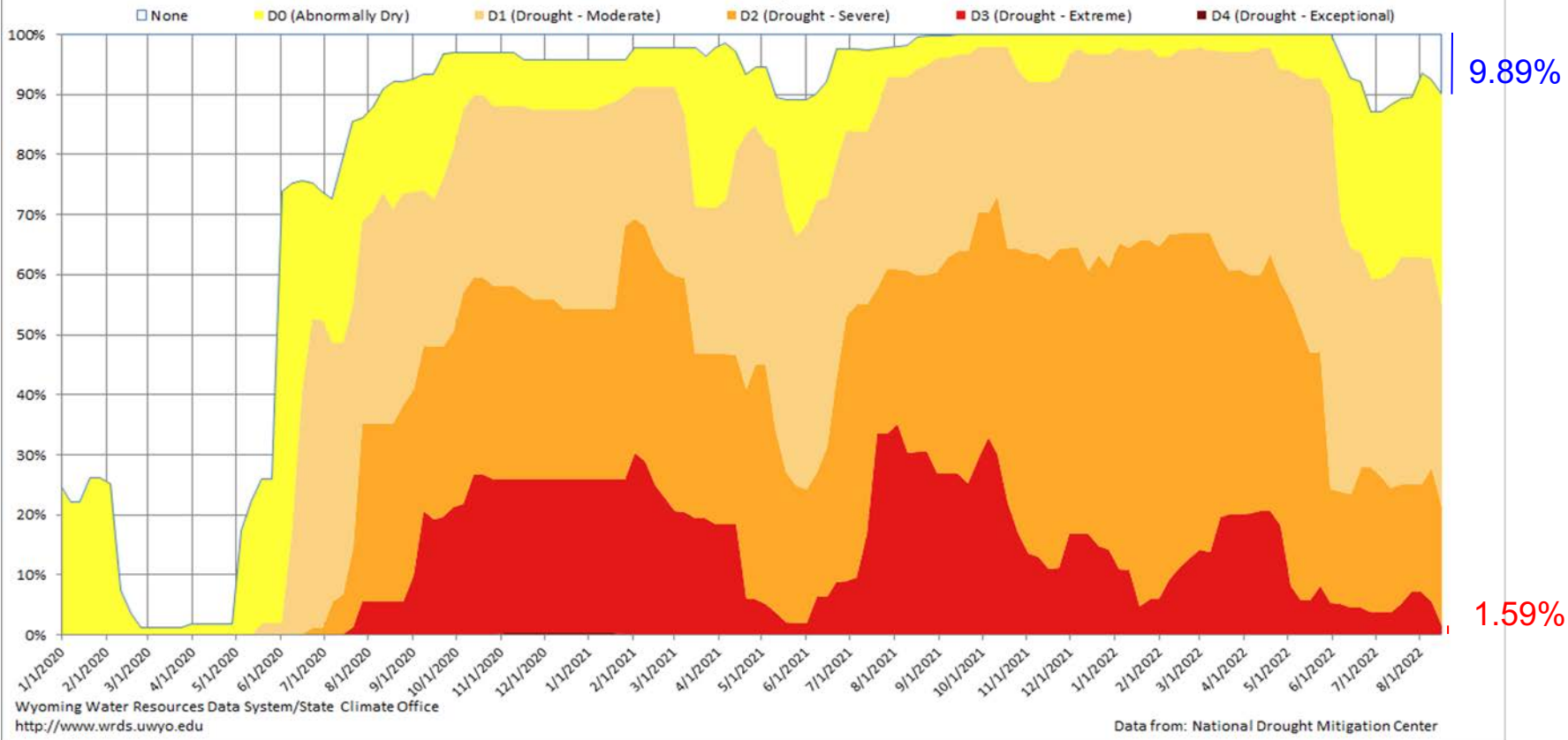
Wyoming Area Affected: 90.11% D0-D4 ; 54.78% D1-D4





Percentage of Wyoming in each Drought Category by Week

01 Jan 2020 to 16 Aug 2022

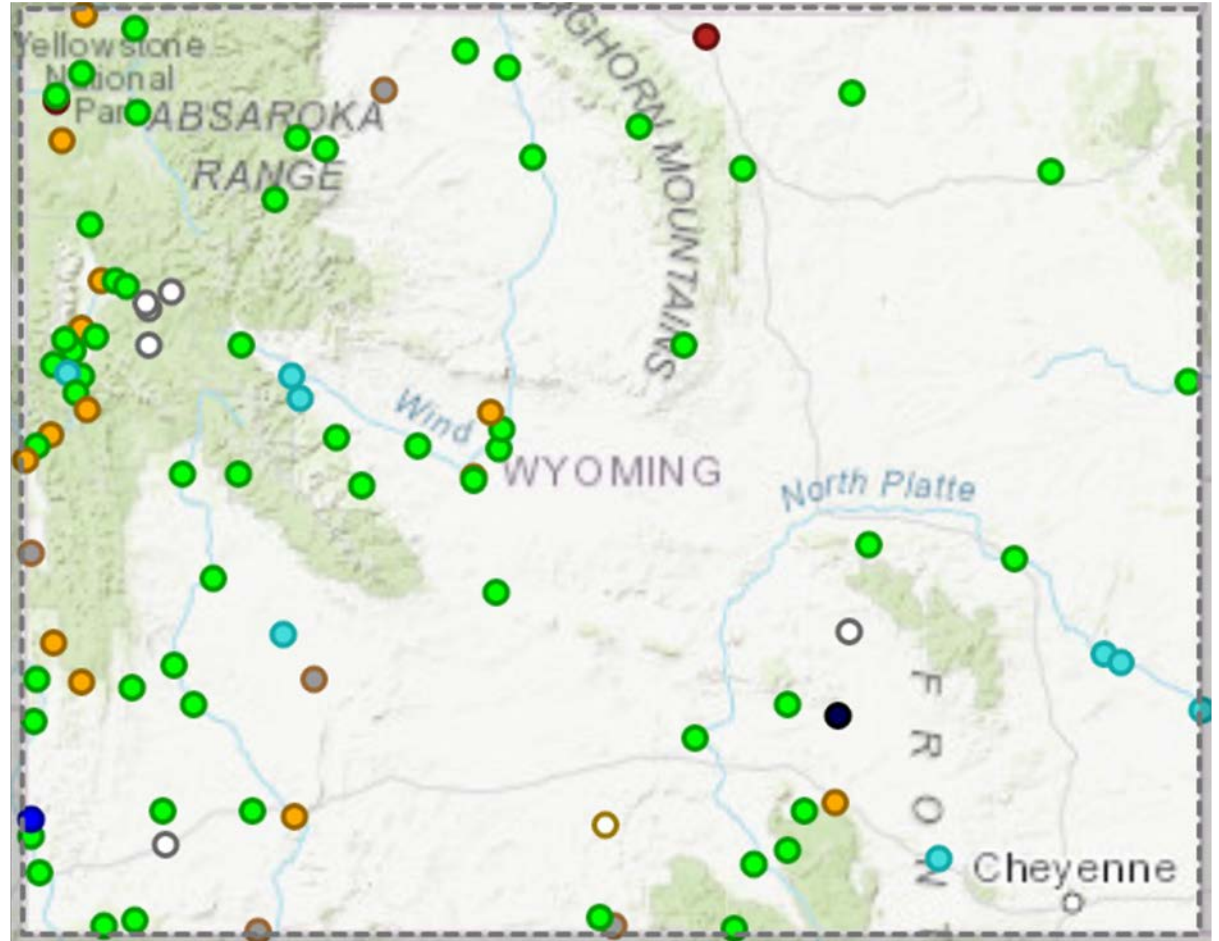


Current Streamflow Conditions (August 18, 2022)

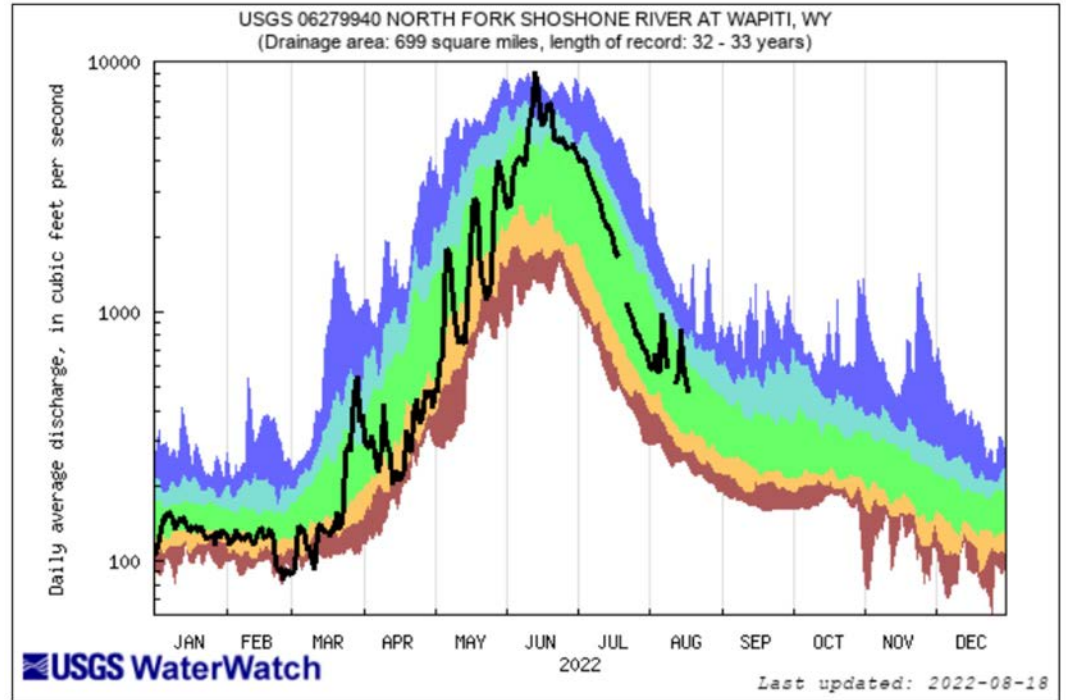
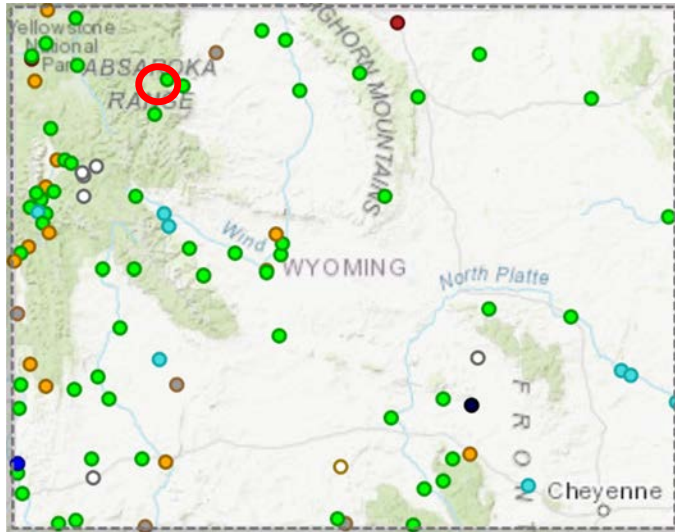
Streamflow Status

Streamflow: Status

- Above flood stage
- All-time high for this day
- Much above normal
- Above normal
- Normal
- Below normal
- Much below normal
- All-time low for this day
- Not flowing
- Not ranked
- Measurement flag
- Recent measurement unavailable



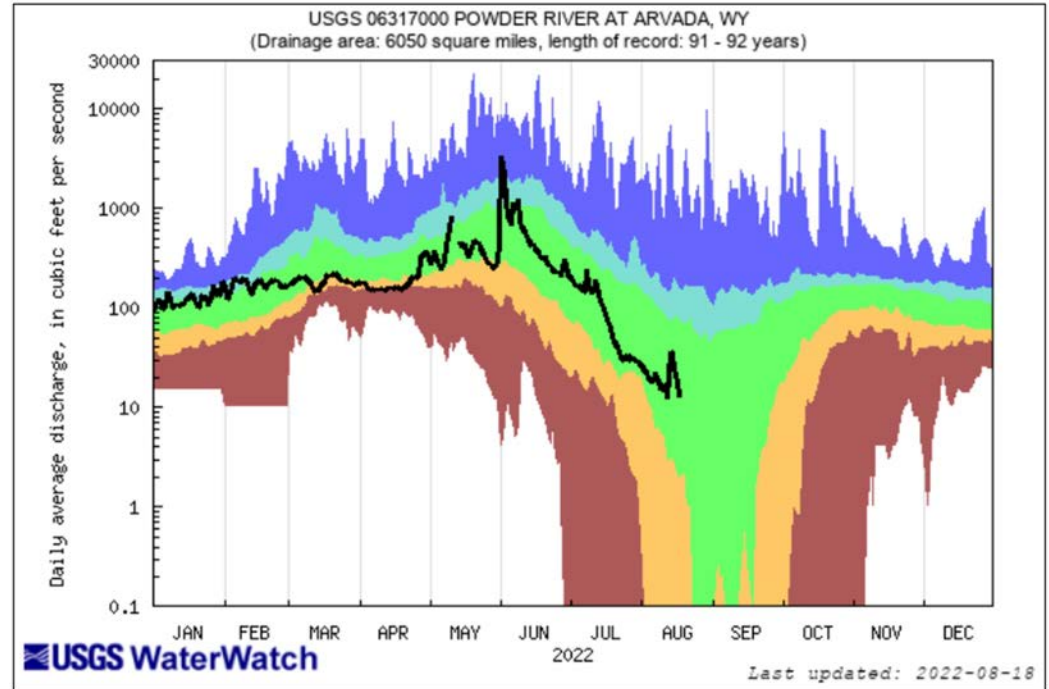
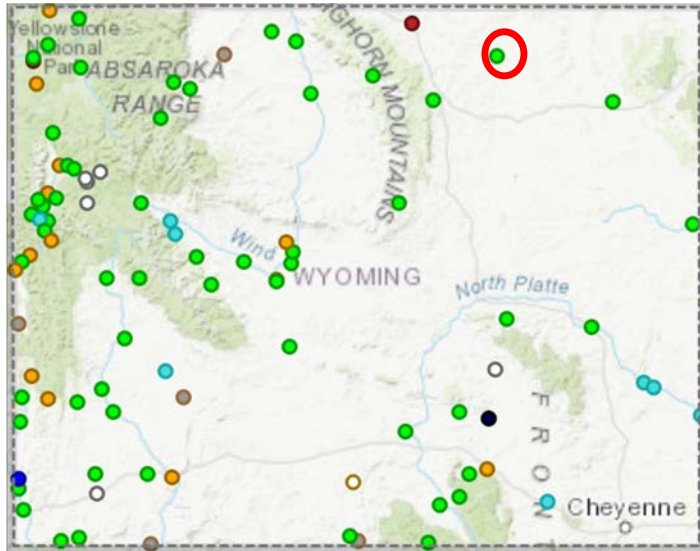
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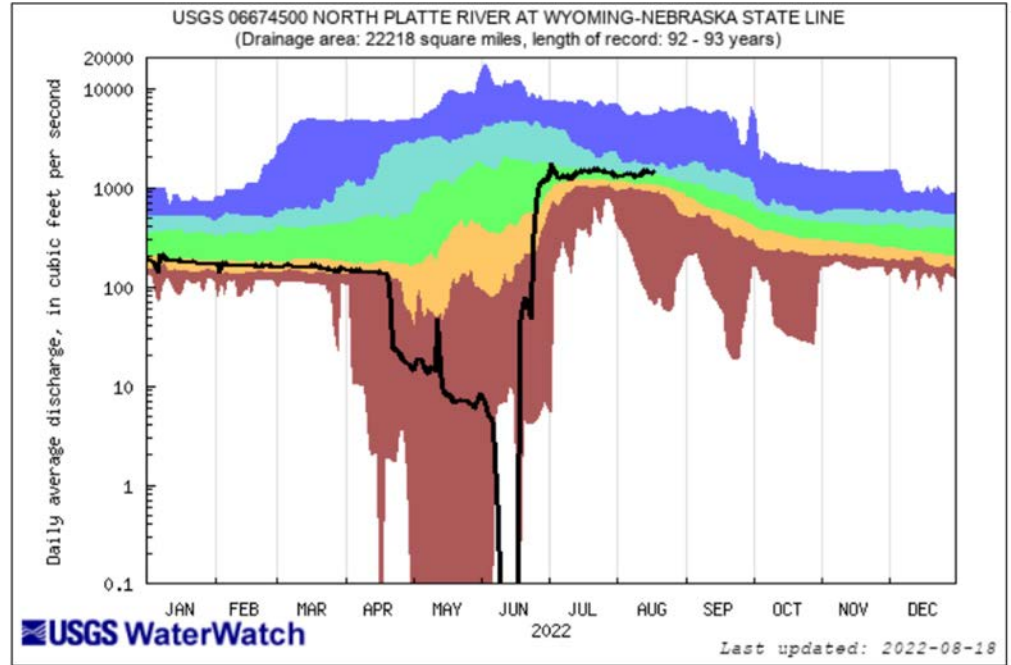
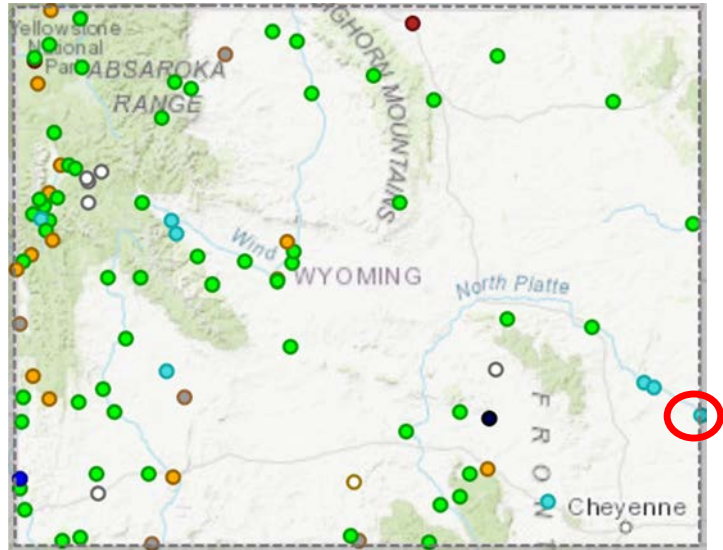


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Explanation - Percentile classes						
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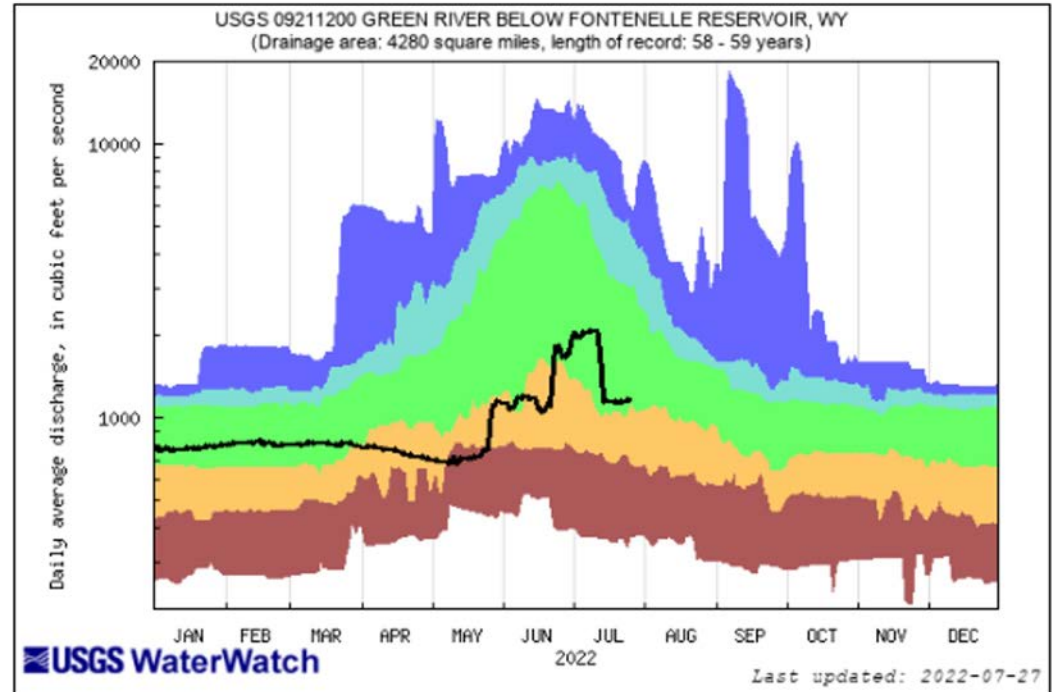
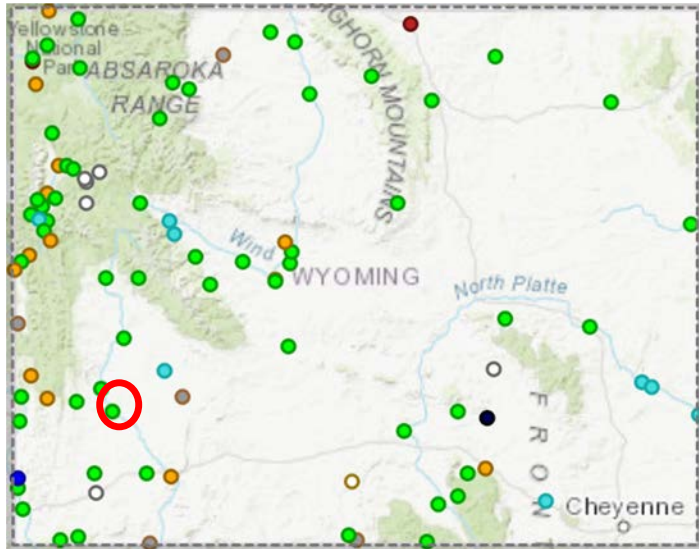


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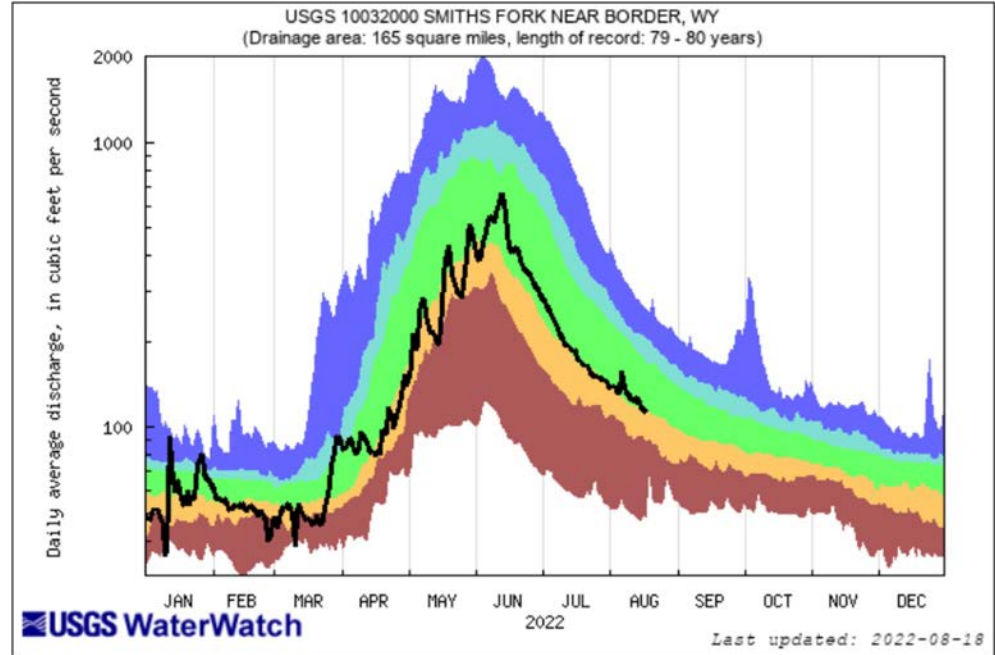
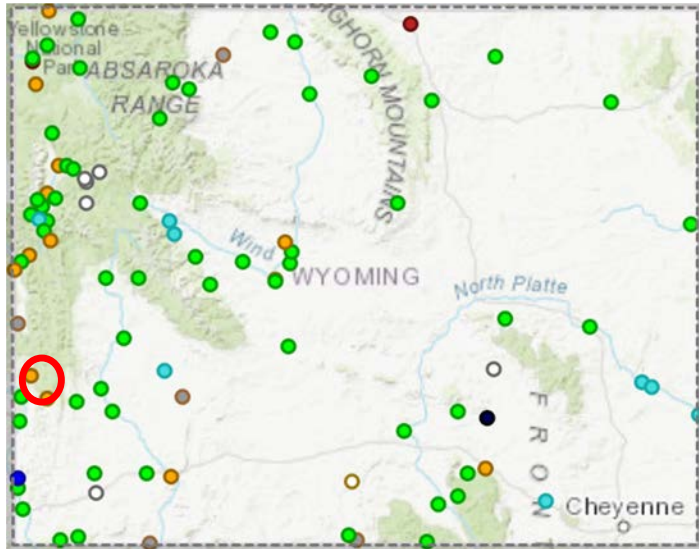


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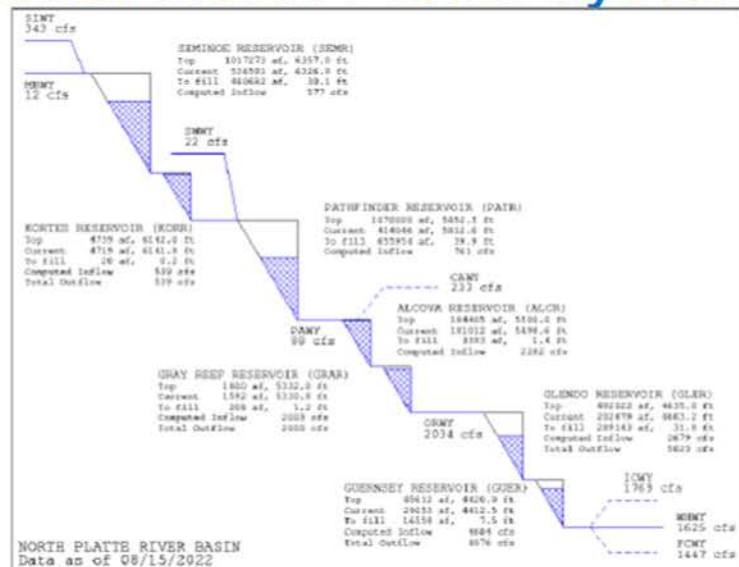
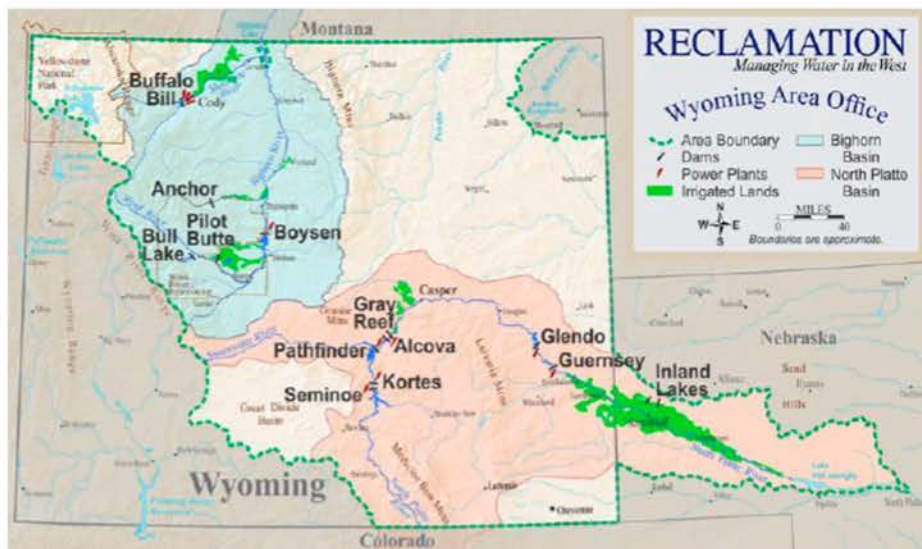
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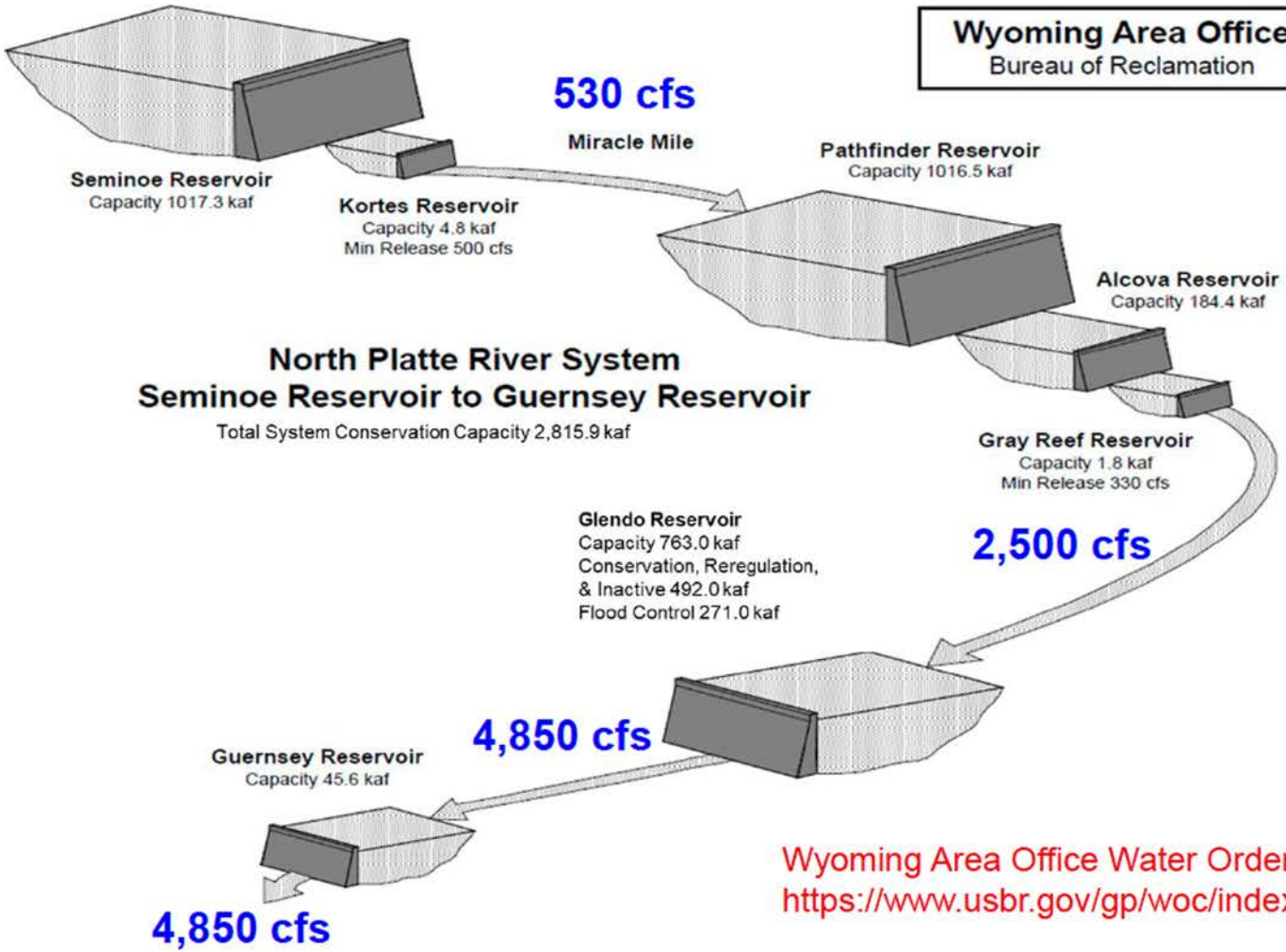


Current Reservoir Conditions: North Platte System



As of August 15, North Platte System: 56% of Full, 80% of Average

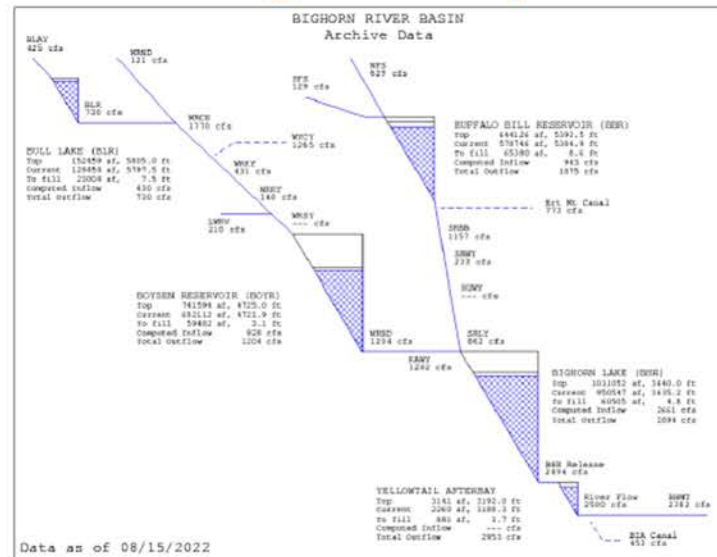
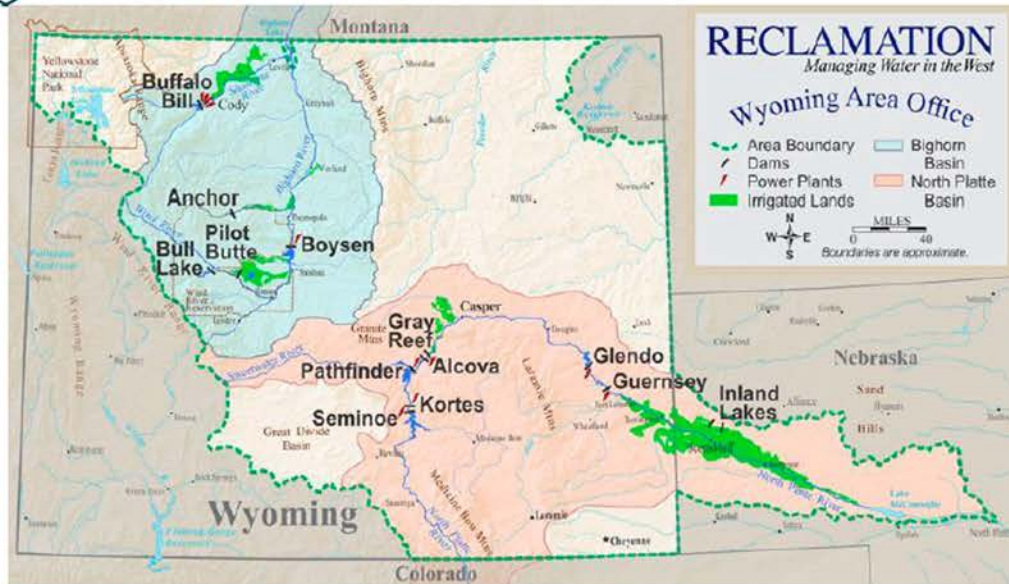
<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Content (AF)</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>% of Full</u>	<u>% of Avg</u>
Seminoe	536,591	1,017,300	53%	80%
Pathfinder	414,046	1,070,000	39%	71%
Glendo	202,879	492,000	41%	83%
Guernsey	29,053	45,600	64%	105%



Wyoming Area Office Water Order Changes –
<https://www.usbr.gov/gp/woc/indexwy.html>



Current Reservoir Conditions: Bighorn System



https://www.usbr.gov/gp/hydromet/teacup_form.html

As of August 15, Bighorn System: 90% of Full, 111% of Average

<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Content</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>% of Full</u>	<u>% of Avg</u>
Bull Lake	129,454	152,500	85%	107%
Buffalo Bill	578,746	646,600	90%	107%
Boysen	682,112	741,600	92%	115%



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BUFFALO BILL RESERVOIR (BBR)

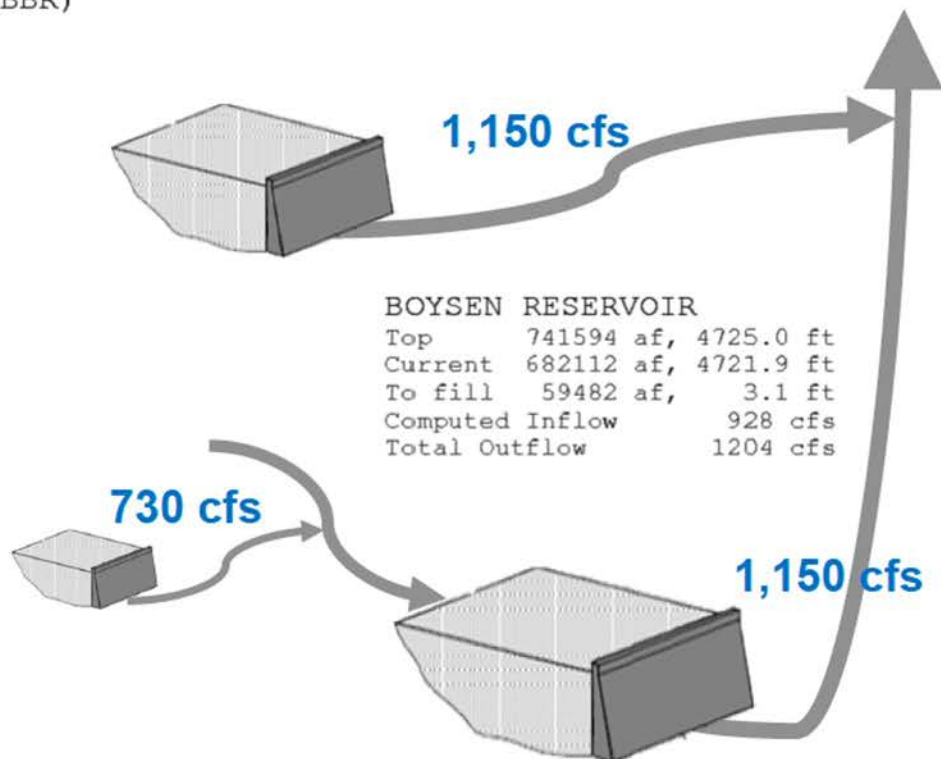
Top	644126 af,	5393.5 ft
Current	578746 af,	5384.9 ft
To fill	65380 af,	8.6 ft
Computed Inflow		943 cfs
Total Outflow		1875 cfs

BULL LAKE (BLR)

Top	152459 af,	5805.0 ft
Current	129454 af,	5797.5 ft
To fill	23004 af,	7.5 ft
Computed Inflow		430 cfs
Total Outflow		730 cfs

BOYSEN RESERVOIR

Top	741594 af,	4725.0 ft
Current	682112 af,	4721.9 ft
To fill	59482 af,	3.1 ft
Computed Inflow		928 cfs
Total Outflow		1204 cfs





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Welcome to the HYDROMET Data System

Program Information

The Bureau of Reclamation operates a network of automated hydrologic and meteorologic monitoring stations (HydroMet) located throughout the Missouri Basin Region. The HydroMet network collects remote field data and transmits it via satellite to provide real-time water management capability. HydroMet data is then integrated with other sources of information to provide streamflow forecasting and current runoff conditions for river and reservoir operations. Please read this important Disclaimer about the real-time, PROVISIONAL data displayed on these pages.



Bighorn Lake from atop Yellowtail Dam

Station Information

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Daily Data Quick Plot

This form outputs an interactive graph displaying daily data. Daily data is obtained once per day and data from the previous day is available after 5:25 AM on the current day. Enter a date range, station, and parameter and then submit your request.

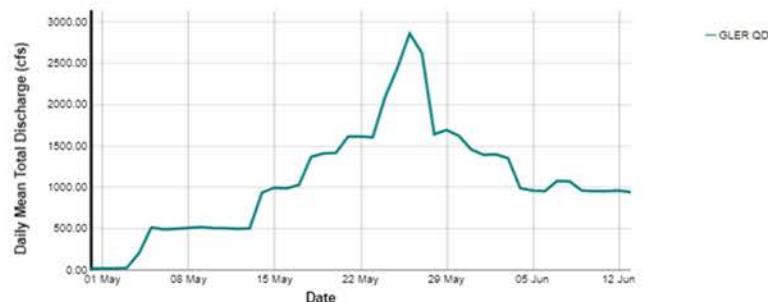
Start Date (YYYY-MM-DD): 2022-05-01
End Date (YYYY-MM-DD): 2022-06-14

Station Code (start typing to search for a station): GLER

List of parameters at the selected site: QD Daily Mean Total Discharge (cfs)

Parameter: QD

Submit





WY SEO Divisions and Superintendents

Contact information for calls and administration

Division 3

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Fredrickson,
856-0747



Division 2

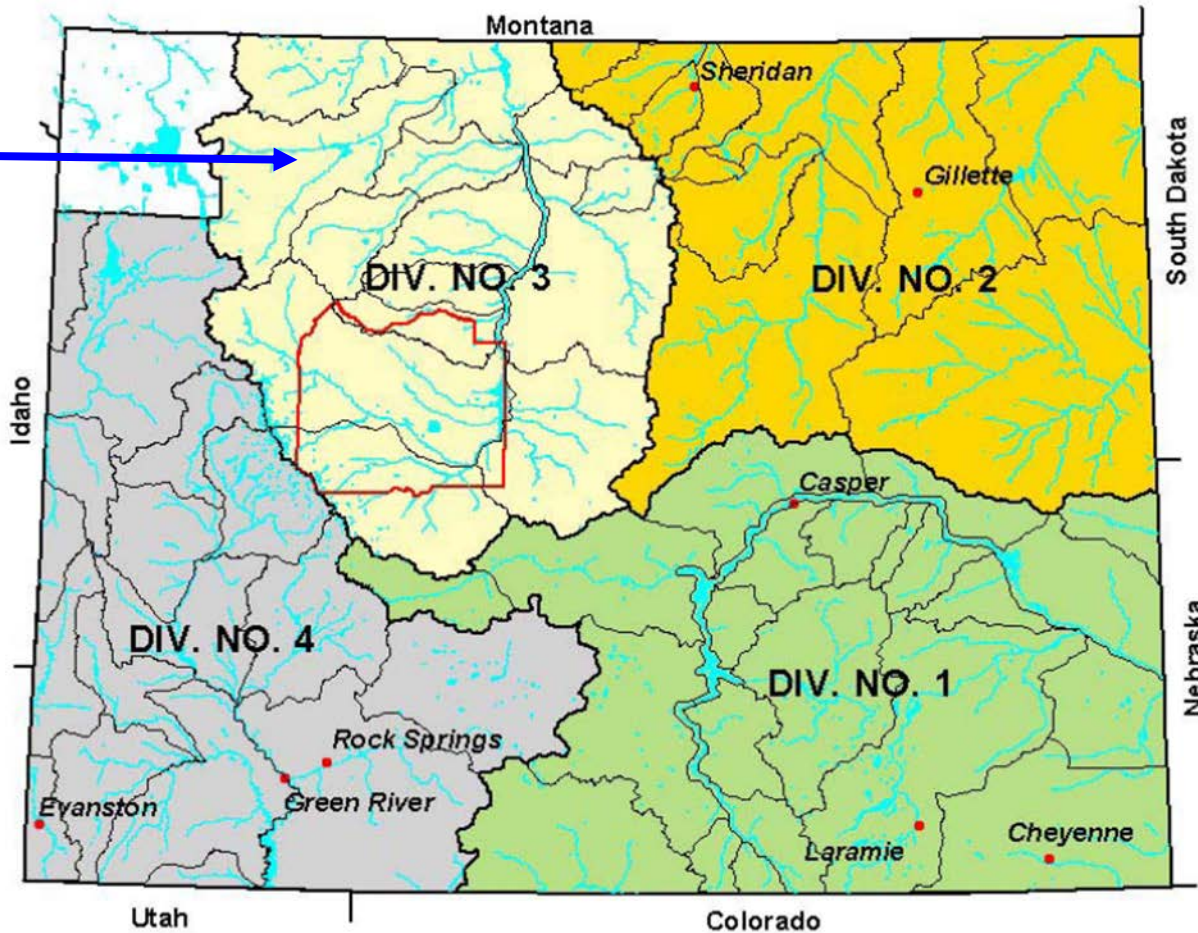
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Kevin Payne,
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Division 1

Cory Rinehart,
532-2248





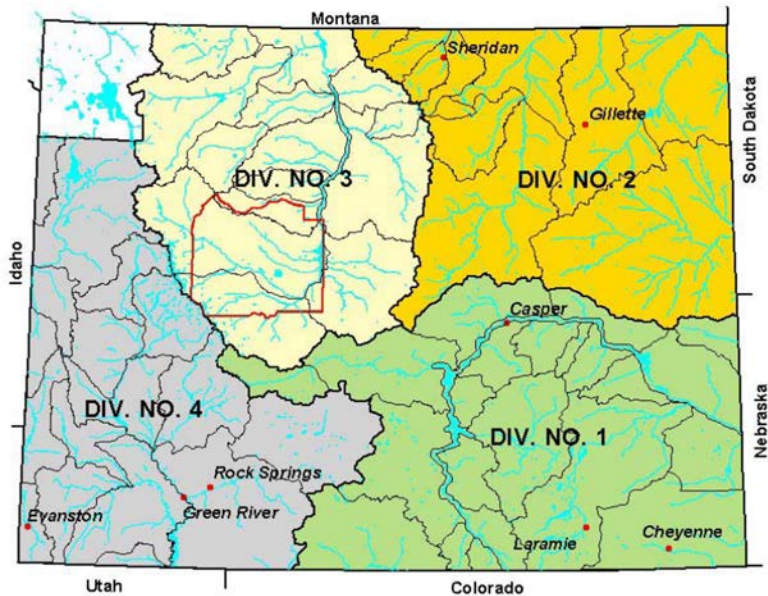
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1. May 1, 2022 BOR call on North Platte limits Irrigation Pumpers, between Pathfinder and Guernsey, to 6,600 acre feet every 2 weeks, likely to be on through summer.

1. June 4, 2022 call on Bear Creek and tribs, Dist 2, to a priority date of 7/7/1891.

1. June 15, 2022 call on Horseshoe Creek and tribs, Dist 3, to a priority date of 4/05/1879.

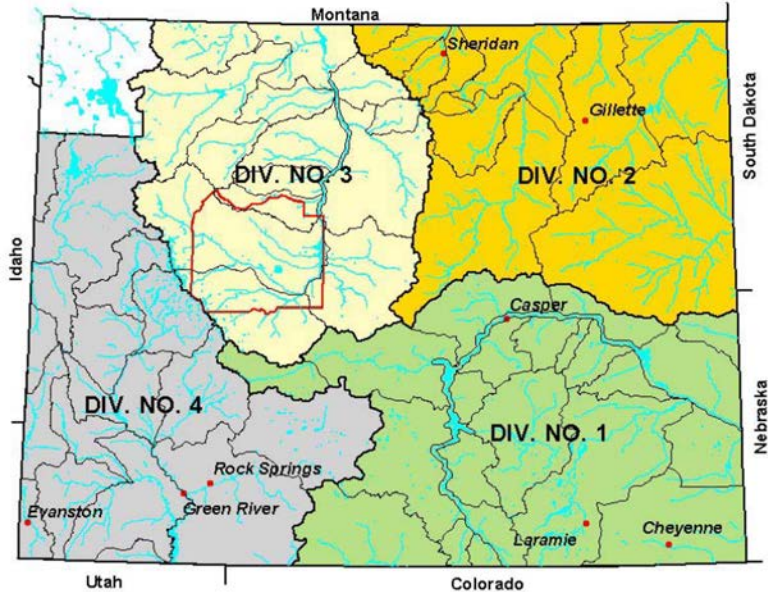
1. June 24, 2022 call on Laramie River and Tribs, Dist 3, 4A, 4B, 4C, to a priority date of 12/31/1881.





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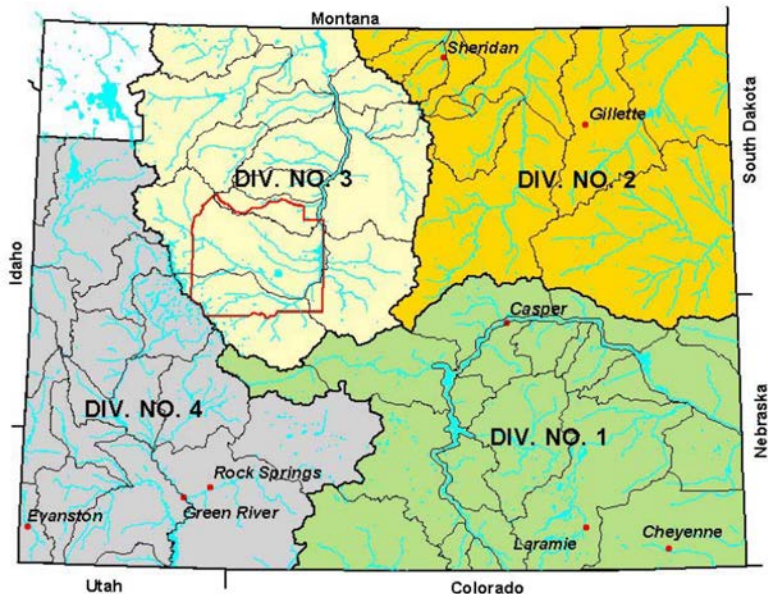
5. June 26, 2022 call on Laramie River and Tribs, Dist 3, 4A, 4B, 4C, to a priority date of 5/23/1883 and priority No. 17 of Laramie River Court Decree.
6. June 27, 2022 call on Laramie River and Tribs, Dist 3, 4A, 4B, 4C, to a priority date of 12/31/1875.
7. June 29, 2022 call on Rattlesnake Creek and tribs, Dist 16 to a priority date of 4/1885.
8. June 29, 2022 call on Rattlesnake Creek and tribs, Dist 16 to a priority date of 12/19/1889.
9. July 11, 2022 call on Bates Creek, Dist 11, to a priority date of 8/9/1886.





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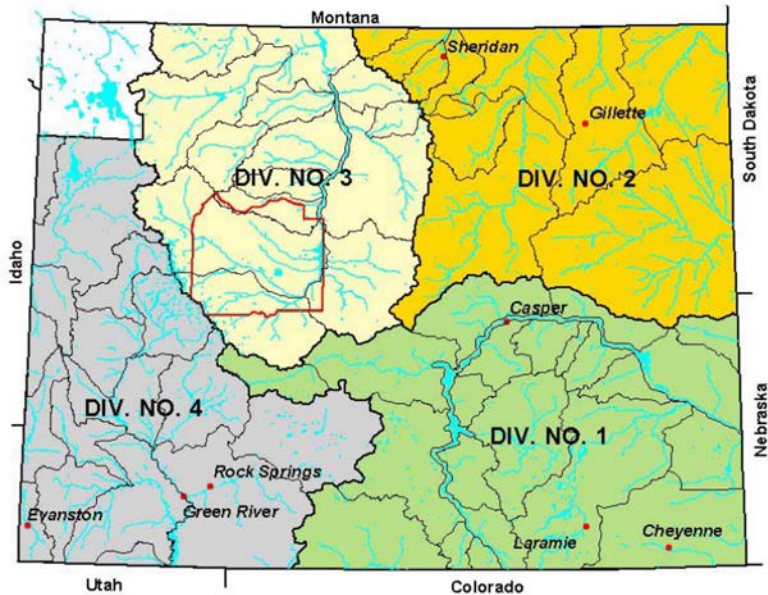
1. May 14, 2022 Call on Big Goose Creek, Dist 4, to a priority date of 9/18/1962.
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3. July 12, 2022 Call on Lower Clear Creek, Dist 9, to a priority date of summer 1884.
4. July 12, 2022 Call on Piney Creek, Dist 9 to a priority date of summer 1884.
5. July 13, 2022 Call on Upper Clear Creek, Dist 2, to a priority date of spring 1883.
6. July 21, 2022 Call on Lower Clear Creek, Dist 2, to a priority date of 4/30/1882.





Division 2

7. 7/18/22 Distribution of Dull Knife Reservoir water to shareholders.
8. 7/15/22 Distributions of Willow Park and Cloud Peak Reservoirs water to shareholders.
9. 7/22/22 Distribution of Kearney Lake Reservoir water to shareholders.
10. 7/20/22 Shepherding Keyhole Reservoir water to WY/SD state line while apportioning Wyoming's 10% compact allocation.
11. 8/2/22 Call on Wolf Creek, Dist 5, to a priority date of 9/01/1881.
12. 8/1/22 Call on Powder River, Dist 8, to a priority date of 2/21/1902





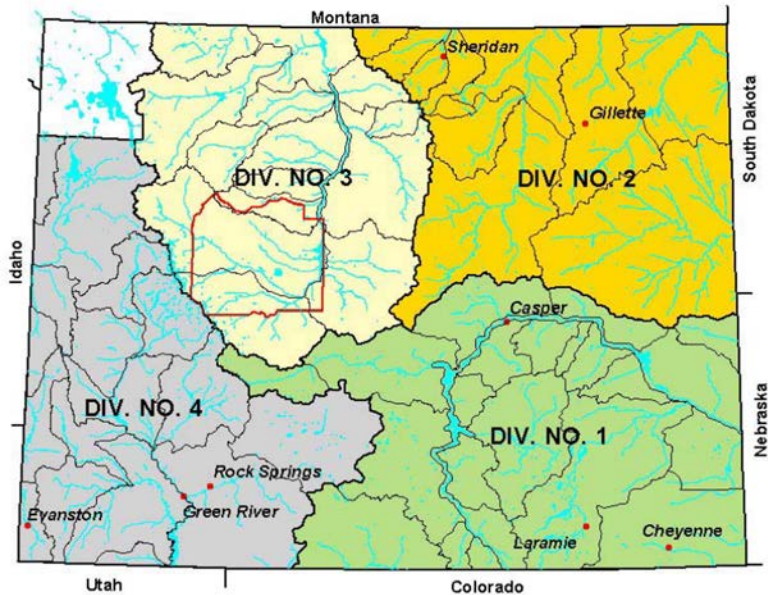
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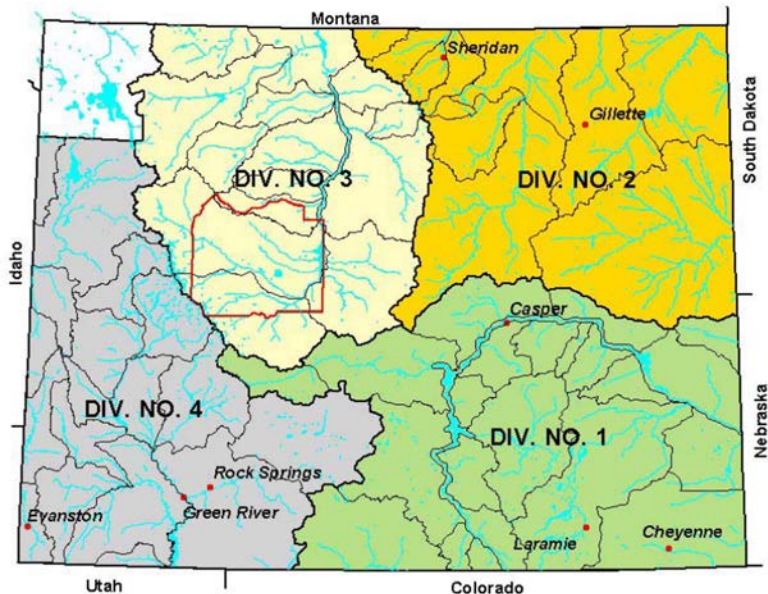
1. April 8, 2022, Call on Owl Creek, Dist 5, to a priority date of Fall 1885.

1. May 6, 2022, Call on Grass Creek, Dist 14, to a priority date of Spring 1903.

1. June 30, 2022, Call on Gooseberry Creek, Dist 13, to a priority date of 12/21/1906.

1. July 12, 2022, Call on Greybull River, Dist 8, to a priority date of 6/20/1888 and 6/18/1900.





Division 3

5. July 18, 2022, Call on Cottonwood Creek, Dist 14, to a priority date of 11/10/1904.
5. July 25, 2022, Call on Medicine Lodge Creek and Paint Rock Creek, Dist 12, to a priority date of 7/26/1906 and 6/8/1906.



Division 4

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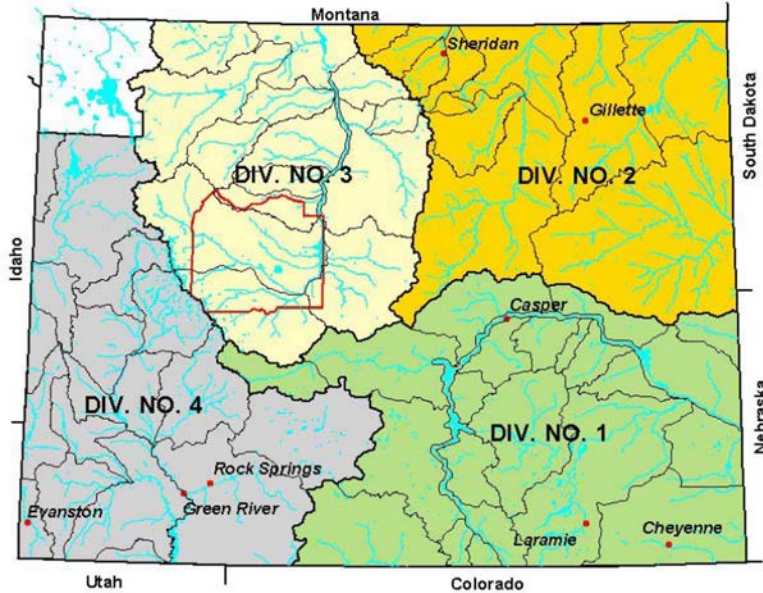
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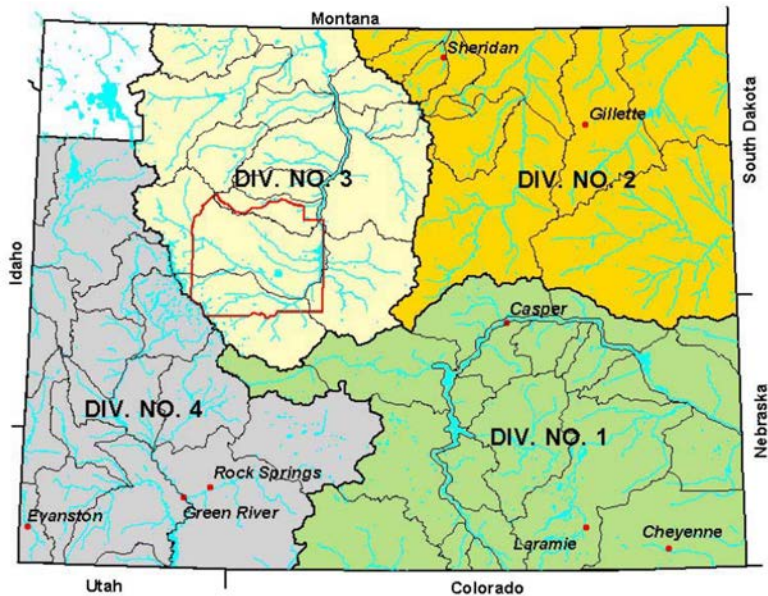
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1. May 17, 2022, call on Blacks Fork River, Dist 15, to a priority date of 6/20/1910.

1. May 27, 2022, call on South Piney Creek, Dist 10, to a priority date of 12/31/1886.

1. June 8, 2022, call on Smith's Fork, Dist 3, to a priority date of 3/2/1935.





Division 4

7. June 13, 2022, call on Middle Piney, Dist 10, to a priority date of 6/30/1885.
7. June 13, 2022, call on Birch Creek, Dist 12, to a priority date of 6/1/1907.
7. June 13, 2022, call on Corral Creek, Dist 9, to a priority date of 6/30/1890.



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Division 2 Superintendent—David Schroeder, 674-7012

Division 3 Superintendent—Joshua Fredrickson, 856-0747

Division 4 Superintendent—Kevin Payne, 279-3441



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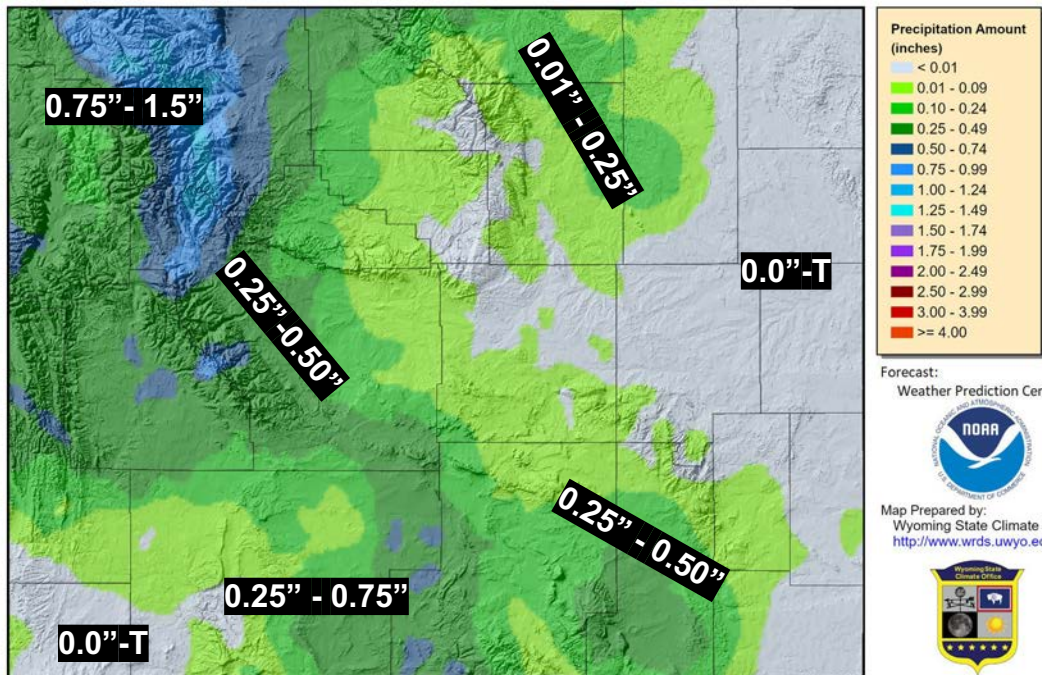
Forecasts & Outlooks



7-Day Total Precipitation Forecast

August 18 - August 25

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast 18 Aug 2022



Provisional data, subject to revision

- Slightly below normal temperatures across Wyoming through weekend, near normal early next week
- Very isolated showers west Wyoming through the weekend with East WY dry.
- Precipitation chances increase for scattered showers next Tuesday to Thursday.
- Greater amount of monsoonal moisture looks more likely mid-next week.

The Quantitative Precipitation Forecast shows the liquid amount of forecasted precipitation over the next 7 days
The Forecast is created by the National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center
Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service, National Centers for Environmental Prediction,
and Weather Prediction Center - <https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov>
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6-10 Day Temp & Precip Outlook

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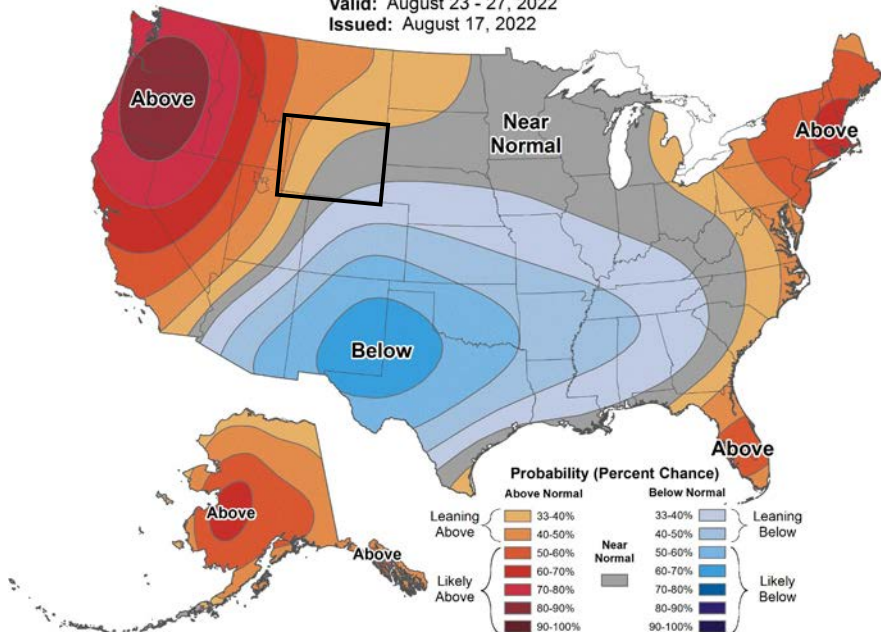
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6-10 Day Temperature Outlook



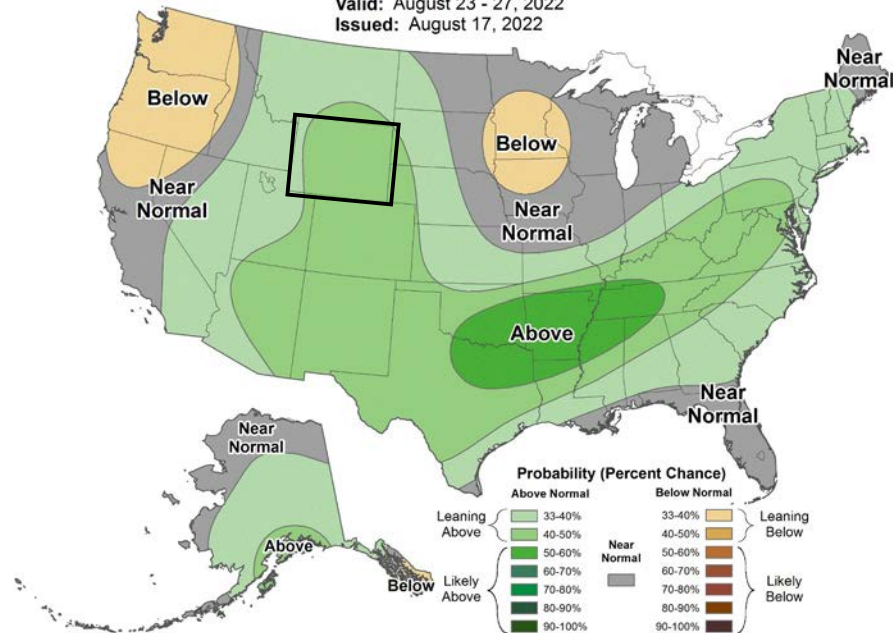
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6-10 Day Precipitation Outlook



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Slightly above normal temperatures favored west WY. Near normal East

Favored slightly above normal for much of WY



8-14 Day Temp & Precip Outlook

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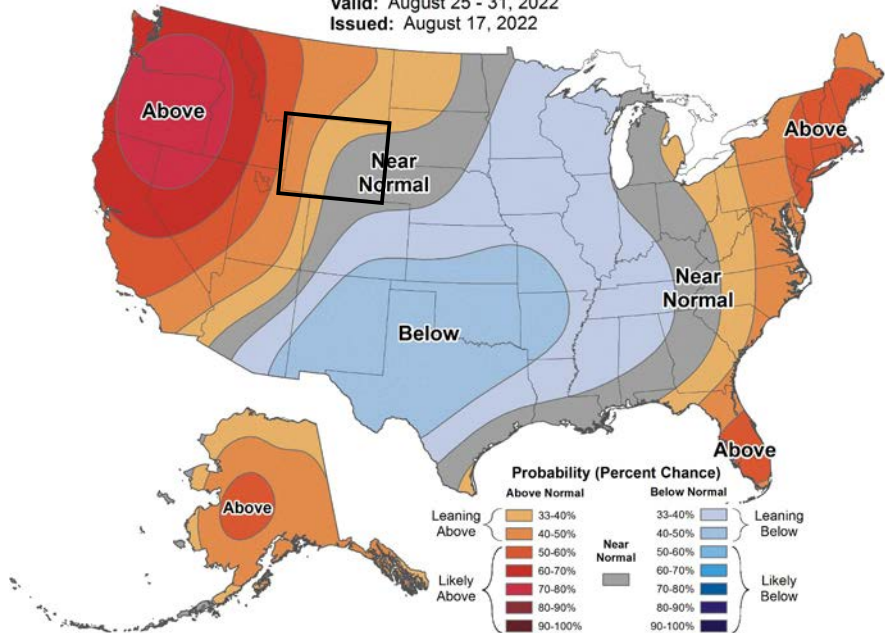
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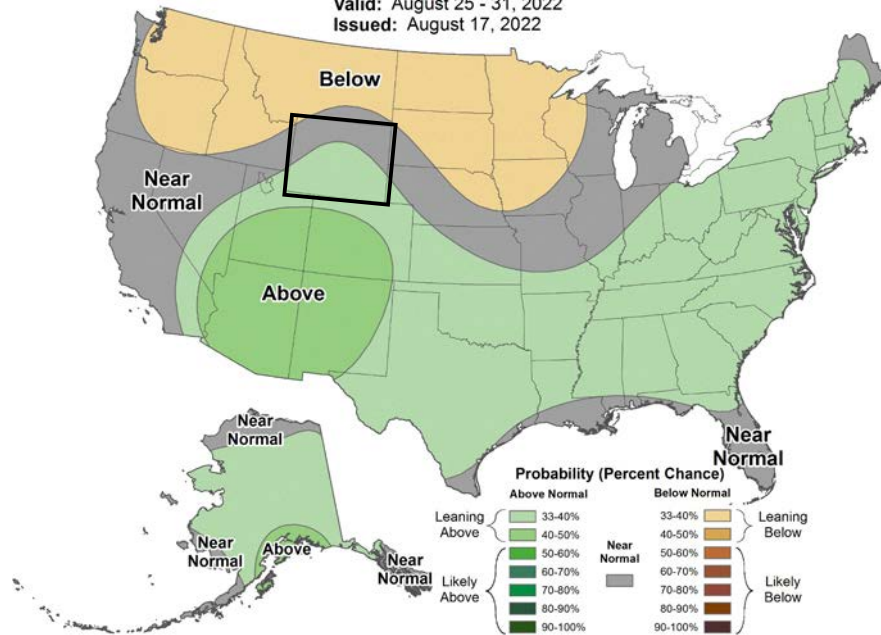
Slightly above normal temperatures favored west WY. Near normal East



8-14 Day Precipitation Outlook



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Favored slightly above normal South/Central to near normal North



3-Month Temp & Precip Outlook

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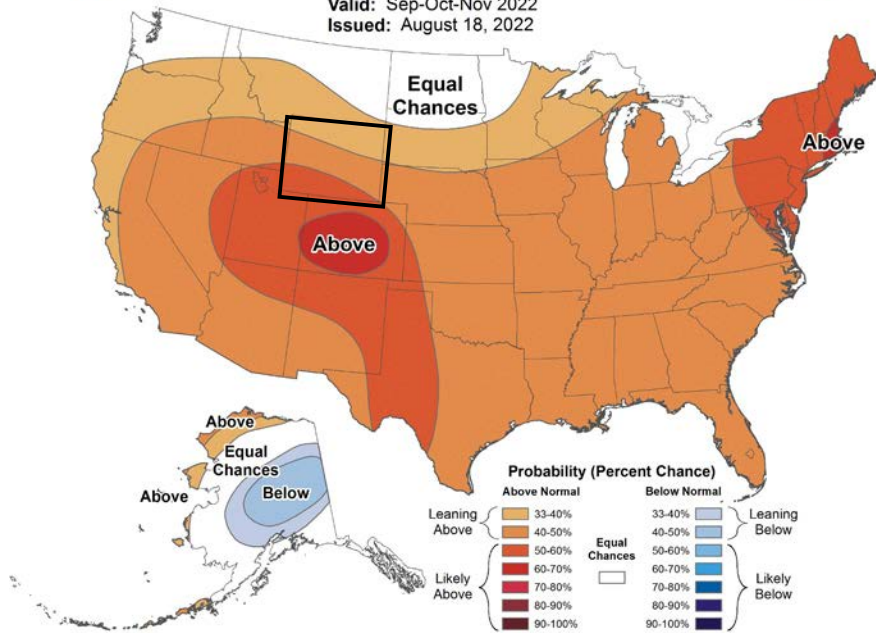
September - October - November 2022



Seasonal Temperature Outlook



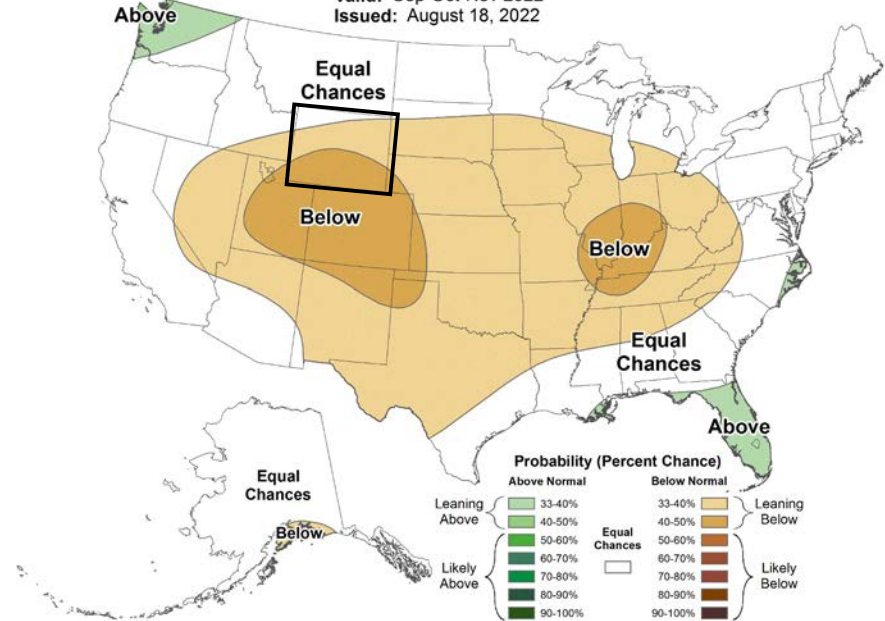
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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook



Valid: Sep-Oct-Nov 2022
Issued: August 18, 2022



Above normal temperatures favored, especially south/southwest WY

Favored below normal across much of WY, especially south WY



Fuel Moistures and Energy Release Component

Energy Release Component (ERC)

- A number related to the available energy (BTU) per unit area (square foot) within the flaming front at the head of a fire.
- It may also be considered a composite fuel moisture value as it reflects the contribution that all live and dead fuels have to potential fire intensity.
- Generally expressed as a Percentile.

1000-Hour Fuel Moisture (1000-hr FM)

- General indicator of drought and correlates with fire danger for a Fire Danger Rating Area
- Represents the modeled moisture content in dead fuels in the 3 to 8 inch diameter class
- The 1000-hr FM value is based on a running 7-day computed average using length of day, daily temperature and relative humidity extremes (maximum and minimum values) and the 24-hour precipitation duration values.

100-Hour Fuel Moisture (100-hr FM)- 1" to 3" Dead Fuels

10-Hour Fuel Moisture (10-hr FM)- ¼" to 1" Dead Fuels

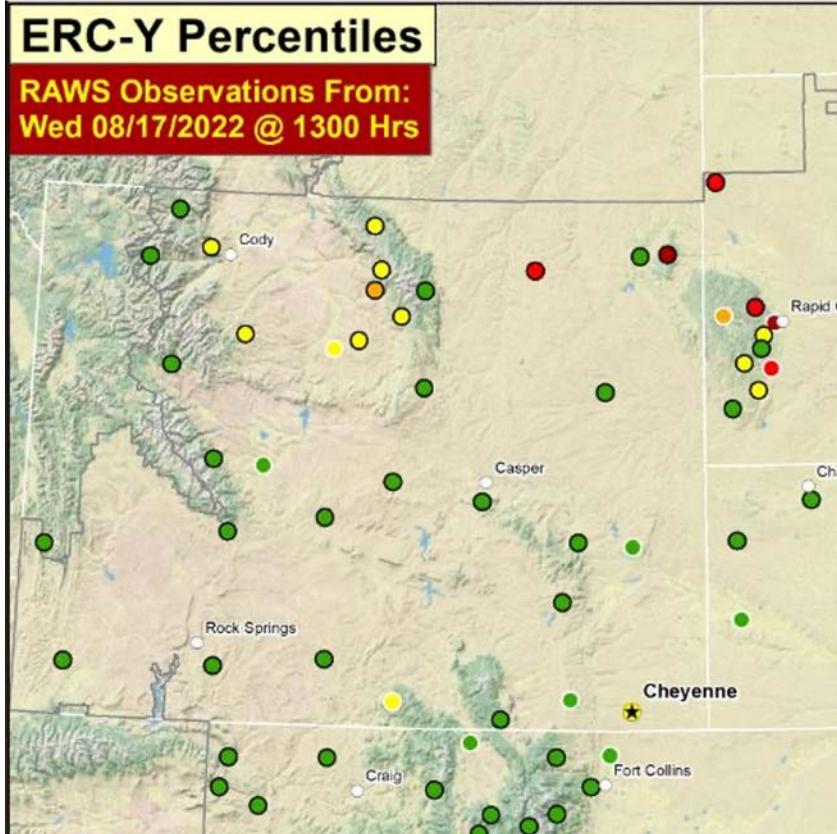
1-Hour Fuel Moisture (1-hr FM)- 0" to ¼" Dead Fuels

Live Fuel Moisture- Fuels transition from dormancy to green-up in the spring and early summer, then back to dormancy in the fall.



Energy Release Component

Current Status as of 08/18/2022



*This map is based on
RAWS ERC values
taken directly from WIMS.
The percentile break-
points are derived from a
15 year database (May-
Sep 2006-2020).



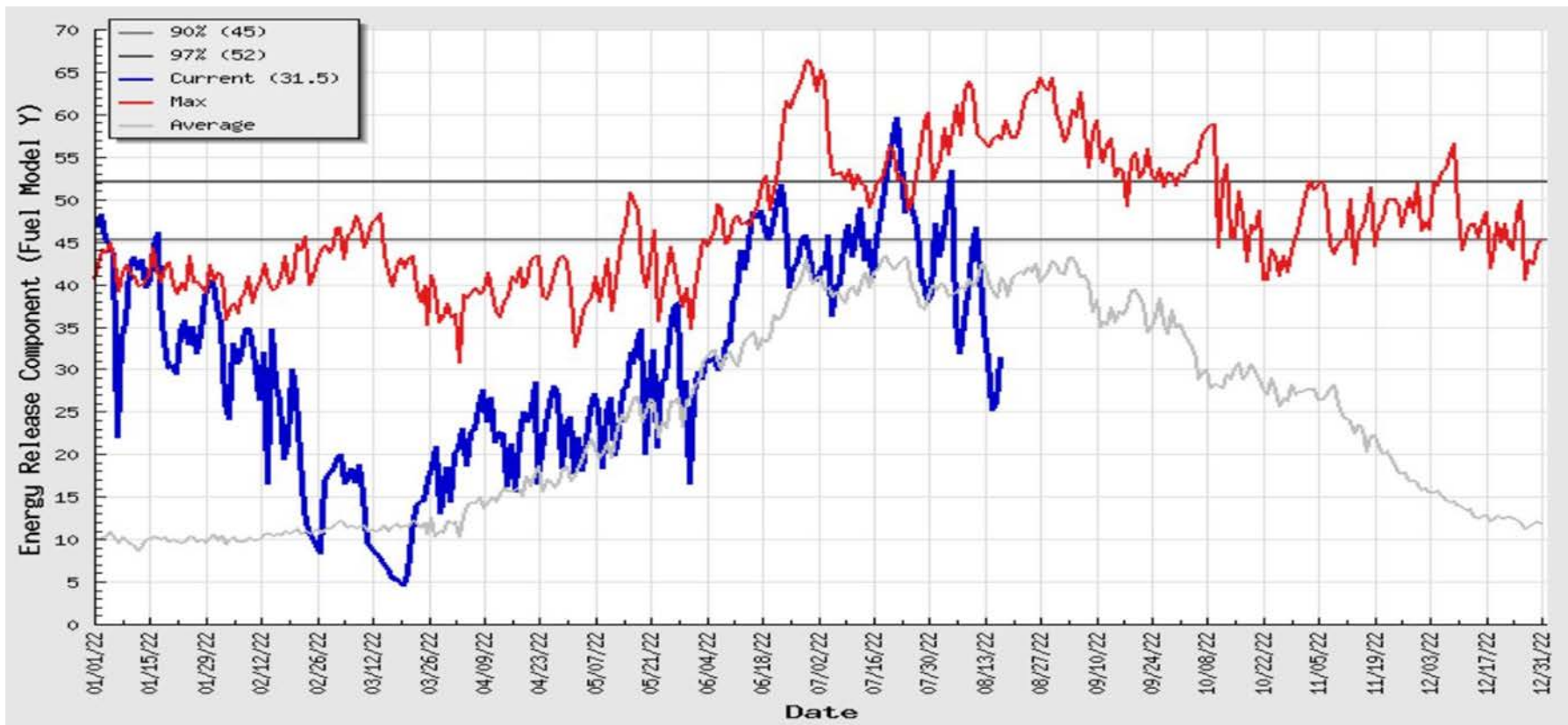
**+ Above Record
High (2006-2020)
for this Date**

- Nearly entire state is below 90th percentile. Many below averages
 - Values are quite low for mid-late August
- Significant improvement in western and central part of the state.
- Fine fuels are abundant across state, seasonal curing could occur with sustained warm and dry weather.



Energy Release Component

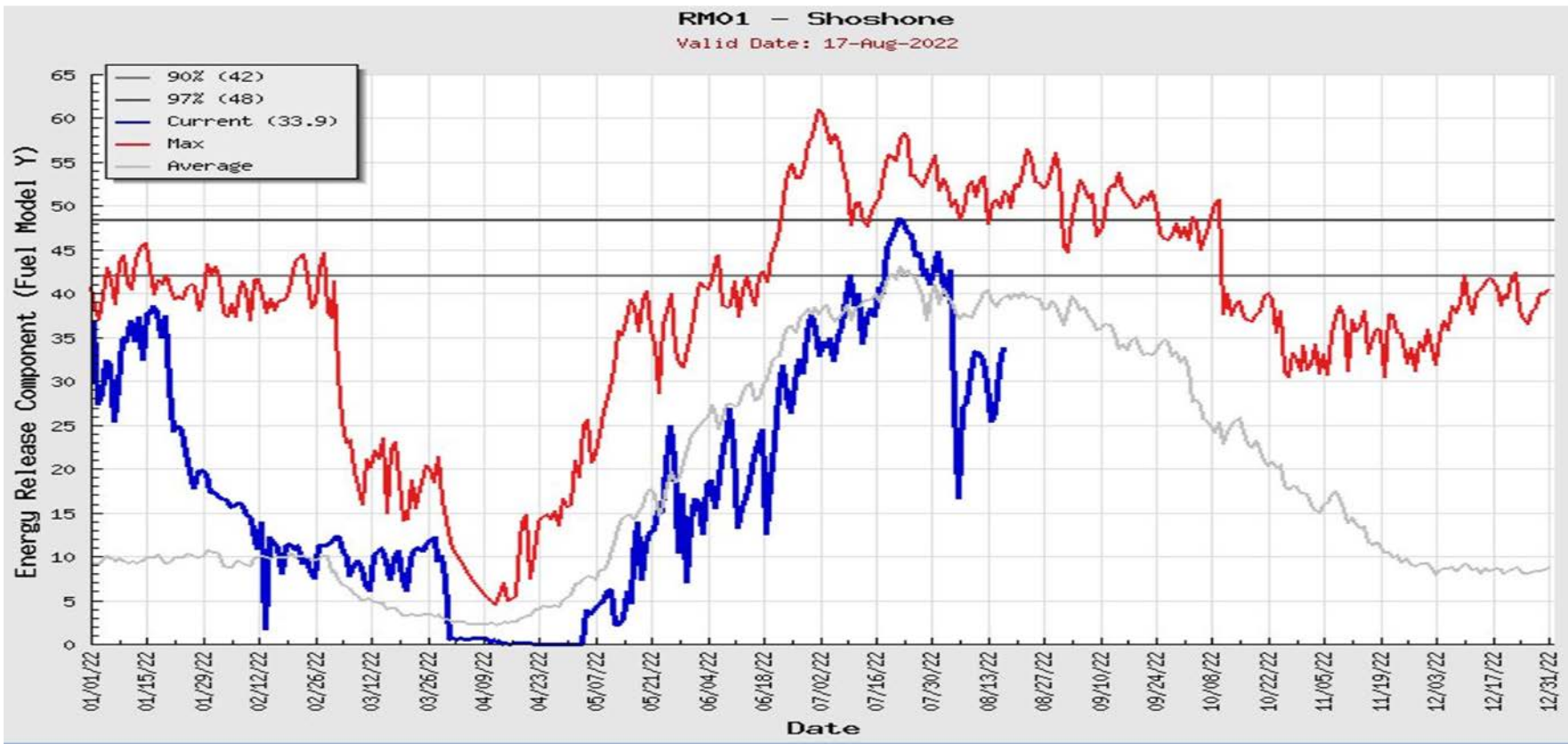
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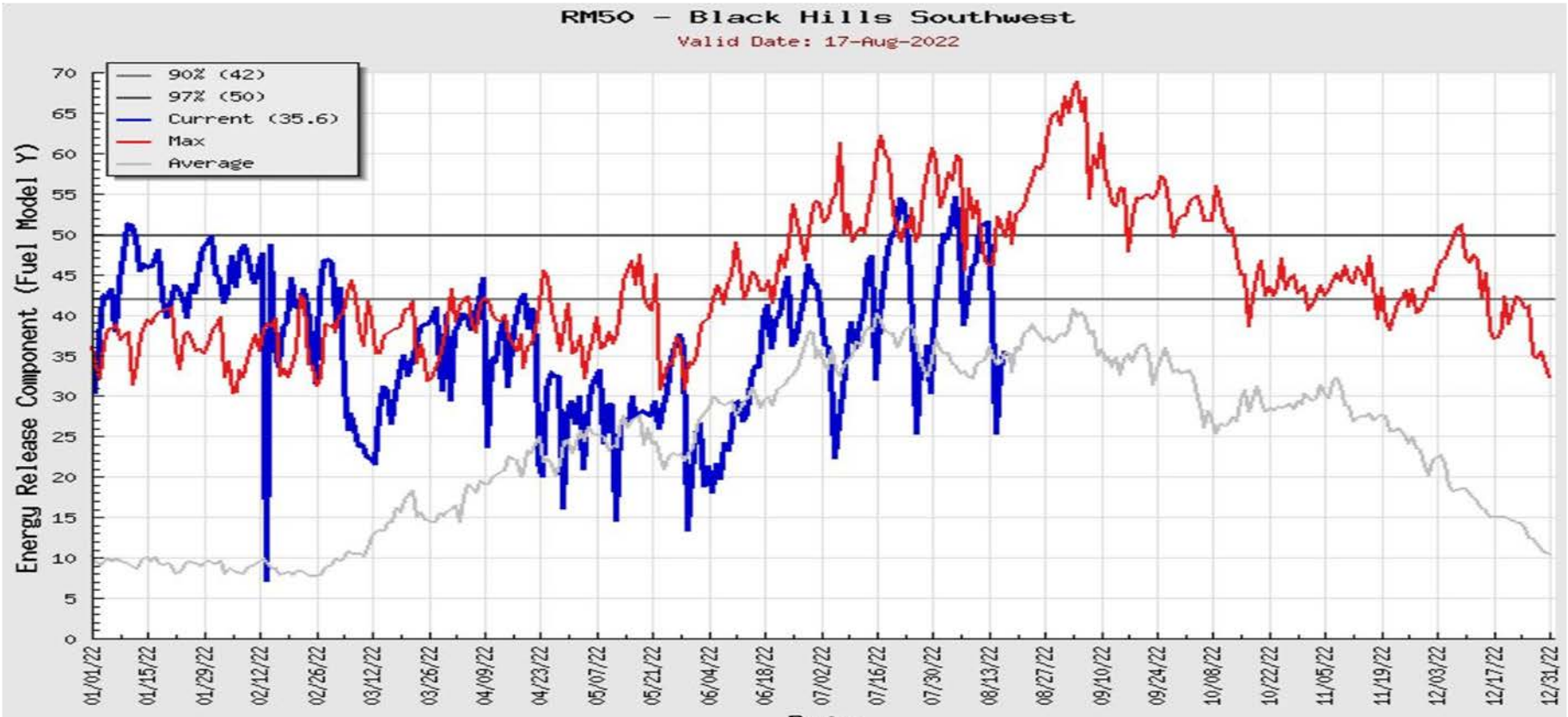
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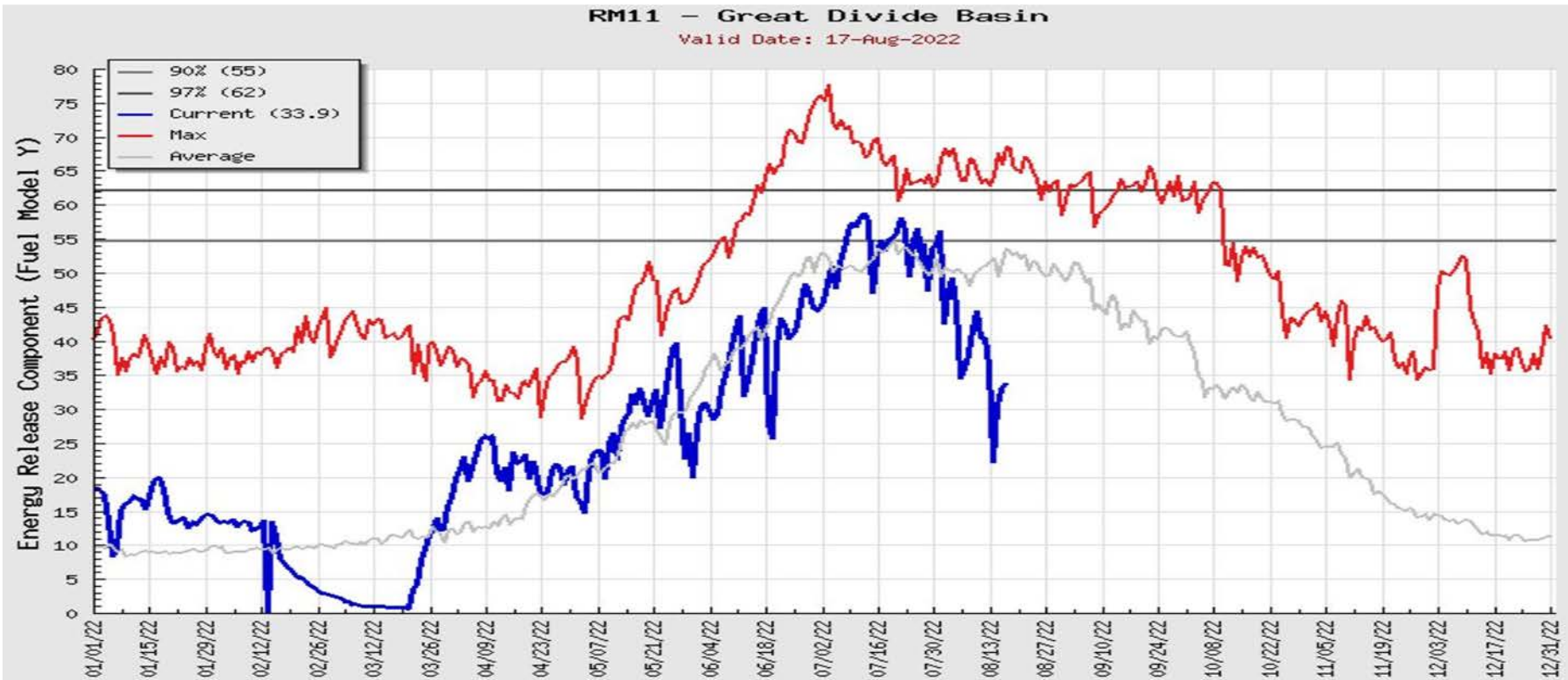
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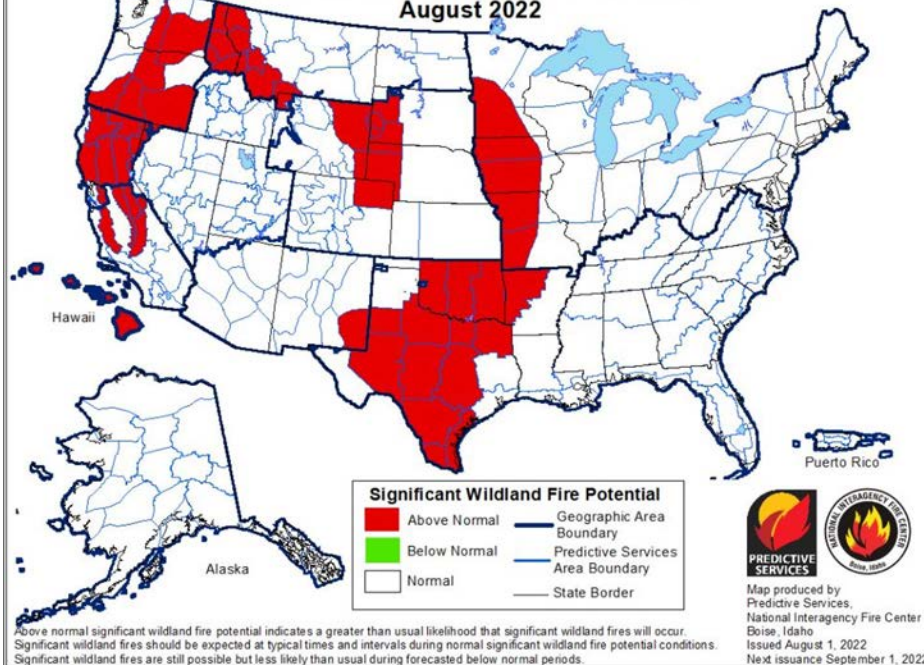
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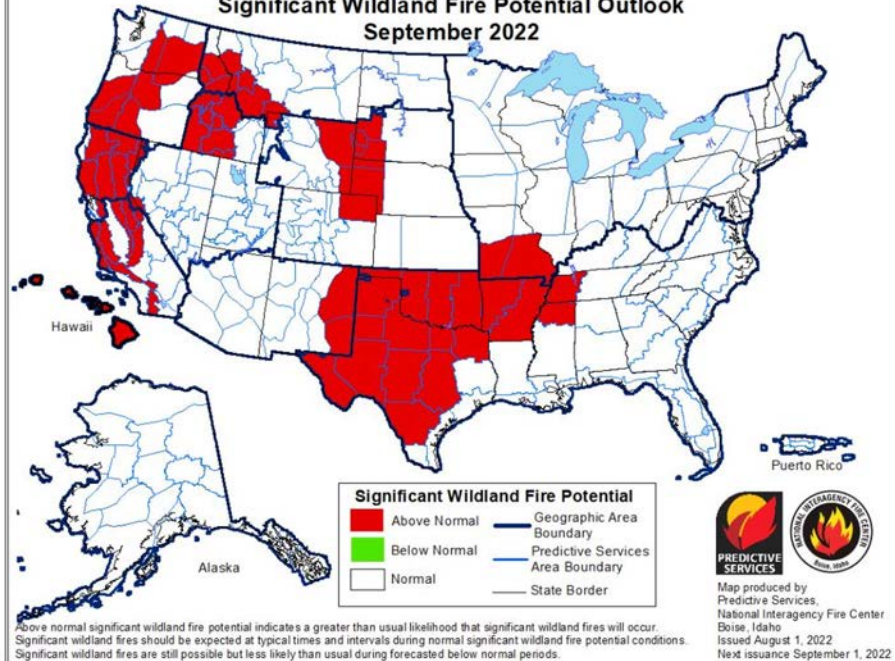


Seasonal Outlooks

Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook August 2022



Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook September 2022





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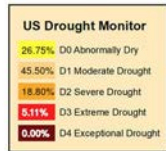
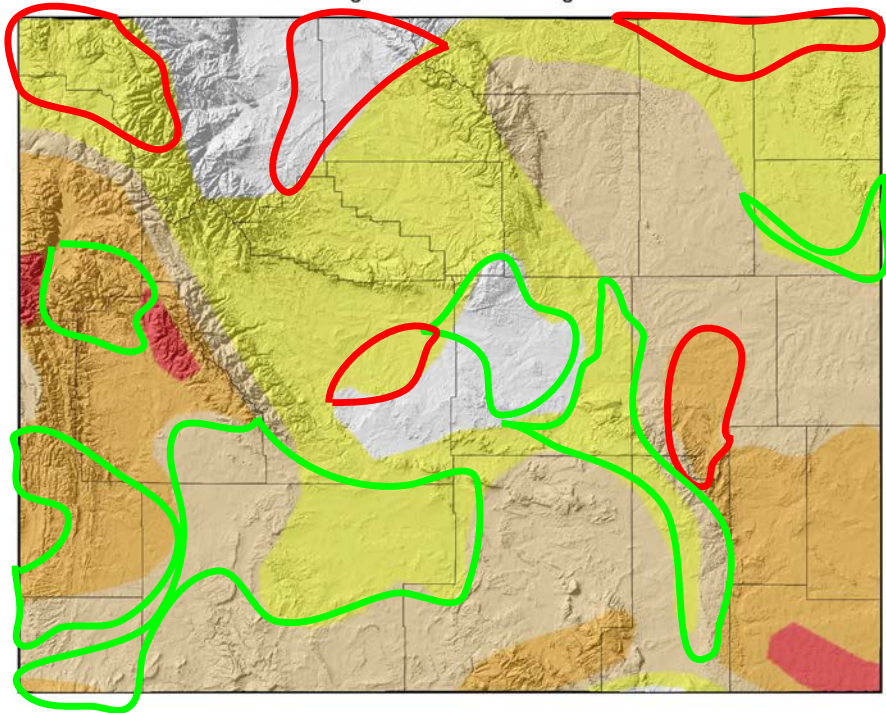
How to get involved ...

US Drought Monitor for August 16, 2022

(Released Thursday, August 18, 2022)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

US Drought Monitor for 16 Aug 2022



Map Created by:
National Drought Mitigation Center
<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>



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Drought Level	Percentile
None	>30
D0 (Abnormally Dry)	21 to 30
D1 (Moderate Drought)	11 to 20
D2 (Severe Drought)	6 to 10
D3 (Extreme Drought)	3 to 5
D4 (Exceptional Drought)	0 to 2

<https://youtu.be/45MQ1GB-uTc>

Improvements and **degradations** since the last webinar. Recent precipitation in west and central Wyoming has resulted in upgraded conditions. Dryness, especially in northwest and northeast, caused a downgrade in drought levels.

The U.S. Drought Monitor, is a weekly map of drought conditions produced jointly by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the National Drought Mitigation Center (NDMC) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The U.S. Drought Monitor website is hosted and maintained by the NDMC. <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

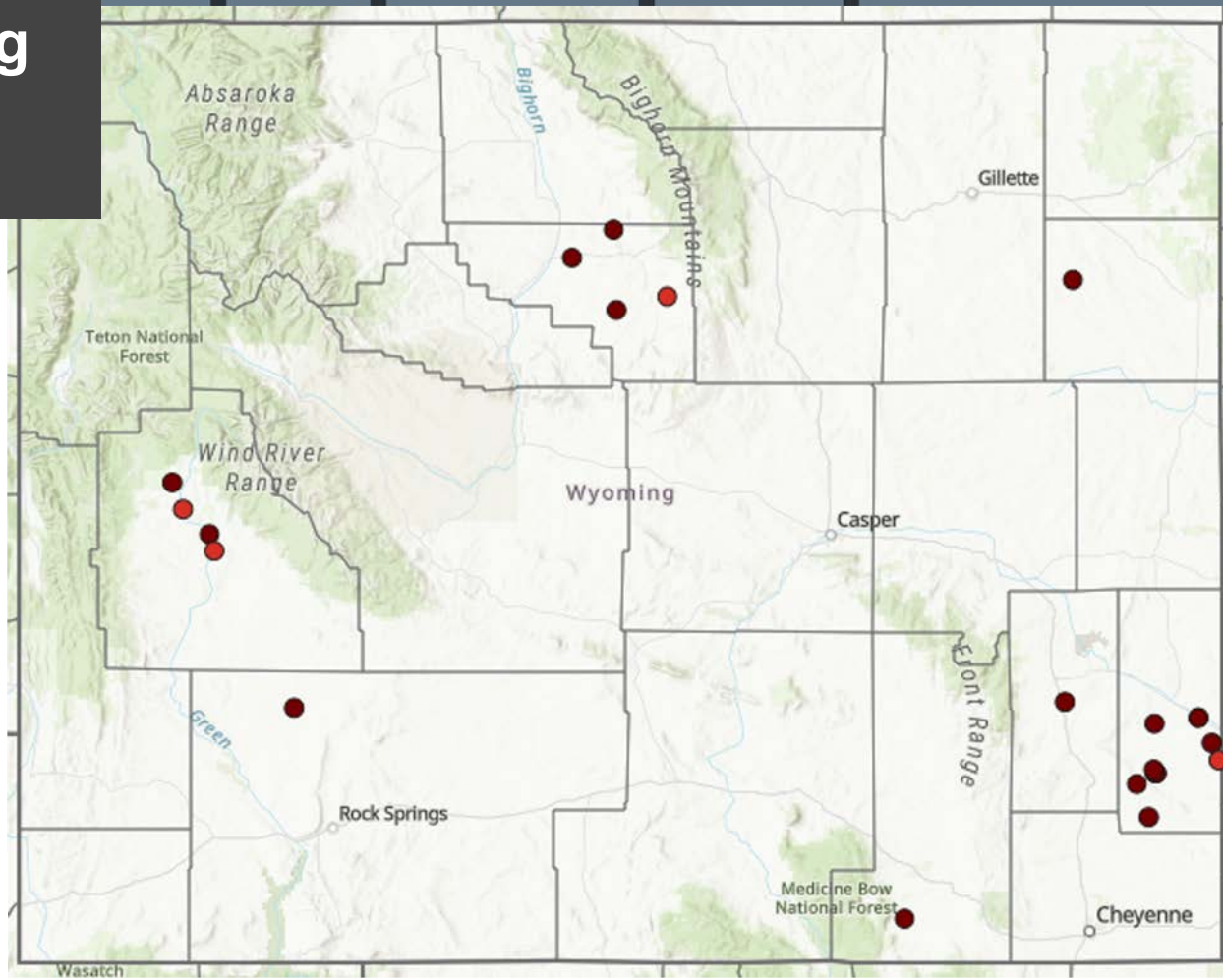
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Condition Monitoring Observer Reports

<https://bit.ly/3OzbDud>

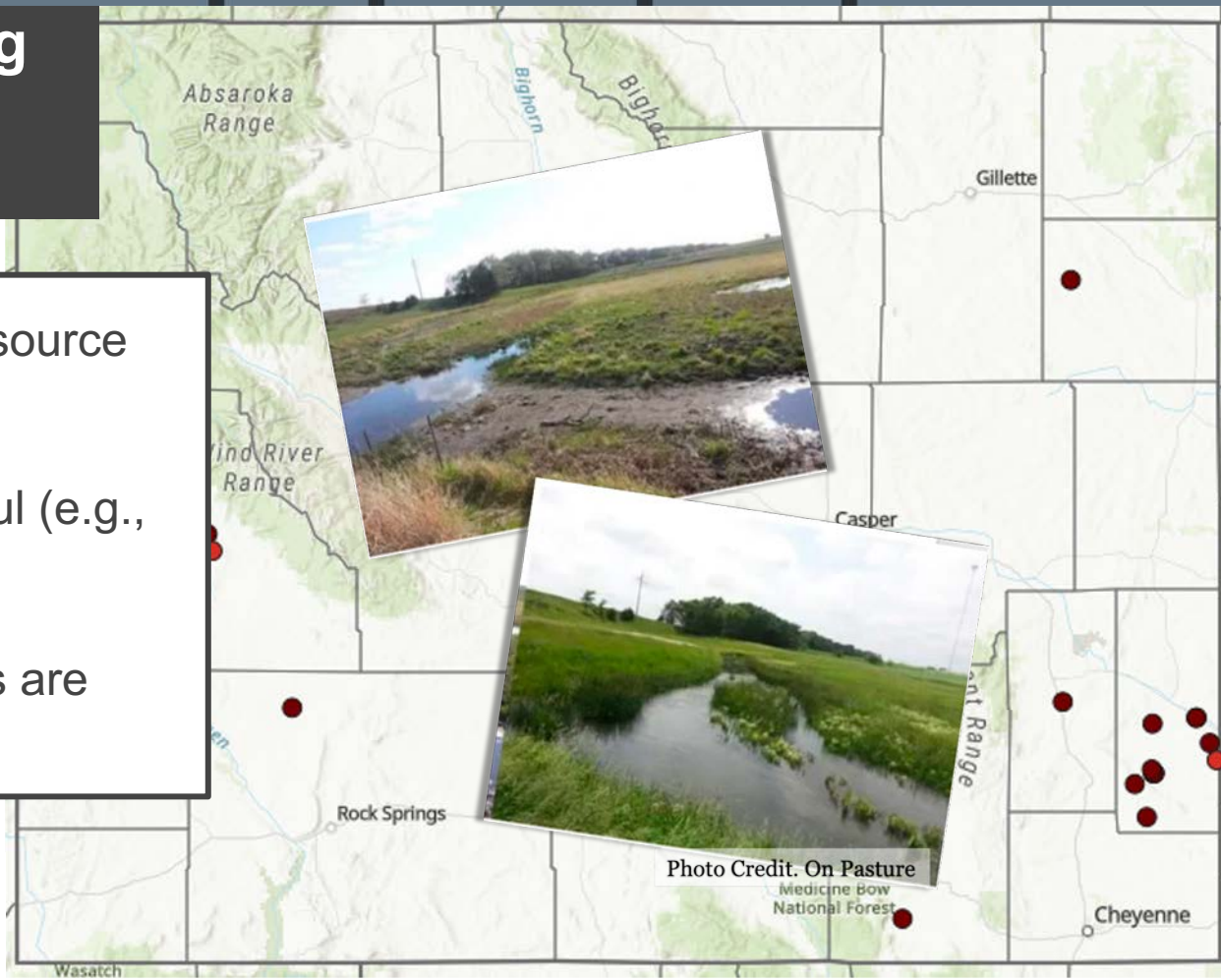
- Severely Dry
- Moderately Dry
- Mildly Dry
- Near Normal
- Mildly Wet
- Moderately Wet
- Severely Wet



Condition Monitoring Observer Reports

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- Comparison photos → resource conditions
- Regular reporting is helpful (e.g., monthly)
- **Note:** Reports and photos are available to the public.



CoCoRaHS COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE RAIN, HAIL & SNOW NETWORK
"Because every drop counts"

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My Data Entry : Daily Precipitation Report Form

For observations spanning more than 24 hours, please use the [multiple day accumulation report](#).

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Precipitation Report Form Submit Reset

Station Number : **WY-AB-138**

Station Name : **Laramie 1.8 ENE**
* Denotes Required Field

Observation Date : **8/14/2022**
* Observation Date

Observation Time : **7:00 AM**
* Observation Time

Gauge Catch : **2.73 in**
* Gauge Catch: Rain and Melted Snow to the nearest hundredth inch that has fallen in the gauge during the past 24 hours, or T for trace, or NA for unknown.

Observation Notes: (This will be available to the public)

In almost 20 years of CoCoRaHSing, yesterday was only the 4th time the inner cylinder has overflowed twice in 24 hours and only the 16th time it has ever overflowed. Very heavy, intense precipitation for 2 hours with

24-hr Snowfall

Snowfall: Accumulation of new snow in inches to the nearest **tenth**
 Snowfall SWE: Melted value from core to the nearest **hundredth**

Snowpack (Total Snow and Ice on Ground at Observation Time)

Snowpack Depth: Total snow and ice (new and old) in inches to the nearest **half inch**
 Snowpack SWE: Melted value from core to the nearest **hundredth**

Duration Information

If a time is unknown or the storm has not ended leave it blank.

Precipitation Began: **3:05** AM AM PM
 Precipitation Ended: **6:15** AM AM PM
 Heaviest Precipitation Began: **3:15** AM AM PM
 Heaviest Precipitation Lasted: **120** minutes

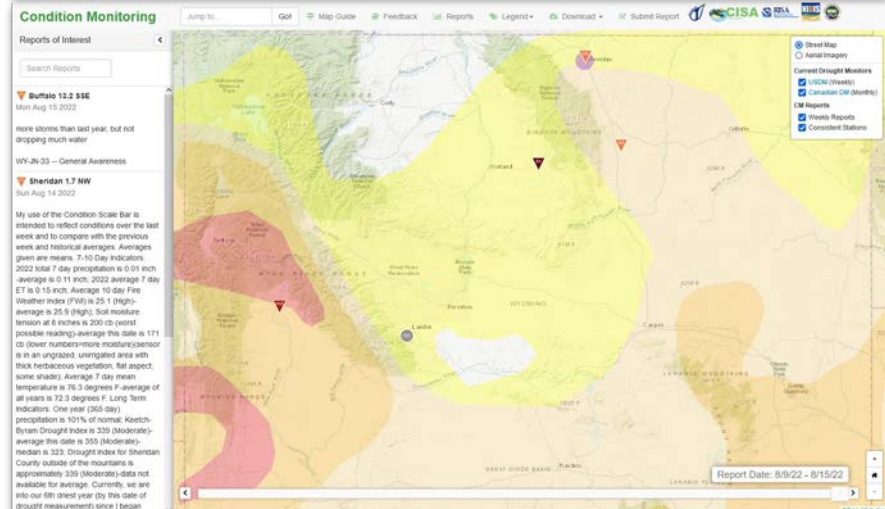
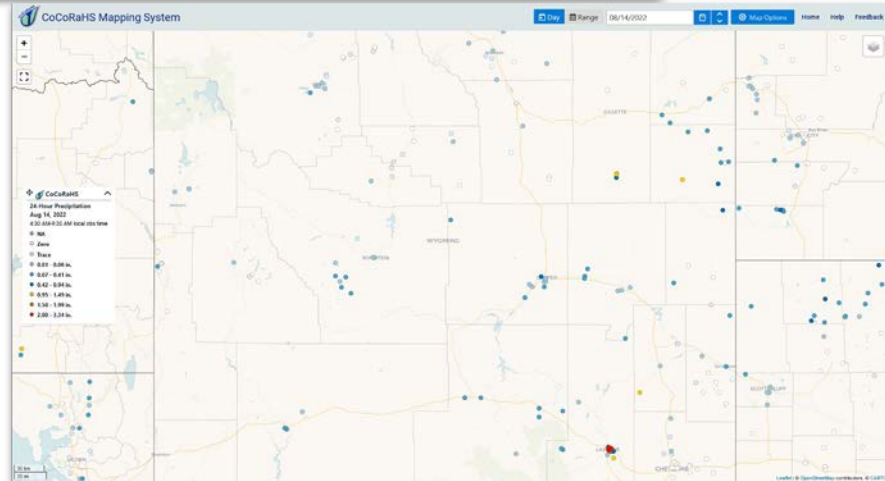
These times are: **Very Accurate**

Additional Information

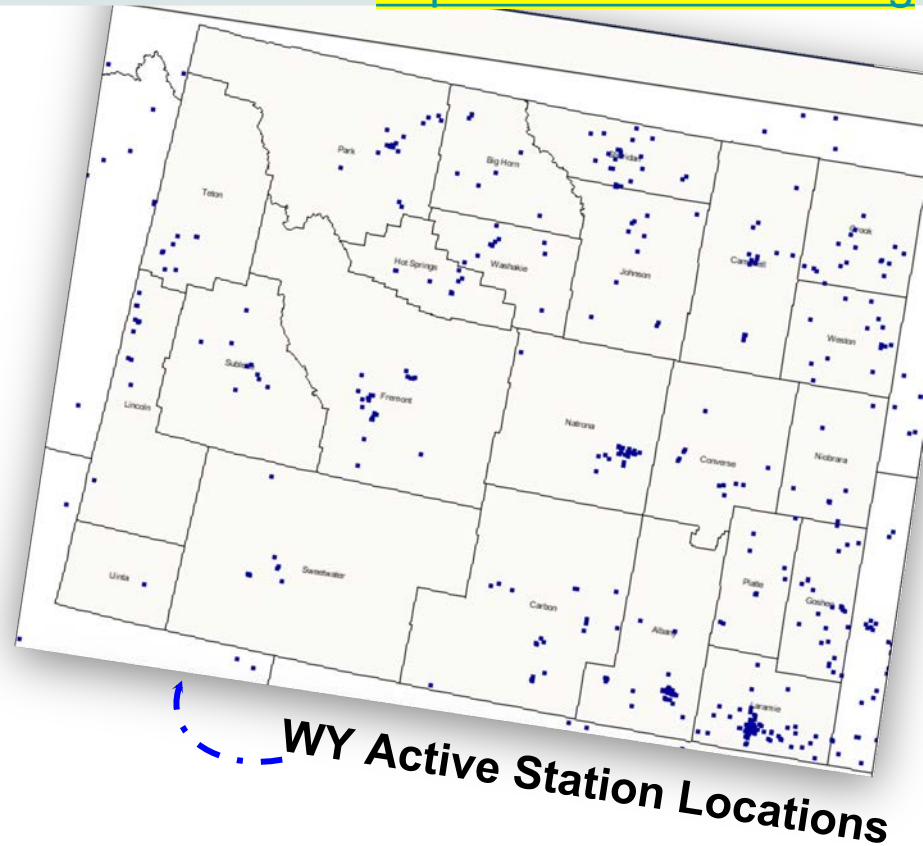
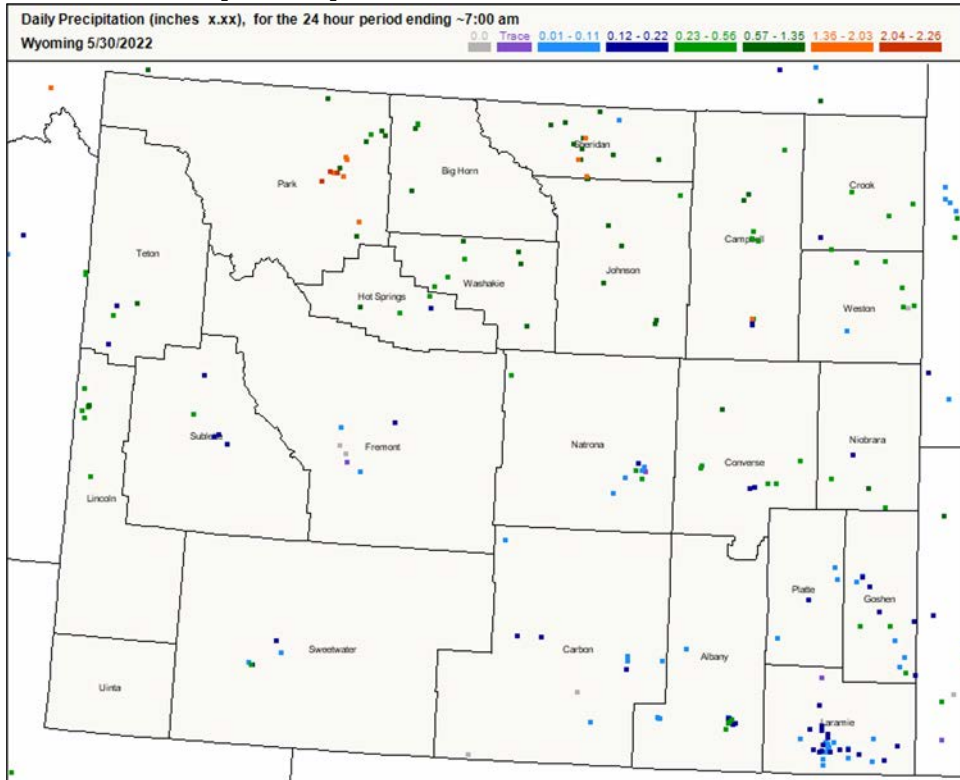
Any Flooding? **Severe Flooding**

Did you record hourly precipitation (or other detailed time increments) for this storm?
 Yes No
yes, CoCoRaHS personnel may request a copy of this data later, so please save it.

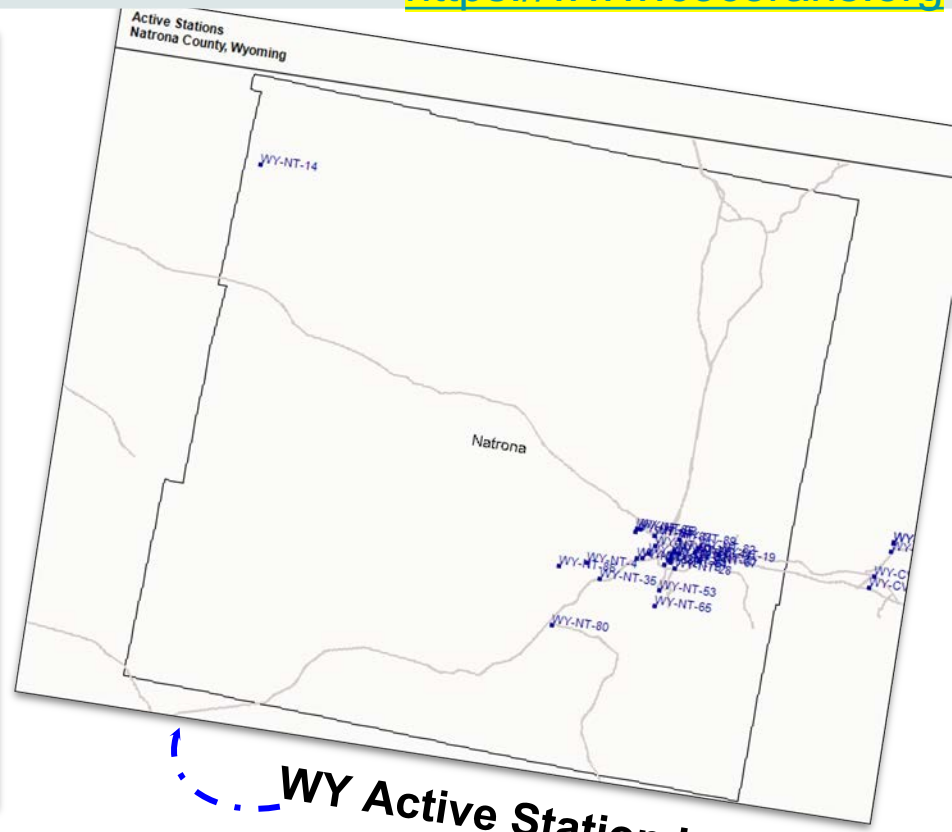
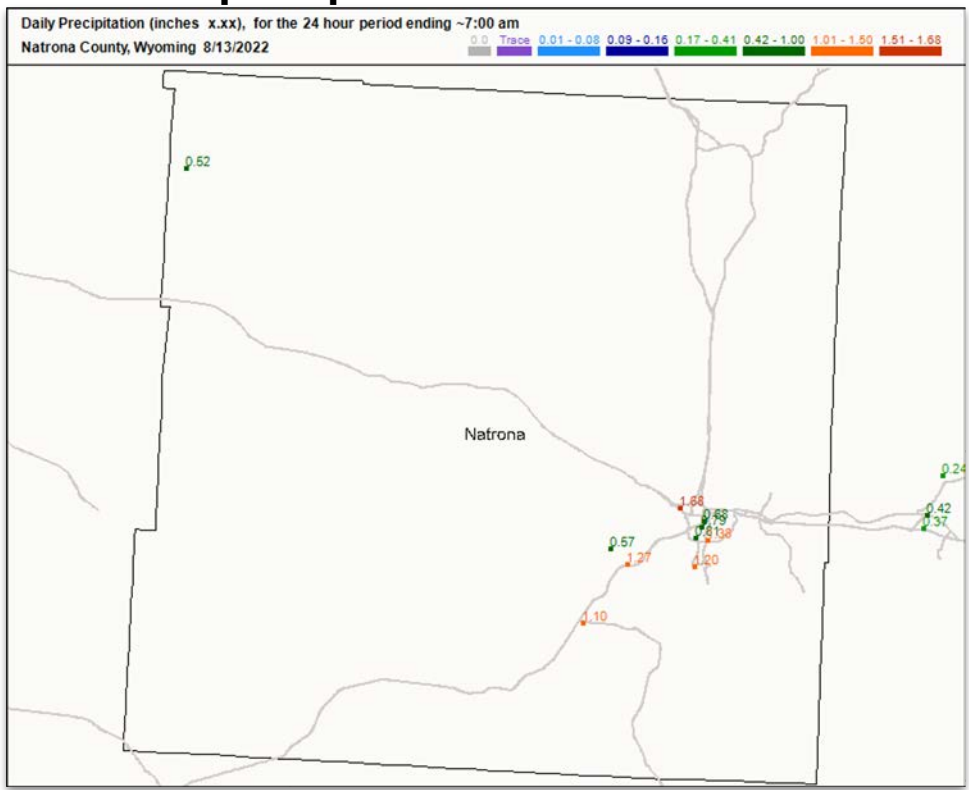
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May 30th, 2022:
24-hour precip as of ~ 7 am

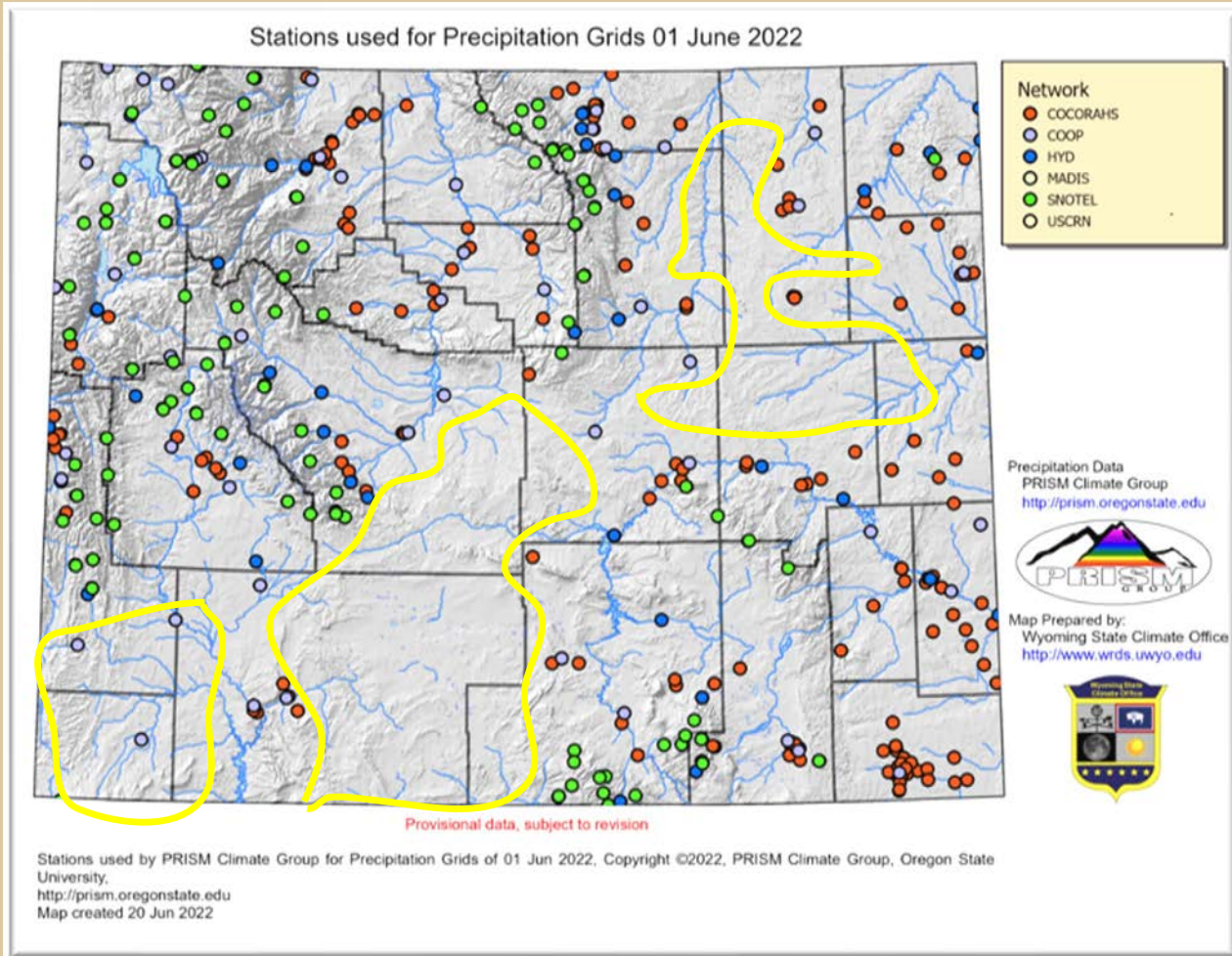


**August 13th, 2022:
24-hour precip as of ~ 7 am**



WY Active Station Locations

Different networks of stations and their locations for the data used to generate Precipitation Grids for 01 June 2022





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The Wyoming Conditions Monitoring Team (WCMT) organized and hosted this webinar. The WCMT is a collaborative effort of state, federal, tribal, and university partners that monitor conditions & impacts throughout the state on a weekly basis – and communicate this information to the U.S. Drought Monitor among others.

Learn more at:

<https://drought.wyo.gov>

Thank you! Questions?