



Drought Information Statement for Eastern Washington & North Idaho

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- This will be updated when drought conditions change significantly.
- 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)
- Drought persists and has expanded across the Inland Northwest
 - Extreme drought developed in ID Panhandle
 - Severe drought expanded in north WA and ID Panhandle



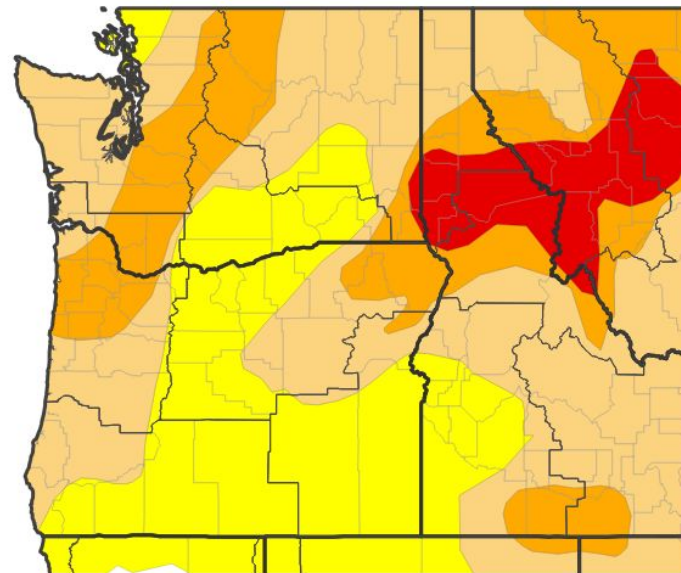


U.S. Drought Monitor

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
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought):** Southern Idaho Panhandle ~7%
 - **D2 (Severe Drought):** The northern Cascades through the northwest Oregon coast ~20%
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):** The Olympic Washington coast, most of eastern Washington and northern Idaho Panhandle ~44%
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry):** Southern Washington, far northwest Washington including the San Juan Islands ~ 30%
 - NONE: ~0%



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Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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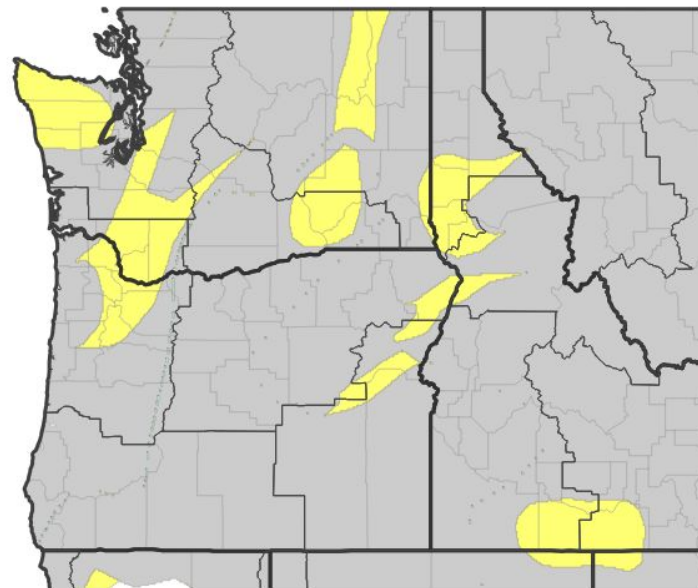


Recent Change in Drought Intensity

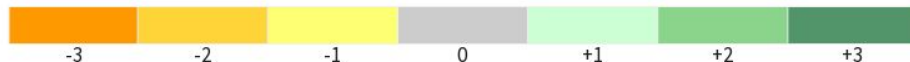
Link to the latest 1 week [change map](#) for eastern Washington and north Idaho

- One Week Drought Monitor Class Change
 - No Change: much of central WA and north Idaho
 - Abnormally dry → Moderate drought: north and south-central Washington
 - Severe drought → Extreme drought: southern Idaho Panhandle

U.S. Drought Monitor 1-Week Change Map



Drought Change Since Last Week



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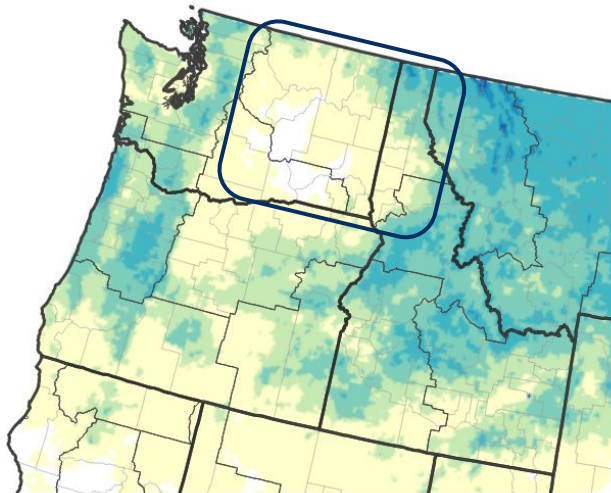


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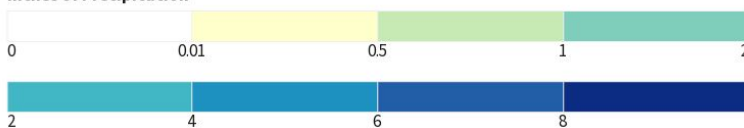
Last 30 Days

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)



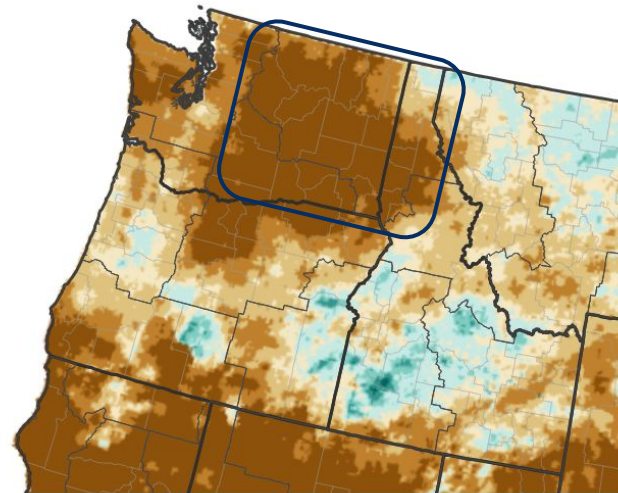
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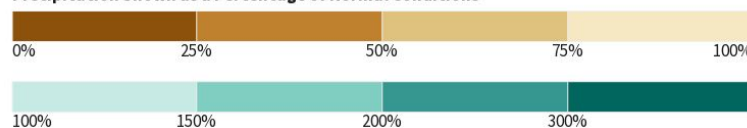
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30-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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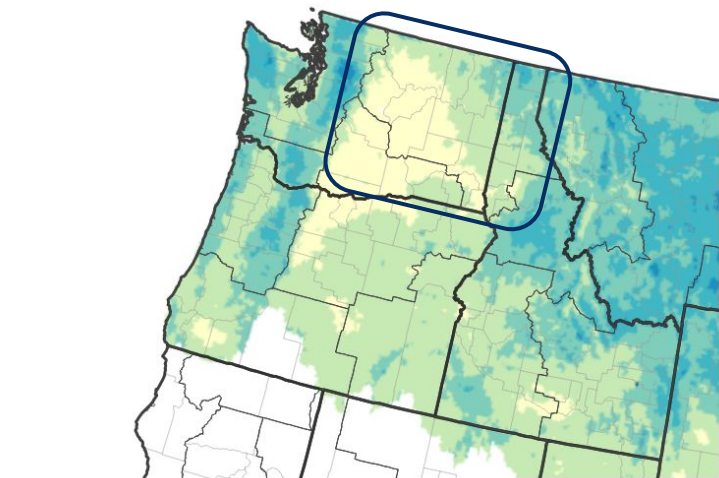
Precipitation

Last 90 Days

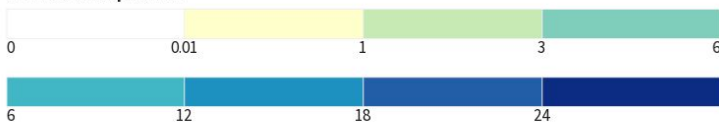
Precipitation over the last 90 days has been largely below normal.

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

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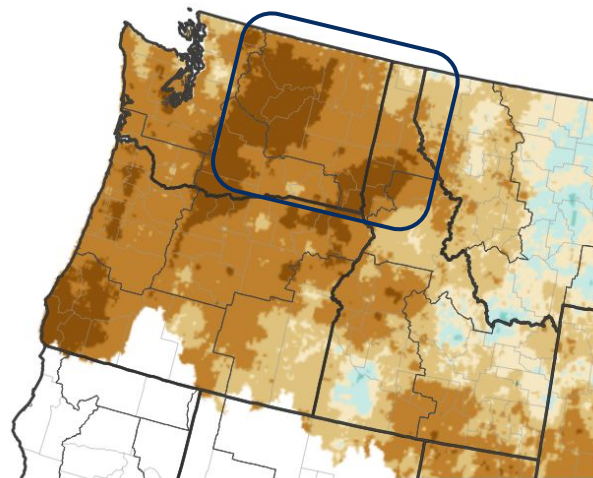
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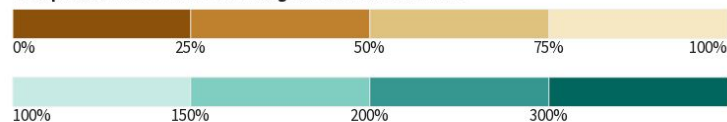
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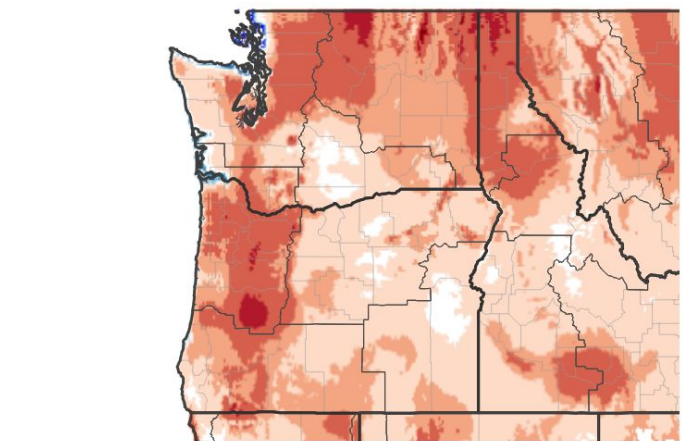


Temperature

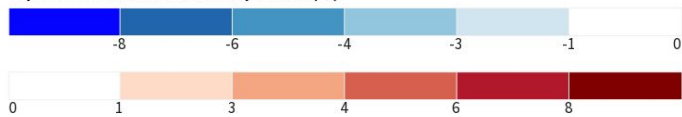
Last 7 Days and 30 Days

Temperatures the last week and last 30 days have been warmer than normal across the entire inland northwest, most notably in the higher elevations of northern Washington and the Idaho Panhandle.

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



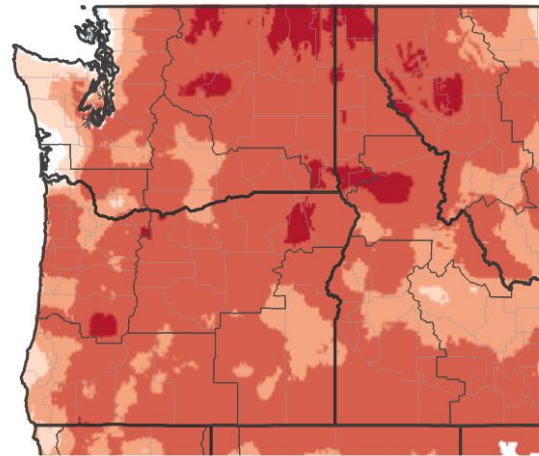
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



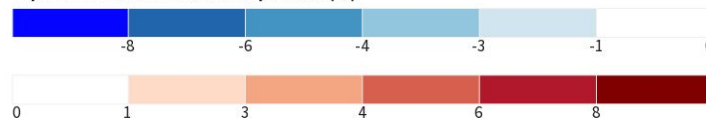
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30-Day Temperature Anomaly



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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](#))
- Stream flows remain much below normal across the region as runoff from mountain snow has slowed. ([NWS NWRFC](#))

Agricultural Impacts

- Soil moisture is moderately to severely dry and harvesting is earlier than normal across Washington. Crop conditions are fair and poor (62%). [USDA Crop Progress Reports](#)

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Fine fuels continue to cure and are well below normal (dry) at this time. The significant wildland fire potential continues highlighting above normal risk for the Inland Northwest through September. ([NIFC](#))

Other Impacts

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

Mitigation Actions

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





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflows over the past 7 days have been below normal across the Palouse region, northern mountains, and the central ID Panhandle. It has been a dry and warm period, and mountain snowpack runoff has slowed.

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		

Wednesday, July 09, 2025

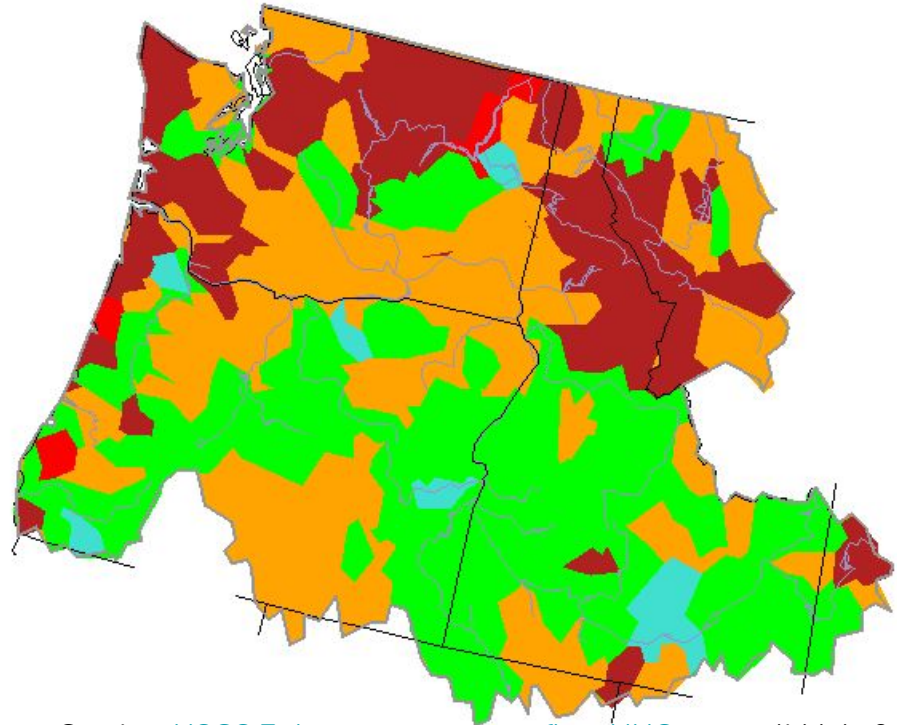


Image Caption: [USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map](#) valid July 9, 2025

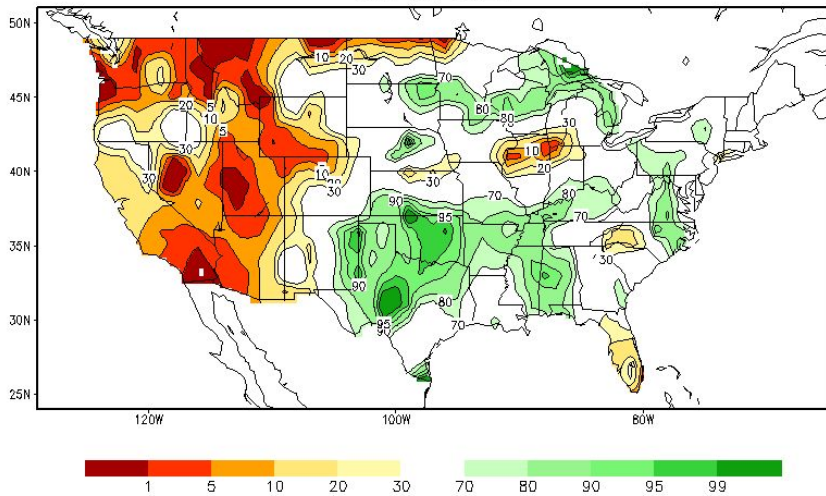




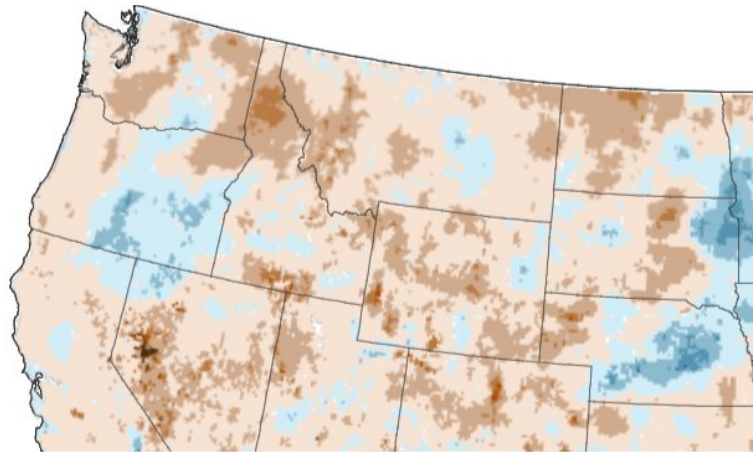
Agricultural Conditions and Impacts

- Soil moisture remains drier than normal across much of the Inland NW, especially over the Cascades and the ID Panhandle.

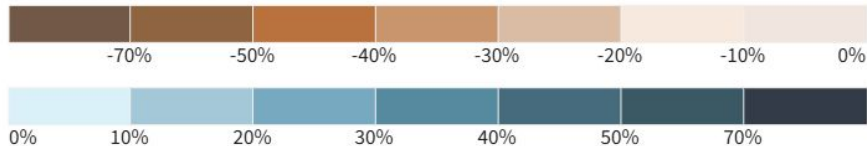
Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile
JUL 09, 2025



Crop-CASMA Subsoil (1 Meter) Soil
Moisture Anomaly



Soil Moisture Anomaly



Source(s): NASA, USDA, George Mason University
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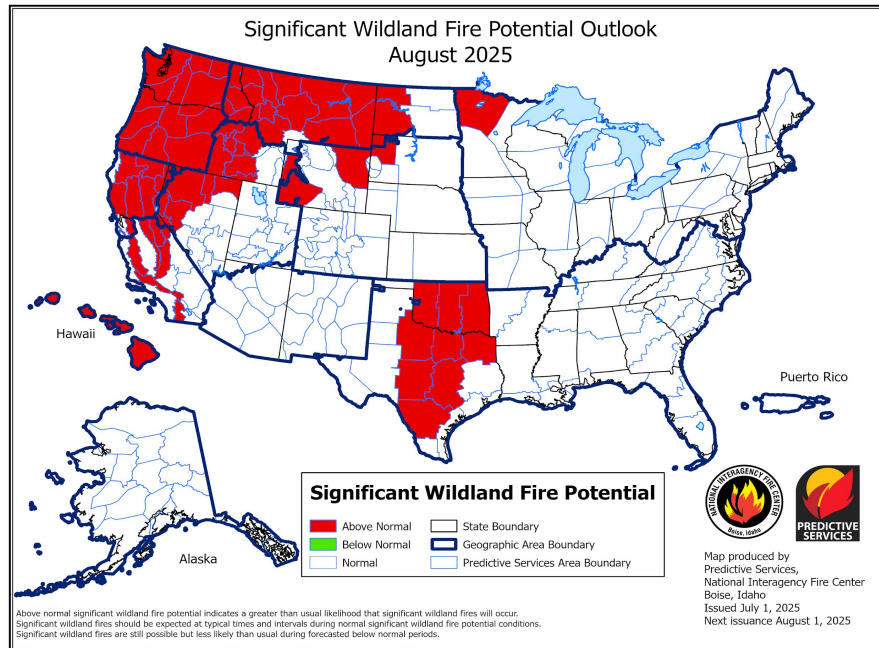
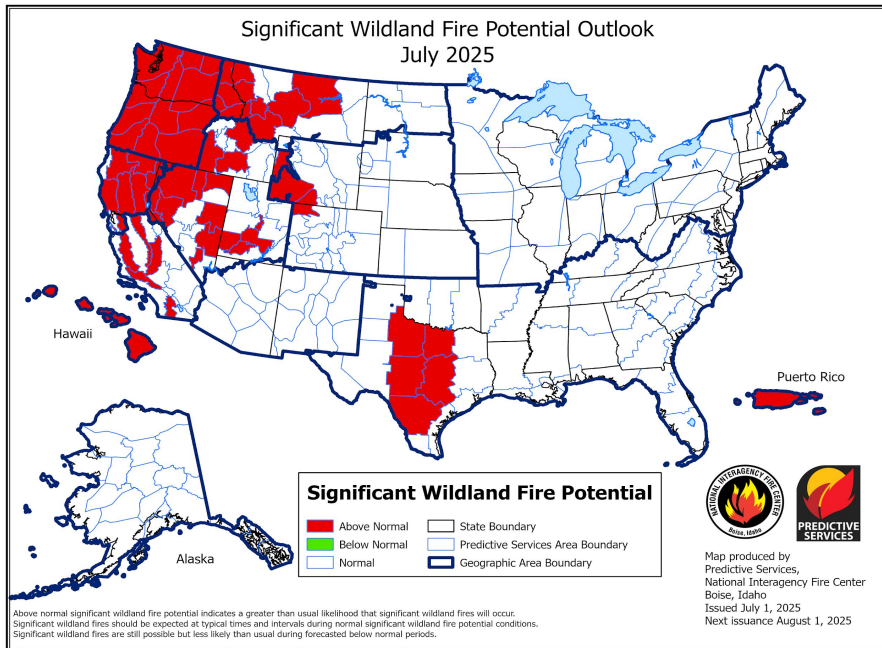




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Link to [Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center](#).

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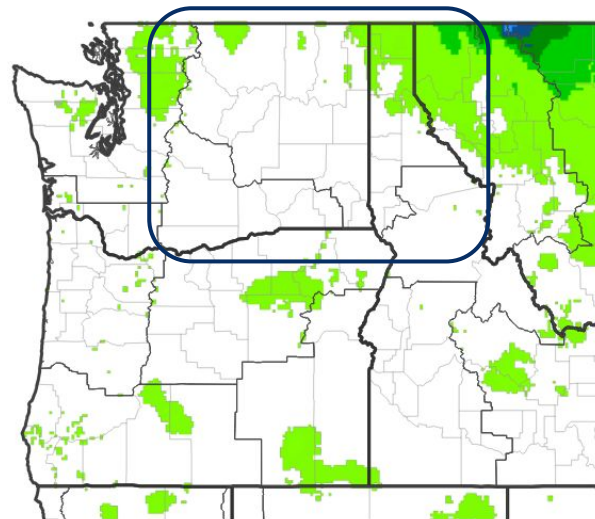
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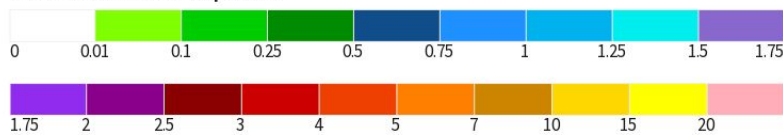
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Here is a forecast of precipitation for the Pacific NW for the next week.
- The 8-14 day outlook favors
 - 50-60% of **above normal temperatures**.
 - 33-40% of near to **above normal precipitation**.

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for July 10, 2025–July 17, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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

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Seasonal Outlook

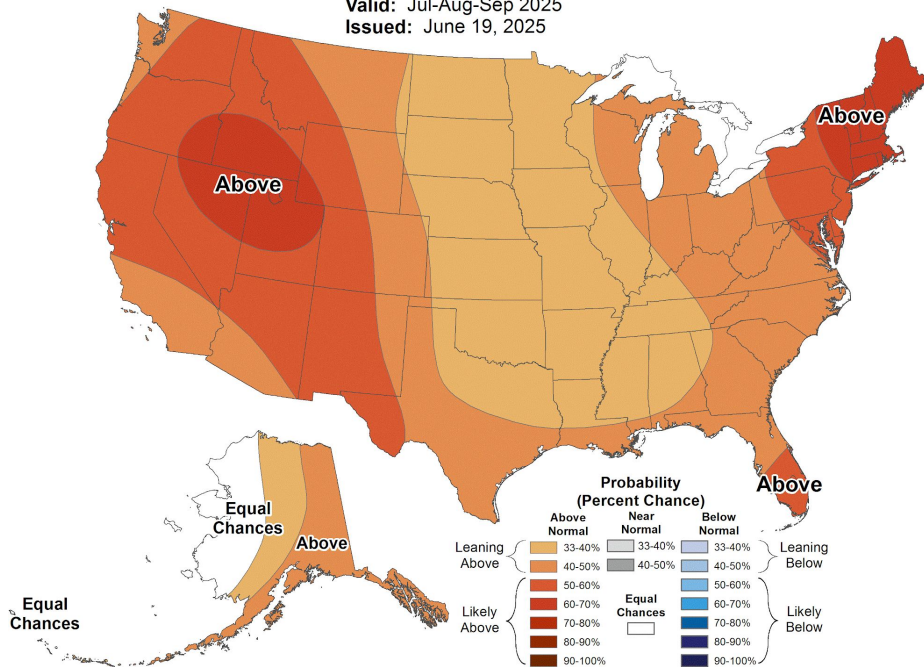
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July, August, and September: Outlook favors warmer than normal temperatures and below average precipitation across the Inland NW.



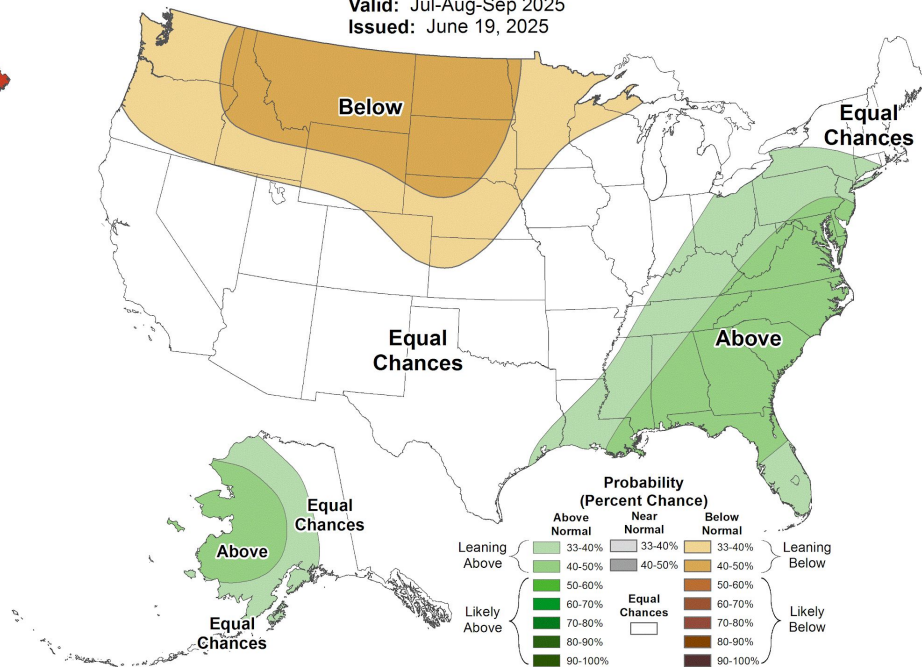
Seasonal Temperature Outlook

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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

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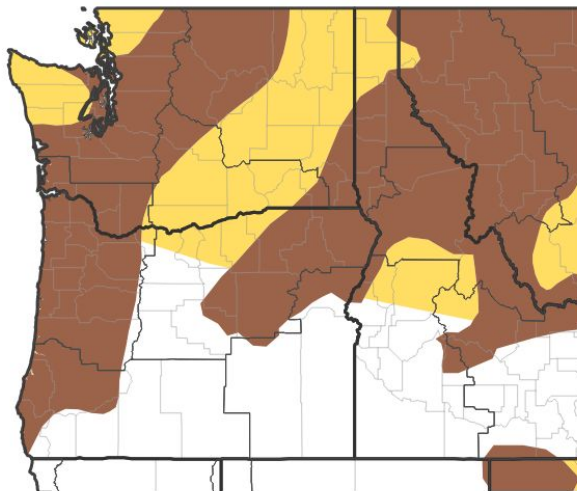


Drought Outlook

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The Monthly and Seasonal Drought Outlook shows where existing drought will likely persist or worsen across a majority of Washington and Idaho.

1-Month Drought Outlook for July 1, 2025–July 31, 2025



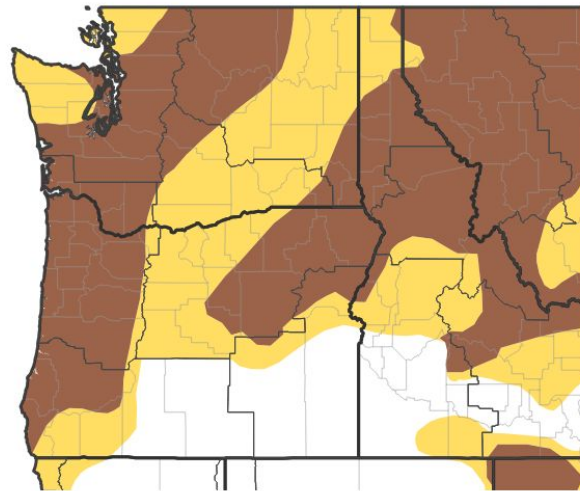
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Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for June 30, 2025–September 30, 2025



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