



# Drought Information Statement for Eastern Washington & North Idaho

Valid June 16, 2025

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- This will be updated when drought significantly degrades.
- Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/otx/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
- Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.

- STATE OF WASHINGTON [DROUGHT EMERGENCY](#) FOR PARTS OF CENTRAL WASHINGTON (see link)
- Current conditions drier than normal and will likely persist into Summer



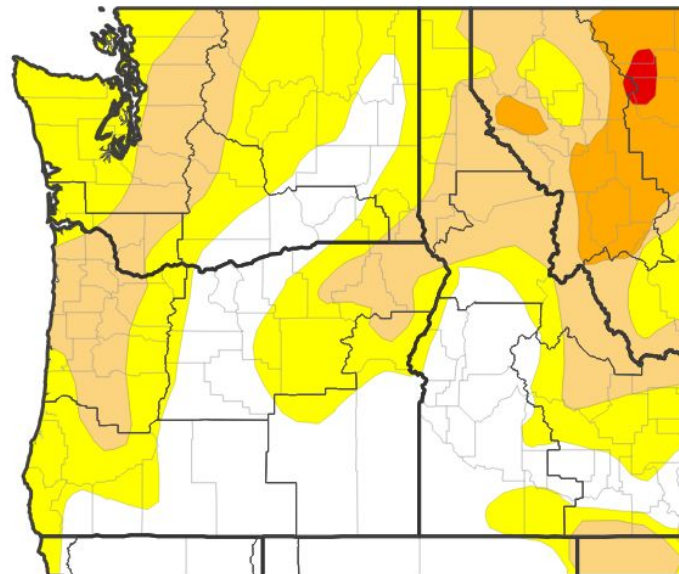


# U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for eastern Washington and north Idaho

## U.S. Drought Monitor

- Drought intensity and Extent for the Inland NW
  - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: near the Cascade crest, central ID Panhandle, and southeast WA ~**24%**
  - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: Much of central WA and north ID ~ **60%**
  - **NONE**: ~**16%**



## U.S. Drought Monitor



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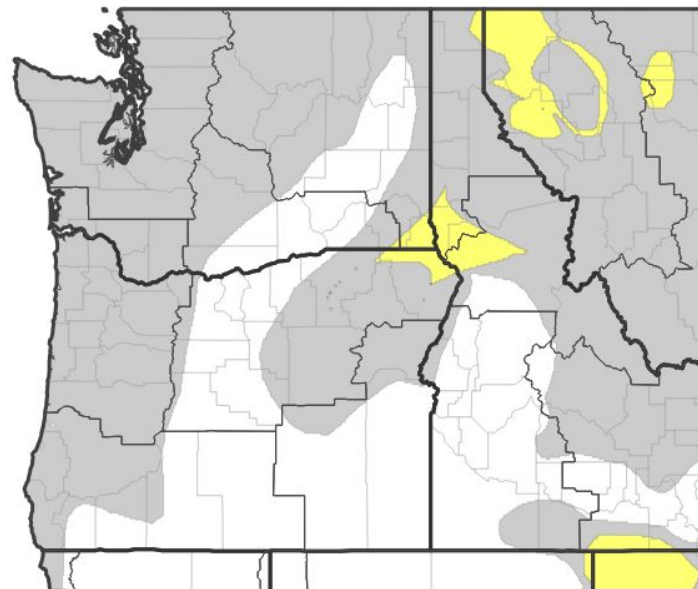


# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest 4 week [change map](#) for eastern Washington and north Idaho

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change
  - No Change: much of central WA and north Idaho
  - Abnormally dry → Moderate drought: far southeast WA and southern ID Panhandle

U.S. Drought Monitor 1-Week Change Map



Drought Change Since Last Week



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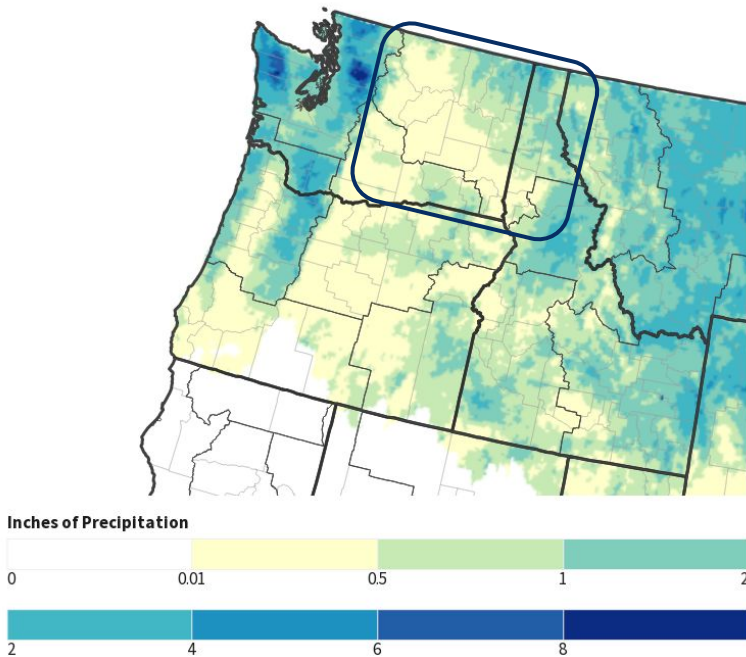


# Precipitation

Last 30 Days

Precipitation over the last 30 days has been below normal across the Inland NW and especially dry across the central WA, southeast WA and southern ID Panhandle.

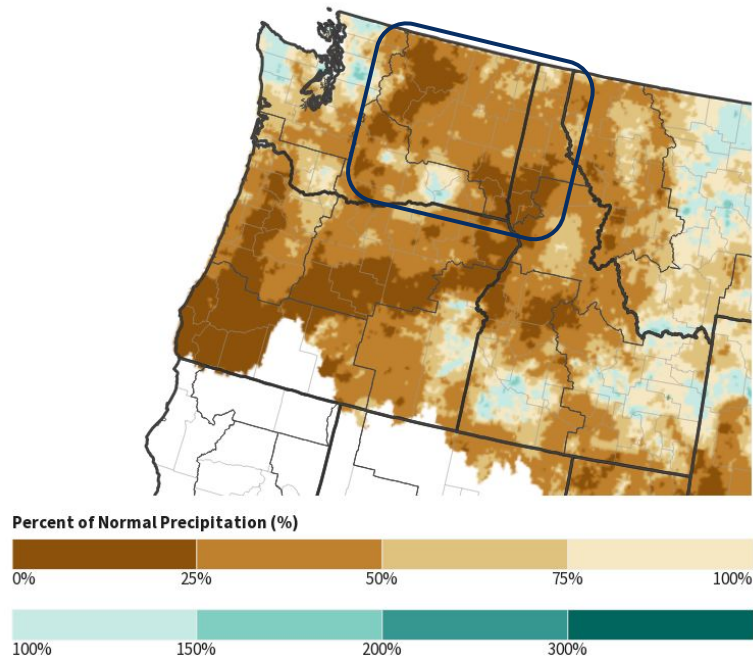
NWPS 30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (inches)



Source(s): National Weather Service National Water Prediction Service; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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30-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



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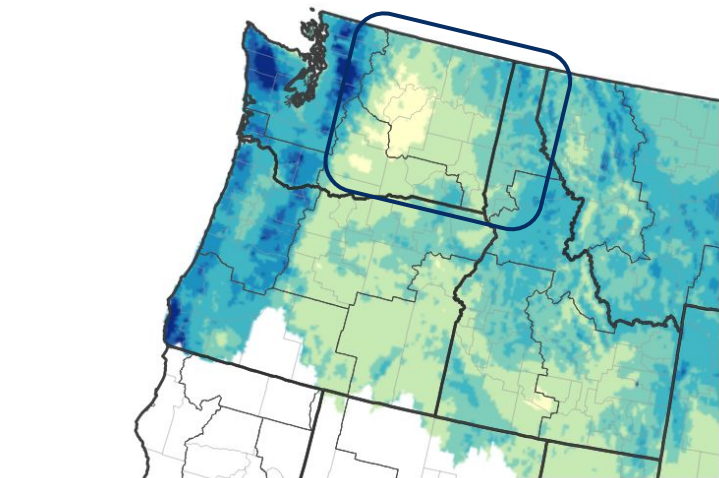
# Precipitation

Last 90 Days

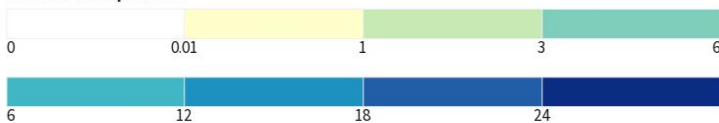
Precipitation over the last 90 days has been largely below normal.

Long term dryness remains across central WA, higher elevations of the Idaho Panhandle, and southeast WA.

NWPS 90-Day Precipitation Accumulations (inches)



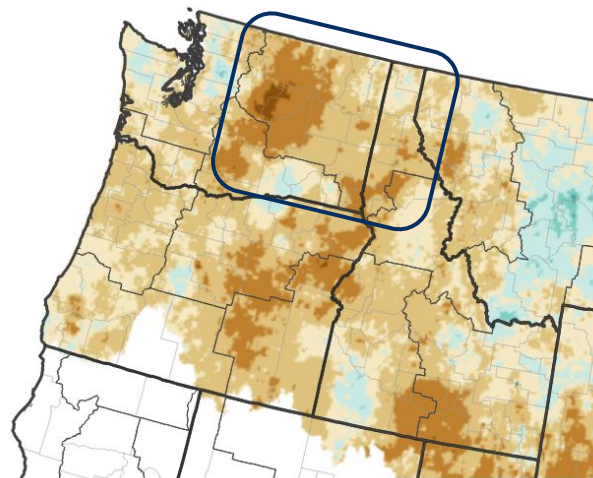
Inches of Precipitation



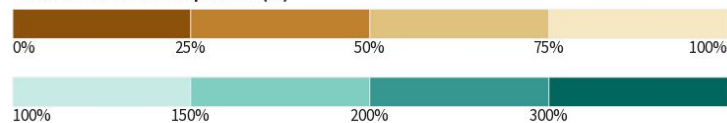
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90-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



Percent of Normal Precipitation (%)



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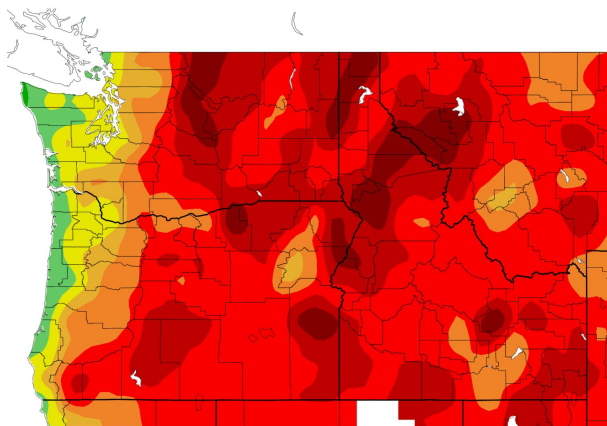


# Temperature

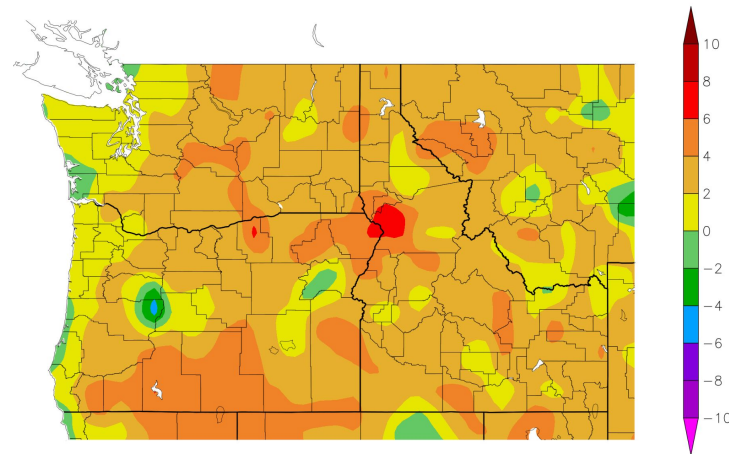
Last 7 Days and 30 Days

Temperatures the last week and last 30 days have been warmer than normal across the entire inland northwest, melting off most of the snowpack below 5000 feet.

Departure from Normal Temperature (F)  
6/9/2025 – 6/15/2025



Departure from Normal Temperature (F)  
5/17/2025 – 6/15/2025





# Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit [Condition Monitoring Observer Reports \(CMOR\)](#) and view the [Drought Impacts Reporter](#)

## Hydrologic Impacts

- Water supply outlook remains below normal. ([NWS NWRFC](#))
- Snowpack conditions below normal above 5000 feet. ([NRCS](#))

## Agricultural Impacts

- Spring planting mostly complete. Spring wheat mostly emerged. Moisture is needed. [USDA Crop Progress Reports](#)

## Fire Hazard Impacts

- Green-up is still ongoing. The [Significant Fire Potential Outlook](#) favors above normal activity June through September. (NIFC)

## Other Impacts

- Washington State Declared [Drought Emergency](#) for Chelan, Okanogan, and portions of Ferry County.

## Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your local municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.

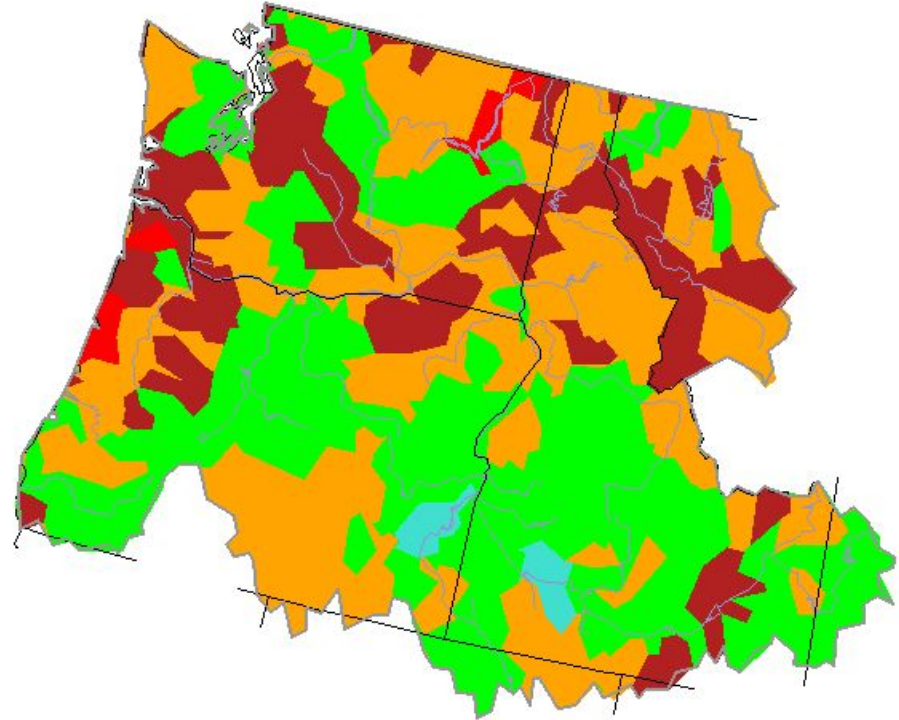




# Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflows on the unregulated river basins over the past 7 days have been below normal across the Palouse region, northern mountains, and the central ID Panhandle where snowmelt has slowed down. Some rivers in central WA have normal streamflows.

Sunday, June 15, 2025



USGS

| Explanation - Percentile classes |                   |              |        |              |                   |      |         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|--------------|-------------------|------|---------|
|                                  |                   |              |        |              |                   |      |         |
| Low                              | <10               | 10-24        | 25-75  | 76-90        | >90               | High | No Data |
|                                  | Much below normal | Below normal | Normal | Above normal | Much above normal |      |         |



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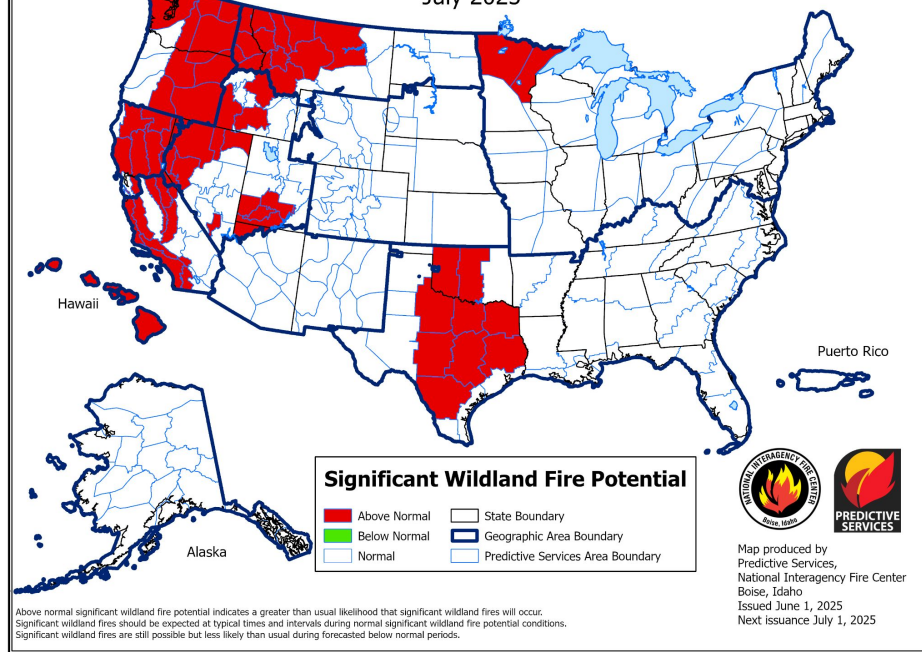
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Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook  
June 2025



Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook  
July 2025



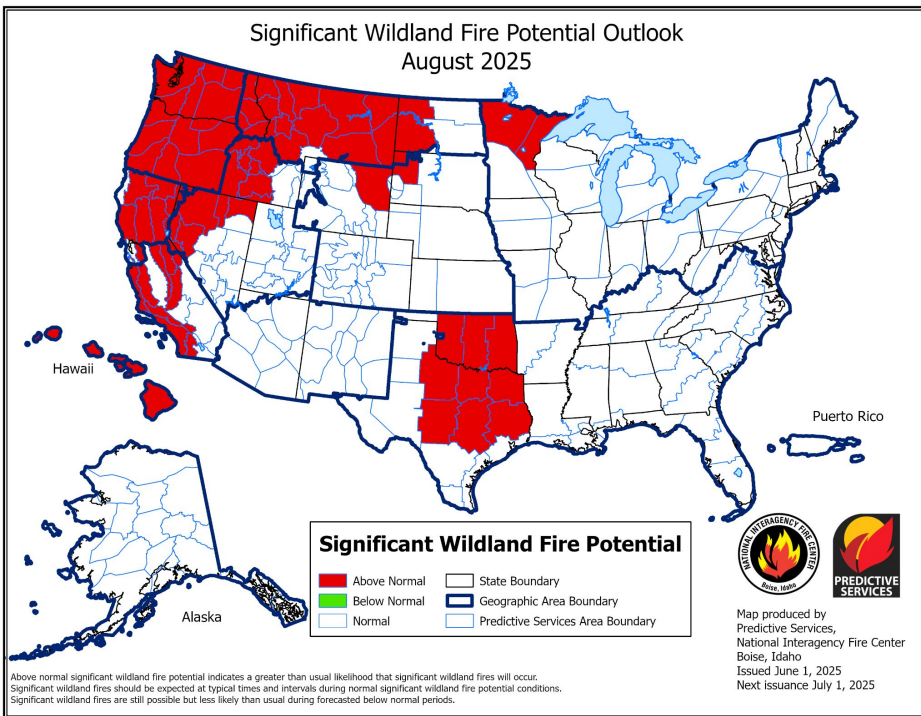


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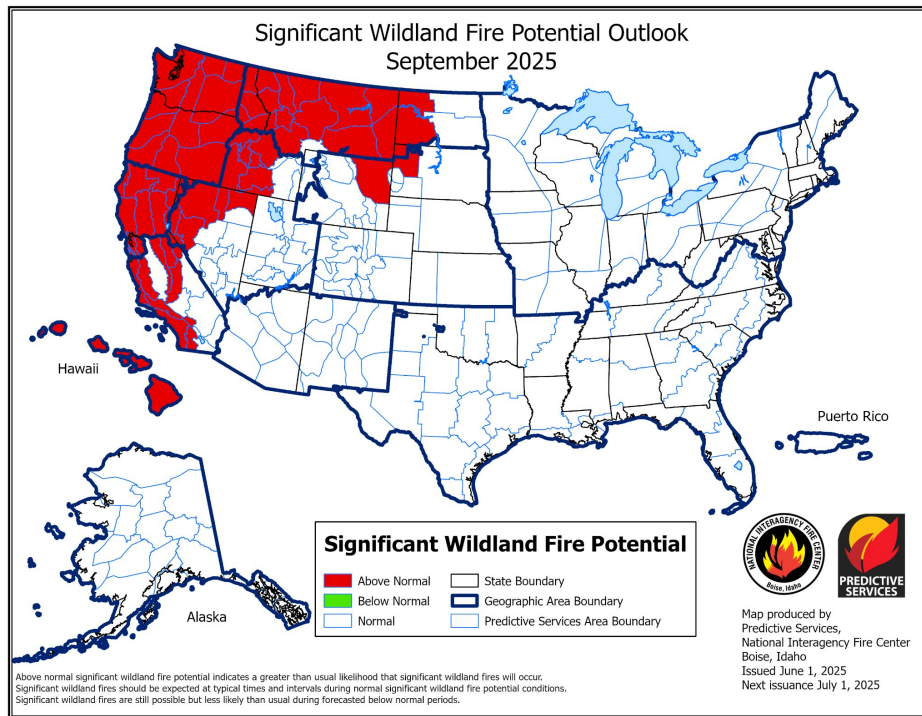
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Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook  
August 2025



Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook  
September 2025

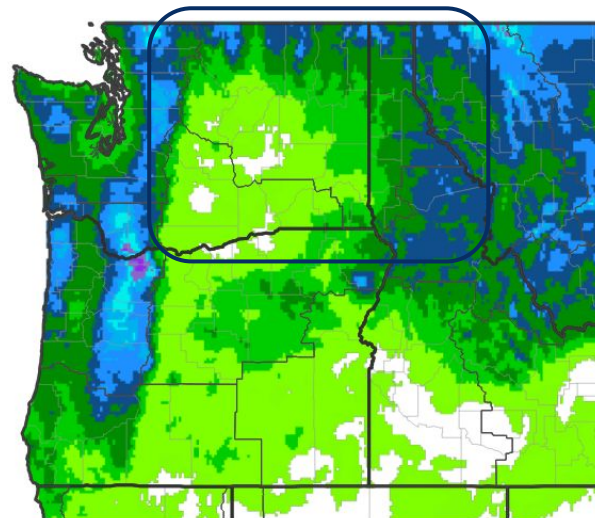




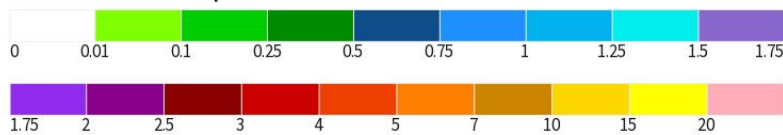
# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Here is a forecast of precipitation for the Pacific NW for the next week as chances for showers increase.
- The 8-14 day outlook favors
  - 33-40% of **below normal temperatures**
  - 33-50% of **above normal precipitation** for late June.

**7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for June 16, 2025–June 23, 2025**



**Predicted Inches of Precipitation**



Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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# Seasonal Outlook

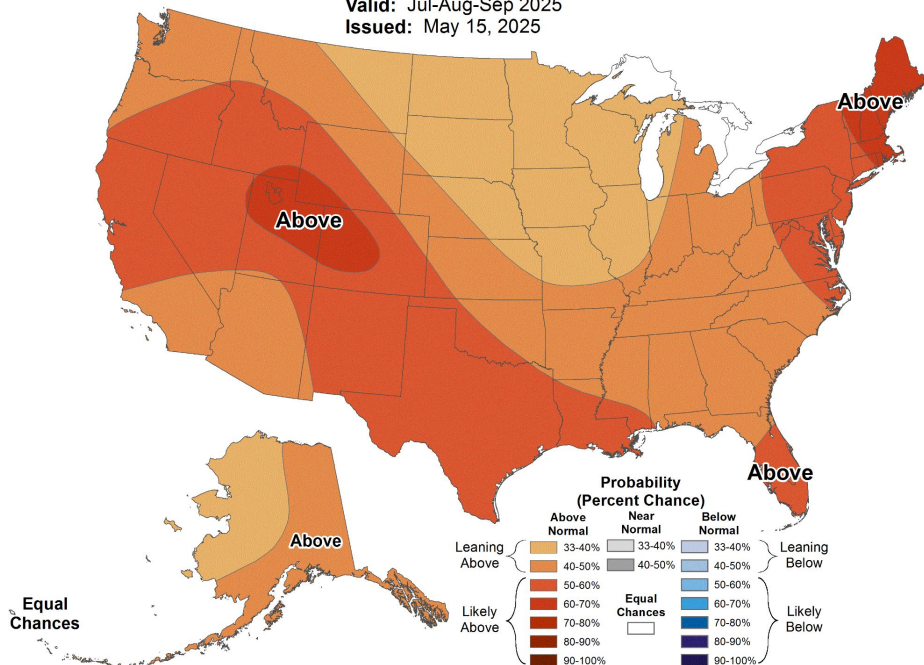
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July, August, and September: Outlook favors warmer than normal temperatures and below average precipitation across the Inland NW.



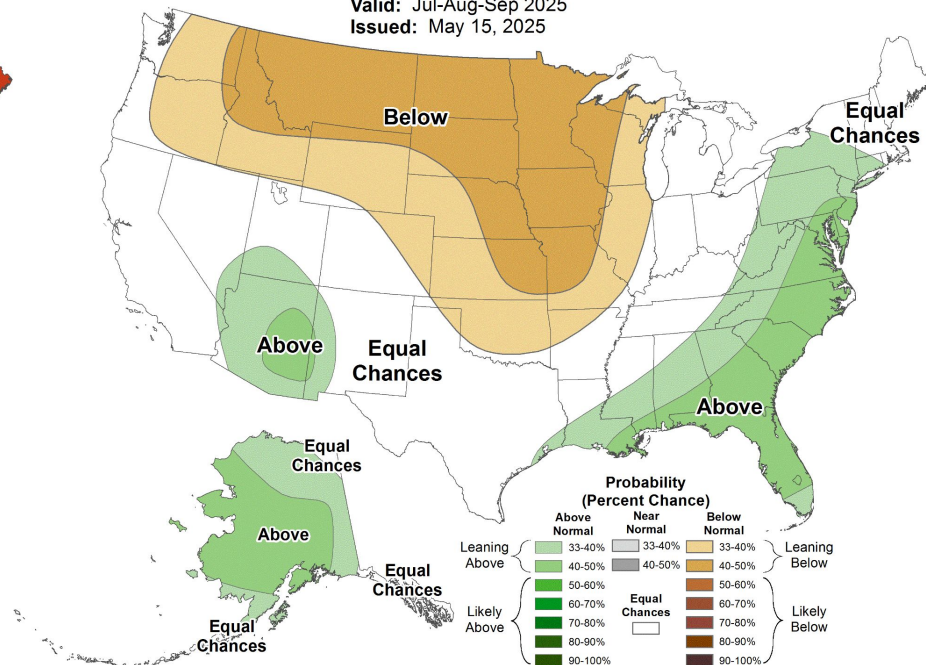
## Seasonal Temperature Outlook

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## Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

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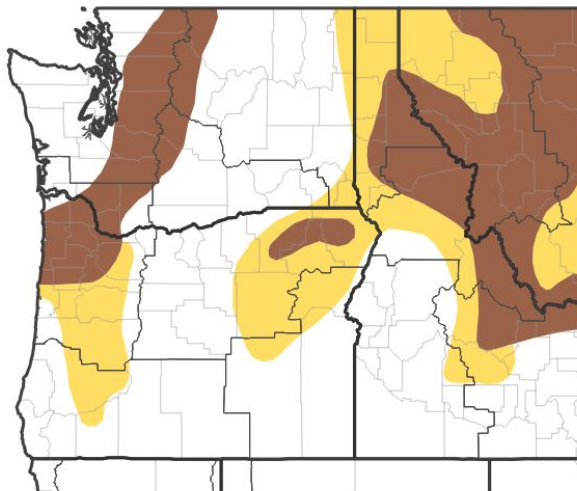


# Drought Outlook

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The Monthly and Seasonal Drought Outlook shows where existing drought will likely persist or worsen across the Cascades and ID Panhandle.

**1-Month Drought Outlook for June 1, 2025–June 30, 2025**



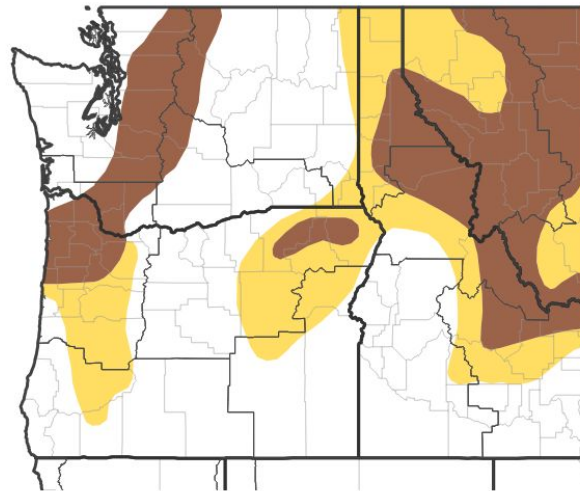
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**Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for May 31, 2025–August 31, 2025**



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