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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.

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NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN INFLOW

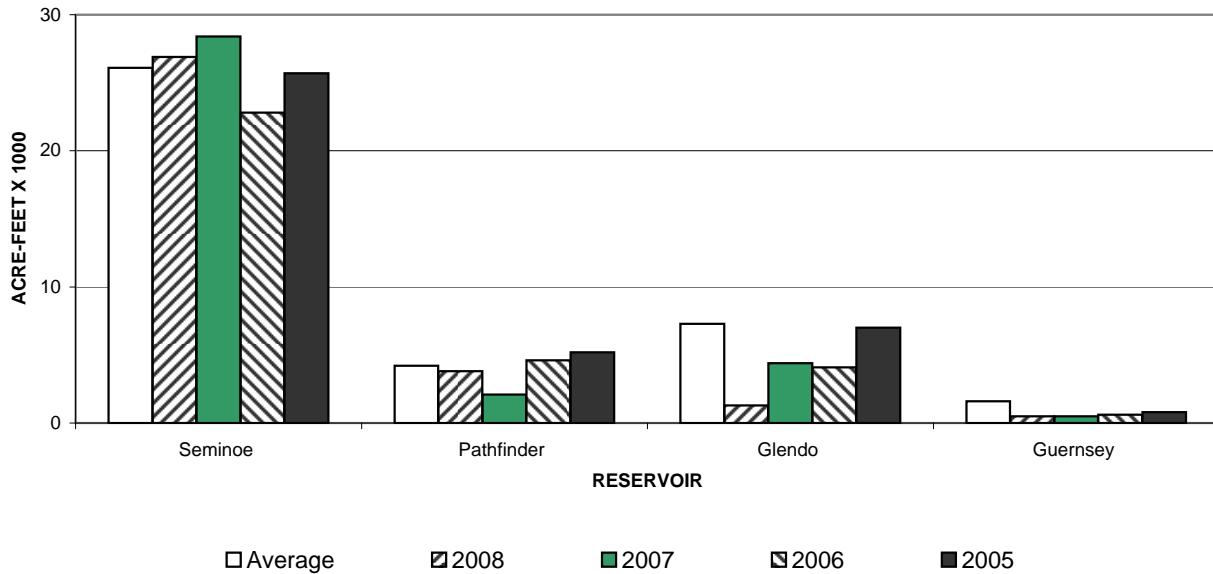
The December inflows were below average for all reservoirs except Seminoe Reservoir in the North Platte Basin.

(1000 acre-feet)

Reservoir	December Inflow			December Historical Inflow			Accumulated Inflow (October - December)		
	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ⁵	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ⁵	% of Avg.
Seminoe	26.9	26.1	103	28.4	22.8	25.7	82.5	84.3	98
Pathfinder ^{1,2}	3.8	4.2	90	2.1	4.6	5.2	12.3	14.7	84
Glendo ³	1.3	7.3	18	4.4	4.1	7.0	7.4	31.9	23
Guernsey ⁴	0.5	1.6	31	0.5	0.6	0.8	2.5	5.8	43

- 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 December



NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN OUTFLOW

The December outflows for the North Platte Reservoirs except Glendo Reservoir were below average.

(1000 acre-feet)

Reservoir	December Outflow			December Historical Outflow			Accumulated Outflow (October - December)		
	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ²	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ²	% of Avg.
Seminole	32.5	61.6	53	32.6	31.8	31.8	97.3	161.6	60
Kortes	32.5	61.6	53	32.6	31.8	31.9	97.3	161.6	60
Pathfinder	31.0	41.5	75	31.0	30.6	31.0	78.0	114.7	68
Alcova	30.8	41.6	74	30.7	30.8	30.8	100.0	138.1	72
Gray Reef	30.8	41.6	74	30.8	30.8	30.8	100.1	138.0	73
Glendo ¹	2.0	1.2	167	1.9	1.9	1.8	5.4	8.0	68
Guernsey	0.1	0.8	13	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.5	12.9	4

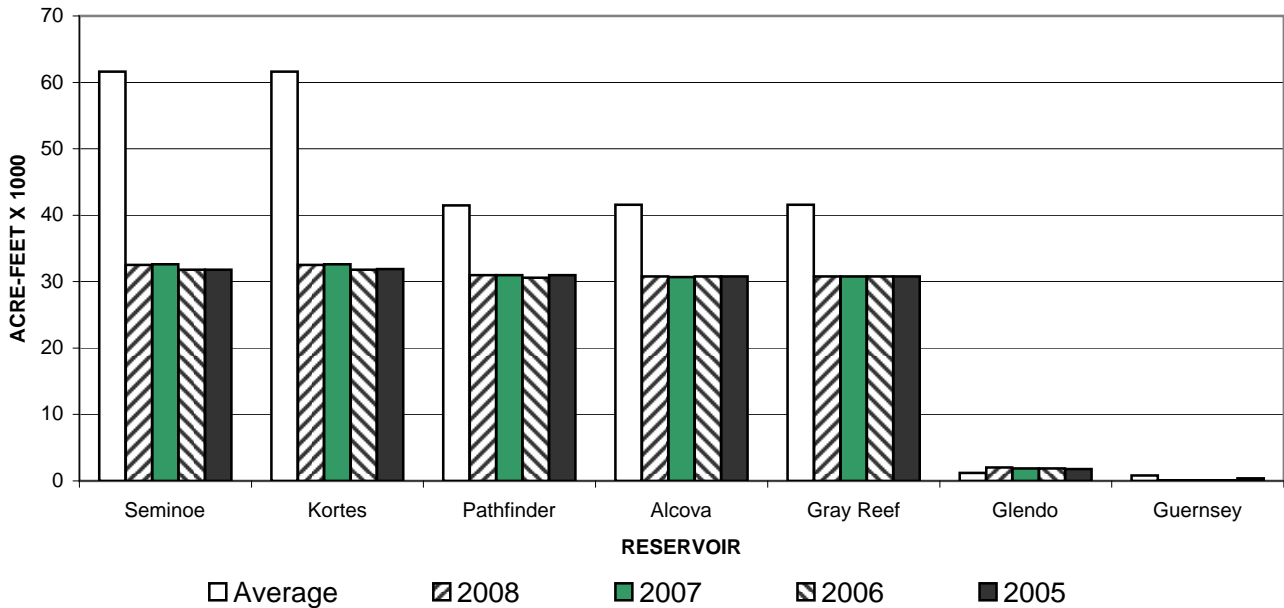
1 In 1993 an outlet was constructed at Glendo Dam which is used to provide a flow of approximately 25 cubic feet per second.

2 30 year average (1978-2007).

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN

RESERVOIR OUTFLOW

December



NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE

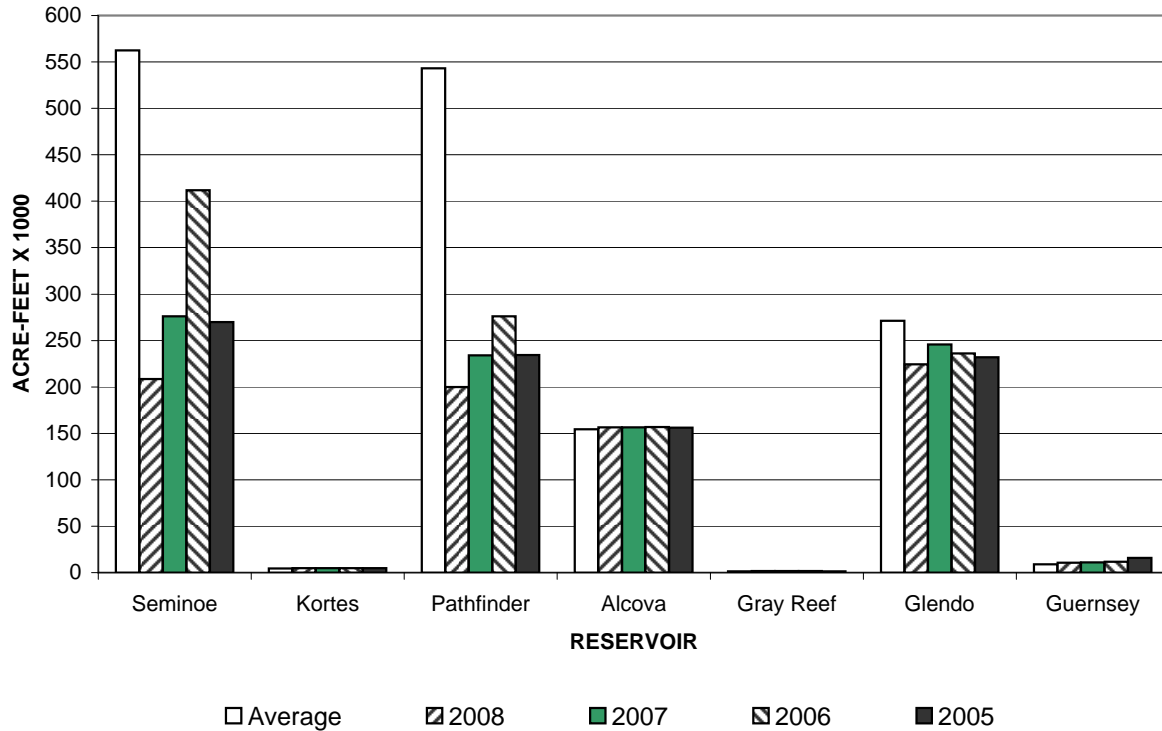
The December storage for the major reservoirs; Seminole and Pathfinder was below average.
 The Pathfinder and Seminole Reservoir storages were the lowest December storage in the last 30 years.

(1000 acre-feet)

Reservoir	Total Storage End of December			End of December Historical Storage			Total Conservation Storage Capacity	Percent of Capacity
	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ¹	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005		
Seminole	208.5	562.4	37	276.1	412.0	270.0	1017.3	20
Kortes	4.7	4.6	102	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	100
Pathfinder	200.0	543.1	37	234.1	276.2	234.5	1016.5	20
Alcova	156.6	154.5	101	156.3	156.7	156.1	184.4	85
Gray Reef	1.6	1.3	123	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.8	89
Glendo	224.3	271.2	83	245.8	236.2	231.8	517.5	43
Guernsey	10.7	8.8	122	10.9	11.6	15.9	45.6	23
Total	806.4	1545.9	52	929.5	1099.0	914.5	2787.8	29

¹ Average is based on the 1978-2007 period.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE End of December



NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE OWNERSHIP

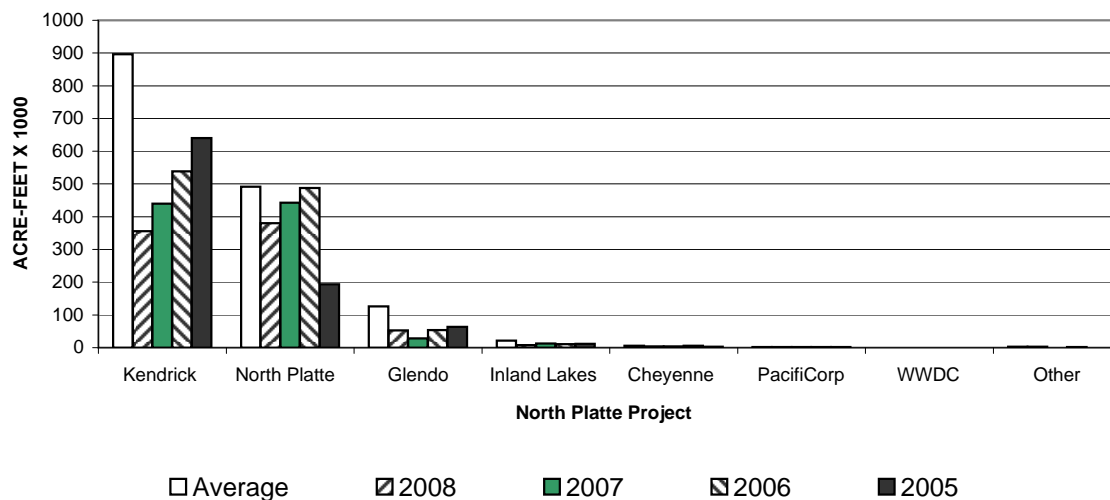
Kendrick ownership was the lowest for the end of December in the last 30 years.
 Glendo ownership at the end of December was the third lowest in the last 30 years.

(1000 acre-feet)

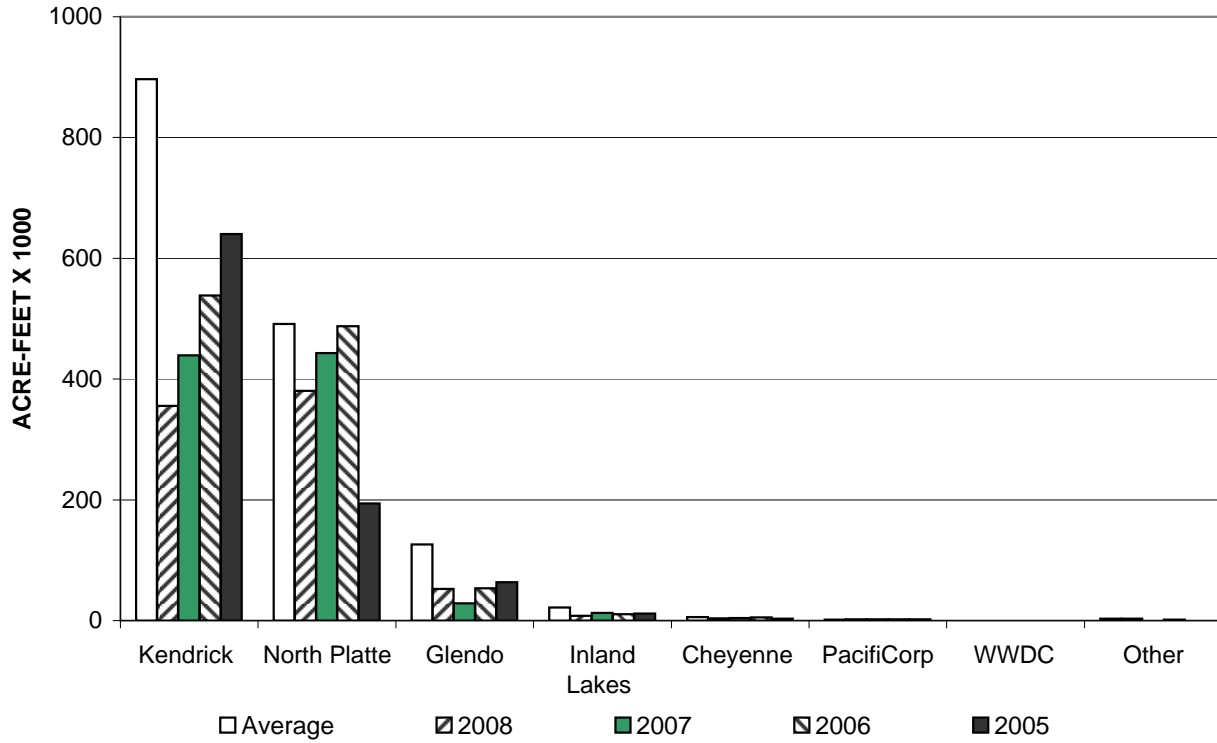
Ownership	Ownership of water End of December			End of December Historical Ownership			Total Storage Capacity	Percent of Capacity
	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ⁵	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005		
Kendrick	355.5	896.7	40	439.5	538.3	640.0	1201.7	30
North Platte ¹	380.5	491.4	77	442.8	487.4	193.9	1062.1	36
Glendo	52.4	126.2	42	28.5	53.4	63.4	183.2	29
Inland Lakes ²	7.7	21.8	35	12.6	10.7	11.8	46.0	17
Cheyenne ³	3.5	5.6 ⁶	63	4.0	5.4	3.3	10.0	35
PacifiCorp ⁴	2.0	1.5	133	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	100
WWDC ⁸	0.0	N/A	N/A	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A	N/A
Other ⁷	3.1	3.4	91	0.0	1.7	0.0	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.
- 6 Average is based on the 1982-2007 period.
- 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 may contain up to 15,000 acre-feet. On December 31, 2007, the Operational account contained 3,124 Acre-feet and Re-Regulation space contained 0 Acre-feet.
- 8 Wyoming Water Development Commission contracted a portion of Glendo Reservoir re-regulation space for storage of non-project water in 2007.

Ownership of Water End of December



**NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN
OWNERSHIP OF WATER
End of December**



INLAND LAKES RESERVOIR STORAGE

(acre-feet)

Reservoir	Total Storage End of December	30 Year Average ⁵	Percent of Average	Total Storage Capacity
Lake Alice	26	600	4	11,034 ¹
Little Lake Alice	120	103 ⁶	117	1,166 ²
Lake Winters Creek	480	670 ⁶	72	1,746 ³
Lake Minatare	17,009	28,600	59	58,795 ⁴

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 below average for all powerplants in the North Platte Basin.

(Energy in giga-watt hours)

Powerplant	December Gross Generation			December Historical Generation			Accumulated Gross Gen. (October - December)		
	W. Yr. 2008	30 Yr. Avg. ²	% of Avg.	W. Yr. 2007	W. Yr. 2006	W. Yr. 2005	W. Yr. 2007	30 Yr. Avg. ²	% of Avg.
Seminole	3.7	9.6	39	3.6	4.0	3.8	11.2	24.9	45
Kortes	5.5	10.5	52	5.0	5.1	5.5	16.4	27.0	61
Fremont Canyon ¹	5.4	11.3	48	5.8	5.5	5.8	13.4	30.1	45
Alcova	3.0	5.1	59	3.0	3.1	3.0	10.2	16.8	61
Glendo	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0
Guernsey	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0

1 The powerplant for Pathfinder Dam is Fremont Canyon.

2 Average is based on the 1978-2007 period.

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