

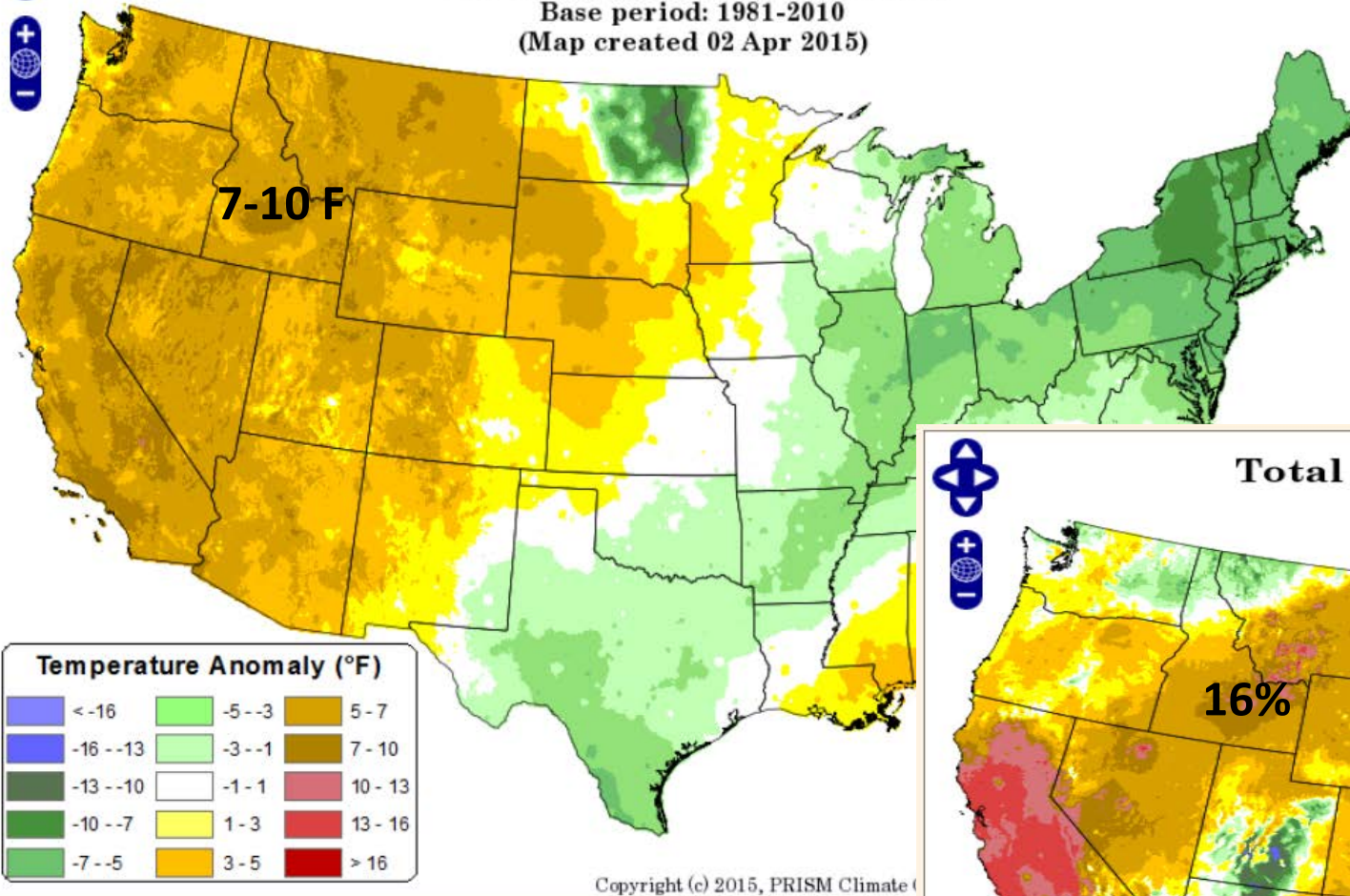


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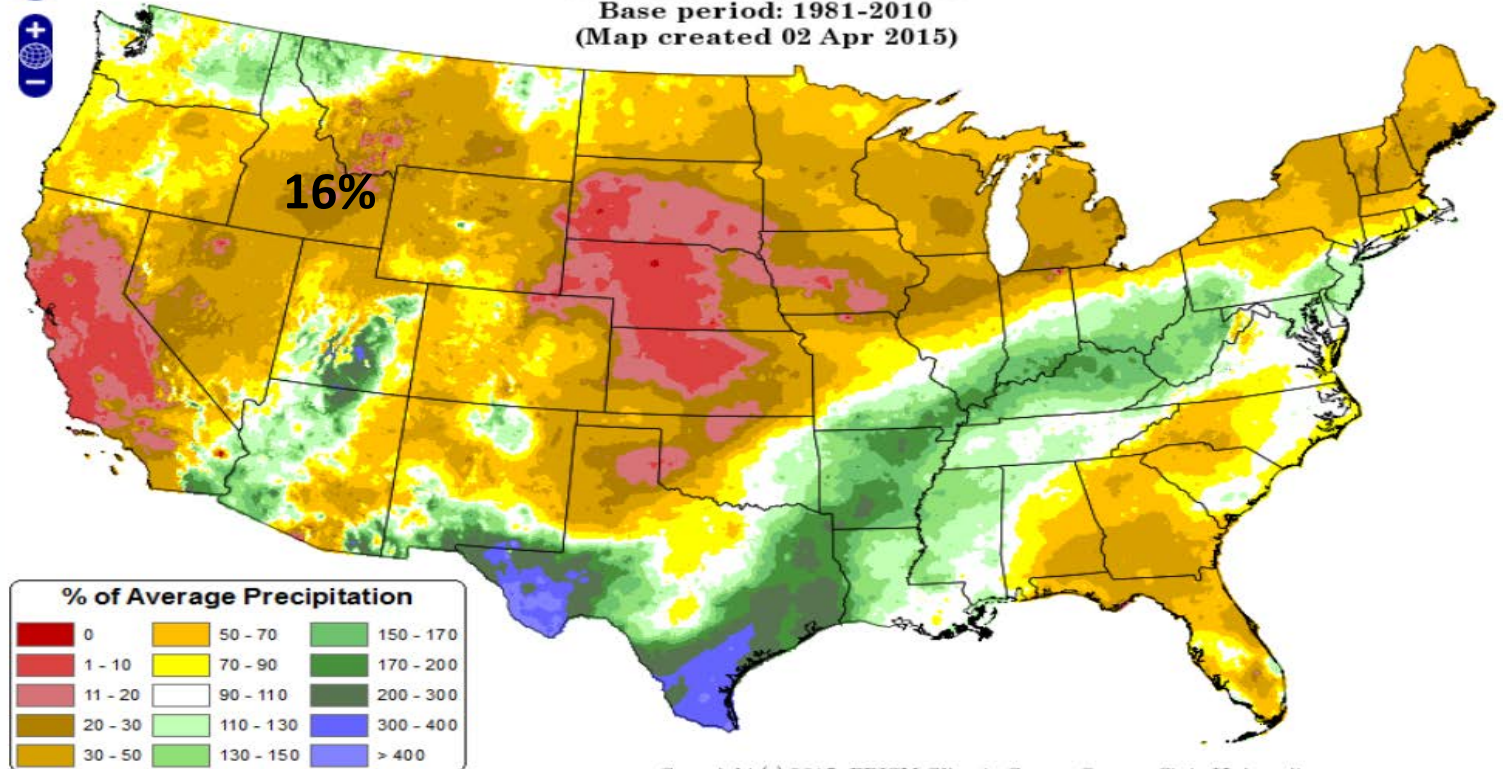


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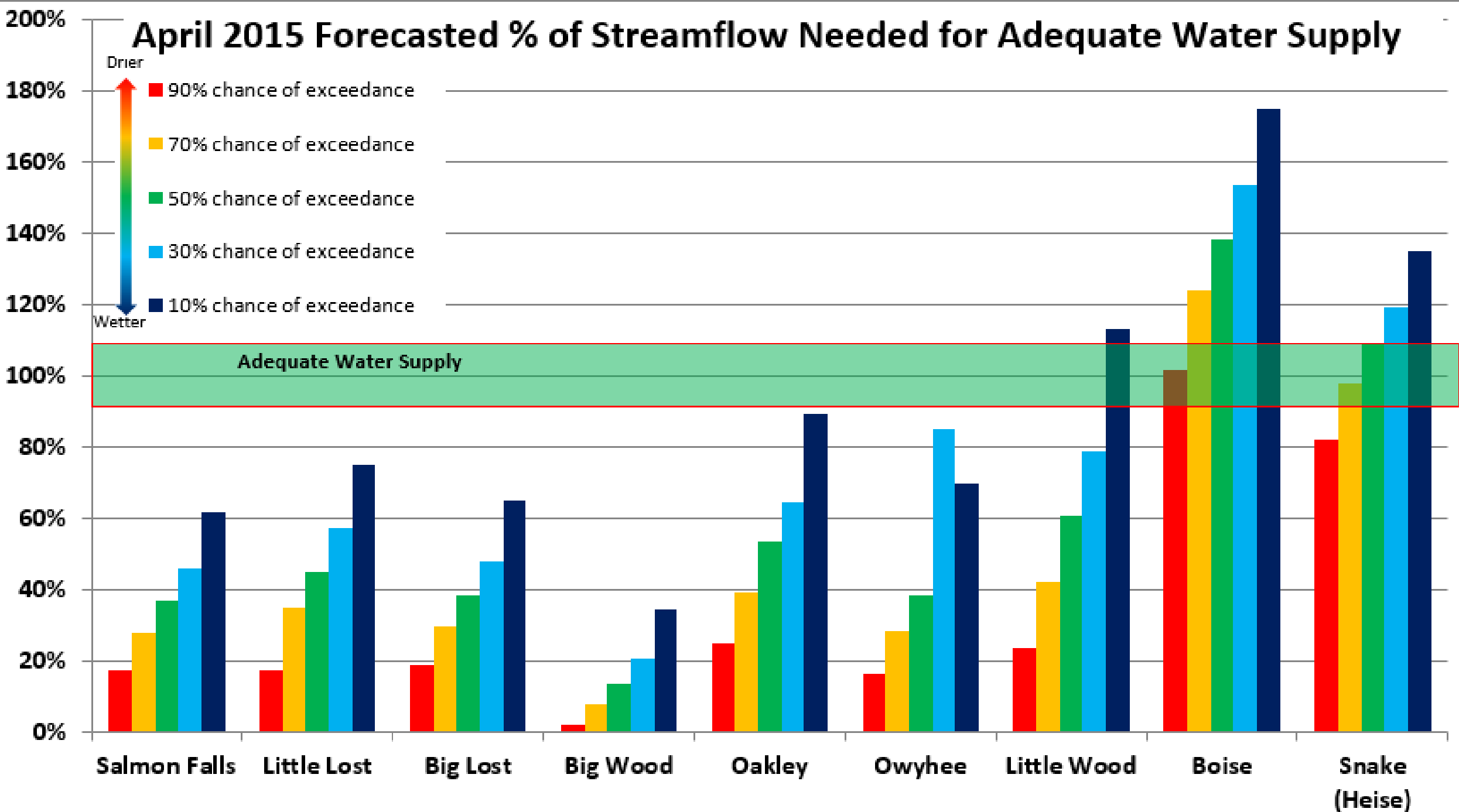
IDAHO SURFACE WATER SUPPLY INDEX (SWSI) April 1, 2015

<i>BASIN or REGION</i>	<i>SWSI Value</i>	<i>Most Recent Year With Similar SWSI Value</i>	<i>Agricultural Water Supply Shortage May Occur When SWSI is Less Than</i>
Northern Panhandle	Not Available	---	---
Spokane	-3.8	1994	NA
Clearwater	-1.9	2010	NA
Salmon	-1.9	2005	NA
Weiser	-2.6	2013	NA
Payette	-2.7	2013	NA
Boise	-1.2	2002	-2.0
Big Wood	-2.9	2004	0.1
Little Wood	-4.0	2014	-1.3
Big Lost	-3.8	2004	0.6
Little Lost	-3.1	2003	1.3
Teton	-2.6	2003	-3.9
Henry's Fork	NA	NA	-3.4
SNAKE (Heise)	-1.0	1994	-1.5
Oakley	-2.4	2014	-0.1
Salmon Falls	-3.1	2004	-0.8
Bruneau	-2.9	2014	NA
Owyhee	-3.8	2014	-3.2
Bear River	-0.7	2014	-3.7

April 2015 5 Exceedance Forecasts Volumes Compared to Ag Threshold Shortages (KAF)

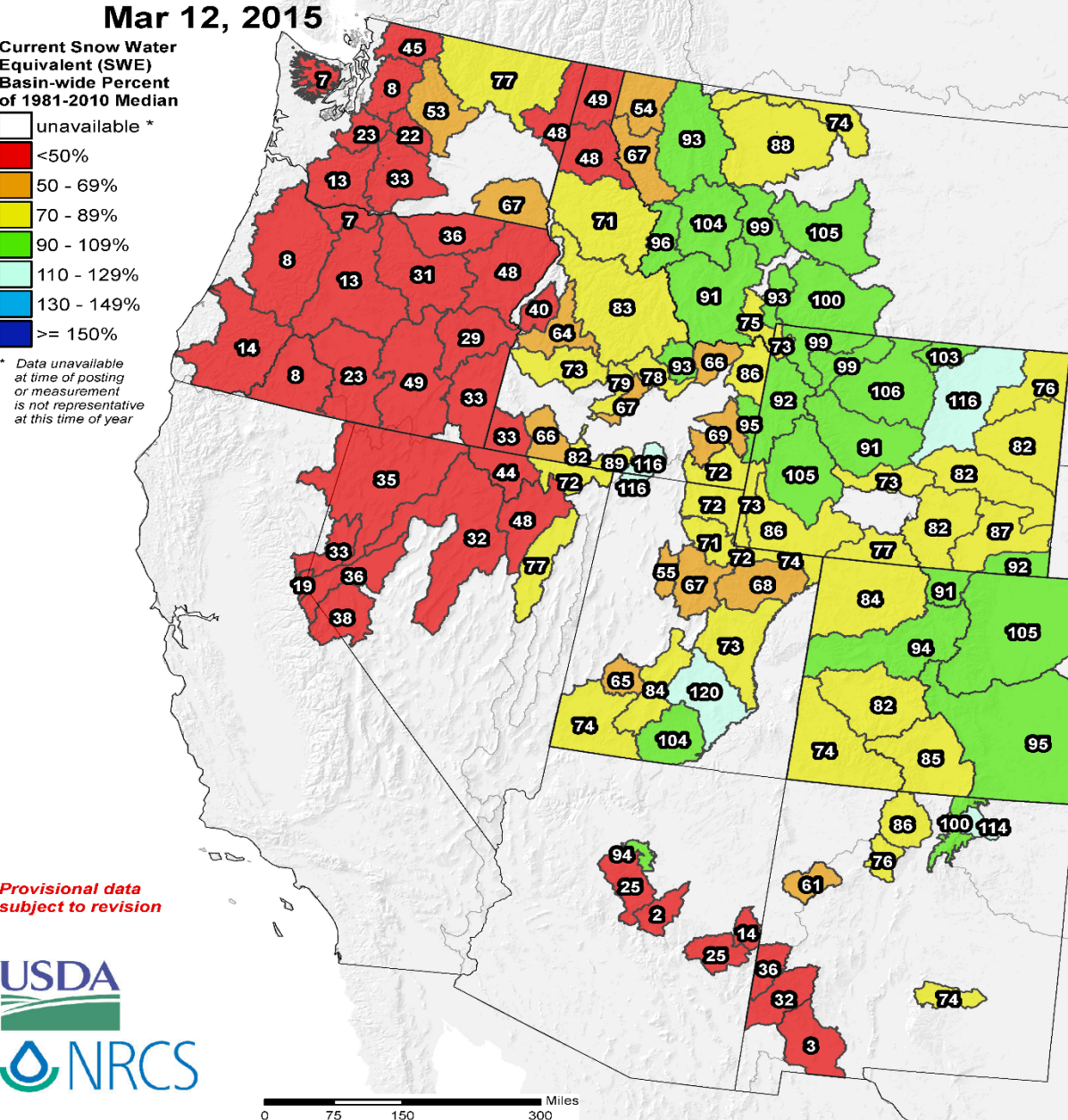
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April 2015 Forecasted % of Streamflow Needed for Adequate Water Supply



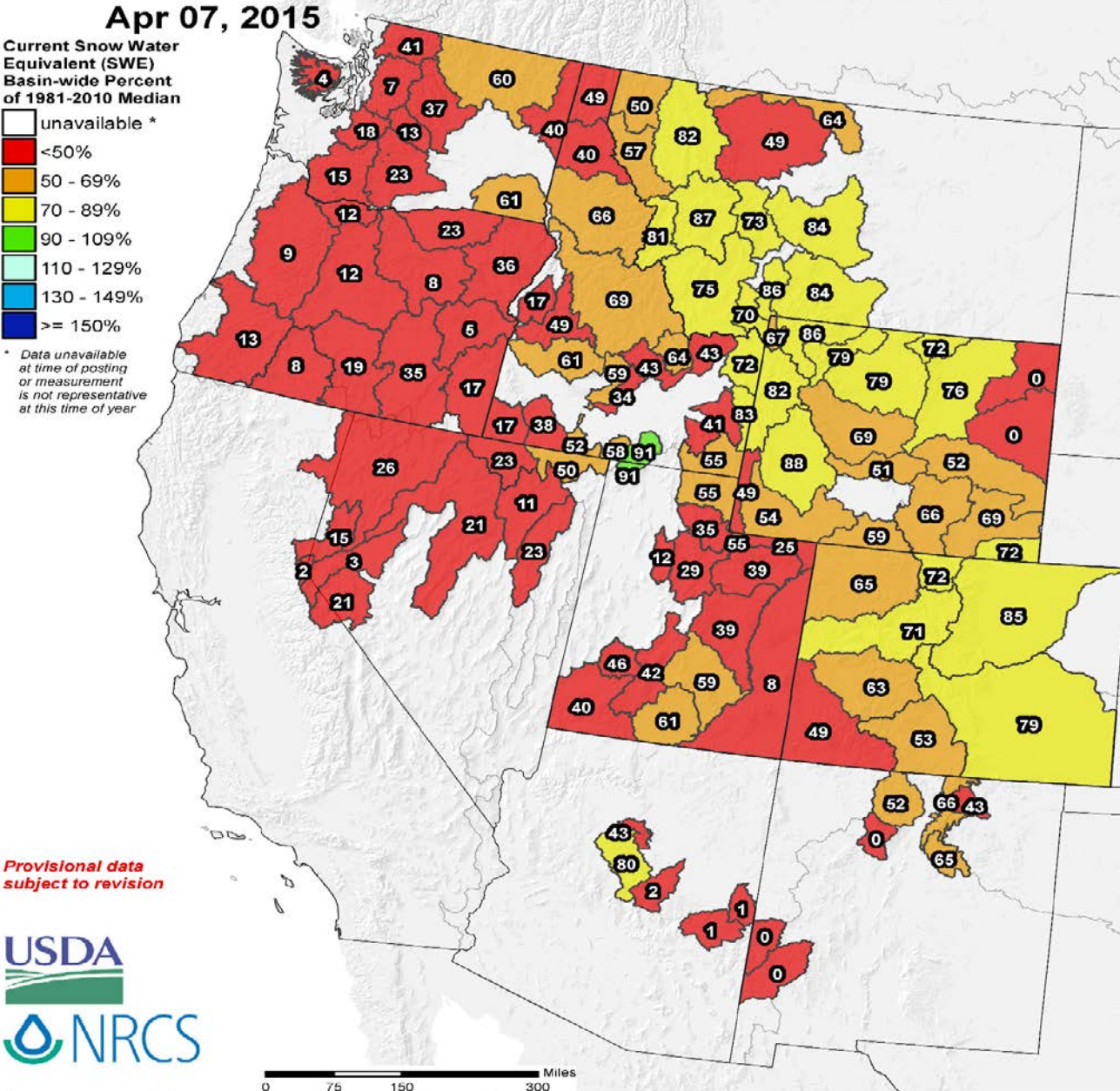
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SNOTEL Current Snow Water Equivalent (SWE) Records

Mar 12, 2015

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Current Snow Water (SWE) Equivalent Records

- ✚ New High
- ✚ Near High
- Non-Record
- New Low
- Near Low
- snow free

Analysis includes sites with more than 20 years of historical data. "Near" record means that one other year of the period of record is more extreme.

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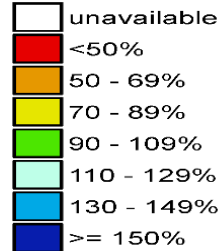


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Westwide SNOTEL Water Year (Oct 1) to Date Precipitation % of Normal

Apr 08, 2015

Water Year (Oct 1)
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Basin-wide Percent
of 1981-2010 Average



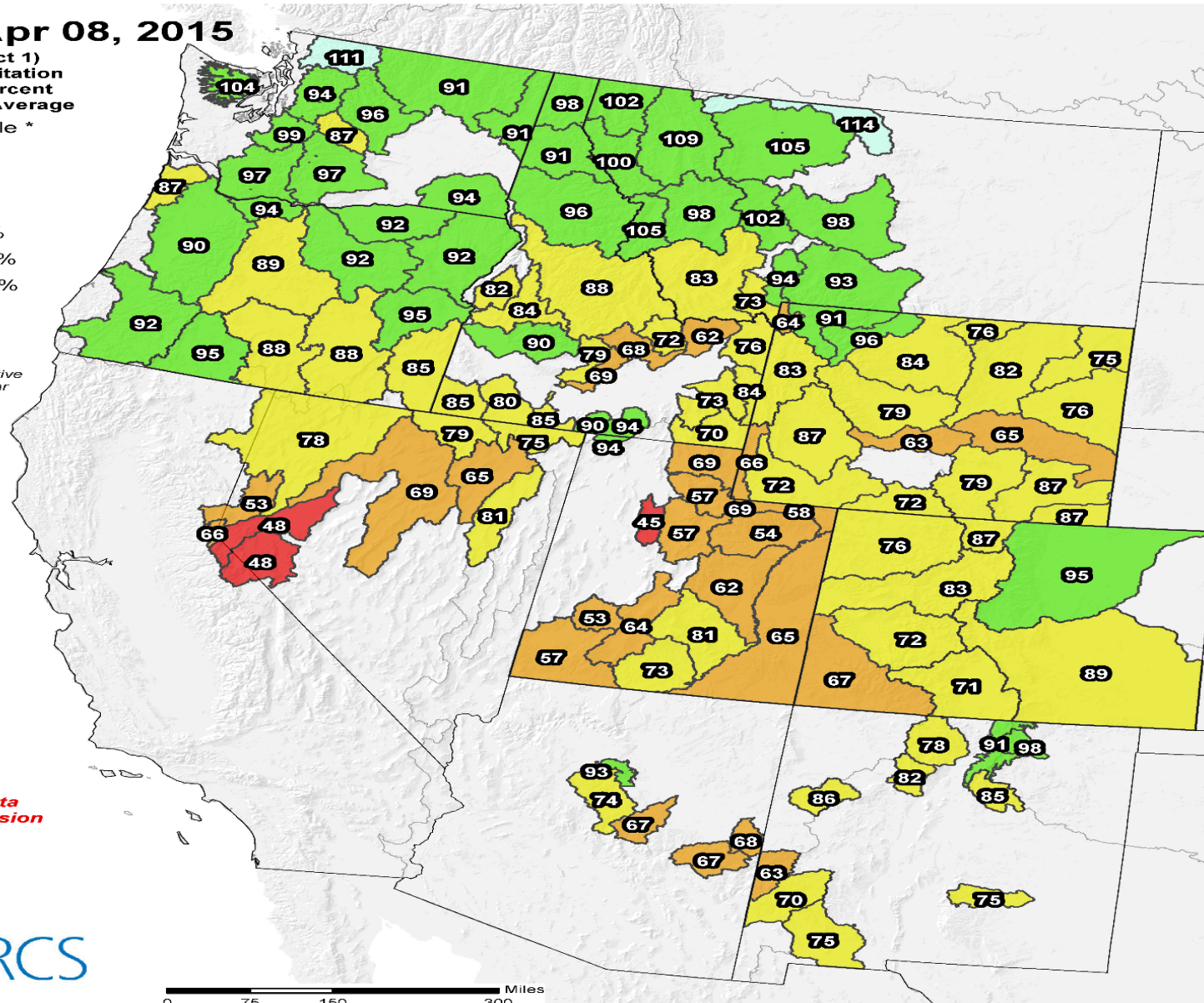
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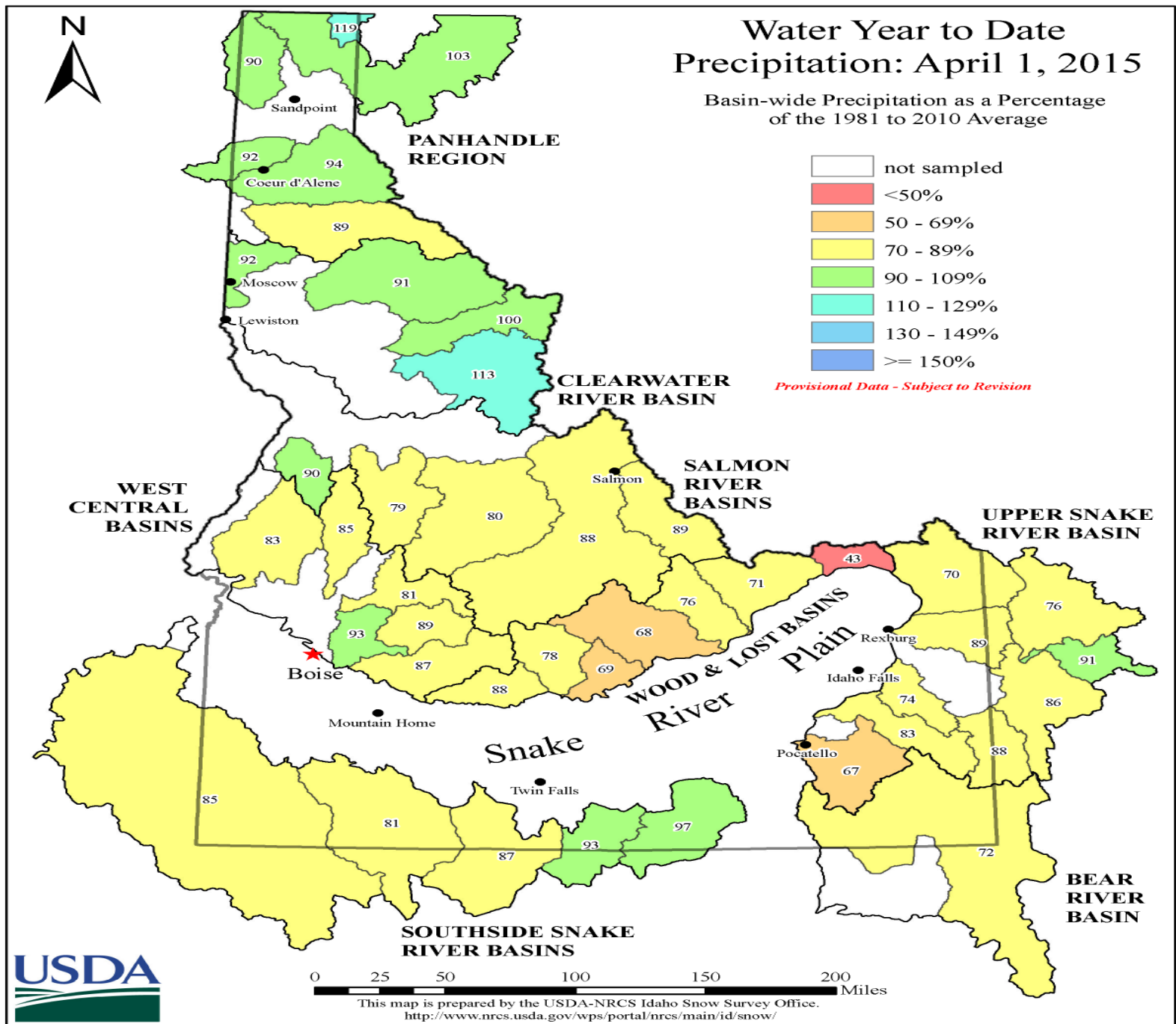
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Total Precipitation Anomaly: January 2015 - March 2015

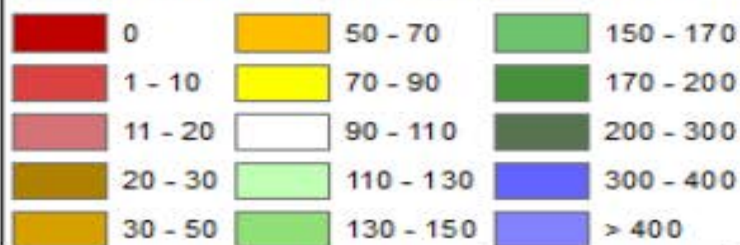
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30-50%

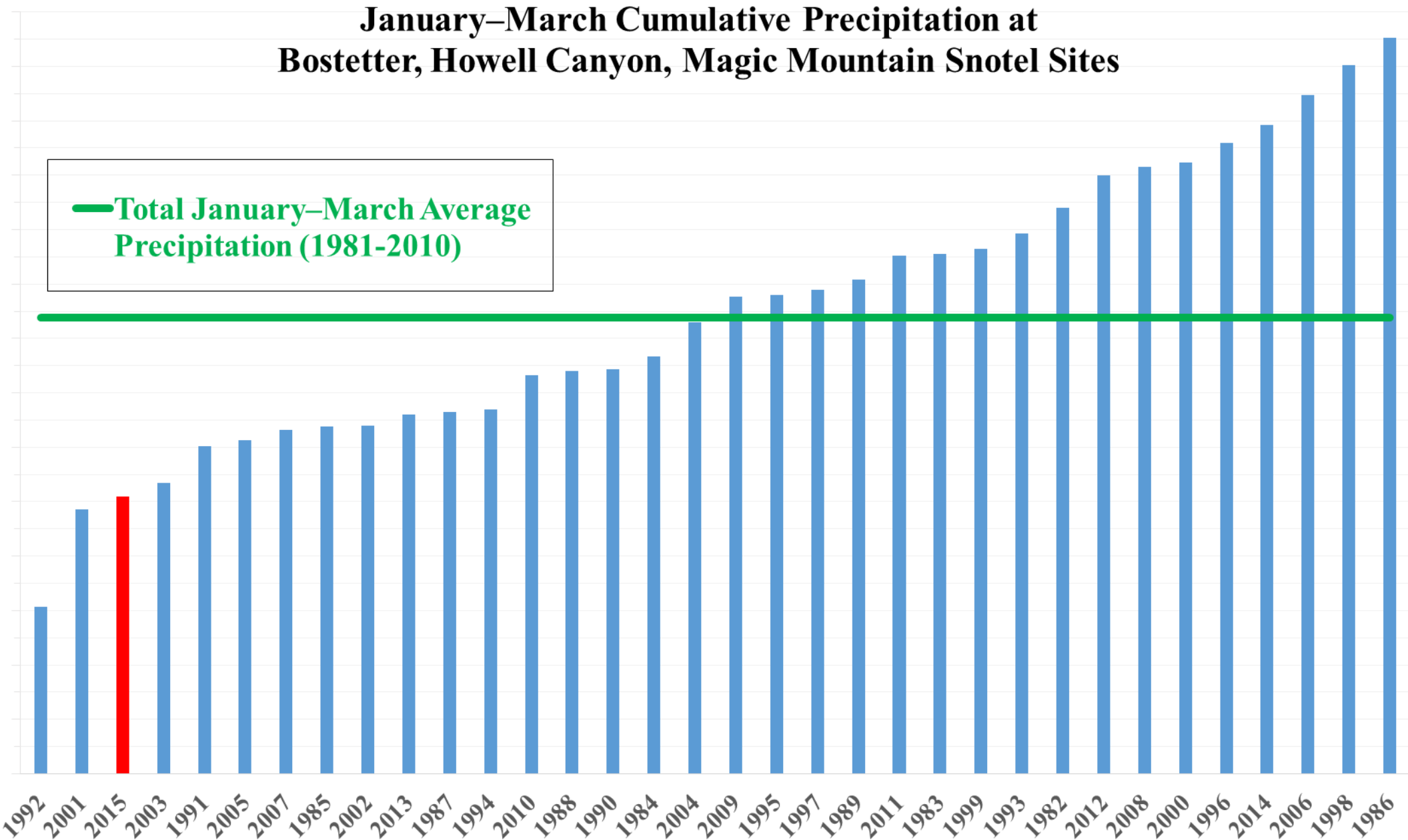
% of Average Precipitation



**January–March Cumulative Precipitation at
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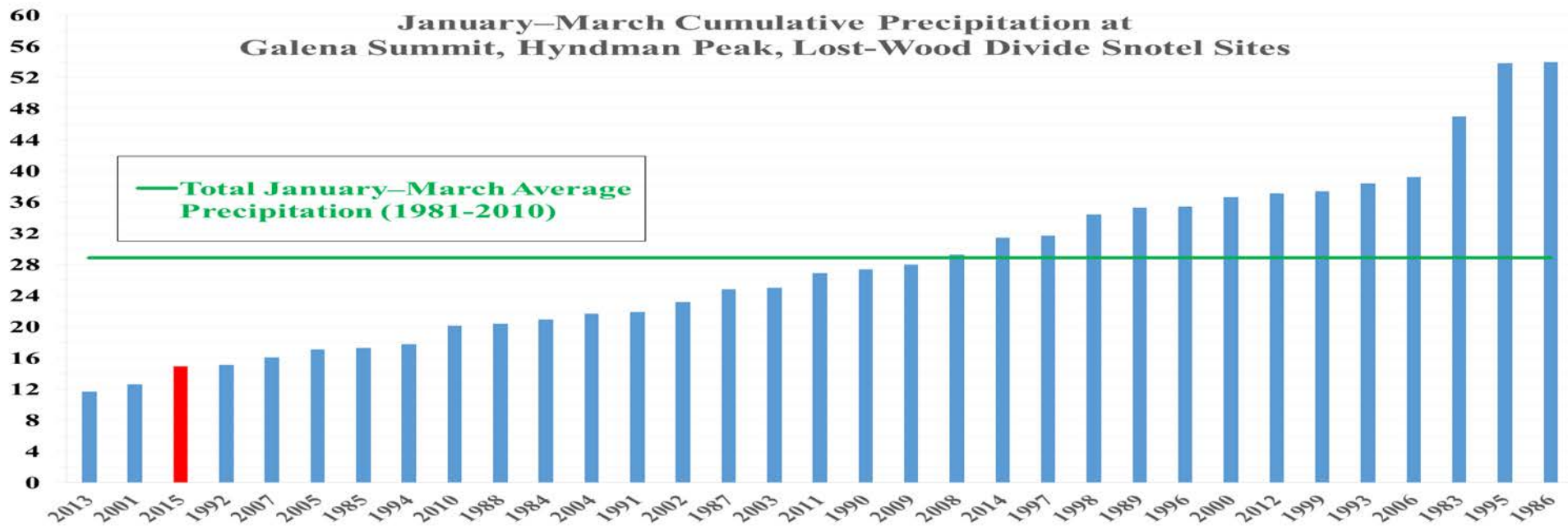
Precipitation, in inches

— Total January–March Average
Precipitation (1981–2010)



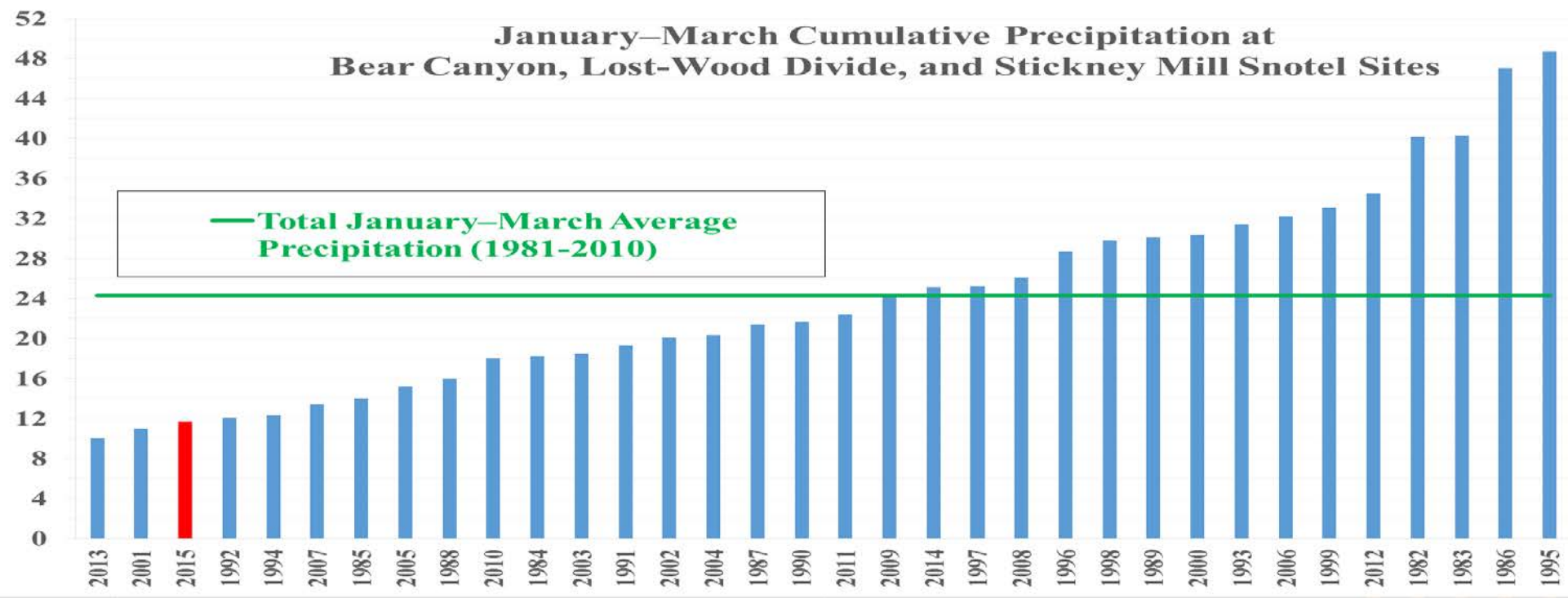
**January–March Cumulative Precipitation at
Galena Summit, Hyndman Peak, Lost-Wood Divide Snotel Sites**

Precipitation, in inches



**January–March Cumulative Precipitation at
Bear Canyon, Lost-Wood Divide, and Stickney Mill Snotel Sites**

Precipitation, in inches



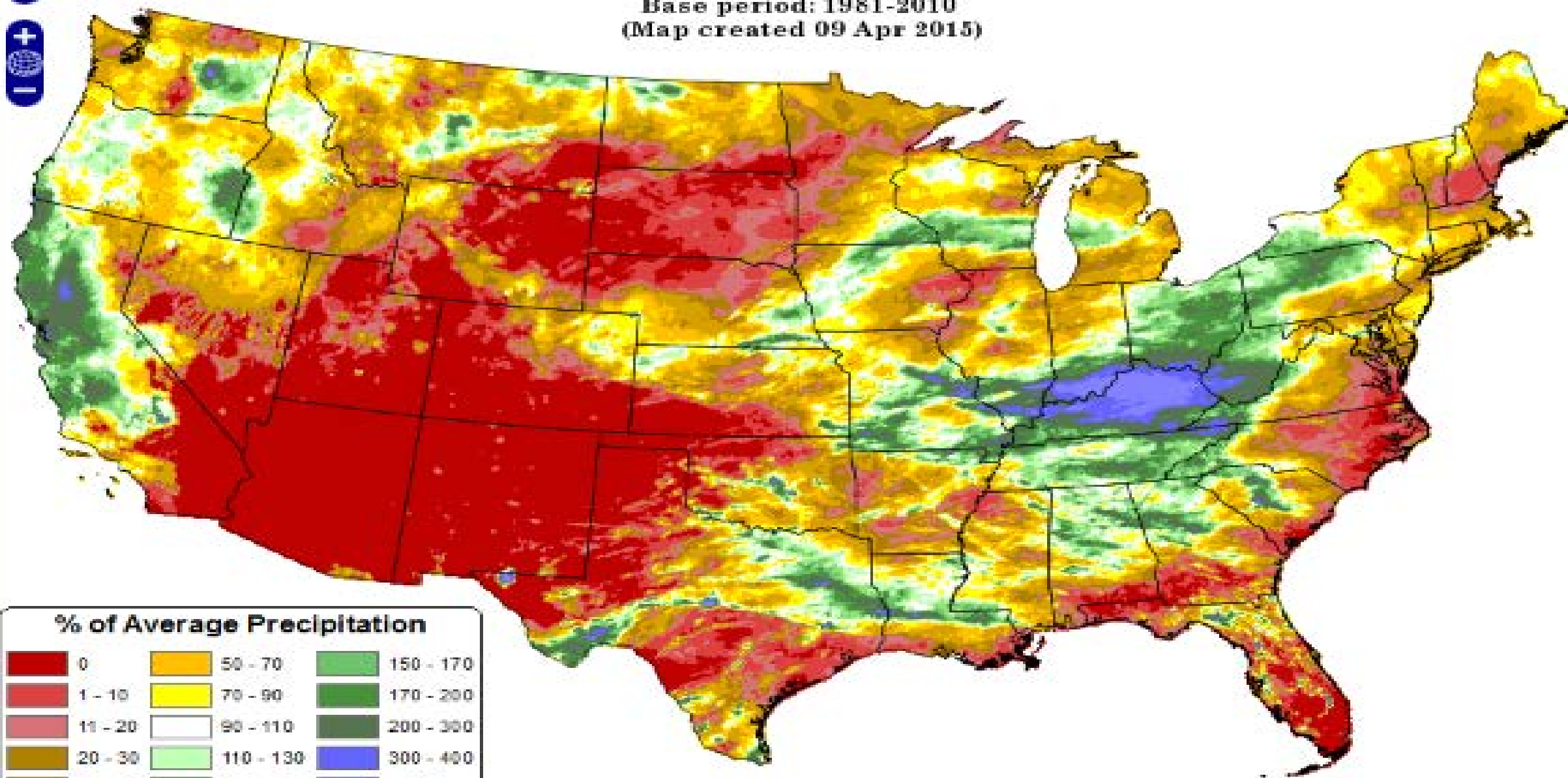


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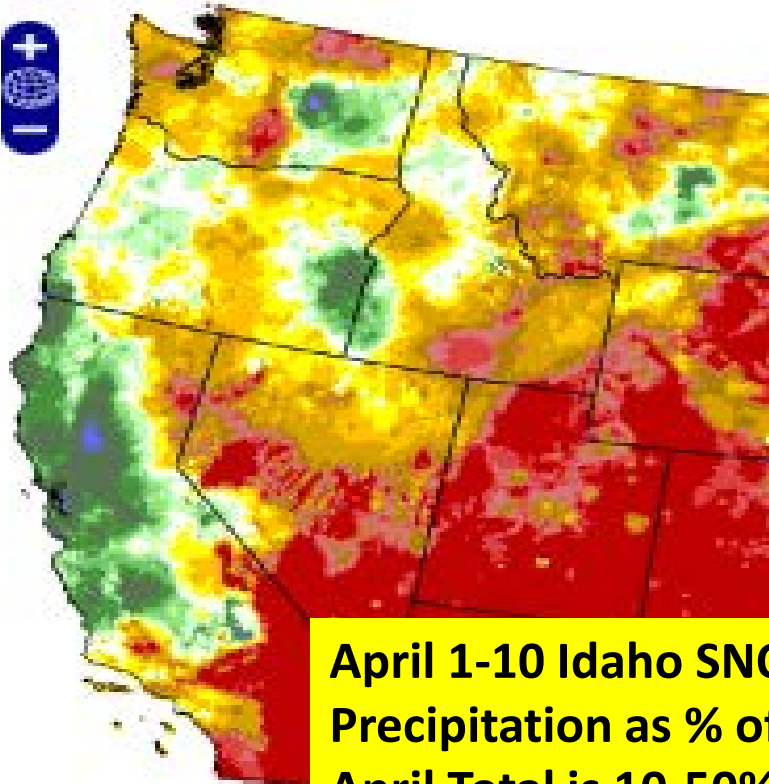


% of Average Precipitation

 0	 50 - 70	 150 - 170
 1 - 10	 70 - 90	 170 - 200
 11 - 20	 90 - 110	 200 - 300
 20 - 30	 110 - 130	 300 - 400
 30 - 50	 130 - 150	 > 400

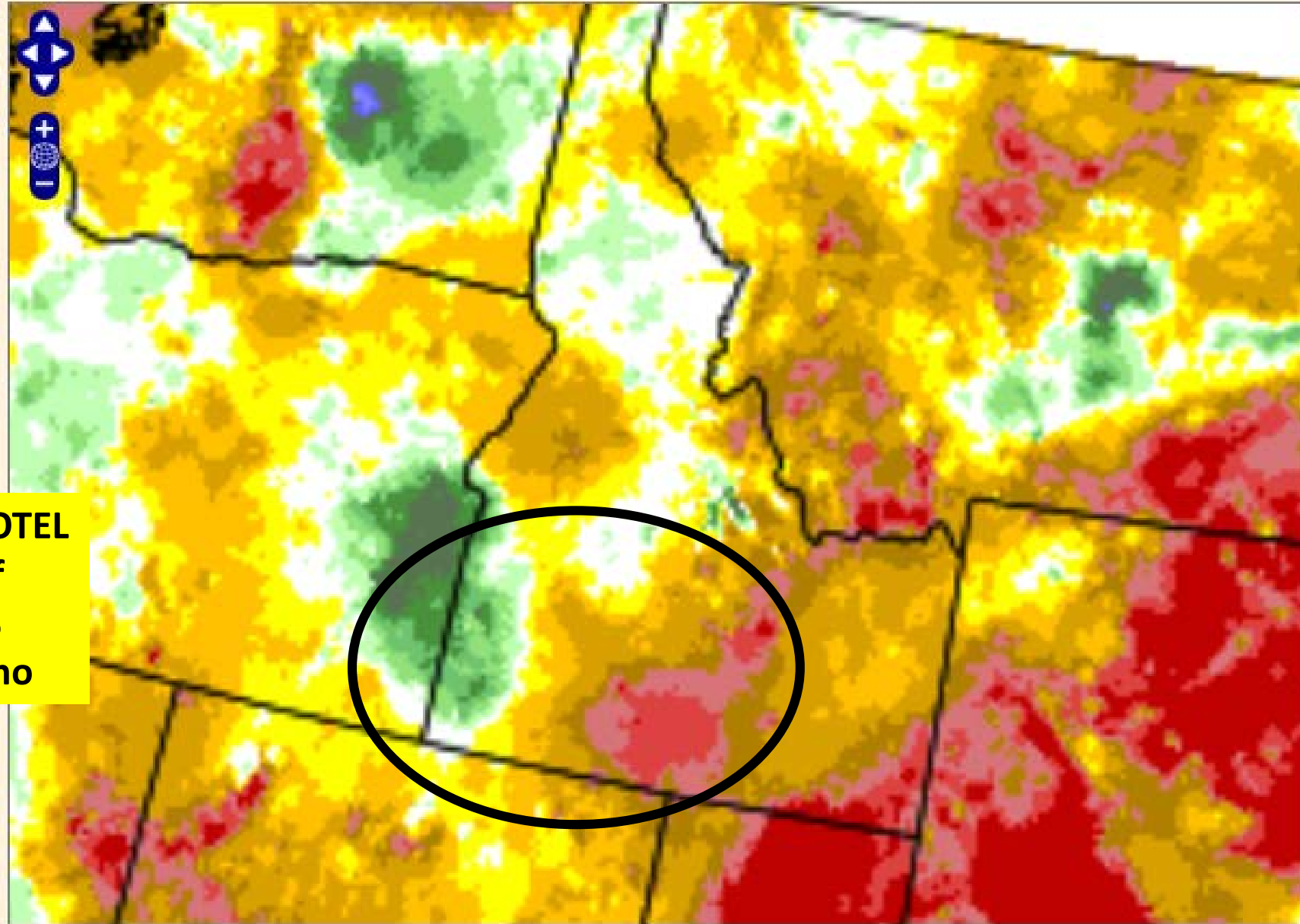


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April 1-10 Idaho SNOTEL
Precipitation as % of
April Total is 10-50%
across southern Idaho

% of Average Precipitation

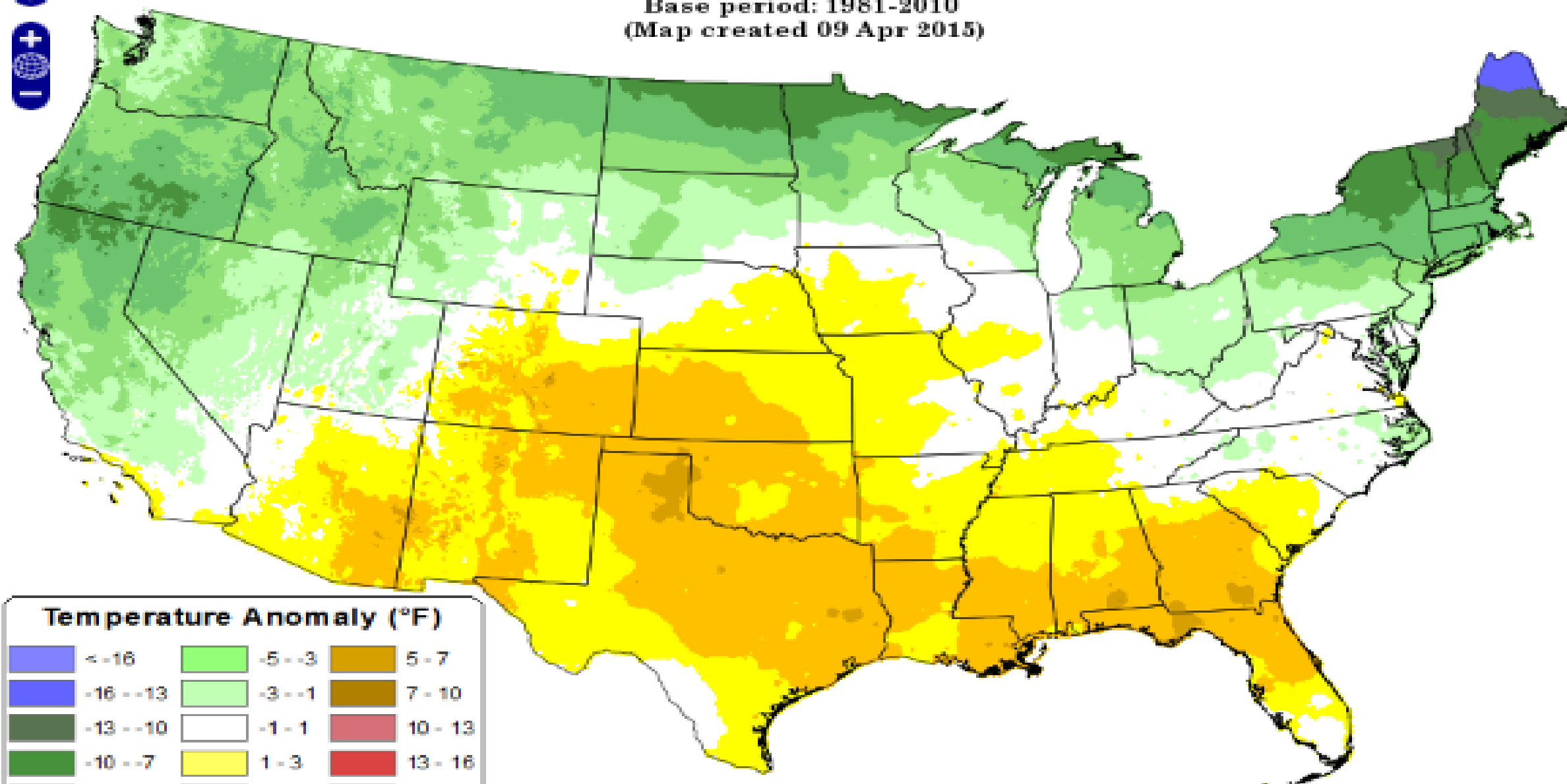


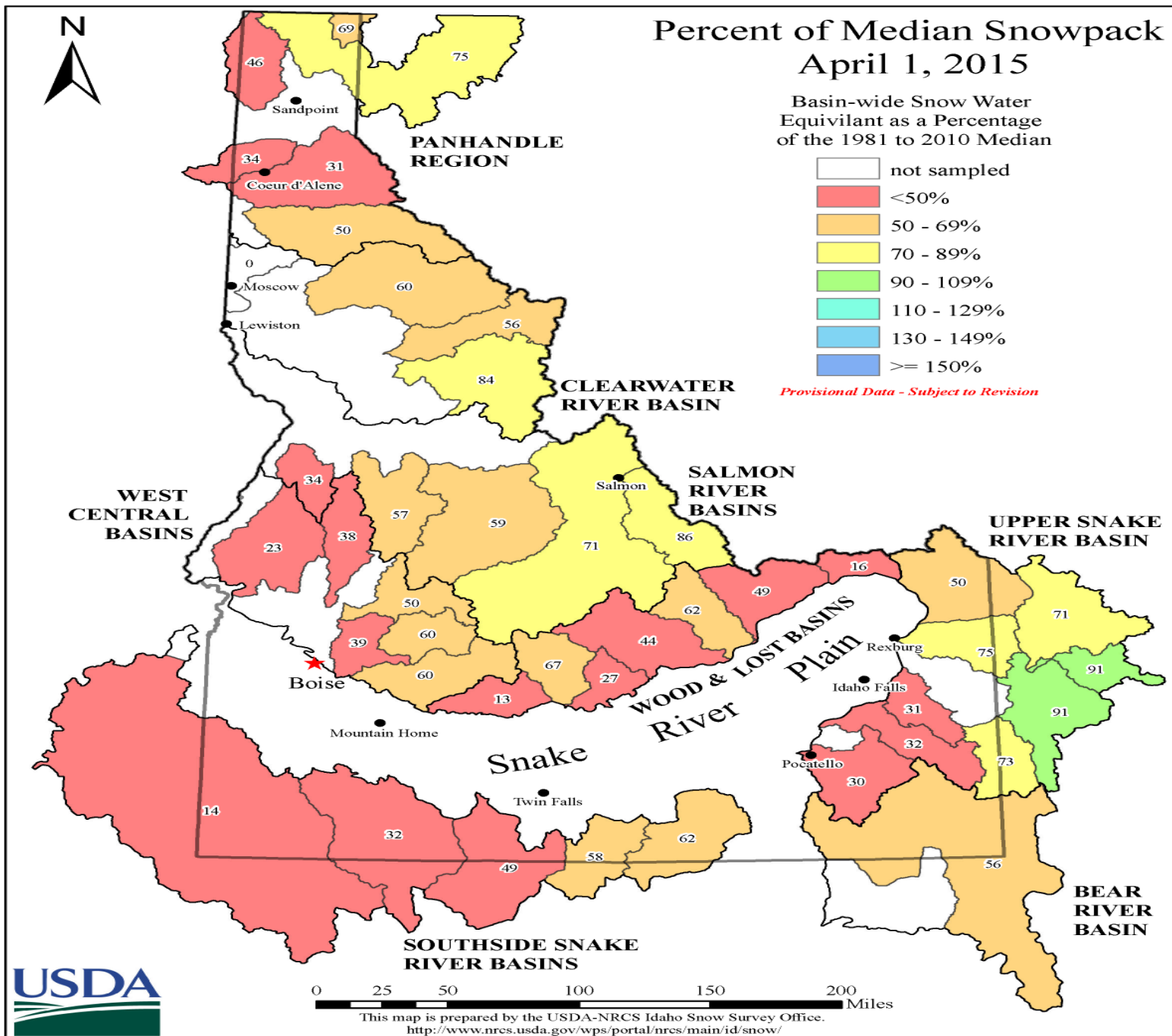
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April 1 2015 Snow Index Analysis & Highlights

Panhandle	Tied (2001) lowest total SWE since 1961
Coeur d'Alene	Shattered lowest total SWE record (20.70, previous minimum was 36.4), data since '61
St. Joe	3rd lowest total SWE since 1961 (2001)
Spokane	Lowest total SWE since 1961
NF Clearwater	Tied (2001) lowest total SWE since 1961
NF Clearwater	2nd lowest total SWE since 1961 (2001)
high elevation sites only	
Lochsa	4th lowest total SWE since 1963 (2001)
Clearwater	3rd lowest total SWE since 1961 (2005)
MF Salmon	3rd lowest total SWE since 1963 (1977)
South Fork Salmon	3rd lowest total SWE since 1961 (1977)
Little Salmon River	Lowest total SWE since 1961
Salmon River	3rd lowest total SWE since 1963 (1977)

April 1 2015 Snow Index Analysis & Highlights

Big Wood	Tied for 6 th lowest total SWE since 1961 (1977)
Little Wood	2 nd lowest total SWE since 1961 (1977)
Big Lost	Lowest total SWE since 1961
Little Lost	2 nd lowest total SWE since 1961 (1977)
Salmon Falls	4 th lowest total SWE since 1961 (1977)
Owyhee	Lowest total SWE since 1961 (only 7% of April 1 total SWE median)
Bruneau	Lowest total SWE since 1961
Bear above ID-UT line	3 rd lowest total SWE since 1961 (1992)
Bear above WY-ID line	2 nd lowest total SWE since 1961 (1992)

NF Coeur d' Alene	37% near record low
St. Joe	60%
Spokane Post Falls	46%
Dworshak Inflow	70%
Selway	82%
Lemhi	50%
MF Salmon	57%
Salmon White Bird	74%
Boise nr Boise	63%
Payette Horseshoe	53%
Weiser	46%
Big Wood Hailey	43%
Magic Reservoir	33% near record low
Little Wood Carey	25%
Mackay Reservoir	31% near record low
Little Lost	55%

April 1, 2015 NRCS Streamflow Forecast

April-July Period Forecasts 50%
Chance of Exceedance Forecasts

Based on current climate trends
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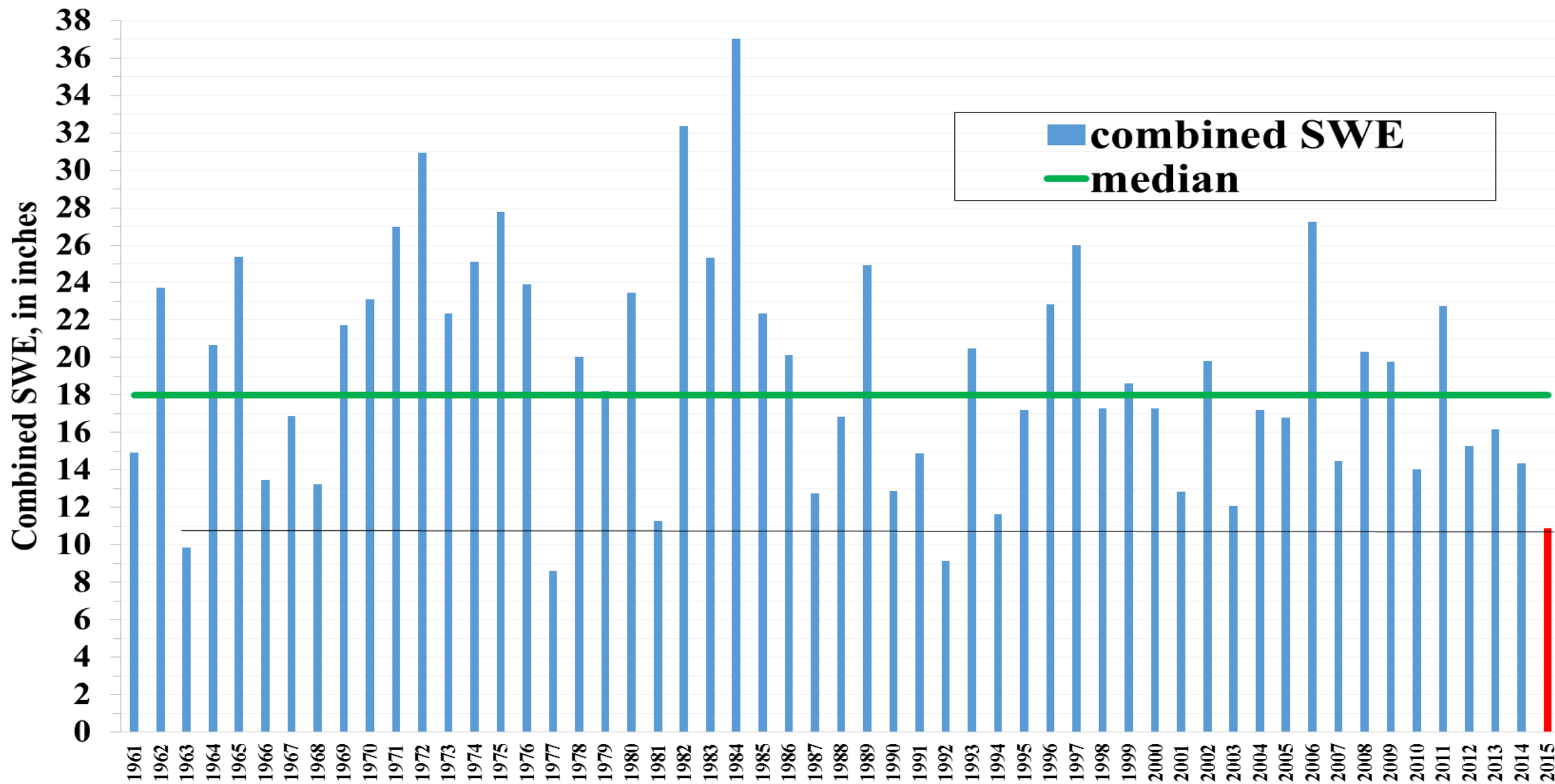
Teton Driggs	65%
Henrys Fork Rexburg	61%
Snake Moran	68%
Buffalo	86%
Salt	55%
Snake Heise	72%
Snake Neeley	27%
Oakley Reservoir	54%
Salmon Falls	36%
27% (70% Chance of Exceedance)	
Bruneau	39%
Owyhee Reservoir	21%
Smiths Fork	67%
Bear Stewart Dam	10% near record low

April 1, 2015 NRCS Streamflow Forecast

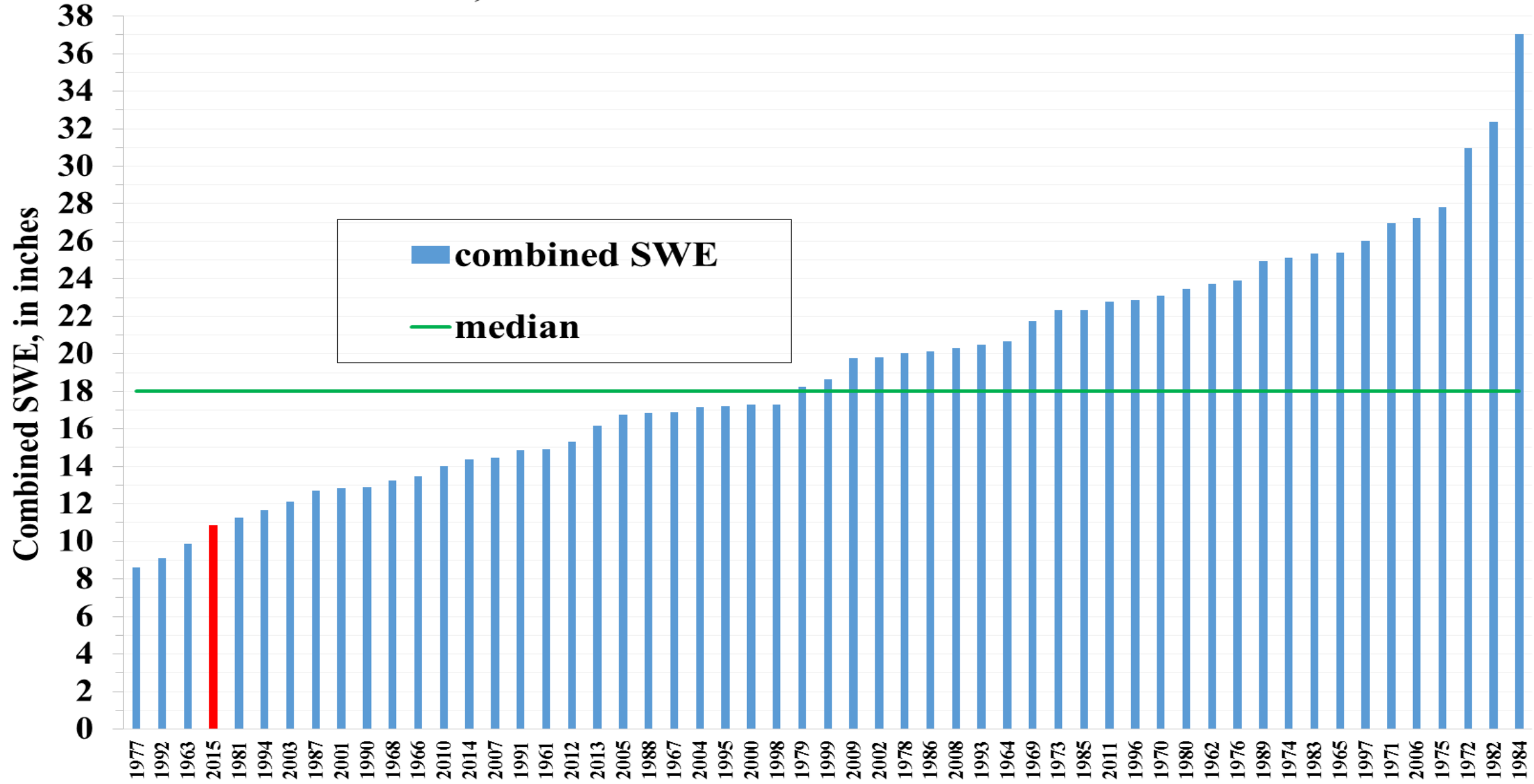
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Combined April 1 Snow Water Equivalent at Bostetter RS, Magic Mountain, Bear Creek & Pole Creek RS SNOTEL Sites

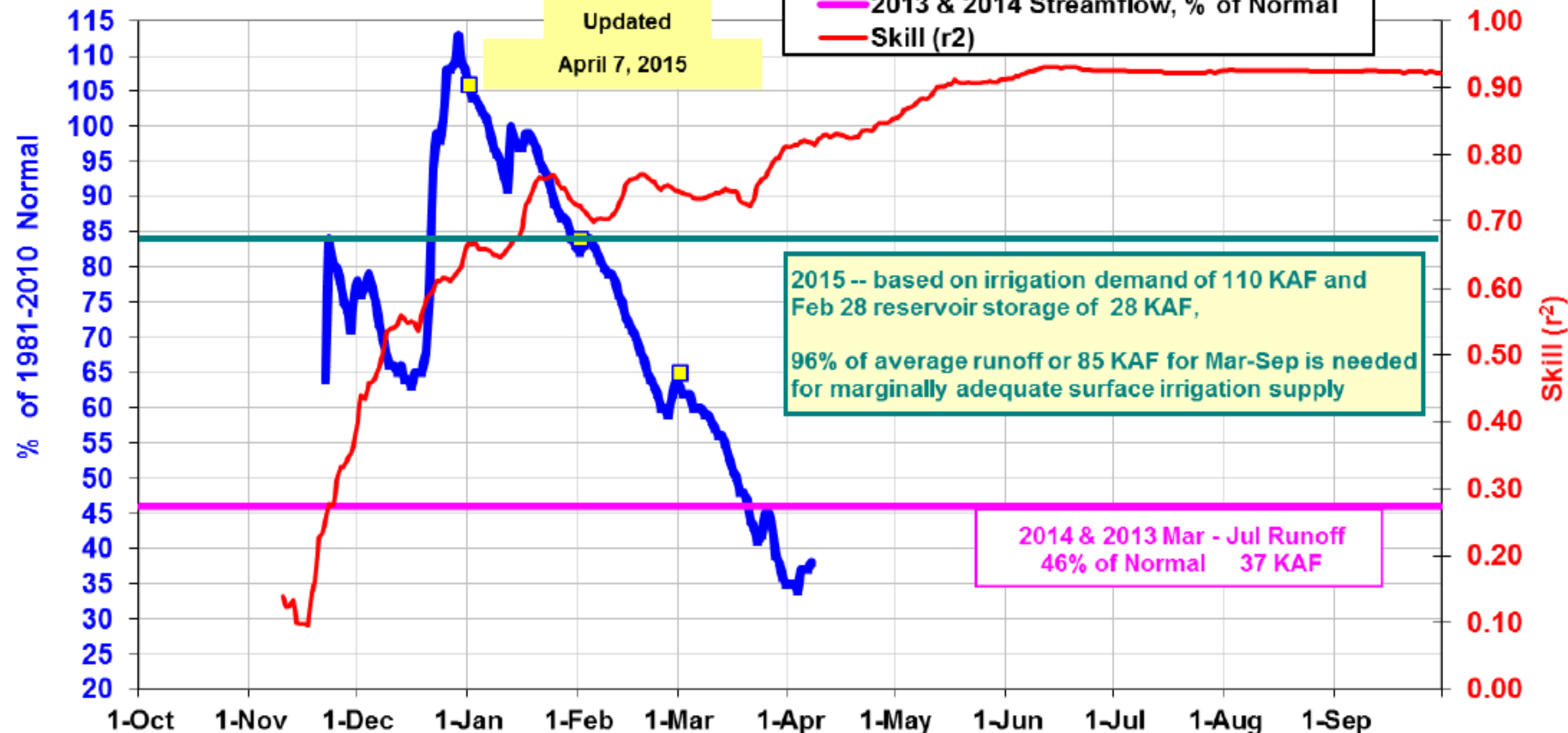


Combined April 1 SWE at Bostetter R.S., Magic Mountain, Bear Creek, and Pole Creek R.S. Snotel Sites 1961-2015



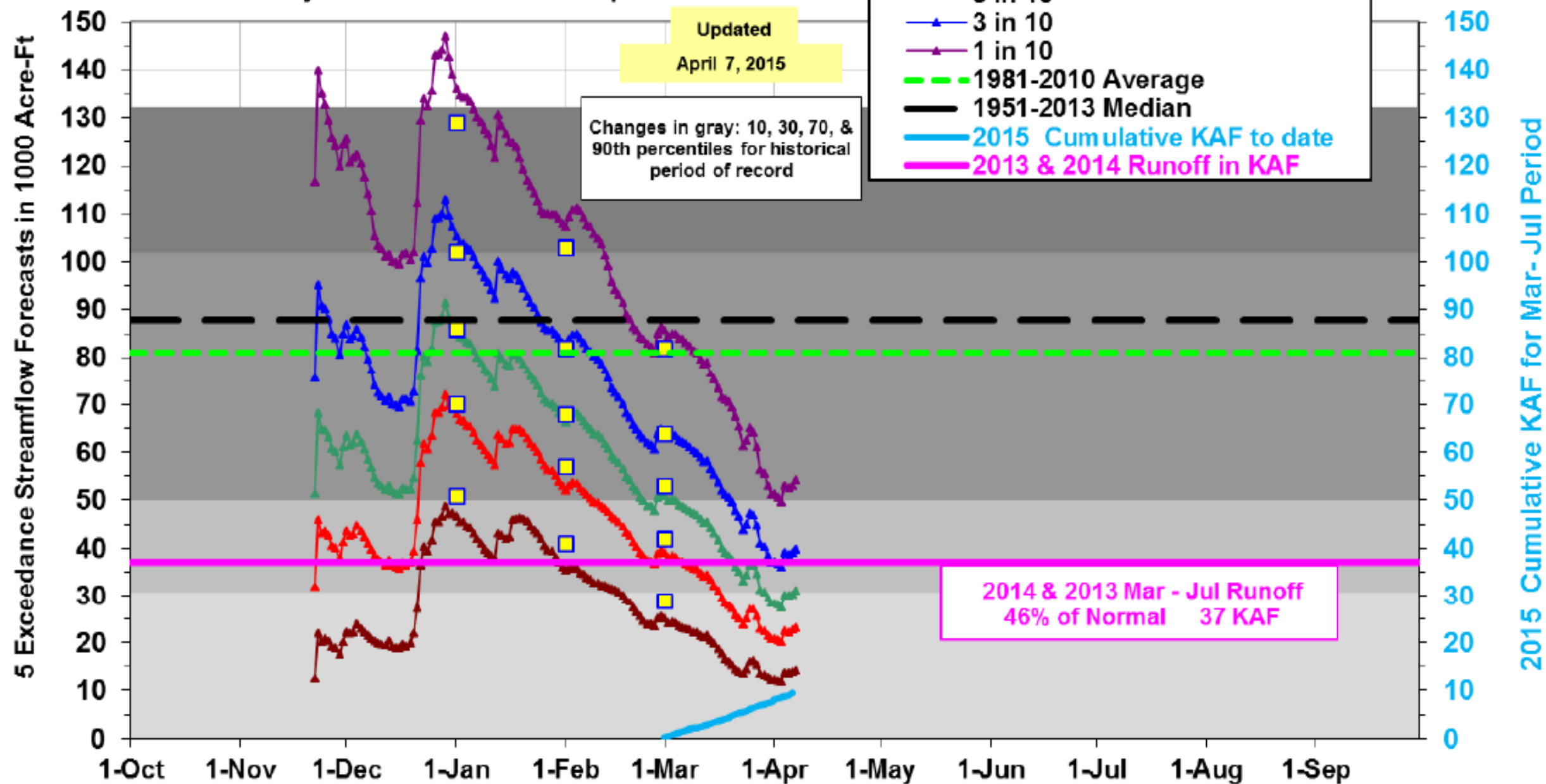
2015 Salmon Falls Creek: Mar - Jul Volume

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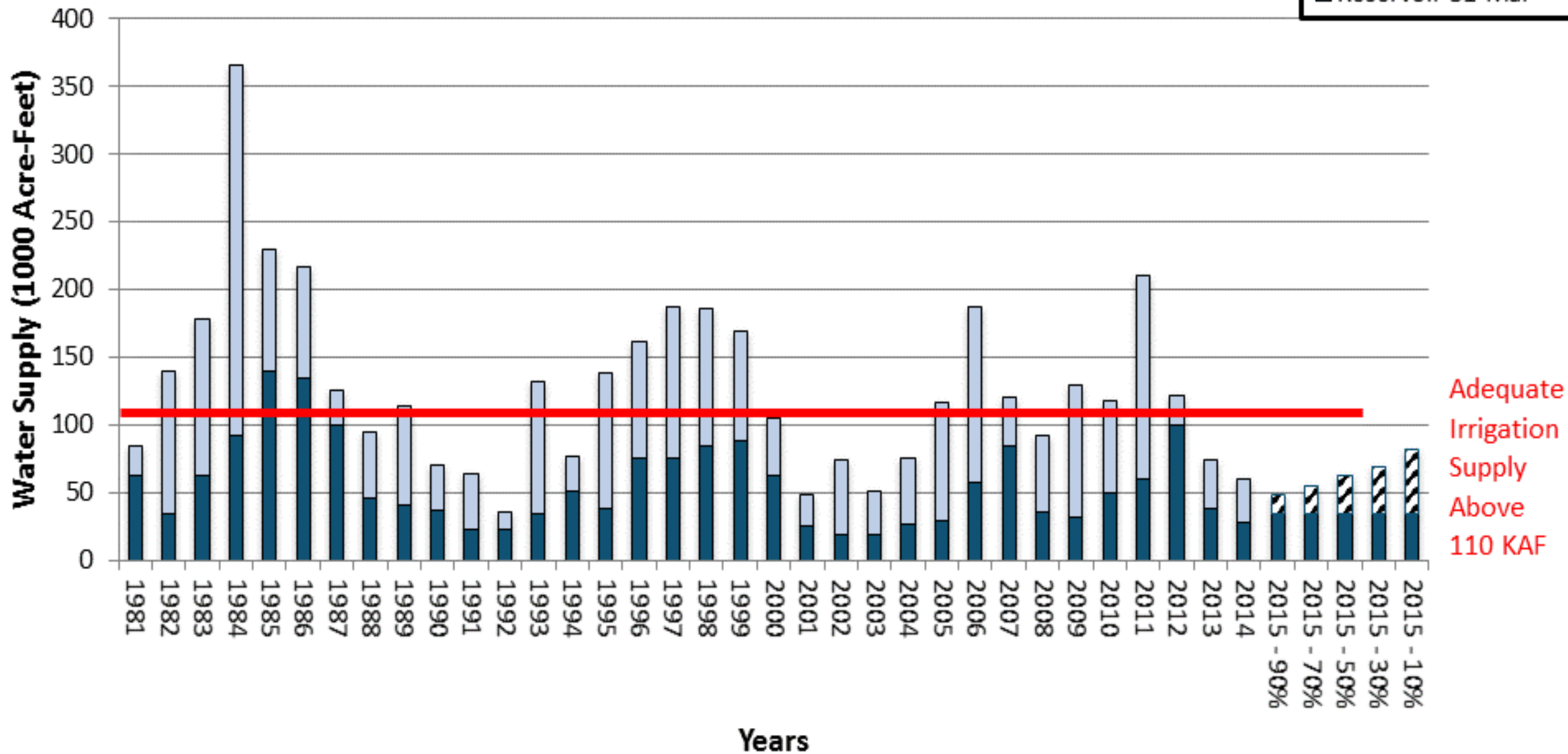
SNOTEL Sites used: Bear Creek, Seventy-Six Creek, Pole Creek, Wilson Creek and Draw Creek.

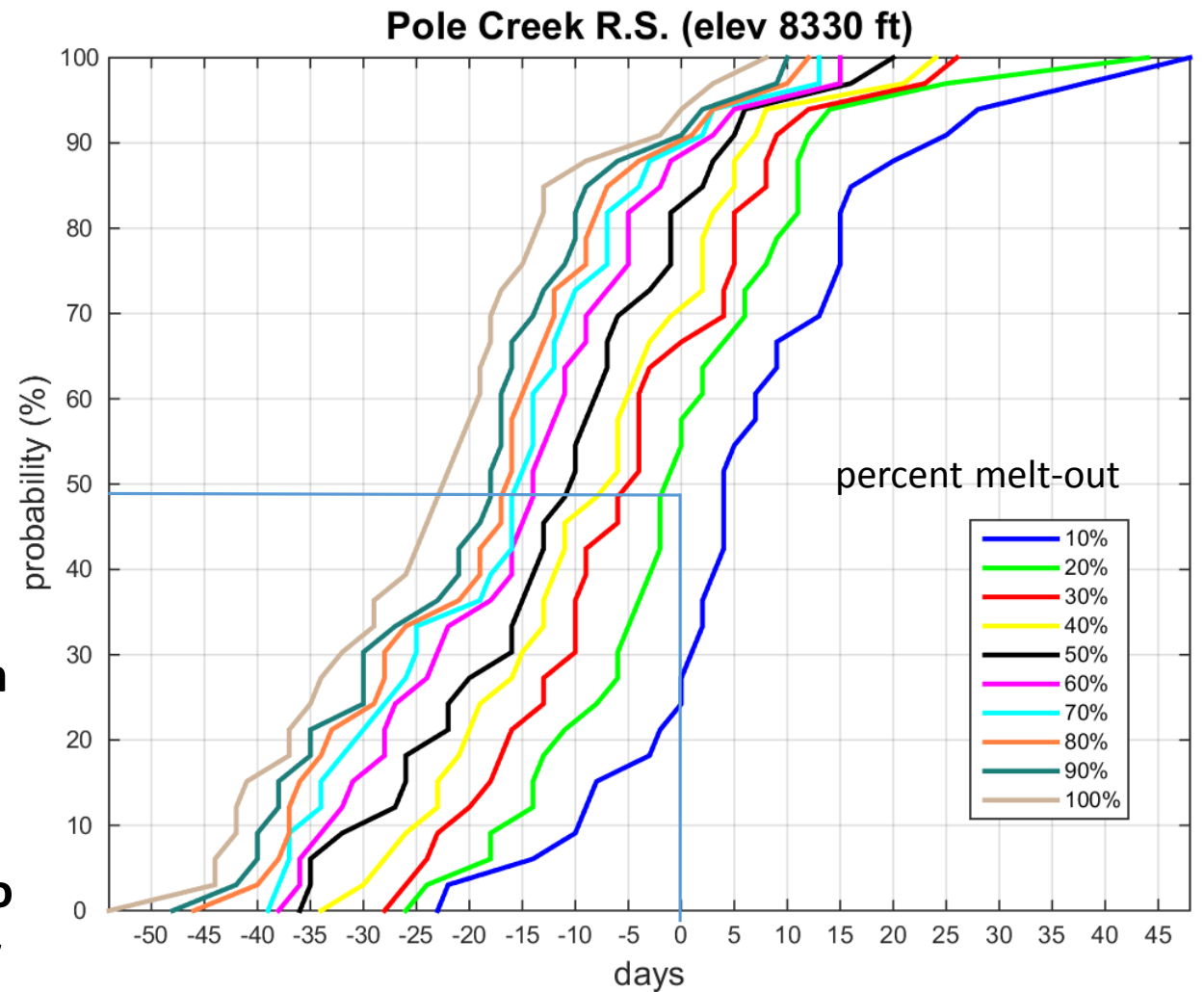
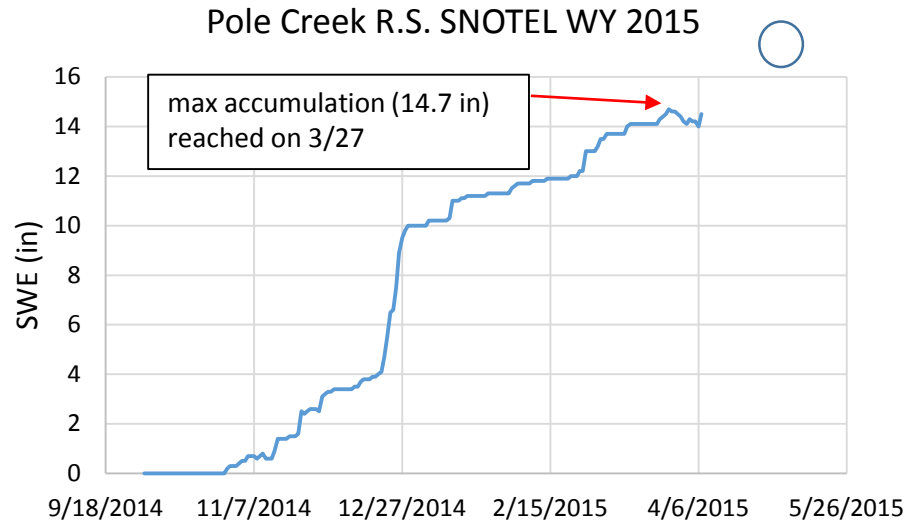
2015 Salmon Falls Creek near San Jacinto, NV: Mar - Jul Volume,
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Apr 1 Historic and Forecasted Surface Water Supply Salmon Falls Creek Basin

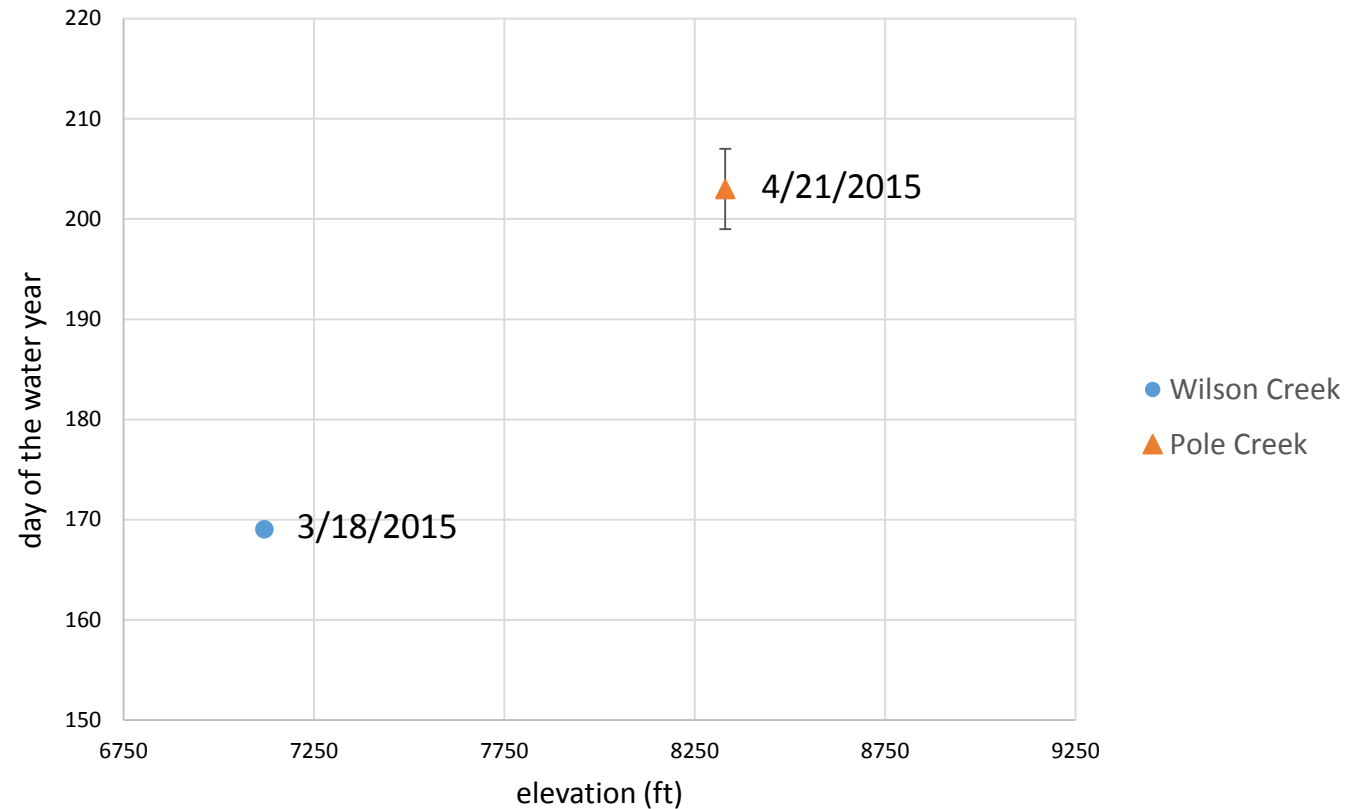
StreamFlow Apr-Sep
Reservoir 31-Mar



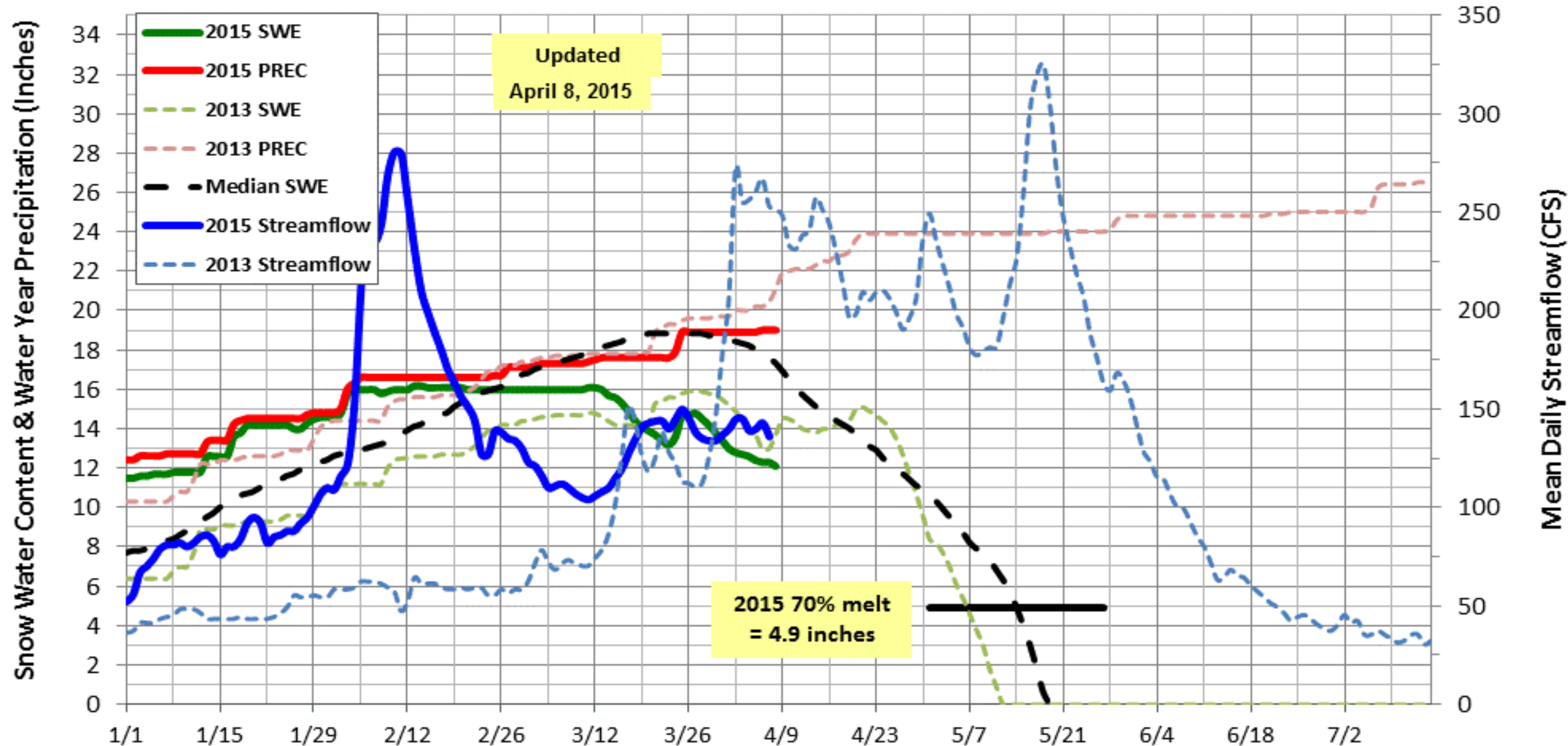


- Pole Creek SNOTEL site reached max accumulation (14.7 in) on 3/27.
- As of as of 4/7 SWE is 14.5 in (~1% melt-out).
- Currently, Pole Creek is not far enough into melt to use the melt-out percentages from the probability chart, however, the chart can be used to estimate the average melt-out percent at the time of peak streamflow.
- On average (50% probability), Pole Creek is at 20% melt-out (green line) at the time of peak streamflow for Salmon Falls.

- Melt-out timing from Wilson Creek, the lower elevation SNOTEL site, may be used to estimate melt-out timing at Pole Creek, the highest elevation site.
- Wilson Creek reached 20% melt-out on 3/18, it is estimated Pole Creek will reach 20% melt-out on 4/21 (± 4 days).



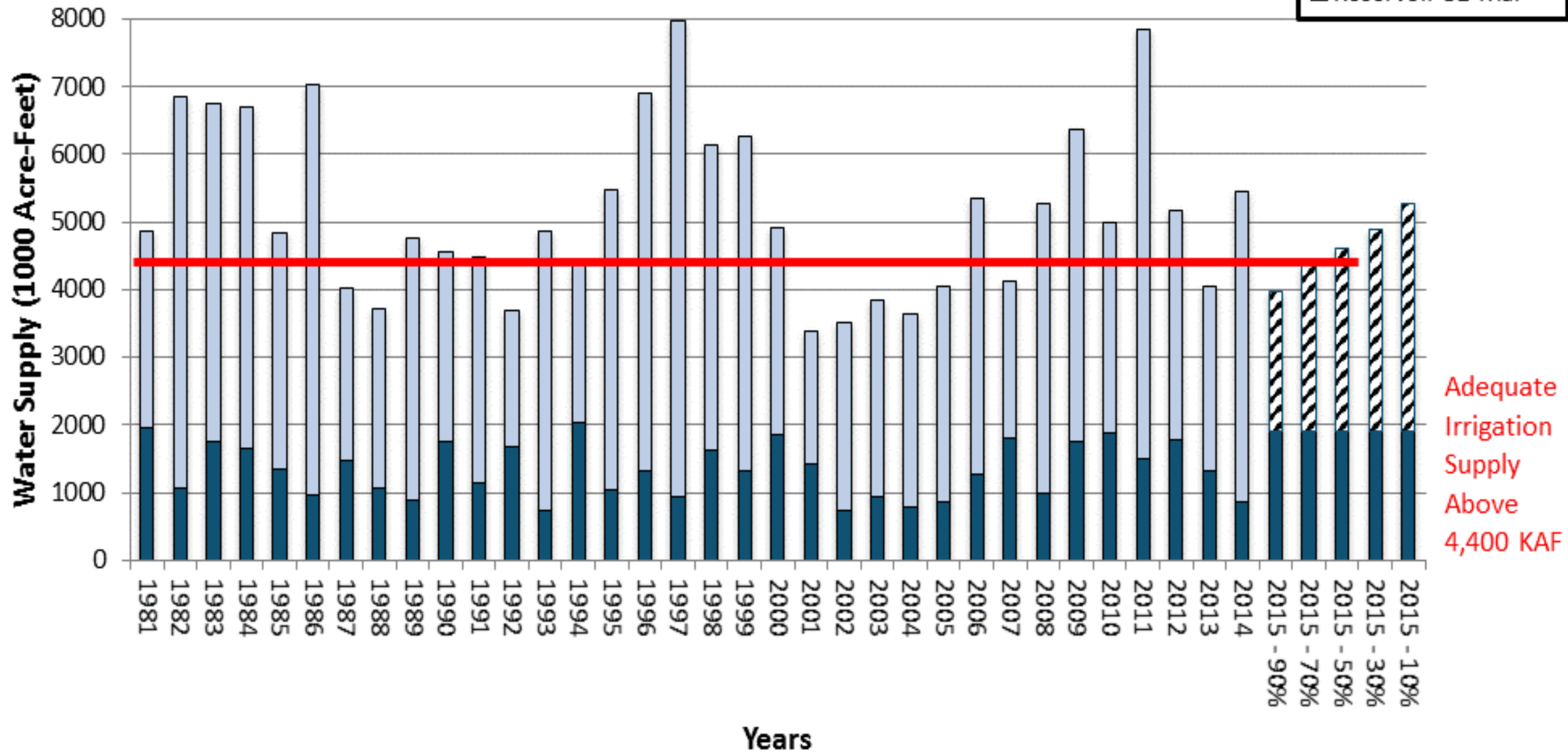
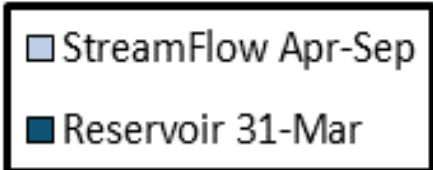
2015 & 2013 Magic Mountain SNOTEL and Salmon Falls Creek near San Jacinto



Salmon Fall Creek usually peaks or has an increase when Magic Mtn SNOTEL is about 70% melted

Twin Falls Soil & Water Conservation District Salmon Falls Reservoir Storage Allotment		Updated April 8, 2015				
Note: Allotment formula is based on March 31 reservoir storage and April 1 - September 30 forecasts.		Based on NRCS April 1 Streamflow Forecasts				
		Chance of Exceedance Streamflow Forecasts				
		90%	70%	50%	30%	10%
Inflow Forecast, April 1-September 30, acre-feet		13600	21000	28000	35000	0
Storage in Dam, March 31, acre-feet	34100	34100	34100	34100	34100	34100
Total Storage (Inflow Forecast + Storage)		47700	55100	62100	69100	34100
Less Dead Storage in Reservoir (5000 A-F)	5000	42700	50100	57100	64100	29100
Projected Reservoir Loss of 20%	0.20	8540	10020	11420	12820	5820
In Dam, Available for Delivery		34160	40080	45680	51280	23280
Projected Delivery Efficiency: 2010 56.0% 2009 59.8% 2008 55% 2007 59.4% 2006 65.3% 2005 59.4% 2013 53% 2014 48%	0.48	16397	19238	21926	24614	11174
Less Water for Callen	485	485	485	485	485	485
Less Individual Storage Carryover	988	988	988	988	988	988
Water to be Delivered Over the Weir		14924	17765	20453	23141	9701
Divided by Total Shares	60050.65	0.249	0.296	0.341	0.385	0.162
Allotment if 'Individual Storage Carryover' is not subtracted from 'In Dam, Available for Delivery'		0.265	0.312	0.357	0.402	0.178
Average Allotment						
1924-2006 0.761						
1971-2000 0.934						
2002-2006 0.616		2013 allotment 0.380 Runoff 35 KAF Apr-Sep				
Full Allotment 1.167		2014 allotment 0.332 Runoff 33 KAF Apr-Sep				

Apr 1 Historic and Forecasted Surface Water Supply Snake River Near Heise



Station ID	Station Name	Period	Data Type	Years	# of Years		
13148500	LITTLE WOOD RIVER NR CAREY, ID	Apr-Sep	strm	1981-2014	34 Units KAF		
13148200	LITTLE WOOD	31-Mar	resv	1981-2014	34 Units KAF		
ENSO Classification							
SE Strong El Nino - EN Mild El Nino - N Neutral - LN Mild La Nina - SL Strong La Nina							
Rank	Year	Enso	Stream Flow Apr- Sep	Reservoir 31-Mar	Streamflow + Reservoir Sum	Non- Exceedance Probability	SWSI
1	1983	SE	217	3	219	97%	3.9
2	1995	SE	177	20	197	94%	3.7
3	1982	N	176	18	195	91%	3.5
4	2006	N	170	5	175	89%	3.2
5	1984	N	149	23	172	86%	3.0
6	1997	N	162	7	170	83%	2.7
7	1986	N	142	23	165	80%	2.5
8	1998	SE	121	21	142	77%	2.3
9	1993	EN	112	23	135	74%	2.0
10	2011	SL	104	23	127	71%	1.8
11	1999	SL	117	8	125	69%	1.5
12	2005	EN	93	21	113	66%	1.3
13	1996	N	83	22	106	63%	1.1
14	2009	N	76	19	95	60%	0.8
15	2012	LN	62	26	89	57%	0.6
16	2010	EN	59	28	88	54%	0.4
17	1985	N	66	22	87	51%	0.1
18	1981	N	59	28	87	49%	-0.1
19	1989	SL	63	18	82	46%	-0.4
20	2000	N	49	25	74	43%	-0.6
21	2003	EN	55	19	73	40%	-0.8
2015 10% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	43	22	65	39%	-1.0
22	2008	N	51	11	62	37%	-1.1
23	2004	N	37	23	60	34%	-1.3
24	1991	N	42	15	57	31%	-1.5
25	1990	N	35	23	57	29%	-1.8
26	1987	N	27	30	57	26%	-2.0
27	2013	N	32	25	56	23%	-2.3
28	2007	EN	23	29	52	20%	-2.5
2015 30% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	30	22	52	19%	-2.6
29	1994	SE	22	30	52	17%	-2.7
30	2002	N	35	15	50	14%	-3.0
31	2001	LN	26	23	49	11%	-3.2
32	1988	SE	26	20	47	9%	-3.5
33	2014	EN	27	19	46	6%	-3.7
34	1992	EN	23	23	46	3%	-3.9
2015 50% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	23	22	45	2%	-4.0
2015 70% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	16	22	39	1%	-4.0
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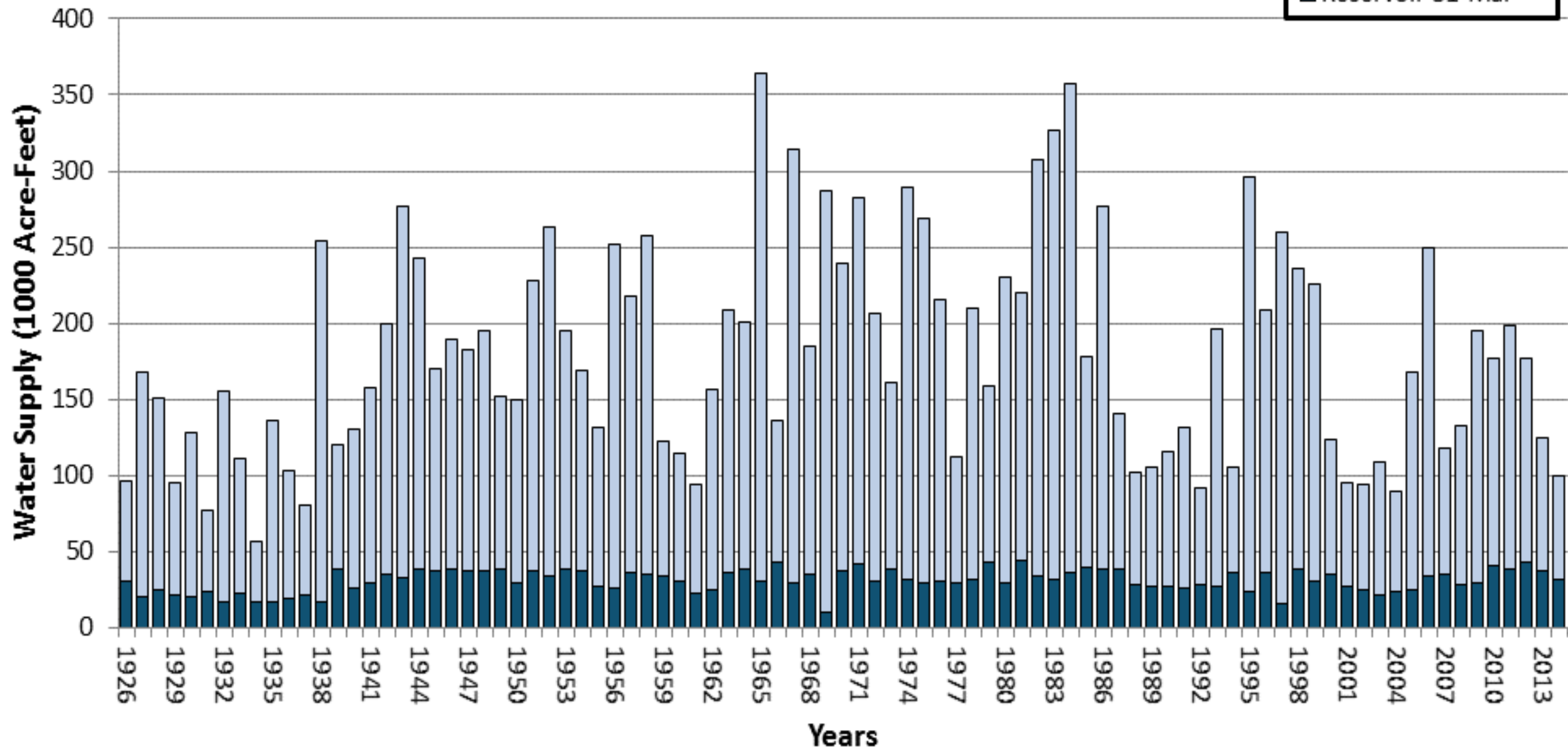
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2	1983	SE	296	31	327	94%	3.7
3	1982	N	272	35	307	91%	3.5
4	1995	SE	272	24	296	89%	3.2
5	1986	N	239	38	277	86%	3.0
6	1997	N	244	16	260	83%	2.7
7	2006	N	216	34	249	80%	2.5
8	1998	SE	198	38	236	77%	2.3
9	1999	SL	196	30	226	74%	2.0
10	1981	N	176	44	220	71%	1.8
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12	2011	SL	160	39	199	66%	1.3
13	1993	EN	169	27	196	63%	1.1
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17	2010	EN	135	41	177	51%	0.1
18	2005	EN	142	25	168	49%	-0.1
19	1987	N	101	39	140	46%	-0.4
20	2008	N	105	28	133	43%	-0.6
21	1991	N	106	26	132	40%	-0.8
2015 10% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	95	34	129	39%	-1.0
22	2013	N	88	37	125	37%	-1.1
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24	2007	EN	83	35	118	31%	-1.5
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13127000	Big Lost R blw Mackay Reservoir	Apr-Sep	strm	1981-2014	34 Units KAF		
13126000	Mackay Reservoir	31-Mar	resv	1981-2014	34 Units KAF		
ENSO Classification							
SE Strong El Nino - EN Mild El Nino - N Neutral - LN Mild La Nina - SL Strong La Nina							
Rank	Year	Enso	Stream Flow Apr- Sep	Reservoir 31-Mar	Streamflow + Reservoir Sum	Non- Exceedance Probability	SWSI
20	2008	N	105	28	133	43%	-0.6
21	1991	N	106	26	132	40%	-0.8
2015 10% Chance Exceedance Forecast		EN	95	34	129	39%	-1.0
22	2013	N	88	37	125	37%	-1.1
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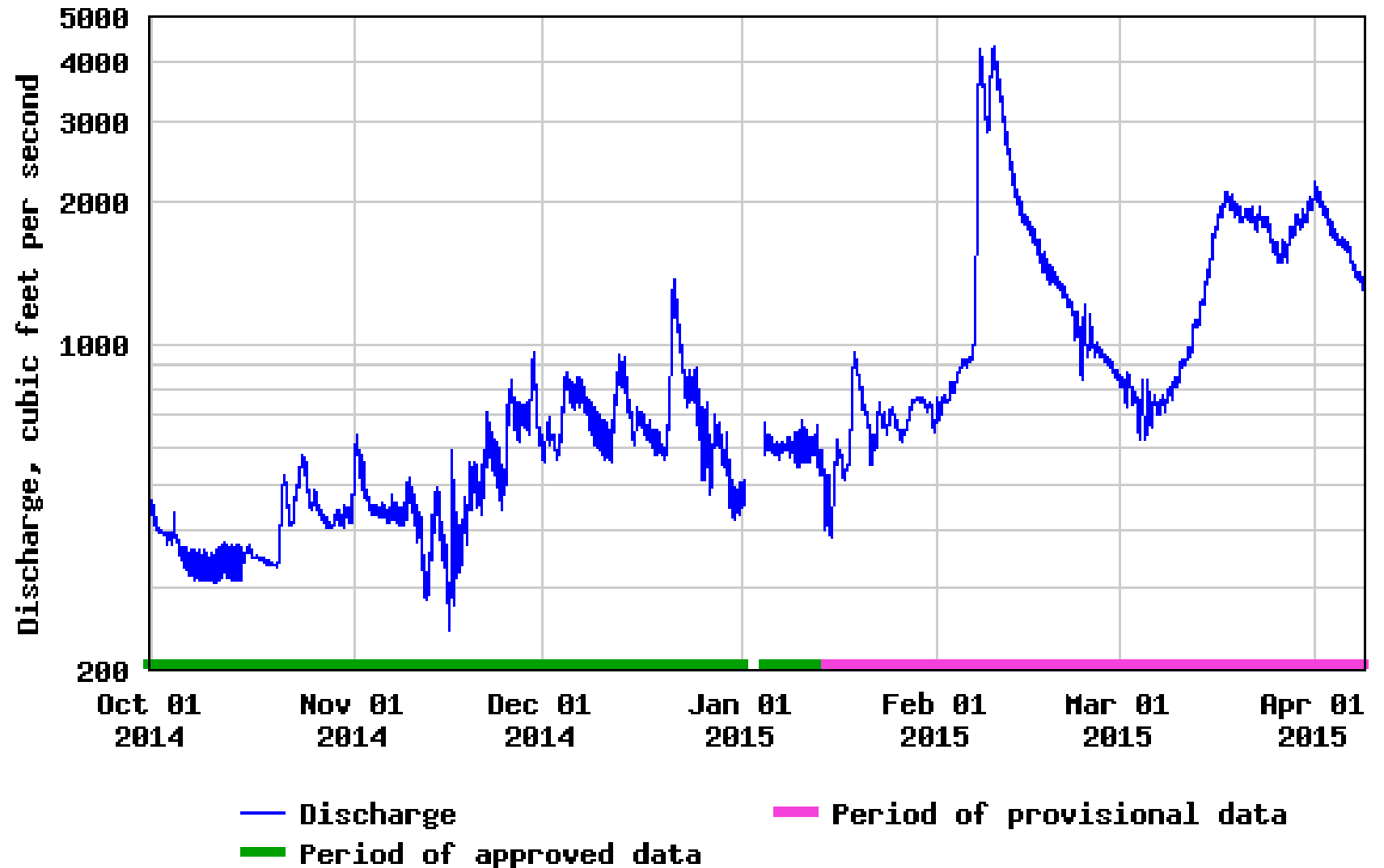
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- As of 4/9/2015, the Boise River nr Twin Springs ID does not appear to have experienced its snowmelt - dominated peak.

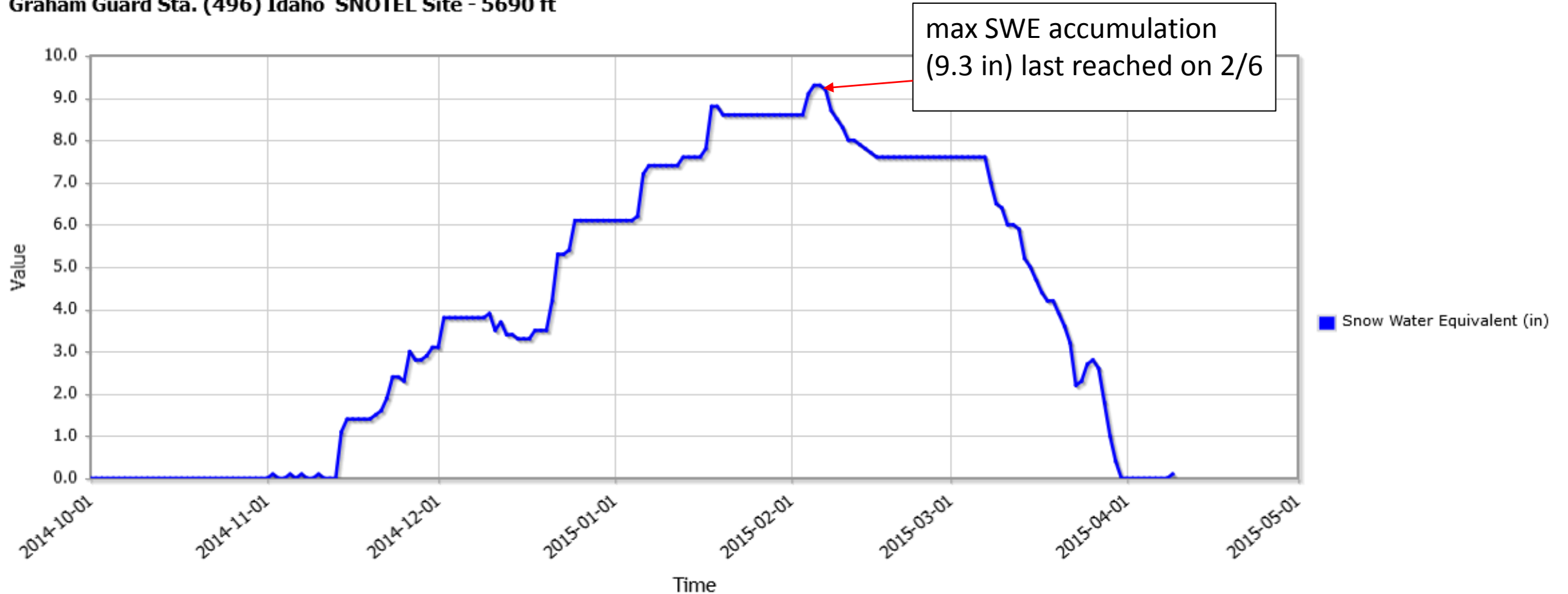


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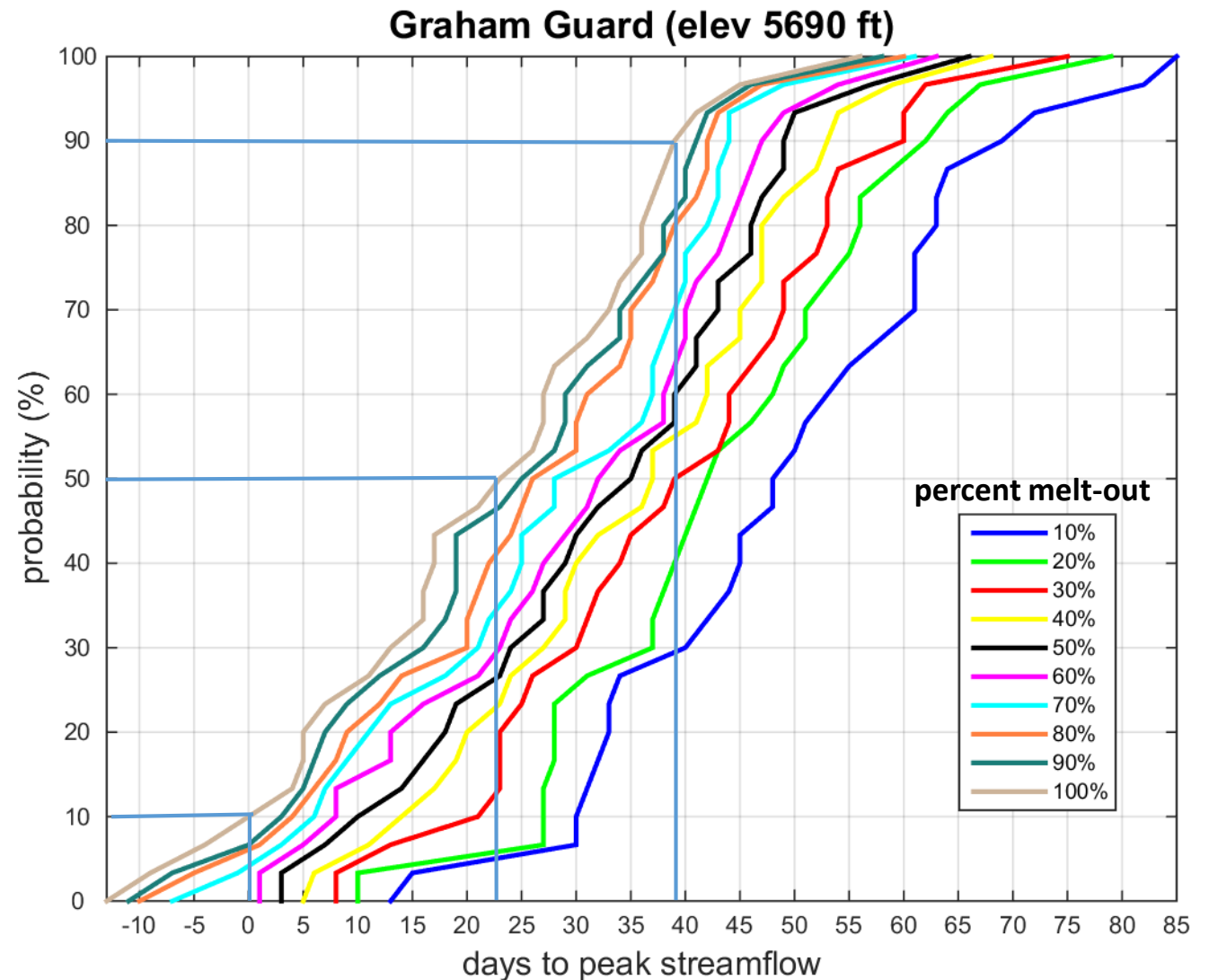


- As of 4/9, the Graham Guard SNOTEL site is 100% melted out. Complete melt-out (no snow remaining on snow pillow) was reached on 3/31/2015.

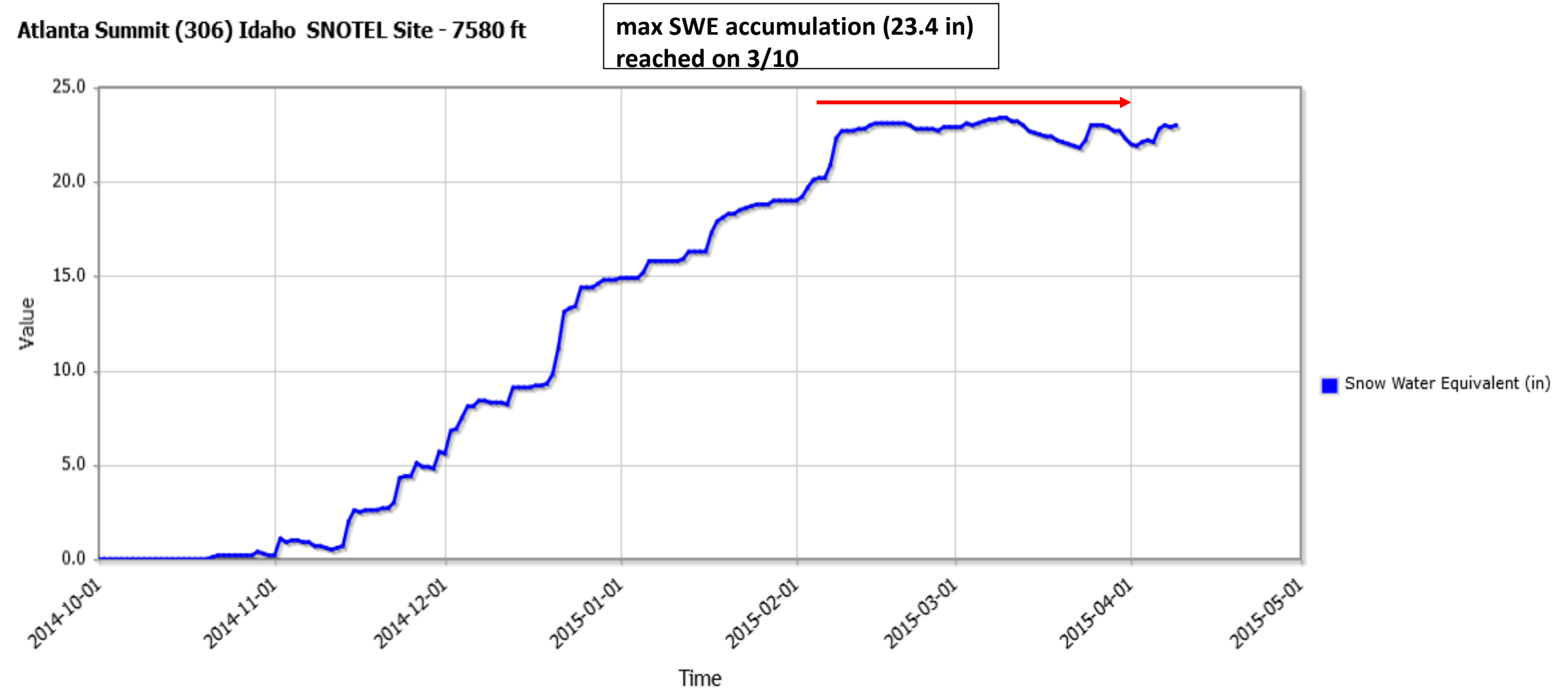
Graham Guard Sta. (496) Idaho SNOTEL Site - 5690 ft



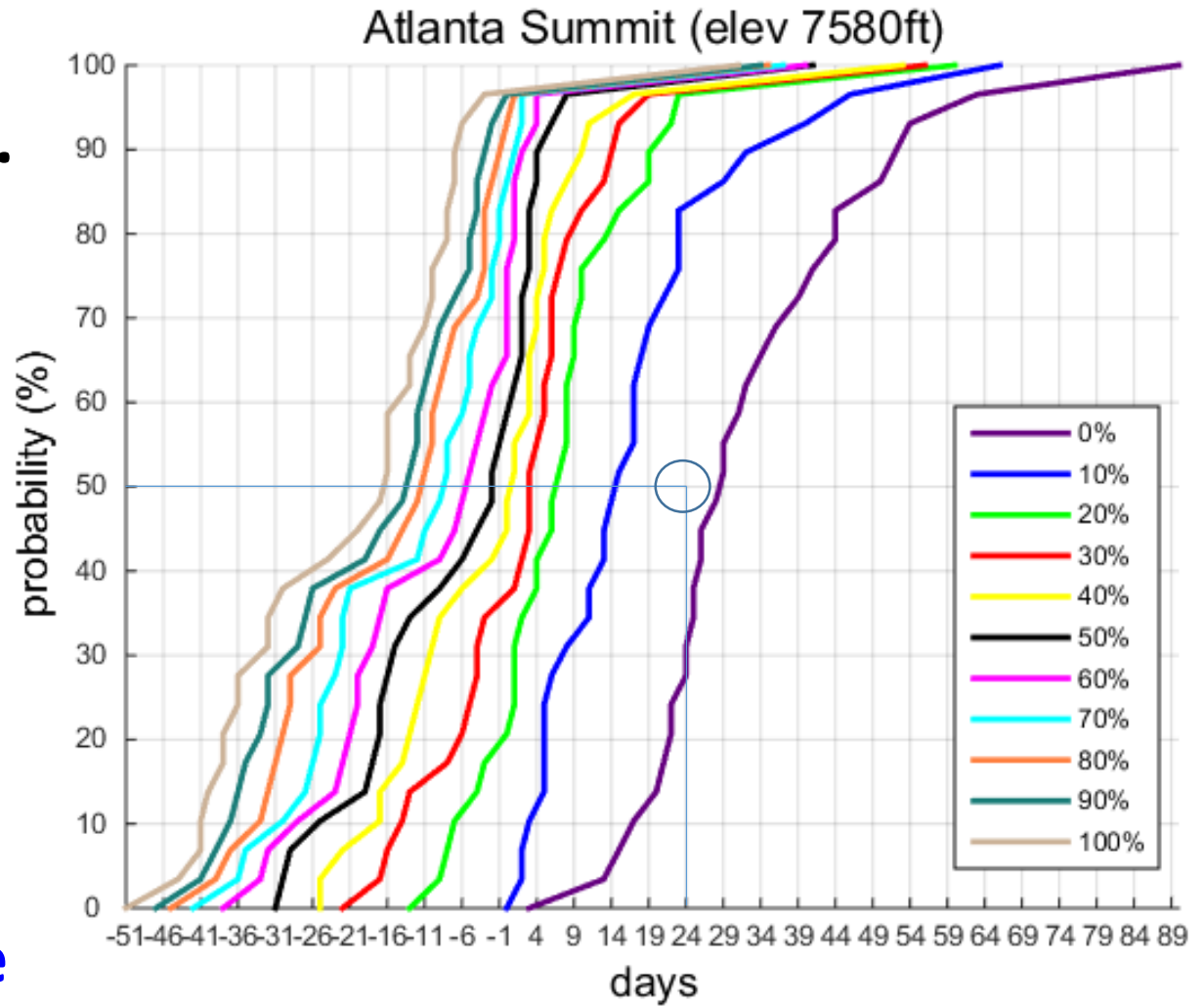
- The 100% melt-out curve, indicated by the TAN line, can be used to evaluate the probability of peak streamflow occurring within a given number of days if adjusted for the date of inquiry.
- For example, as of 4/9, 100% melt-out occurred 10 days ago. The tan line suggests there is a 50% probability that peak streamflow occurs within 23 days of 100% melt-out. Adjusting for the 9 day difference, there is a 50% probability it will occur within the next 14 days.
- The 50% probability line represents the average, however, any probability percentage can be evaluated, i.e. -
 - There is a 90% probability peak streamflow will occur within the next 30 days.
 - There is a 10% probability peak streamflow occurred 9 or more days ago.



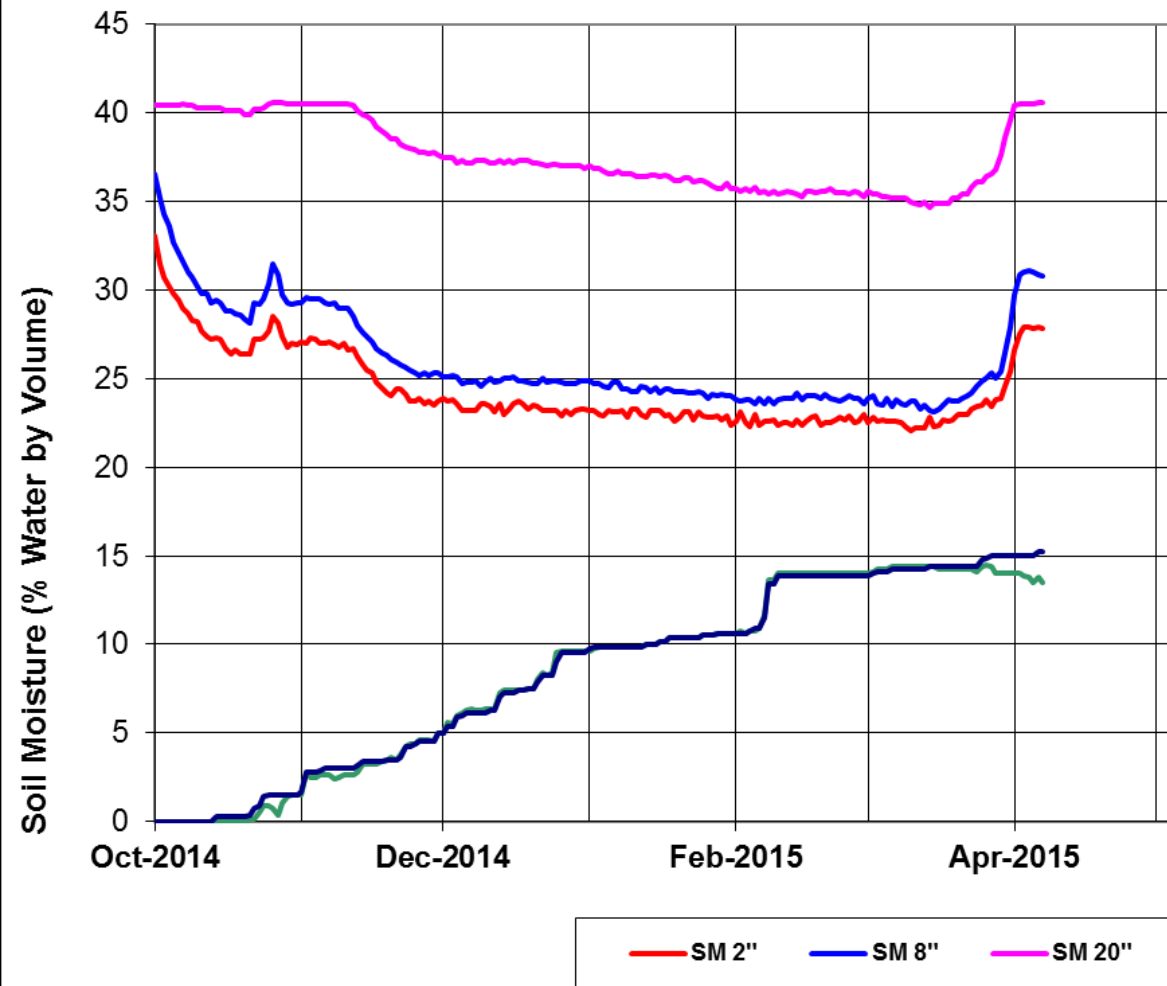
- As of 4/9, SWE at Atlanta Summit SNOTEL site is at 23 in (~2 % melt-out).



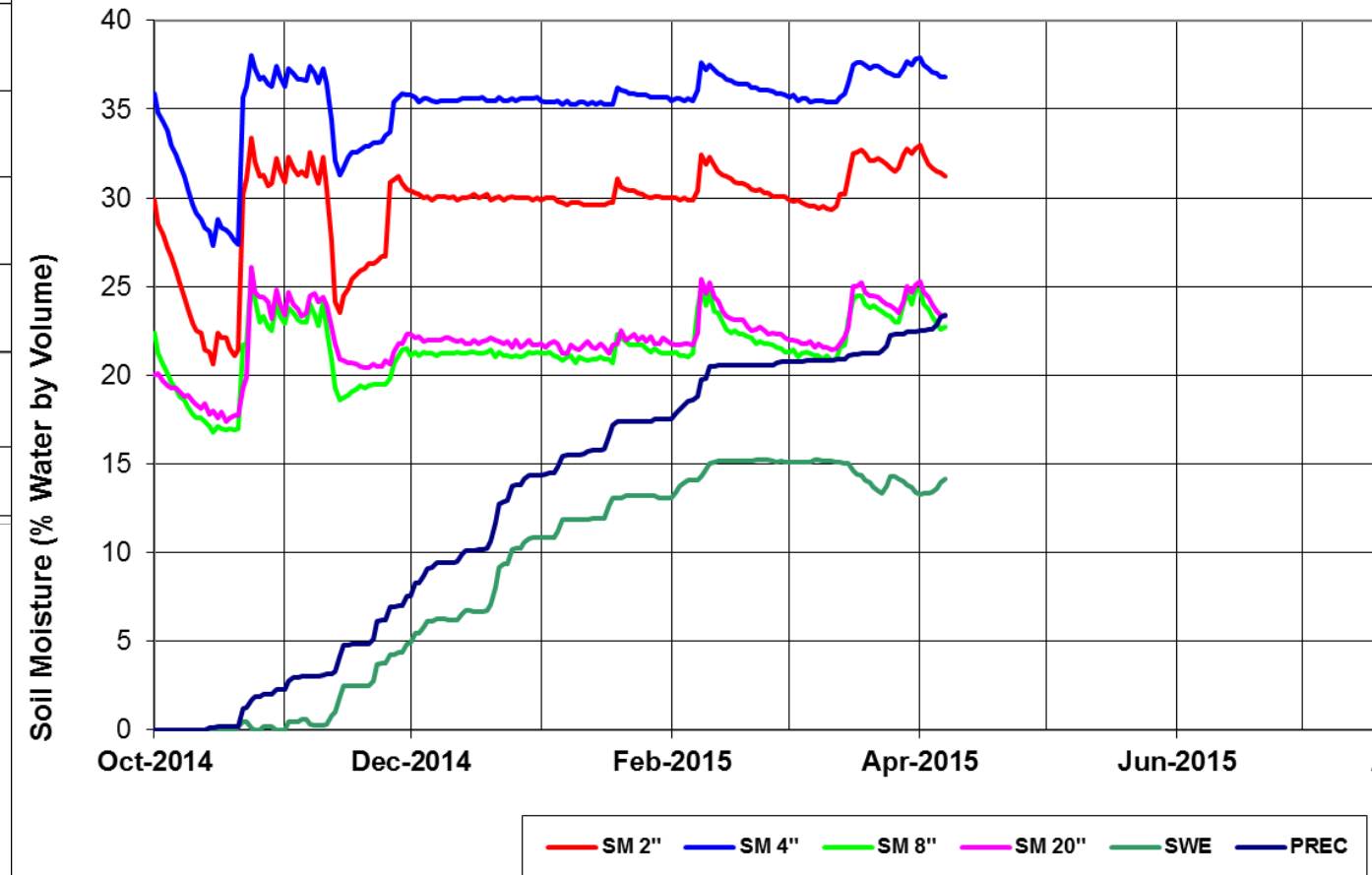
- This graph includes 0% melt-out, indicated by the purple line.
- The 0% melt-out is equal to max accumulation at the SNOTEL site.
- Current melt-out percent at Atlanta summit is ~2 % - between the purple and blue lines.
- The average, (50% probability), can be estimated by looking between the two curves. It is estimated, peak streamflow will occur (approximately) within the next 24 days.



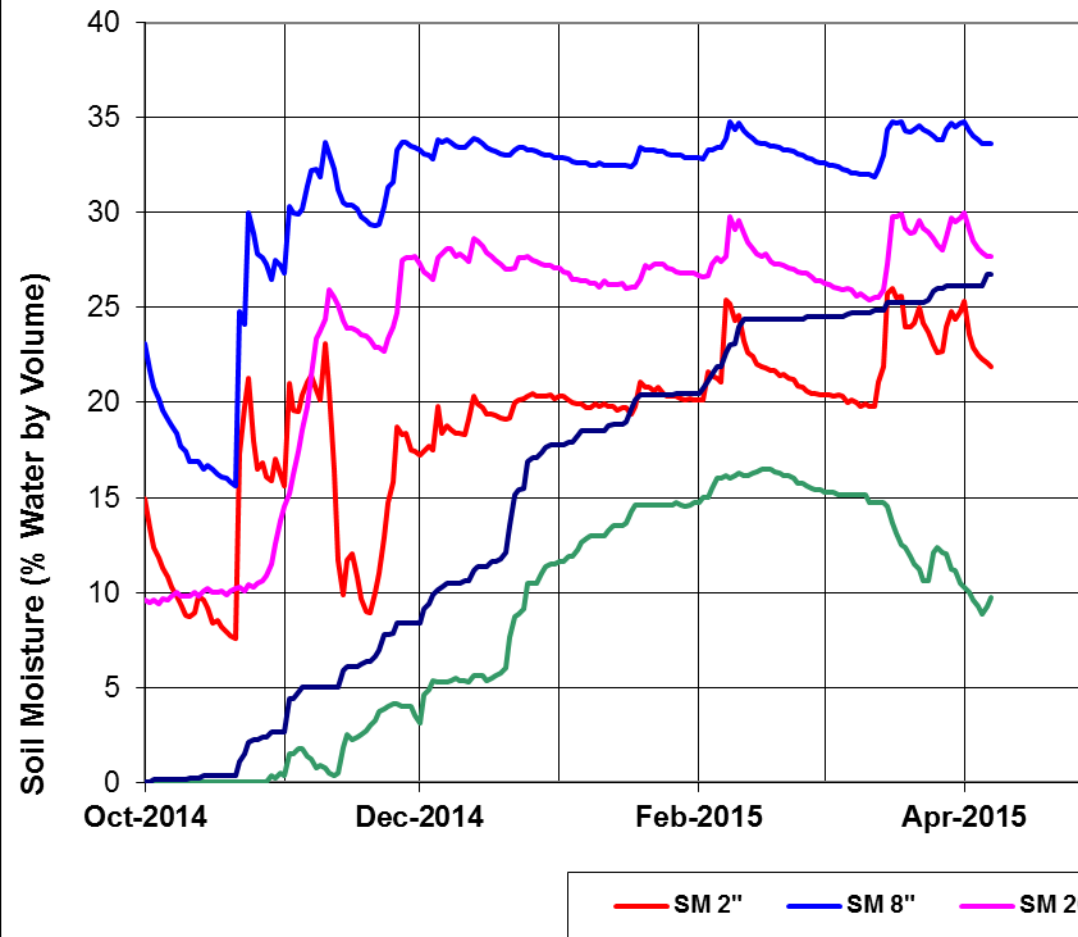
Smiley Mountain Soil Moisture - Water Year 2015



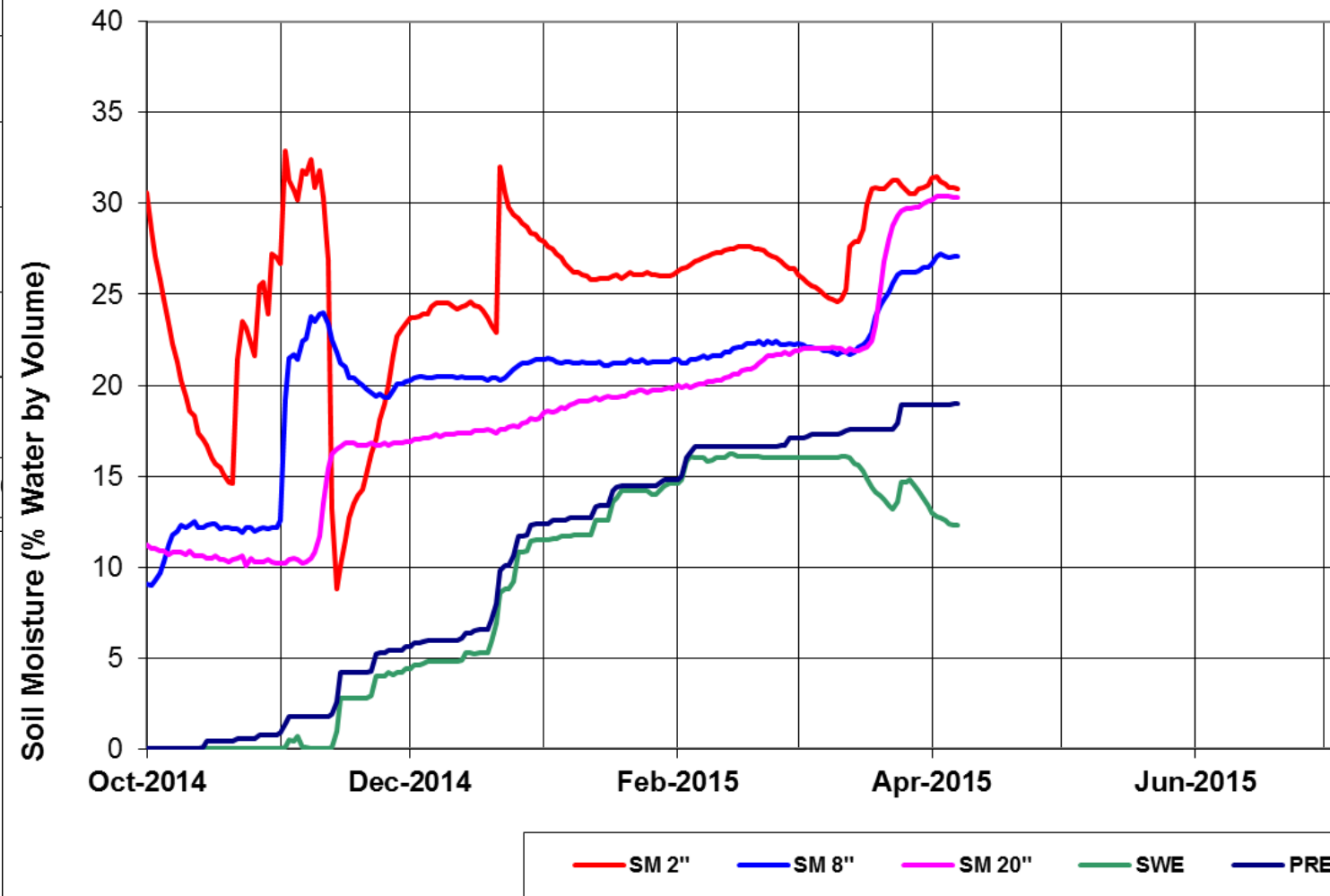
Jackson Peak Soil Moisture - Water Year 2015



Bogus Basin Soil Moisture - Water Year 2015



Magic Mountain Soil Moisture - Water Year 2015



April 2015 Forecasted % of Streamflow Needed for Adequate Water Supply

