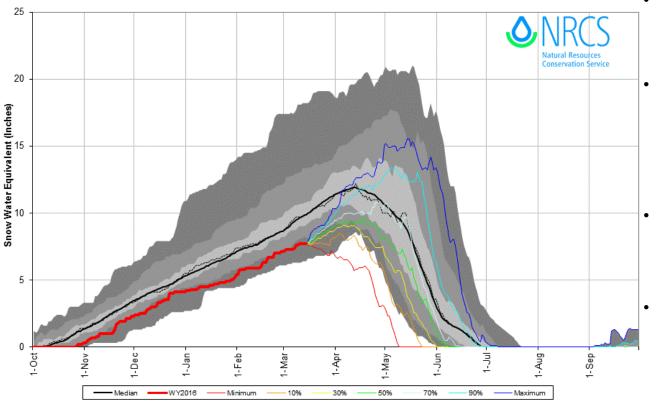
## Wind River Basin (March 15th, 2016)

#### Wind River with Non-Exceedence Projections

Based on Provisional SNOTEL Data as of Mar 14, 2016



Forecast Point	PER	KAF	Avg	PER	KAF	Avg
WIND RIVER abv Bull Lake Cr	APR-JUL	380	84%	APR-SEP	400	82%
WIND RIVER at Riverton	APR-JUL	385	81%	APR-SEP	450	82%
BOYSEN RESERVOIR Inflow	APR-JUL	400	66%	APR-SEP	425	64%
BULL LAKE CR near Lenore	APR-JUL	116	83%	APR-SEP	141	83%
LT POPO AGIE RIVER nr Lander	APR-JUL	25	60%	APR-SEP	30	61%
LT WIND RIVER nr Riverton	APR-JUL	156	58%	APR-SEP	170	58%

March 1<sup>st</sup> SNOTEL SWE varies from 74 to 86% of median

#### Median SWE to date

- @ 99% last year
- @ 82% this year
- Avg Peak Apr 12<sup>th</sup> 12"
- 2015 Peak March 7<sup>th</sup> ?

### Precipitation to date

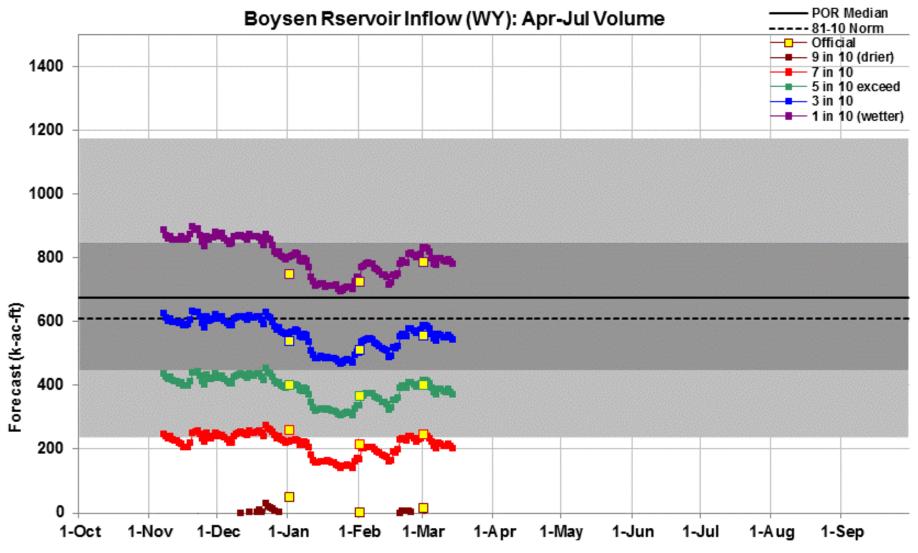
- @ 88% last year
- @ 78% this year

# April 1<sup>st</sup> (Apr-Sep) streamflow forecasts for Boysen Reservoir Inflow

- 70% 250,000 ac-ft

- 50% 425,000 ac-ft

- 10% 855,000 ac-ft

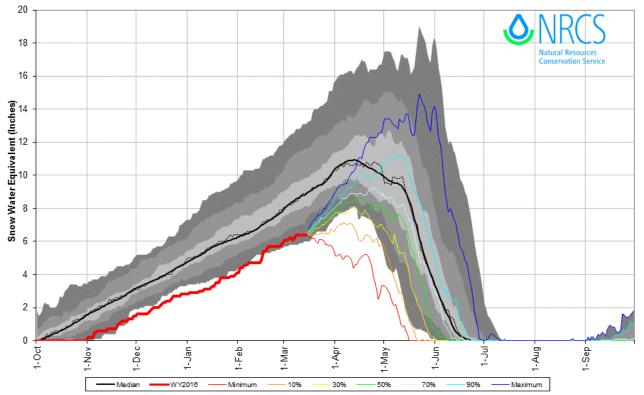




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## Big Horn River Basin (March 15th, 2016)

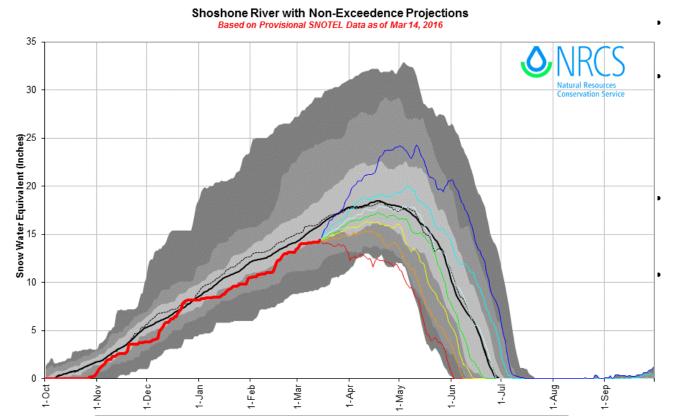




Forecast Point PER KAF Avg PER KAF Avg BOYSEN RESERVOIR Inflow APR-JUL 400 66% APR-SEP 425 64% 88% 116 89% APR-SEP 155 GREYBULL RIVER nr Meeteetse APR-JUL SHELL CREEK nr Shell APR-JUL 40 73% APR-SEP 50 76% BIGHORN RIVER at Kane APR-SEP 535 64% APR-SEP 545 60%

- Current SNOTEL SWE varies from 72 to 94% of median
- Median SWE to date
  - @ 115% last year
  - @ 75% this year
  - Avg Peak Apr 12<sup>th</sup> 11"
  - 2015 Peak Mar 20<sup>th</sup>
- Precipitation to date
  - @ 102% last year
  - @ 71% this year
- April 1<sup>st</sup> (Apr-Sep) streamflow forecasts for Bighorn River at Kane
  - 70% is 315,000 ac-ft
  - 50% is 545,000 ac-ft
  - 10% is 1,110,000 ac-ft

## Shoshone River Basin (March 15th, 2016)



- Median

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- Minimum

Forecast Point	PER	KAF	Avg	PER	KAF	Avg
NF SHOSHONE RIVER at Wapiti	APR-JUL	425	92%	APR-SEP	475	92%
SF SHOSHONE RIVER nr Valley	APR-JUL	205	95%	APR-SEP	235	96%
SF SHOSHONE abv Buffalo Bill	APR-JUL	185	96%	APR-SEP	190	95%
BUFFALO BILL DAM Inflow	APR-JUL	645	96%	APR-SEP	705	95%

70%

90%

Maximum

30%

Current SNOTEL SWE is 93% of median.

#### Median SWE to date

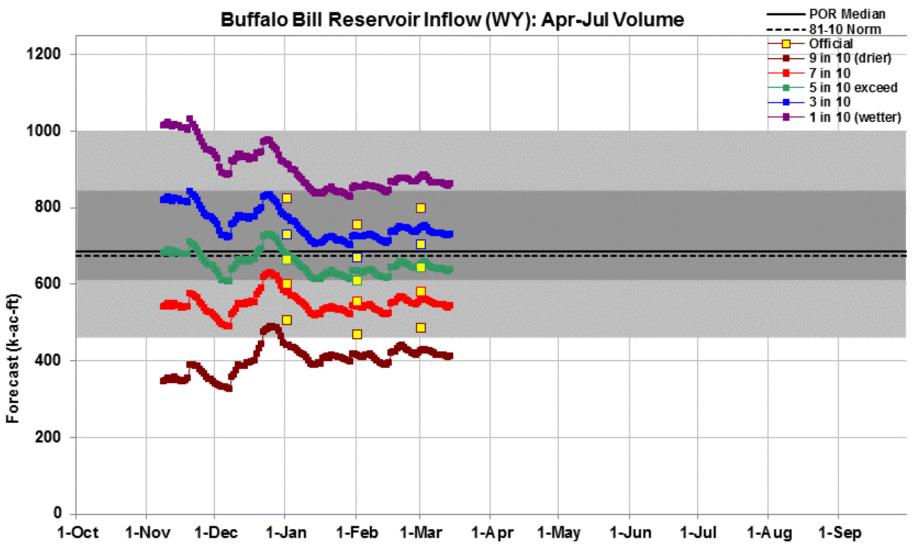
- @ 103% last year
- @ 93% this year
- Avg Peak Apr 18<sup>th</sup> 18"
- 2015 peak Mar. 1st

### Precipitation to date

- @ 105% last year
- @ 104% this year

### April 1st streamflow forecasts for Buffalo Bill Dam Inflow

- 90% is 530,000 ac-ft
- 50% is 705,000 ac-ft
- 10% is 885,000 ac-ft



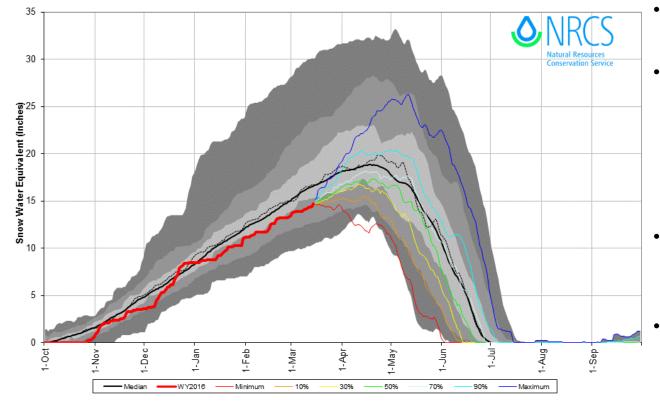


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## Yellowstone River Basin (March 15th, 2016)

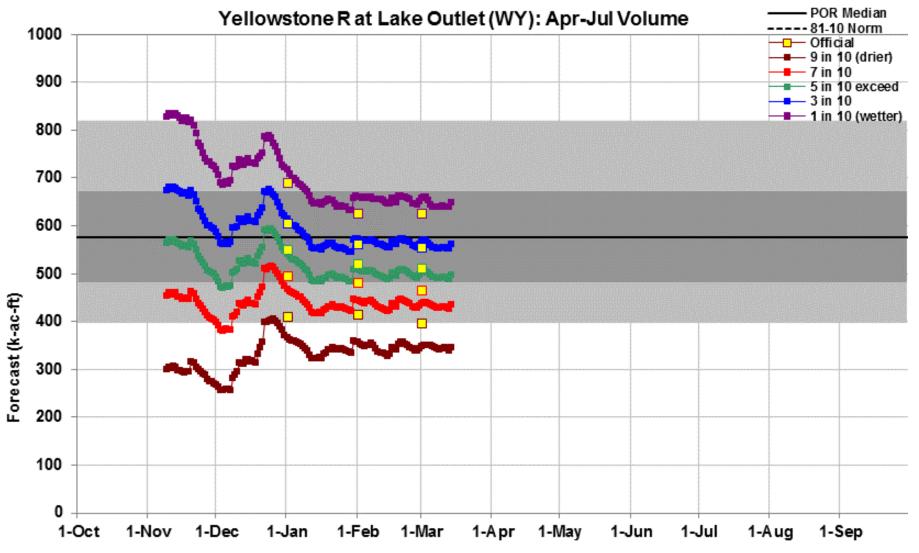
#### Yellowstone with Non-Exceedence Projections

Based on Provisional SNOTEL Data as of Mar 14, 2016



Forecast Point	PER	KAF	Avg	PER	KAF	Avg
Yellowstone R at Lake Outlet	APR-JUL	510	89%	APR-SEP	680	888
Yellowstone R at Corwin Springs	APR-JUL	1460	92%	APR-SEP	1700	90%
Yellowstone R at Livingston	APR-JUL	1670	93%	APR-SEP	1940	91%
CLARKS FORK RIVER nr Belfry	APR-JUL	470	92%	APR-SEP	510	93%

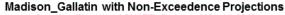
- Current SNOTEL SWE varies from 89 to 91% of median
- Median SWE to date
  - @ 89% this year
  - @ 95% last year
  - 2015 peak March 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Avg Peak-Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> 18"
- Precipitation to date
  - @ 102% last year
  - @ 94% this year
  - April 1st runoff forecasts for the Yellowstone River at Lake
    - 90% is 530,000 ac-ft
    - 50% is 680,000 ac-ft
    - 10% is 830,000 ac-ft



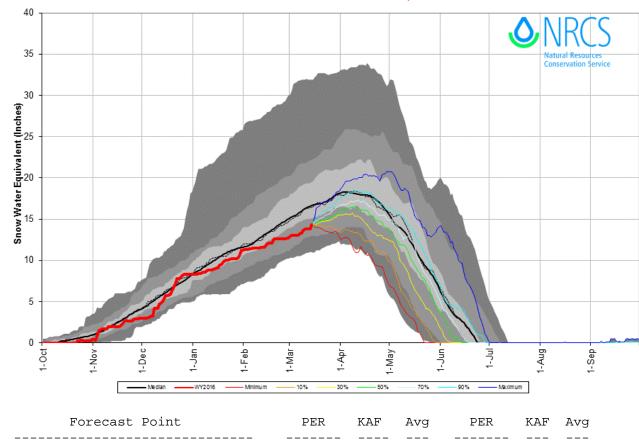


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## Madison-Gallatin River Basin (March 15th, 2016)







APR-JUL

305

82%

APR-SEP

385

82%

Hegben Reservoir Inflow

Current SNOTEL SWE is 85% of median

- Median SWE to date
  - @ 78% last year
  - @ 85% this year
  - Avg Peak-April 15<sup>th</sup> 18"
  - 2015 peak March 13<sup>th</sup>
- Precipitation to date
  - @ 73% last year
  - @ 84% this year
  - April 1<sup>st</sup> April-July runoff forecasts for Hegben Reservoir Inflow
    - 90% is 184,000 ac-ft
    - 50% is 235,000 ac-ft
    - 10% is 285,000 ac-ft

### Wyoming – NRCS

### Report #19

### **Monday Morning Snow Report**

Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Good morning, everyone this is the 19<sup>th</sup> Monday Snow Report for the 2015-2016 snow season. Last year on this date the state median was 91% with a low of 66% and a high of 114%. This year the state median is 81% with a low of45% and a high of 101% of median. See the table & map below for more information. The map may differ slightly from the table depending upon how many stations were reporting at the time or date.

For those of you with INTERNET capability, this report and map showing SWE percentages for the state can be found at "http://www.wrds.uwyo.edu/wrds/nrcs/nrcs.html". Go to http://www.wcc.nrcs.usda.gov/normals/median\_average.htm for median.

Figure 1 -- SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT AS PERCENT OF MEDIAN. The following table shows the current, preceding two weeks and 2013, 2014, 2015 equivalent (SWE) amounts for Wyoming basins. Median is based on all reporting SNOTEL sites in the basin, not snow courses. The reference period for

average comparison is 1981-2010.

DRAINAGE BASIN	3/14/2016	3/7/2016	2/29/2016	3/14/2015	3/14/2014	3/14/2013
SNAKE RIVER	93	93	94	95	144	89
MADISON	90	87	87	73	114	93
YELLOWSTONE	88	87	89	99	147	92
WIND RIVER	78	79	82	90	135	84
BIGHORN BASIN	72	72	74	105	148	91
SHOSHONE RIVER	91	93	93	99	153	91
POWDER	67	69	72	114	150	96
TONGUE	55	59	62	100	133	88
BELLE FOURCHE	45	80	82	66	125	85
CHEYENNE	59	80	80	77	127	86
UPPER N. PLATTE	88	88	89	81	122	79
SWEETWATER	68	69	75	73	120	71
LOWER N. PLATTE	88	88	96	81	116	66
LARAMIE	100	101	102	87	140	81
S. PLATTE	101	99	99	91	139	81
LITTLE SNAKE RIVER	91	90	92	76	118	78
UPPER GREEN	94	95	97	107	168	82
LOWER GREEN	96	95	98	86	131	83
UPPER BEAR	87	90	92	72	118	74
Weighted State Average	81	84	87	91	136	84

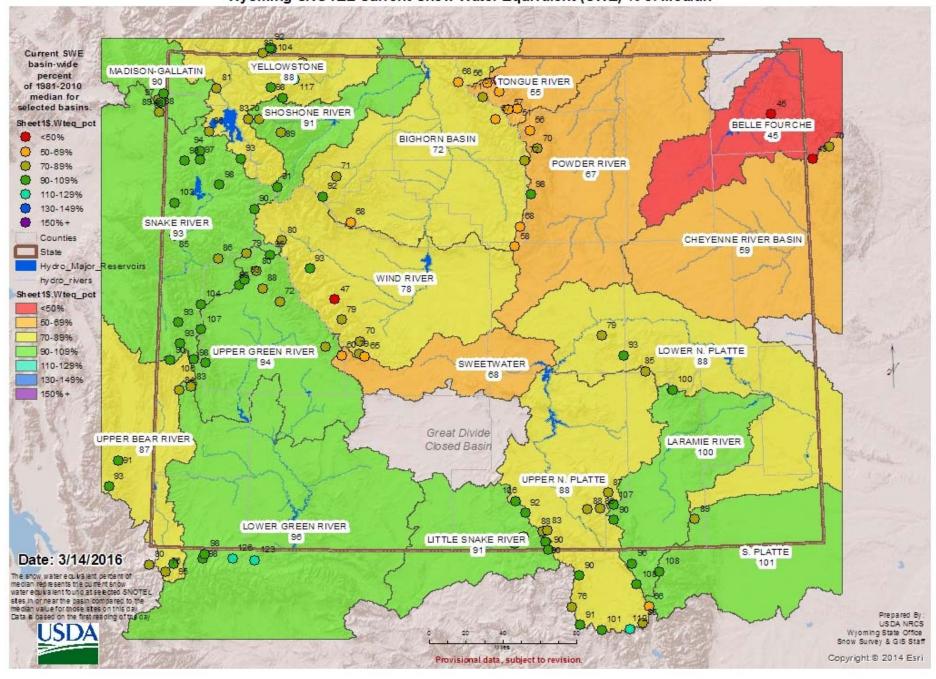
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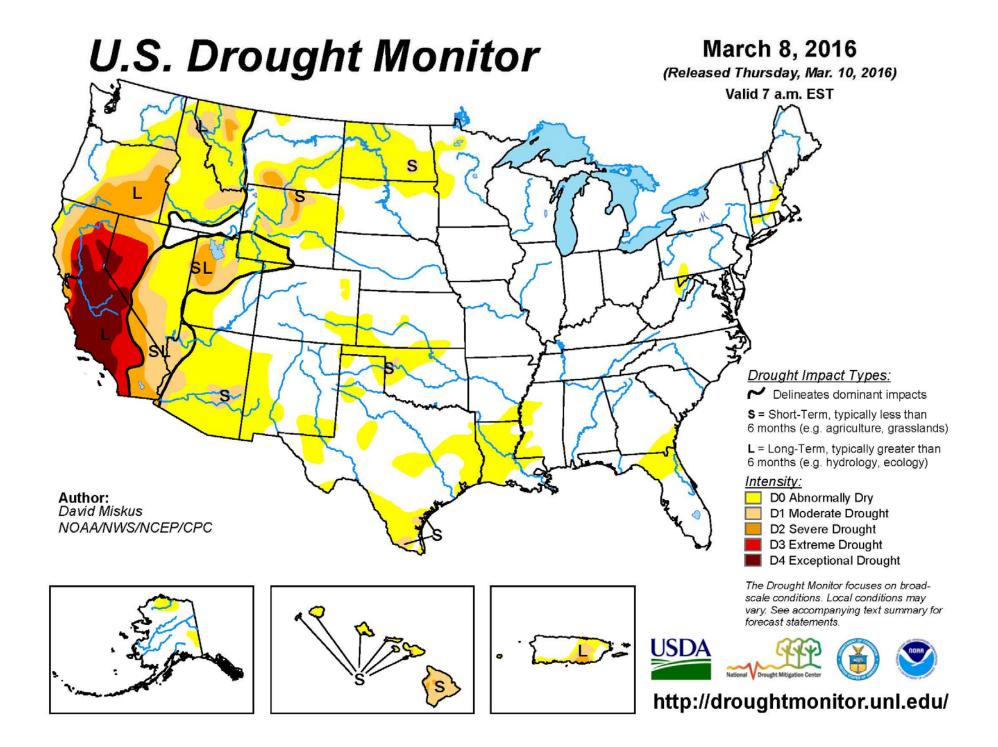
blue = up

green = even

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### Wyoming SNOTEL Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) % of Median





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