

Drought Information Statement for Utah and Uinta County, WY

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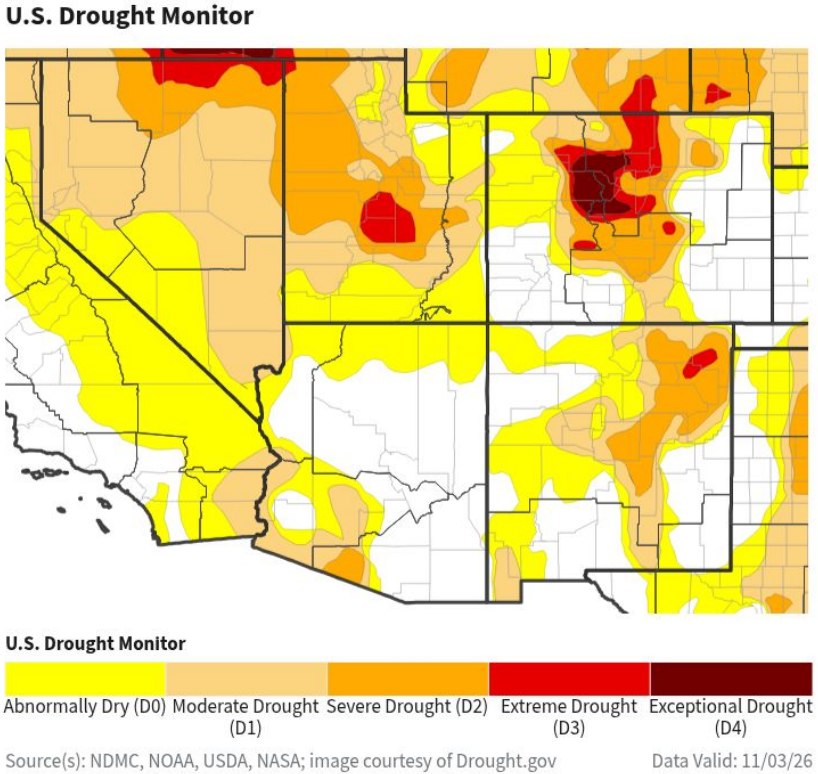
- This product will be updated by December 10, 2026 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements.
- Please visit https://www.weather.gov/SLC/DroughtInformationStatement for previous statements.
- Please visit https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates for regional drought status updates.

- Moderate (D1) to Severe (D2) with small pockets of Extreme drought (D3) conditions continue across much of the Utah, though widespread improvement of 1 category has occurred this past week.

U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor for Utah and Uinta County, WY

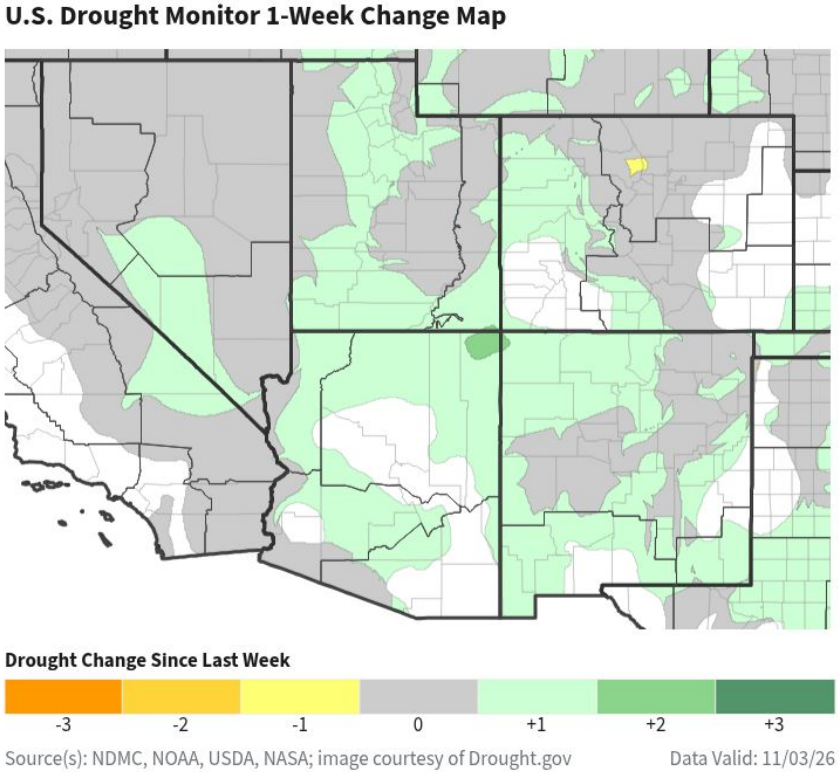
- Drought Intensity and Extent
  - **D3 (Extreme Drought)**: Far northwest Utah and an area of central Utah encompassing the southern half of Sanpete county, most of Sevier county, and the western third of Emery county.
  - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: West central and northwest Utah through central Utah.
  - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: Northern and central Utah down through portions of Iron and Garfield counties.



Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest 4-week change map for Utah and Uinta County, WY

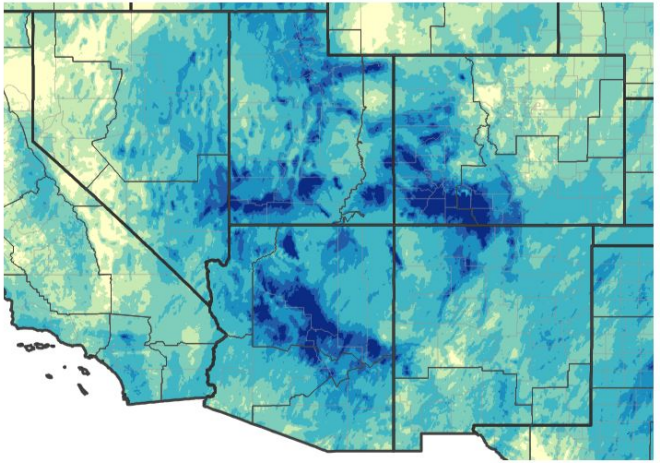
- One Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
  - **Minor Improvement**: Many areas in Utah and Uinta County, WY saw a 1 category improvement in drought conditions.



Precipitation

- Most areas of Utah saw much above normal precipitation over the last 30 days.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)



Inches of Precipitation

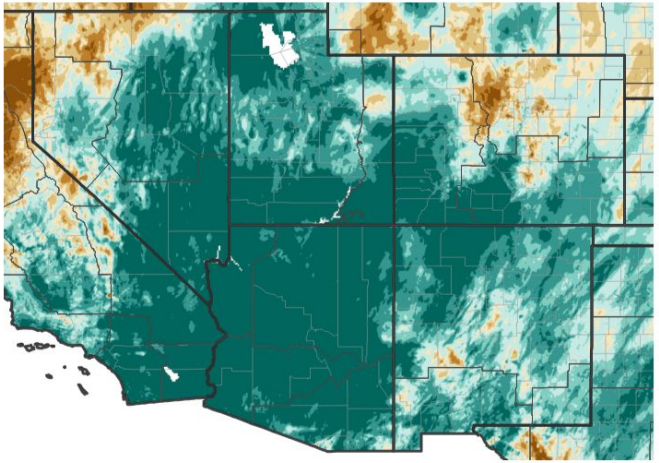
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2 | 4 | 6 | 8

Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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30-Day Percent of NClimGrid Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions

0% | 25% | 50% | 75% | 100%

100% | 150% | 200% | 300%

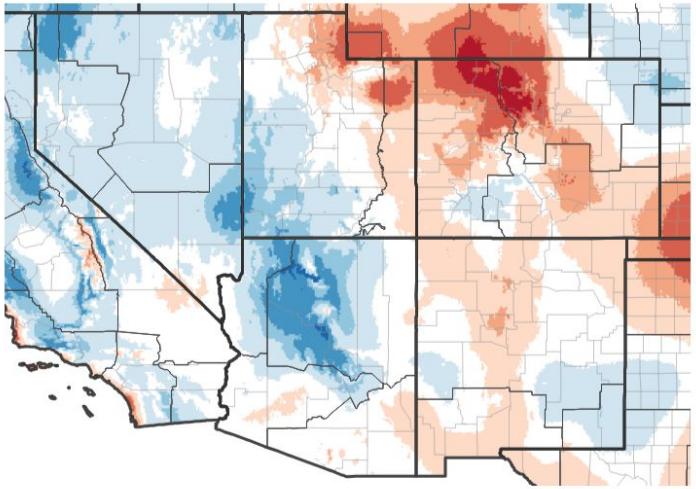
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Temperature

- As of 10/31 temperatures averaged above normal across northern Utah and near to slightly below normal across southern Utah.

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)

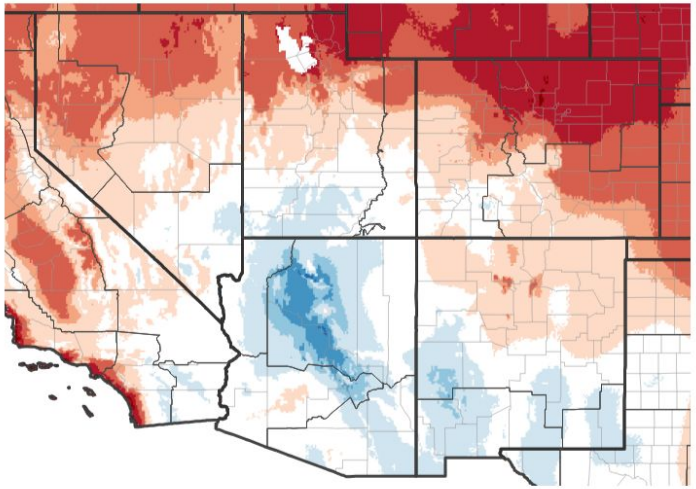
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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- None at this time.

Agricultural Impacts

- None at this time.

Fire Hazard Impacts

- None at this time.

Other Impacts

- None at this time.

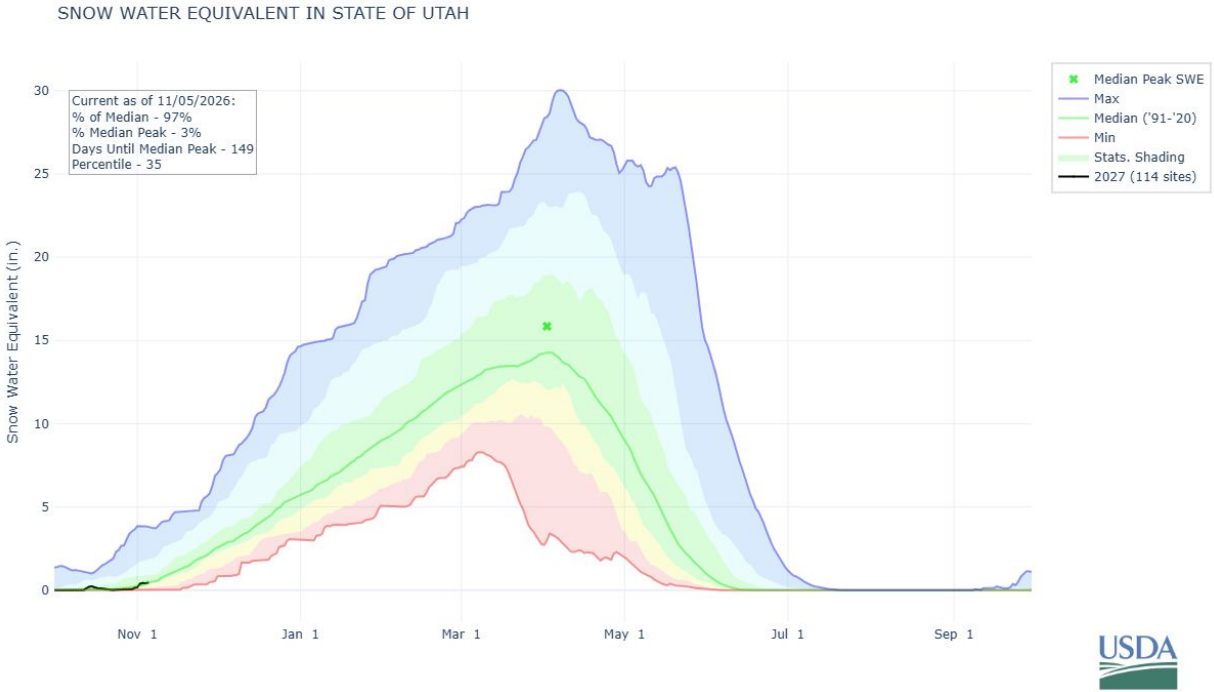
Mitigation Actions

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

Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Snowpack has started to form at the high elevations and tracking close to normal for this time of year.

- Some of the best performing basins so far are the Duchesne (2.0";144% of normal), Lower Sevier (0.8"; 135% of normal), and the Middle Sevier (1.2"; 116% of normal).

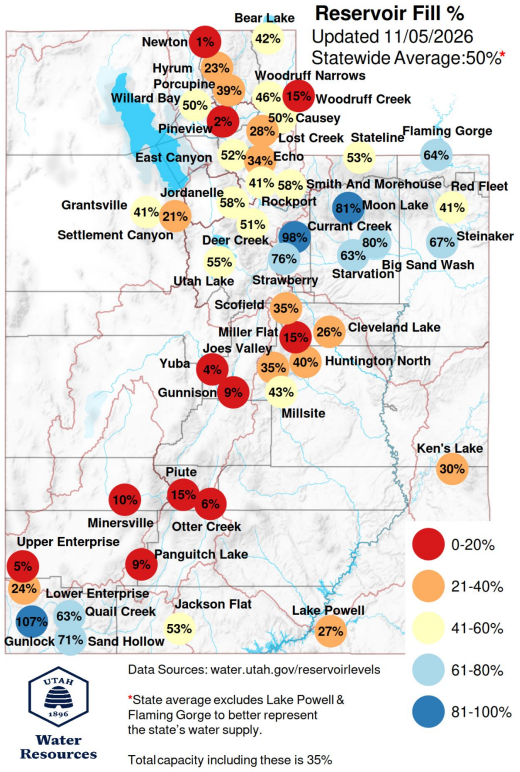


Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Reservoir storage is averaging 50% full, excluding Lake Powell and Flaming Gorge, which is up 4% in the last month.

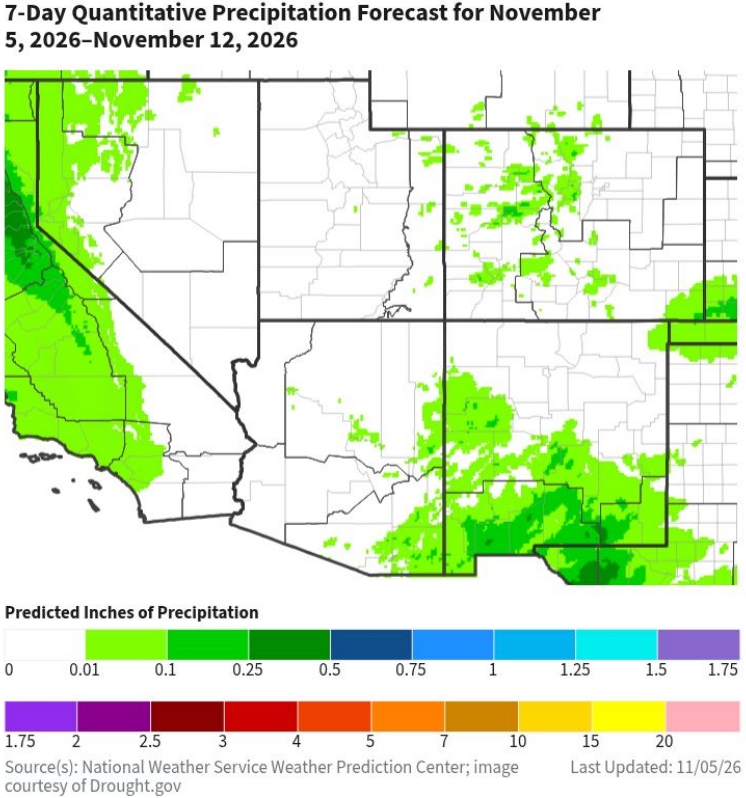
- Heavy widespread rain and widespread river flooding, particularly across southern Utah, has led to increased storage* for many reservoirs.

*Some reservoirs shown may be displaying old data that is not representative of the most recent conditions.



Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- A quiet weather pattern will setup over the next week with little in the way of precipitation.

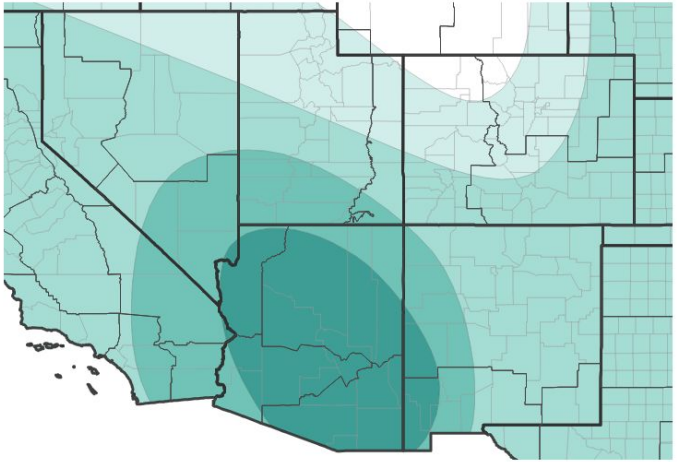


Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the CPC homepage

- There is a 33%-50% chance of above normal temperatures across central and northern Utah.
- Above normal precipitation chances increase from north to south across Utah.

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for November 1, 2026–November 30, 2026



Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation

33% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation

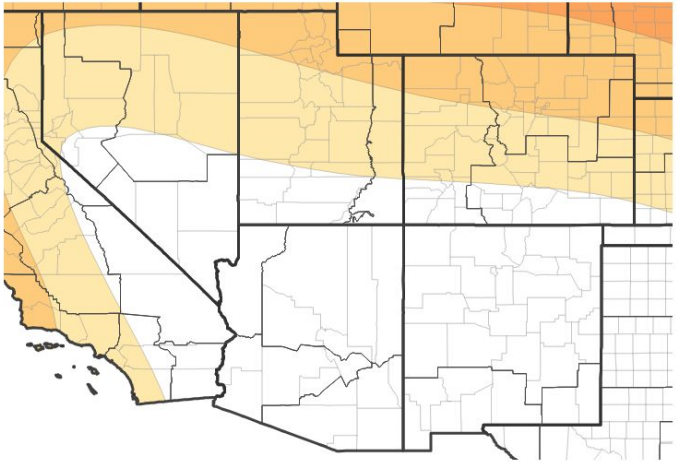
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Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation

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Monthly Temperature Outlook for November 1, 2026–November 30, 2026



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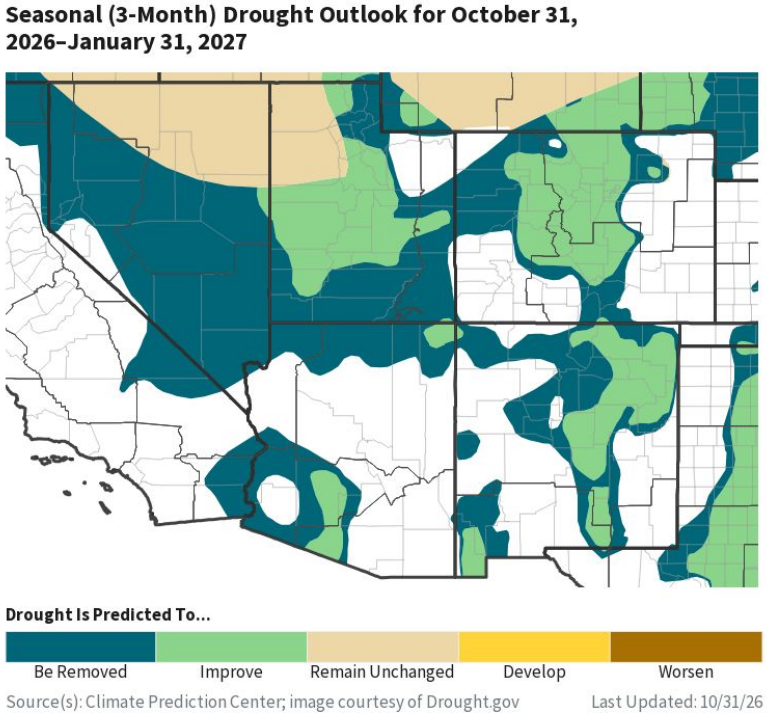
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Drought Outlook

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- Drought is forecast to persist across northwestern Utah through the end of the year.
- Drought is forecast to improve and/or end across the remainder of Utah.



Links to the latest:
Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook
Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook