

CBRFC/NRCS DISCUSSION

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March 27, 2012

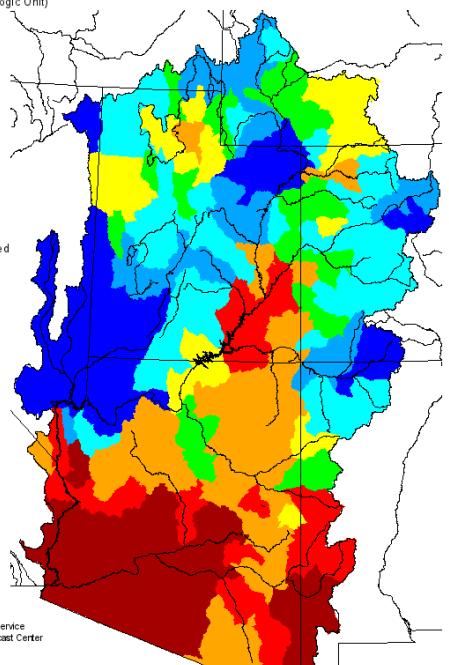
WY 2012 PRECIPITATION AND SNOWPACK CONDITIONS

Monthly Precipitation for October 2011

(Averaged by Hydrologic Unit)

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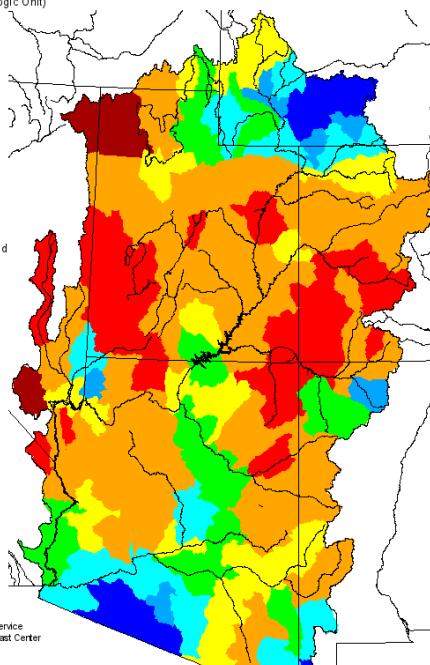


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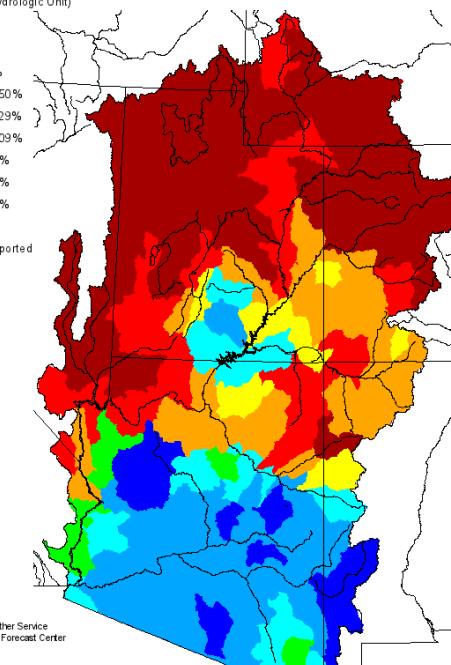


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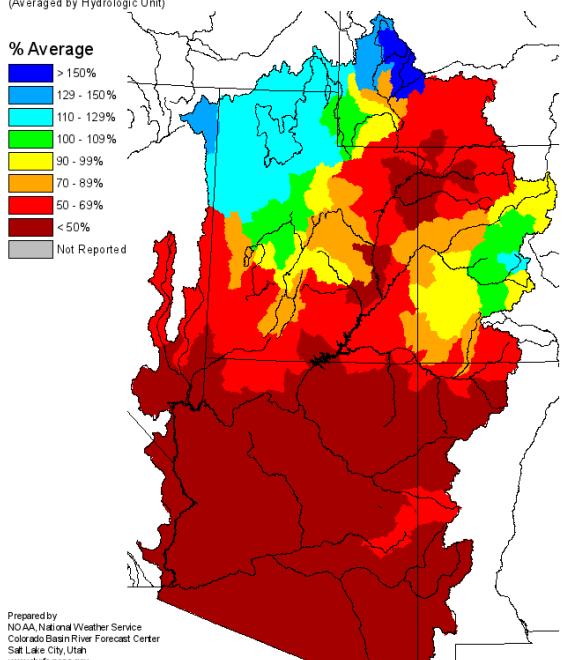


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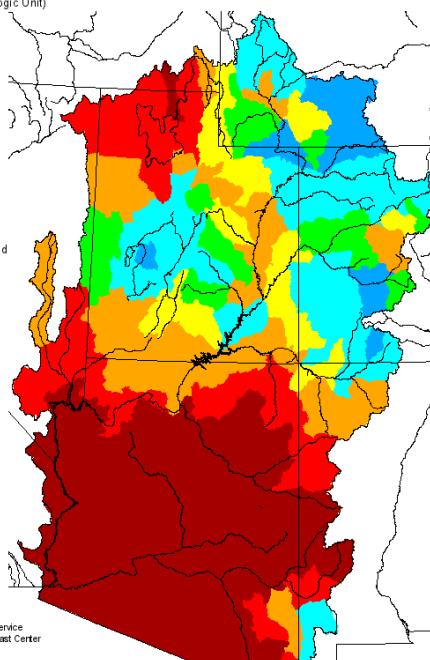


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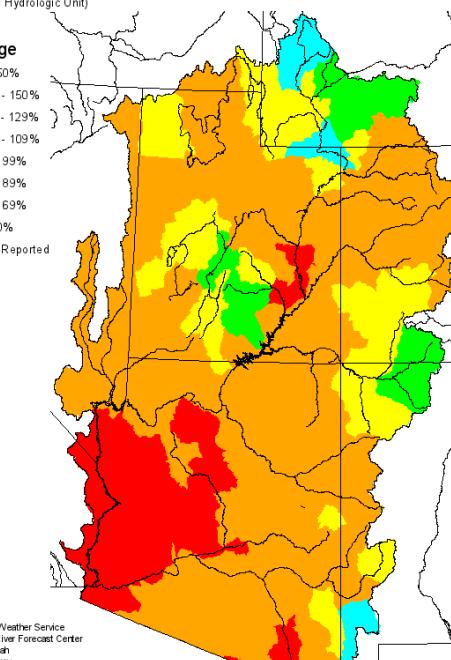


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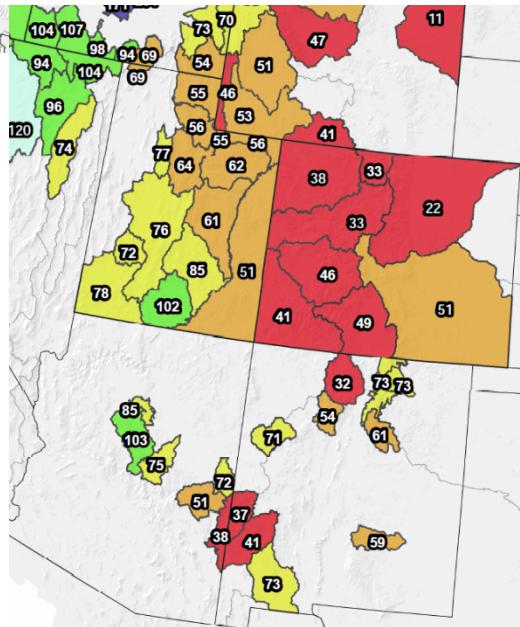
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Westwide SNOTEL Current Month to Date Precipitation % of Normal

Mar 26, 2012

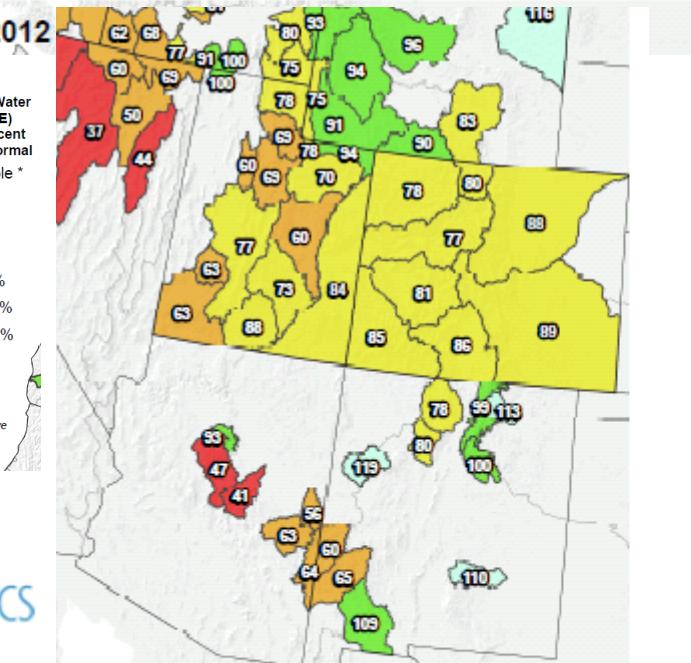
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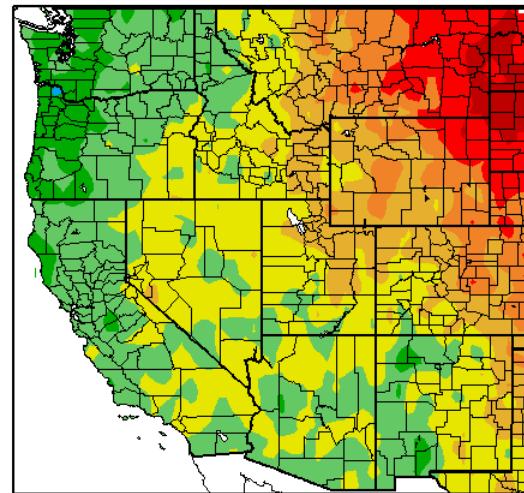
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Departure from Normal Temperature (F)

3/1/2012 – 3/25/2012



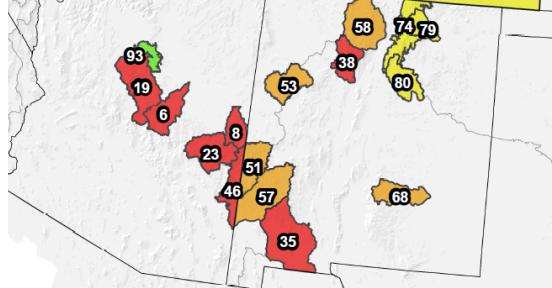
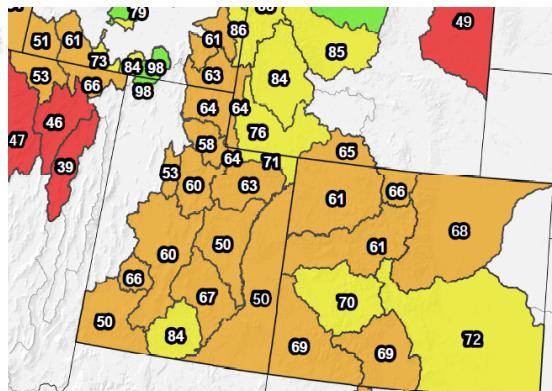
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Regional Climate Centers

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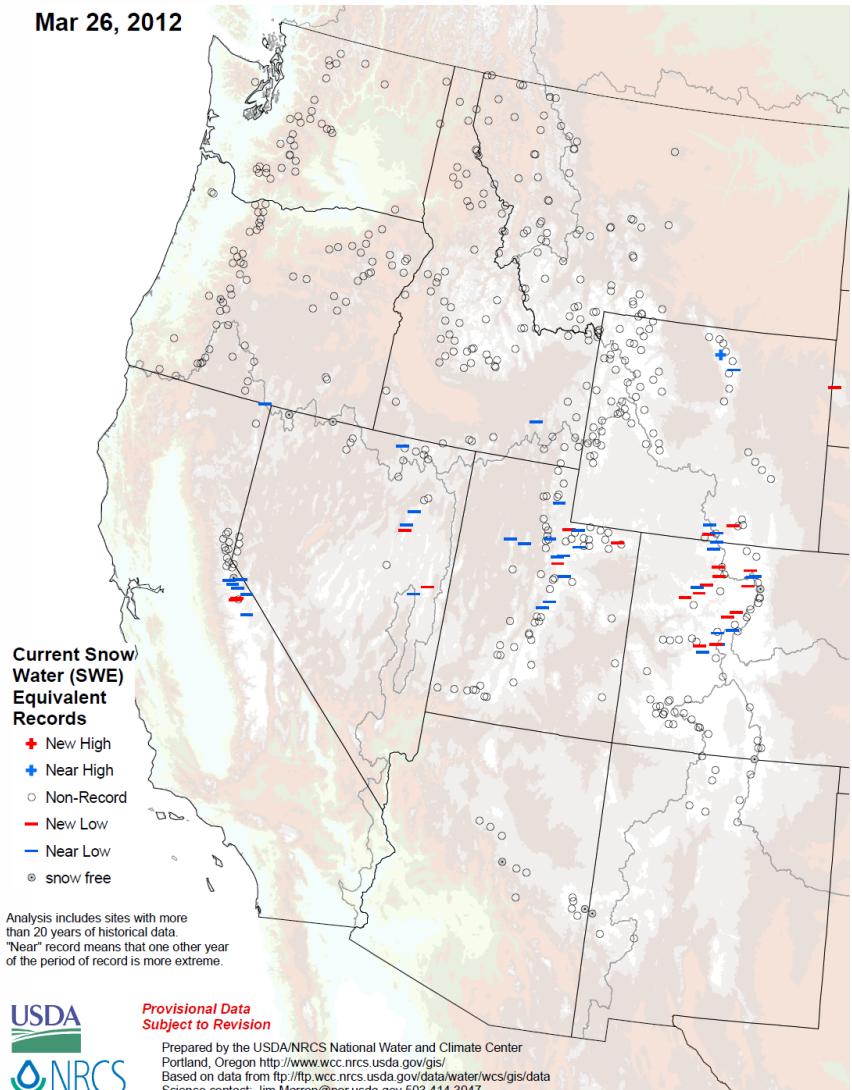
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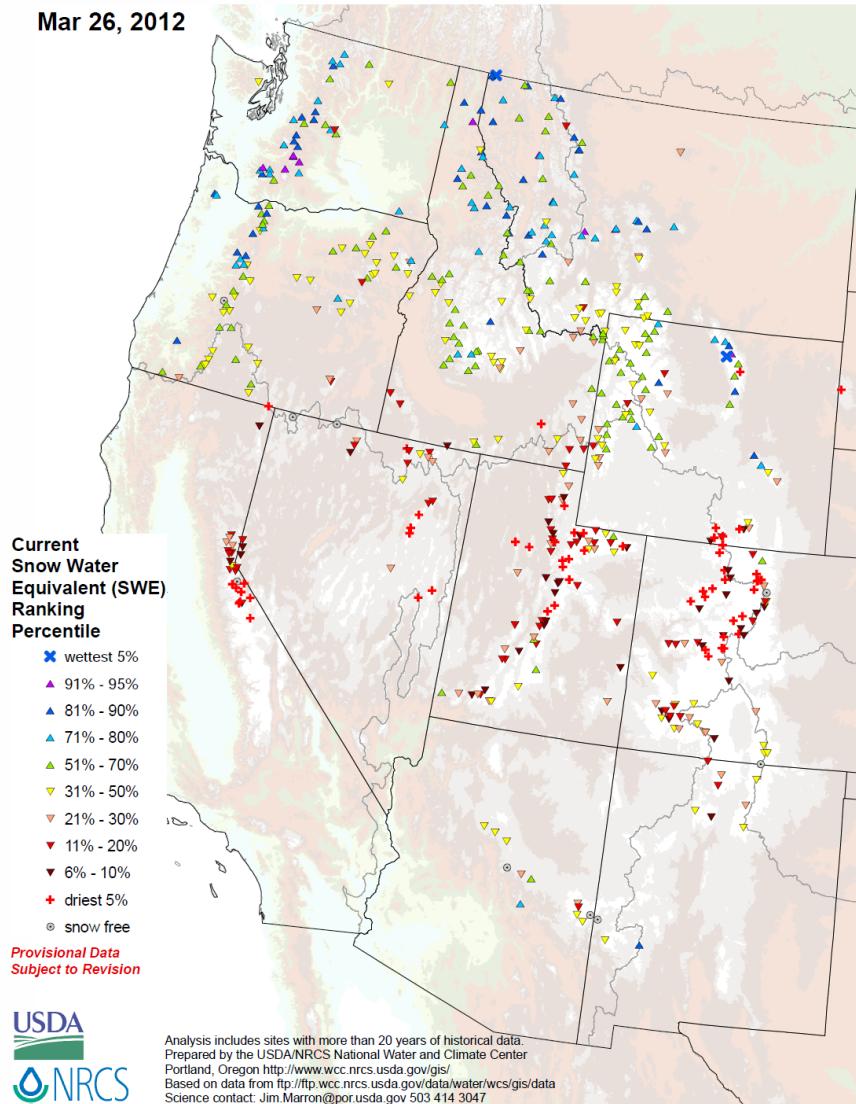
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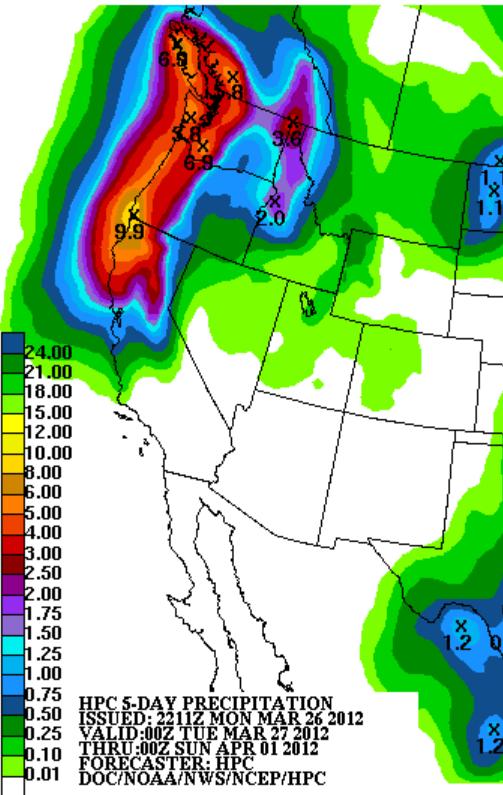


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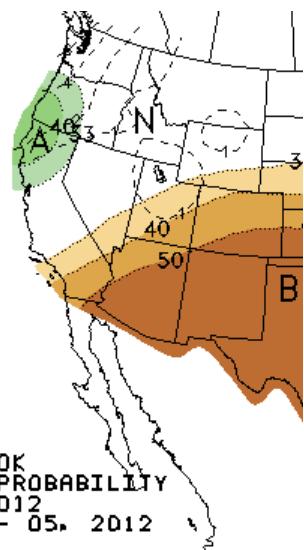
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WY 2012 WEATHER AND CLIMATE FORECASTS

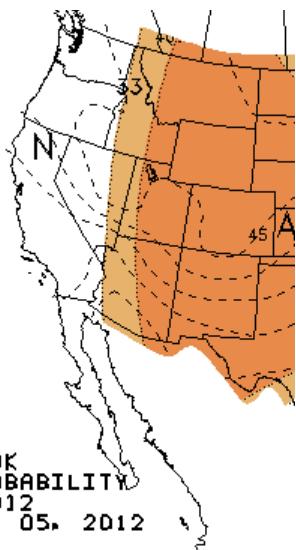


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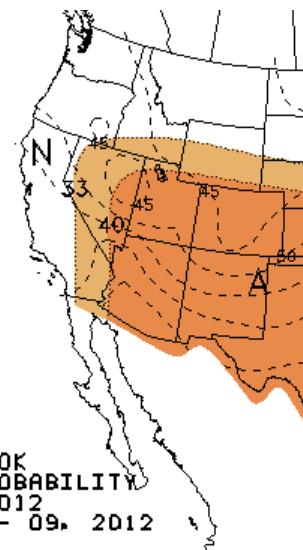
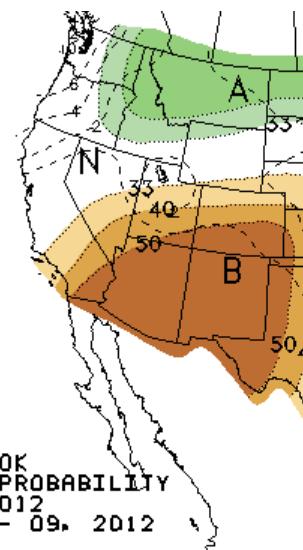


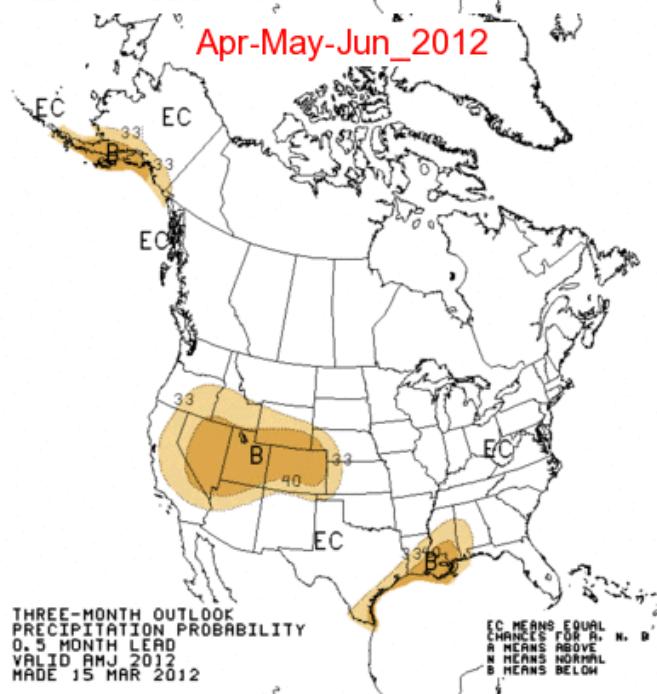
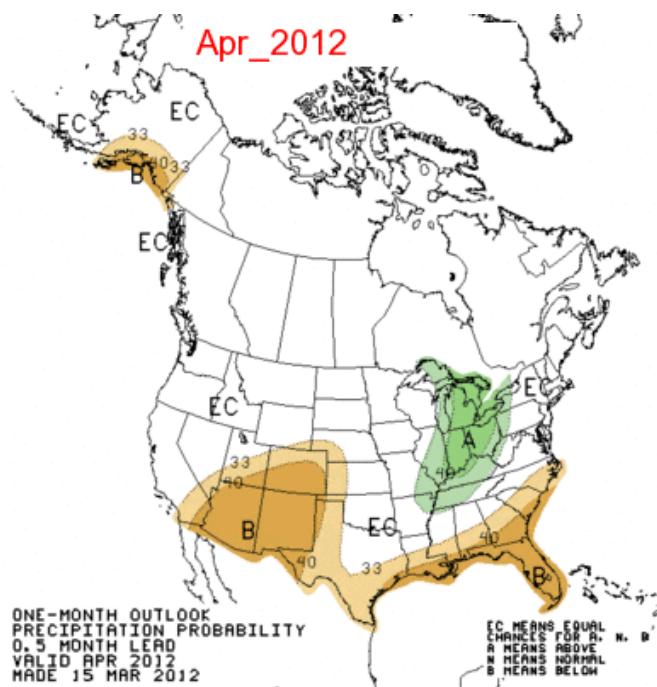
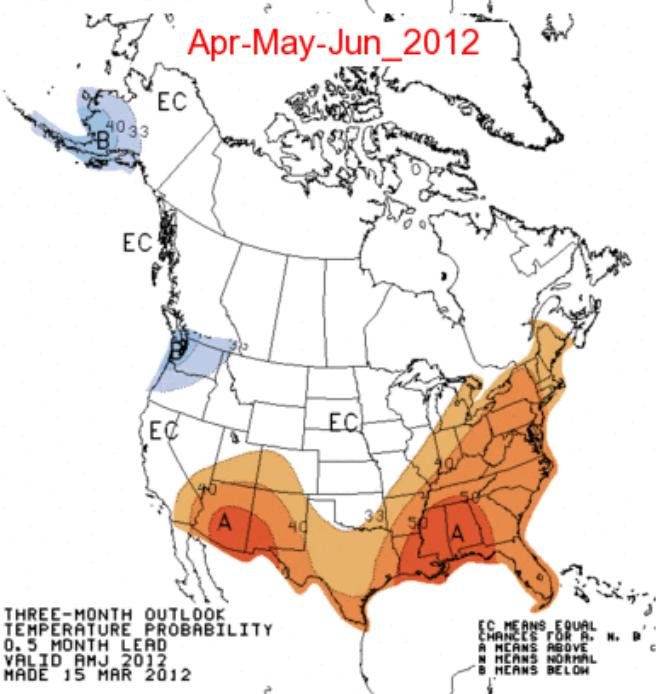
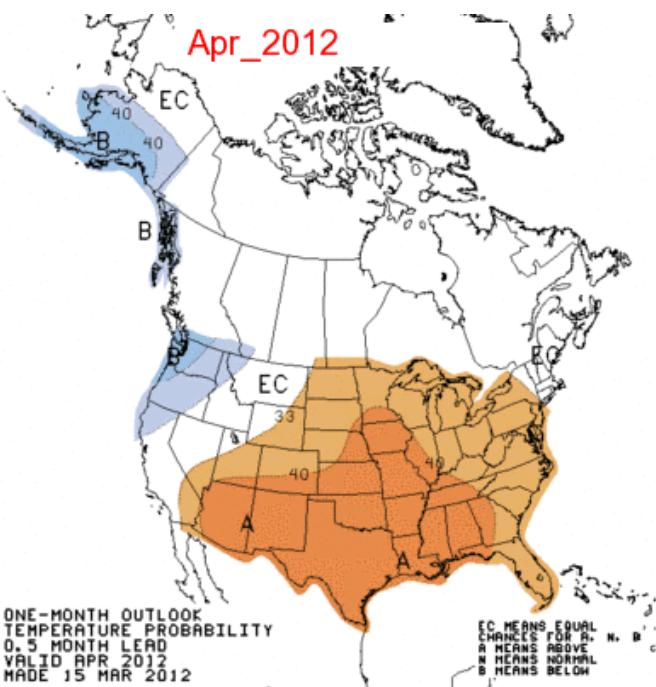
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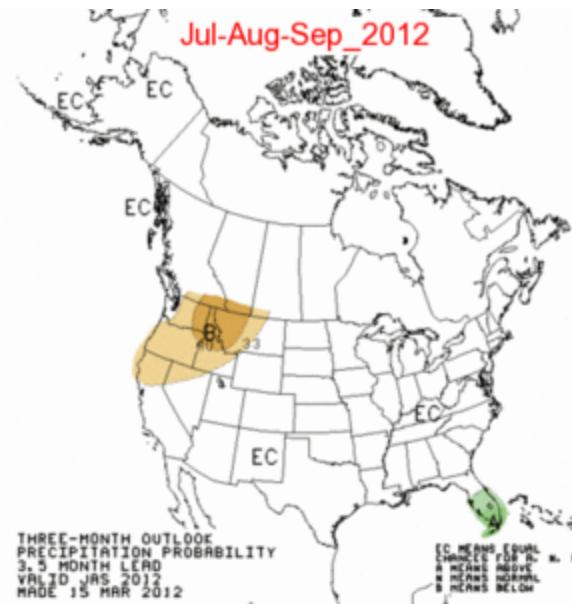
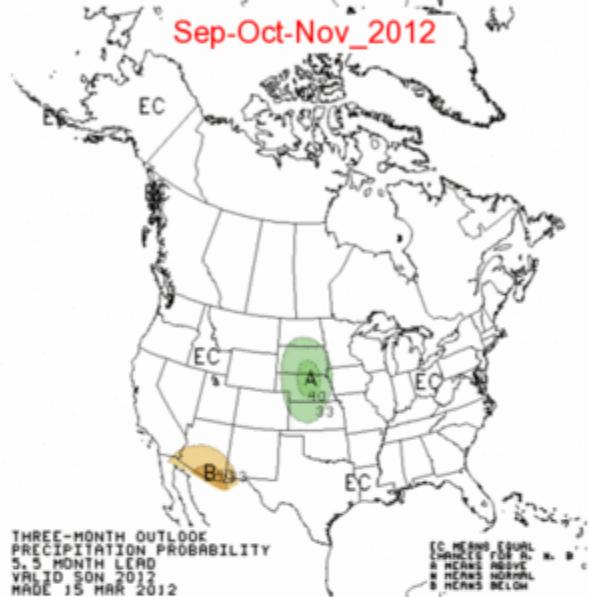
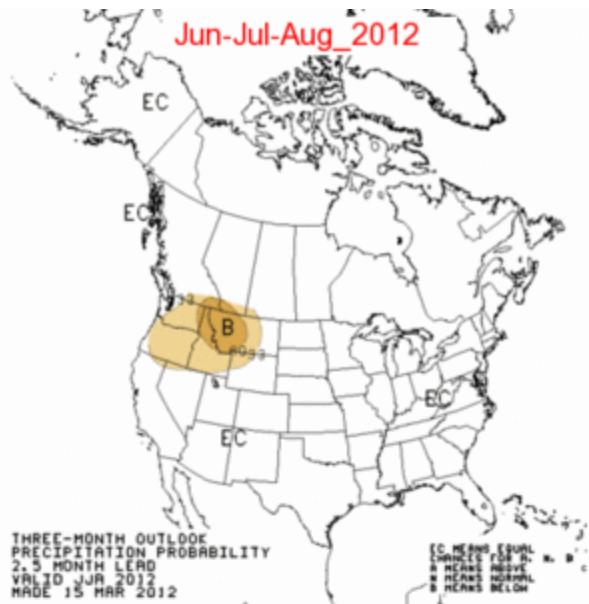
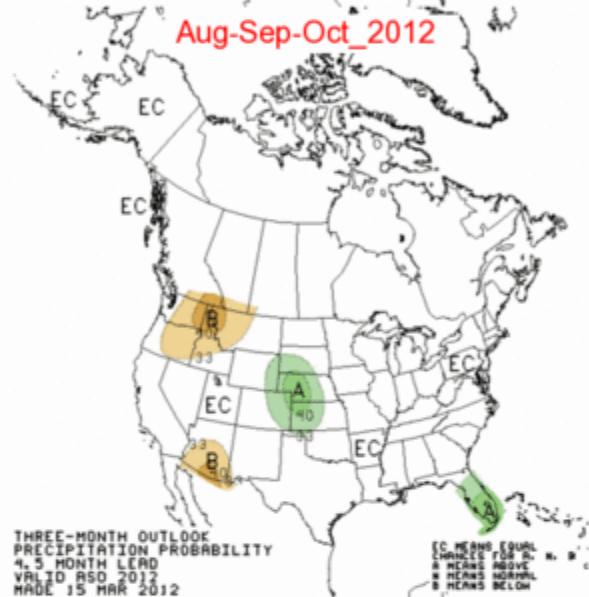
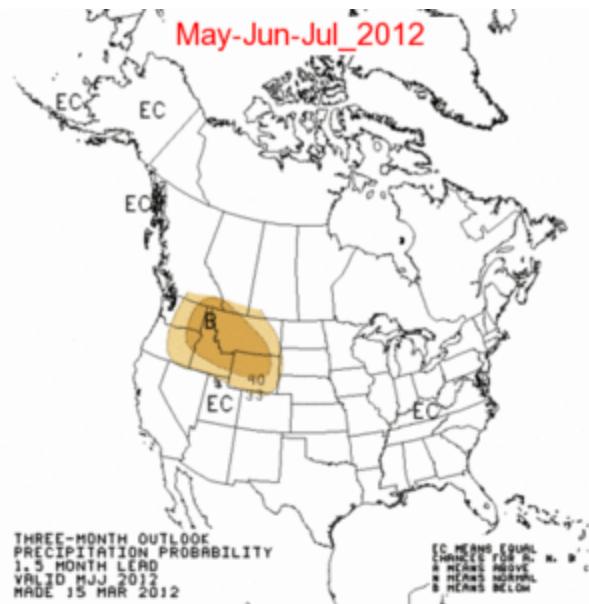
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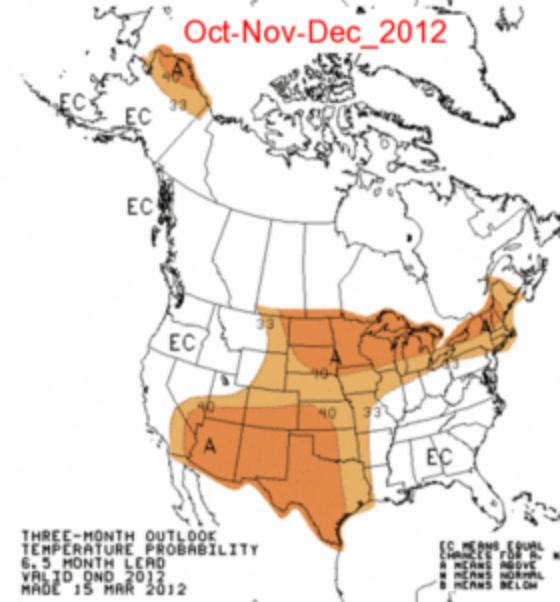
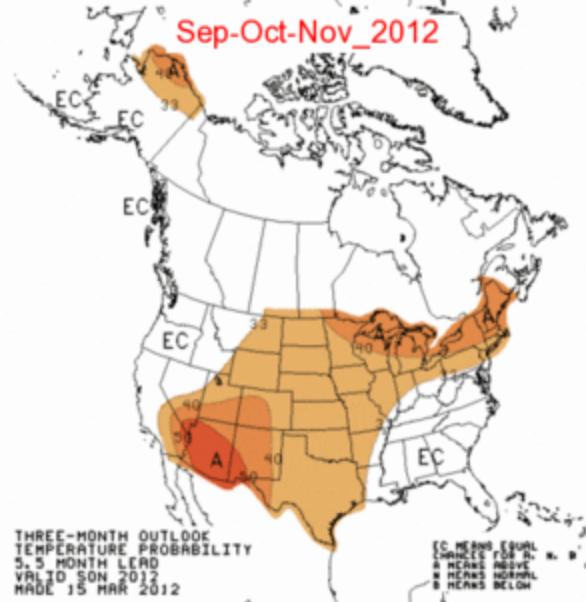
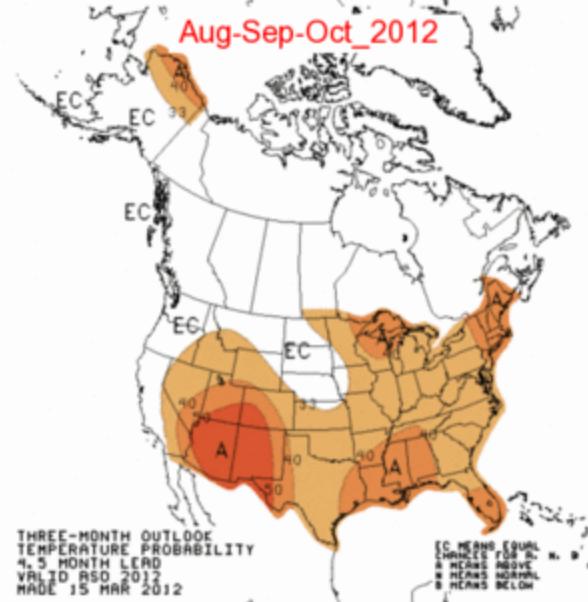
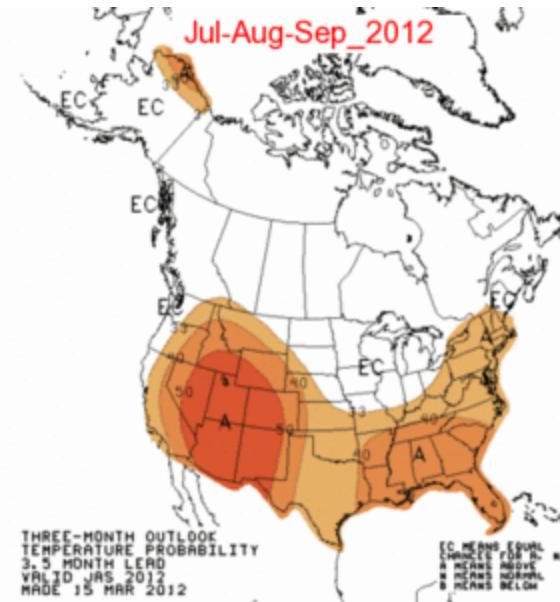
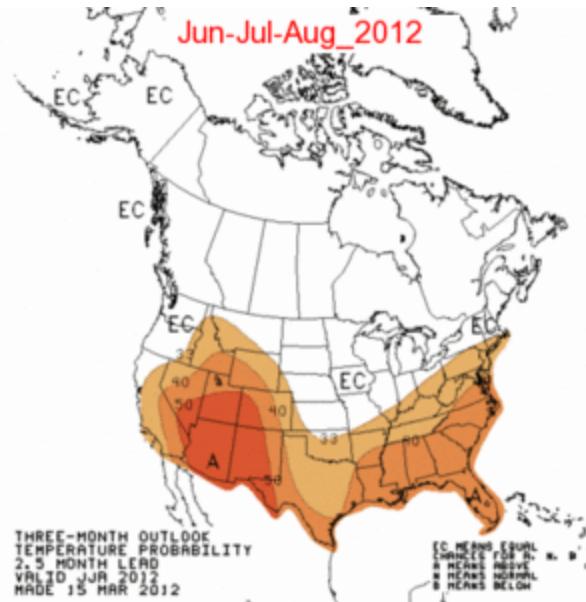
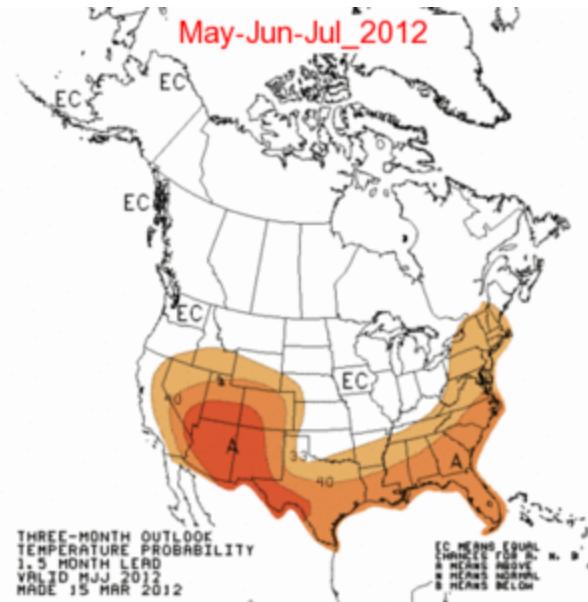


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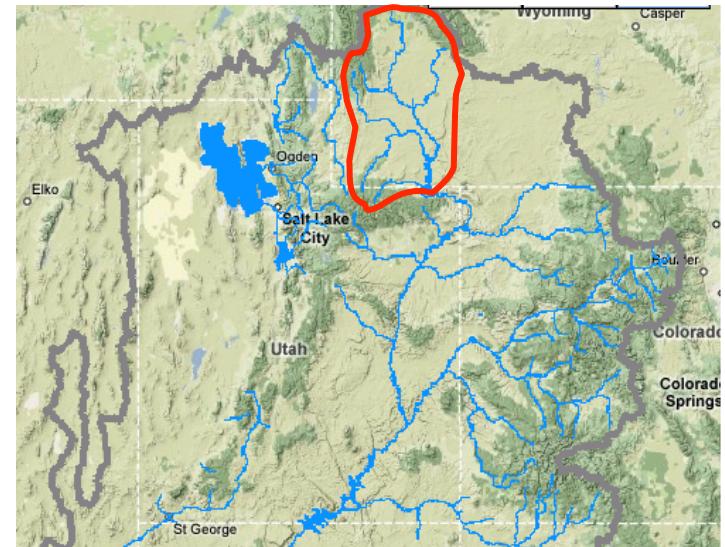






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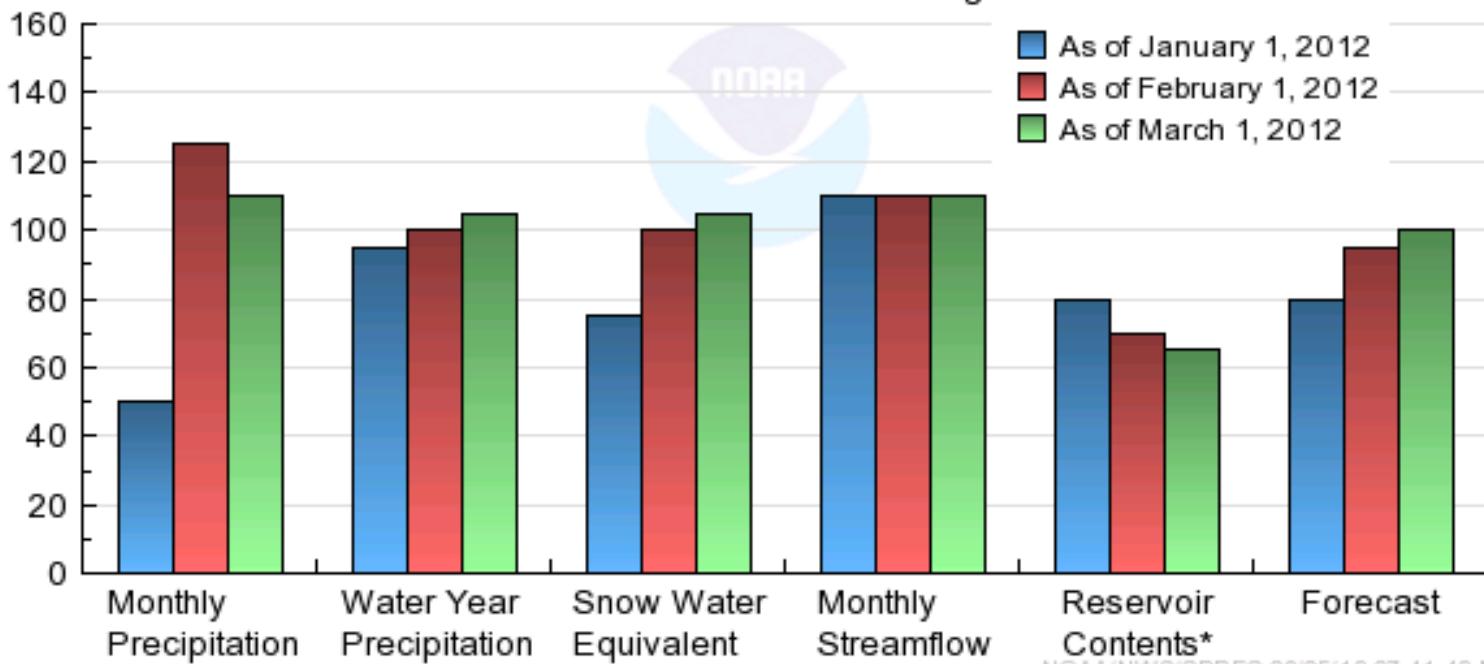
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Upper Green Basin Conditions

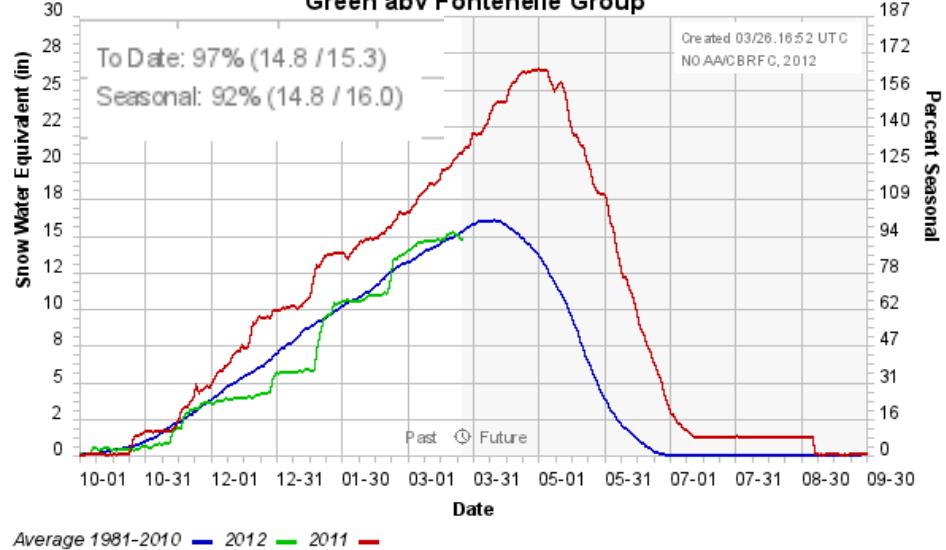
Percent of 1981-2010 Average

- NOAA
- As of January 1, 2012
 - As of February 1, 2012
 - As of March 1, 2012



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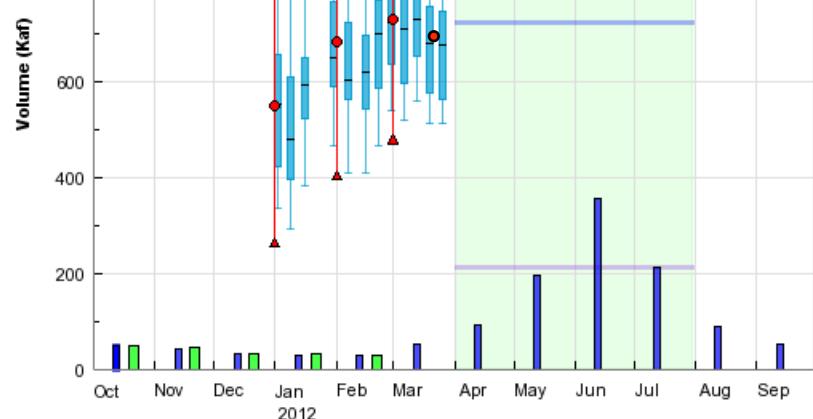


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CBRFC-SWS	748 (rtd)		
CBRFC-ESP (qpf / no qpf)	722/726	672/690	660/670
NRCS- Daily	802	742	727
NRCS-Statistical	730	690	690
Coordinated	730/101%	690/95%	

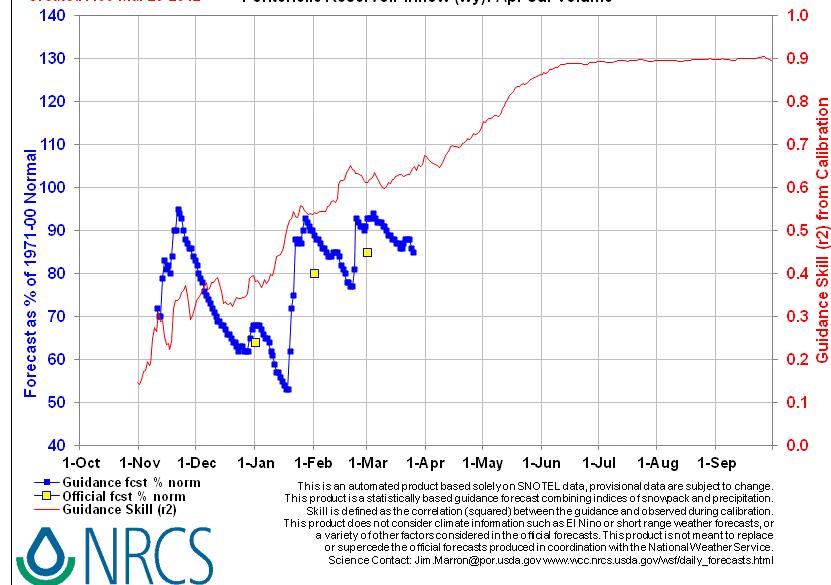
GREEN - FONTENELLE RES, FONTENELLE NR (GBRW4)

Water Year 2012, Forecast Period Apr-Jul (highlighted)

- Forecast Period
- HISTORY (1981-2010):
- Period Minimum
- Period Normal
- NORMALS:
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- Reasonable Maximum
- Final
- Reasonable Minimum

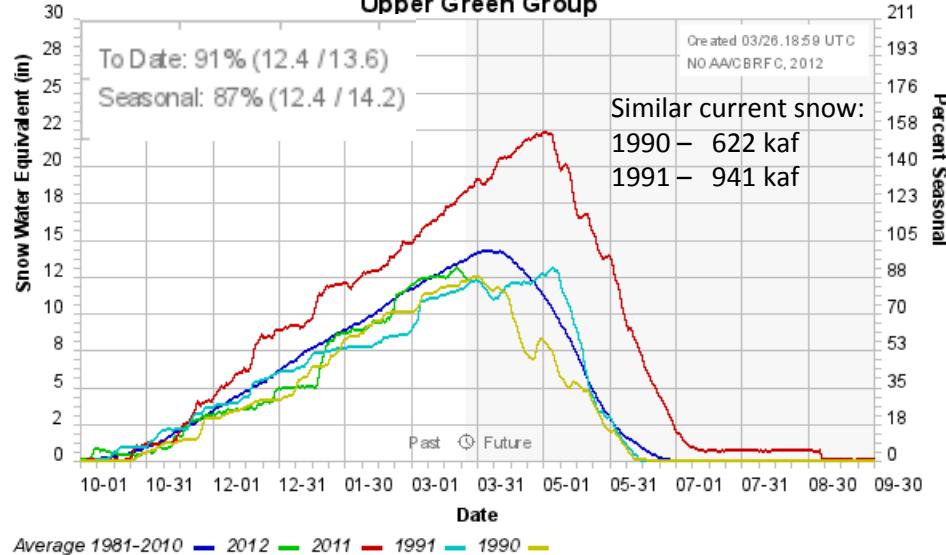


Created 7:06 Mar 25 2012 Fontenelle Reservoir Inflow (wy): Apr-Jul Volume



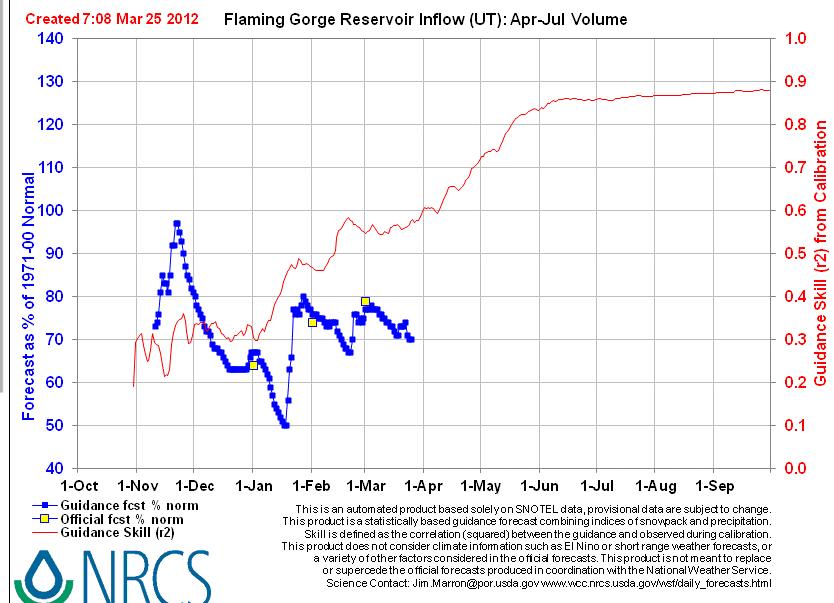
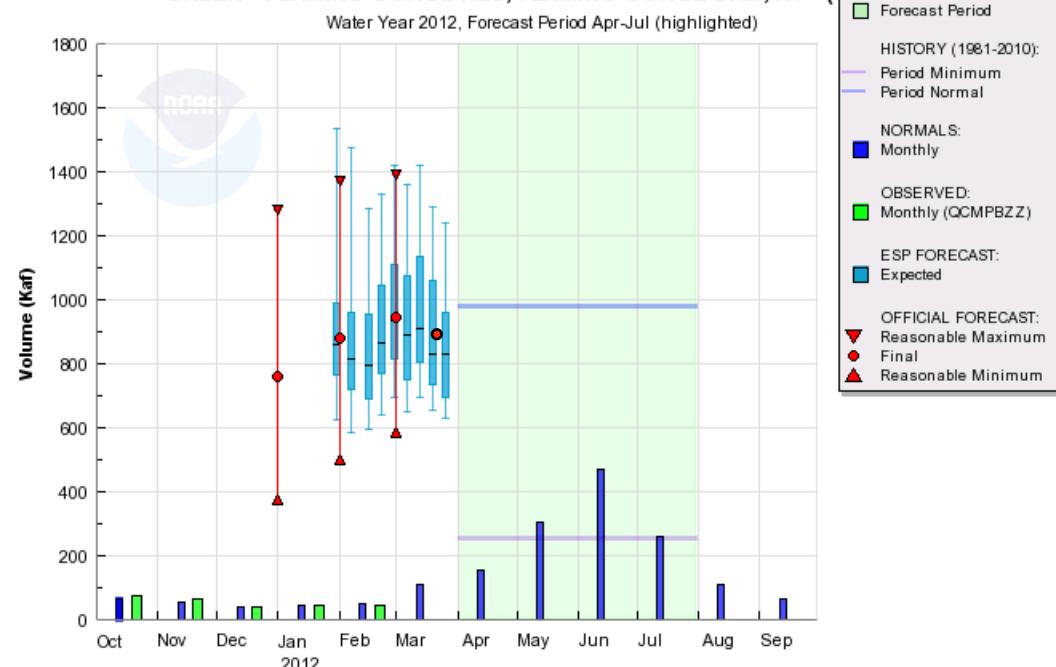
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Upper Green Group

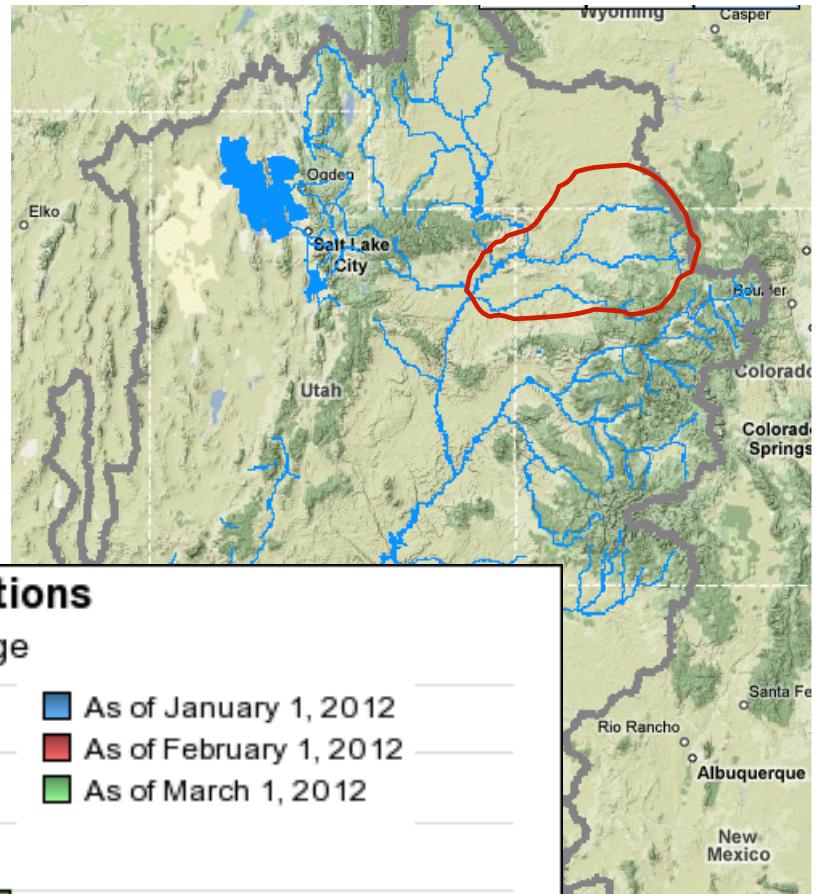


	Mar 1	Mar 19	Mar 26
CBRFC-SWS	1000 (rtd)		
CBRFC-ESP (qpf / no qpf)	934/945	845/880	821/853
NRCS- Daily	920	863	834
NRCS-Statistical	945	890	890
Coordinated	945/96%	890/91%	

GREEN - FLAMING GORGE RES, FLAMING GORGE DAM, AT (GRNLH1)

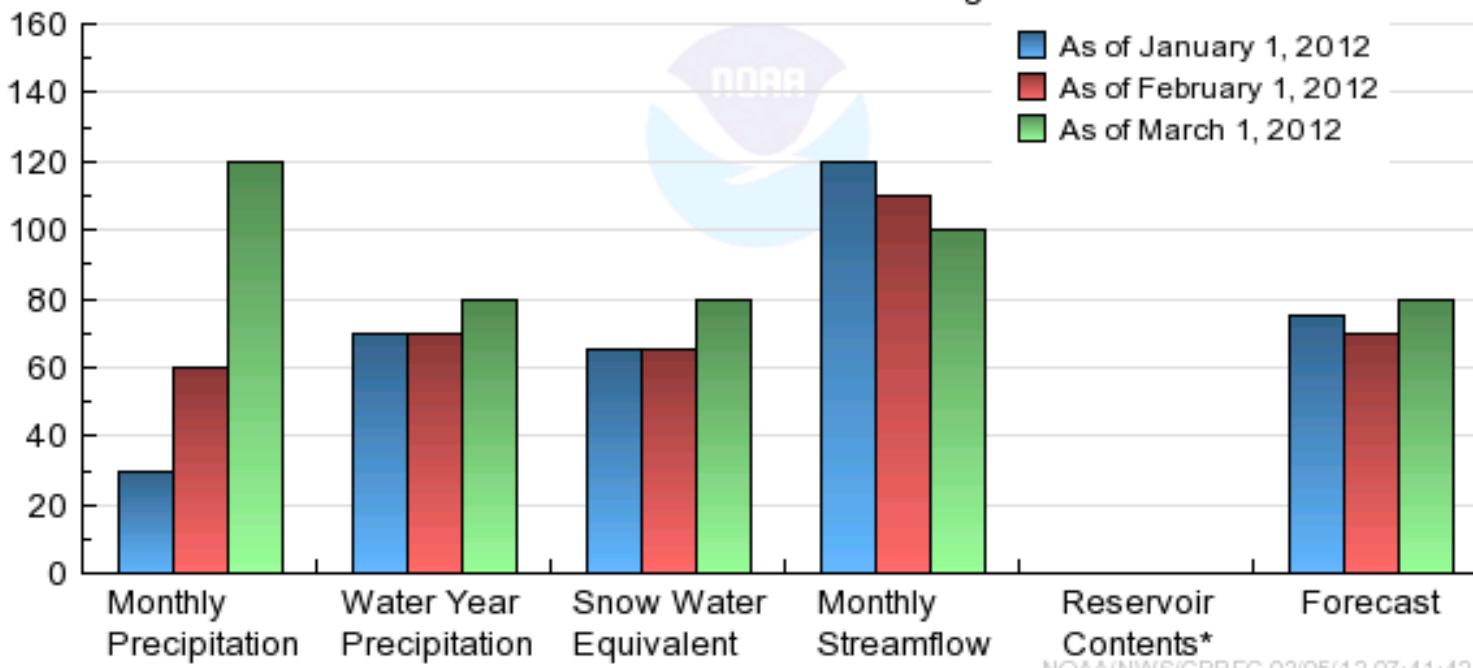


Yampa/White



Yampa/White Basin Conditions

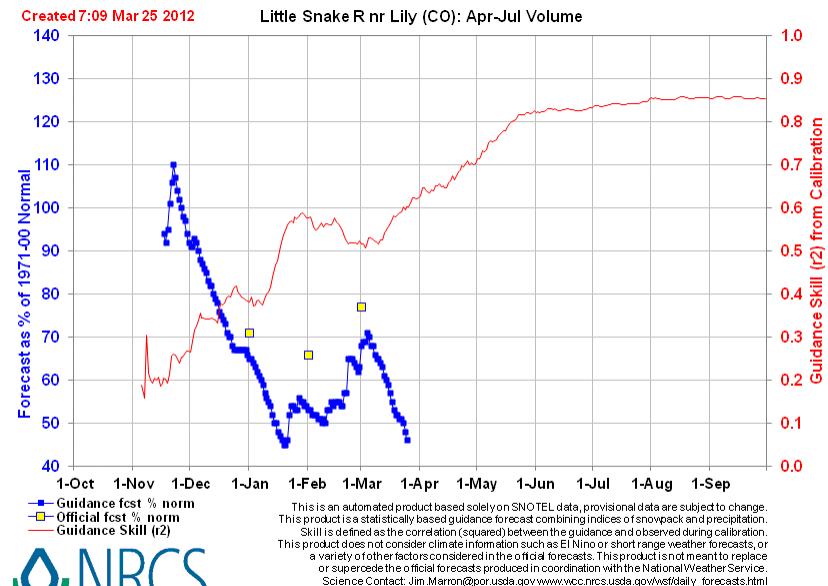
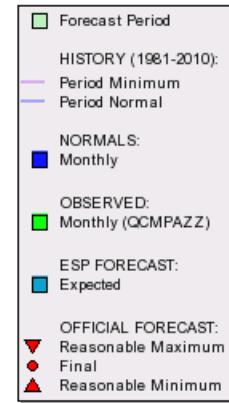
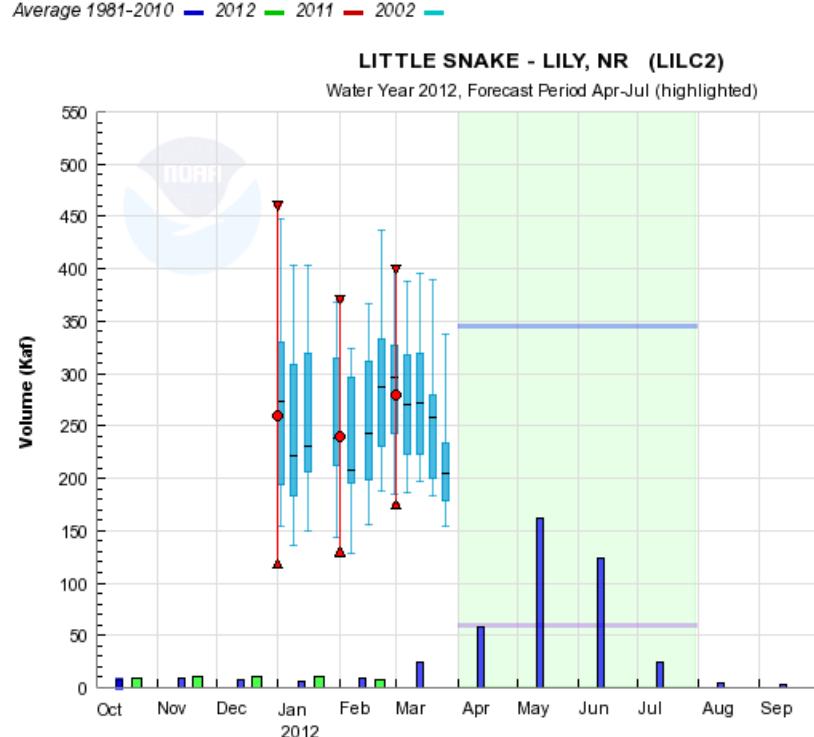
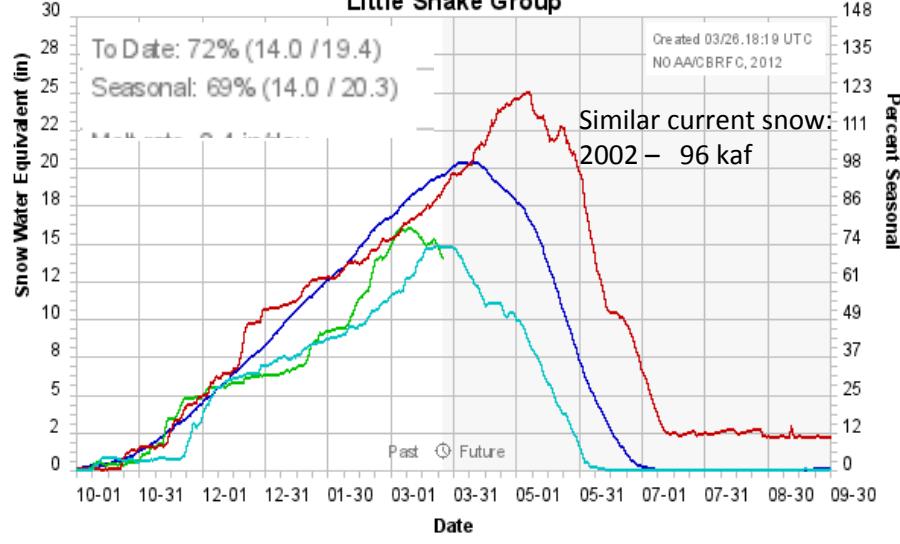
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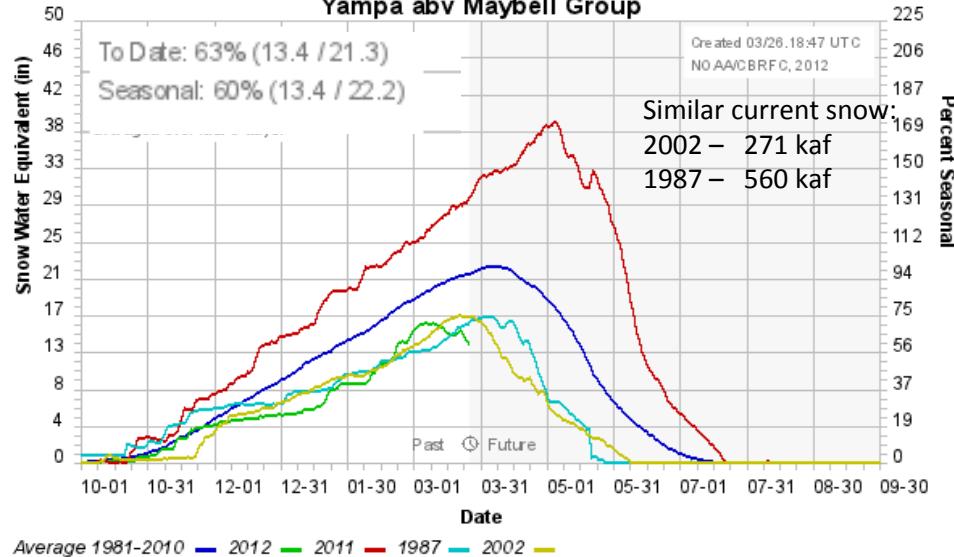
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Little Snake Group



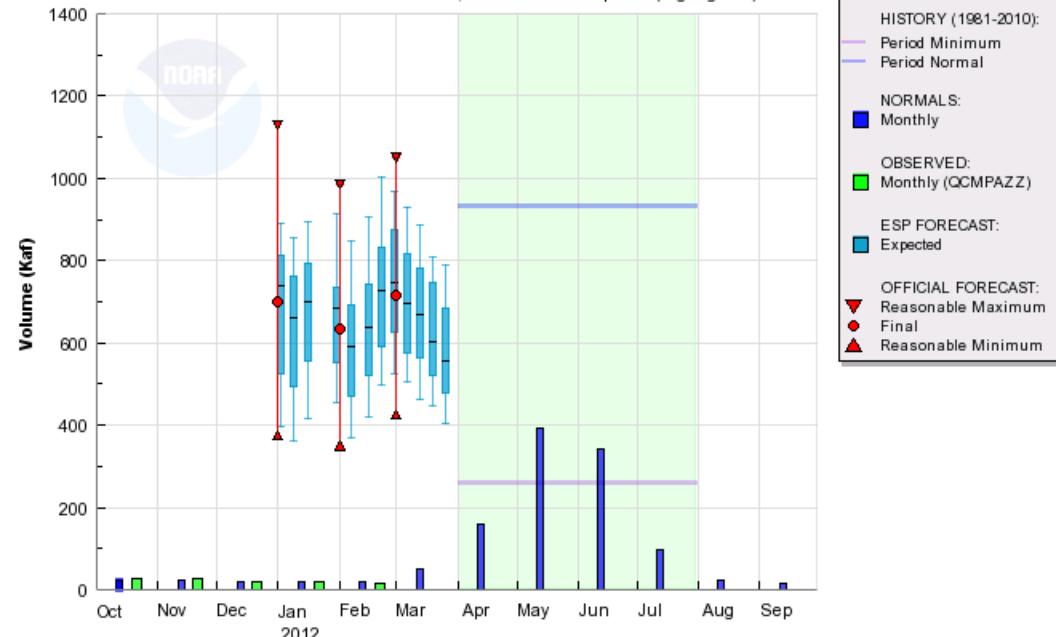
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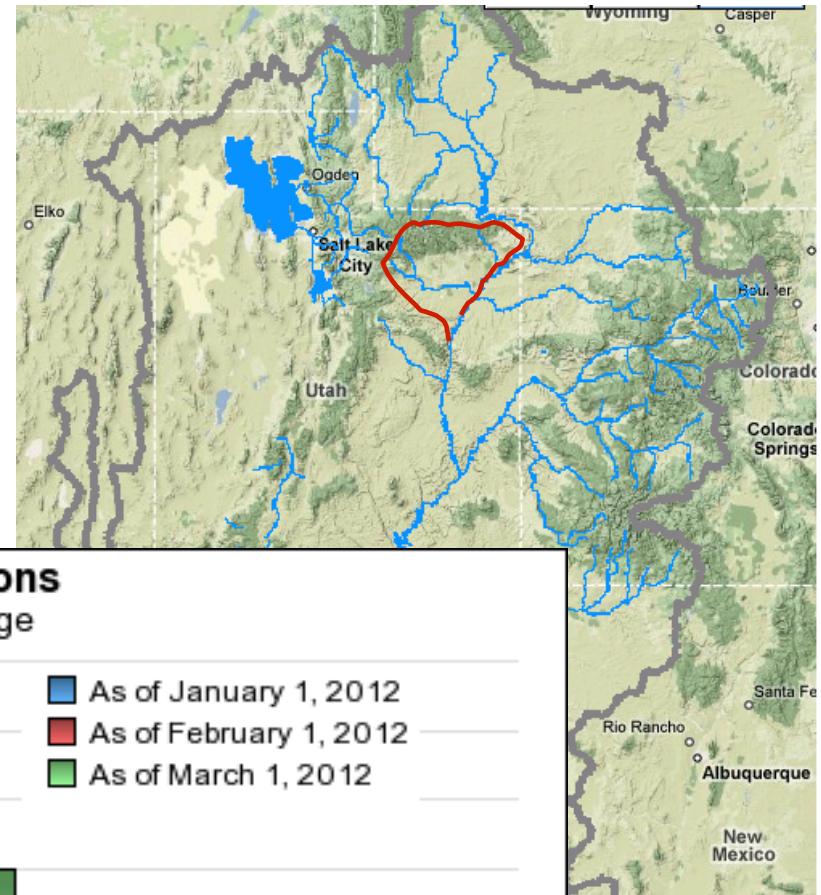
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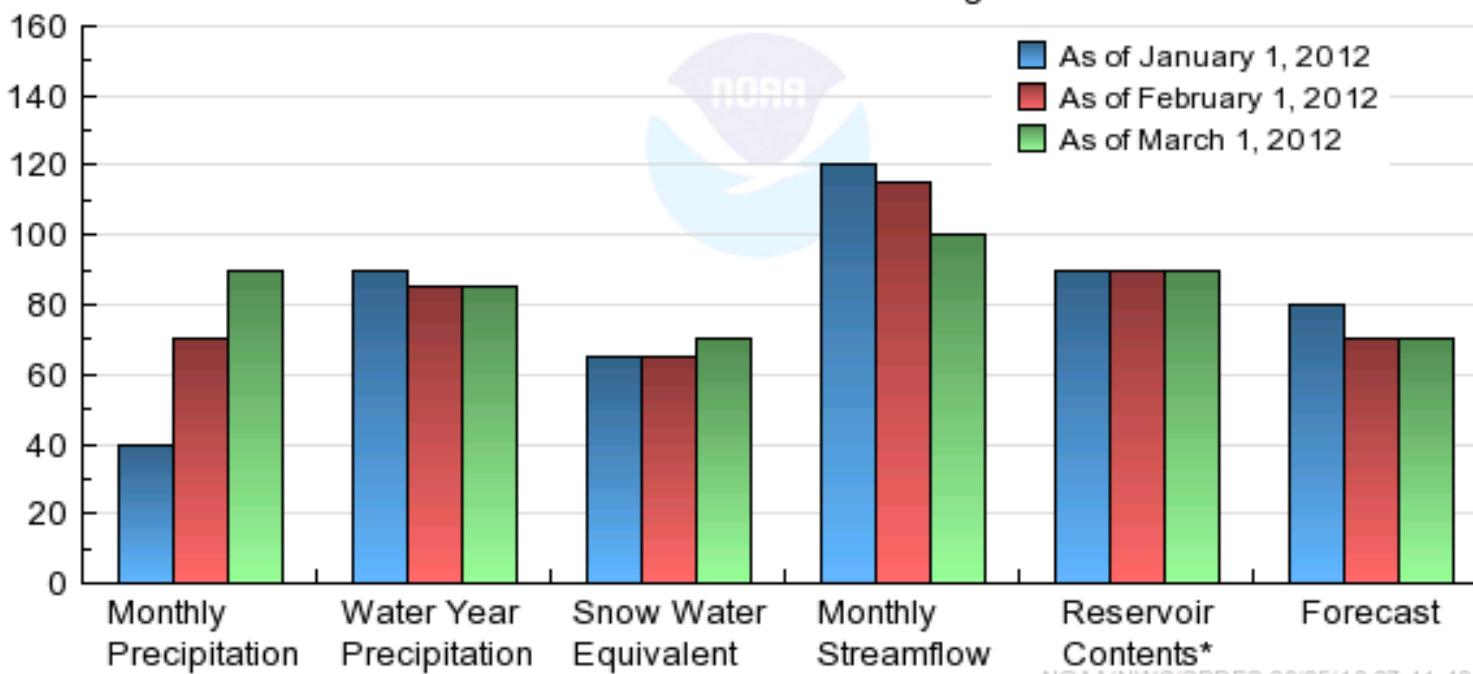
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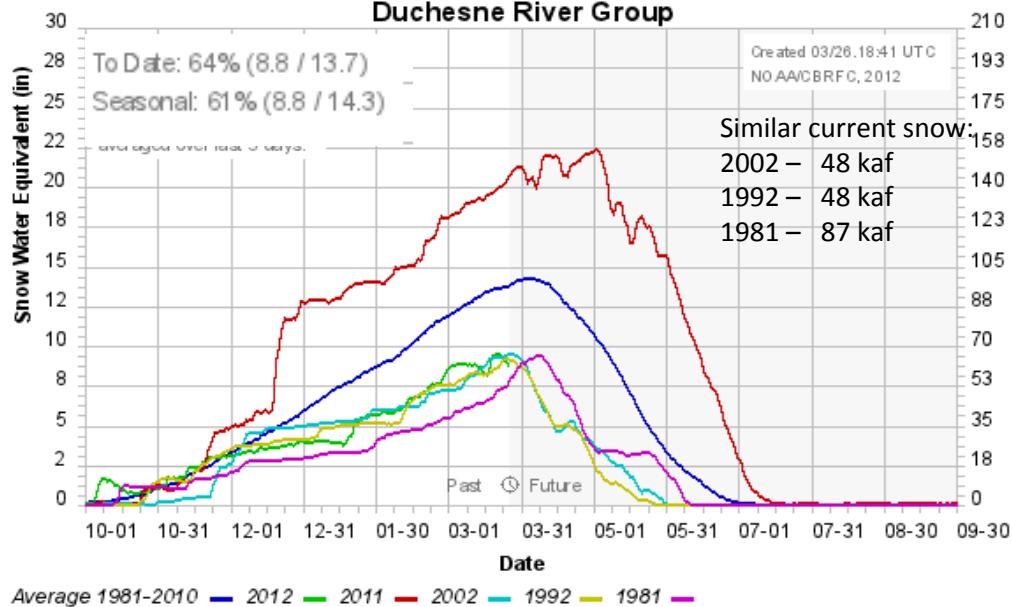
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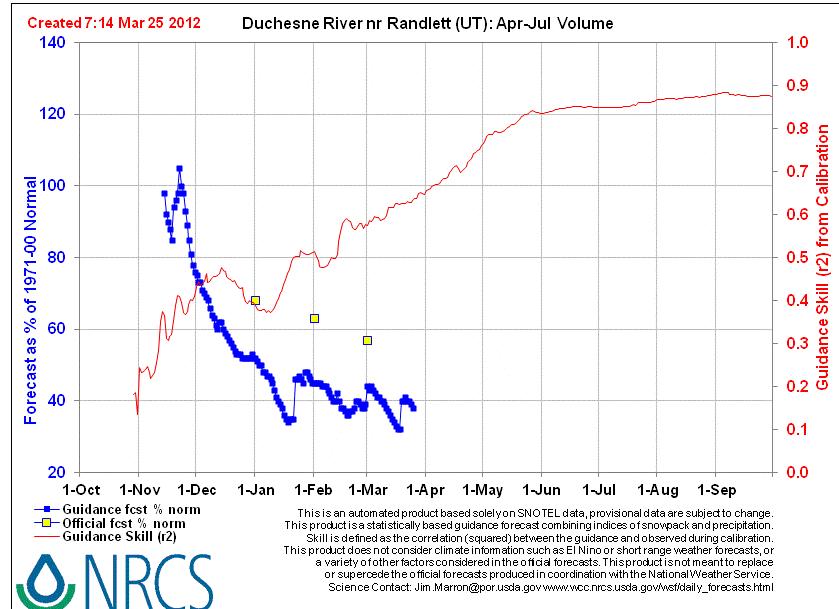
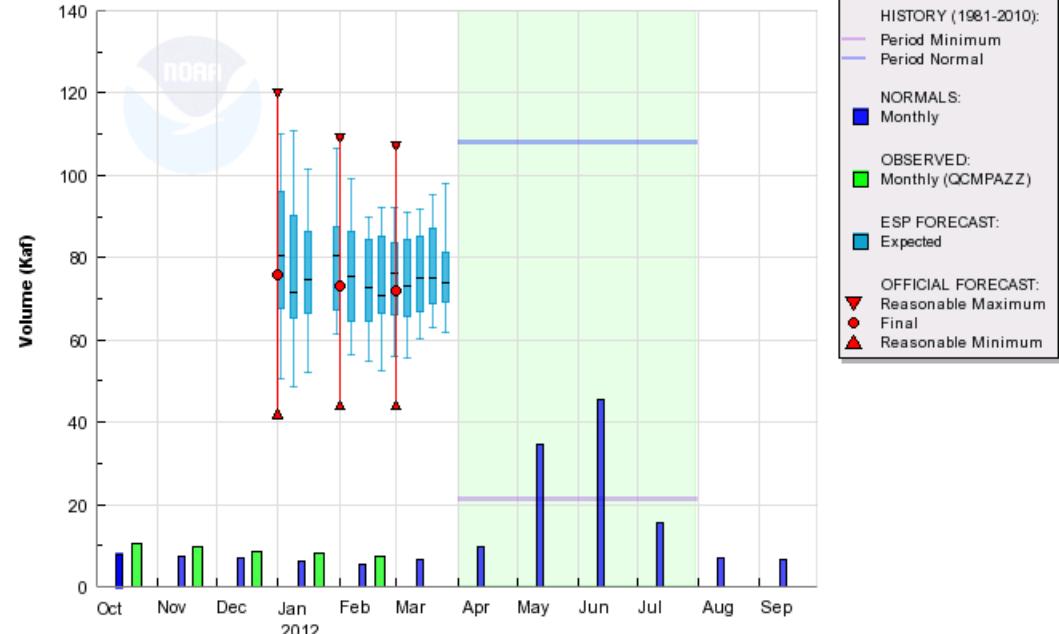
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Duchesne River Group



DUCESNE - TABIONA, NR (TADU1)

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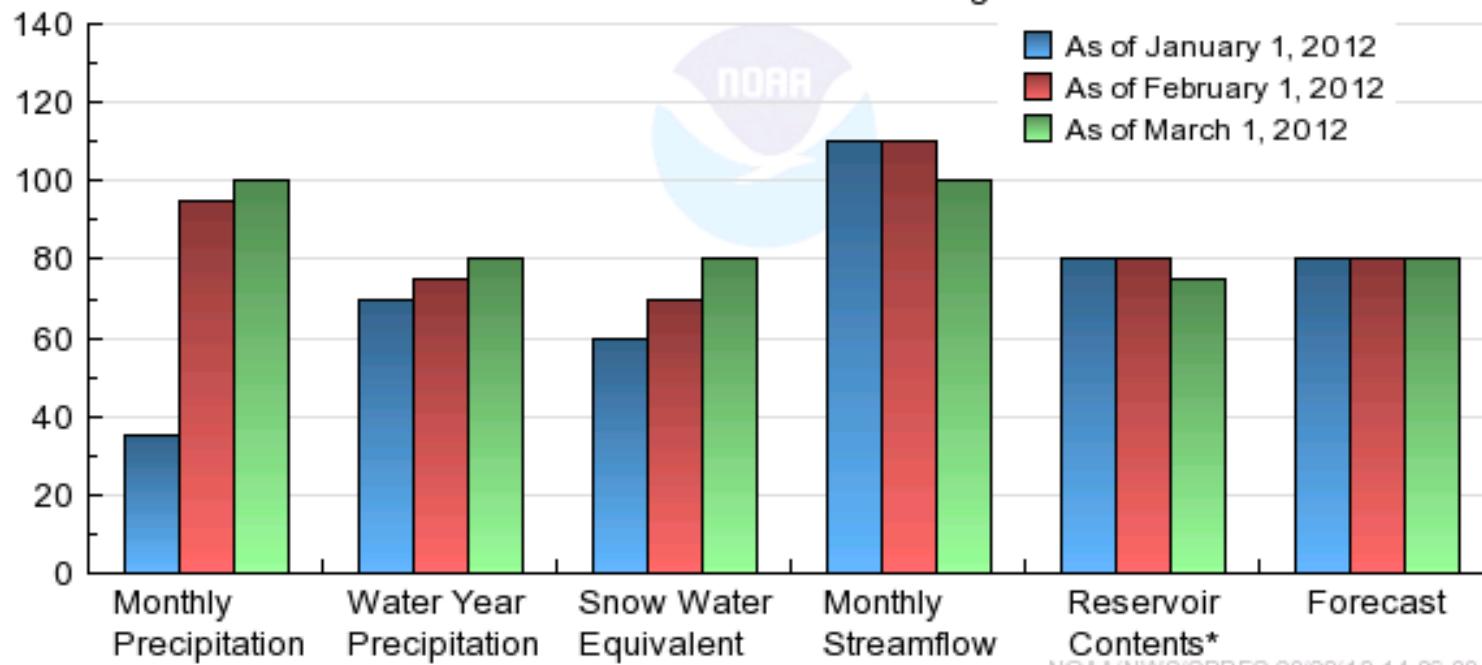


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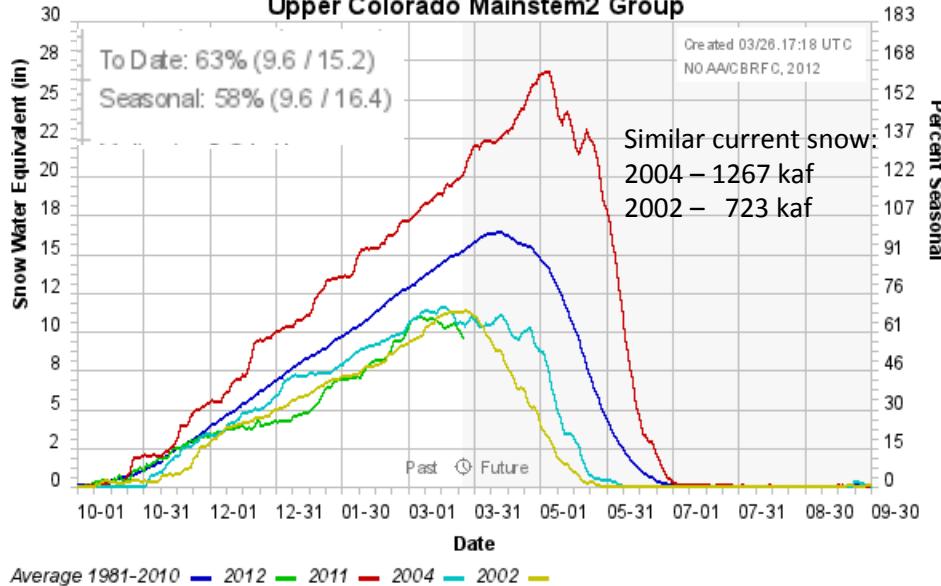


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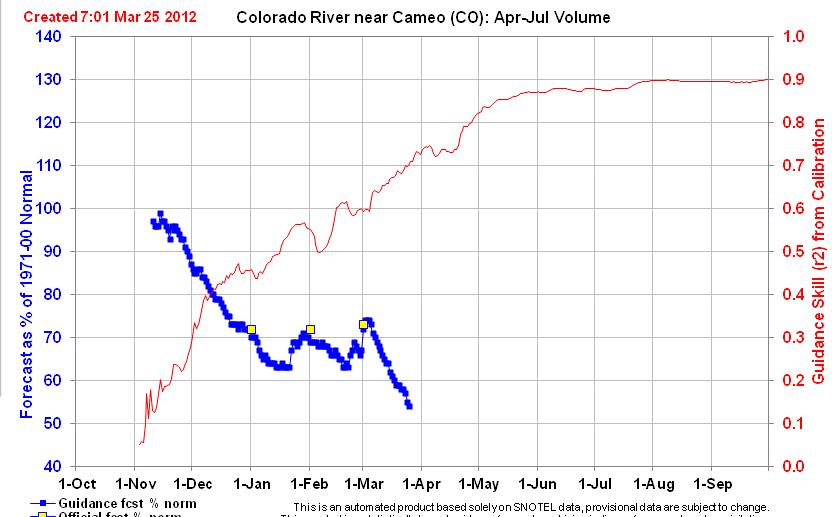
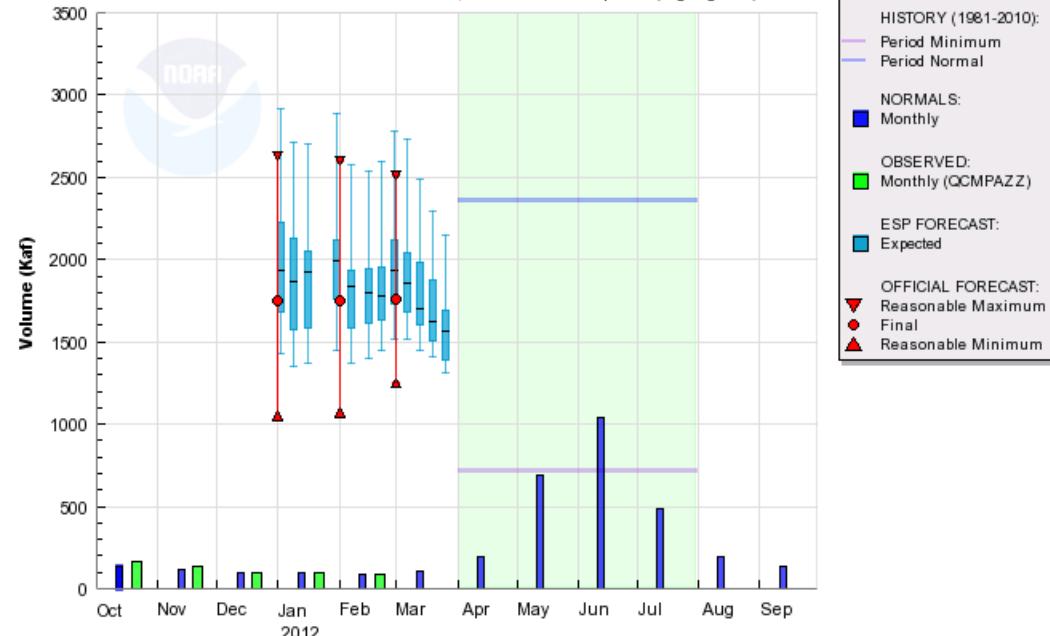
Colorado Basin River Forecast Center Upper Colorado Mainstem2 Group



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CBRFC-ESP (qpf / no qpf)	1931/1917	1601/1674	1524/1587
NRCS- Daily	1740	1436	1297
NRCS-Statistical	1580	1500	1440
Coordinated	1760/75%		

COLORADO - CAMEO, NR (CAMC2)

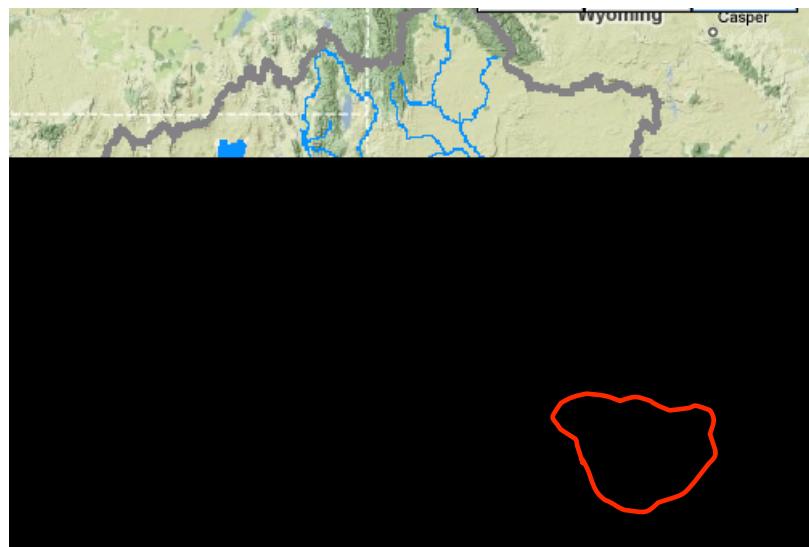
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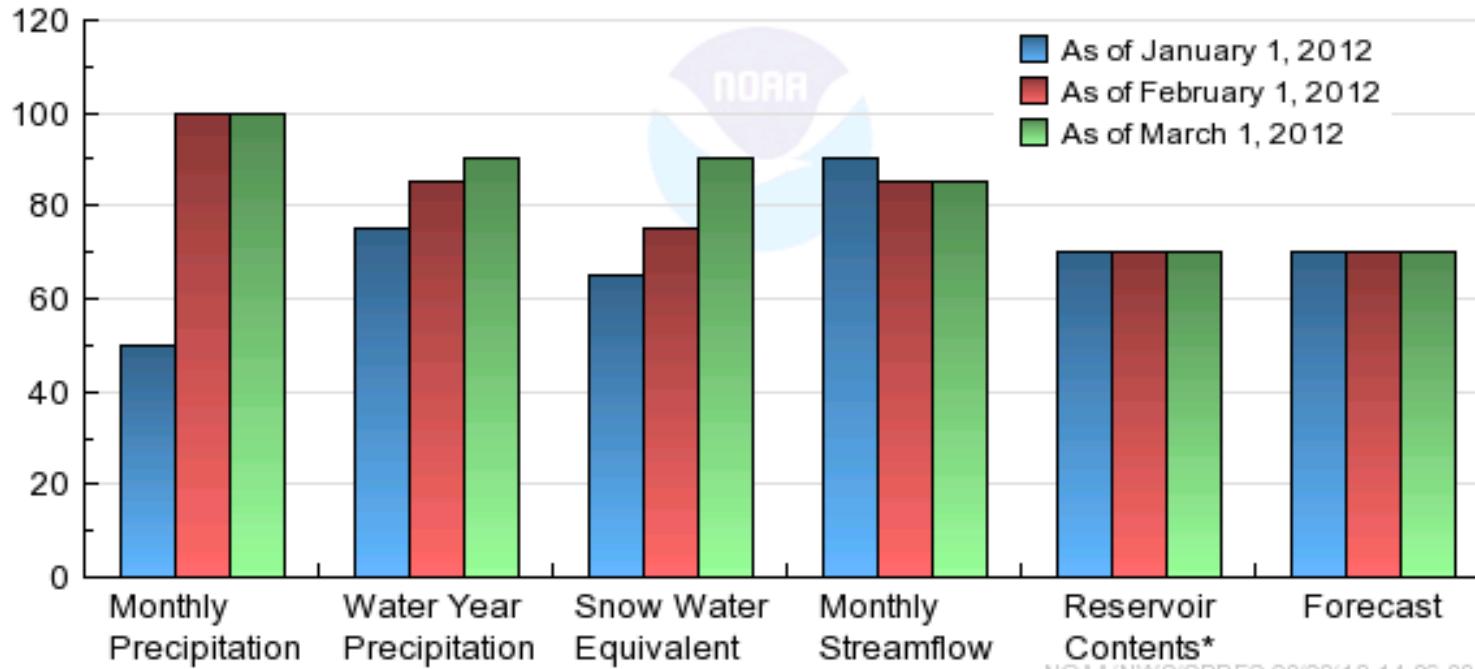
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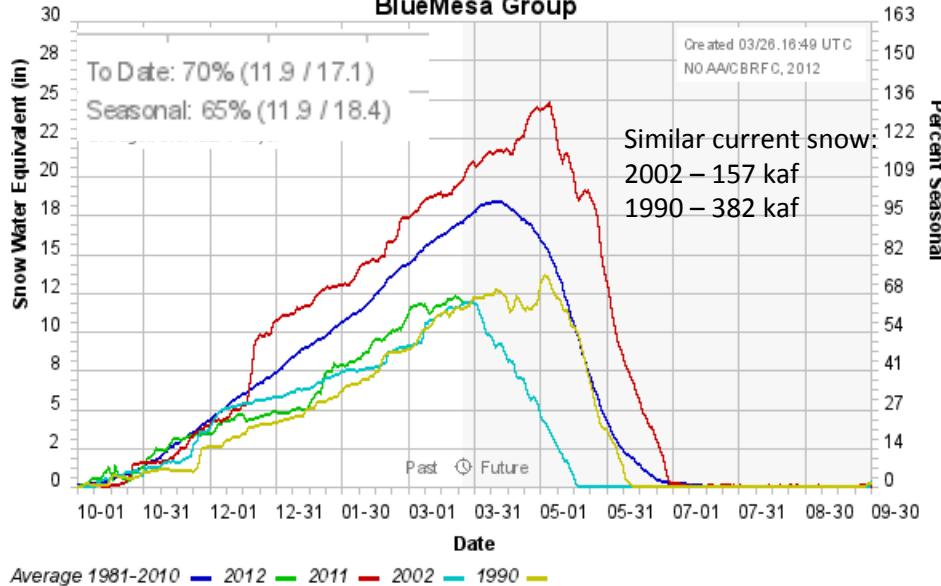


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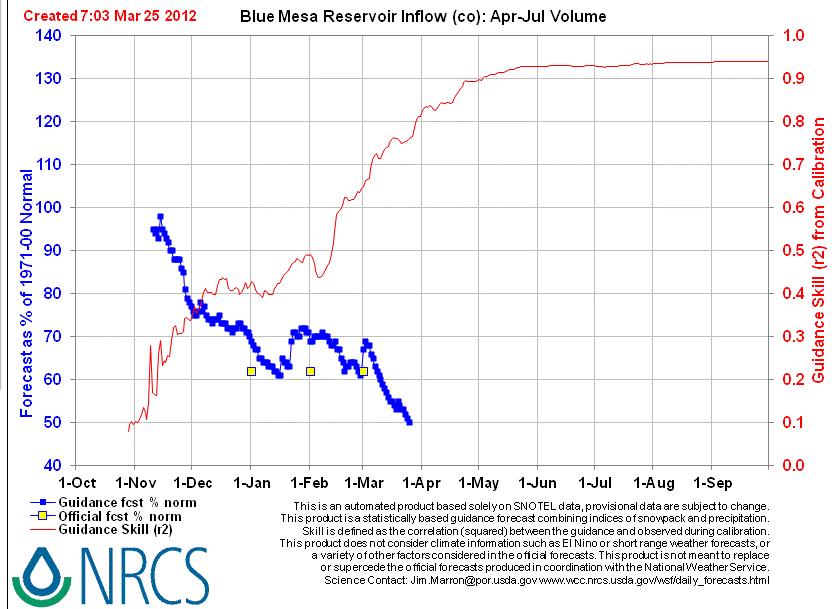
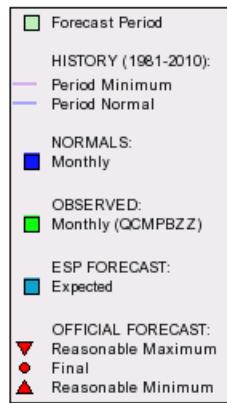
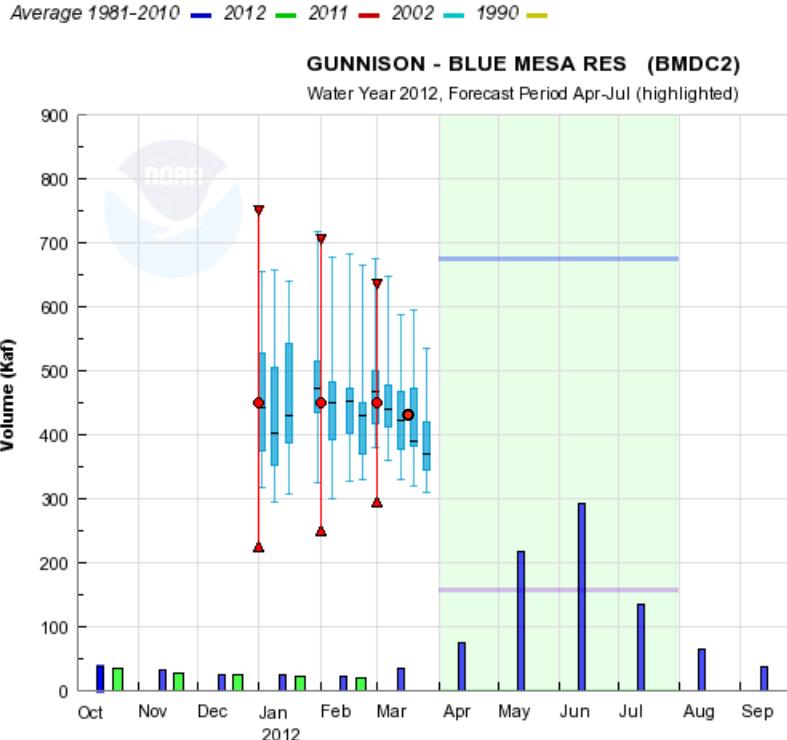


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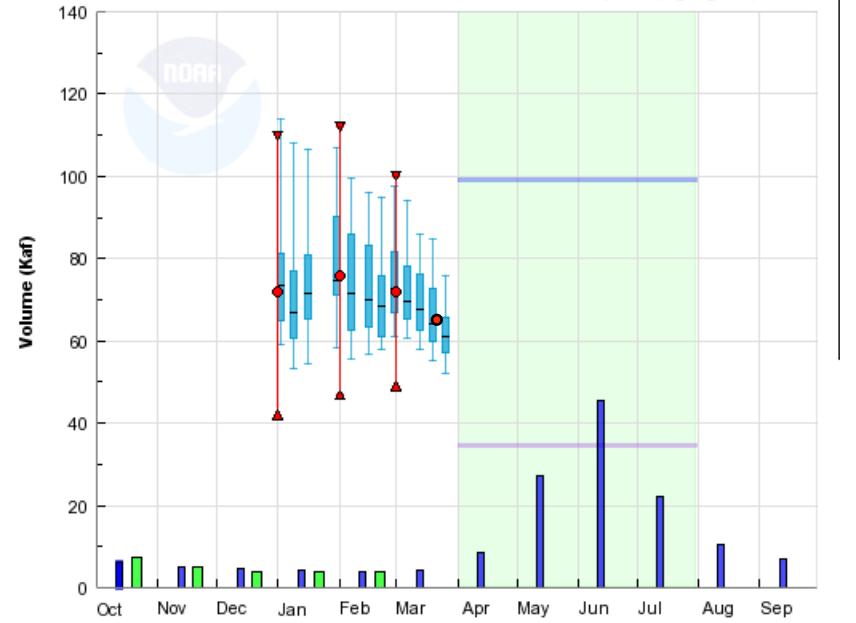


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CBRFC-SWS	447 (rtd)		
CBRFC-ESP (qpf / no qpf)	462	404/429	378/409
NRCS- Daily	485	393	358
NRCS-Statistical	440	400	380
Coordinated	450/67%	420/62%	



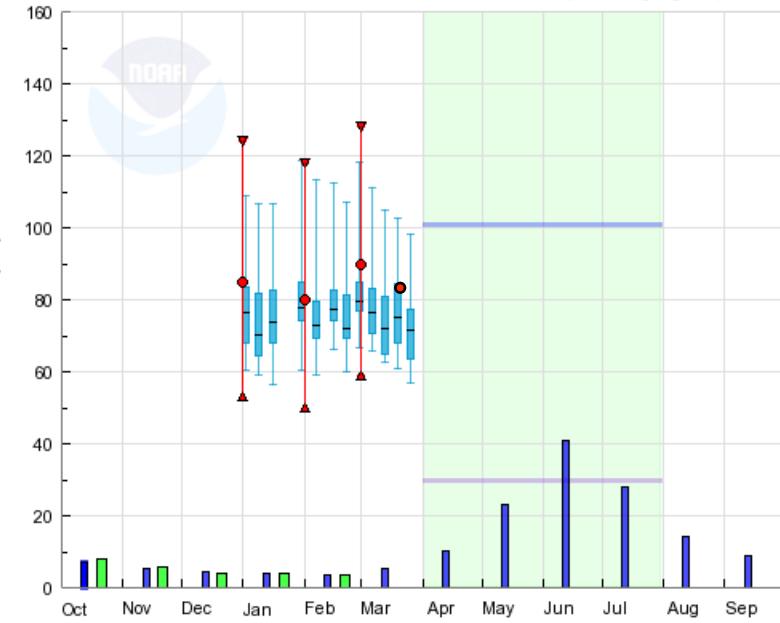
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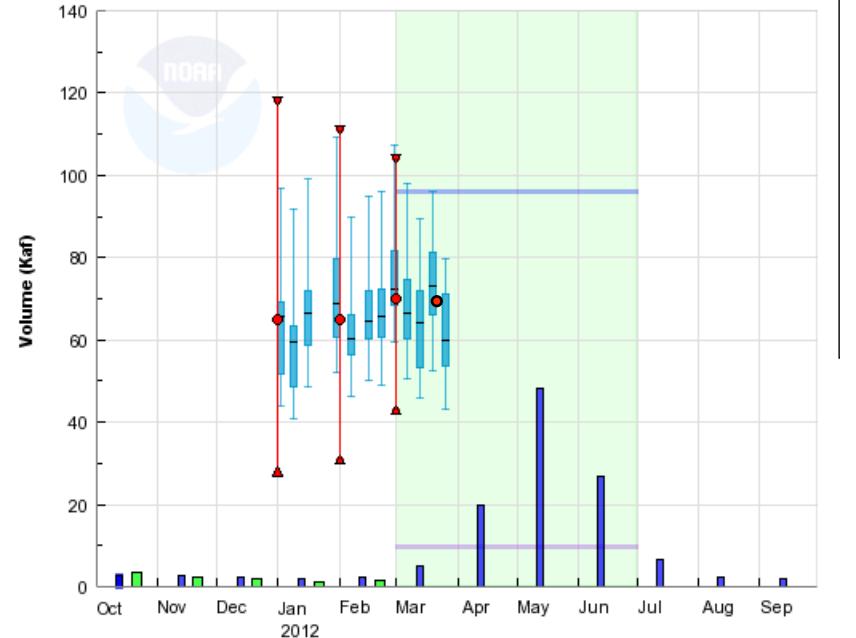
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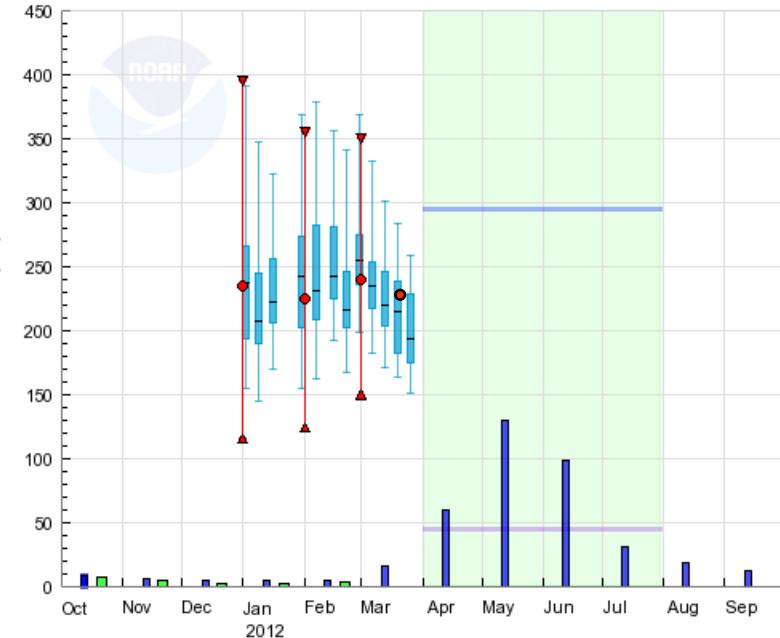
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Water Year 2012, Forecast Period Mar-Jun (highlighted)



DOLORES - MCPHEE RES (MPHC2)

Water Year 2012, Forecast Period Apr-Jul (highlighted)



Forecast Period

HISTORY (1981-2010):

Period Minimum

Period Normal

NORMALS:

Monthly

OBSERVED:

Monthly (QCMRZZZ)

ESP FORECAST:

Expected

OFFICIAL FORECAST:

Reasonable Maximum

Final

Reasonable Minimum

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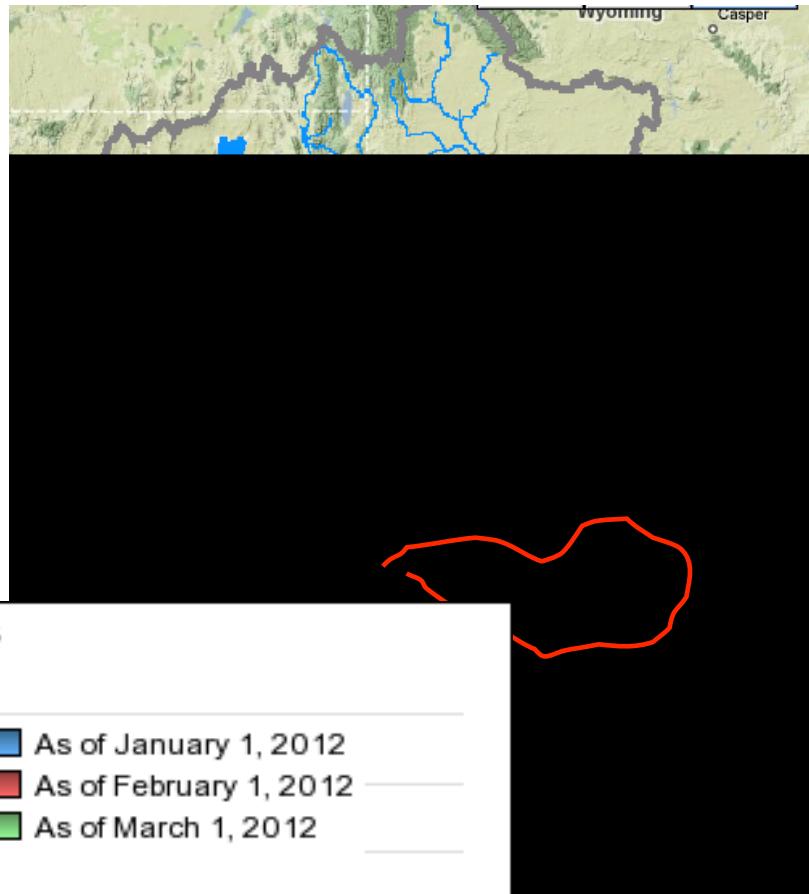
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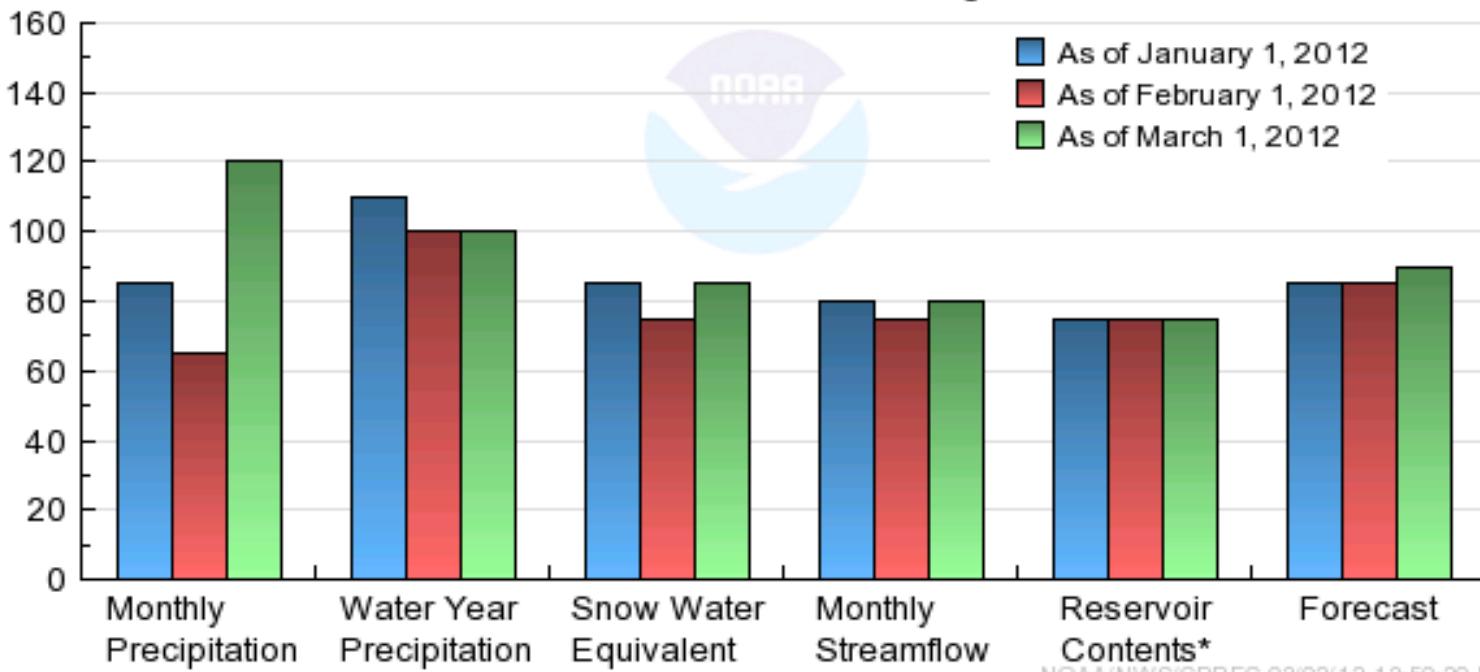
Reasonable Minimum

San Juan



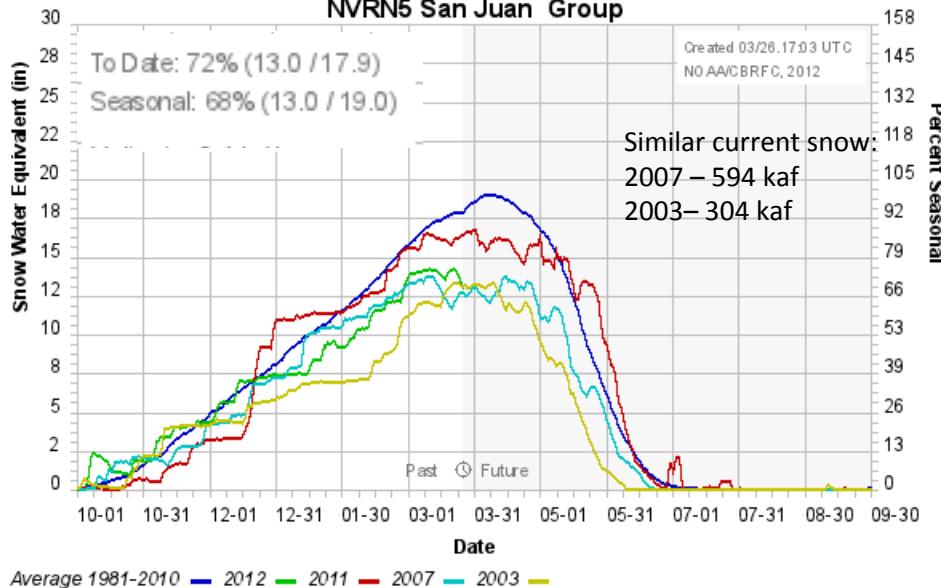
San Juan Basin Conditions

Percent of 1981-2010 Average



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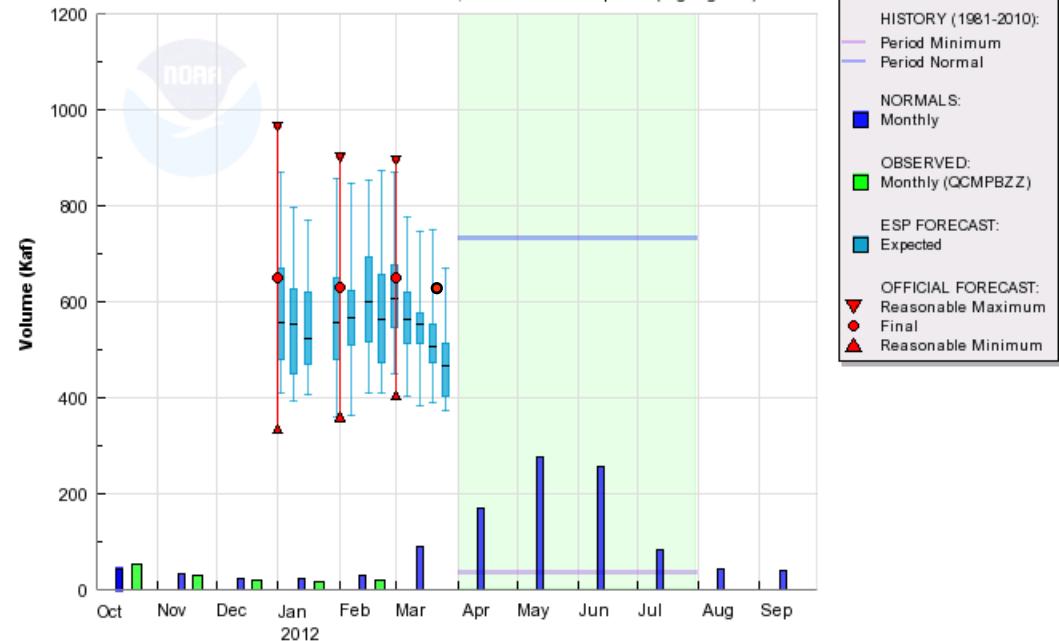
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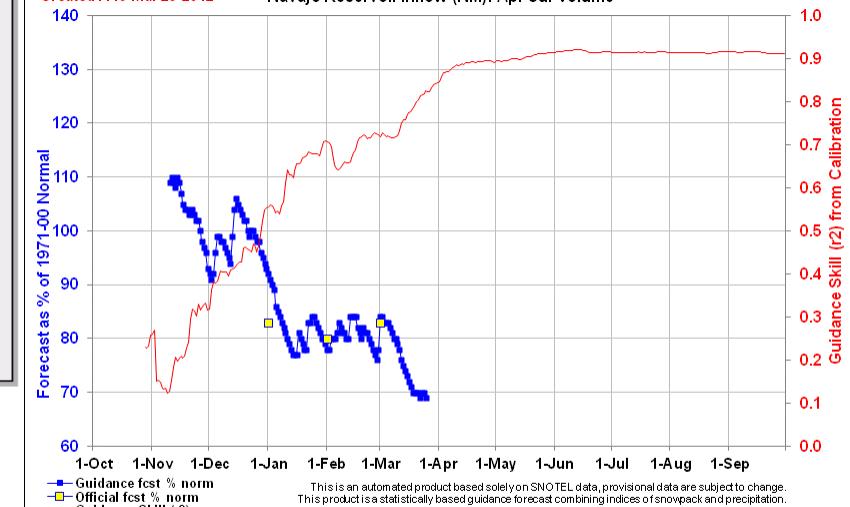
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CBRFC-ESP (qpf / no qpf)	611	508/539	463/514
NRCS- Daily	659	548	539
NRCS-Statistical	700	670	635
Coordinated	650/88%	620/84%	

SAN JUAN - NAVAJO RES, ARCHULETA, NR (NVRN5)

Water Year 2012, Forecast Period Apr-Jul (highlighted)



Navajo Reservoir Inflow (NM): Apr-Jul Volume

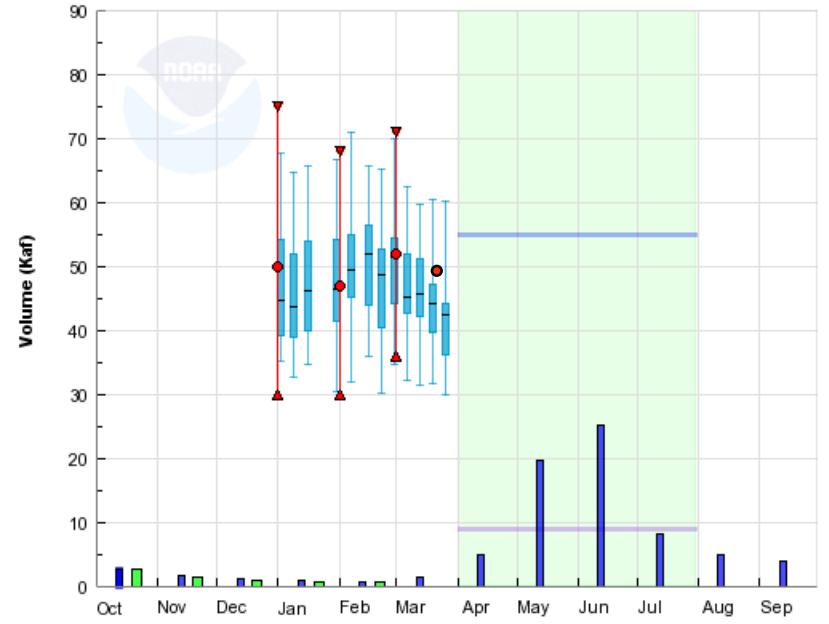


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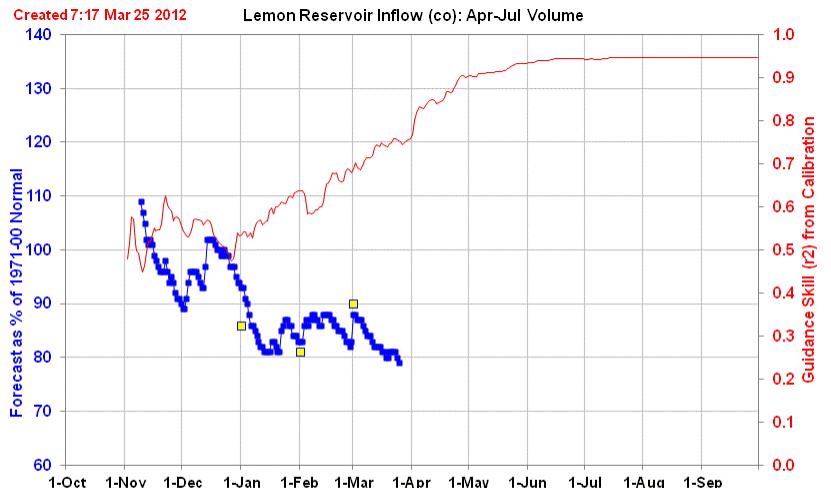


FLORIDA - LEMON RES, DURANGO, NR (LEMC2)

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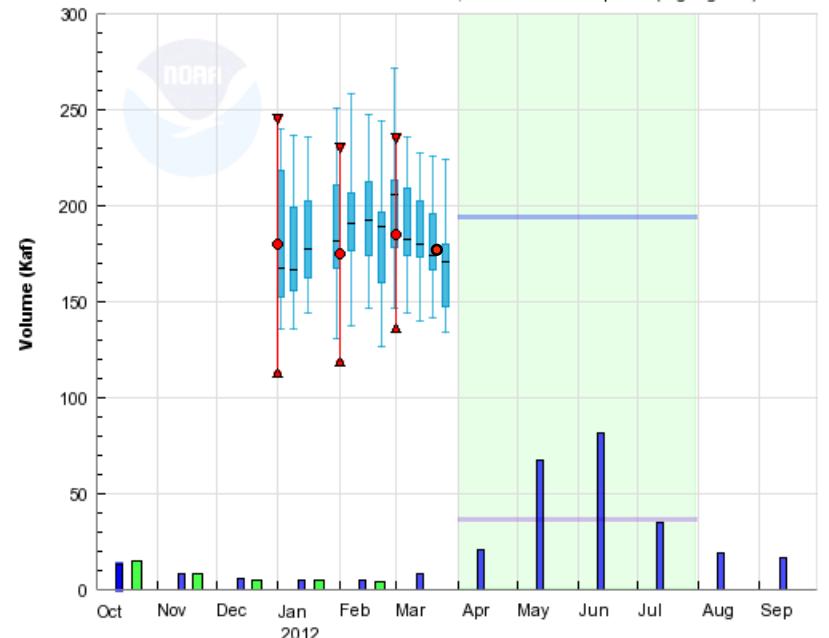
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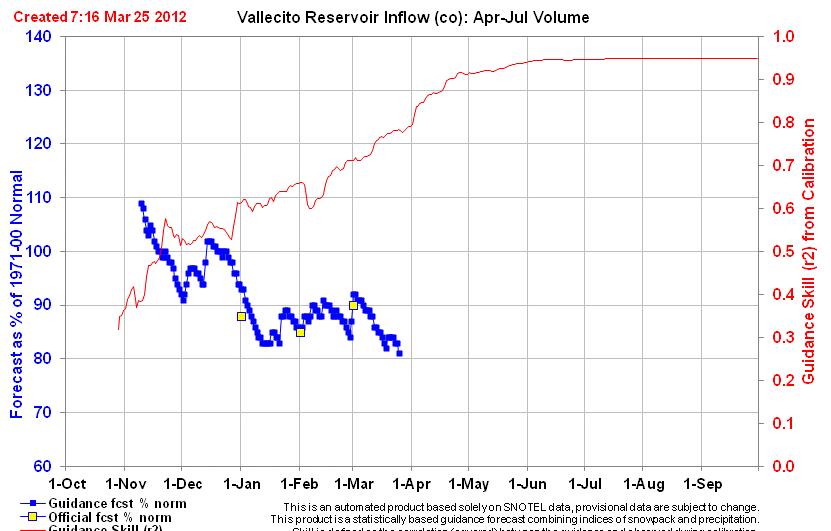
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LOS PINOS - VALLECITO RES, BAYFIELD, NR (VCRC2)

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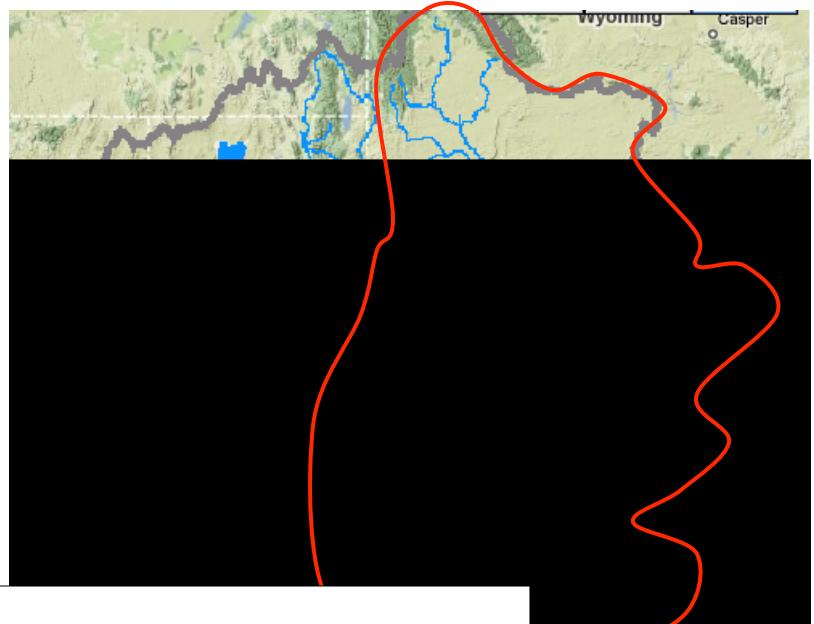


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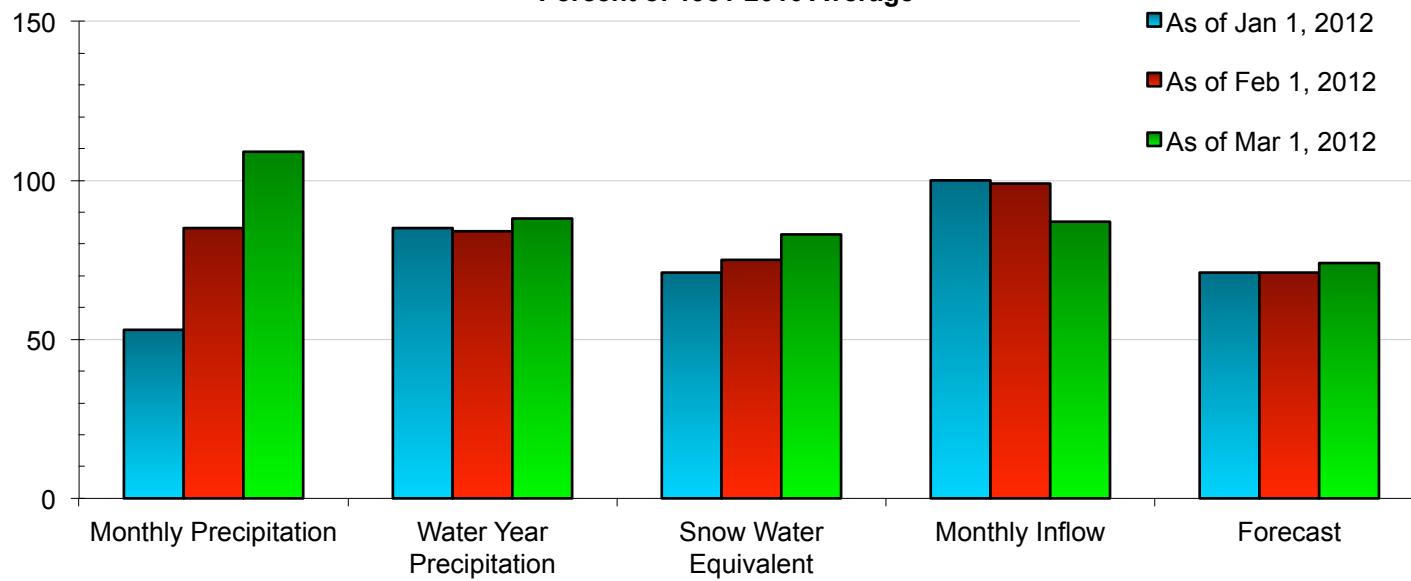


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Lake Powell

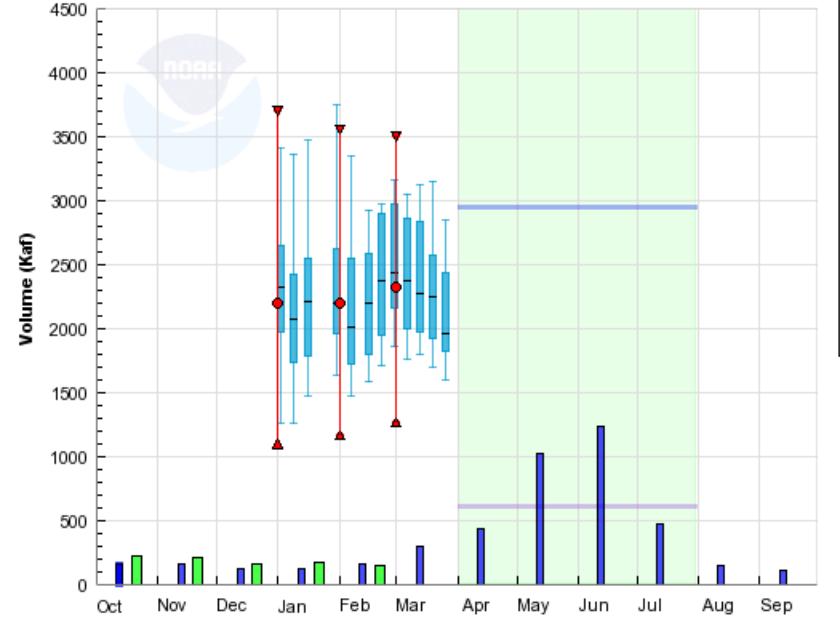


Lake Powell Basin Conditions
Percent of 1981-2010 Average



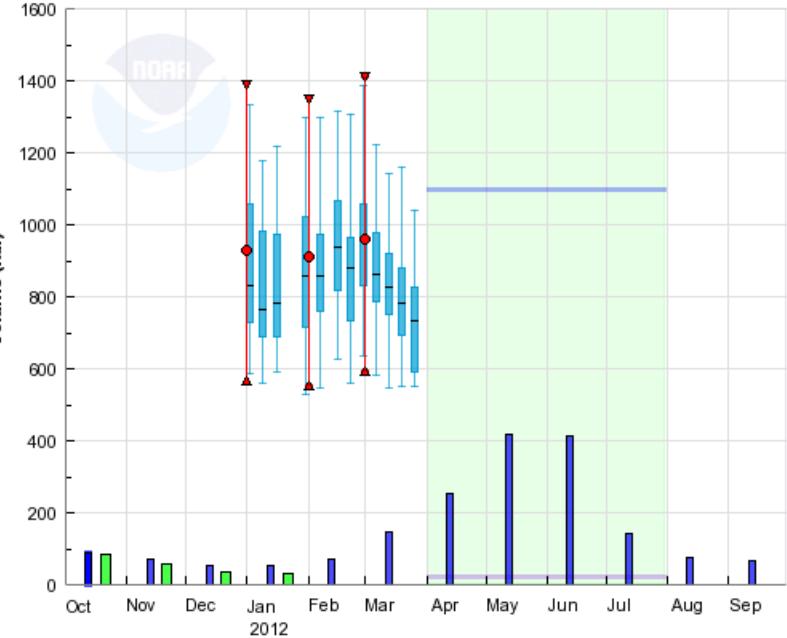
GREEN - GREEN RIVER, UT (GRVU1)

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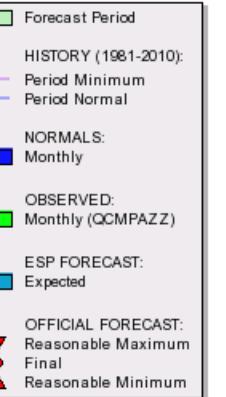
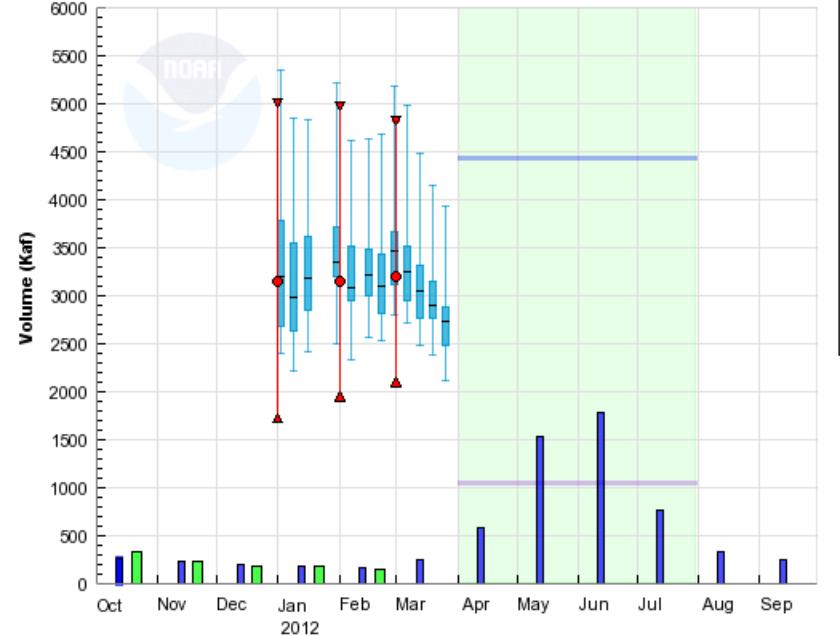
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COLORADO - CISCO, NR (CLRU1)

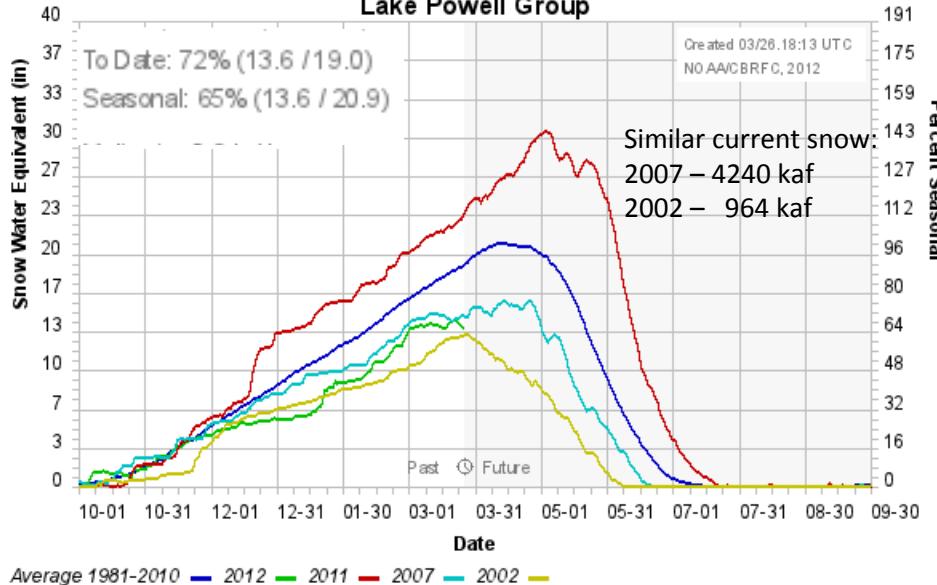
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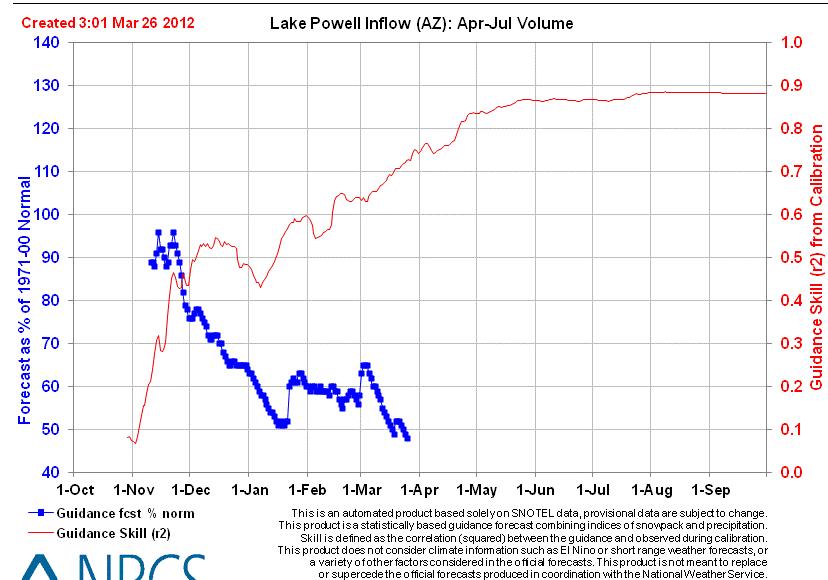
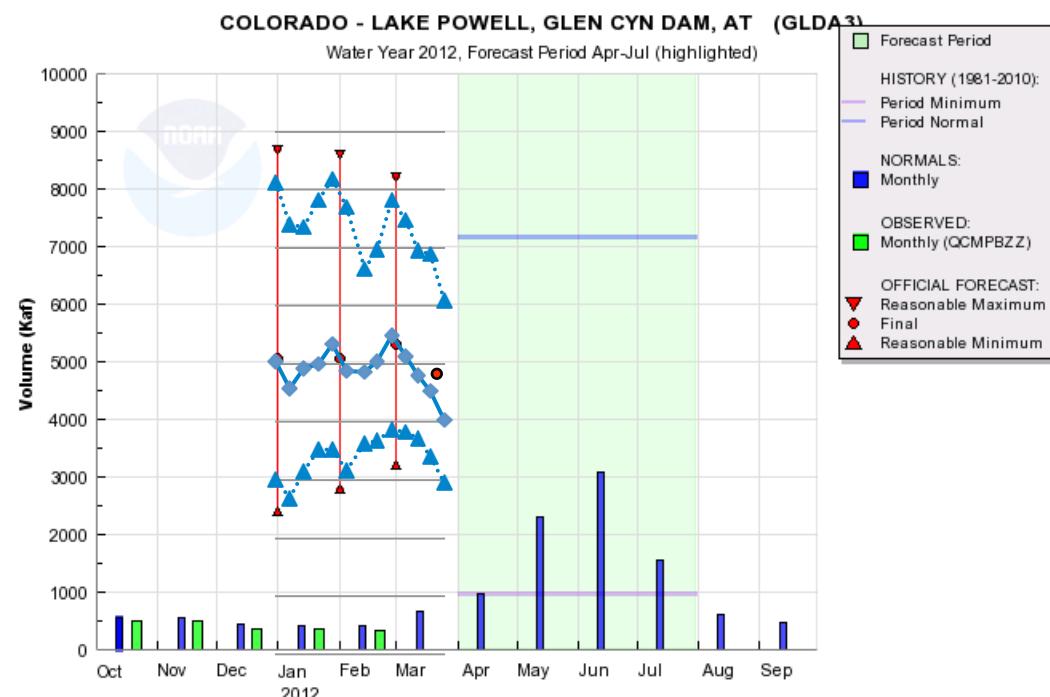
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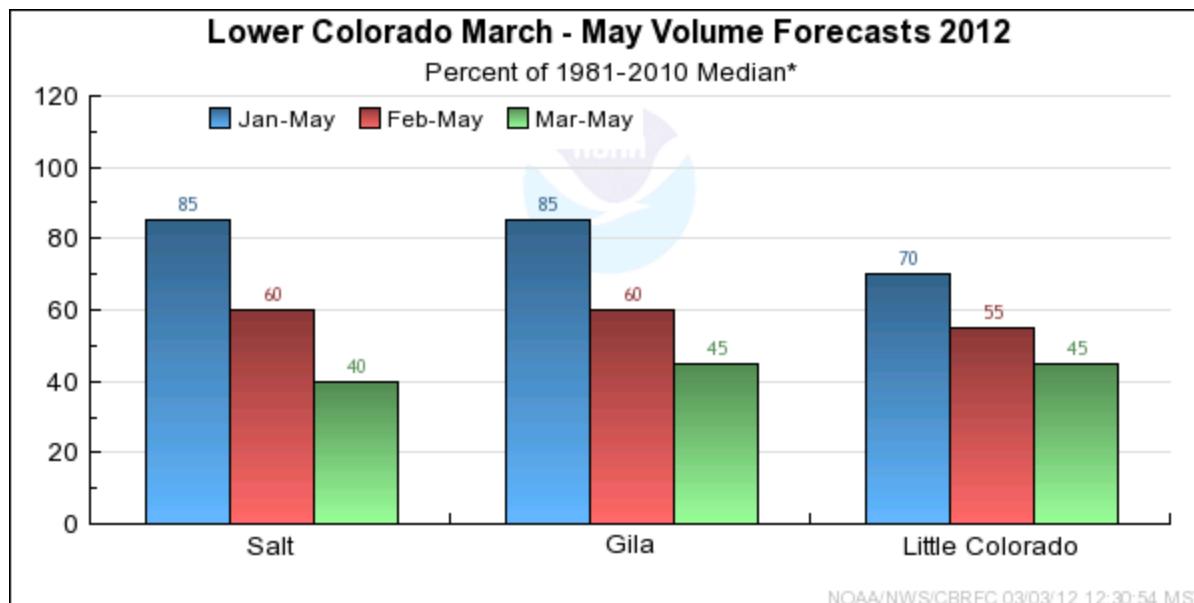
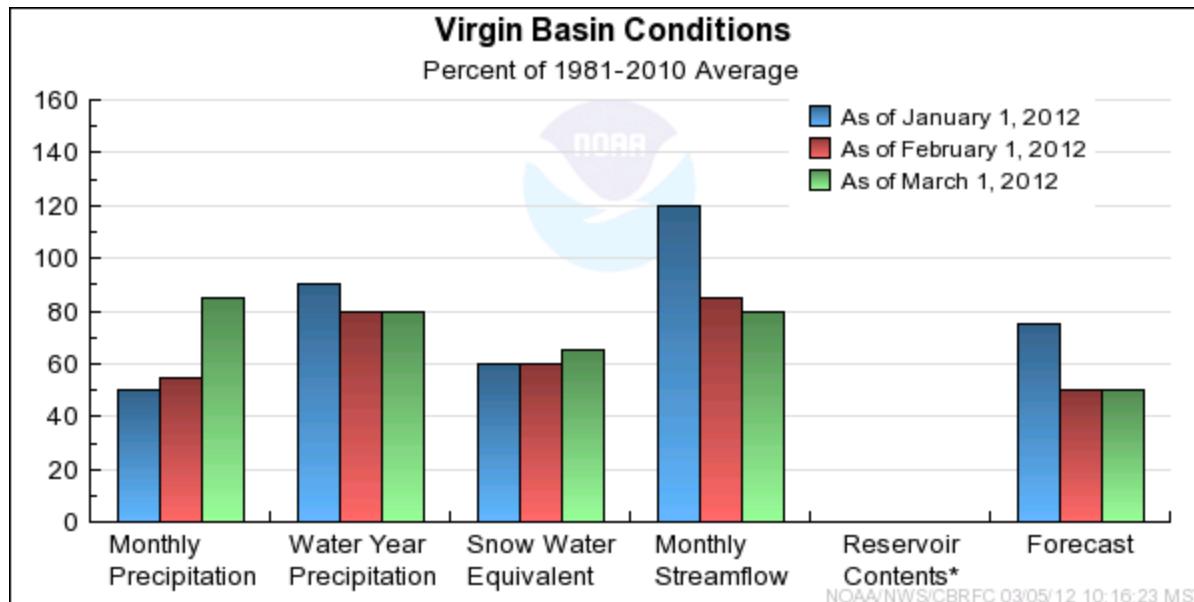
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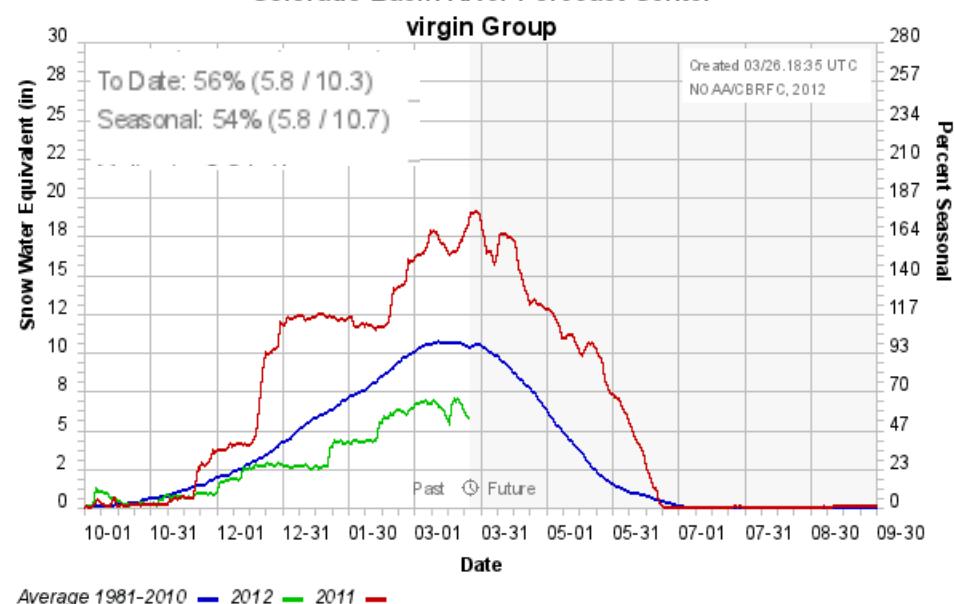
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NRCS- Daily			
NRCS-Statistical	5200	4600	4400
Coordinated	5300/74%	4800/67%	



Virgin and Lower Colorado



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Lake Mead Intervening Flow Forecast issued 3/19/2012

March: 70 KAF / 64%

April: 55 KAF / 52%

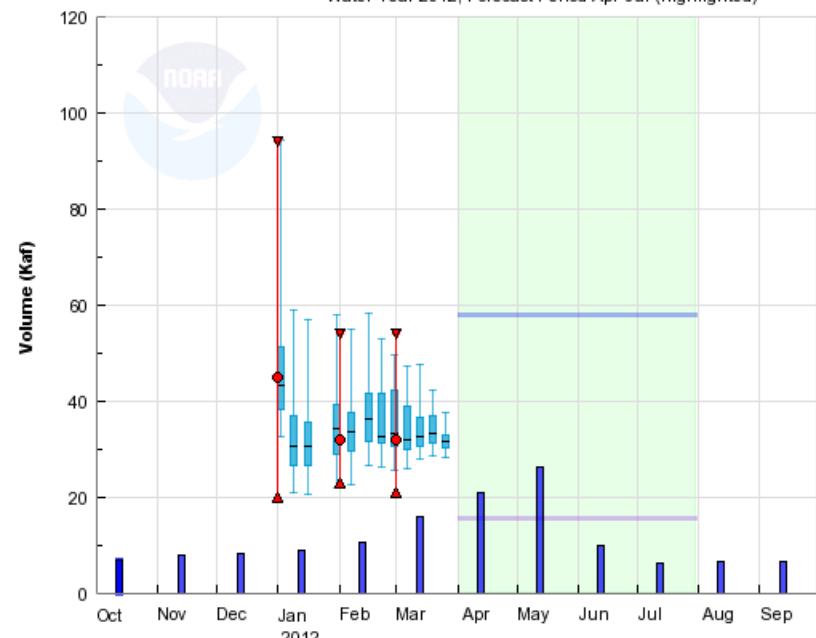
May: 40 KAF / 53%

April - July: 160 KAF / 58%

VIRGIN - VIRGIN (VIRU1)

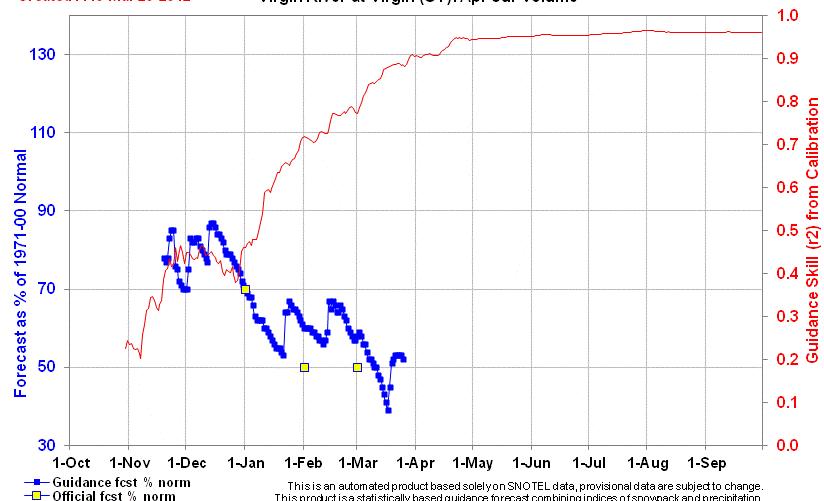
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Virgin River at Virgin (UT): Apr-Jul Volume



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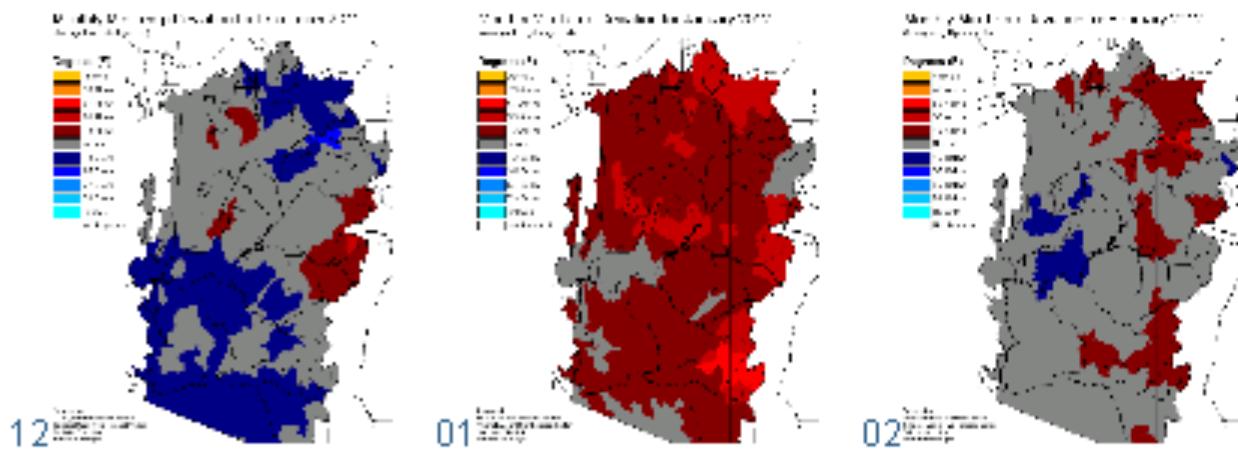
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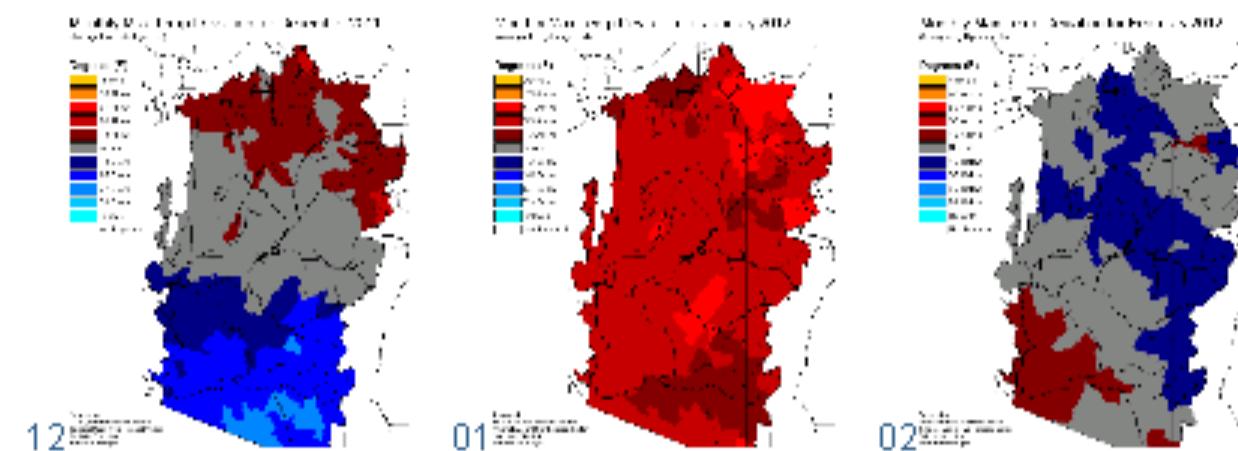
Minimum Temperature Deviation - CBRFC - 2012



Degrees (F)

Above 9
7-9 Above
5-7 Above
3-5 Above
1-3 Above
Normal
1-3 Below
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5-7 Below
7-9 Below
Below 9
Not Reported

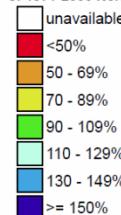
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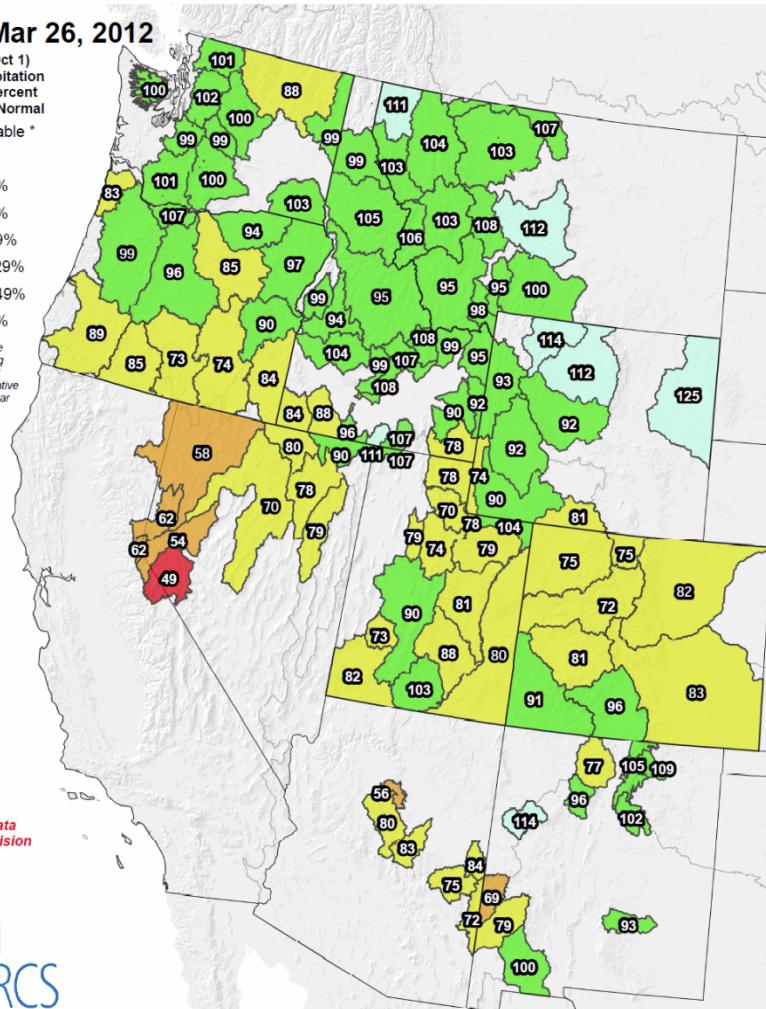
Westwide SNOTEL Water Year (Oct 1) to Date Precipitation % of Normal

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Water Year (Oct 1)
to Date Precipitation
Basin-wide Percent
of 1971-2000 Normal



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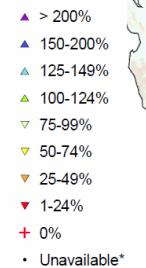
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SNOTEL Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Percent of Normal Peak

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Current SWE
Percent of
1971-2000
Normal Peak



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SNOTEL Yesterday's Maximum Temperature Records

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Yesterday's Maximum Temperature Records

- ✚ New High
- ✚ Near High
- Non Record
- ✚ New Low
- ✚ Near Low

Analysis includes sites with at least 15 years of historical data.
"Near" record means that one other year of the period of record is more extreme.
Temperature is measured from midnight to midnight.

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SNOTEL 14-Day Average Temperature Anomaly (Degrees F)

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14-Day Average Temperature Anomaly (F)

- ✚ < -20 cold
- ▼ -20 - -15
- ▼ -15 - -10
- ▼ -10 - -5
- ▼ -5 - 0
- ▲ 0 - 5
- ▲ 5 - 10
- ▲ 10 - 15
- ▲ 15 - 20
- ✚ > 20 warm

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Month to Date Guidance Forecast Change as Percent of 1971-2000 Normal

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Month-to-Date
Guidance
Forecast Change
(% normal)

- ✖ > 20% gain
- ▲ 16 - 20%
- ▲ 11 - 15%
- ▲ 6 - 10%
- ▲ 1 - 5%
- ∅ no change
- ▼ -5 - -1%
- ▼ -10 - -6%
- ▼ -15 - -11%
- ▼ -20 - -16%
- ✚ > 20% loss
- ⊗ Unavailable*

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