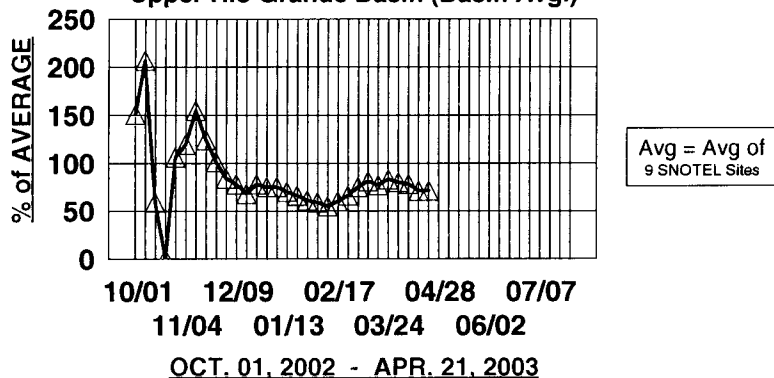
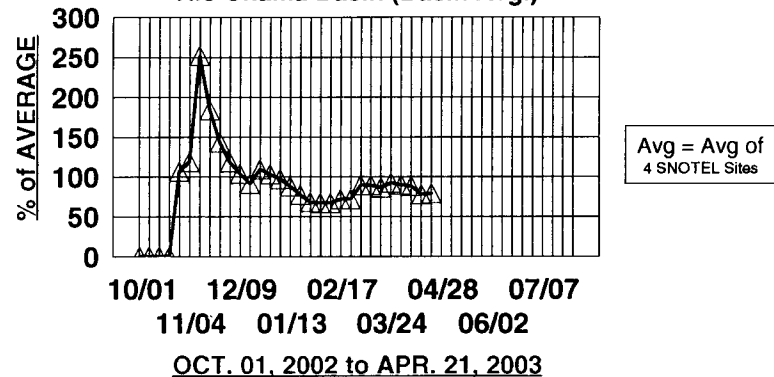


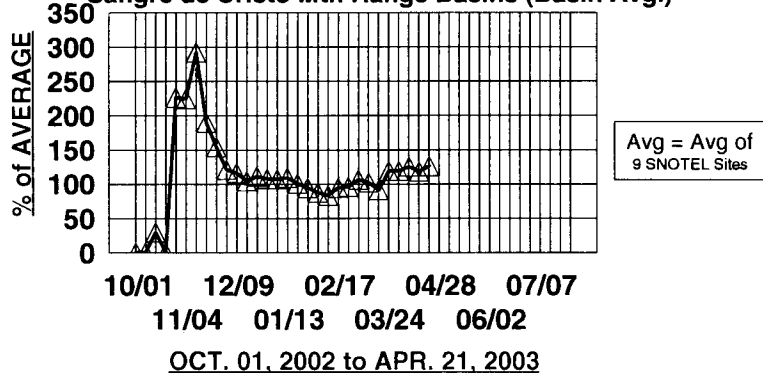
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Upper Rio Grande Basin (Basin Avg.)



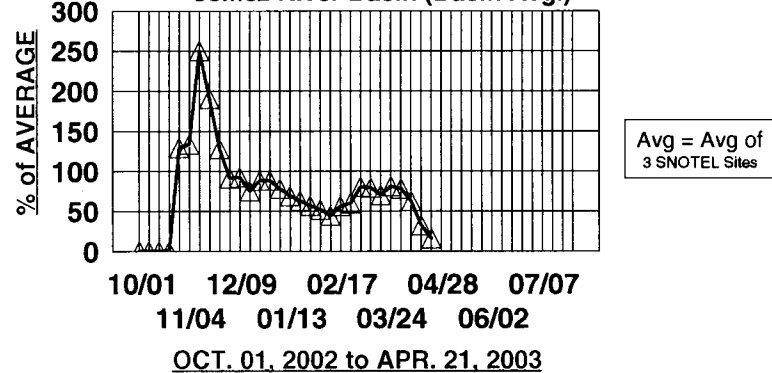
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Rio Chama Basin (Basin Avg.)



% OF AVG. SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT vs TIME
Sangre de Cristo Mtn Range Basins (Basin Avg.)



% OF AVG. SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT vs TIME
Jemez River Basin (Basin Avg.)



SPRING RUNOFF FORECASTS

2003

R I O G R A N D E B A S I N

FORECAST POINT	Rio Grande nr Del Norte	Rio Chama at El Vado Reservoir	Rio Grande at Otowi Bridge	Jemez River nr Jemez	Rio Grande at San Marcial
FORECAST PERIOD	APR-SEP	MAR-JUL	MAR-JUL	MAR-JUL	MAR-JUL
30-YEAR AVERAGE RUNOFF *	531,000 AF	237,000 AF	757,000 AF	47,000 AF	573,000 AF
JANUARY 1 FORECAST	372,000 (70% of avg.)	182,000 (77%)	533,000 (70%)	40,000 (85%)	370,000 (65%)
FEBRUARY 1 FORECAST	290,000 (55%)	142,000 (60%)	415,000 (55%)	25,000 (53%)	260,000 (45%)
FEBRUARY 15 FORECAST	275,000 (52%)	135,000 (57%)	385,000 (51%)	25,000 (53%)	230,000 (40%)
MARCH 1 FORECAST	315,000 (59%)	155,000 (65%)	465,000 (61%)	30,000 (64%)	305,000 (53%)
MARCH 15 FORECAST	315,000 (59%)	155,000 (65%)	485,000 (64%)	- -	325,000 (57%)
APRIL 1 FORECAST	285,000 (54%)	155,000 (65%)	465,000 (61%)	25,000 (53%)	305,000 (53%)
APRIL 15 FORECAST	270,000 (51%)	147,000 (62%)	440,000 (58%)	24,000 (51%)	285,000 (50%)
MAY 1 FORECAST **					
MAY 15 FORECAST					

based on 1971-2000 runoff data.

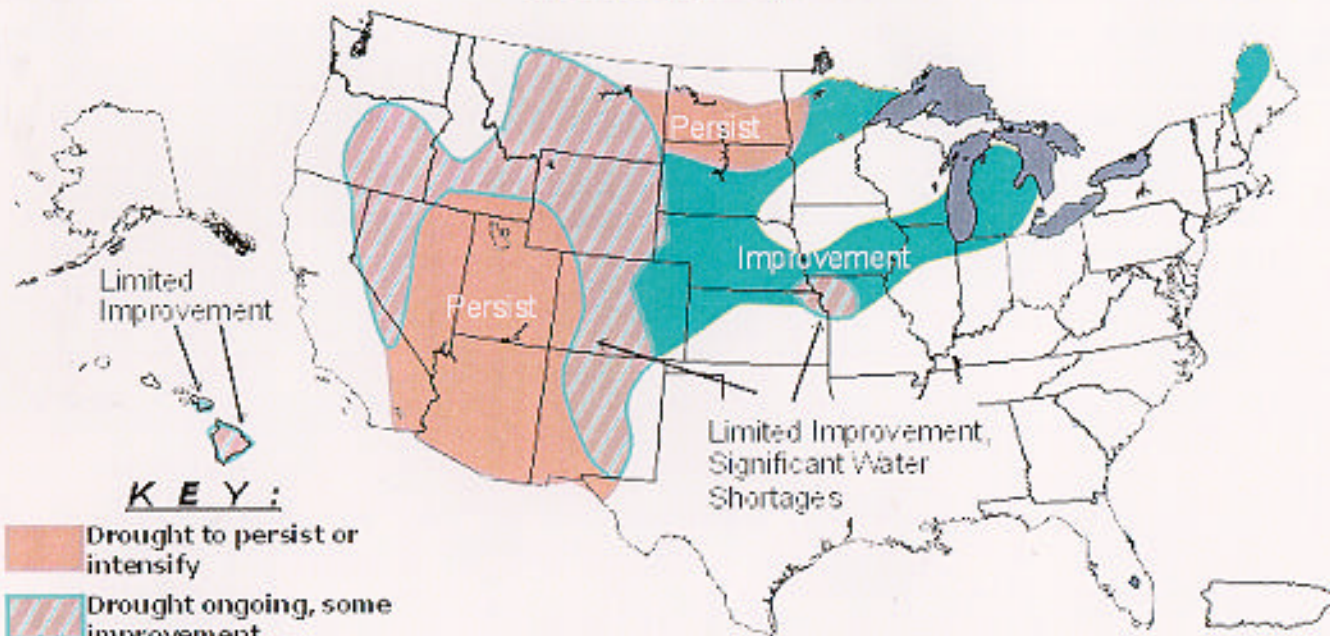
** last official forecast for 2003 spring runoff.



U. S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Through July 2003

Released April 17, 2003



KEY:

-  Drought to persist or intensify
-  Drought ongoing, some improvement
-  Drought likely to improve, impacts ease
-  Drought development likely

Depicts general, large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by numerous indicators, including short and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Short-term events-- such as individual storms-- cannot be accurately forecast more than a few days in advance, so use caution if using this outlook for applications-- such as crops-- that can be affected by such events. "Ongoing" drought areas are schematically approximated from the Drought Monitor (D1 to D4). For weekly drought updates, see the latest Drought Monitor map and text.

**WORKSHEET OF STATUS OF RIO GRANDE COMPACT
CREDIT WATERS AND DELIVERIES**

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2003

ELEPHANT BUTTE RESERVOIR

	Rio Grande Compact Credit Waters		San Juan- Chama Pool (AF)
	Colorado (AF)	New Mexico (AF)	
Beginning of 2003 (derived from 2002 RGC Accounting)	42,800	265,000	8,207
Estimated Evaporation from Jan. 1 to Mar. 31, 2003 (derived from actual data)	1,462	9,053	155
Preliminary Status of RGC Credit Waters and SJ-C Water to Mar. 31, 2003	41,338	255,947	8,052

2003 Rio Grande Project Allocation

Initial Allocation - End of November, 2002

(letter issued Dec. 10, 2002)

Mexico	6,548 AF
Elephant Butte Irrigation District	38,783 AF
El Paso County Water Improvement District # 1	29,529 AF
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[8.03% of a full supply]	74,860 AF *

Updated Allocation - End of December, 2002

(letter issued Jan. 17, 2003)

Mexico	7,612 AF
Elephant Butte Irrigation District	50,698 AF
El Paso County Water Improvement District # 1	38,600 AF
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[10.40% of a full supply]	96,910 AF *

Updated Allocation - End of January, 2003

(letter issued Feb. 14, 2003)

Mexico	7,978 AF
Elephant Butte Irrigation District	53,131 AF
El Paso County Water Improvement District # 1	40,453 AF
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[10.90% of a full supply]	101,562 AF *

Updated Allocation - End of February, 2003

(letter issued Mar. 14, 2003)

Mexico	10,891 AF
Elephant Butte Irrigation District	72,535 AF
El Paso County Water Improvement District # 1	55,226 AF
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[14.88% of a full supply]	138,652 AF *

Updated Allocation - End of March, 2003

(letter issued Apr. 11, 2003)

Mexico	12,350 AF
Elephant Butte Irrigation District	82,251 AF
El Paso County Water Improvement District # 1	62,623 AF
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[16.87% of a full supply]	157,224 AF *

* Project water supply available for diversion at the authorized canal headings.

**SUMMARY TABLE OF PROJECTED ALLOTMENTS FOR 2003
(Based Upon Most Probable Runoff Scenarios at San Marcial Gauges)**

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**RELINQUISHMENT OF RIO GRANDE COMPACT CREDIT WATERS
IN ELEPHANT BUTTE RESERVOIR**

Amount of Relinquishment of Credit Waters (AF)	2003 RUNOFF (Mar-Jul) at SAN MARCIAL GAUGES *	EO April Est. Allotments (based on EO April est. storage) **	EO May Est. Allotments (based on EO May est. storage) **	EO June Est. Allotments (based on EO June est. storage) **	EO July Est. Allotments (based on EO July est. storage) **	EO August Est. Allotments (based on EO August est. storage) **	EO September Est. Allotments (based on EO September est. storage) **	EO September Estimated Remaining Credit Waters in Elephant Butte Reservoir (AF)	2003
									(Mar-Sep) Estimated Irrigation Season Release from Caballo Dam (AF)
*** 122,500	22%	31.5% of full supply	38.7% of full supply	41.4% of full supply	43.7% of full supply	45.4% of full supply	47.2% of full supply	143,520	424,000

**NO RELINQUISHMENT OF RIO GRANDE COMPACT CREDIT WATERS
IN ELEPHANT BUTTE RESERVOIR**

*** 0	35%	19.2% of full supply	29.9% of full supply	37.4% of full supply	40.0% of full supply	43.1% of full supply	46.2% of full supply	251,600	395,000
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* Normal (average) runoff volume at San Marcial gauging stations (Mar-Jul) is 573,000 AF.

** EO month storage figures based on Reclamation's Rio Grande Project reservoirs operational plans developed on Apr. 21, 2003. Allotments are estimated for an entire irrigation season, and the allotments are made to the Rio Grande Project canal headings. A full supply allotment for an irrigation season is: 494,979 AF to EBID canal headings; 376,862 AF to EP#1 headings; and, 60,000 AF to Mexico's Acequia Madre heading under the 1906 Treaty.

*** Rio Grande Project reservoirs operational plans based on Apr. 15th runoff forecast by NRCS/NWS.

