

## Water District 1 Report – June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

The final natural flow snowmelt “push” coincided with a significant precipitation event over the weekend. The resulting bump in unregulated inflows above Heise, which peaked at approximately 18,000 cfs, exceeded expectations but was slightly less than the peak of approximately 20,000 cfs that occurred on May 15. The precipitation also reduced irrigation demand as fields were wetted by rainfall. This combination resulted in systemwide natural flow reaching a peak of around 25,000 cfs, which is likely the peak for this year, and allowed additional fill into reservoir storage water rights. The Jackson 1913 right completely filled, and small amounts of additional accrual were received by the Palisades 1939, Island Park 1935, and Henry’s Lake 1917 rights. Current projections show the **March 30, 1921** priority available **above Blackfoot** and the **January 22, 1916** priority available **below Blackfoot** for tomorrow.

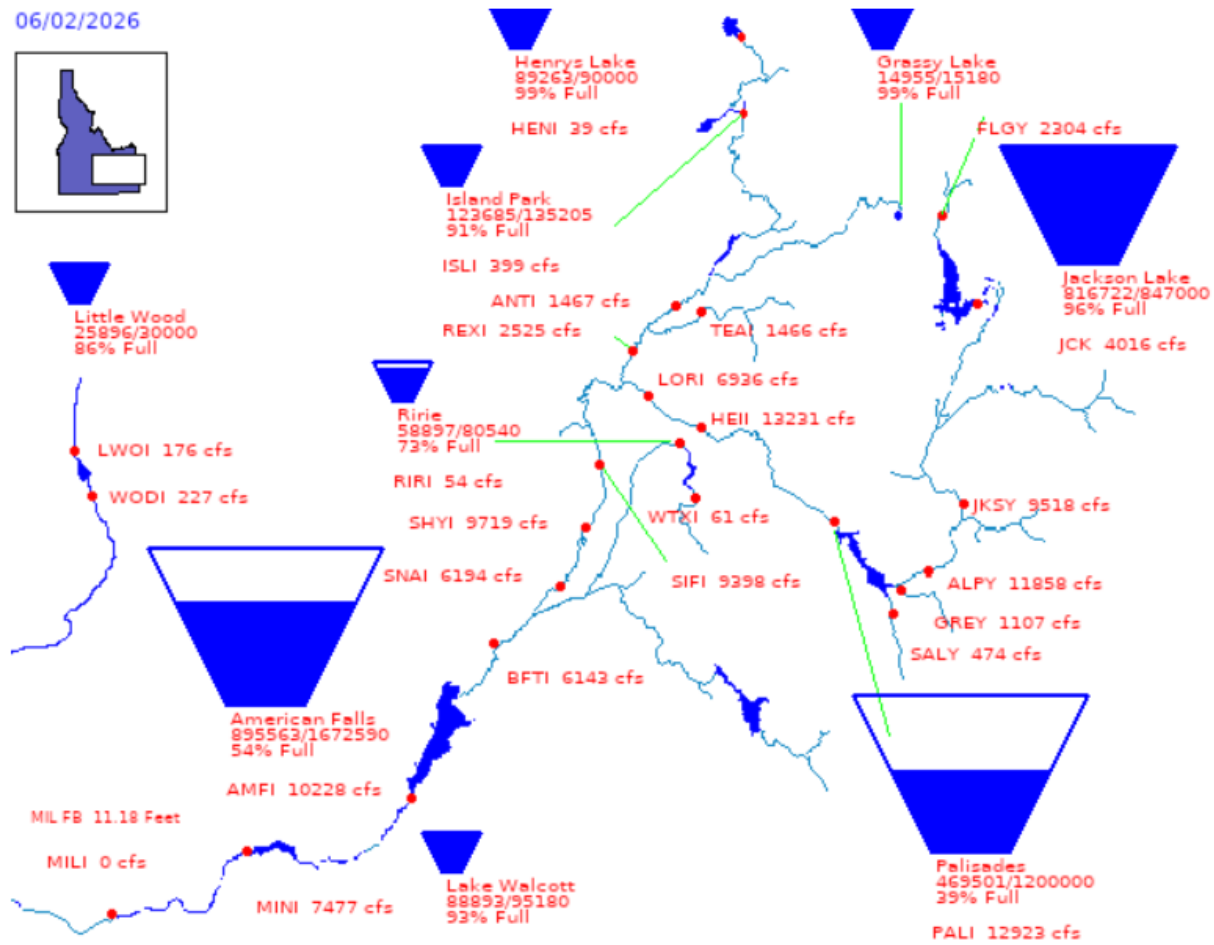
The previous natural flow bump above Heise on May 15 receded to around 10,000 cfs within five days of peaking, which caused priorities to fall back to the 1900 level and led to the resumption of a priority split at Blackfoot. A similar pattern could occur again following this event. Priorities above Blackfoot could return to that level by the weekend, which would likely correspond to a return to similar priority levels below Blackfoot by early next week. Precipitation, temperature, and wind can all play an outsized role in how priorities move, and canal managers are encouraged to review the priority projections posted at [waterdistrict1.com](http://waterdistrict1.com), which are updated each weekday. Friday’s projection this week should provide a more precise indication of how conditions may develop over the weekend.

The Day of Allocation will likely occur on the last day that additional accrual to the Henry’s Lake 1917 water right occurs, and preliminary allocations are expected to be published within the next couple of weeks. Rough allocation estimates can be provided by Water District 1 staff until that time, so please call if that information is needed for planning purposes.

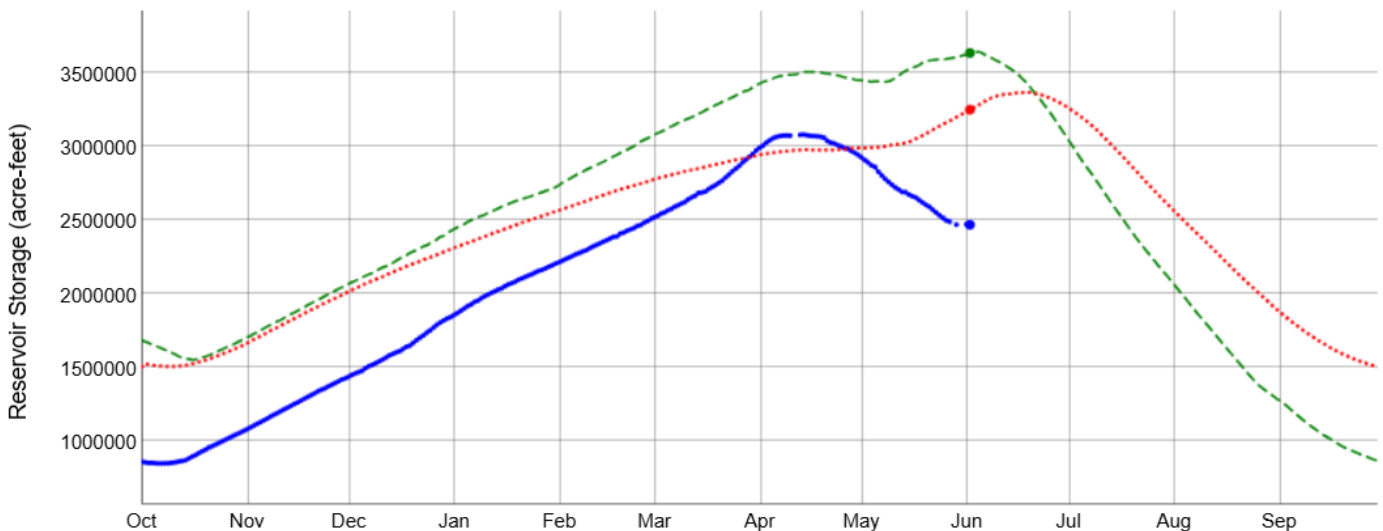
Long-term estimates for natural flow availability through the remainder of the irrigation season remain bleak. Much of last summer was spent in the bottom 10th percentile of the previous 30 years in terms of natural flow availability above Blackfoot. The Northwest River Forecast Center currently projects April through September unregulated inflows above Heise at 64% of average. The three month outlook also indicates an increased likelihood of above-average temperatures. For planning purposes, water years 1992, 2001, and 2007 are currently being used as early analog years for water right priorities availability above Blackfoot. A clearer picture of the most appropriate analog years will emerge once snowmelt is complete and streamflows transition to baseflow conditions.

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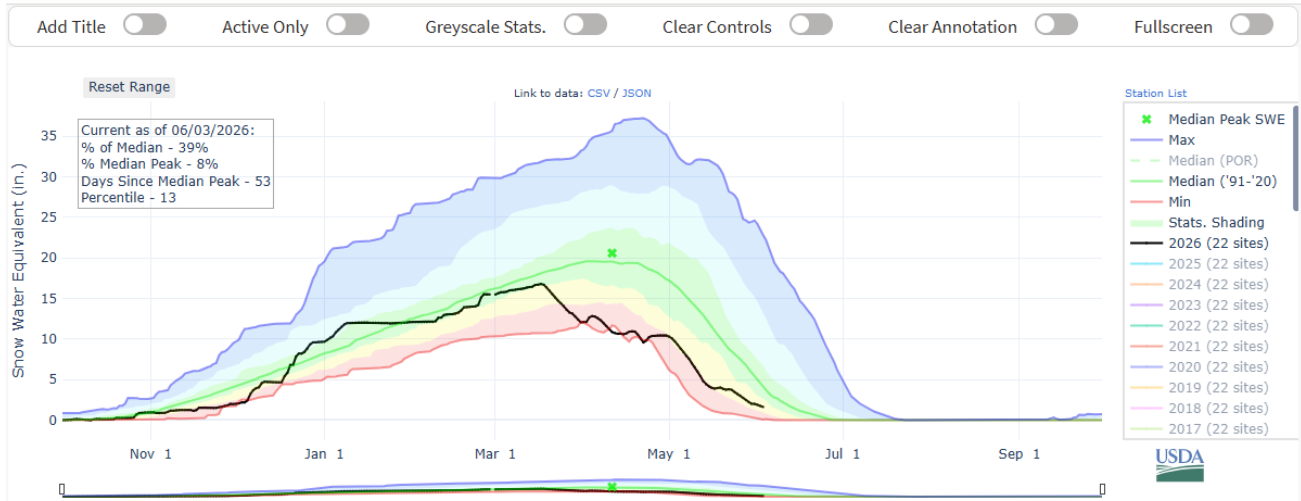
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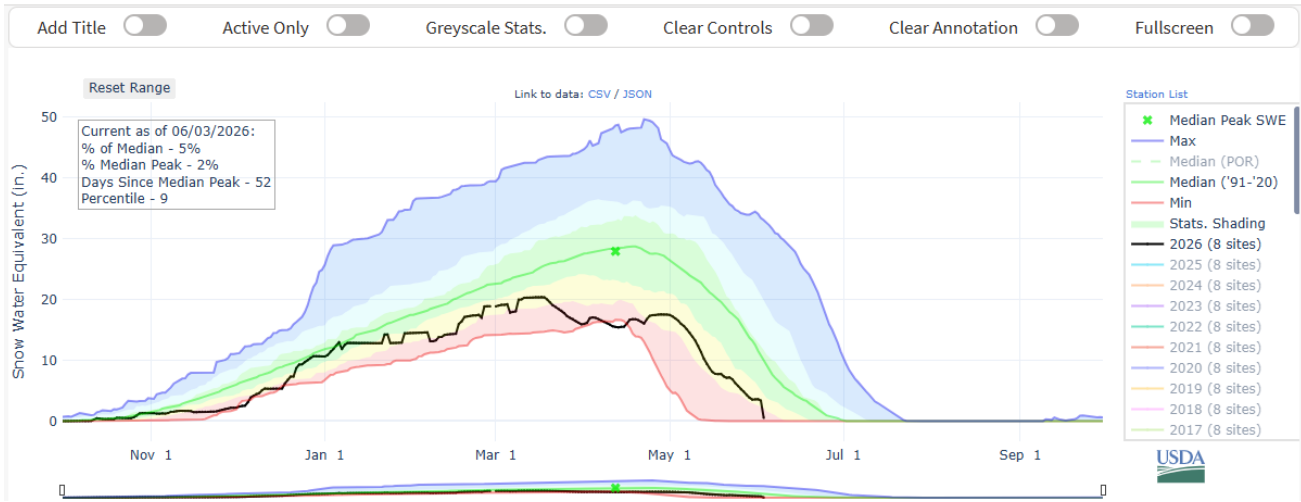
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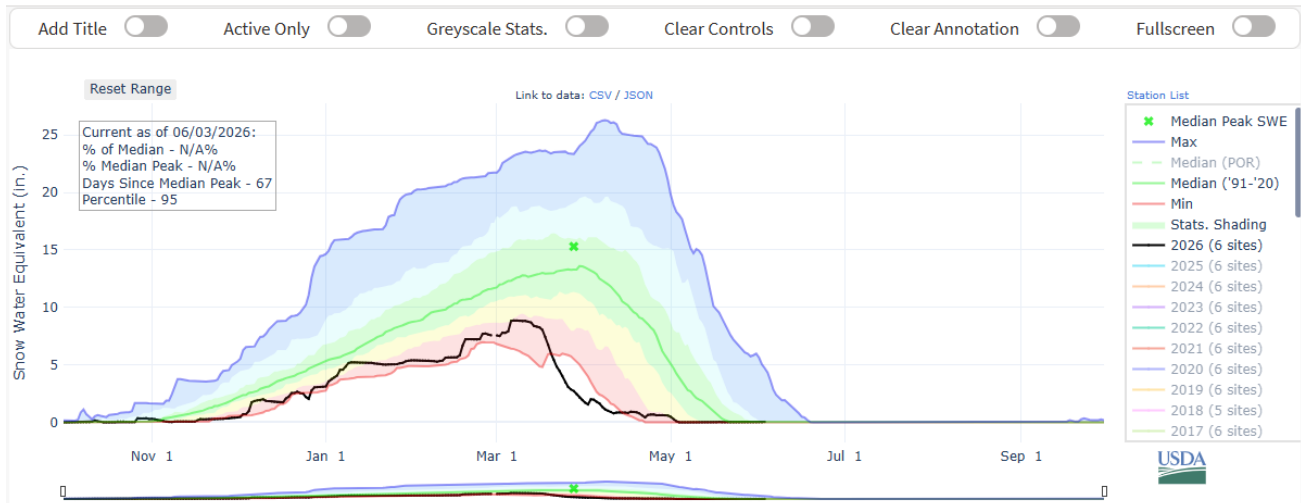
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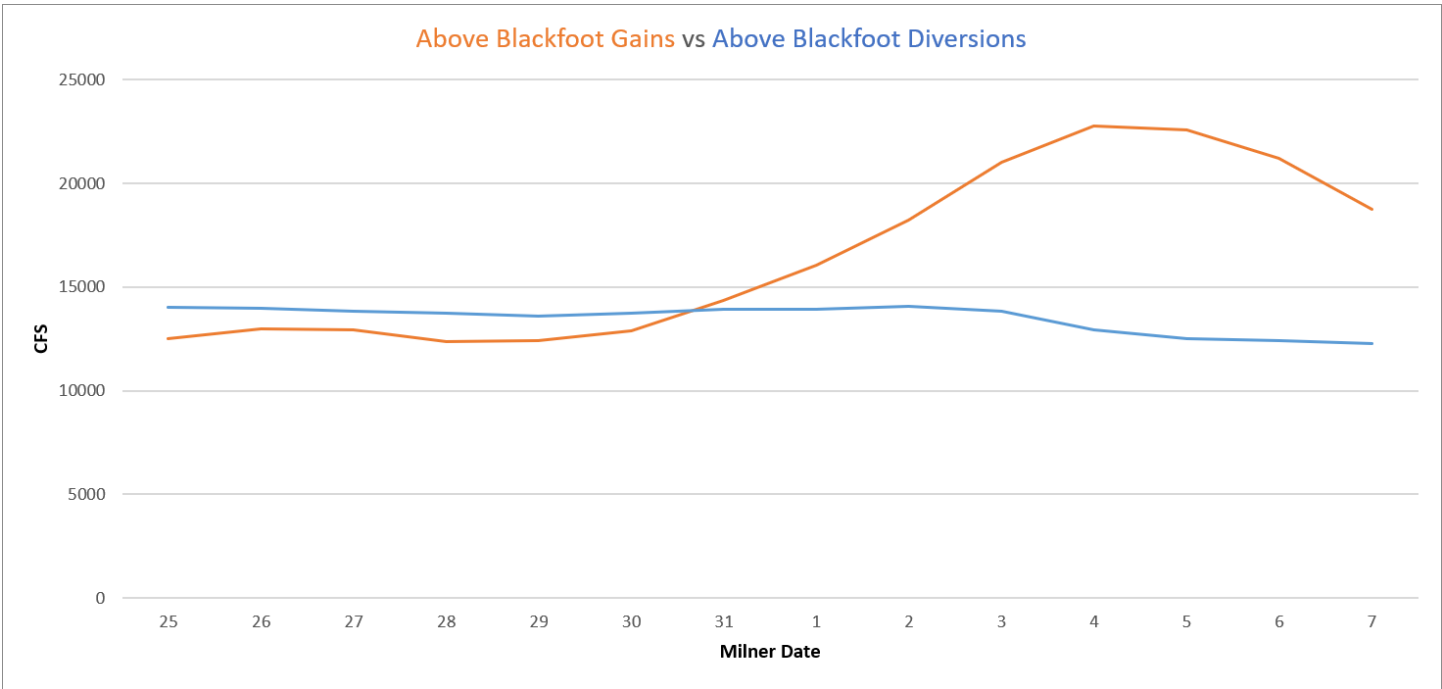
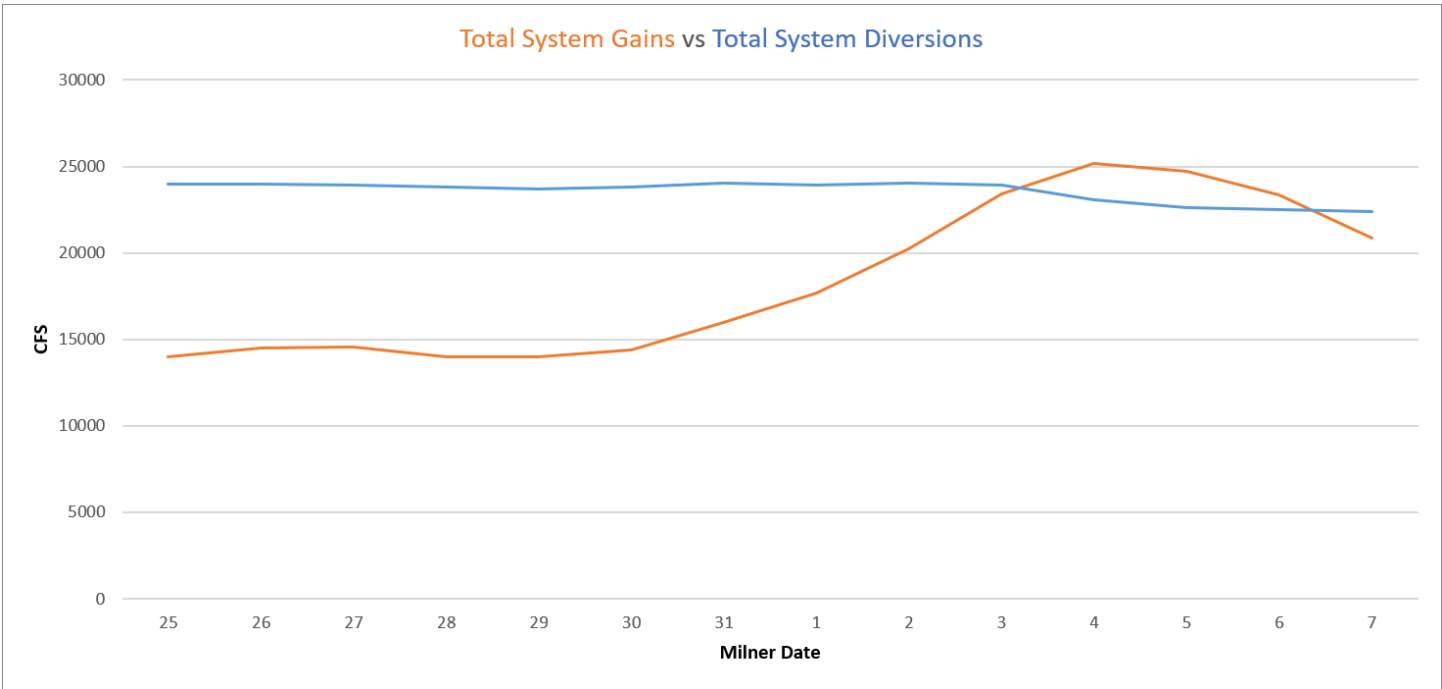
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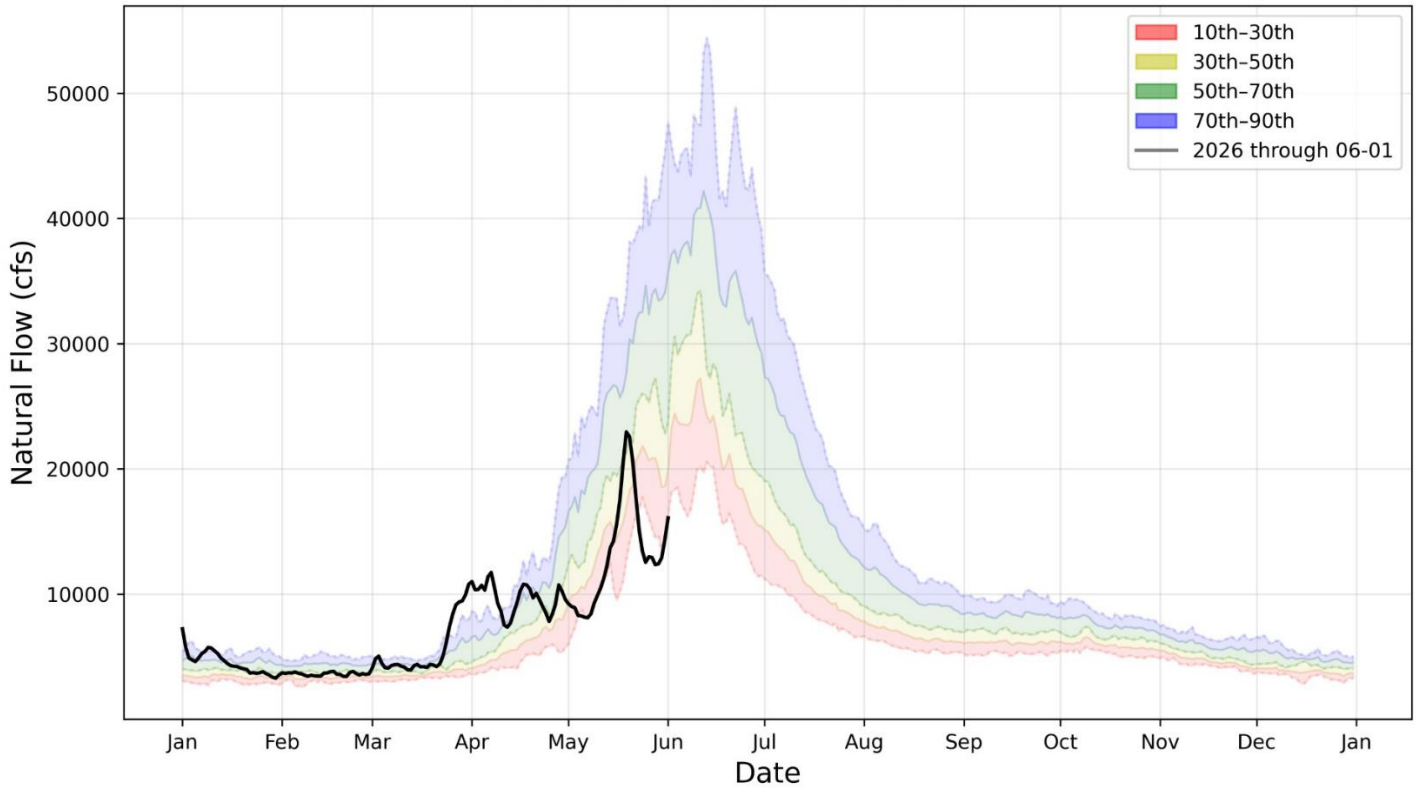
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### Natural Flow Above Blackfoot



### Natural Flow Gain Below Blackfoot

