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# WY Conditions & Outlooks:

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

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April 25, 2024

# Presentation Outline

- **Current Conditions:** Overview
  - Drought, Temperature, Precipitation, Soils, Snow Water Equivalent (SWE)
  - Streamflows
  - Reservoir Levels
- **Outlooks:**
  - Temperature & Precipitation
  - Water Supply & Flood Risk
  - Wildland Fire Potential & Outlook
- **Highlight of the Month:**
  - Resources for addressing agricultural stress in WY.
- **Questions**

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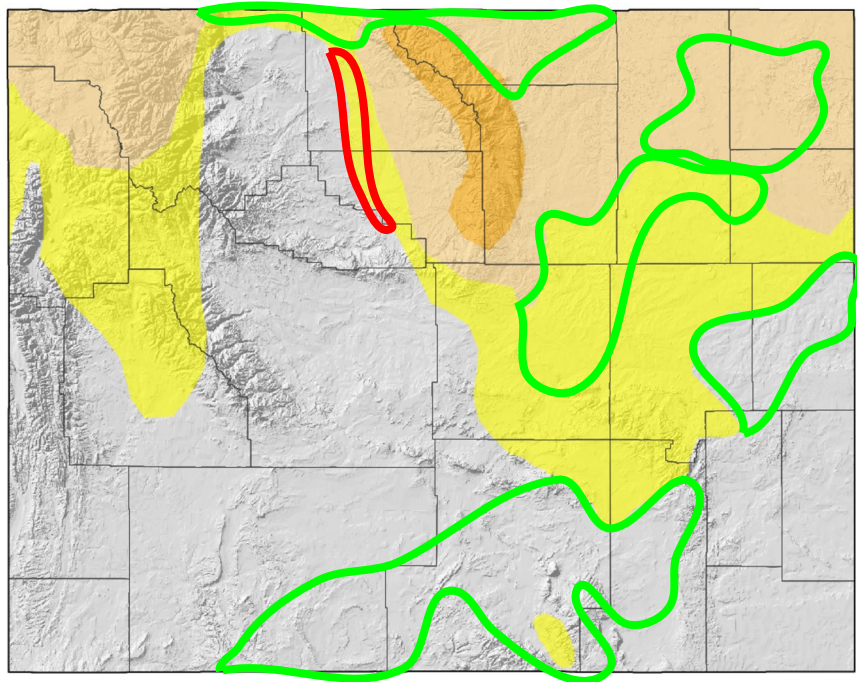
# Current Conditions

# US Drought Monitor for April 23, 2024

(Released Thursday, April 25th, 2024)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

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

US Drought Monitor for 23 Apr 2024



**US Drought Monitor**

- 23.46% D0 Abnormally Dry
- 17.49% D1 Moderate Drought
- 2.44% D2 Severe Drought
- 0.00% D3 Extreme Drought
- 0.00% D4 Exceptional Drought

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How are Drought categories assigned?  
<https://youtu.be/45MQ1GB-uTc>

Minor **Degradations** since the last webinar. Several **Improvements** in the south central, far north central, and northeast

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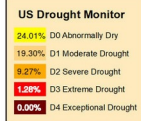
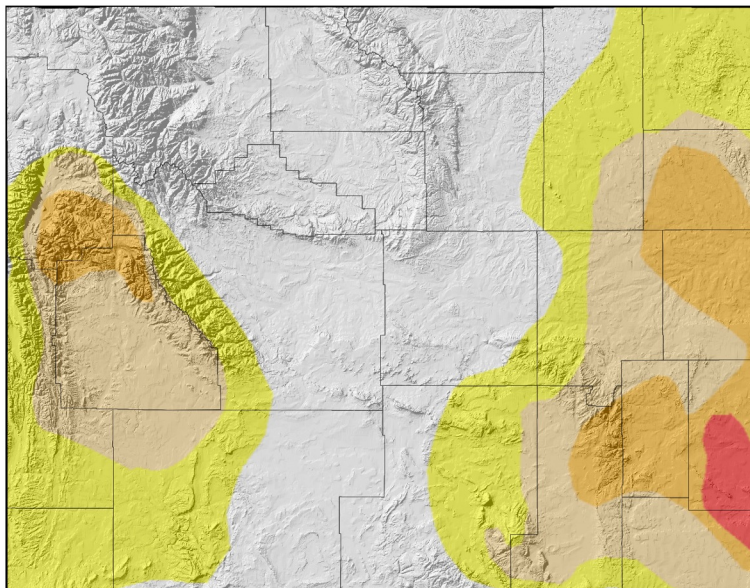
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## One Year Ago

US Drought Monitor for 25 Apr 2023



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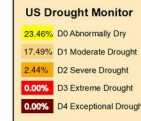
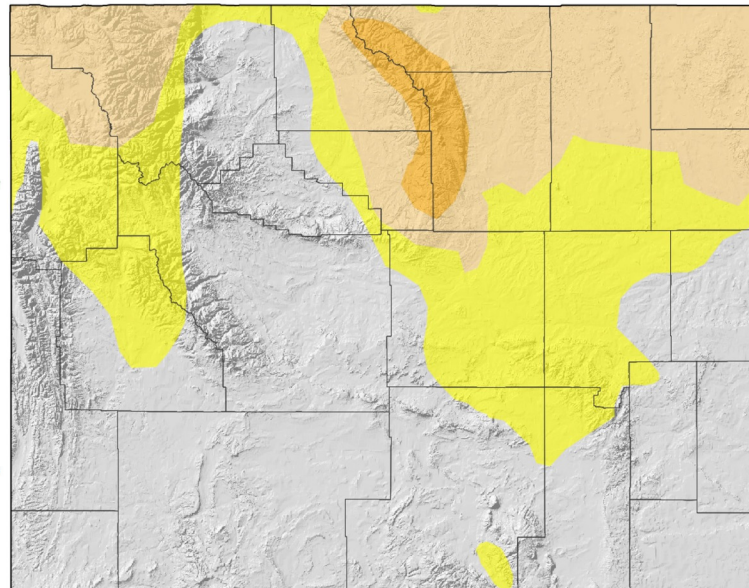


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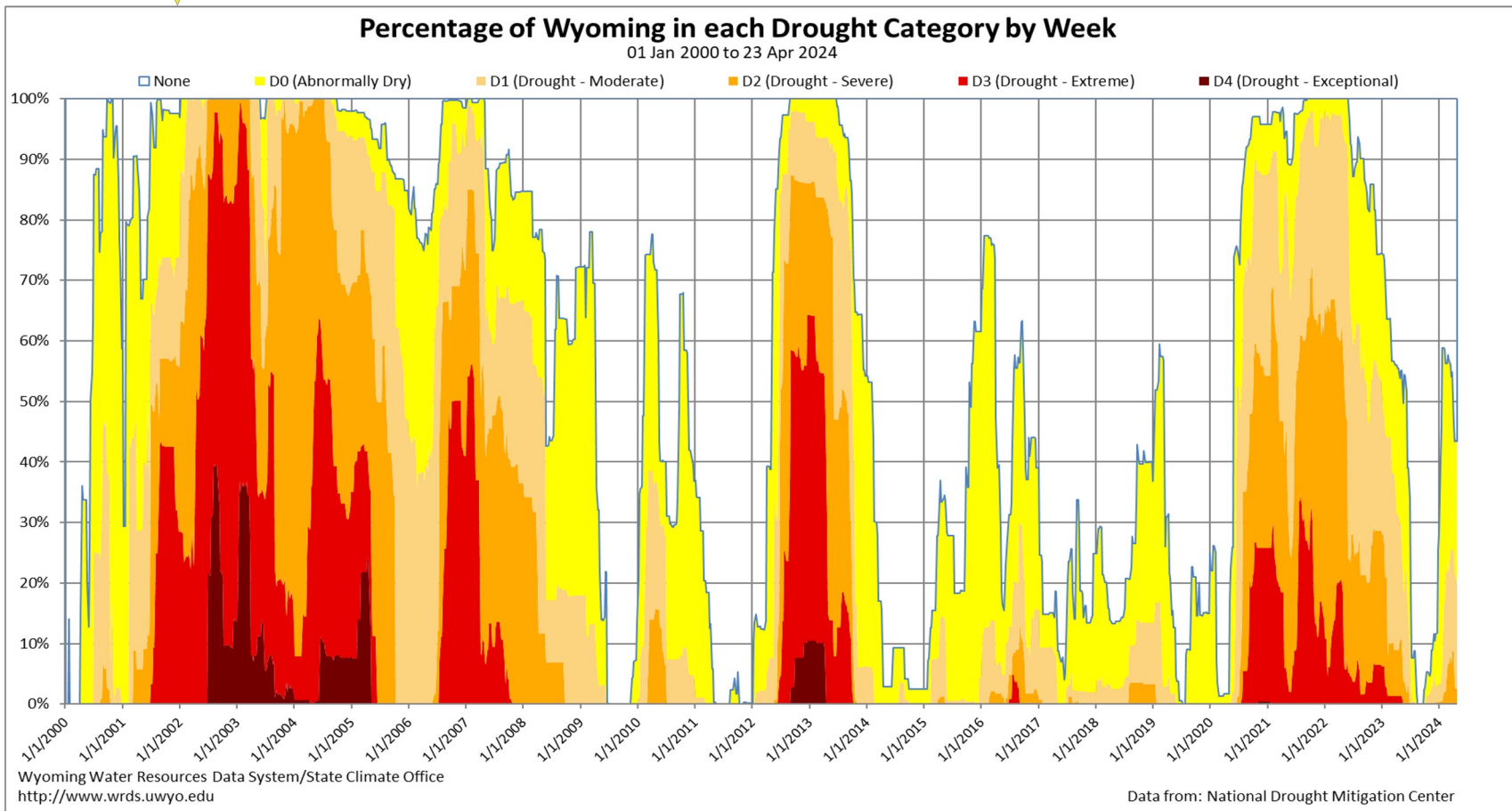
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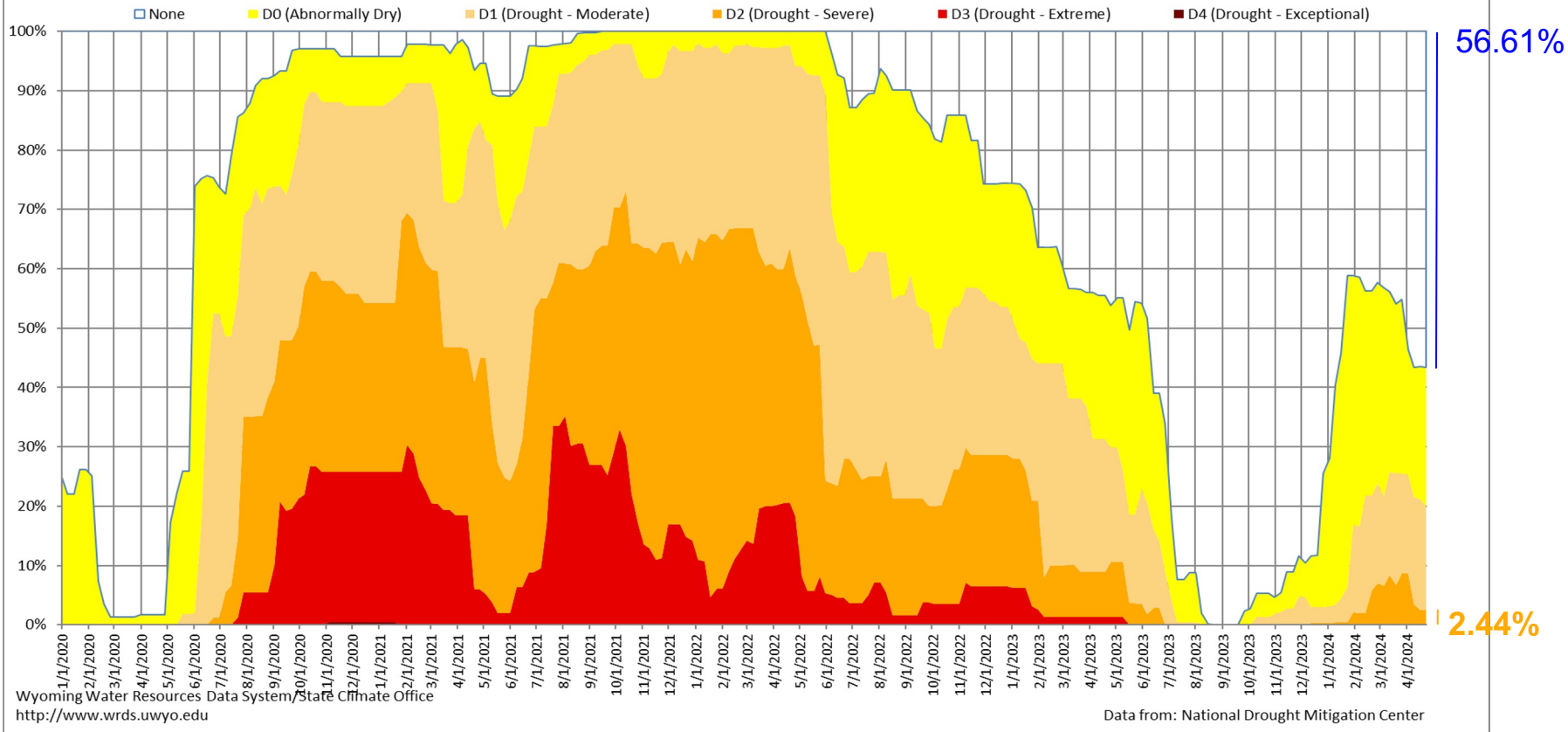
Wyoming Area Affected: 43.39% D0-D4 ; 19.93% D1-D4





## Percentage of Wyoming in each Drought Category by Week

01 Jan 2020 to 23 Apr 2024





# 14-Day Precipitation Percentile (11 Apr 2024 to 24 Apr 2024)

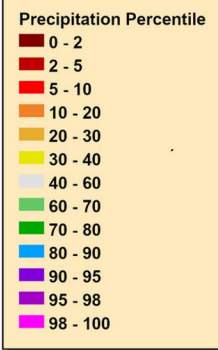
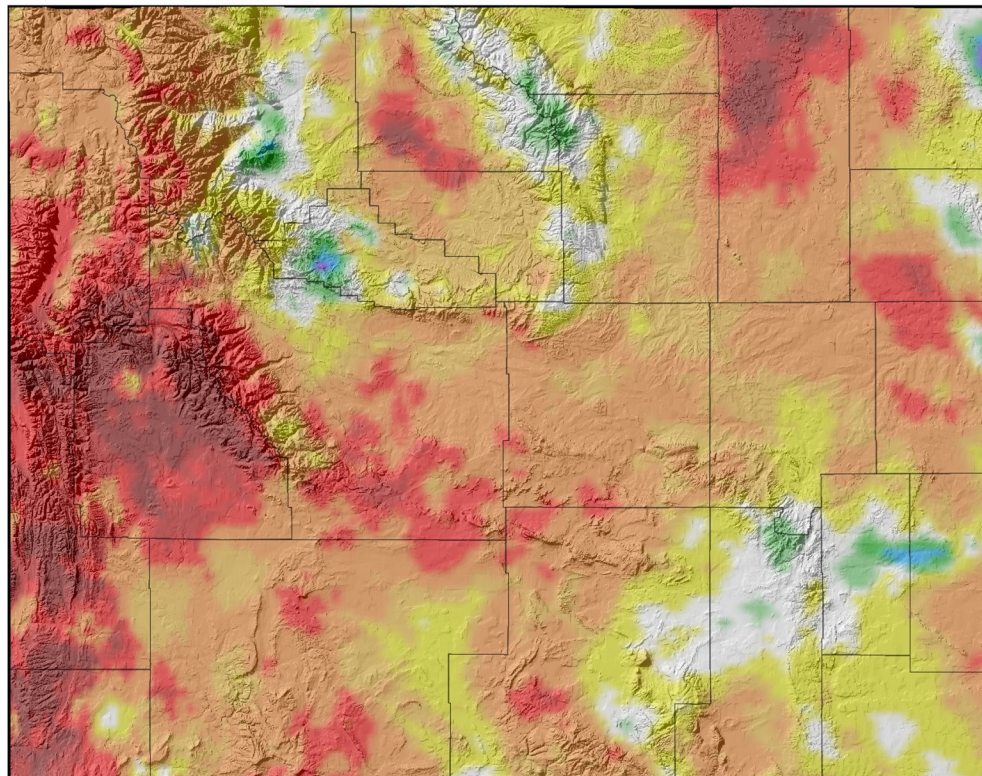
14-Day Precipitation (Percentile) for 11 Apr 2024 to 24 Apr 2024

## Above Median:

- Only a few scattered areas

## Below Median (Areas of Concern):

- Campbell County, West
- Much of Wyoming



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# 90-Day Precipitation Percentile (26 Jan 2024 to 24 Apr 2024)

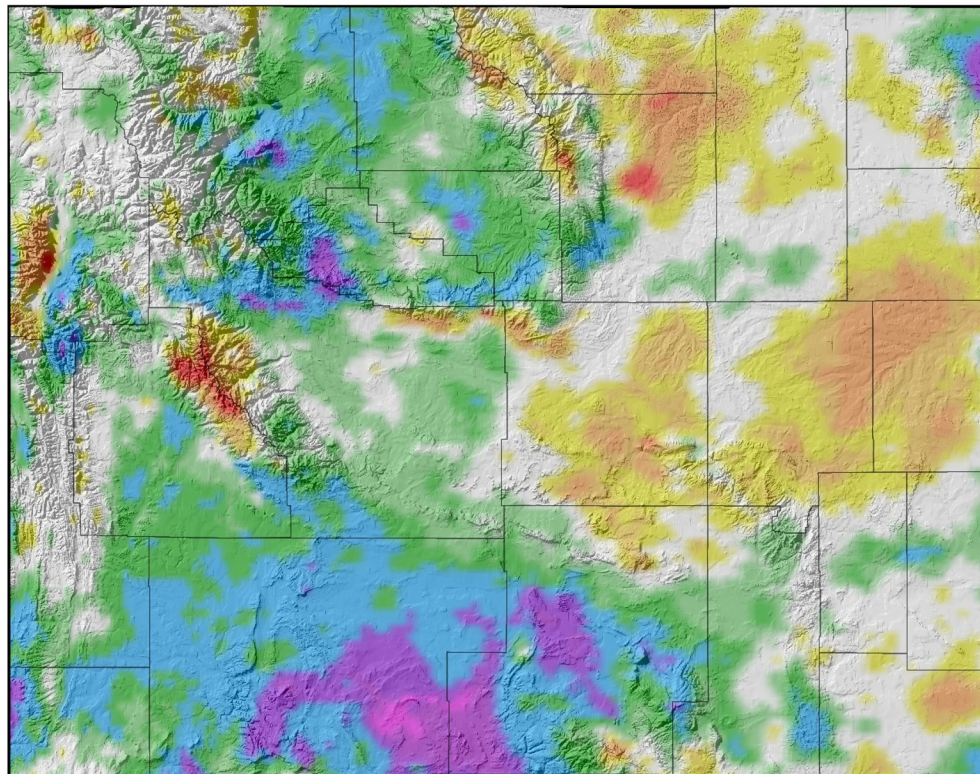
90-Day Precipitation (Percentile) for 26 Jan 2024 to 24 Apr 2024

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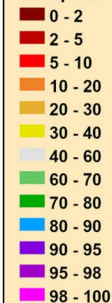
- Much of Wyoming

## Below Median (Areas of Concern):

- Northeast quarter plus
- Northern Winds
- Tetons
- NE Laramie County



### Precipitation Percentile



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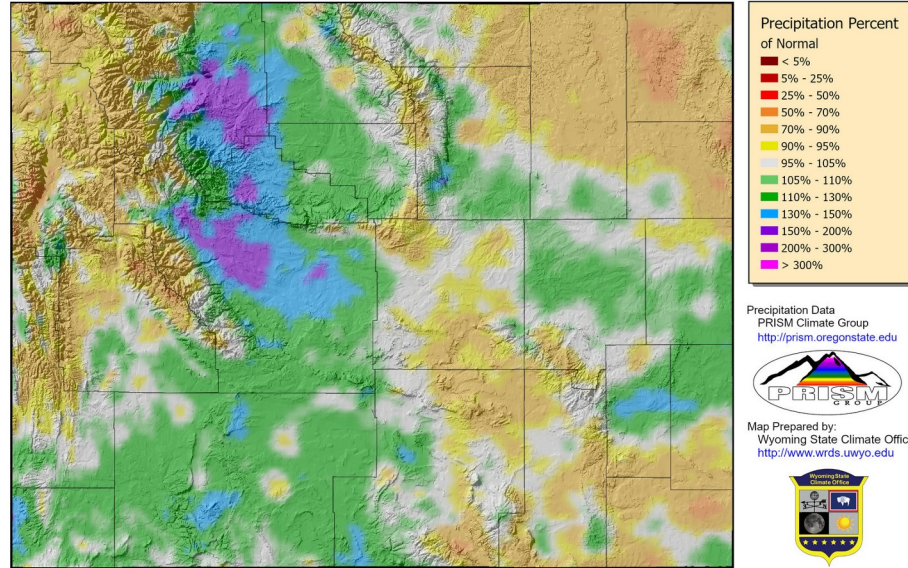
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# “Year”-to-Date Precipitation (Percent of Average)

## Current Water Year

Water-Year Precipitation (Percent of 1991-2020 Average) for 01 Oct 2023 to 24 Apr 2024

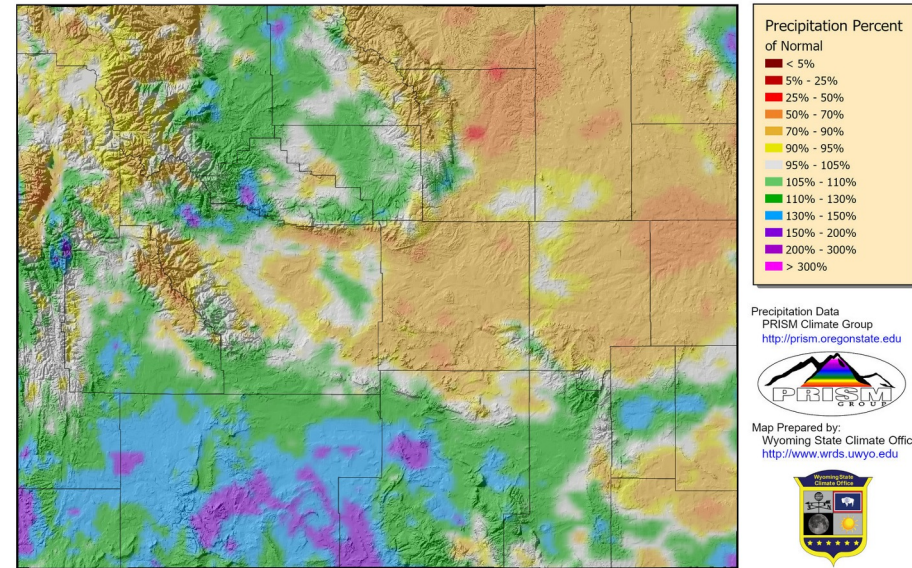


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## Current Calendar Year

Calendar-Year Precipitation (Percent of 1991-2020 Average) for 01 Jan 2024 to 24 Apr 2024



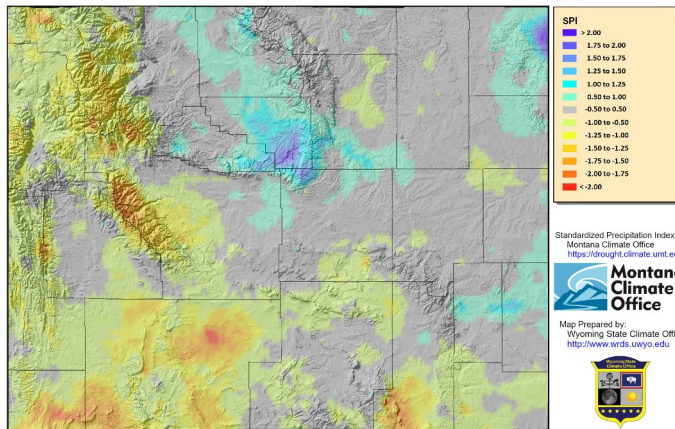
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**Note:** a water year is October 1 through September 30 of the following year.



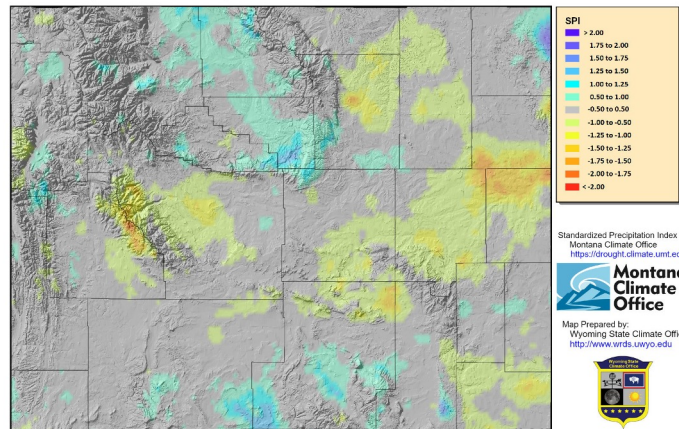
**30-Day**  
→  
Mar 25 - Apr 23



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**60-Day**  
→  
Feb 24 - Apr 23



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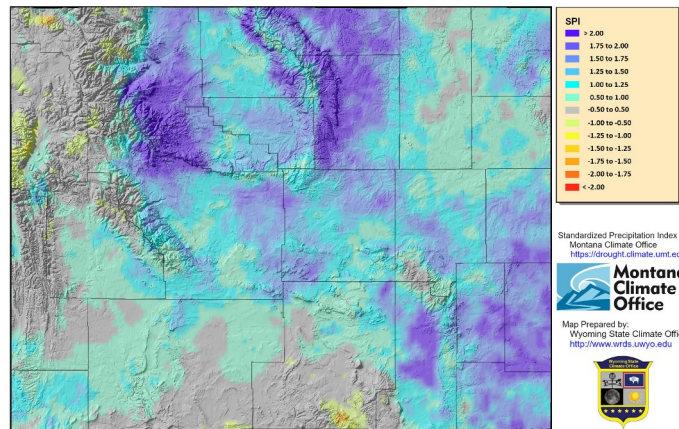
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# Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI)

**Short term:** South and west drying Northeast improving

**Long term:** Most of the state on the wet side – with the northwest and southcentral more around the median.

**1-Year**  
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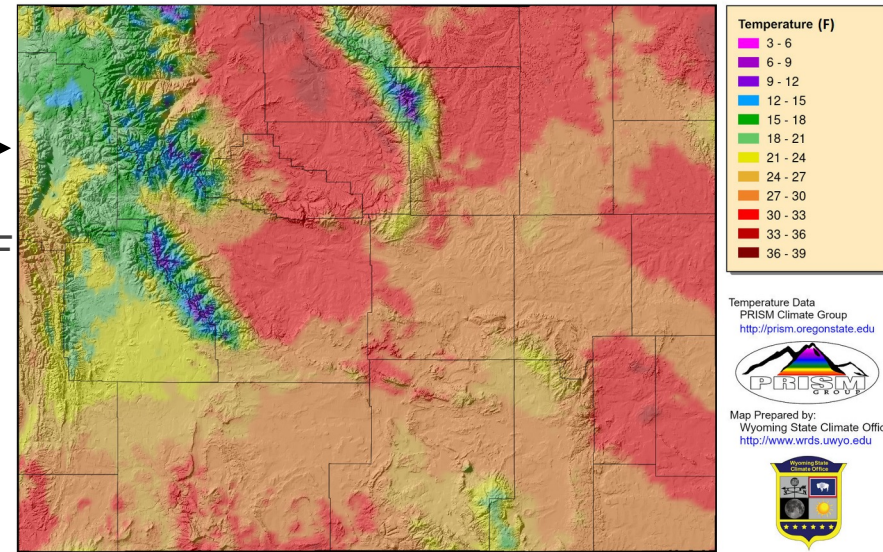


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# 14-Day Average Minimum Temperature (11 Apr to 24 Apr)

- Lows in North Central and East getting to around 32F



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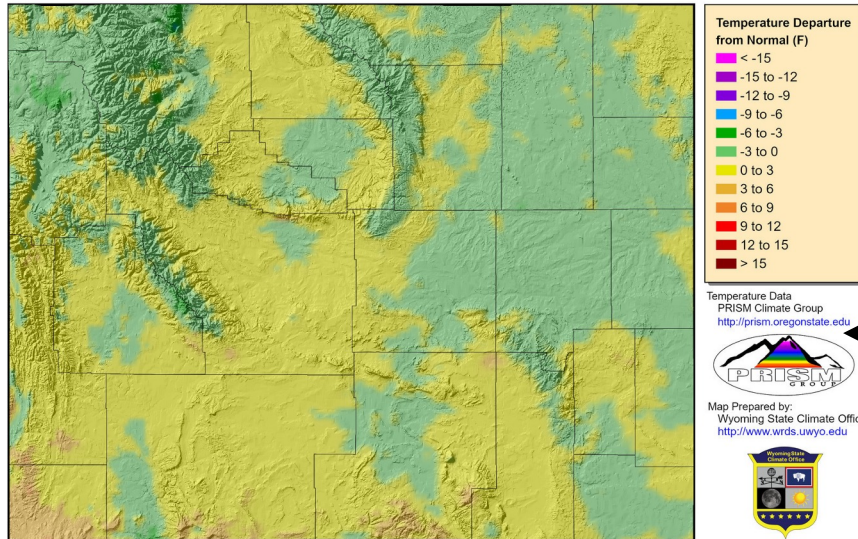
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14-Day Average Minimum Temperature (Departure from 1991-2020 Average) for 11 Apr 2024 to 24 Apr 2024



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# 14-Day Average Minimum Temperature Departure from Normal

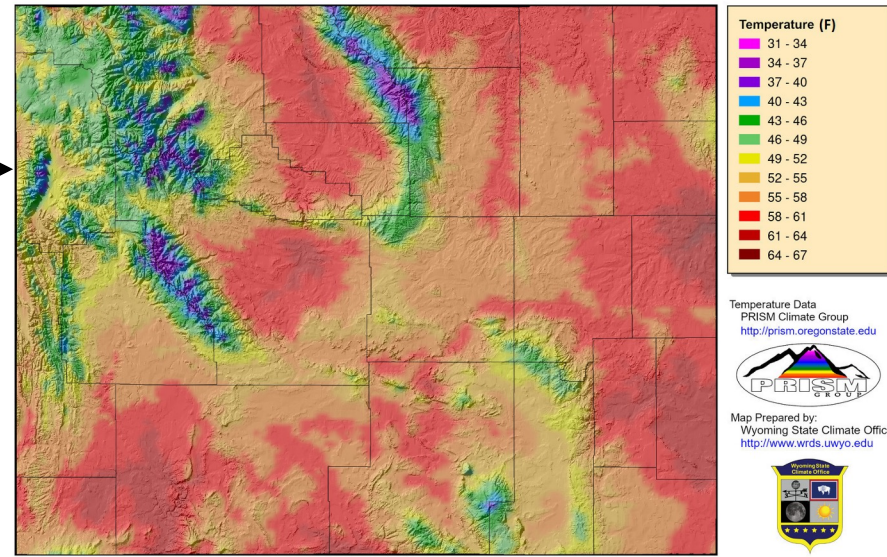
- Northeast and east, along with high elevation NW 0-3F below average
- Remainder mostly 0-3F above average
- Far southwest as much as 6F above average



# 14-Day Average **Maximum**

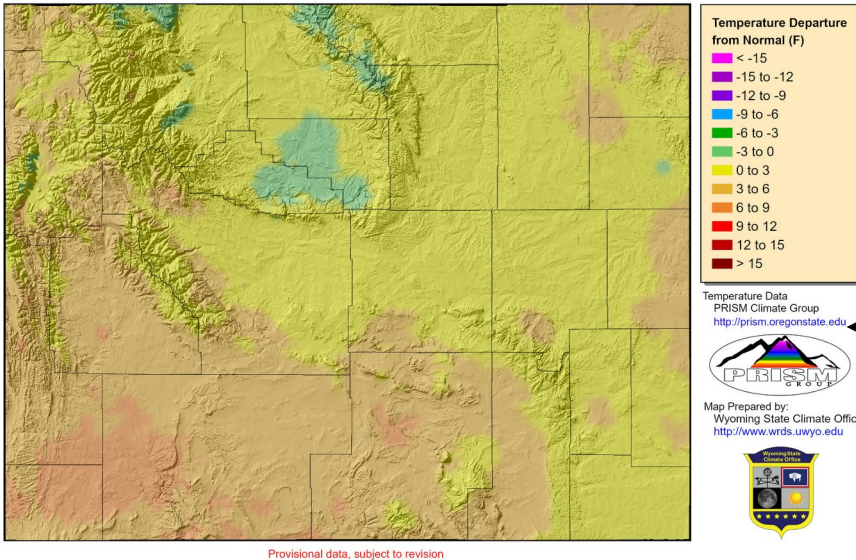
## Temperature (11 Apr to 24 Apr)

- Highs above 32F
- Eastern Plains, Wind, BH Basins, L Green in 60s



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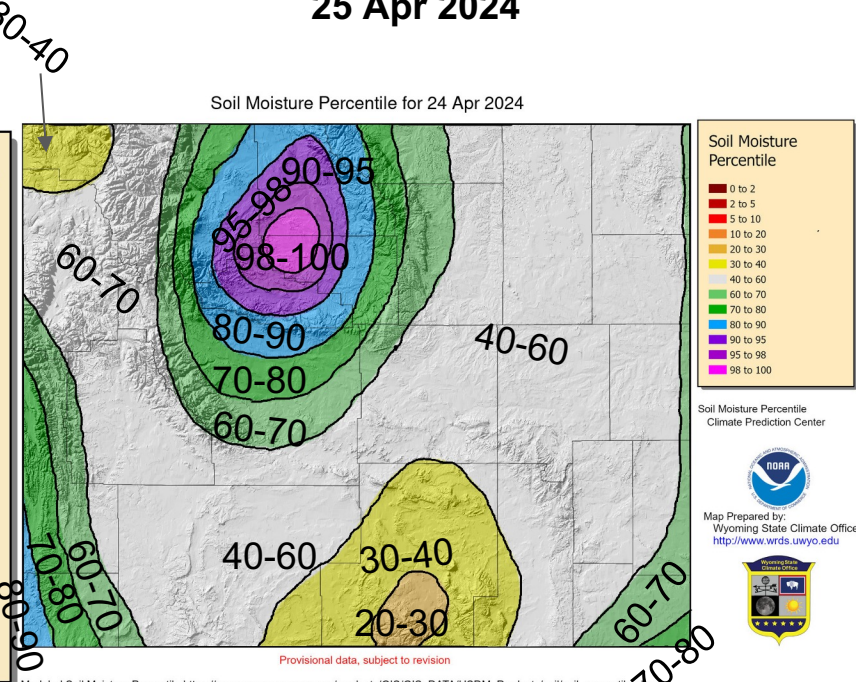
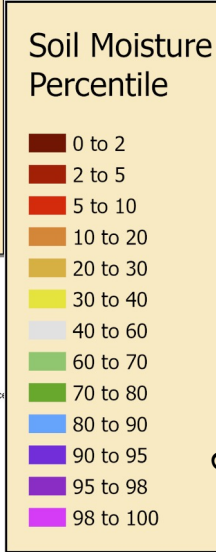
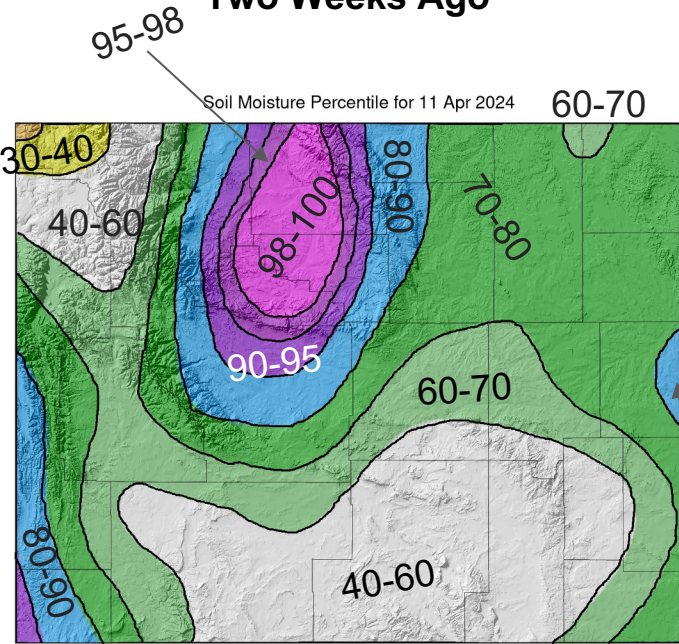
# 14- Day **Departure from Normal** Average **Maximum** Temperature

- West of the Divide 3-6F above average
- Lower Green 6-9F above average
- Remainder up to 3F above average, higher in far east and northeast
- Southern BH Basin a bit below average

# Soil Moisture Percentile

**Two Weeks Ago**

**25 Apr 2024**



Soil Moisture Percentile  
Climate Prediction Center

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Modeled Soil Moisture Percentile [https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/GIS/GIS\\_DATA/USDM\\_Products/soil/soil\\_percentile.php](https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/GIS/GIS_DATA/USDM_Products/soil/soil_percentile.php)  
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80-90

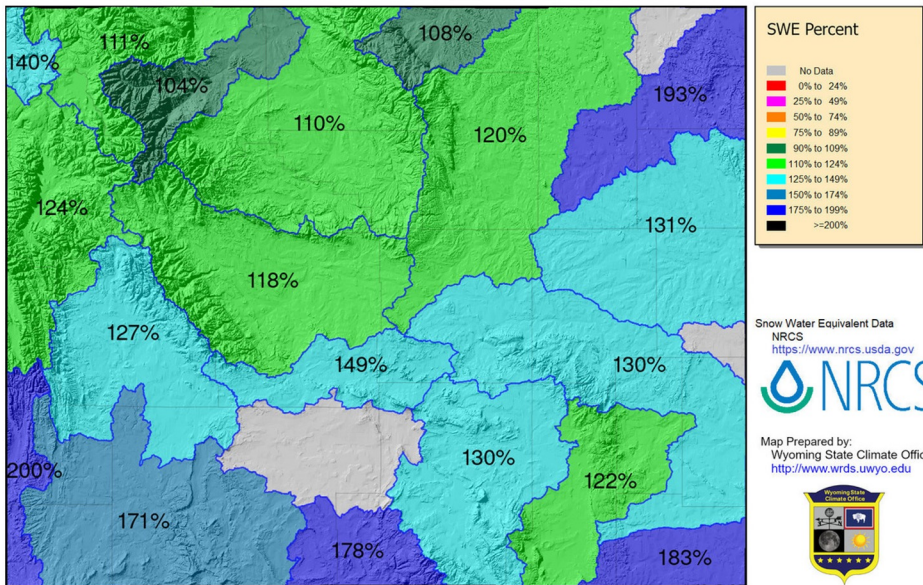
Generally status quo or a **decline** in conditions across the state, notable declines in southcentral and northeast WY.



# Basin Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) % of Median

## 25 Apr 2023 (One Year Ago)

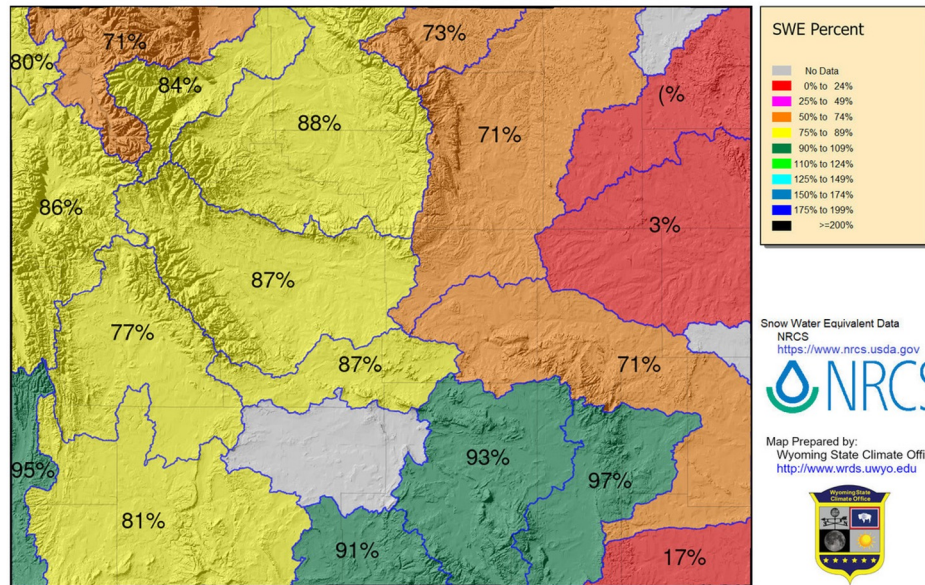
Snow Water Equivalent Percent of Median (1991-2020) 25 Apr 2023



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## 25 Apr 2024

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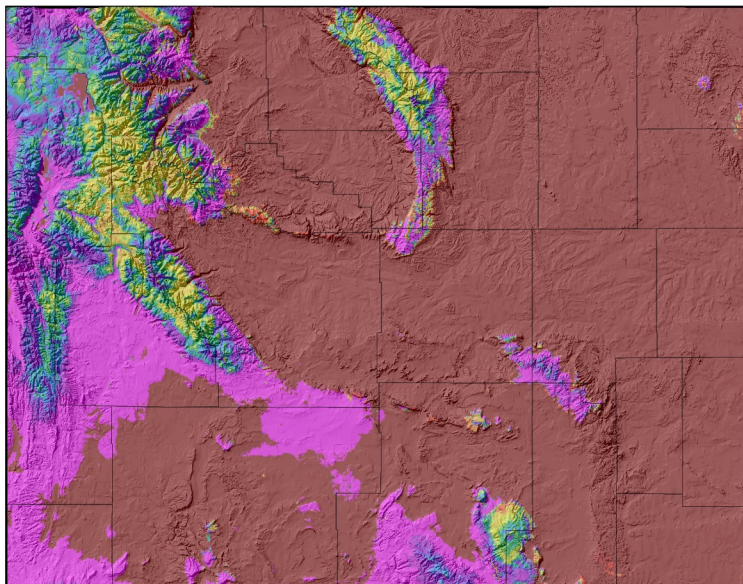
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# Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) % of Average

25 Apr 2023 (One Year Ago)

Snow Water Equivalent Percent of Average (2004-2020) for 25 Apr 2023



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Snow Water Equivalent  
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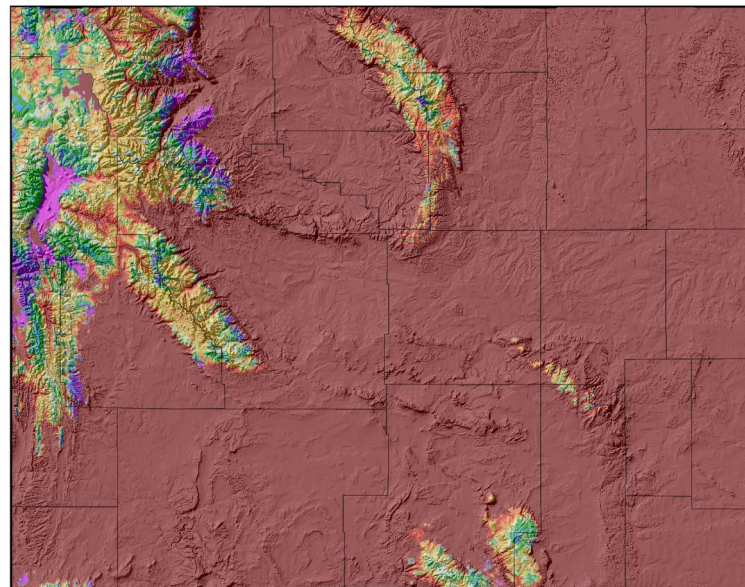


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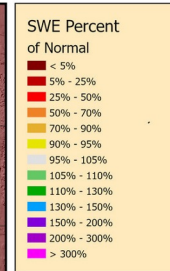


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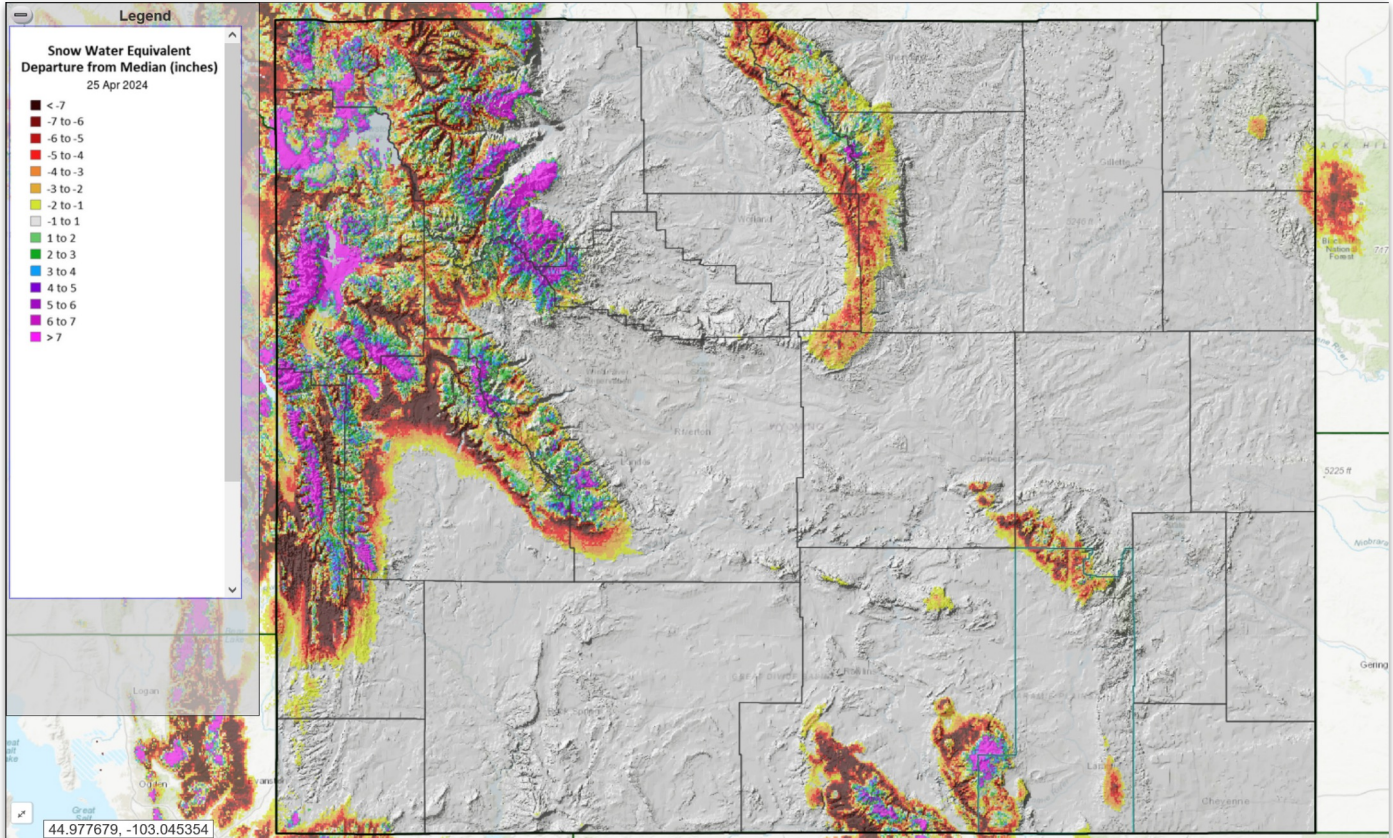
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# Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Departure from Median

25 Apr 2024




























































## Peak Snow Water Equivalent Dates and Totals by Basin With Meltout Dates

This year's "to-date" peak snow water equivalent (SWE) compared to median.

**Red** indicates **earlier** peak date or **lower** SWE compared to median

**Blue** indicates **later** peak date or **higher** SWE compared to median

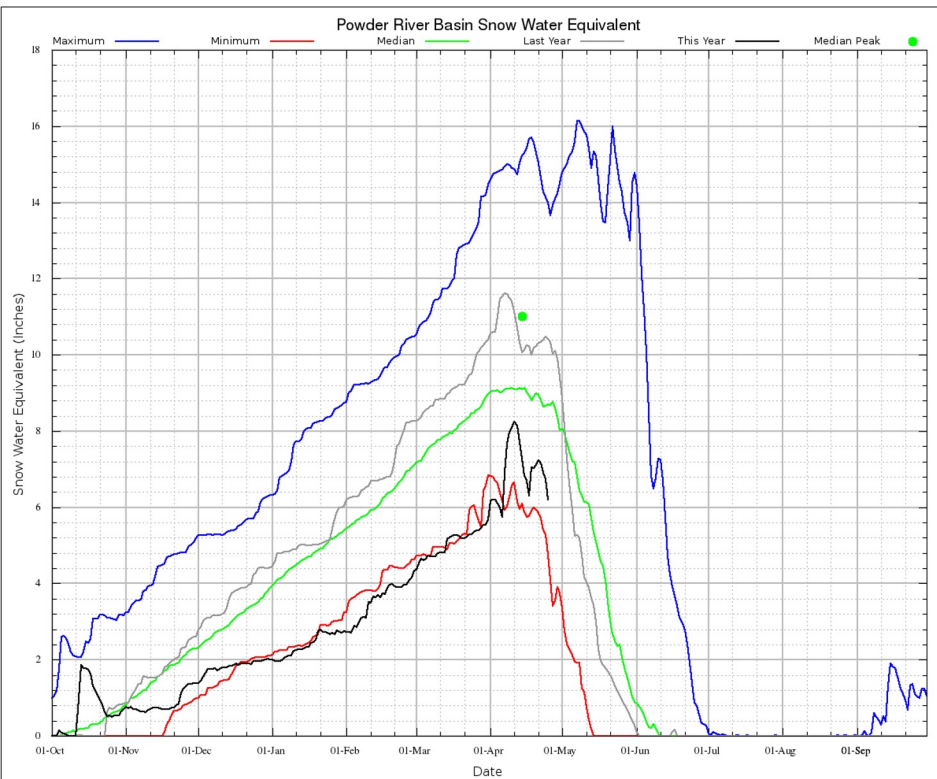
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Basin <a href="#">Click to View Chart</a>	This Year Peak Date	This Year Peak SWE (inches)	Days Early/Late	Peak SWE Dif (inches)	Percent of Median Peak SWE	Median Peak Date	Median Peak SWE (inches)	Current SWE	Median Meltout Date
Belle Fourche	15 Mar 2024	3.43	-14	-3.7	48%	29 Mar 	7.10 		03 May 
Bighorn	11 Apr 2024	10.48	-13	-1.3	89%	24 Apr 	11.77 		21 Jun 
Cheyenne	08 Mar 2024	3.90	-20	-3.6	52%	29 Mar 	7.55 		01 May 
Laramie	11 Apr 2024	15.13	-7	-1.2	93%	18 Apr 	16.31 		13 Jun 
Little Snake	08 Apr 2024	22.98	2	2.5	112%	06 Apr 	20.50 		19 Jun 
Lower Green	09 Apr 2024	14.42	1	0.8	106%	08 Apr 	13.58 		13 Jun 
Lower North Platte	11 Apr 2024	9.97	-3	-3.1	76%	14 Apr 	13.05 		29 May 
Madison	01 Apr 2024	19.23	-13	-4.5	81%	14 Apr 	23.75 		25 Jun 
Powder	11 Apr 2024	8.24	-3	-2.8	75%	14 Apr 	11.01 		10 Jun 
Shoshone	01 Apr 2024	15.50	-23	-2.6	86%	24 Apr 	18.08 		29 Jun 
Snake	11 Apr 2024	20.89	-1	0.0	100%	12 Apr 	20.85 		30 Jun 
South Platte	08 Apr 2024	5.50	10	-1.1	83%	29 Mar 	6.60 		26 Apr 
Sweetwater	02 Apr 2024	14.93	-18	-0.3	98%	20 Apr 	15.25 		06 Jun 
Tongue	22 Apr 2024	8.73	-6	-4.7	65%	28 Apr 	13.38 		09 Jun 
Upper Bear	03 Apr 2024	19.31	-6	1.5	108%	09 Apr 	17.81 		16 Jun 
Upper Green	03 Apr 2024	14.69	-8	-1.3	92%	11 Apr 	15.96 		19 Jun 
Upper North Platte	11 Apr 2024	23.06	-5	-1.6	94%	16 Apr 	24.63 		28 Jun 
Wind	02 Apr 2024	13.50	-20	-0.6	96%	22 Apr 	14.11 		26 Jun 
Yellowstone	11 Apr 2024	17.25	-13	-4.9	78%	24 Apr 	22.12 		02 Jul 

Data from Natural Resources Conservation Service SnoTel Network

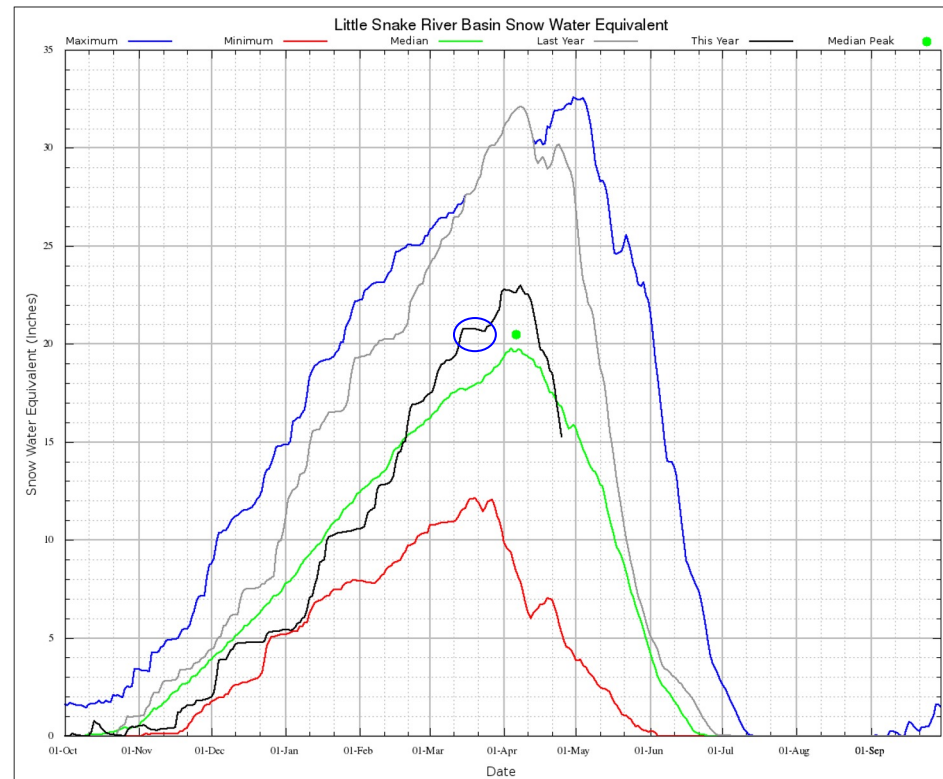
# Basin Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) % of Median

## Powder River Basin



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## Little Snake River Basin



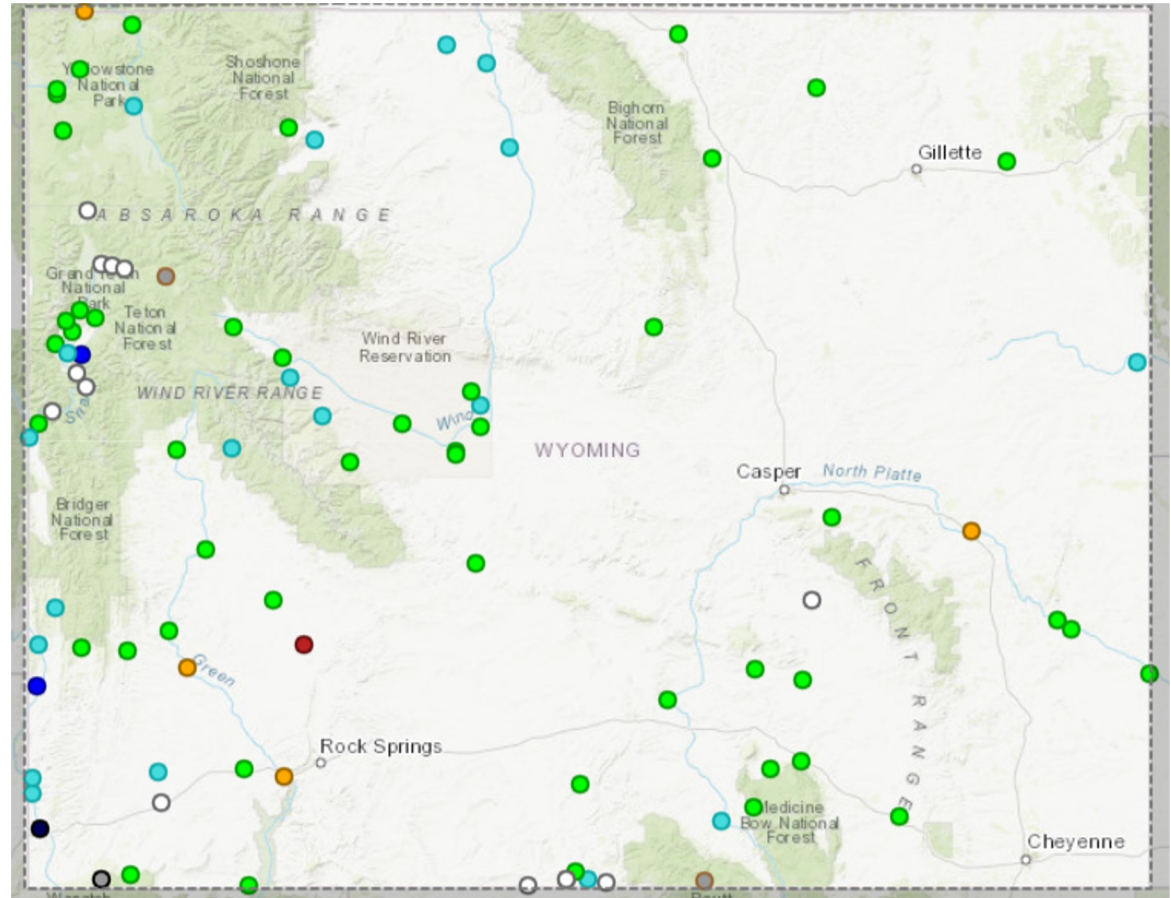
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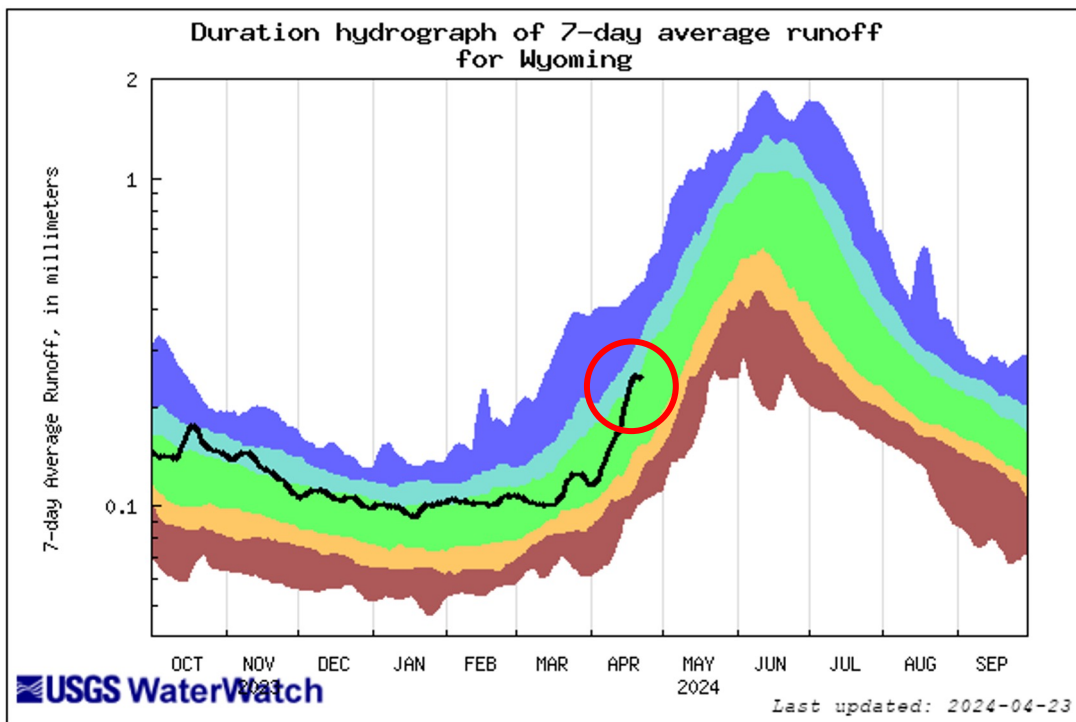
## Streamflow Status

### 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



# WY Duration Hydrograph of 7-day runoff



## Mid Spring Streamflow

- Most sites are reporting (1 in ice)
- Runoff has started!
- Above normal with a grain of salt.

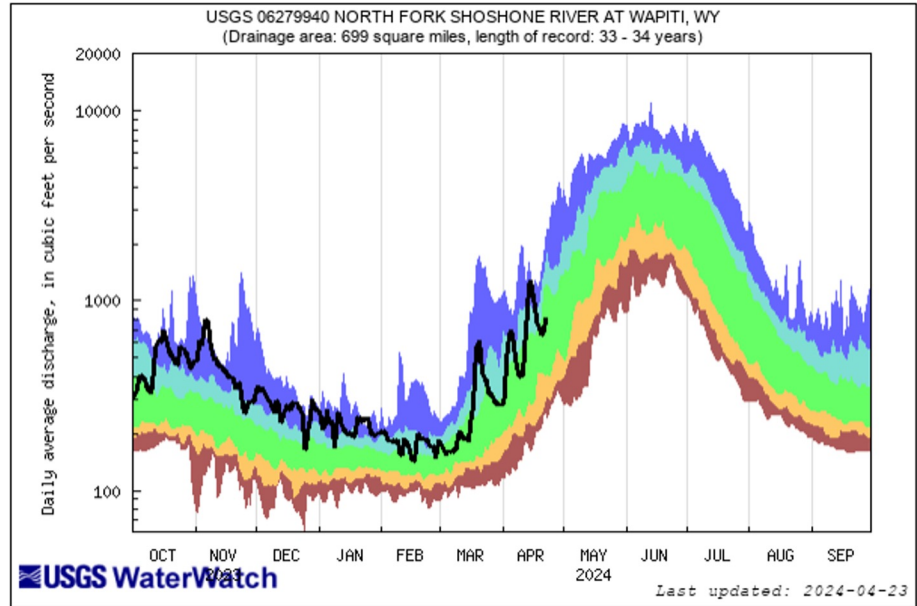
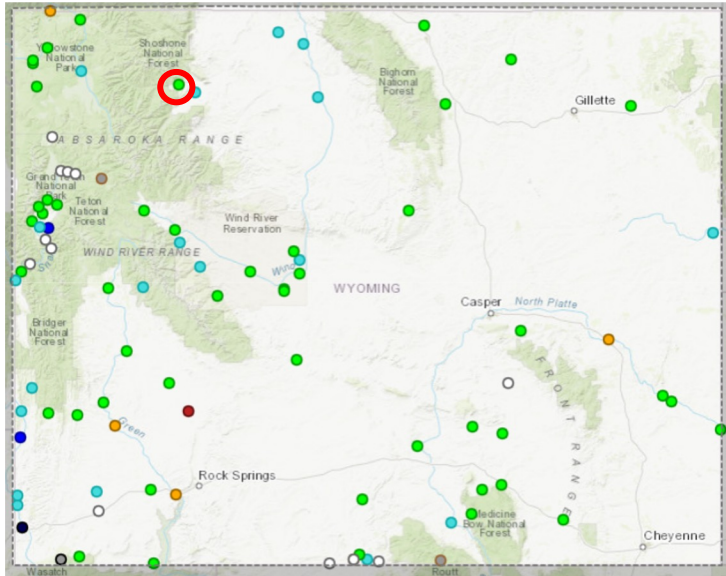
Explanation - Percentile classes							
lowest-5th percentile	6-9	10-24	25-75	76-90	91-94	95th percentile - highest	Runoff
Severe hydrologic drought	Moderate hydrologic drought	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

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# North Fork Shoshone, at Wapiti, WY

## Select WY Streamflows



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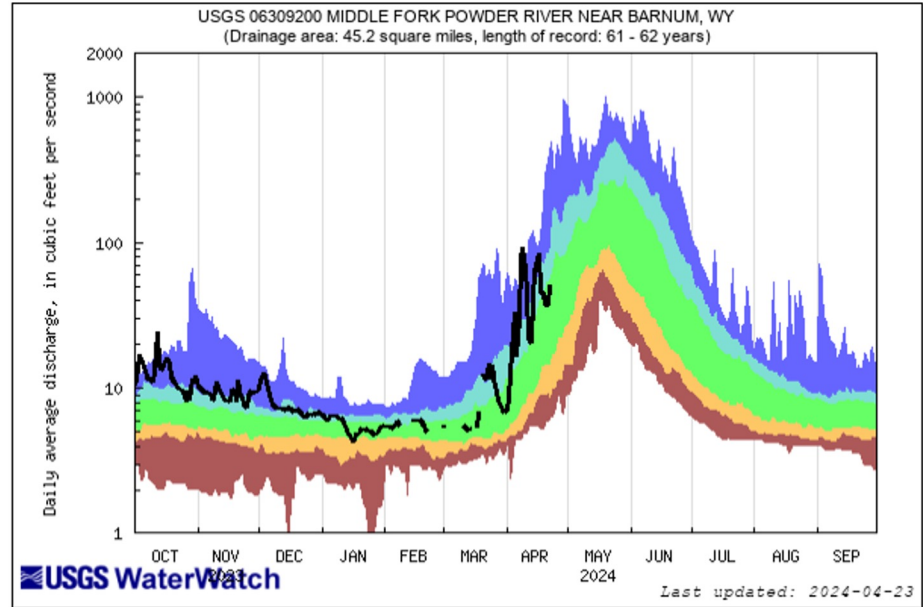
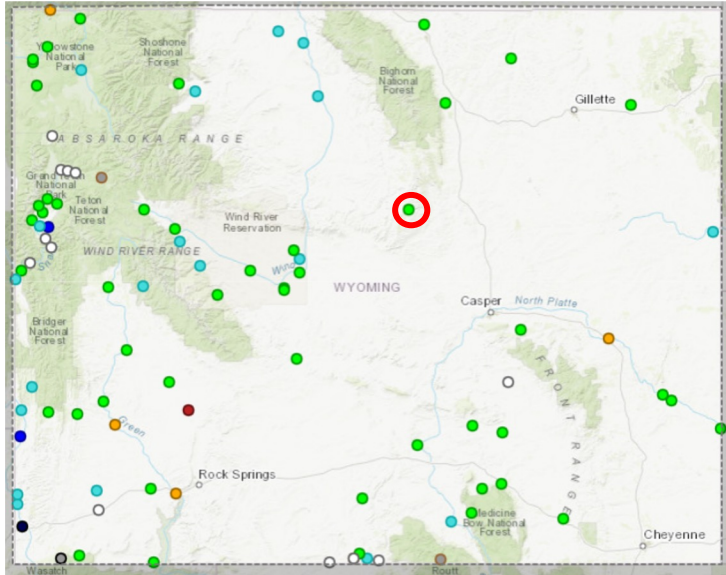
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Explanation - Percentile classes						
lowest-10th percentile	5	10-24	25-75	76-90	95	90th percentile-highest
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# Middle Fork Powder River, Near Barum, WY

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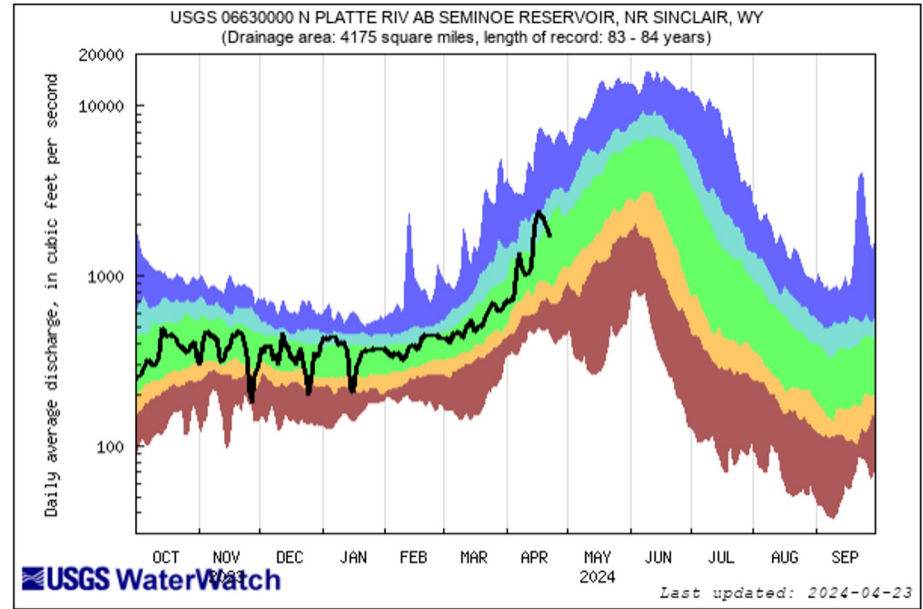
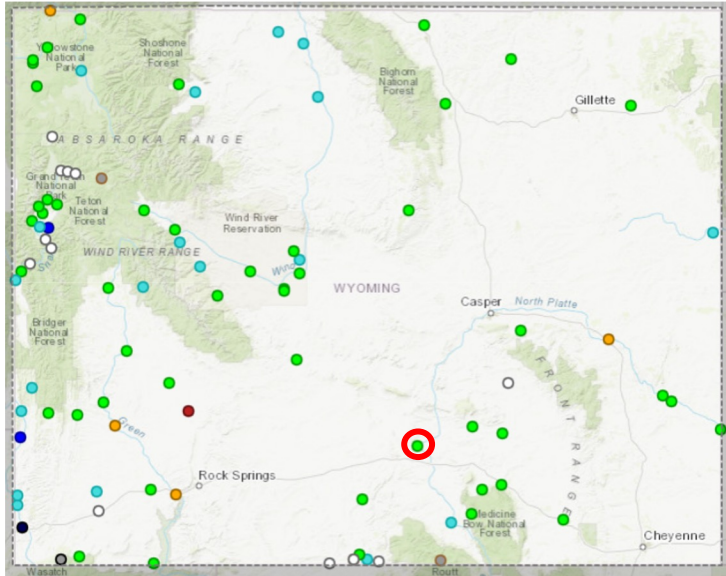


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## Select WY Streamflows



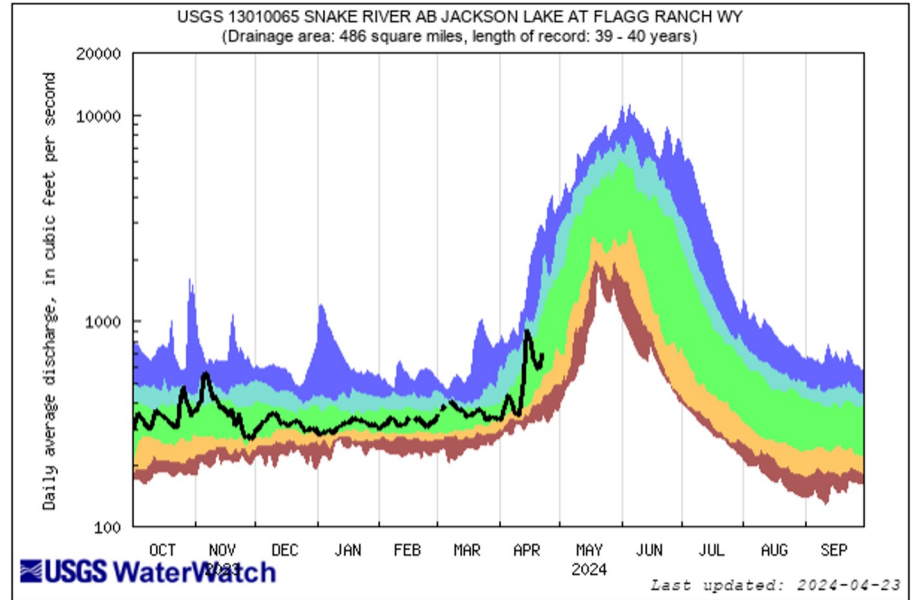
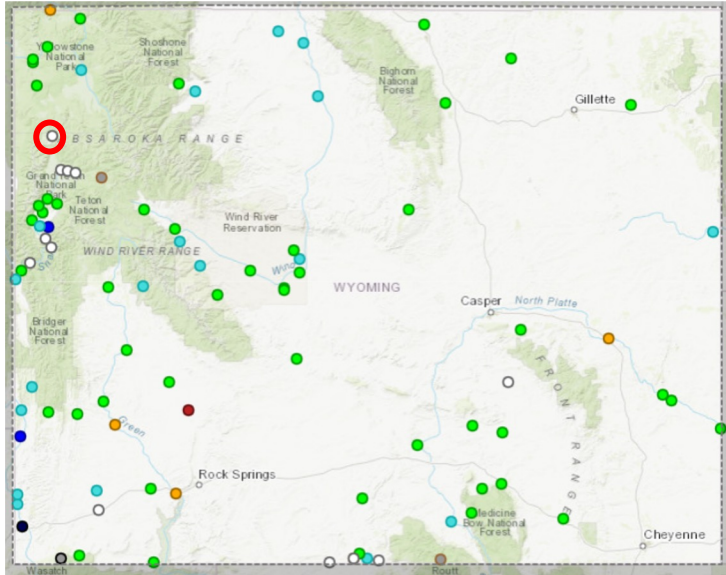
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# Snake River ab Jackson Lake, Flagg Ranch, WY

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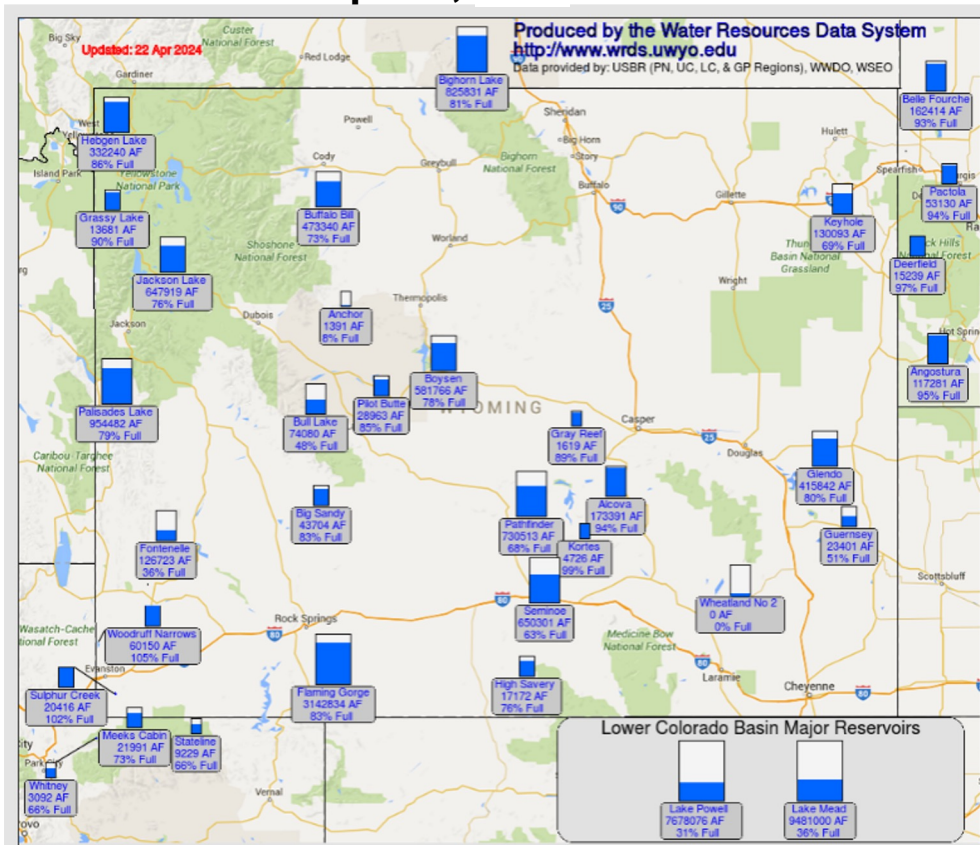
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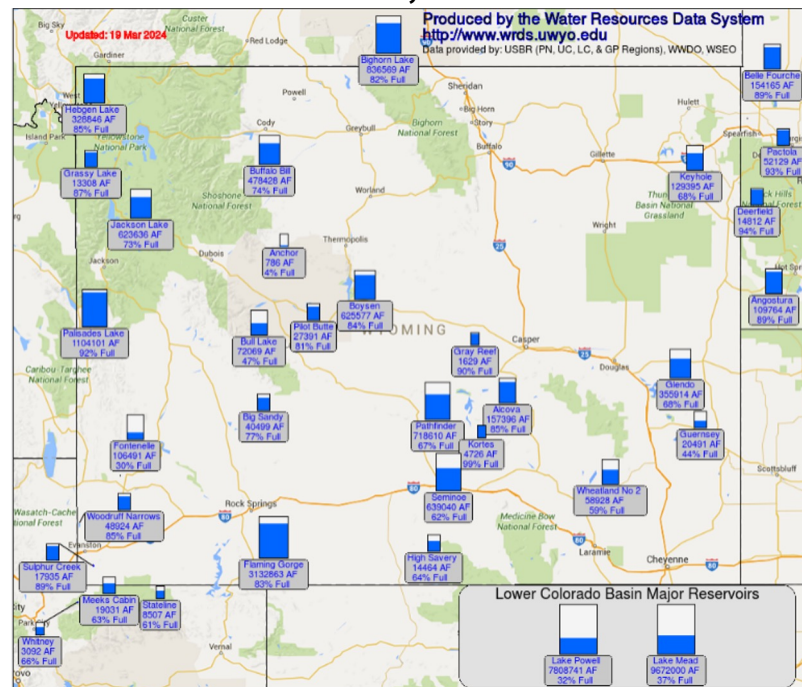
# WY Reservoirs

Apr 25, 2024



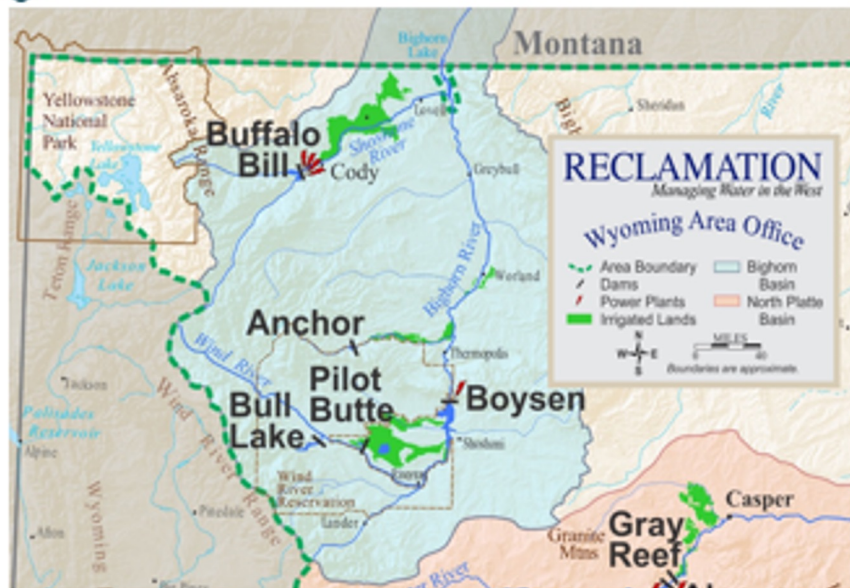
- Mostly minor changes (+/-) from last month
- Most major reservoirs are 60-80% full
- Fontenelle is being lowered, - 40% since Nov
- Palisades is being lowered -13% since Mar

Mar 21, 2024





# Current Reservoir Conditions: Bighorn System



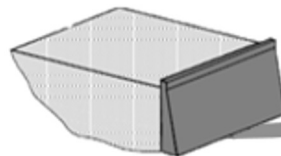
## As of April 23, Bighorn System:

<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Content</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>% of Full</u>	<u>% of Avg</u>
Bull Lake	74,447	152,500	49%	96%
Buffalo Bill	470,927	646,600	73%	116%
Boysen	576,566	741,600	78%	111%



**BUFFALO BILL RESERVOIR (BBR)**

Top 644126 af, 5393.5 ft  
Current 442365 af, 5366.4 ft  
To fill 201761 af, 27.1 ft  
Computed Inflow 184 cfs  
Total Outflow 358 cfs



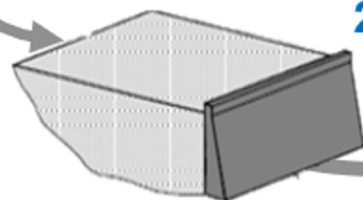
**1,680 cfs**

**BOYSEN RESERVOIR**

Top 741594 af, 4725.0 ft  
Current 626261 af, 4718.7 ft  
To fill 115333 af, 6.3 ft  
Computed Inflow 1350 cfs  
Total Outflow 1005 cfs



**31 cfs**



**2,200 cfs**

**BULL LAKE (BLR)**

Top 152459 af, 5805.0 ft  
Current 72070 af, 5776.2 ft  
To fill 80389 af, 28.8 ft  
Computed Inflow 31 cfs  
Total Outflow 31 cfs





# Current Reservoir Conditions: North Platte System



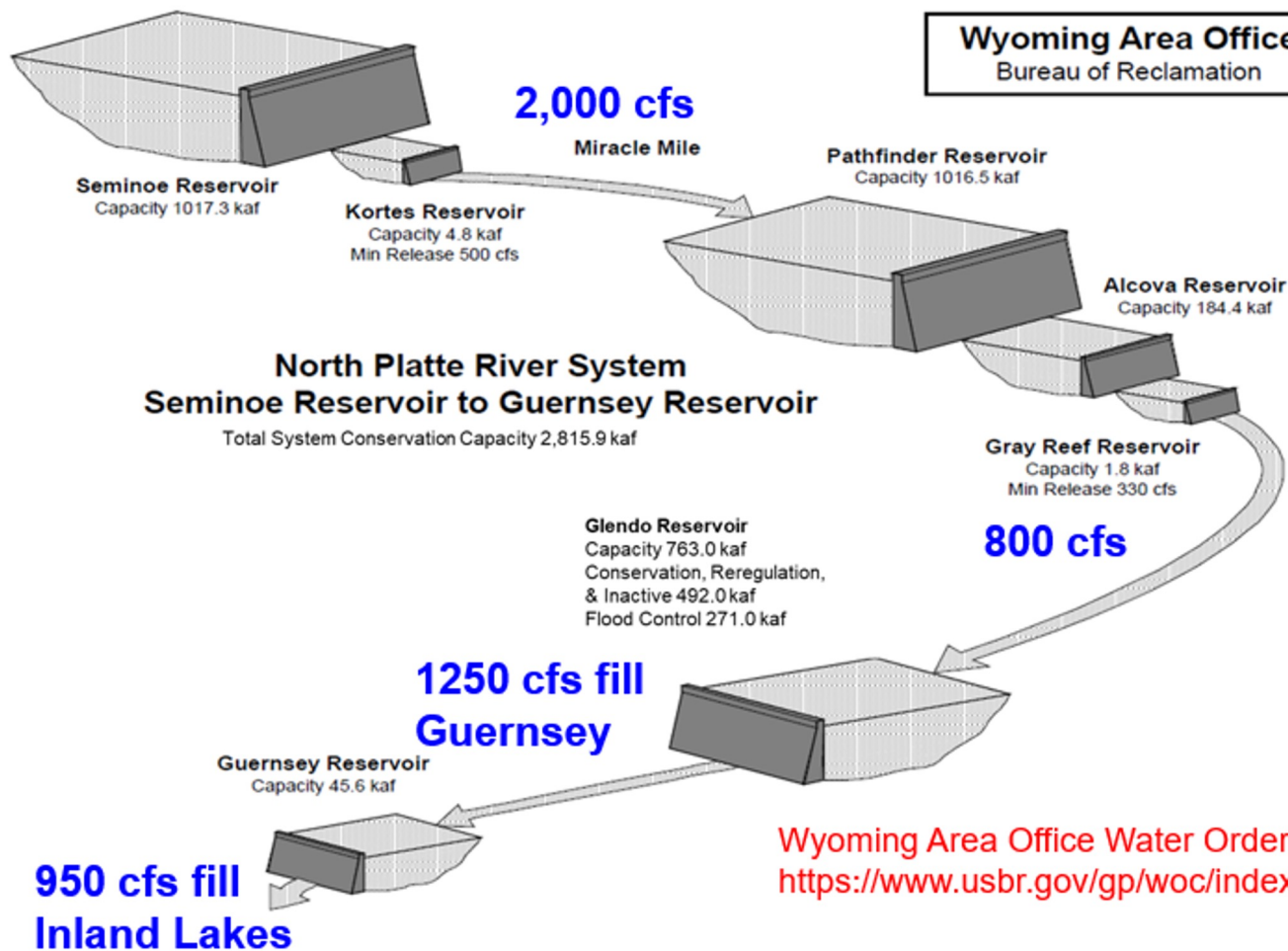
## As of April 22, North Platte System:

<u>Reservoir</u>	<u>Content (AF)</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>% of Full</u>	<u>% of Avg</u>
Seminoe	650,300	1,017,300	64%	120%
Pathfinder	730,505	1,070,000	68%	113%
Glendo	415,843	492,000	85%	94%
Guernsey	23,968	45,600	53%	92%



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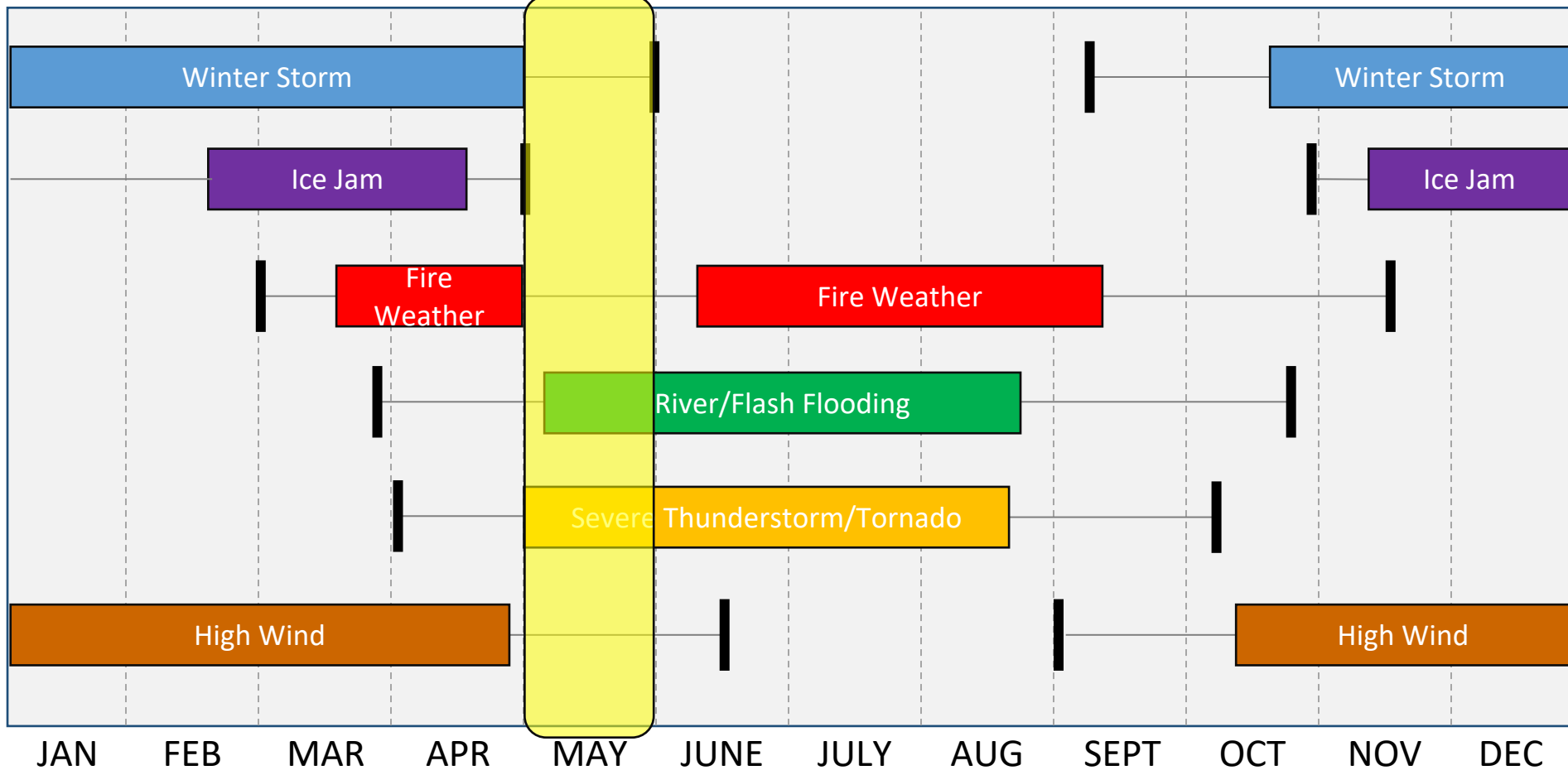


# Weather Info & Forecasts





# NWS Wyoming Typical Hazard Calendar

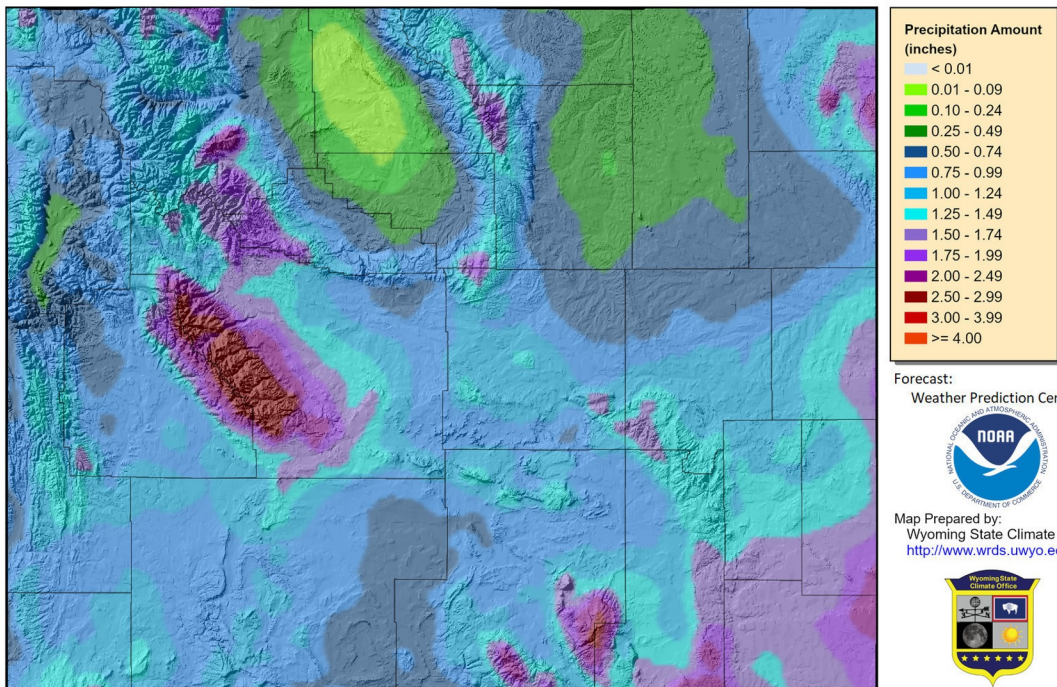




# 7-Day Total Precipitation Forecast

(Apr 25 - May 2)

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast 25 Apr 2024



Provisional data, subject to revision

- Unsettled weather across the state for much of the next week
- Multiple systems will affect the state
- Widespread accumulations of >1" of liquid across the state

Forecast:  
Weather Prediction Center



Map Prepared by:  
Wyoming State Climate Office  
<http://www.wrds.uwyo.edu>



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,  
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# 8-14 Day Outlooks (May 2 - May 8)

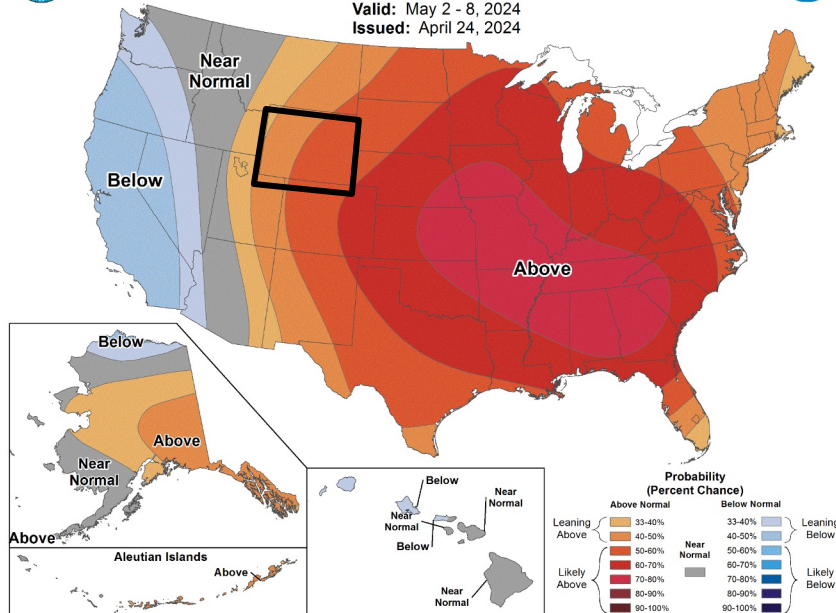
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## 8-14 Day Temperature Outlook



Valid: May 2 - 8, 2024  
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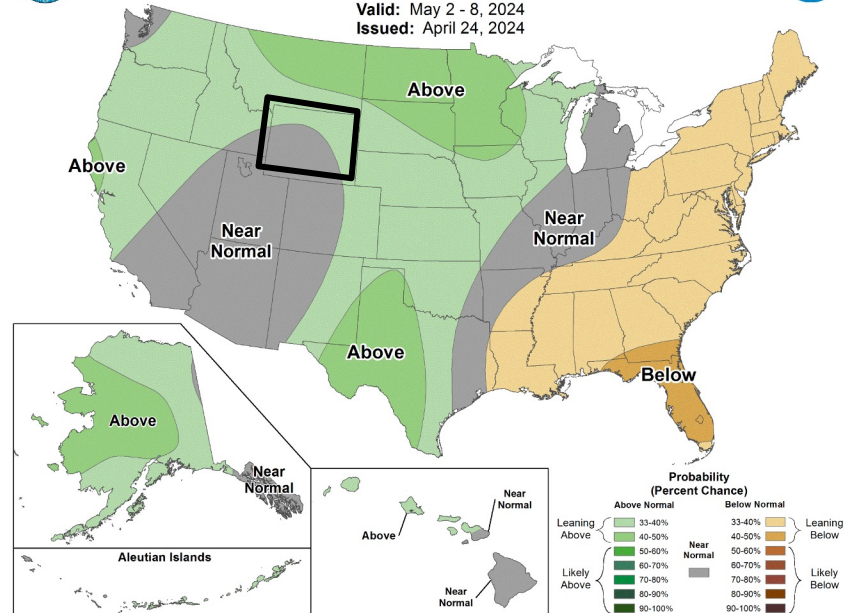
- Weak to strong signal favoring above normal temperatures. Strengths from west to east



## 8-14 Day Precipitation Outlook



Valid: May 2 - 8, 2024  
Issued: April 24, 2024



- Weak below normal precipitation signal in east and north





# 1-Month Outlooks (May)

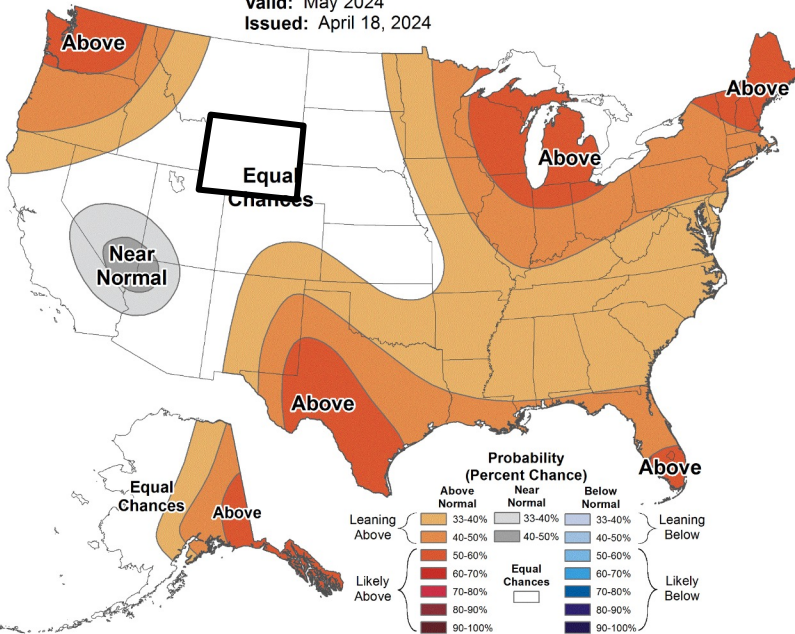
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## Monthly Temperature Outlook



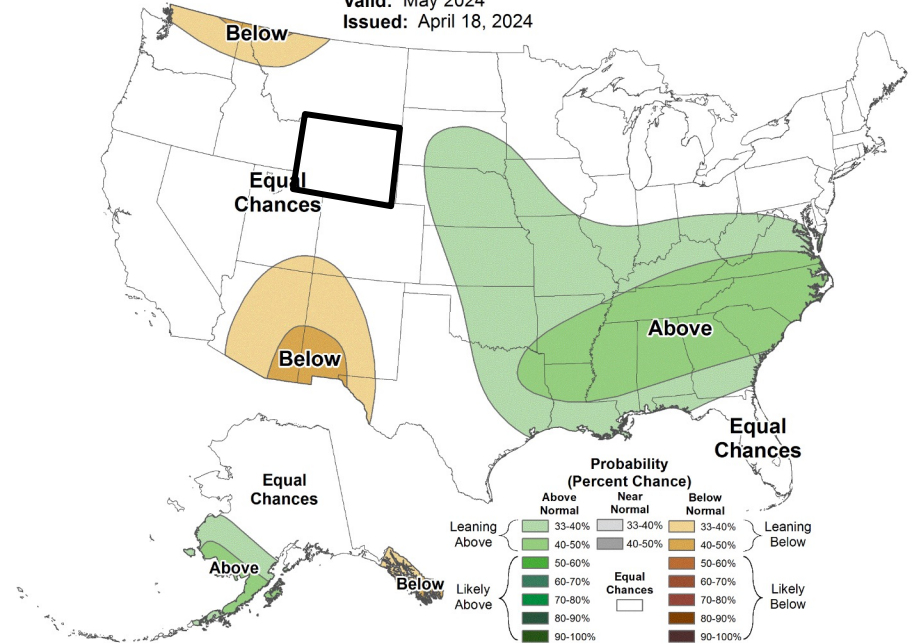
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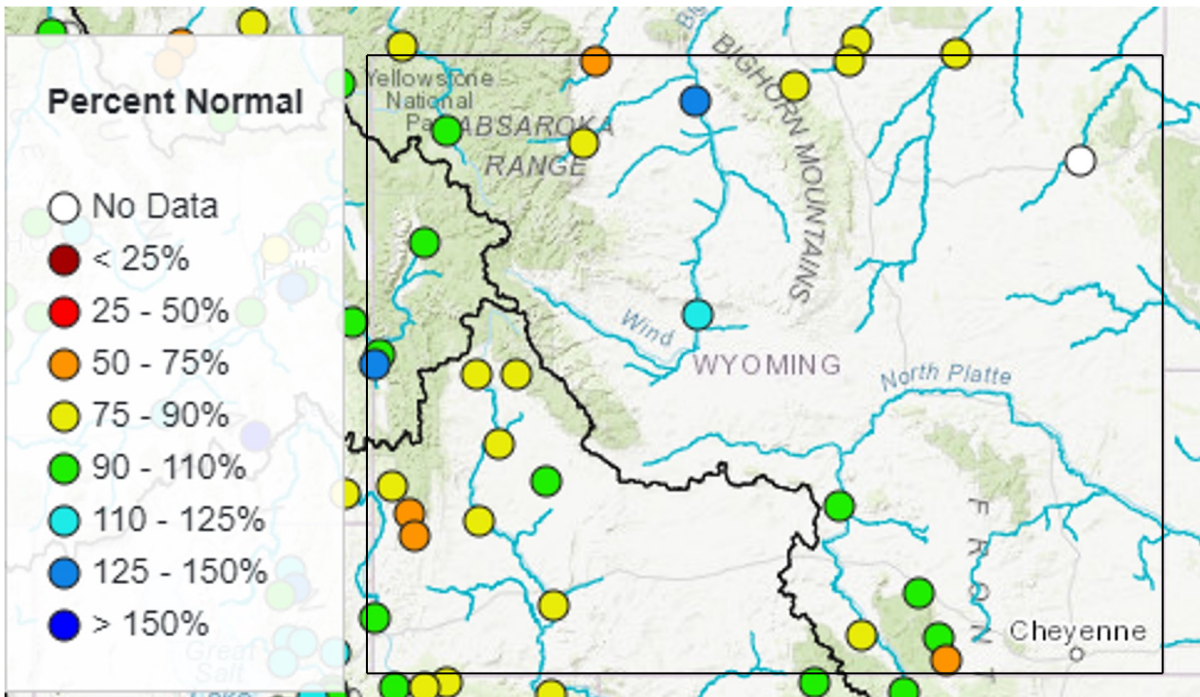
# Wyoming Water Supply Outlook

Valid April-September

**April thru September runoff volumes appears to be near-to-below normal.**

This graphic depicts the NWS water supply outlook locations, colored by the percent of April-thru-September volumetric normal. Many Wyoming stations are projected to see lower-than-normal volumes this season (yellows and oranges).

*\*Please note that the Colorado River basin colors reflect April-thru-July percent-of-normals.*

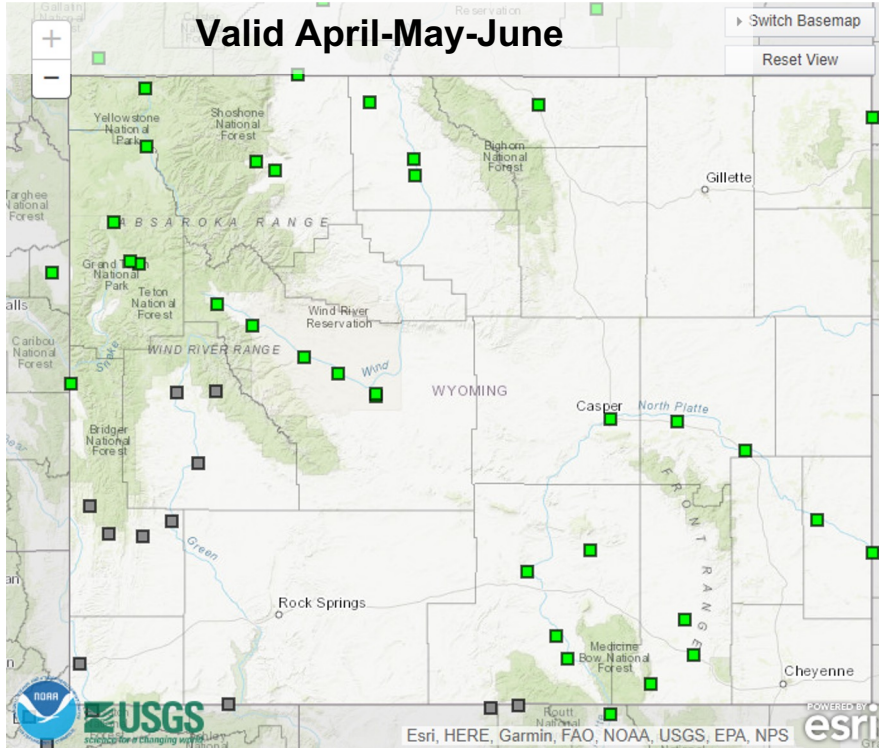


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# Wyoming Flood Potential Update

Valid April-May-June



[Return to national map.](#)

Click on the map or select one of the data views below:

- Wyoming
- NWS Weather Forecast Offices
- NWS River Forecast Centers
- Water Resources Regions

54 total gauges  
No locations with 50% or greater chance of flooding during Apr-May-Jun

- 0 Gauges: > 50% Major Long-Range Flood Risk
- 0 Gauges: > 50% Moderate Long-Range Flood Risk
- 0 Gauges: > 50% Minor Long-Range Flood Risk
- 40 Gauges: < 50% Long-Range Flood Risk
- 14 Gauges: No forecast within selected timeframe

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## No riverine flooding is expected through late June

This graphic depicts the NWS river forecast locations, colored by the highest flood category expected during the next 90-days.

All Wyoming stations are projected to stay below Flood Stage (i.e. green dots).

The National Hydrologic Assessment was issued 21 March 2024.

<https://www.weather.gov/owp/2024NHA#:~:text=The%20National%20Hydrologic%20Assessment%20is,fl ood%20potential%2C%20and%20water%20supply.>





# Wildland Fire Potential and Outlook

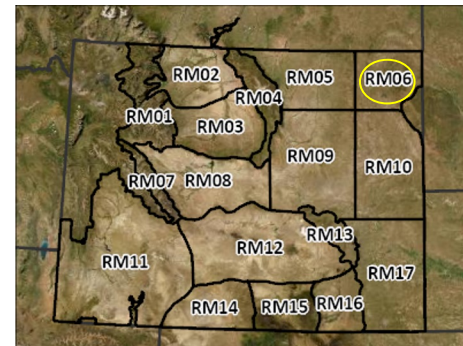
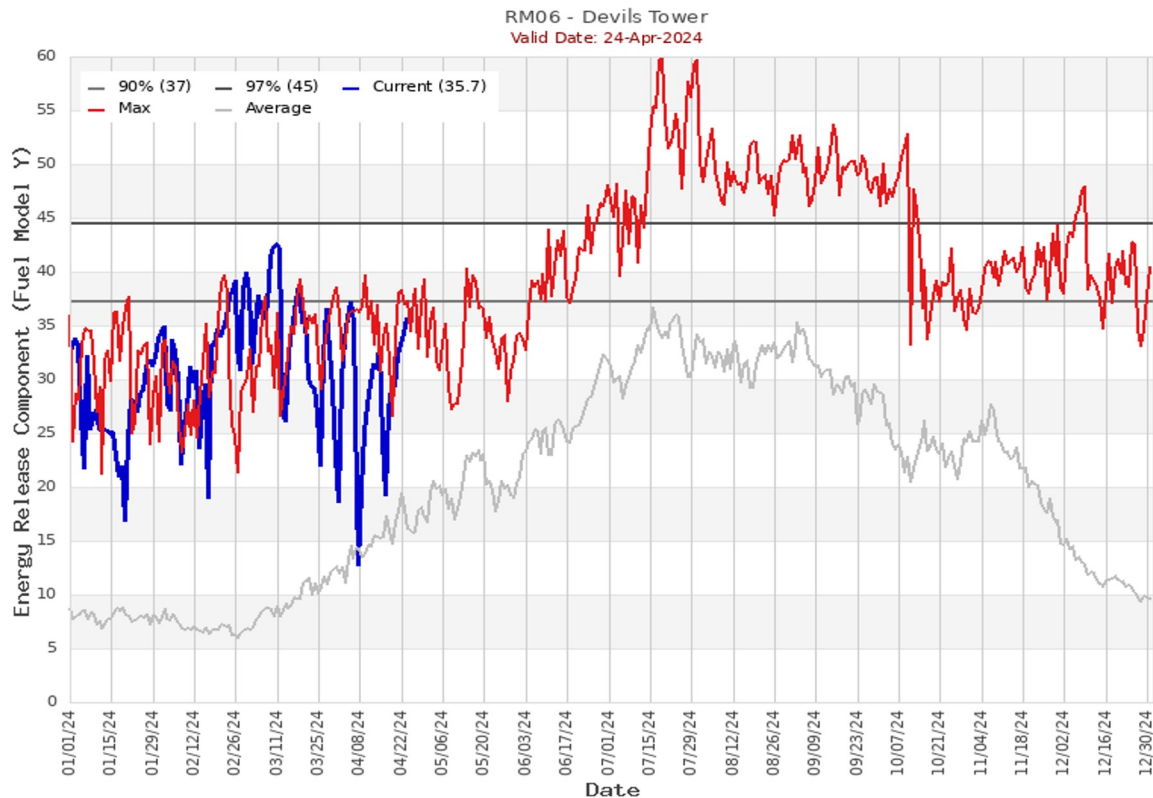
## *Fuel Moisture Content Basics*

- **Fuel Moisture Content** - A key contributor to fire behavior along with weather and topography. Measures the amount of water in a fuel, expressed as a percentage of the dry weight.
- **Two Main Types of Wildland Fuel**
  - **Live Fuels-** Moisture content changes based on a number of factors, including plant phenology, time of year, and soil moisture. During dormancy, live fuels may resemble dead.
  - **Dead Fuels-** Absorb moisture from humidity in the air around them at variable rates depending on size. Classified by “time lag”, amount of time it takes for the fuel to gain or lose substantial moisture.
    - **1 Hour** - < 1/4” - grasses, forbs etc...
    - **10 Hour** - 1/4” to 1” - small twigs and branches
    - **100 Hour-** 1” to 3” - larger branches and small trees
    - **1000 Hour-** > 3” - downed logs, large branches
- **Fuel Loading-** Measured in tons per acre, highly variable depending on predominant vegetation.



# Wildland Fire Potential and Outlook

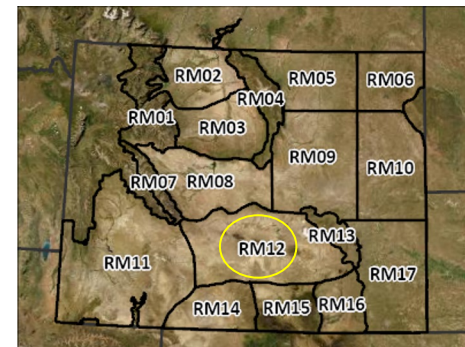
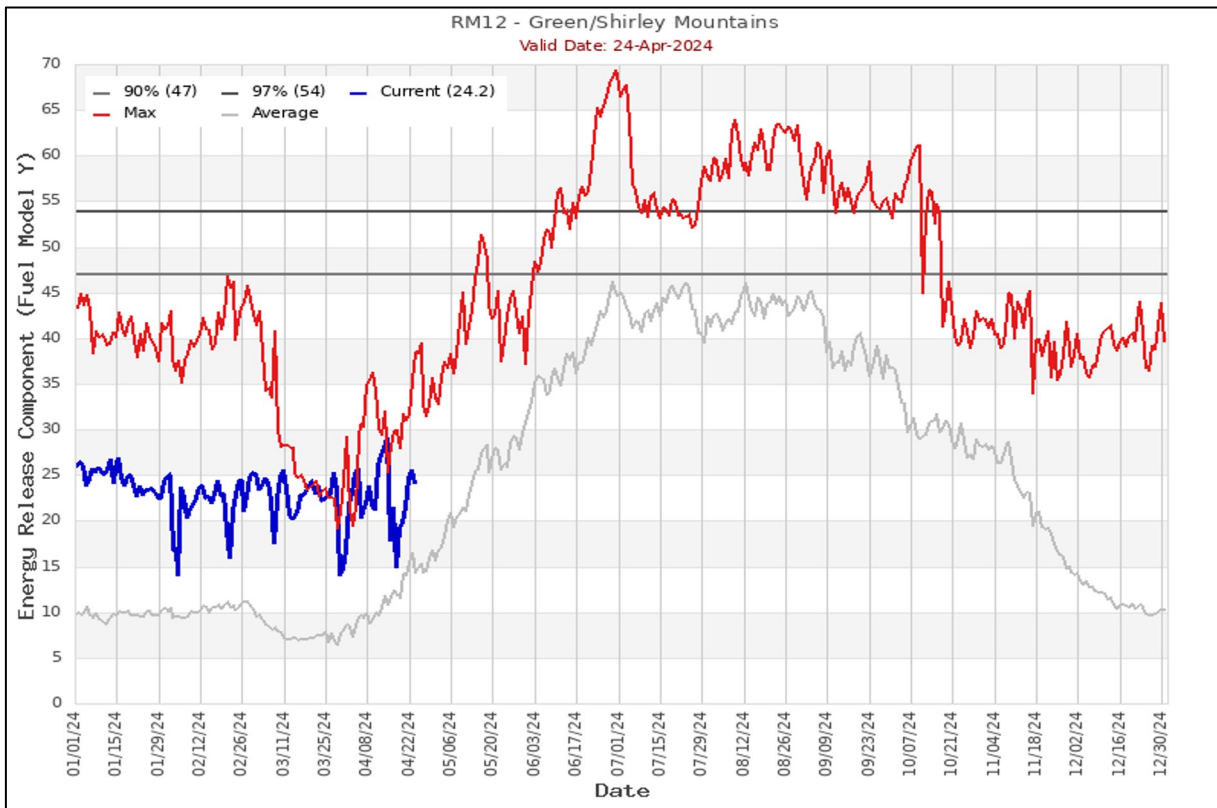
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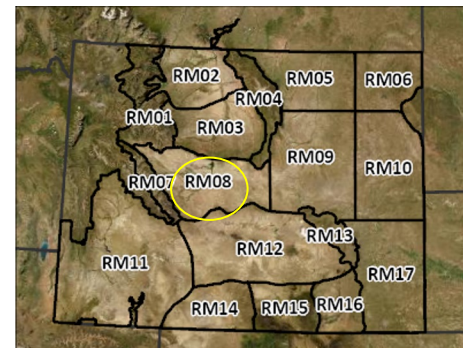
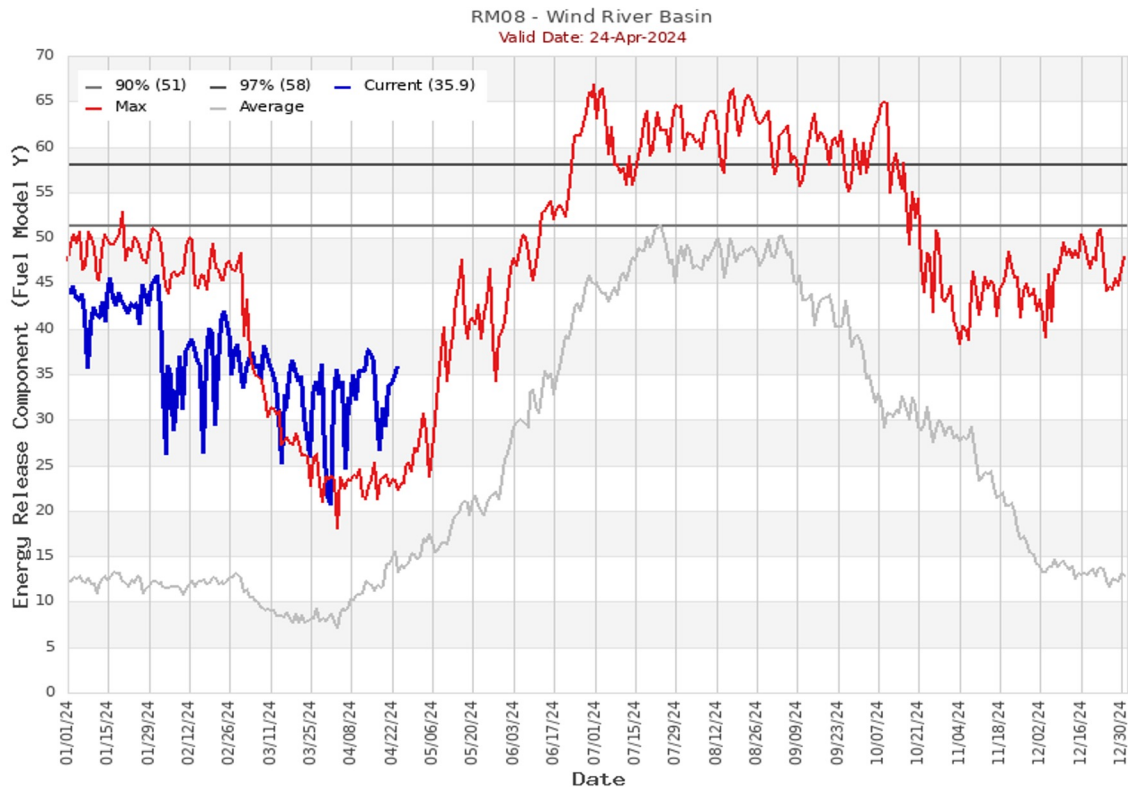






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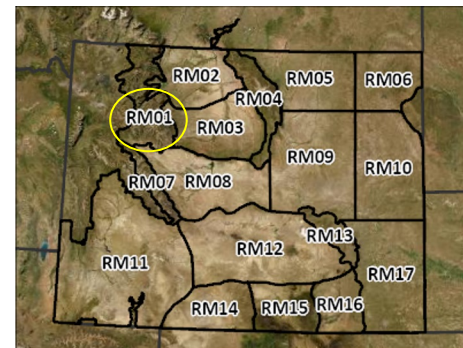
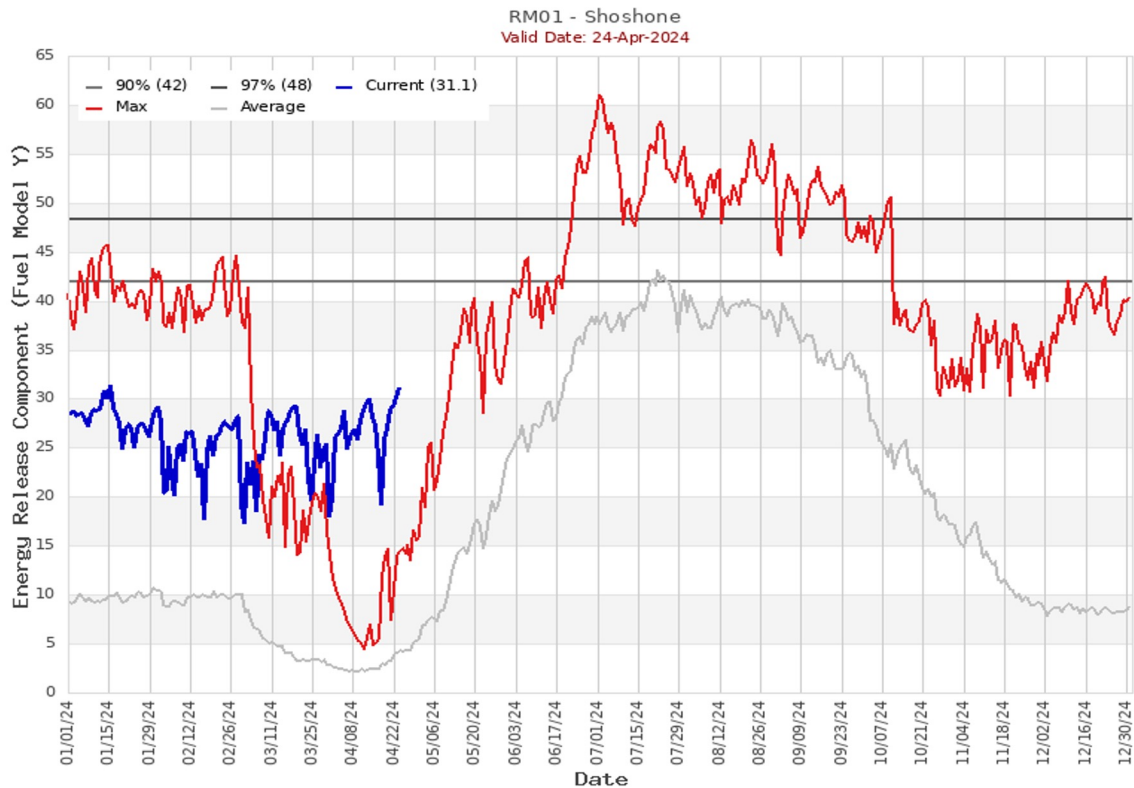
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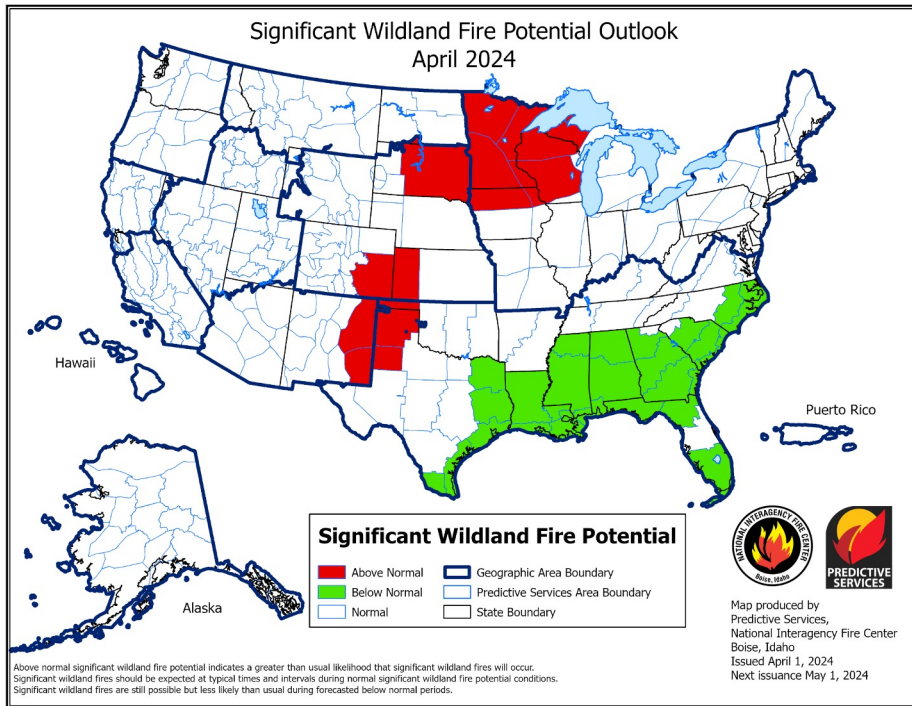
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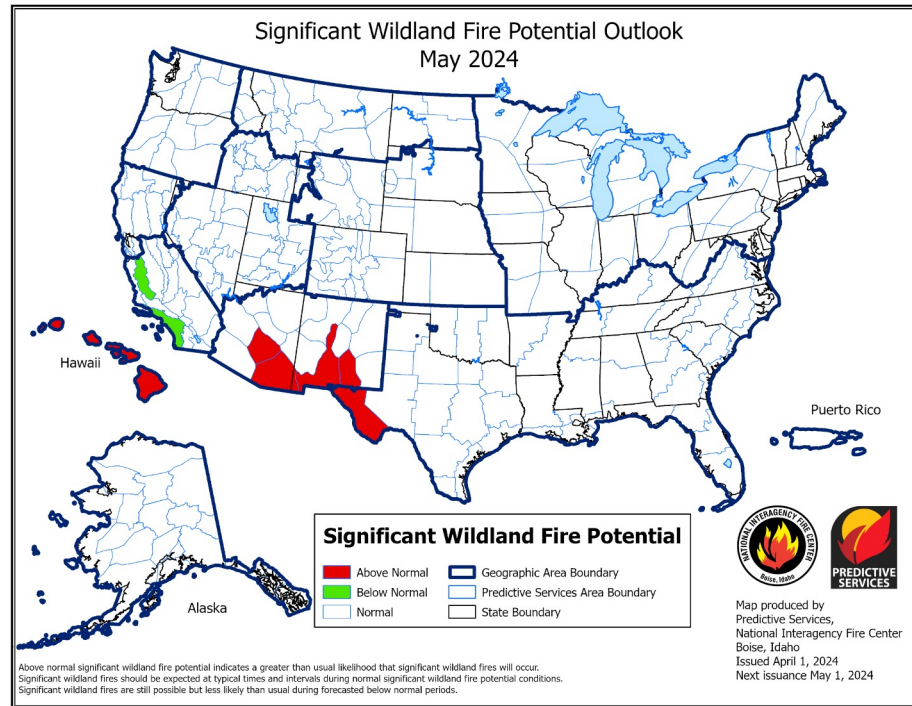
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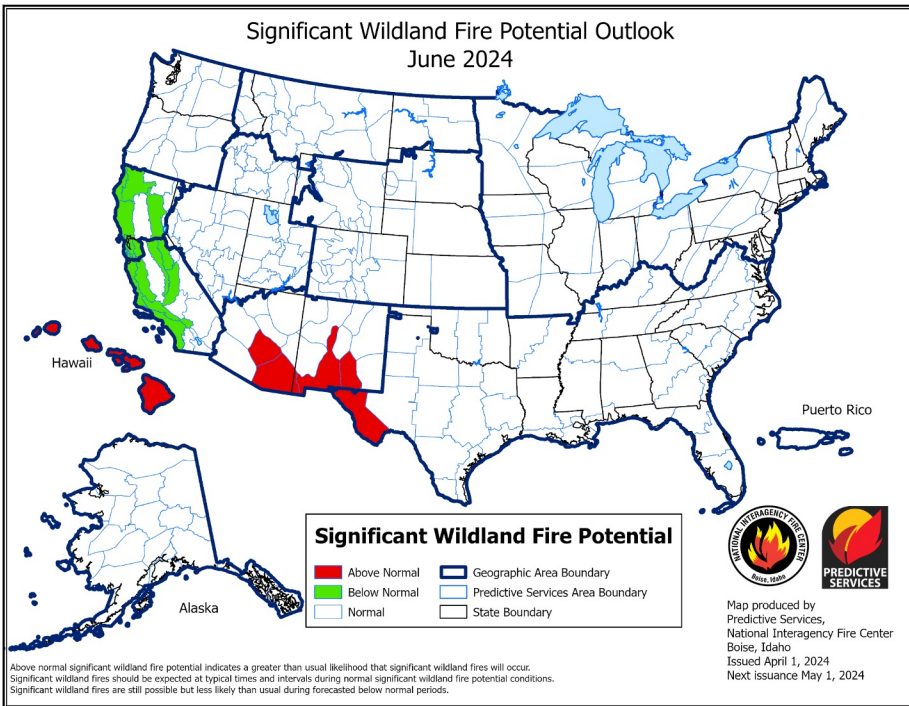
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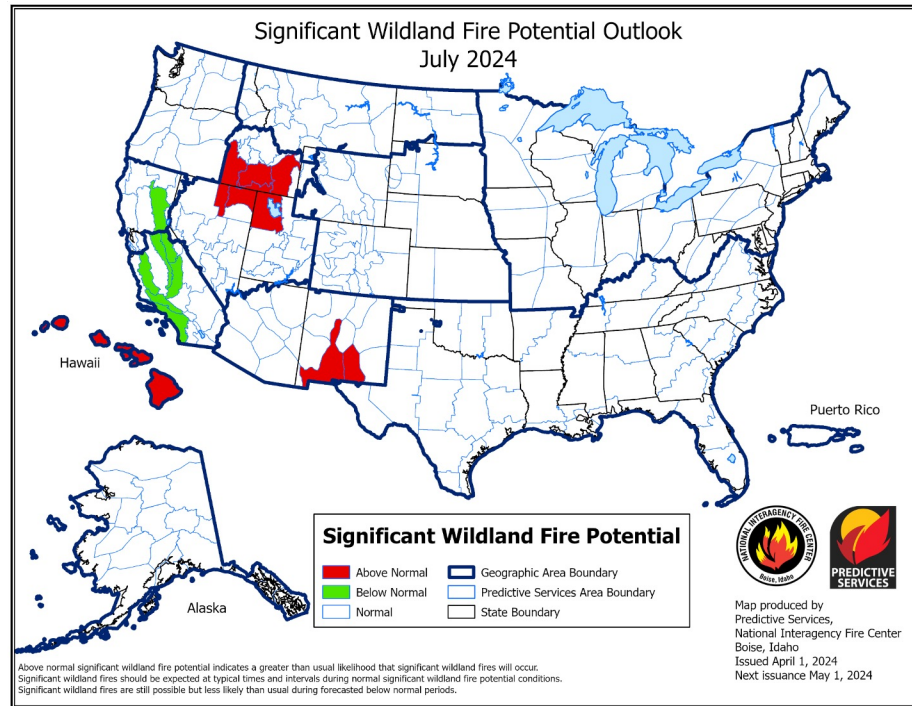
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# Highlight of the Month: Resources for addressing agricultural stress in Wyoming.

# IT'S OK TO ASK FOR HELP

Have you experienced problems like rising costs, market fluctuations, family conflicts, or extreme weather?

Are you stressed or feeling defeated?

*Even the toughest people  
NEED HELP sometimes.*

**AgriStress**  
**HELPLINE**<sup>SM</sup>  
for Wyoming

 **833.897.2474**  
call or text



Scan code  
to save the  
number!





# Counseling Vouchers



- Up to 6 sessions
- Provider reimbursement
- Pilot project – funding until August '24
- Contact Sheila Ricley at ALIGN - [sricley@thealignteam.org](mailto:sricley@thealignteam.org) 307-772-9011

# No More Empty Saddles

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# Beyond the Weather



Resources Get Help

GROWING RURAL MENTAL HEALTH  
**beyond**  
the weather

Growing Mental Health For Agricultural Communities

If you or someone you know needs an immediate pathway out of the stress they are facing, click on the state below to gain access to resources and free counseling available in your area.

Windows taskbar: Type here to search, 100%, 32°F, Mostly sunny, 1:48 PM, 1/23/24



# Ag Stress Roundtable

- Open to anyone
- Share resources
- Meet quarterly(ish)
- Contact Lucy ([lucy.Pauley@wyo.gov](mailto:lucy.Pauley@wyo.gov))

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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:**  
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**Thank you!**