

# Utah Water Assessment & Conditions Monitoring (Drought Webinar)

The meeting will begin shortly















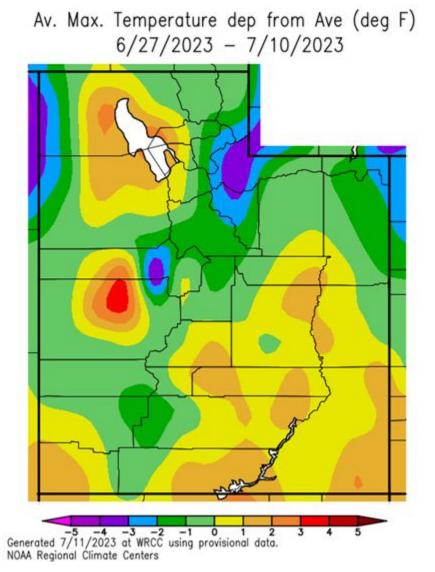


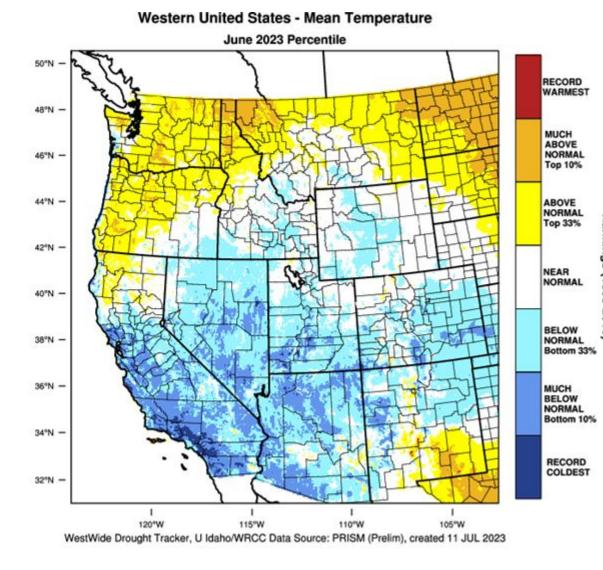


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July 11, 2023

#### **Temperature Overview**

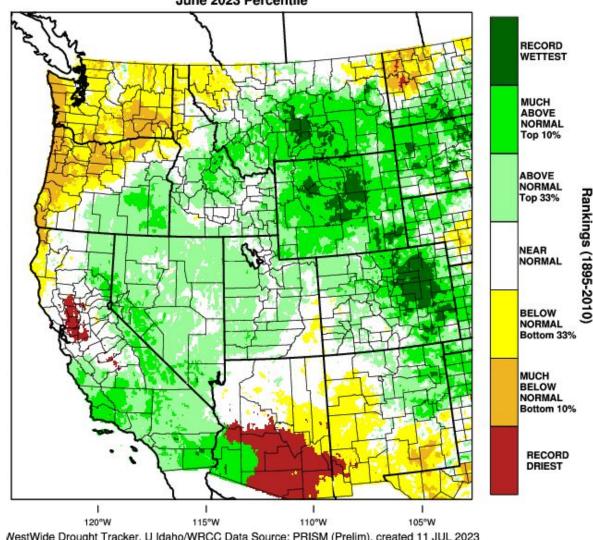




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#### Precipitation

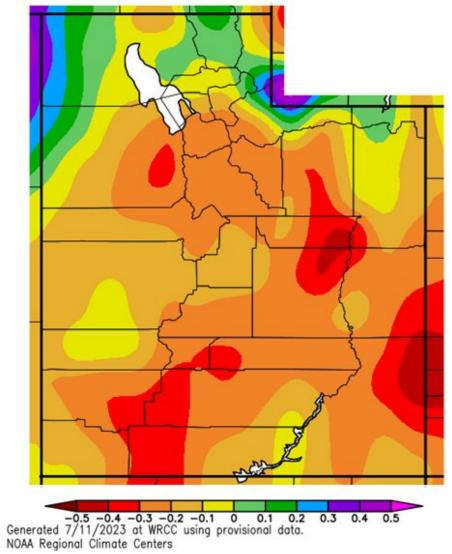
## Western United States - Precipitation June 2023 Percentile



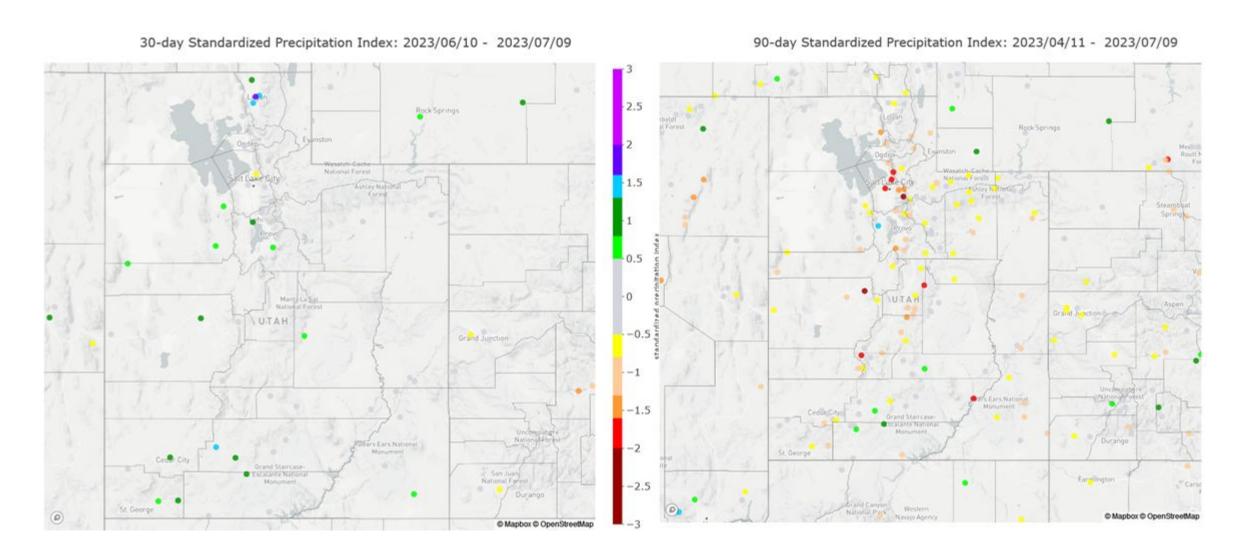
WestWide Drought Tracker, U Idaho/WRCC Data Source: PRISM (Prelim), created 11 JUL 2023

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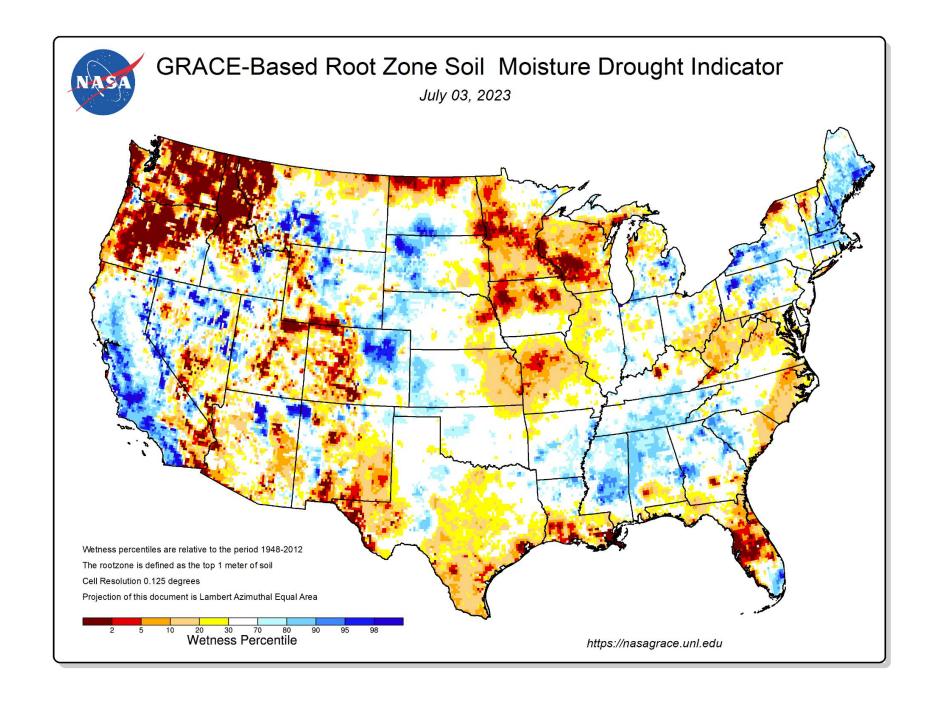
Precipitation Departure from Average (in.) 6/27/2023 - 7/10/2023



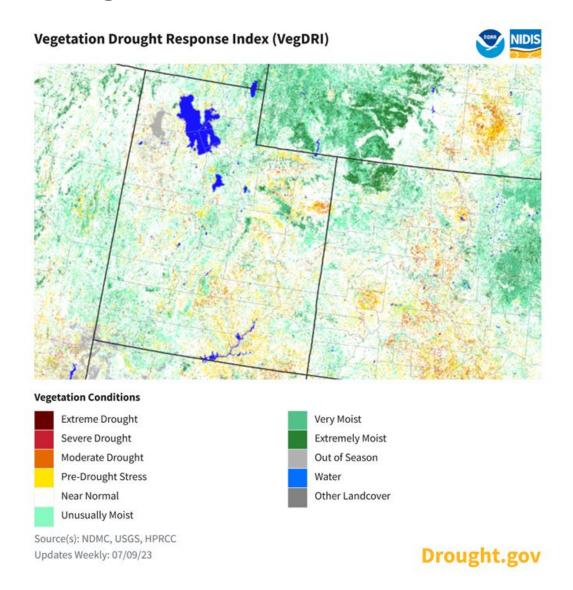
## Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI)

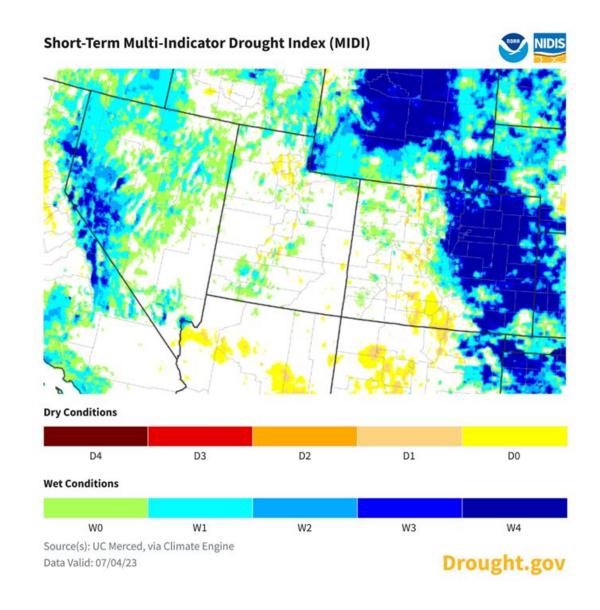


#### Soil Moisture

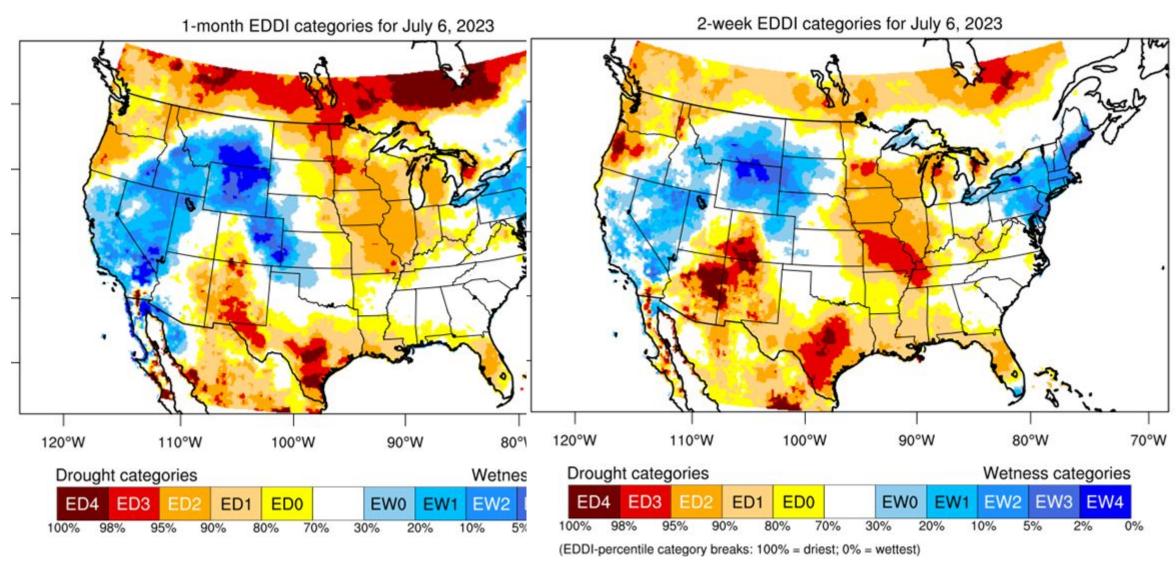


### **Drought Indices**





#### **Evaporative Demand Drought Index**



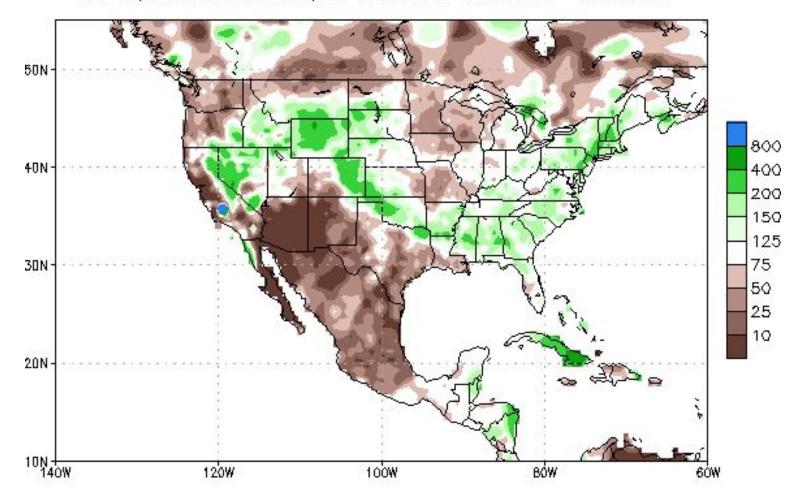
#### Monsoon Update

The expected delayed fuse for the monsoon has been the case. Even the core of the monsoon in western Mexico has experienced below normal precipitation.

Signs of the monsoon circulation organizing are on the horizon, but underwhelming southwest U.S. precipitation remains the July/August outlook.

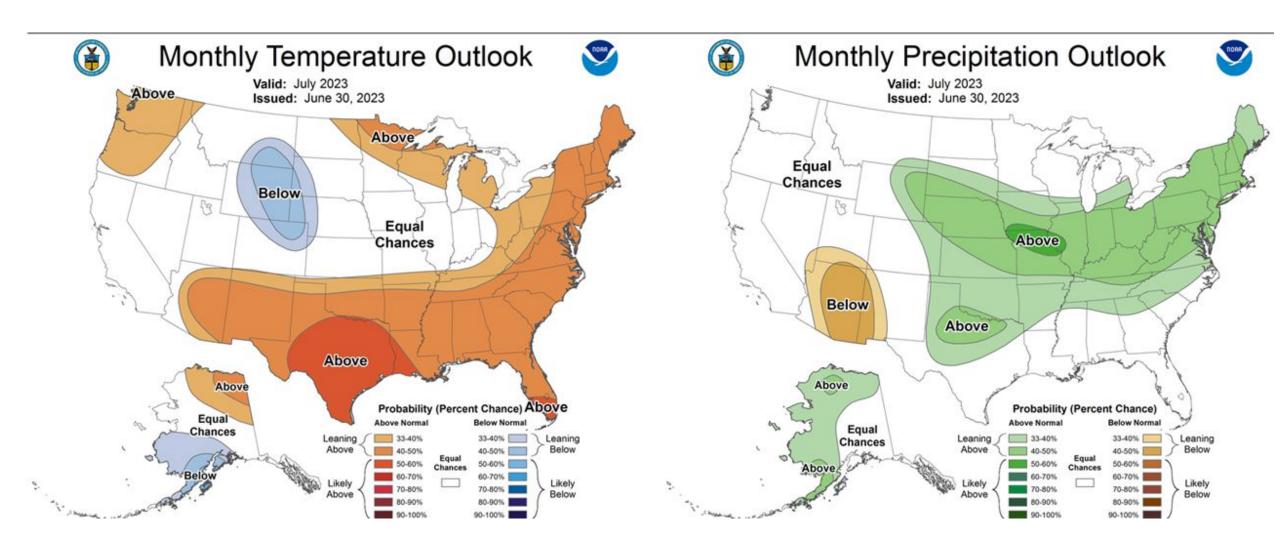
Not expecting the string of wet seasons dating back to last summer to continue through this summer season, but late July push of moisture may help rebound the lack of a monsoon so far.

30-day Accumulated Prop % of Normal 11JUN2023-10JUL2023

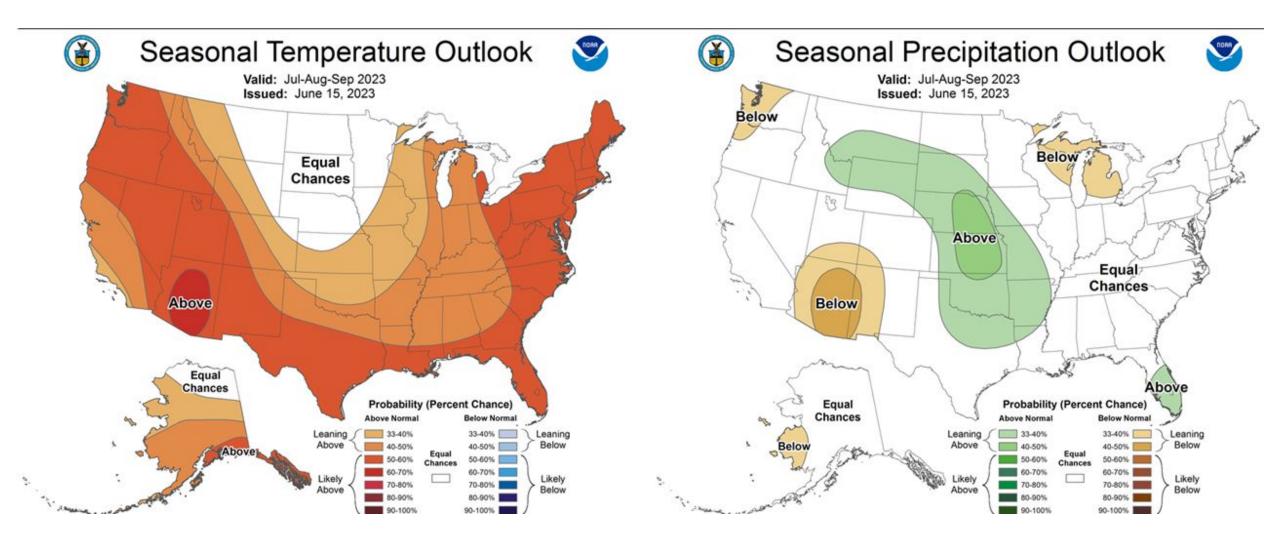


Data Source: CPC Unified (gauge—based & 0.5x0.5 deg resolution) Precipitation Analysis Climatology (1991—2020)

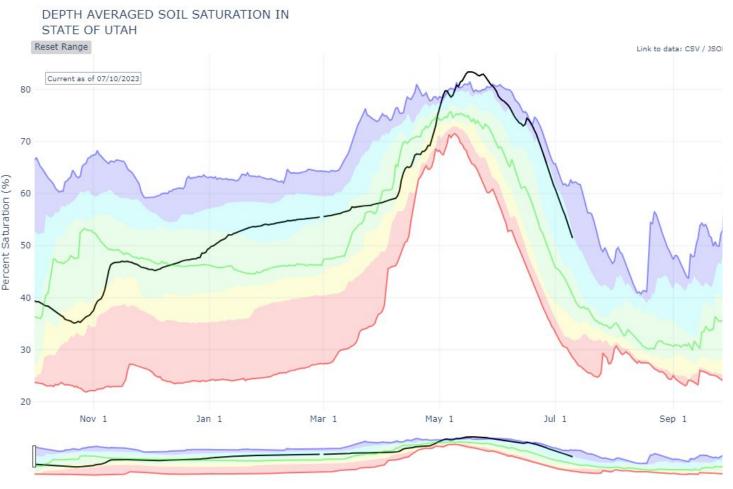
### **CPC July Outlook**



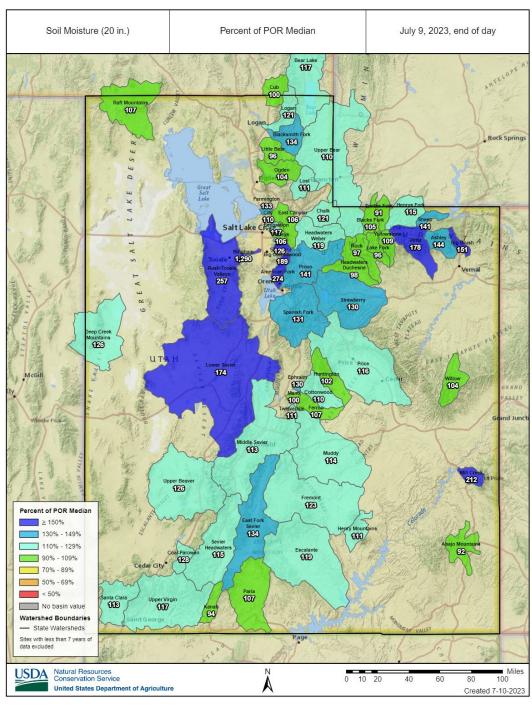
### CPC July-August-Sept Outlook



#### Soil Moisture

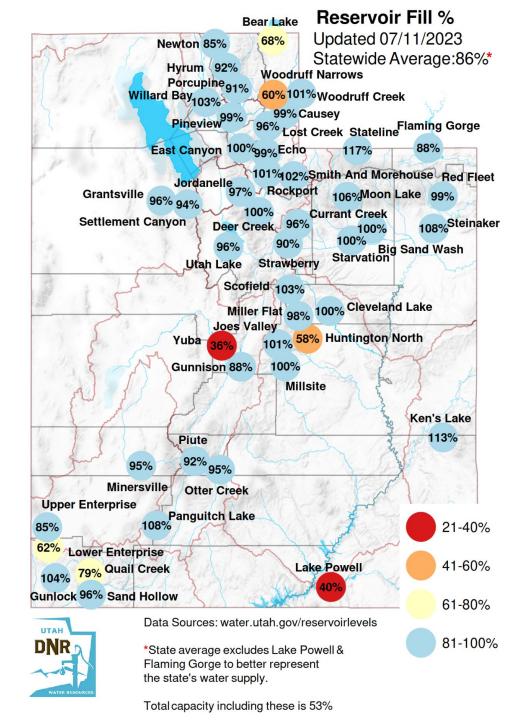


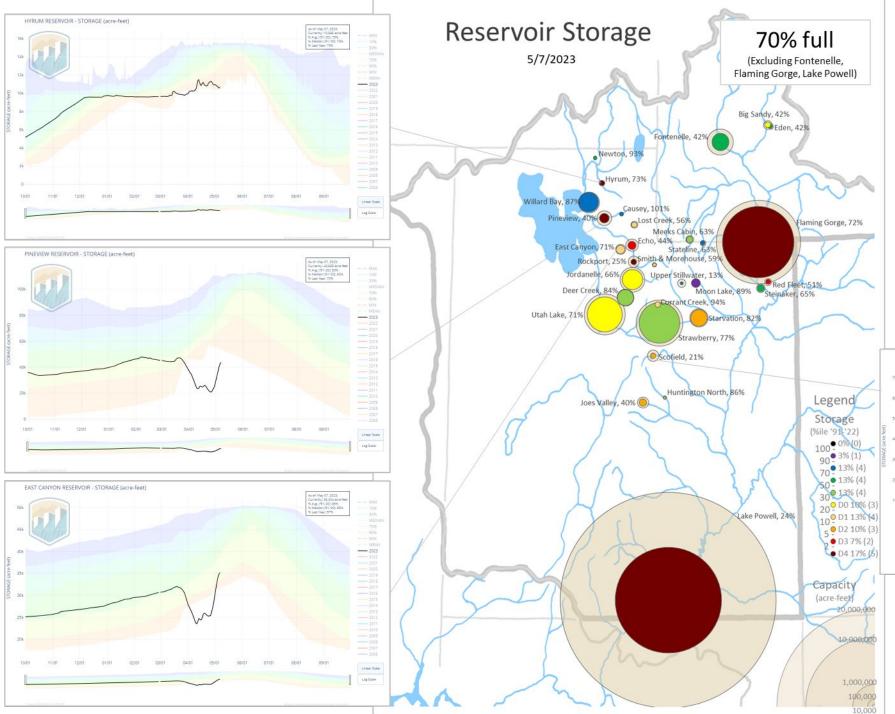
Agency - NRCS Snow Survey Presenter - Jordan Clayton



#### Reservoir Levels

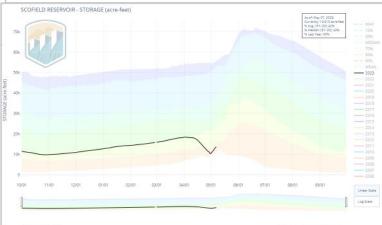
Yuba Lake spillway under construction Lowest other reservoir at 58% Only four reservoirs below 80%



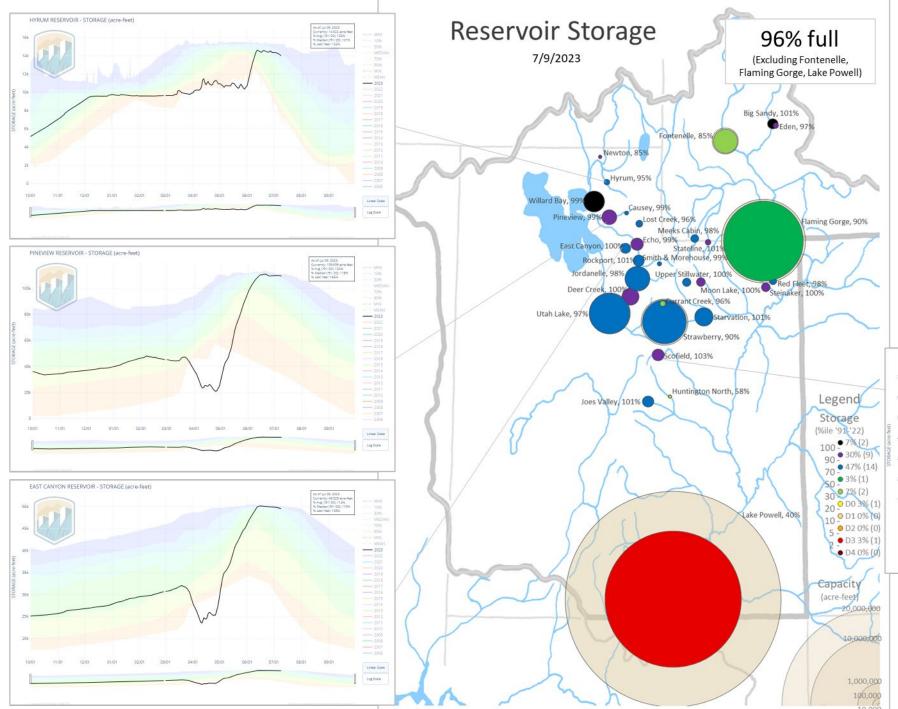


#### Since last meeting:

- 10's of thousands of acre-feet released from reservoirs.
- High runoff inflows into lower elevation reservoirs.
- Rain-on-snow concerns for low elevation reservoirs?

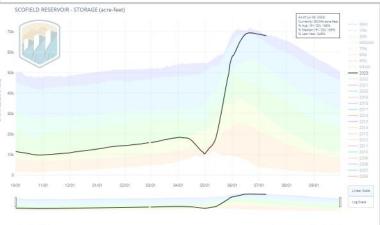






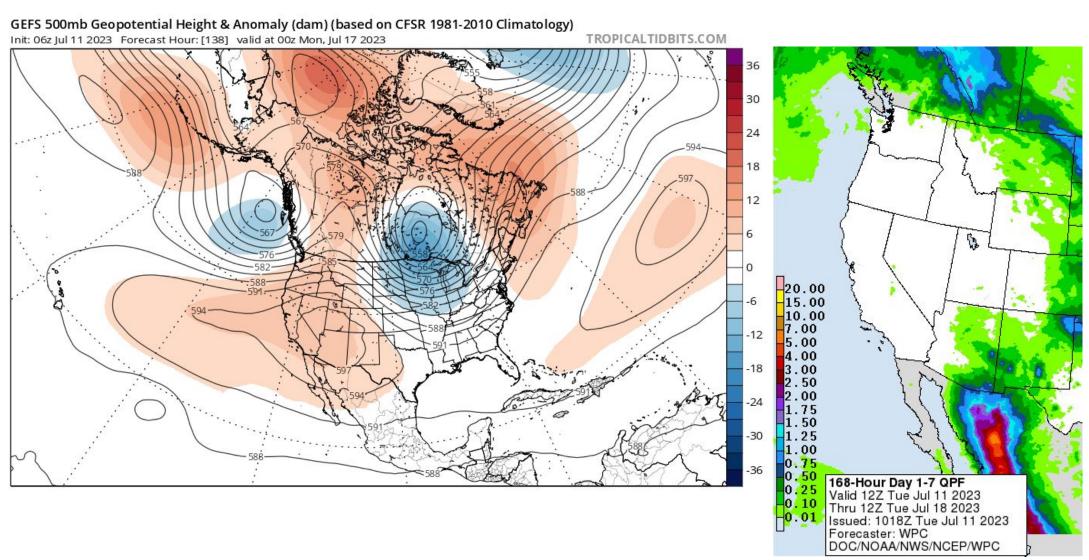
#### Since last meeting:

- Had to deal with high inflows in places through June
- All reservoir up to ~300,000 acre-feet filled.
- We are now in good shape.





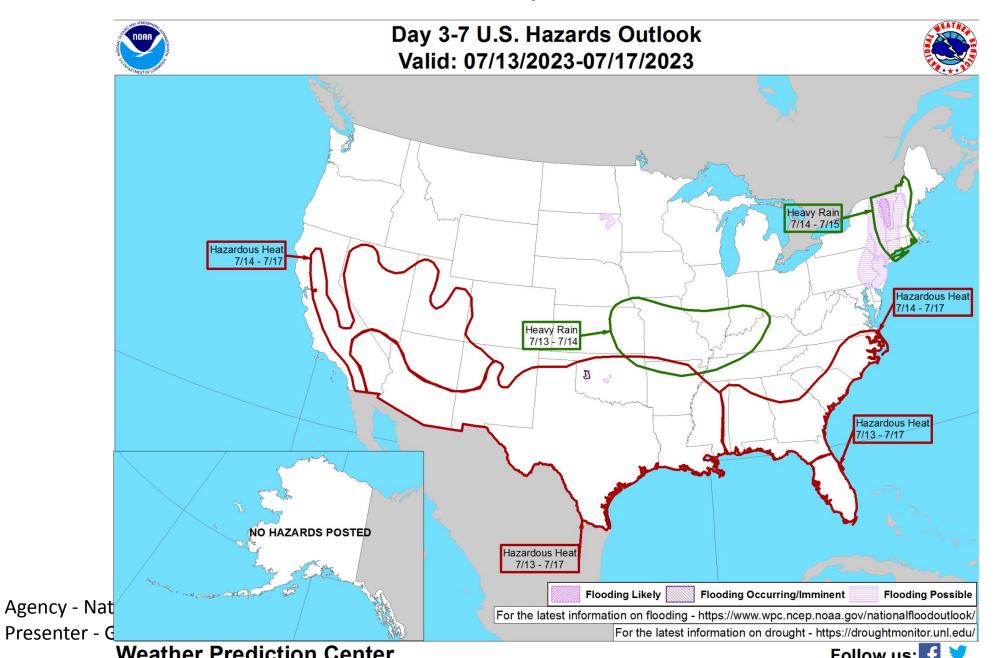
## Weather Forecast Office Utah Day 1-7 Outlook





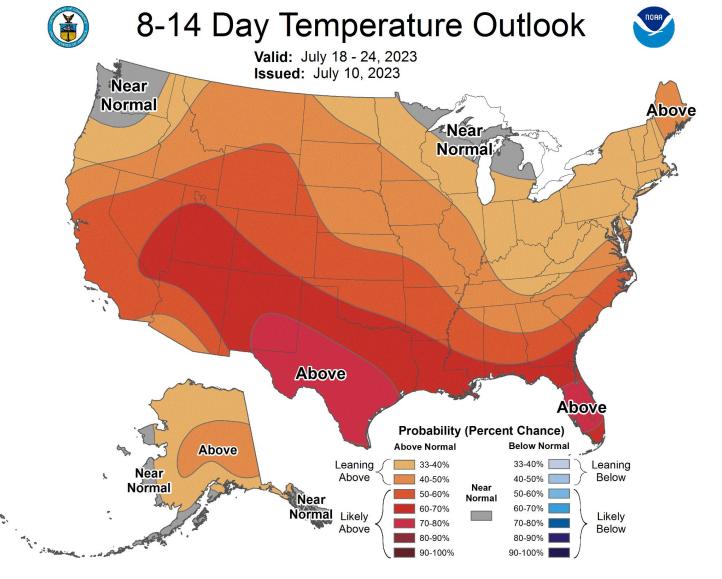
Agency - National Weather Service Weather Forecast Office Presenter - Glen Merrill

#### Weather Prediction Center U.S. Day 3-7 Hazards Outlook





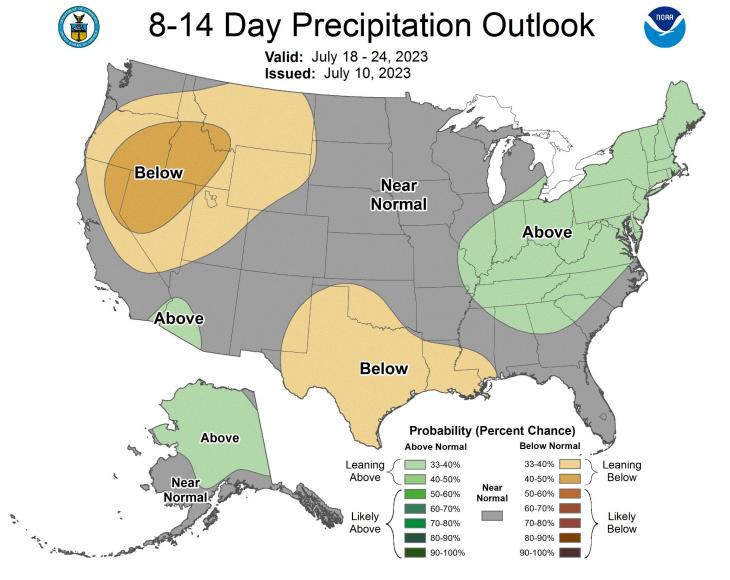
#### Climate Prediction Center 8 to 14 Day Outlooks - Temperature





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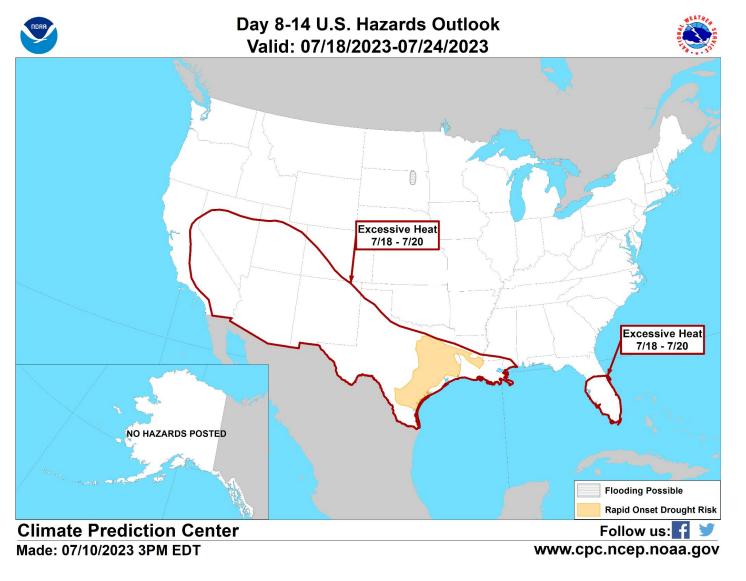
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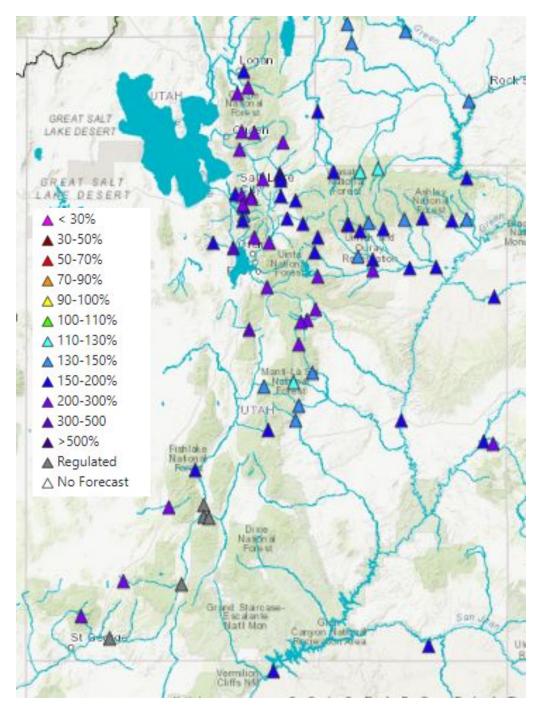


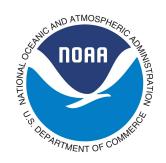
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#### Climate Prediction Center U.S. Week-2 Hazards Outlook







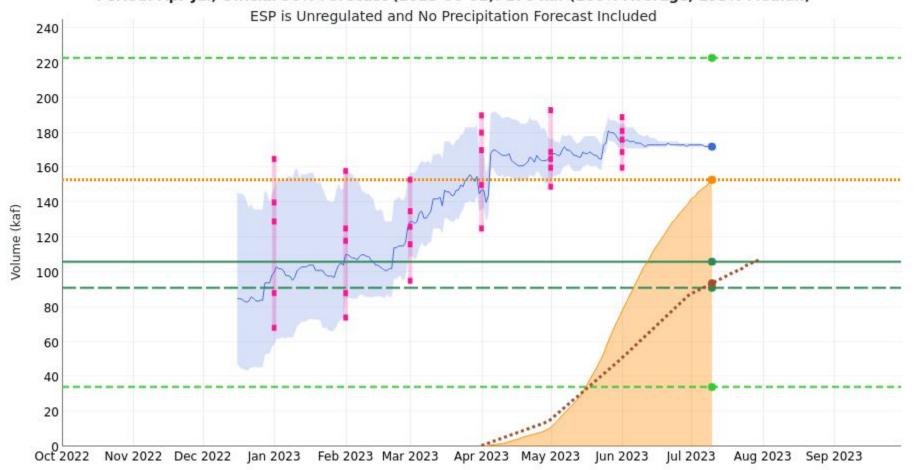


As the runoff season concludes, forecasted values are very close to provisional observed values. Most points saw flows in excess of 150% of average.

Additionally, over the past weeks, many flows have been receding as snowpack amounts diminished and uses increased.



Logan - Logan, Nr, State Dam, Abv (LGNU1)
Period: Apr-Jul, Official 50% Forecast (2023-06-01): 176 kaf (166% Average, 193% Median)



Max 1986: 222.92

Min 1977: 34.12

Average: 106

Median: 91

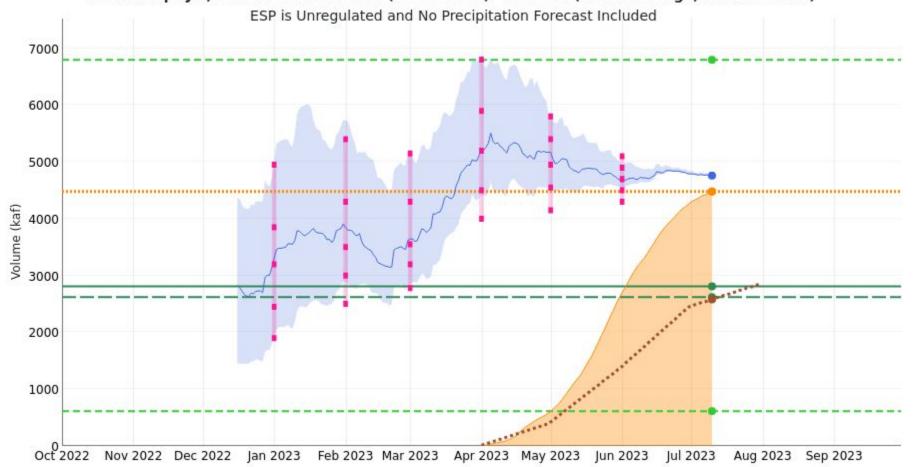
**Observed Accumulation: 153** 

Observed Total: 153

Normal Accumulation: 93.6







Max 1917: 6798.76

Min 1934: 613.7

Average: 2810

Median: 2620

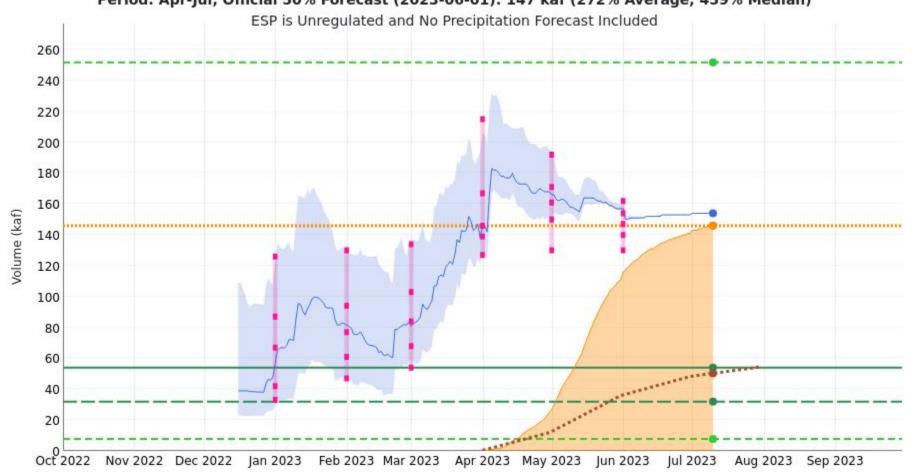
**Observed Accumulation: 4480** 

Observed Total: 4480

**Normal Accumulation: 2580** 







Max 1984: 251.76

Min 2002: 7.72

Average: 54

Median: 32

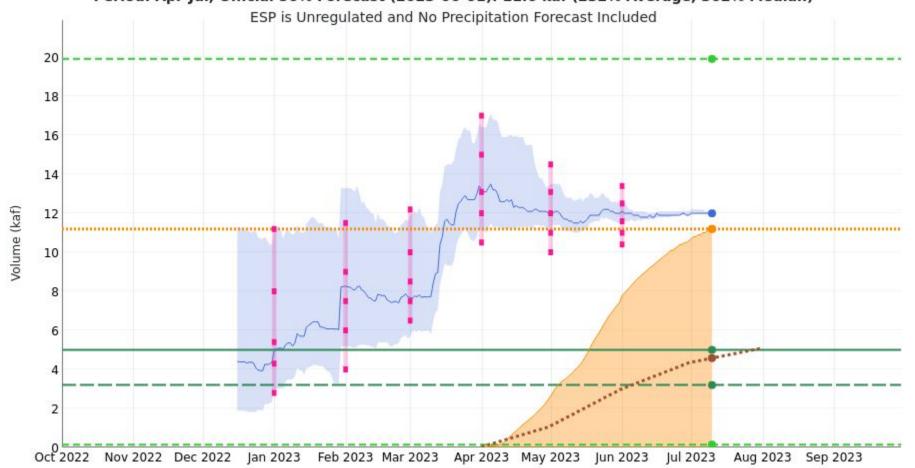
**Observed Accumulation: 146** 

**Observed Total: 146** 

Normal Accumulation: 50.3







Max 2005: 19.91

Min 2002: 0.15

Average: 5

Median: 3.2

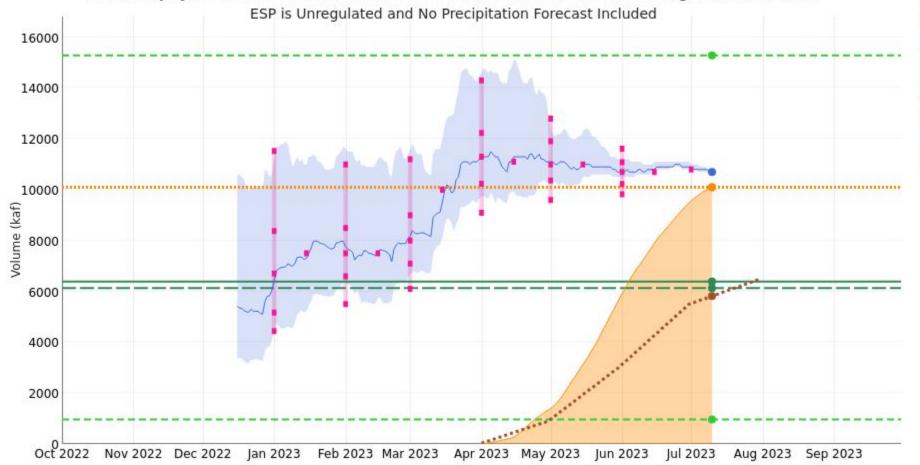
**Observed Accumulation: 11.2** 

**Observed Total: 11.2** 

**Normal Accumulation: 4.58** 







Max 1984: 15285.64

Min 2002: 963.96

Average: 6390

Median: 6130

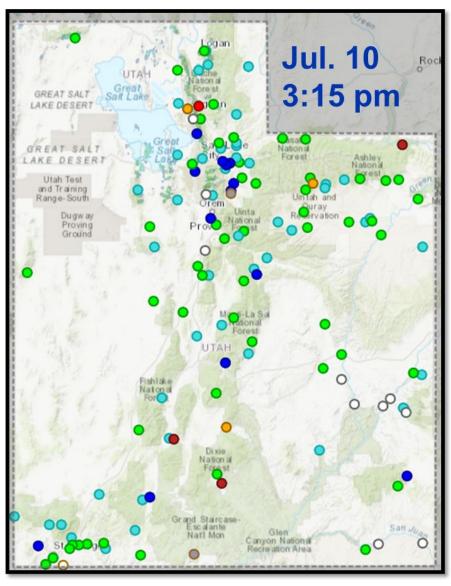
**Observed Accumulation: 1010** 

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Normal Accumulation: 5820

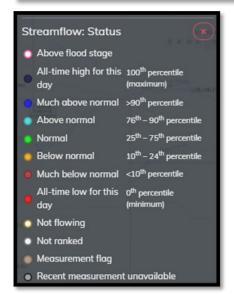
#### **Current Streamflow Conditions**





\*Sites must have at least 10 years of streamflow record to be ranked on this graphic

Day-of-Year Status	% Gages	% Gages
All-time high for this day-of-year	1.5%	0.7%
Much above normal for this day-of-year	21.2%	9.5%
Above normal for this day-of-year	39.4%	36.5%
Normal for this day-of-year	27.7%	38.7%
Below normal for this day-of-year	0.7%	2.2%
Much below normal for this day-of-year	0.7%	2.2%
All-time low for this day-of-year	0.0%	0.7%
Not ranked - insufficient record	7.3%	7.3%
Not ranked - no measurement	0.7%	1.5%
Not ranked - stream not flowing	0.7%	0.7%

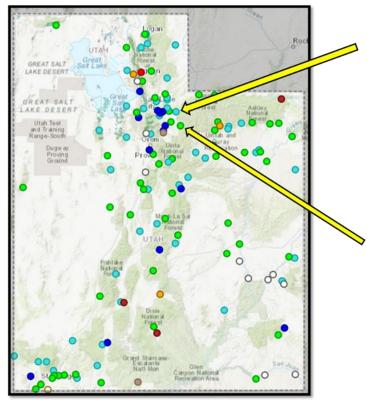


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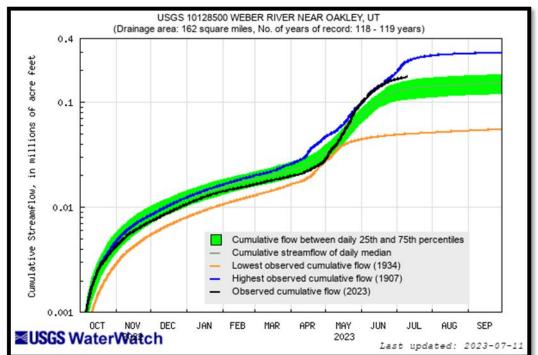
Agency - USGS Utah WSC Presenter - Thank you Laura!

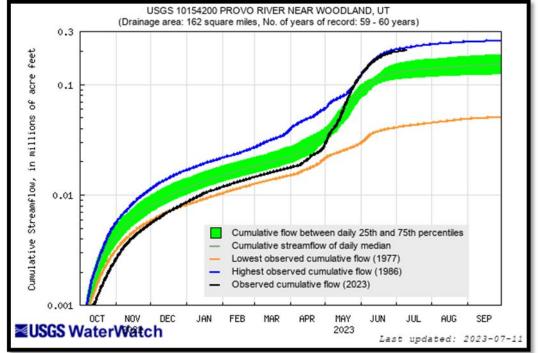


## **Cumulative Streamflow Hydrograph for Selected Gages**



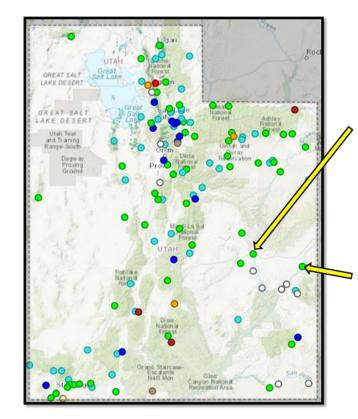
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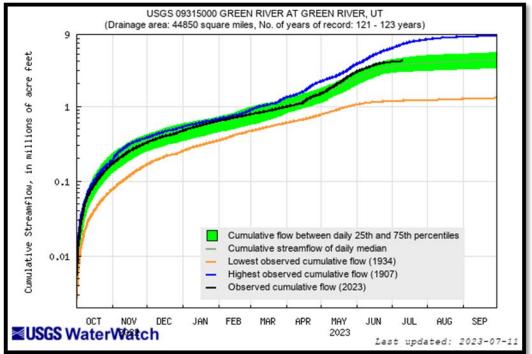


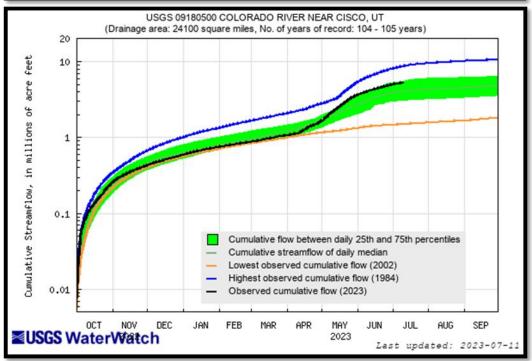


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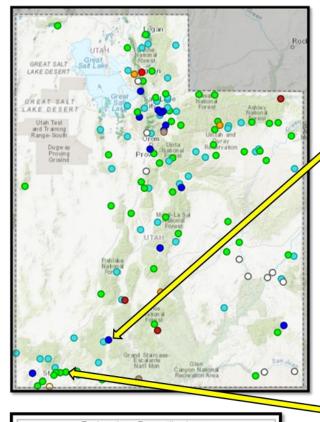
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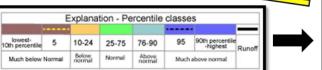


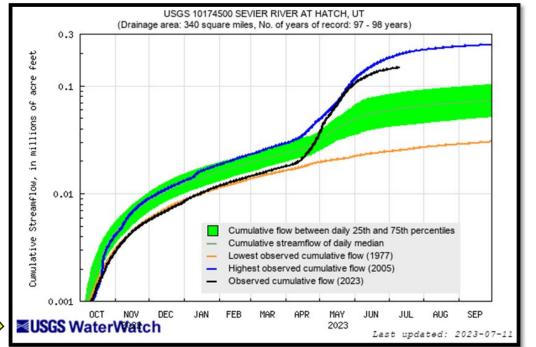


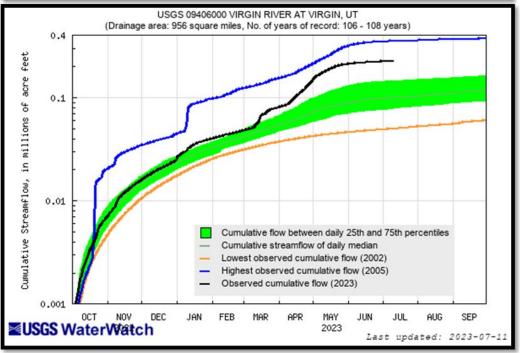


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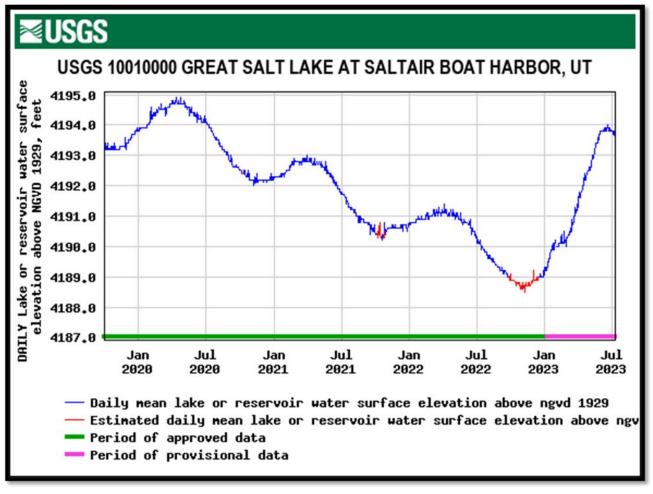








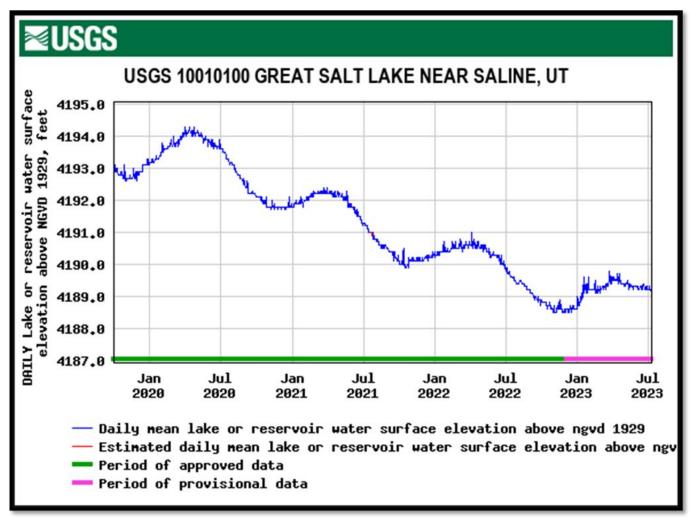
# Great Salt Lake Water Surface Elevation – South Arm



- □ Daily value 7/10/2023 = 4,193.6'
- □ Peaked at 4,194.0' on 6/19 and 6/20/2023
- ☐ Berm at causeway breach raised to 4,192' 2/9/2023



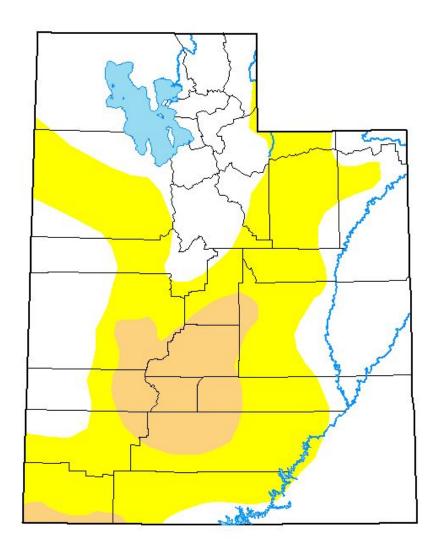
# Great Salt Lake Water Surface Elevation – North Arm



- □ Daily value 7/10/2023 = 4,189.1'
- □ Peaked at 4,189.8' on 3/24/2023
- □ Berm at causeway breach raised to 4,192' 2/9/2023



## U.S. Drought Monitor Utah



#### July 4, 2023

(Released Thursday, Jul. 6, 2023) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

#### Intensity:

None

D0 Abnormally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought

D3 Extreme Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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