# October 1, 2008 WATER SUPPLY AND UTILIZATION REPORT NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN WYOMING AREA OFFICE

This report concerns the operation of Reclamation facilities in the North Platte River Basin.

Reclamation defines a water year as the time period of October 1 through September 30. Water year is abbreviated in this report as W. Yr.

Other organizations furnished information for the Water Supply and Utilization Report. Their cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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- 1. Log on to the Great Plains Home Page at: <a href="http://www.usbr.gov/gp">http://www.usbr.gov/gp</a>
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- 3. Under Water Operations Select Water Management Information.
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### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN INFLOW

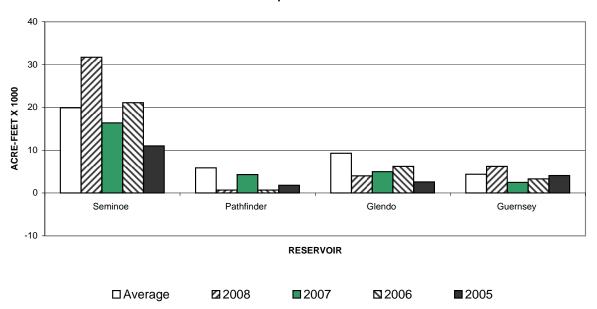
The September inflows were above average for Seminoe and Guernsey Reservoirs.

(1000 acre-feet)

			September Inflow	•		September		Accumulated Inflow (October - September)		
Reservoir		W. Yr. 30 Yr. % of 2008 Avg. <sup>5</sup> Avg.			W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ⁵	% of Avg.
Seminoe		31.7	19.9	159	16.4	21.1	11.0	1197.5	953.2	126
Pathfinder	1, 2	0.7	5.9	12	4.3	0.7	1.8	72.1	139.7	52
Glendo	3	4.0	9.3	43	5.0	6.2	2.6	228.6	203.4	112
Guernsey	4	6.2	4.4	141	2.5	3.3	4.1	63.4	35.1	181

- 1 It is assumed that there is no gain between Seminoe and Kortes Dams.
- 2 River gain between Kortes and Pathfinder Dams.
- 3 River gain between Pathfinder and Glendo Dams.
- 4 River gain between Glendo and Guernsey Dams.
- 5 30 year average. (1978-2007)

### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR INFLOW September



### **NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN OUTFLOW**

The September outflows for Seminoe and Kortes Reservoirs were above average.

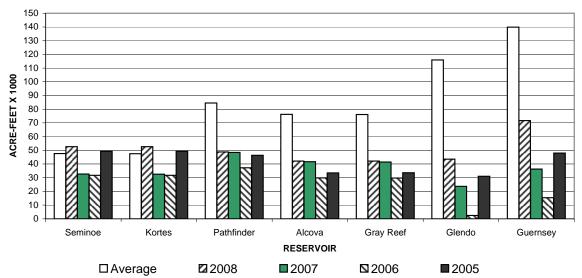
(1000 acre-feet)

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	September Outflow			September Historical Outflow			Accumulated Outflow (October - September)		
Reservoir	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. <sup>2</sup>	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. <sup>2</sup>	% of Avg.
Seminoe	52.7	47.6	111	32.7	31.8	49.3	852.4	922.1	92
Kortes	52.6	47.5	111	32.6	31.8	49.3	852.2	921.8	92
Pathfinder	48.8	84.5	58	48.4	37.2	46.4	730.5	1014.5	72
Alcova	42.1	76.2	55	41.7	29.9	33.5	671.1	936.6	72
Gray Reef	42.1	76.1	55	41.4	29.8	33.6	670.9	936.1	72
Glendo	43.5	115.9	38	23.7	2.5	31.1	882.6	1105.0	80
Guernsey	71.7	139.8	51	36.3	15.4	48.0	939.0	1135.0	83

- 1 In 1993 an outlet was constructed at Glendo Dam which is used to provide a flow of approximately 25 cubic feet per second.
- 2 30 year average (1978-2007).

### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR OUTFLOW

### September



### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE

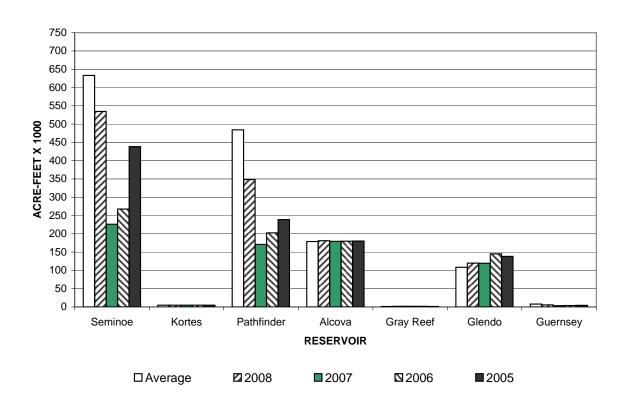
The September storage for the major reservoirs; Seminoe and Pathfinder were below average.

(1000 acre-feet)

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Reservoir	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. <sup>1</sup>	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	Storage Capacity	Capacity
Seminoe	534.5	633.1	84	226.4	267.8	438.6	1017.3	53
Kortes	4.7	4.6	102	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	100
Pathfinder	348.2	484.3	72	171.1	202.7	238.9	1016.5	34
Alcova	181.1	179.1	101	179.5	179.8	180.3	184.4	98
Gray Reef	1.7	1.3	131	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.8	94
Glendo	119.9	108.6	110	119.3	145.3	138.4	517.5	23
Guernsey	5.6	8.0	70	3.6	3.9	4.2	45.6	12
Total	1195.7	1419.0	84	706.3	805.8	1006.6	2787.8	43

<sup>1</sup> Average is based on the 1978-2007 period.

## NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE End of September



#### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE OWNERSHIP

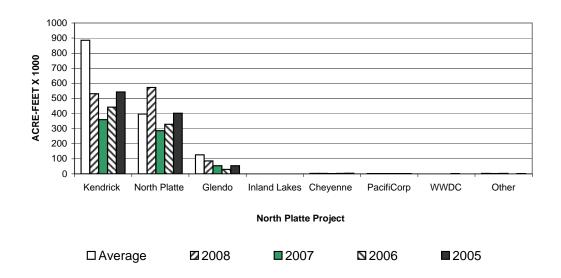
North Platte Ownership was above average for September. Kendrick Ownership at the end of September was the 5th lowest in the last 30 years.

(1000 acre-feet)

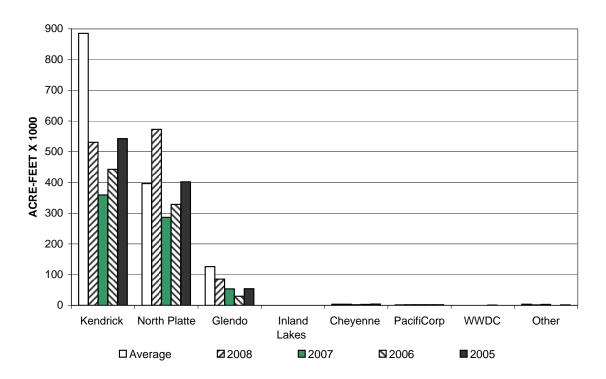
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Ownership		W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ⁵	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	Storage Capacity	Capacity
Kendrick		530.8	885.2	60	359.3	442.7	542.5	1201.7	44
North Platte	1	572.7	396.6	144	286.3	328.6	402.1	1062.1	54
Glendo		85.4	126.2	68	53.6	29.6	54.0	183.2	47
Inland Lakes	2	0.0	0.0	N/A	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0
Cheyenne	3	3.4	3.6 <sup>6</sup>	94	2.1	3.0	4.3	10.0	34
PacifiCorp	4	2.0	1.8	111	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	100
WWDC	8	0.0	N/A	N/A	0.0	0.7	0.0	N/A	N/A
Other	7	1.5	3.4	44	3.2	0.0	1.7	N/A	N/A

- 1 This includes North Platte Guernsey and North Platte Pathfinder.
- 2 Water stored temporarily in mainstem facilities for later transfer to the Inland Lakes. This table does not reflect that water currently stored in the Inland Lakes.
- 3 The City of Cheyenne has a storage contract to store water in Seminoe Reservoir by exchange of Upper North Platte Basin water through a system of trans-basin diversions.
- 4 Pacific Power has a storage contract to store water in Glendo Reservoir for Dave Johnston Powerplant.
- 5 Average is based on the 1978-2007 period.
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- 7 Water which is captured in the re-regulation space of Glendo in addition to storage rights, operational water account, and replacement of evaporation losses is labeled as "Re-regulation of Natural Flow" per Wyoming Board of Control Order Docket Number I-2000-3-8 in water Division Number One. In accordance with 2007 Natural Flow and Ownership Procedures, the operational account June contain up to 15,000 acre-feet. On September 30, 2008, the Operational account contained 1,536 Acre-feet, the Re-Regulation space contained 0 Acre-feet.

### **Ownership of Water**



### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN OWNERSHIP OF WATER End of September



### **INLAND LAKES RESERVOIR STORAGE**

( acre-feet)

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	Total	30 Year	Percent of	Total	
Reservoir	Storage	Average ⁵	Average	Storage	
	End of September	_	_	Capacity	
Lake Alice	640	2,600	25	11,034 ¹	
Little Lake Alice	42	304 <sup>6</sup>	14	1,166 <sup>2</sup>	
Lake Winters Creek	624	671 <sup>6</sup>	93	1,746 <sup>3</sup>	
Lake Minatare	37,854	22,700	167	58,795 <sup>4</sup>	

- 1 At Elevation 4182.0
- 2 At Elevation 4139.0
- 3 At Elevation 4125.0
- 4 At Elevation 4125.0
- 5 30 year average. (1978-2007)
- 6 17 year average. (1991-2007)

### **NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN GROSS GENERATION**

Power generation was above average for Kortes in the North Platte Basin.

(Energy in giga-watt hours)

	September Gross Generation			September Historical Generation			Accumulated Gross Gen. (October - September)		
Powerplant	W. Yr. 30 Yr. % of 2008 Avg. <sup>2</sup> Avg.		W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ²	% of Avg.	
Seminoe	7.1	7.3	97	3.7	3.5	6.8	115.6	132.6	87
Kortes	8.0	7.9	101	5.4	4.9	8.0	140.8	141.5	100
Fremont Canyon <sup>1</sup>	10.9	20.7	53	9.8	7.3	9.8	162.1	234.3	69
Alcova	5.1	9.7	53	4.6	3.0	3.8	82.5	116.4	71
Glendo	2.3	6.7	34	1.0	0.0	1.9	68.0	79.0	86
Guernsey	1.3	3.0	43	0.4	0.2	0.5	17.4	18.7	93

- 1 The powerplant for Pathfinder Dam is Fremont Canyon.
- 2 Average is based on the 1978-2007 period.

### NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN GROSS GENERATION September

