

Water District 1 Report – June 10th, 2026

Coming off the 2026 system natural flow peak of 25,000 cfs on June 4, natural flow has receded at a relatively modest pace as the highest remaining snow continues to melt out. Diversion demand above Blackfoot has also not yet returned to pre rainfall levels observed prior to the significant precipitation event during the weekend of May 30, likely due to a combination of harvest timing and weather conditions. Diversion demand is, however, steadily increasing again. Although reservoir water rights turned off on June 4, water right priorities have hovered around the 1905 to 1908 level since then. The current projected priority for tomorrow is **March 26, 1903, above Blackfoot** and **June 16, 1908, below Blackfoot**. Managers are encouraged to monitor daily water right projections at waterdistrict1.com in order to manage storage use efficiently.

Systemwide reach gains remain low for this time of year, and base flows appear to be at very low levels. The Northwest River Forecast Center's April through September forecast remains at 64% of average. Soil moisture in the Snake River above Milner is at record lows dating back to 2012, the first year of available data, and most of the basin is classified as being in extreme drought according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

The summer is projected to be difficult for many surface water irrigators, with curtailments expected to begin soon. Storage use to date is high, with some operations at highs for this point in the season. This is the result of abnormal water right priority cuts in April and May combined with high irrigation demand. Some operations may struggle to make it to July before exhausting available supplies. The physical reservoir system is also likely to be drawn down to very low levels by the end of the irrigation season.

The last day that storage accrued to reservoir water rights was June 6, which is likely to be the Day of Allocation. Work has begun on the issuance of storage allocations, which are expected to be available by the end of next week, if not sooner. A special report will be issued when the storage allocations are posted. Irrigators needing an estimated allocation and storage remaining balance before the official allocations are published may contact Water District 1 staff at 208-525-7161.

A 25,000 acre-foot exchange of storage water from the Payette River Basin to the Upper Snake River Basin is currently being proposed and will be the subject of the Special Committee of Nine meeting on Monday.

Special Committee of Nine – Monday, 6/15 at 2 pm at IDWR Eastern Regional Office and virtual at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83897682423?pwd=JJXdEHWwFcgq7fFCcFqtOfZqklQOn1.1>

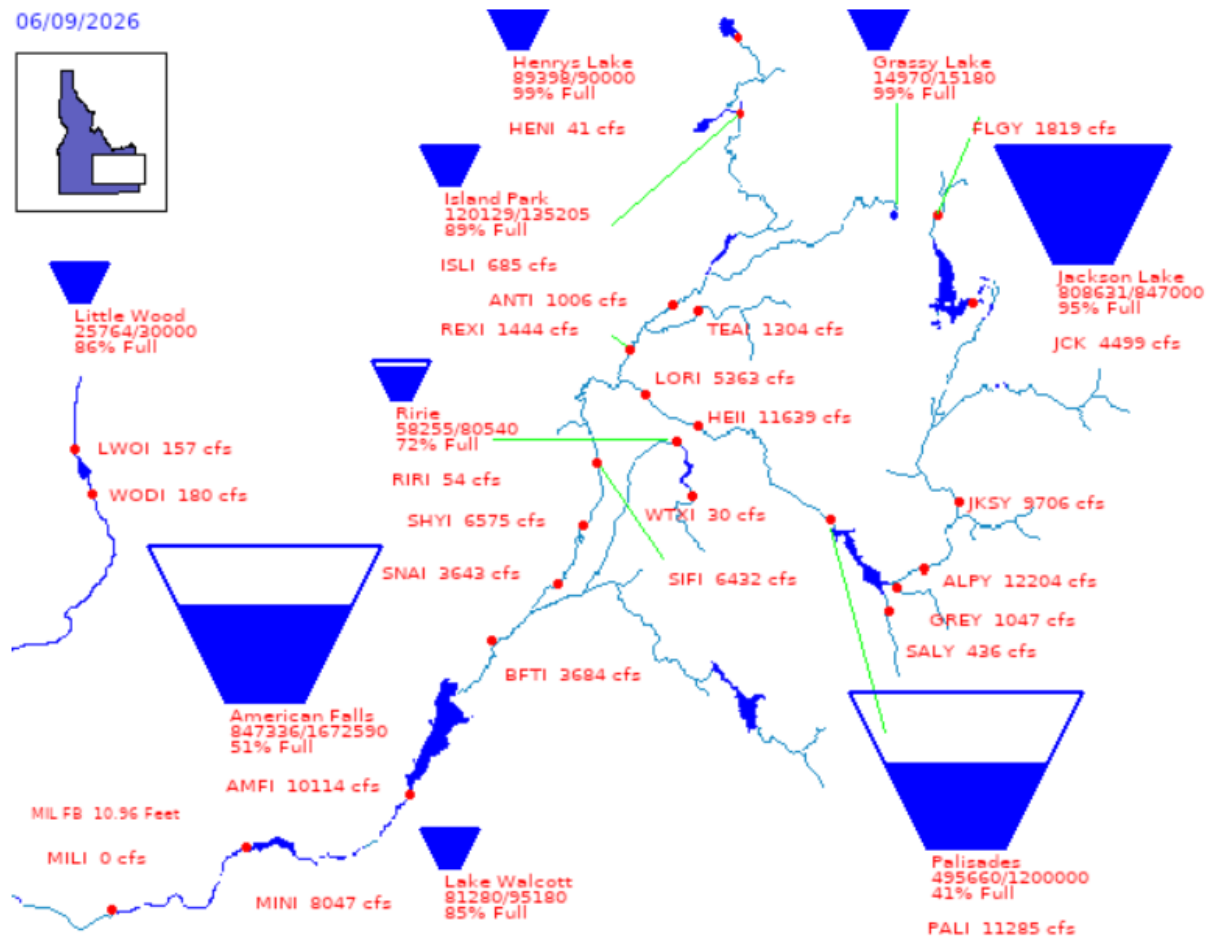
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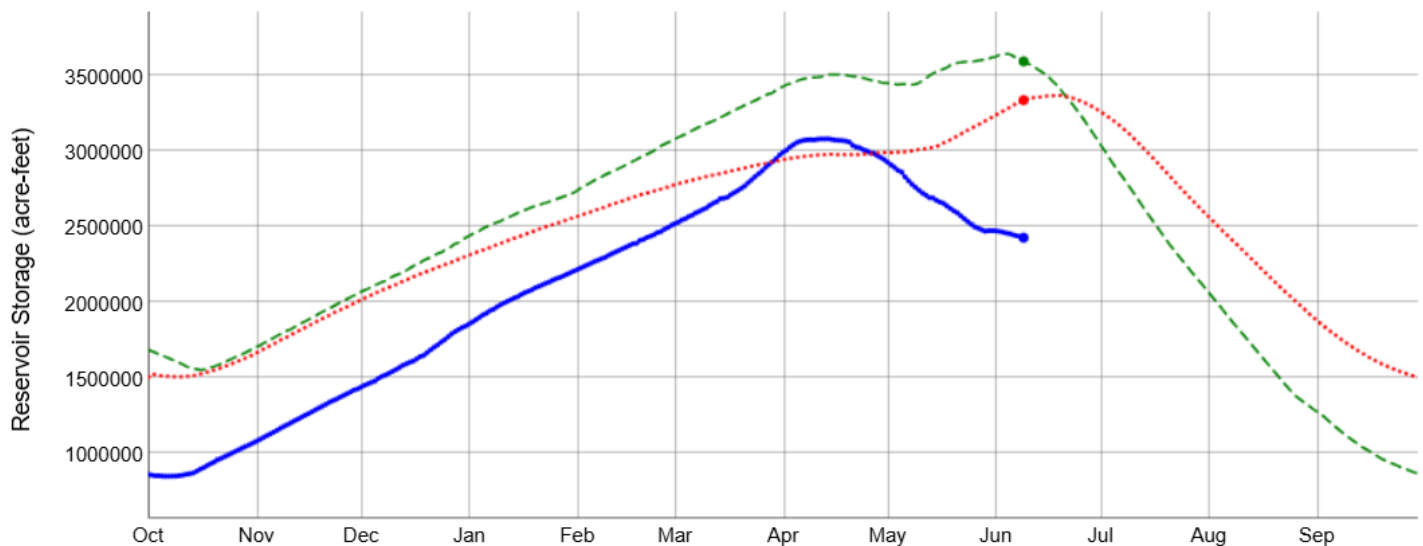
Committee of Nine – Thursday, 6/25 at 10 am at the Pocatello Airport and virtual. The agenda and virtual link will be posted at waterdistrict1.com prior to meeting.

Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Northwest Region Major Storage Reservoirs in the Upper Snake River Basin

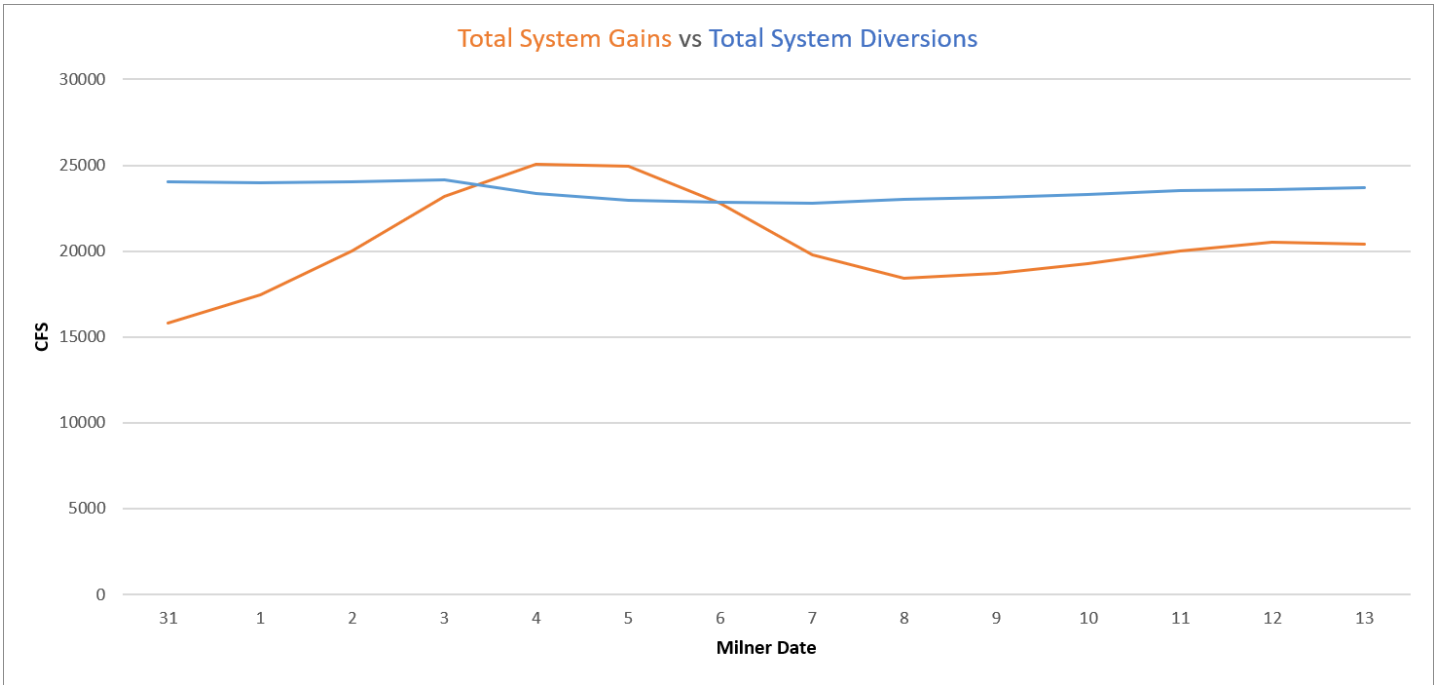
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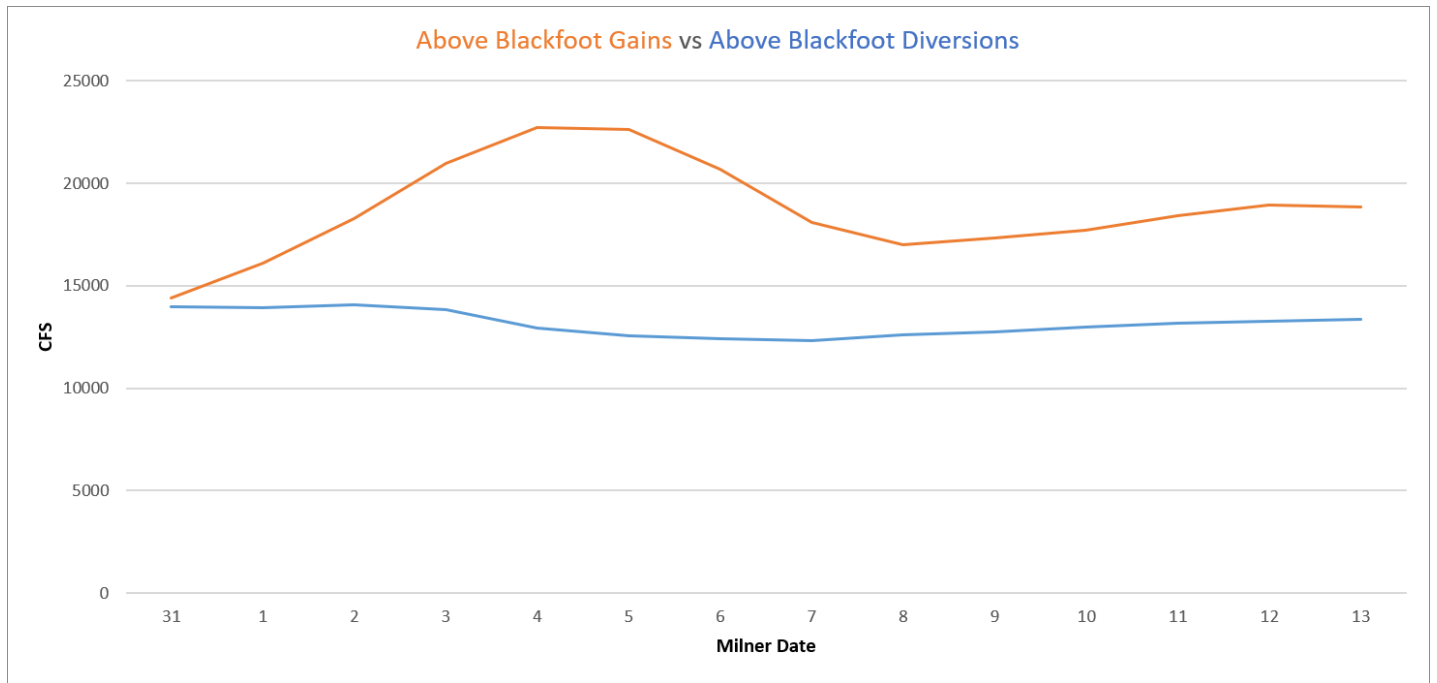
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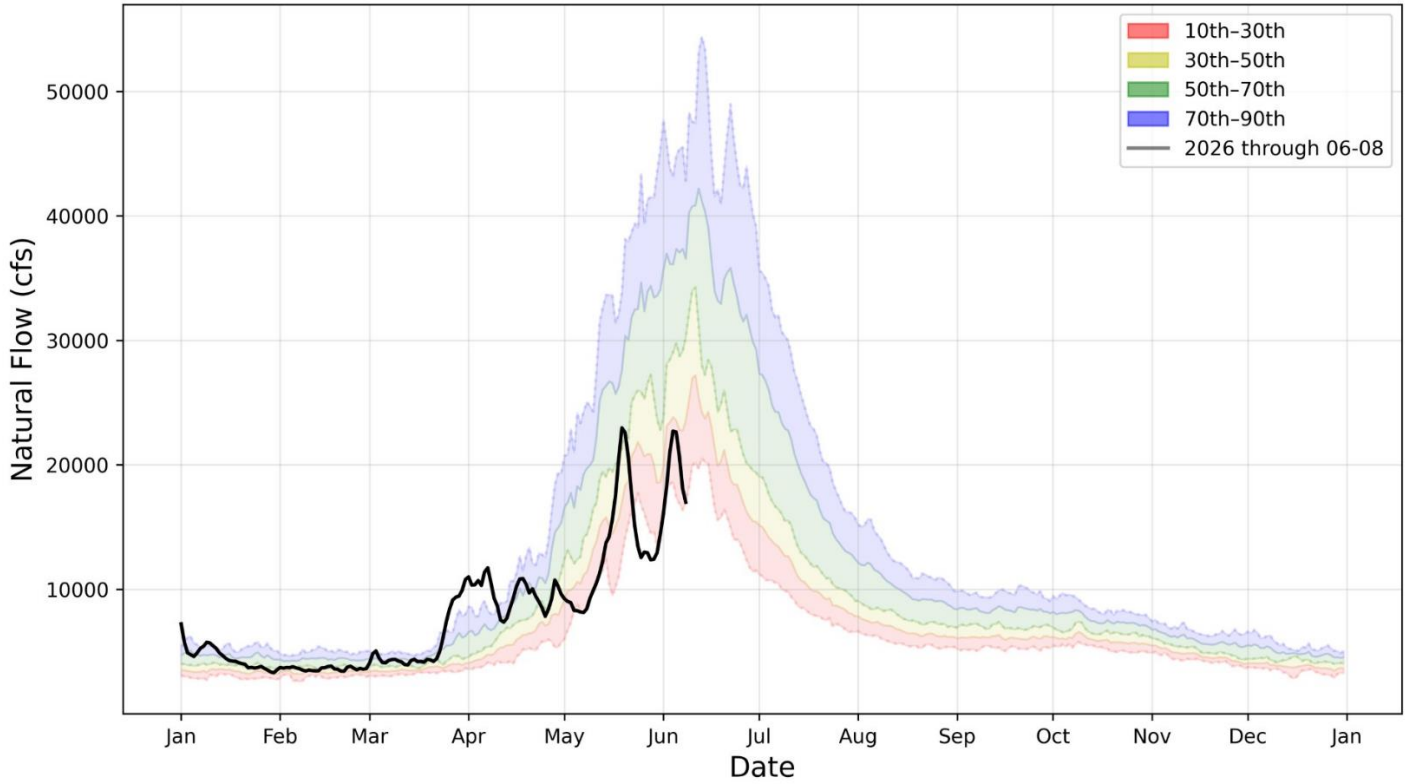


Proxy for reservoir water right accrual

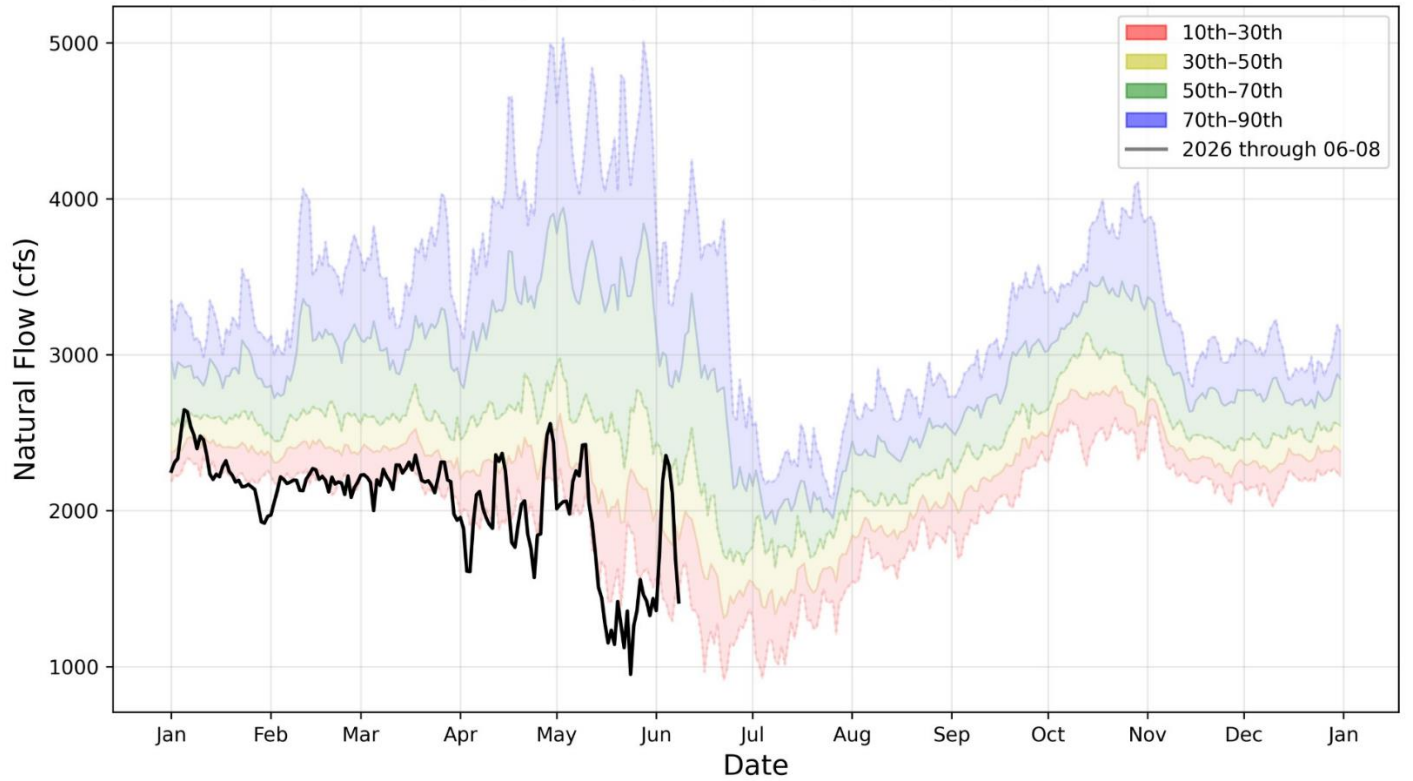


Proxy for 1900 priority split at Blackfoot

Natural Flow Above Blackfoot

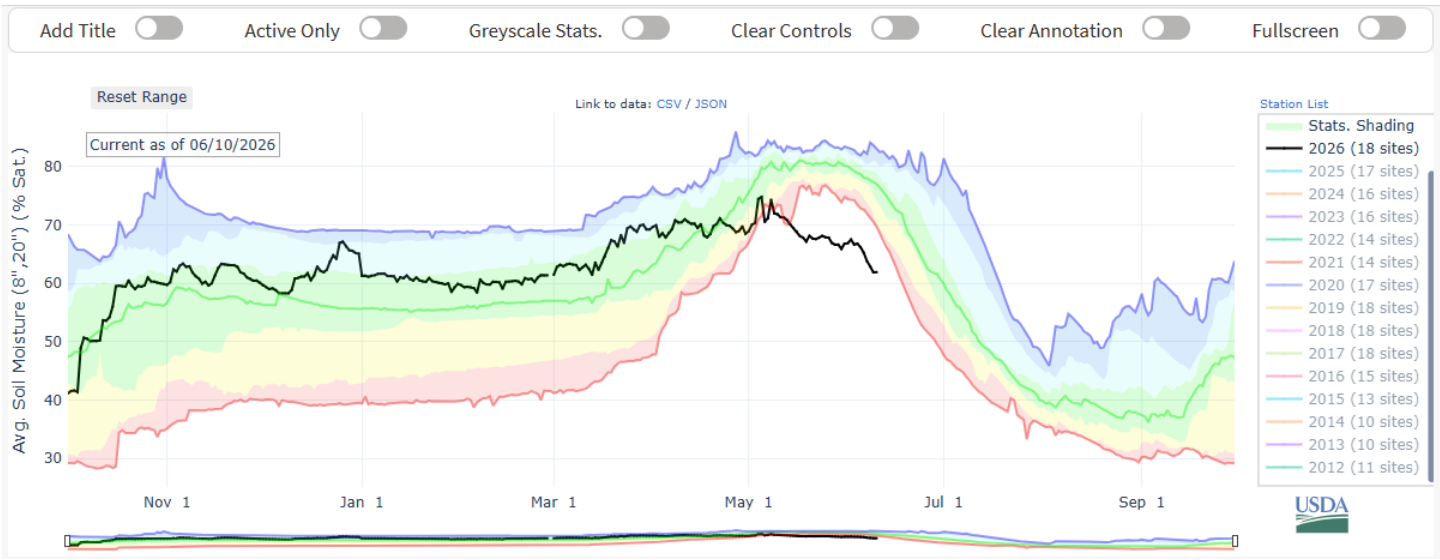


Natural Flow Gain Below Blackfoot



AWS Plot | AVG. SOIL MOISTURE (8",20") IN SNAKE AB MILNER

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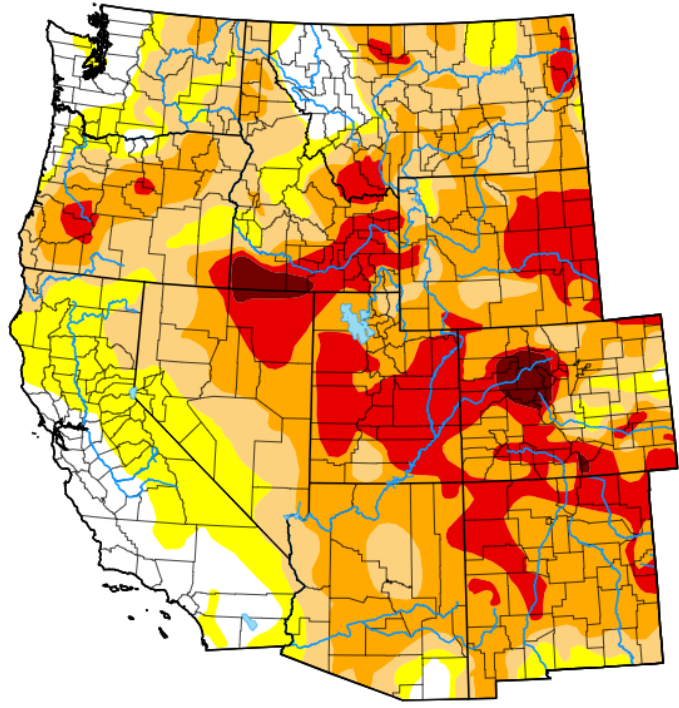


U.S. Drought Monitor

Current Maps Data Summary About Conditions & Outlooks Ag in Drought En Español NADM

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Map released: Thurs. June 4, 2026

Data valid: June 2, 2026 at 8 a.m. EDT

Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

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