State of the River

Yampa River Outlook - Water Year 2022 The Past Shedding Light on the Future

March 23-24, 2022

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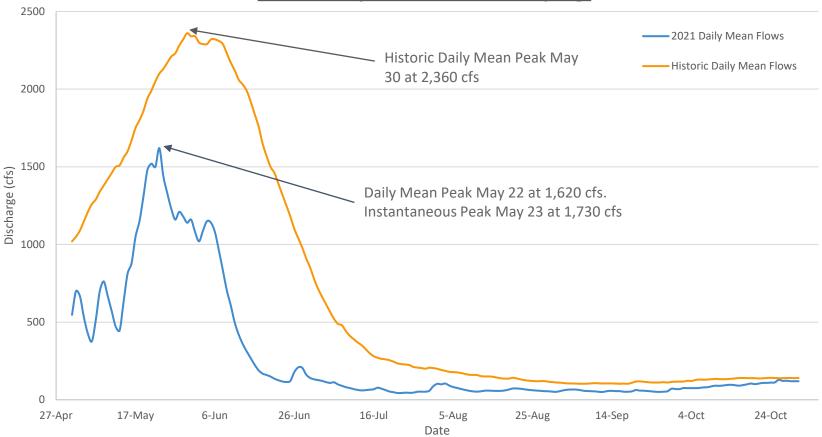


Reflecting on 2021 Water Year

- Little Snake River
- Yampa River

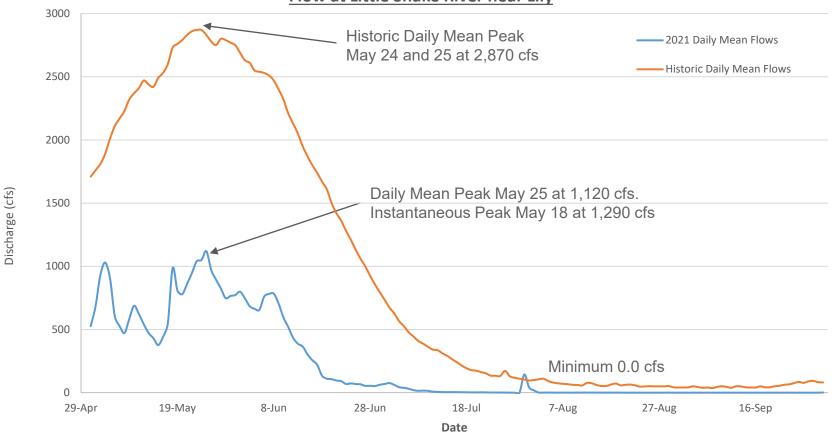


Flows at Yampa River at Steamboat Springs



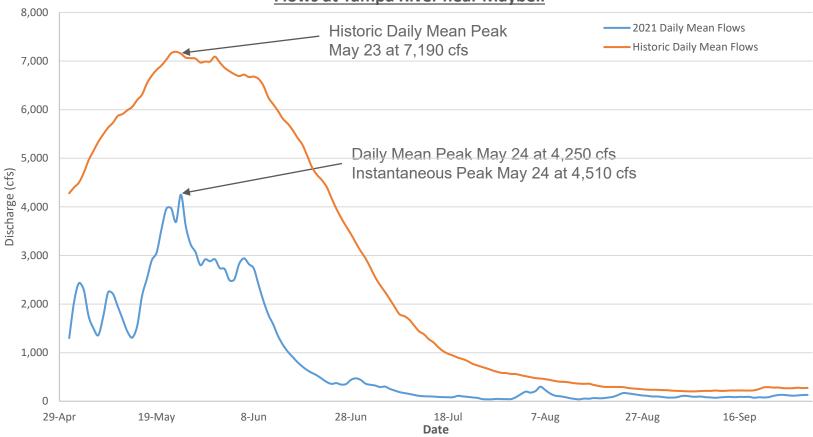


Flow at Little Snake River near Lily



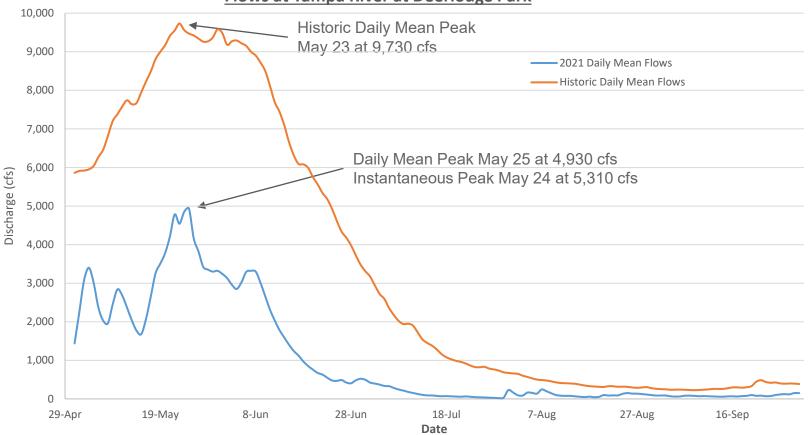


Flows at Yampa River near Maybell





Flows at Yampa River at Deerlodge Park





Releases Made from Stagecoach Reservoir

➤ City of Steamboat Springs and Colorado Water Trust - ~2,250 AF

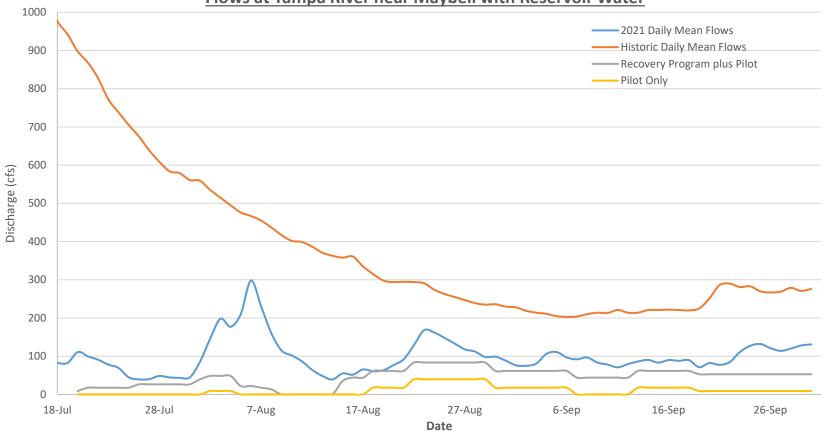


Releases Made from Elkhead Creek Reservoir

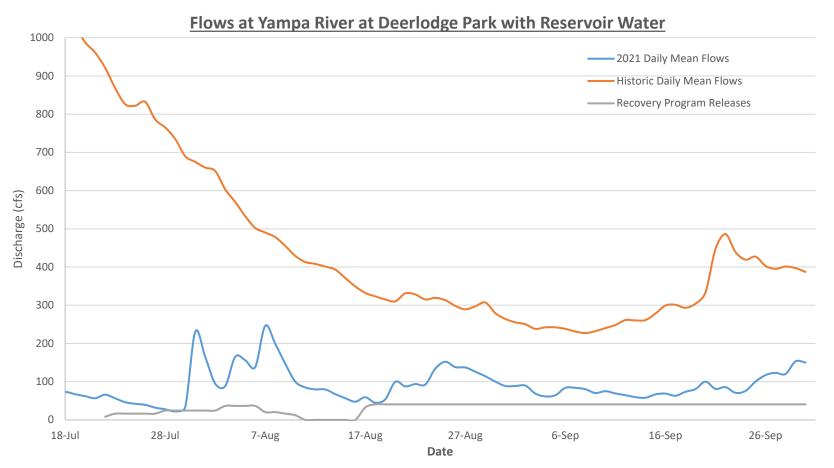
- ➤ CWCB/Recovery Program Release 5,000 AF
- Colorado River District Short Term Lease with Recovery Program - ~1,500 AF
- ➤ Colorado River District Pilot Project release 1,500 AF
- > Tri-State lease to Colorado River District for release ~220 AF
- ➤ Colorado River District and CWCB partnership to help agriculture water users 677 AF



Flows at Yampa River near Maybell with Reservoir Water







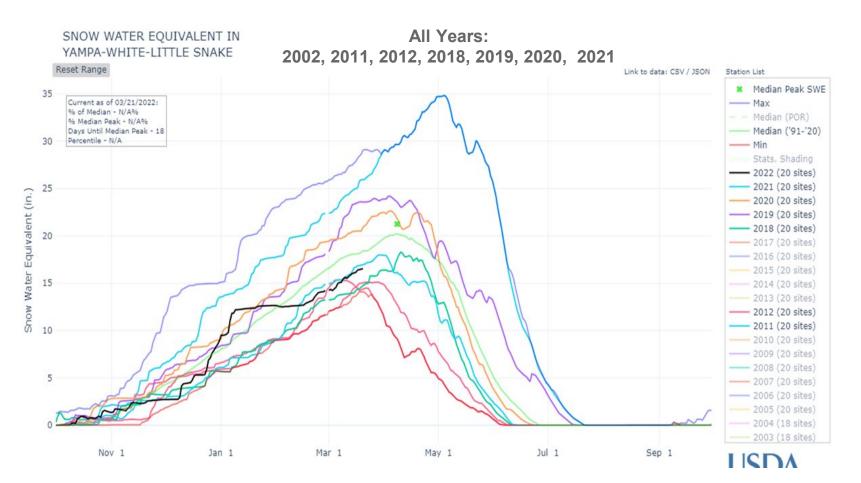


Status of Reservoirs

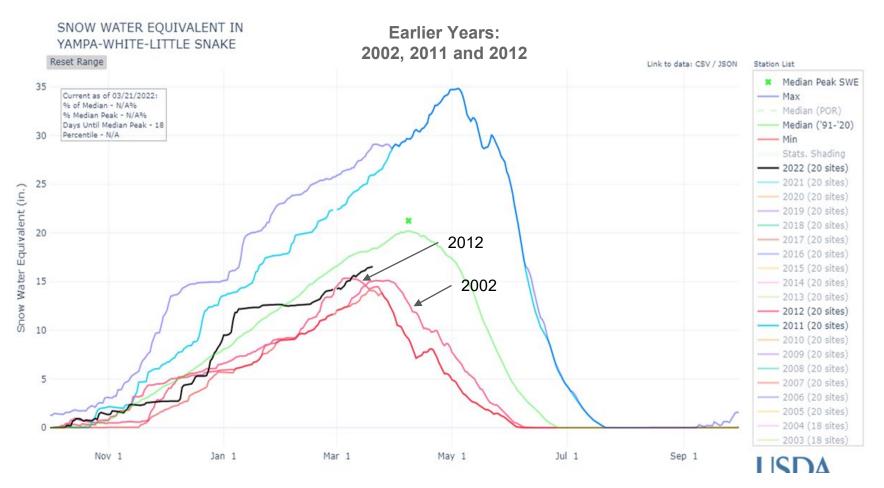
March 2022

- ➤ Stillwater Reservoir 310 AF *
- ➤ Yamcolo Reservoir 4,351 AF (45%)
- ➤ Stagecoach Reservoir 27,400 AF (75%)
- ➤ Fish Creek Reservoir 2,233 AF (54%)
- ➤ Elkhead Creek Reservoir 15,339 AF (60%)

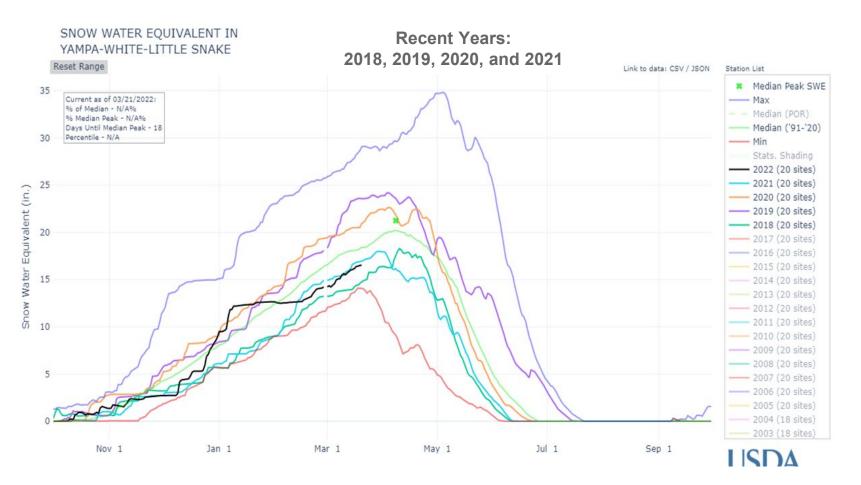






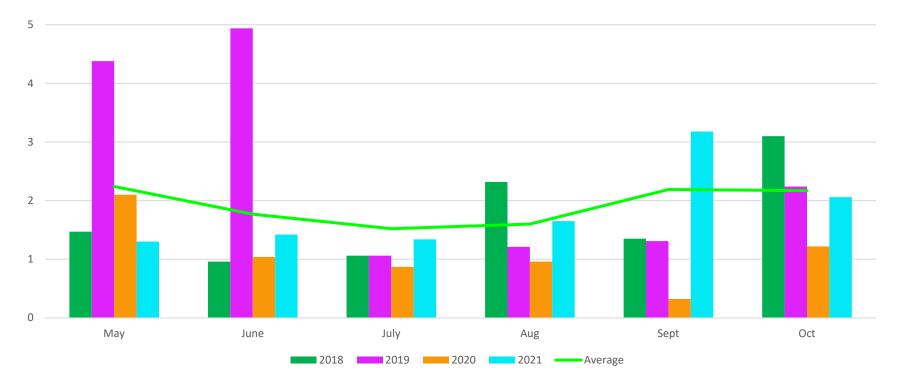






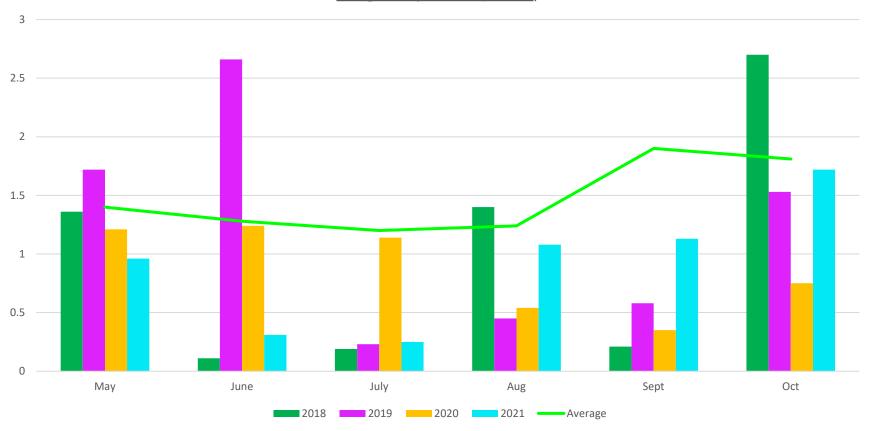




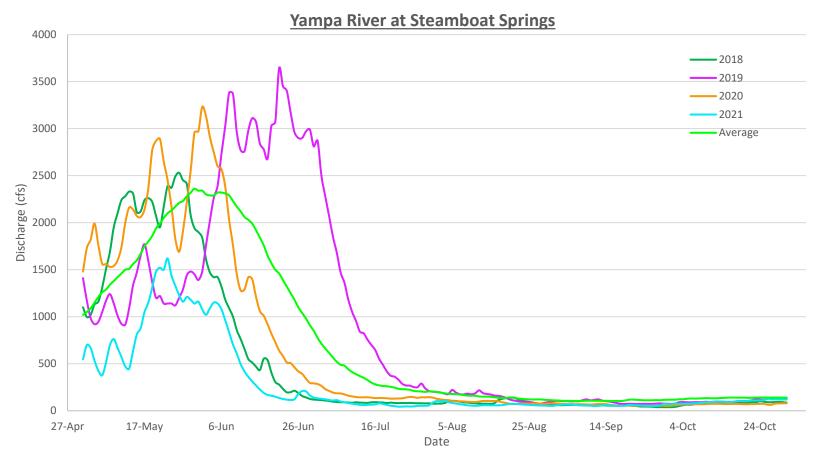




Craig Precipitation (inches)

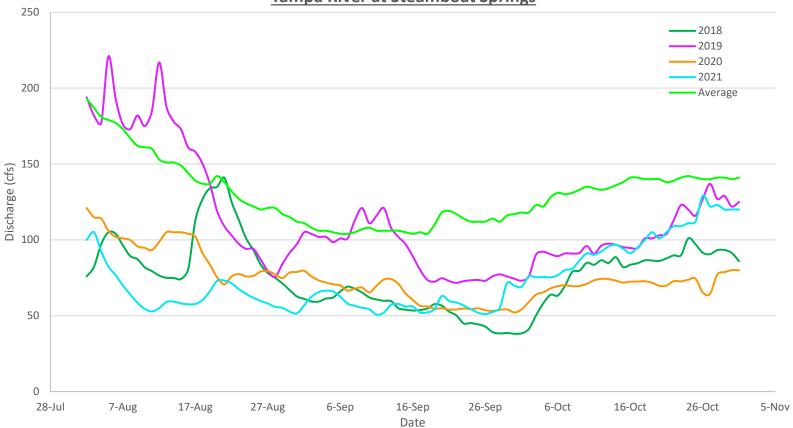




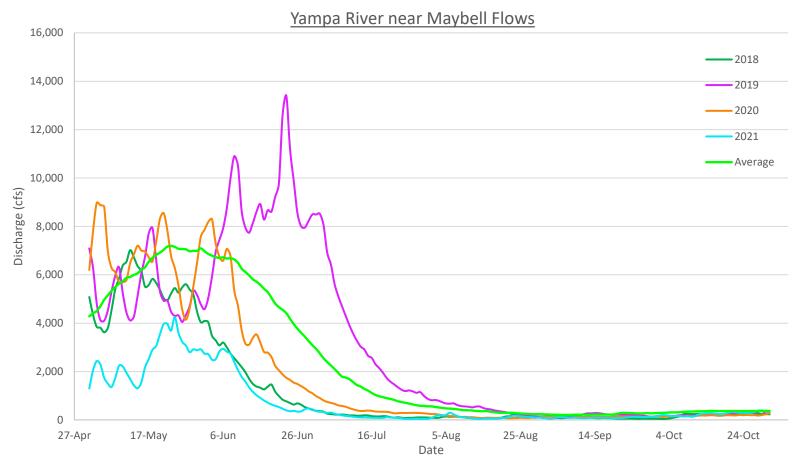




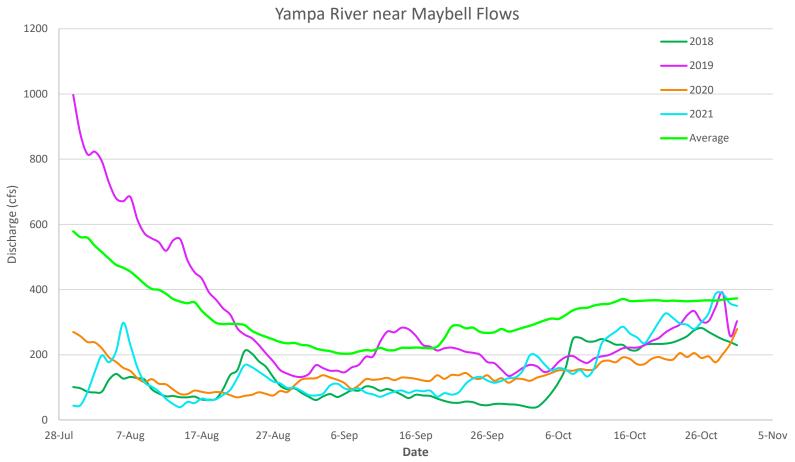




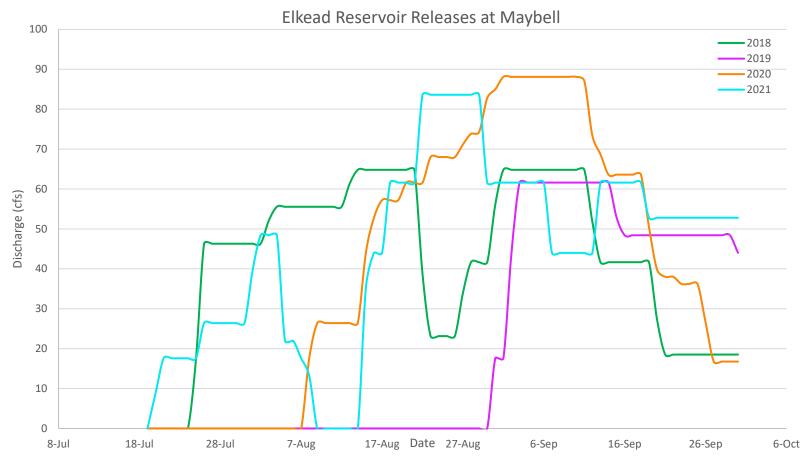




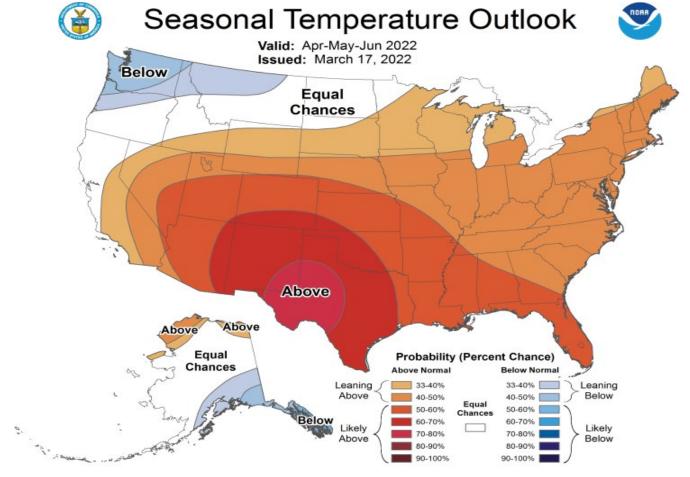




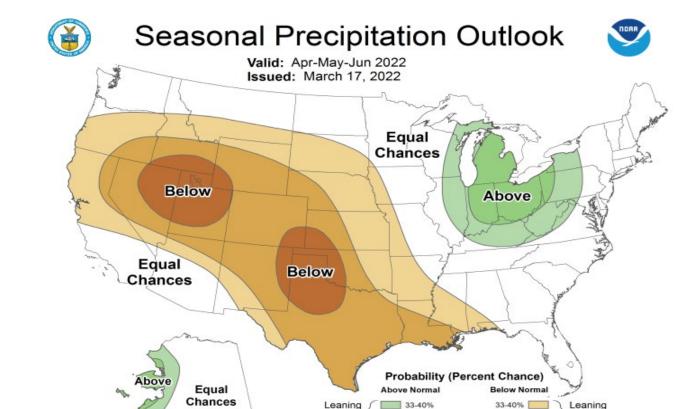












Above

Likely

Above

40-50%

60-70%

80-90%

Below

Likely

Below

50-60%

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80-90% 90-100%

Chances





March 2011

March 2012



