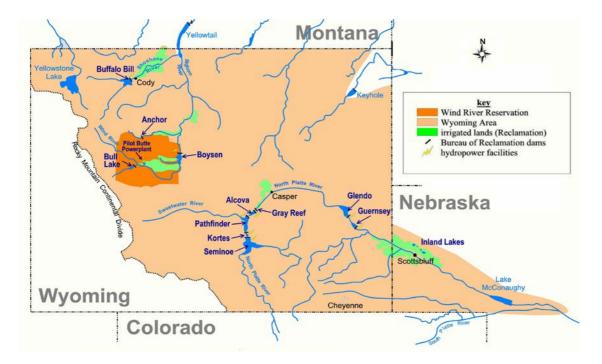


North Platte River Basin Water Supply and Utilization Report Wyoming Area Office Report for July 2015



The Wyoming Area Office of the Bureau of Reclamation is responsible for the operation of Reclamation reservoirs in Wyoming east of the Continental Divide except for Keyhole Reservoir. Four off-stream reservoirs in Nebraska commonly referred to as the Inland Lakes also fall within the Wyoming Area. The North Platte River Basin Reservoirs have a combined storage capacity of 2,800,000 acre-feet. The major reservoirs in the Shoshone and Wind/Bighorn Basins have a combined storage capacity of 1,600,000 acre-feet.



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Report for July 2015 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.

This report is available on the Internet and can be accessed by following these steps:

- 1. Log on to the Great Plains Home Page at: <u>http://www.usbr.gov/gp</u>
- 2. On left side of page Select Water Operations.
- 3. Under Water Operations Select Water Management Information.
- 4. Under Water Management Select Water Supply Report.
- 5. Under North Platte River Basin, select Current Month or reports from the previous 12 months.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN INFLOW

The July inflow was above average for Glendo, and Guernsey Reservoirs.

| | (1000 acre-feet | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|------------------|--------------|--|
| | | | July Inflow | | July Historical Inflow | | | Accumulated Inflow (October - July) | | | |
| Reservoir | | W. Yr. 2015 | 30 Yr. Avg. ⁵ | % of Avg. | W. Yr. 2014 | W. Yr. 2013 | W. Yr. 2012 | W. Yr. 2015 | 30 Yr. Avg. ⁵ | % of Avg. | |
| Seminoe | | 93.0 | 94.3 | 99 | 109.8 | 23.5 | 25.5 | 911.2 | 890.3 | 102 | |
| Pathfinder | 1, 2 | -1.9 | 7.4 | N/A | -0.6 | 2.6 | -1.8 | 83.9 | 107.2 | 78 | |
| Glendo | 3 | 3.5 | -0.6 | N/A | 5.2 | 1.4 | -0.5 | 252.1 | 194.2 | 130 | |
| Guernsey | 4 | 4.8 | -0.5 | N/A | 0.0 | -0.6 | -3.9 | 69.3 | 28.7 | 241 | |

It is assumed that there is no gain between Seminoe and Kortes Dams. 1

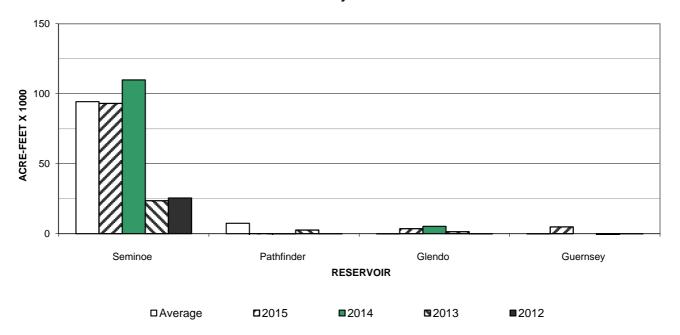
2 River gain between Kortes and Pathfinder Dams.

3 River gain between Pathfinder and Glendo Dams.

4 River gain between Glendo and Guernsey Dams.

5 30 year average. (1985-2014)

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN **RESERVOIR INFLOW** July



NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN OUTFLOW

| | | (1000 acre-feet | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|--------------------|-------------------|------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|------|--|--|
| | | July | | | July | | | Accumulated Outflow | | | |
| | Outflow | | | His | Historical Outflow | | | (October - July) | | | |
| Reservoir | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of | | |
| | 2015 | Avg. ² | Avg. | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2015 | Avg. ² | Avg. | | |
| Seminoe | 85.9 | 124.4 | 69 | 139.7 | 146.3 | 81.9 | 672.2 | 773.3 | 87 | | |
| Kortes | 85.9 | 124.4 | 69 | 139.8 | 146.4 | 81.9 | 672.0 | 773.1 | 87 | | |
| Pathfinder | 102.8 | 179.9 | 57 | 188.9 | 181.3 | 211.3 | 512.1 | 761.1 | 67 | | |
| Alcova | 85.0 | 159.3 | 53 | 170.0 | 162.5 | 190.5 | 478.3 | 710.1 | 67 | | |
| Gray Reef | 84.8 | 159.1 | 53 | 169.7 | 162.4 | 190.3 | 478.1 | 709.5 | 67 | | |
| Glendo | ¹ 192.0 | 316.3 | 61 | 294.7 | 294.0 | 311.5 | 397.9 | 712.8 | 56 | | |
| Guernsey | 227.8 | 320.7 | 71 | 294.2 | 292.9 | 307.7 | 472.3 | 693.7 | 68 | | |

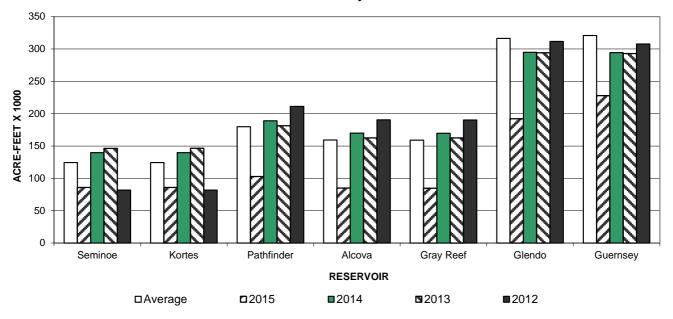
The July outflow was below average for the North Platte Reservoirs.

1 In 1993 an outlet was constructed at Glendo Dam which is used to provide a flow of approximately 25 cubic feet per second, 21 year average (1994-2014).

2 30 year average (1985-2014).

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR OUTFLOW

July



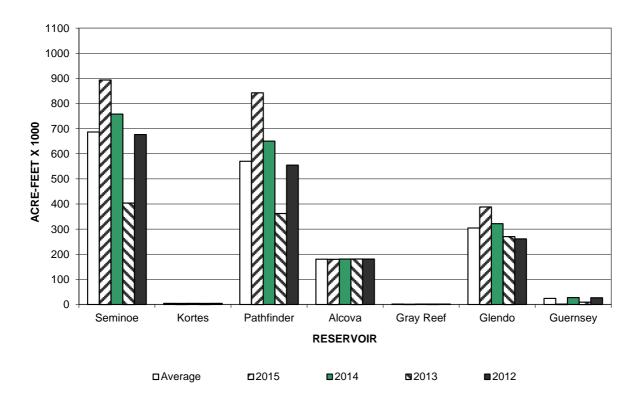
NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE

| | - | | | | | | | (1000 acre-feet) |
|------------|--------|-------------------|------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|------------------|
| | 1 | otal Storag | e | | End of July | / | Total | Percent |
| | | End of July | / | His | torical Stor | age | Conservation | of |
| Reservoir | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | Storage | Capacity |
| | 2015 | Avg. ¹ | Avg. | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | Capacity | |
| Seminoe | 894.0 | 686.5 | 130 | 758.1 | 404.2 | 676.8 | 1017.3 | 88 |
| Kortes | 4.7 | 4.7 | 100 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 100 |
| Pathfinder | 842.8 | 570.1 | 148 | 650.3 | 362.4 | 555.1 | 1070.0 | 79 |
| Alcova | 179.9 | 180.5 | 100 | 181.0 | 181.1 | 181.1 | 184.4 | 98 |
| Gray Reef | 1.2 | 1.5 | 80 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 67 |
| Glendo | 388.5 | 304.9 | 127 | 321.5 | 270.2 | 261.3 | 492.0 | 79 |
| Guernsey | 1.6 | 24.6 | 7 | 27.5 | 9.3 | 26.7 | 45.6 | 4 |
| Total | 2312.7 | 1772.8 | 130 | 1944.9 | 1233.6 | 1707.4 | 2815.8 | 82 |

The July storage was below average for Gray Reef and Guernsey Reservoirs. Guernsey Reservoir was well below average due to the annual silt run being delayed later than usual.

1 Average is based on the 1985-2014 period.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE End of July



NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN RESERVOIR STORAGE OWNERSHIP

| | | | | | | | (10 | 000 acre-feet) |
|-----------|--------|---------------|------|----------------------|-------------|--------|---------|----------------|
| | 0 | wnership of w | ater | | End of July | | Percent | |
| | | End of July | 1 | Historical Ownership | | | Total | of |
| Ownership | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | Storage | Capacity |

2014

899.0

869.6

159.3

0.0

2.3

2.0

0.0

12.8

2013

876.3

247.0

104.3

0.0

1.7

2.0

0.0

2.2

2012

1003.6

533.0

157.8

0.0

2.3

2.0

0.0

8.7

Capacity 1201.7

1115.6

171.7

46.0

10.0

2.0

N/A

N/A

96

88

98

0

N/A

100

N/A

N/A

The Kendrick, North Platte, Glendo, Cheyenne and Pacificorp Ownerships were above average for July.

Avg.

128

142

117

N/A

180

111

N/A

35

1 This includes North Platte Guernsey and North Platte Pathfinder.

2015

1152.7

976.5

168.5

0.0

3.6

2.0

0.0

9.4

1

2

3

4

6

Kendrick

Glendo

North Platte

Inland Lakes

Cheyenne

PacifiCorp

WWDC

Other

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 PacifiCorp has a storage contract to store water in Glendo Reservoir for Dave Johnston Powerplant.

5

Avg.

903.5

688.9

144.4

0.0

2.0

1.8

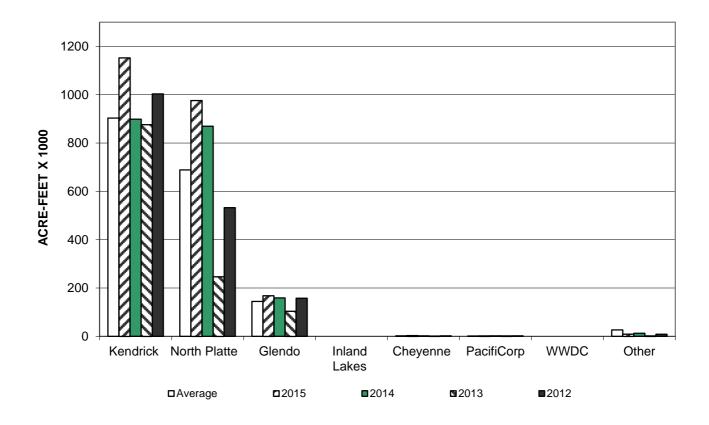
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27.0

5 Average is based on the 1985-2014 period.

6 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 2015 Natural Flow and Ownership Procedures, the operational account July contain up to 15,000 acre-feet. On July 31, 2015, the Operational account contained 9,420 Acre-feet, and the Re-Regulation space contained 0 Acre-feet.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN OWNERSHIP OF WATER End of July



INLAND LAKES RESERVOIR STORAGE

| | | | | (acre-feet) |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Total | 30 Year | Percent of | Total |
| Reservoir | Storage | Average ^₅ | Average | Storage |
| | End of July | | | Capacity |
| Lake Alice | 5,800 | 4,600 | 126 | 11,034 ¹ |
| Little Lake Alice | 300 | 300 ⁶ | 100 | 1,166 ² |
| Lake Winters Creek | 1,300 | 800 6 | 163 | 1,746 ³ |
| Lake Minatare | 46,200 | 30,300 | 152 | 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. (1985-2014)

6 24 year average. (1991-2014)

NORTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN GROSS GENERATION

| | | | | | | | | (Energy in g | iga-watt hours) |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|--------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | July | | | July | | | Accumulated Gross Gen. | | |
| | Gr | oss Genera | ation | Histo | Historical Generation | | | October - J | uly) |
| Powerplant | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | W. Yr. | 30 Yr. | % of |
| | 2015 | Avg. ² | Avg. | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2015 | Avg. ² | Avg. |
| Seminoe | 12.6 | 16.9 | 75 | 21.5 | 19.6 | 9.5 | 97.0 | 107.6 | 90 |
| Kortes | 13.8 | 17.8 | 78 | 16.8 | 24.7 | 12.4 | 89.0 | 112.1 | 79 |
| Fremont Canyon ¹ | 30.3 | 35.0 | 87 | 41.5 | 18.4 | 22.4 | 128.1 | 167.7 | 76 |
| Alcova | 12.1 | 19.5 | 62 | 24.4 | 23.2 | 26.7 | 57.8 | 92.3 | 63 |
| Glendo | 20.7 | 21.9 | 95 | 23.4 | 23.6 | 21.0 | 40.1 | 57.0 | 70 |
| Guernsey | 2.3 | 2.1 | 110 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 98 |

1 The powerplant for Pathfinder Dam is Fremont Canyon.

2 Average is based on the 1985-2014 period.



