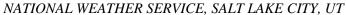


WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK for the

UPPER COLORADO



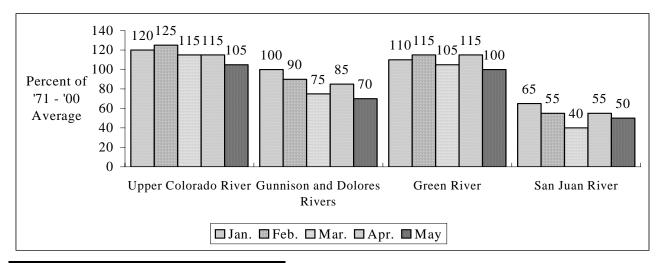




MAY 1, 2006

April precipitation, with just a few exceptions, was below to much below average over the basin with above normal temperatures. This lead to above normal melt with many areas experiencing above to much above normal streamflow for April. In general, forecasts dropped from those issued April 1st.

APRIL - JULY VOLUME FORECASTS

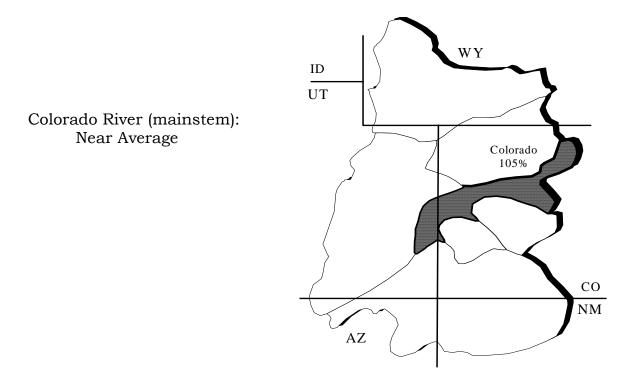


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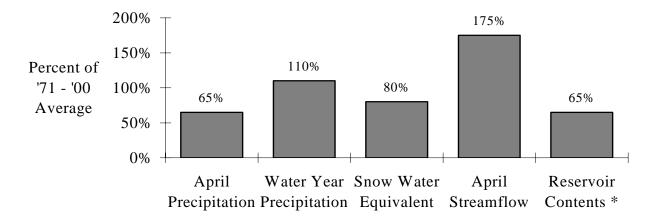
UPPER COLORADO MAINSTEM

April precipitation was below to much below average over the Upper Colorado headwaters. Streamflows were above to much above average due to above normal temperatures, especially during the last half of April. Forecasts generally decreased from those issued April 1 and now vary from 75% to 113% of the April through July average.

April-July streamflow forecasts for the Upper Colorado Mainstem are as follows:



Basin Conditions - May 1, 2006



^{*} Percent usable capacity, not percent average contents.

Specific site forecasts are listed beginning on page 6.

GUNNISON AND DOLORES RIVERS

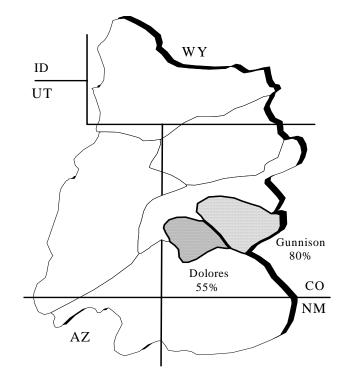
April precipitation was below to much below average over the Gunnison/Dolores/San Miguel basins. Streamflows were above to much above average in most areas due to above average temperatures during the latter half of April, but below average on the lower Dolores. Forecasts now range from 41% to 85% of the April-July average.

April-July streamflow forecasts for the Gunnison and Dolores Rivers are as follows:

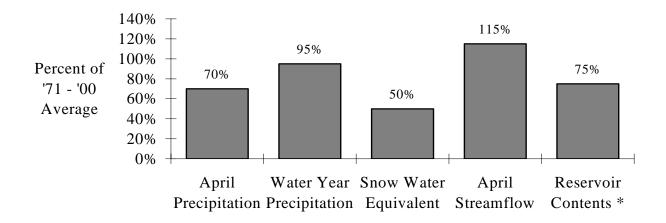
Gunnison River: Below Average

Dolores River:

Much Below Average



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Specific site forecasts are listed beginning on page 7.

GREEN RIVER

April precipitation was below average and lead to a reduction in forecasts issued April 1st. Climate outlooks indicate a trend towards below average temperatures during the next couple of weeks which may slow melt during this period. Runoff volume forecasts for areas on the mainstem Yampa, western Uintas and Wasatch Plateau remain slightly above average.

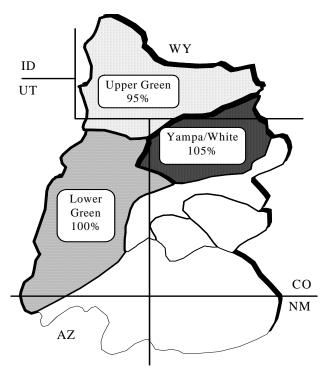
April-July streamflow forecasts for the Green River are as follows:

Upper Green River: Near Average

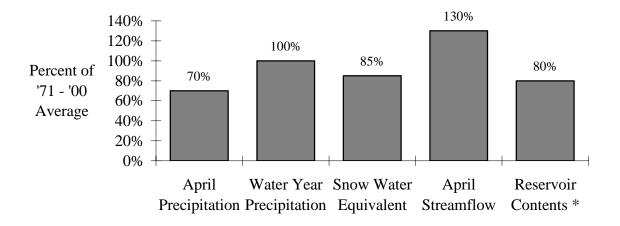
Yampa/White Rivers: Near Average

Lower Green River (blo Flaming Gorge):

Near Average



BASIN CONDITIONS - MAY 1, 2006



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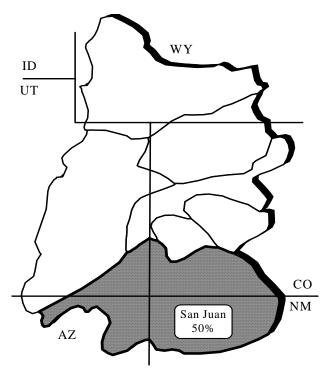
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San Juan River

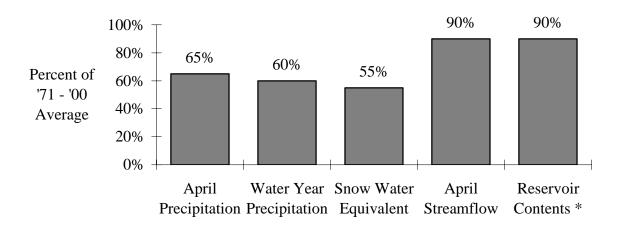
Below average precipitation in April did nothing to help the much below average water supply season in the San Juan. The snowmelt runoff began due to seasonal temperatures, but flows were on the low side of April averages. April though July runoff forecasts ranged from 16% to 68% of average with a median forecast of 52%.

April-July streamflow forecasts for the San Juan Basin are as follows:

San Juan River: Much Below Average



Basin Conditions - May 1, 2006



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Specific site forecasts are listed beginning on page 10.

SPECIFIC SITE FORECASTS

Upper Colorado Mainstem: April through July volume (kaf) forecasts (except where noted).

Stream	Station	Most	Percent	Reas.	Reas.
			Avg.	Max	Min
COLORADO	LAKE GRANBY, GRANBY, NR	195	87	230	162
	DOTSERO, NR	1530	106	1840	1250
	GLENWOOD SPRINGS, BLO	2230	103	2650	1800
	CAMEO, NR	2500	103	3030	1980
	CISCO, NR	4050	87	5670	2420
WILLOW CK	WILLOW CK RES, GRANBY, NR	38	75	49	29
FRASER	WINTER PARK	20	100	25	15.5
WILLIAMS FORK	WILLIAMS FORK RES, PARSHALL, N	103	108	123	86
MUDDY CK	WOLFORD MTN RES, BLO	67	112	88	50
BLUE	DILLON RES	185	111	220	154
	GREEN MTN RES	315	112	380	260
EAGLE	GYPSUM, BLO	380	113	460	305
FRYING PAN	RUEDI RES, BASALT, NR	150	106	179	123
ROARING FORK	GLENWOOD SPRINGS	685	96	815	570
PLATEAU CK	CAMEO, NR	100	87	168	32
MILL CK	MOAB, NR, SHELEY TUN, AT	3.9	78	4.9	3

SPECIFIC SITE FORECASTS

Gunnison and Dolores Basins: April through July volume (kaf) forecasts (except where noted).

Stream	Station		Percent	Reas.	Reas.
		Probable	Avg.	Max	Min
TAYLOR	TAYLOR PARK RES	87	84	106	70
	ALMONT	130	79	170	90
EAST	ALMONT	160	83	186	136
GUNNISON	GUNNISON, NR	310	79	380	250
TOMICHI CK	GUNNISON	45	56	68	29
LAKE FORK	GATEVIEW	107	85	126	89
GUNNISON	MORROW POINT RES	615	78	755	475
	CRYSTAL RES	690	75	880	500
MUDDY CK	⋆ PAONIA RES, BARDINE, NR	71	71	92	56
NF GUNNISON	SOMERSET, NR	245	80	295	205
SURFACE CK	CEDAREDGE	13.9	81	17.6	10.9
UNCOMPAHGRE	RIDGWAY RES	75	74	97	57
	COLONA	90	65	125	63
	DELTA	70	60	131	30
GUNNISON	GRAND JUNCTION, NR	1180	76	1580	780
DOLORES	DOLORES	150	57	193	117
	MCPHEE RES	175	55	220	138
	CISCO, NR	255	41	445	66
SAN MIGUEL	PLACERVILLE, NR	85	64	112	63

 $[\]star$ = March - June forecast period.

Green River Basin: April through July volume (kaf) forecasts (except where noted).

Stream	Station	Most	Percent	Reas.	Reas.
		Probable	Avg.	Max	Min
GREEN	DANIEL, NR, WARREN BRIDGE, AT	245	92	290	205
	GREEN RIVER, WY, NR	810	93	1020	620
	GREEN RIVER, UT	3300	104	4230	2370
PINE CK	FREMONT LK, ABV	101	97	118	86
NEW FORK	BIG PINEY, NR	370	94	460	290
BIG SANDY	FARSON, NR	52	90	67	40
BLACKS FORK	ROBERTSON, NR	97	102	123	74
EF SMITHS FORK	ROBERTSON, NR	26	84	36	18
HAMS FORK	FRONTIER, NR, POLE CK, BLO	72	111	89	57
	VIVA NAUGHTON RES	97	109	126	72
YAMPA	STAGECOACH RSVR, ABV	32	110	43	21
	STEAMBOAT SPRINGS	305	109	365	245
	MAYBELL, NR	1100	111	1210	690
ELK	MILNER, NR	375	115	375	375
ELKHEAD CK	ELKHEAD, NR	39	100	50	28
	MAYNARD GULCH, BLO	63	107	80	46
FORTIFICATION CK	* FORTIFICATION, NR	7.5	100	10.7	4.3
LITTLE SNAKE	SLATER, NR	170	107	200	139
	DIXON, NR	320	97	420	220
	LILY, NR	355	97	480	200

^{★=} March - June forecast period.

Green River Basin continued: April through July volume (kaf) forecasts (except where noted).

Stream	Station	Most	Percent	Reas.	Reas.
		Probable	Avg.	Max	Min
BIG BRUSH CK	VERNAL, NR, RED FLEET RES, ABV	18	86	27	9.5
ASHLEY CK	VERNAL, NR	35	67	54	15.5
WF DUCHESNE	HANNA, NR	26	108	35	17.3
ROCK CK	UPPER STILLWATER RES	89	109	105	73
	MOUNTAIN HOME, NR	100	112	124	76
DUCHESNE	TABIONA, NR	106	101	137	75
	DUCHESNE, NR, KNIGHT DIV, ABV	200	106	245	156
	MYTON	250	94	360	141
	RANDLETT, NR	290	89	470	112
STRAWBERRY	SOLDIER SPRINGS, NR	62	105	96	28
	DUCHESNE, NR	126	103	181	71
CURRANT CK	CURRANT CK RES	31	124	41	21
LAKE FORK	MOON LAKE RES, MTN HOME, NR	73	107	94	52
YELLOWSTONE	ALTONAH, NR	61	98	77	45
WHITEROCKS	WHITEROCKS, NR	48	86	73	23
WHITE	MEEKER, NR	300	103	380	220
	WATSON, NR	315	103	420	210
GOOSEBERRY CK	SCOFIELD, NR	13	109	16.8	9.3
PRICE	SCOFIELD RES, SCOFIELD, NR	50	109	73	33
WHITE	BLO TABBYUNE CK, SOLDIER SUMMI	21	121	27	15
HUNTINGTON CK	ELECTRIC LAKE	18 115		20	15.7
	HUNTINGTON, NR	50	102	73	27
SEELEY CK	JOES VLY RES, ORANGEVILLE, NR	67	116	85	49
FERRON CK	FERRON, NR	46	118	56	36
SEVEN MILE CK	FISH LAKE, NR	4	57	7.5	0.51
MUDDY CK	EMERY, NR	25	126	30	19.7

San Juan River Basin: April through July volume (kaf) forecasts (except where noted).

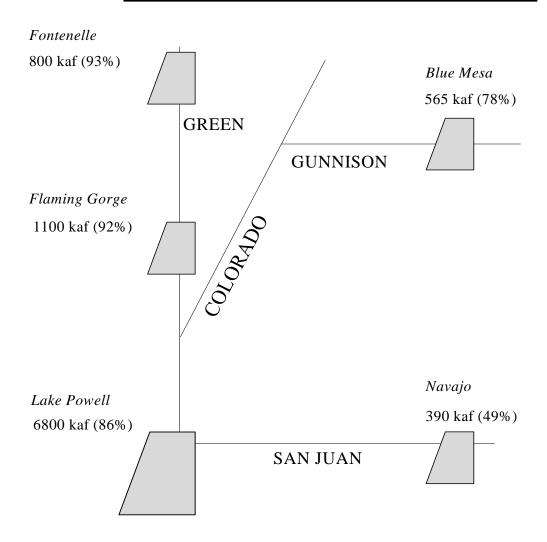
Stream		Station	Most	Percent	Reas.	Reas.
			Probable	Avg.	Max	Min
SAN JUAN		PAGOSA SPRINGS	118	52	163	73
		CARRACAS, NR	225	56	310	210
		FARMINGTON	620	51	825	375
		BLUFF, NR	565	46	800	380
RIO BLANCO		PAGOSA SPRINGS, NR, BLANCO DAM	34	64	42	27
NAVAJO		CHROMO, NR, OSO DIV DAM, BLO	42	61	53	33
PIEDRA		ARBOLES, NR	120	52	152	94
LOS PINOS		VALLECITO RES, BAYFIELD, NR	125	61	150	105
ANIMAS		DURANGO	300	68	375	240
FLORIDA		LEMON RES, DURANGO, NR	33	57	41	27
LA PLATA		HESPERUS	17	68	21	13.5
MANCOS		MANCOS, NR	21	52	35	6.7
SOUTH CK	*	LLOYD'S RSVR NR MONTICELLO, AB	0.3	23	0.77	0.07
RECAPTURE CK	PTURE CK * BLANDING, NR, JOHNSON CK, BLO		1	16	2.6	0.24

^{★ =} March - July forecast period.

FLOOD CONTROL FORECASTS

MOST PROBABLE FORECASTS 2006 APRIL - JULY INFLOW VOLUMES

(% OF '71 - '00 AVERAGE)

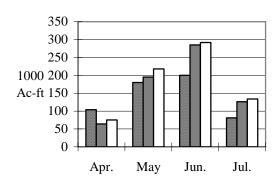


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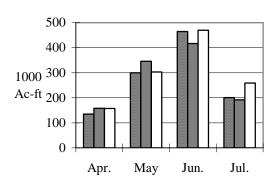
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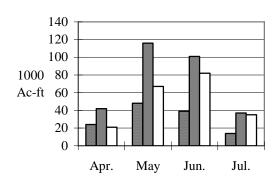
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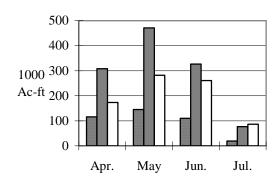
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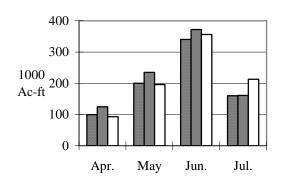
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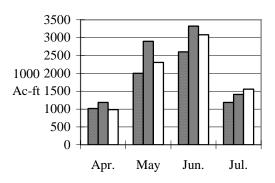
Navajo Reservoir Inflow



Fontenelle Reservoir Inflow

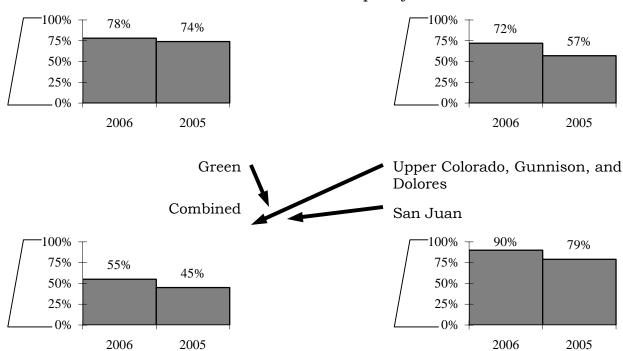


Lake Powell Inflow



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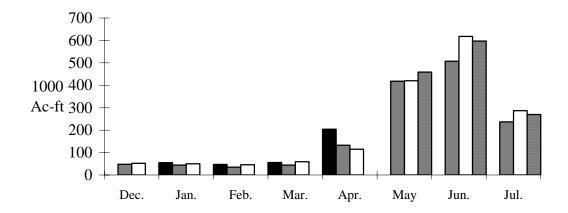
RESERVOIR	Reservoir	Usable	EOM Usable	Percent Usable
(vol. in 1000 ac-ft)	status	Capacity	Contents	Capacity
Fontenelle	1,4	344.8	162.5	47
Flaming Gorge	1,4	3749	3036.1	81
Strawberry	1,4	1105.9	848.6	77
Starvation	1,4	165.3	143.8	87
Lake Granby	2,4	490.3	266.9	54
Dillon	2,4	254	226.9	89
Green Mountain	2,4	146.9	70.4	48
Taylor Park	2,4	106.2	74.1	70
Blue Mesa	2,4	829.5	602.2	73
Ridgway	2,4	83.2	76.1	92
McPhee	2,4	381.1	323.4	85
Vallecito	3,4	125.4	101.9	81
Navajo	3,4	1696	1538.2	91
Lake Powell	4	24322	11093.4	46

- 1 = Green River reservoir status
- 2 = Upper Colorado River reservoir status
- 3 = San Juan River reservoir status
- 4 = Combined reservoir status

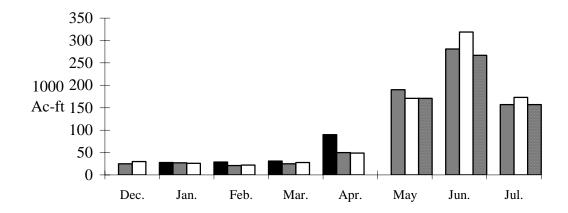
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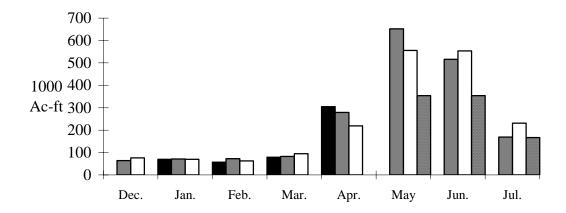
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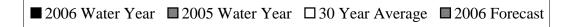
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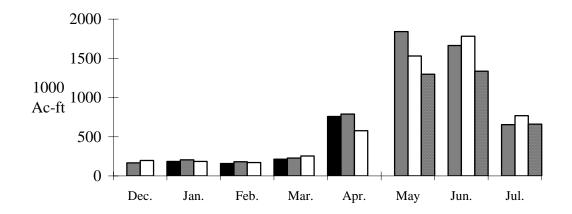
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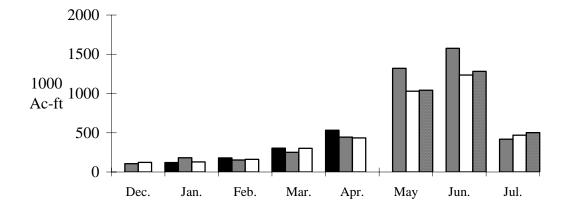
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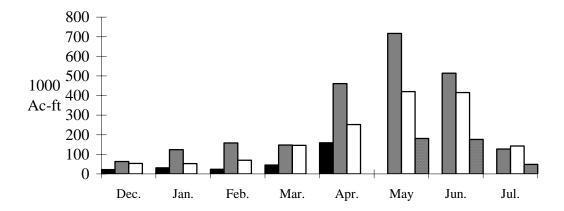
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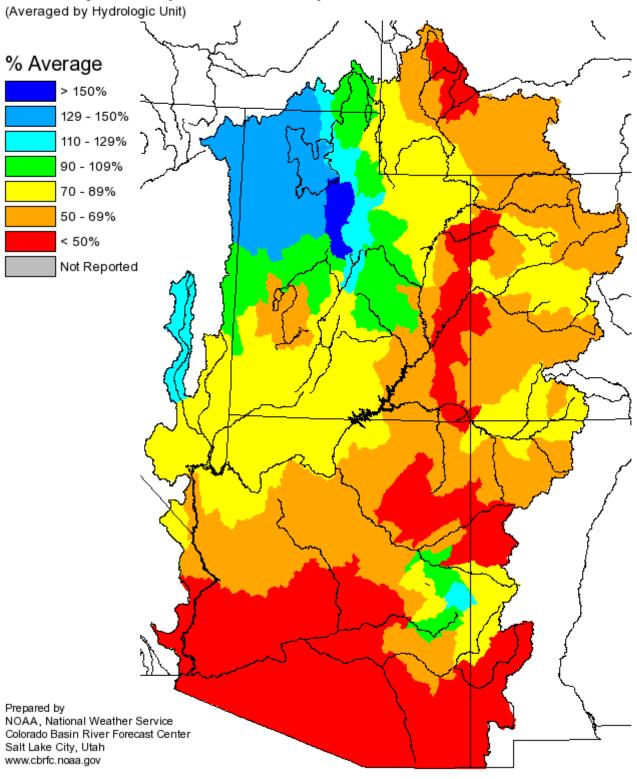
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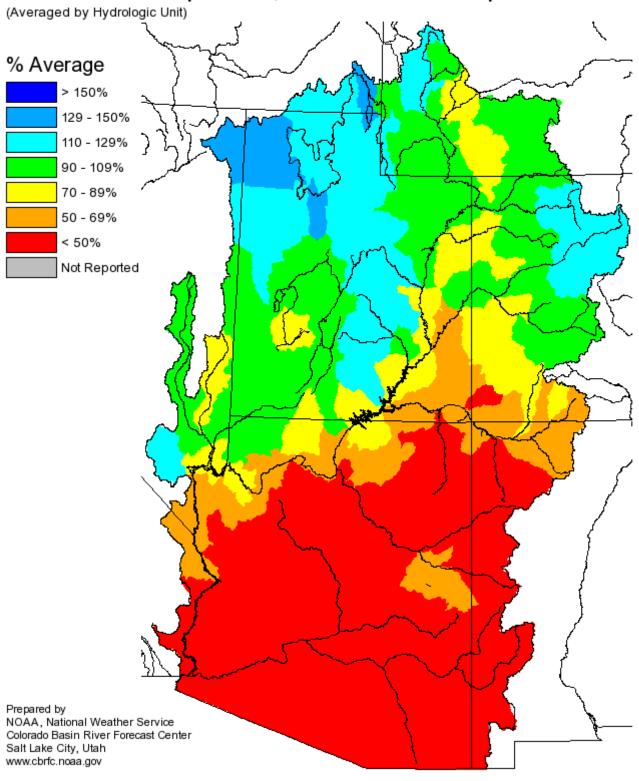
San Juan - Bluff, nr:



Monthly Precipitation for April 2006



Seasonal Precipitation, October 2005 - April 2006



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Water supply forecasts take into consideration present hydrometeorological conditions and use average basin temperatures and precipitation for the forecast period. As the forecast season progresses, a greater portion of the future hydrologic and climatic uncertainty becomes known and monthly forecasts become more accurate.

Volume forecasts represent adjusted flows; that is, observed flows with upstream water use taken into account. Adjusted flows will closely approximate natural or unimpaired flows. However, not all upstream diversions or impoundments are measured or quantifiable. For specific adjustments used with each forecast point, consult the Guide to Water Supply Forecasting.

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DEFINITIONS:

Acre-Foot:

The volume equal to one acre covered one foot deep (43,560 cubic feet).

Average:

The arithmetic mean. The sum of the values divided by the number of values.

Categories:

Much above Average Above Average Near Average Below Average Much Below Average-Greater than 130% 111-130% 90-110% 70-89% Less than 70%

Forecast Period:

The period from April 1 through July 31.

Median:

The middle value. One half of the observed values are higher and half of the values are lower than this.

Most Probable Forecast:

Given the current hydrometeorological conditions to date, this is the best estimate of what the runoff volume will be this season.

Reasonable Maximum Forecast:

Given the current hydrometeorological conditions, the seasonal runoff that has a ten percent (10%) chance of being exceeded.

Reasonable Minimum Forecast:

Given the current hydrometeorological conditions, the seasonal runoff that has a ninety percent (90%) chance of being exceeded.

Water Year:

The period from October 1 through September 30.

NOTE: Data used in this report are provisional and are subject to revision.

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