# Public Rate Hearing

4-29-2026

ASHLEY VALLEY
WATER & SEWER
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

# History

- AVWSID formed in 1974
- Safe Drinking Water Act (EPA) adopted 1974
- First water delivered in 1981
- First Treatment plant built in 1983
- Gaylen Cook Lawsuit and subsequent separation agreement from Vernal City created what is essentially the boundaries we see today
- Public voted to build a water treatment facility which was completed in 1983
- Air Village was one of the first areas that received water from AVWSID
- In 2013 the district started construction on a new water treatment facility
- In 2021 the district expanded the treatment facility to treat an additional 2 MGD.  Short term 10 MGD capacity, normal operation of 8 MGD

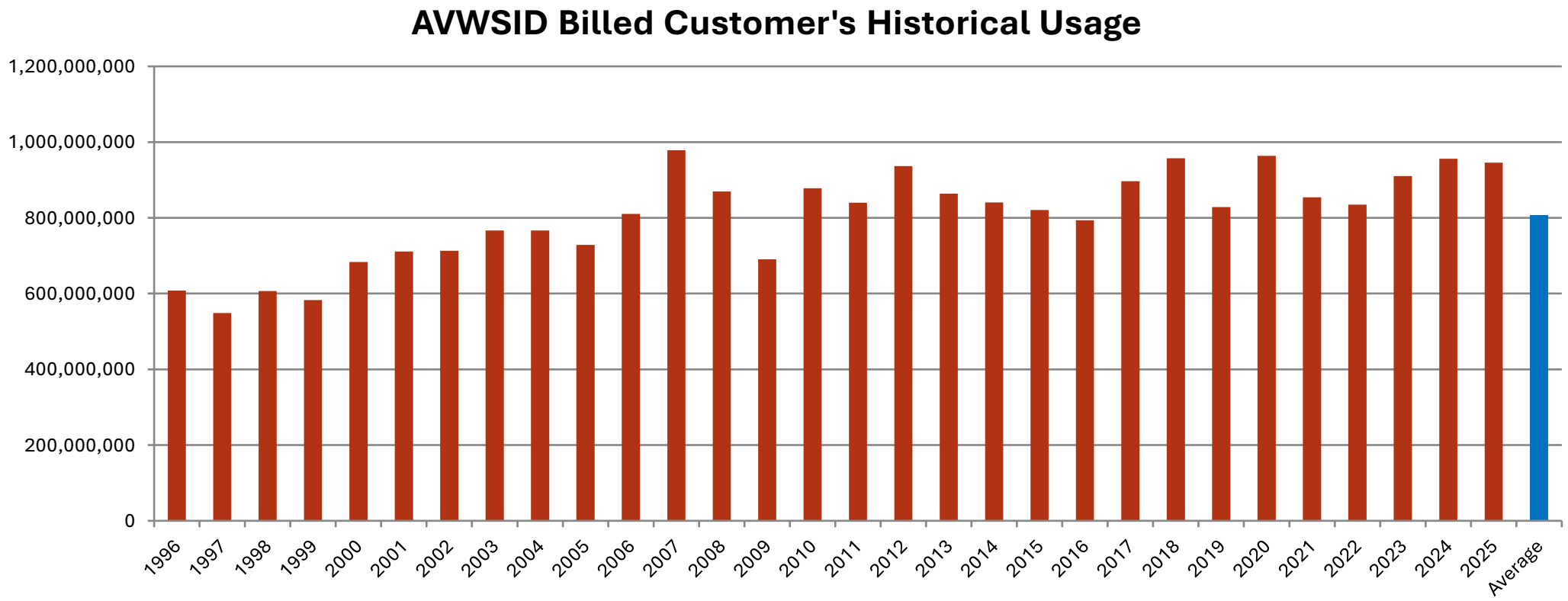
# Where did AVWSID get its water

- A large quantity of Water “Rights” that AVWSID have came from the separation agreement from Vernal City.
- Original water consisted of water from the Naples Water Company, Davis-Glines Water Utility, and the Ashley Water Company.
- All original development (both in Vernal City and AVWSID) required water rights to be dedicated for development
- Water requirement ended in early 1990s due to threatened lawsuits, Utah Code, & Irrigation Company Policies
- Subsequent subscription to Red Fleet blocks 1 & 2.

# Interesting Statistics

- District provides water and sewer collection services for over 13,000 people
- 166 miles of Water Mains
- Less than 2% are 4” or smaller.  Over 80% are 8” or larger
- 8 Million gallons of water storage
- 830 Fire Hydrants (tested annually)
- 1,267 Water Valves (exercised at least every 3 years)
- 20 Pressure Zones (over 80 valves modulating pressure)
- 1269 Sewer Manholes (inspected annually)
- Over 90 miles of Sewer Mainline

# Water Usage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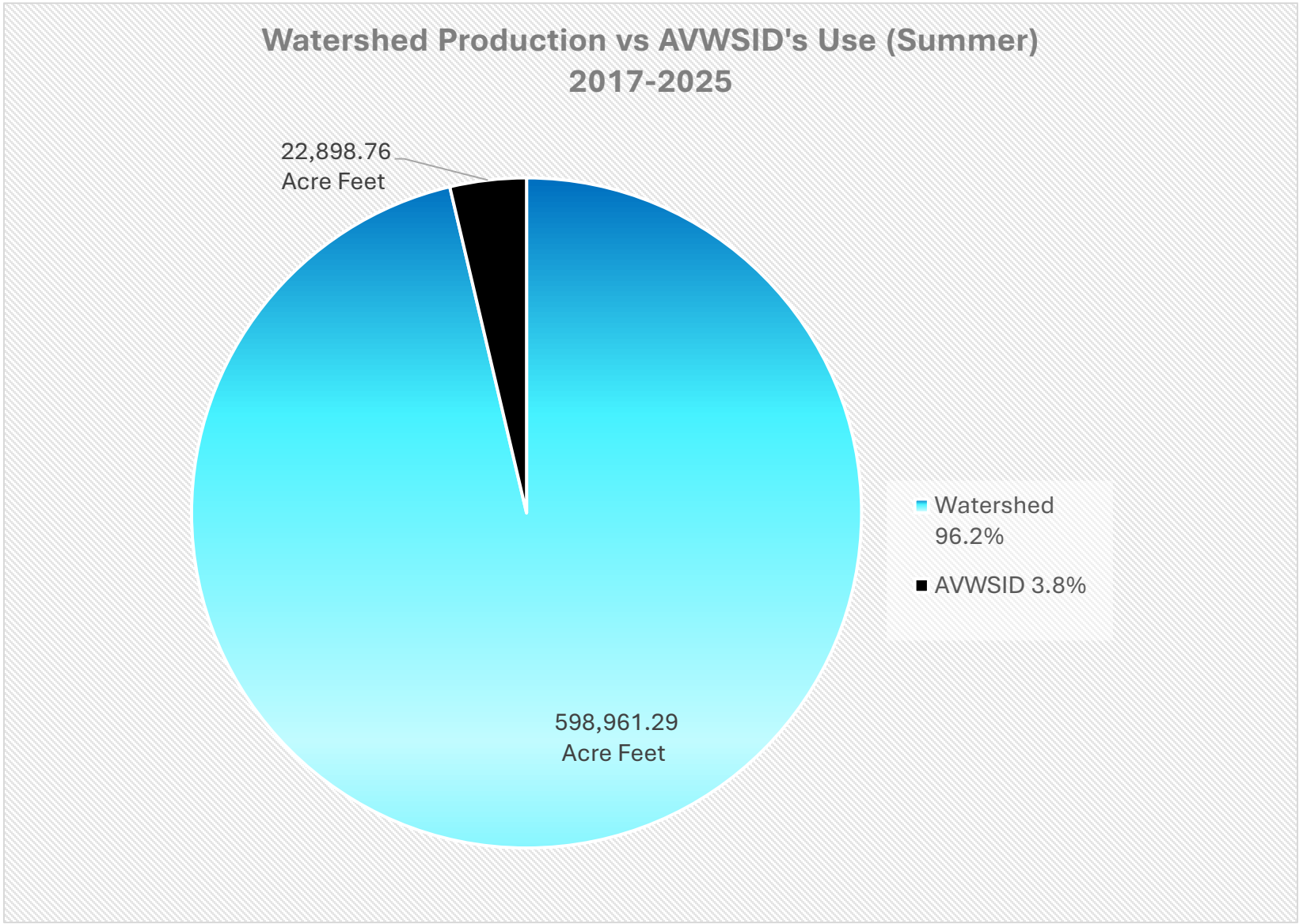
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# What’s up with this “Drought” everyone is talking about?

# Drought Conditions

Spencer J. Cox

Governor

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**
**2025-04**

*Declaring a State of Emergency in Certain Counties Due to Drought Conditions*

**WHEREAS,** 13 counties in the state are in extreme or severe drought categories according to the U.S. Drought Monitor (Washington, Iron, San Juan, Kane, Juab, Emery, Gı Beaver, Garfield, Piute, Millard, Tooele, and Uintah);

**WHEREAS,** four counties in the state are at risk of drought due to Snow Water Equivalents below 50%, streamflow forecasts below 50%, or being surrounded by counties severe drought (Carbon, Sevier, Sanpete, and Wayne);

**WHEREAS**, drought has impacted the southern part of the state 8 of the last 10 yea

**WHEREAS**, the April peak of snowpack was approximately 44% of normal in southwestern Utah and average winter temperatures were two degrees higher than normal;

**WHEREAS**, water supply forecasts are below 30% for southwestern Utah;

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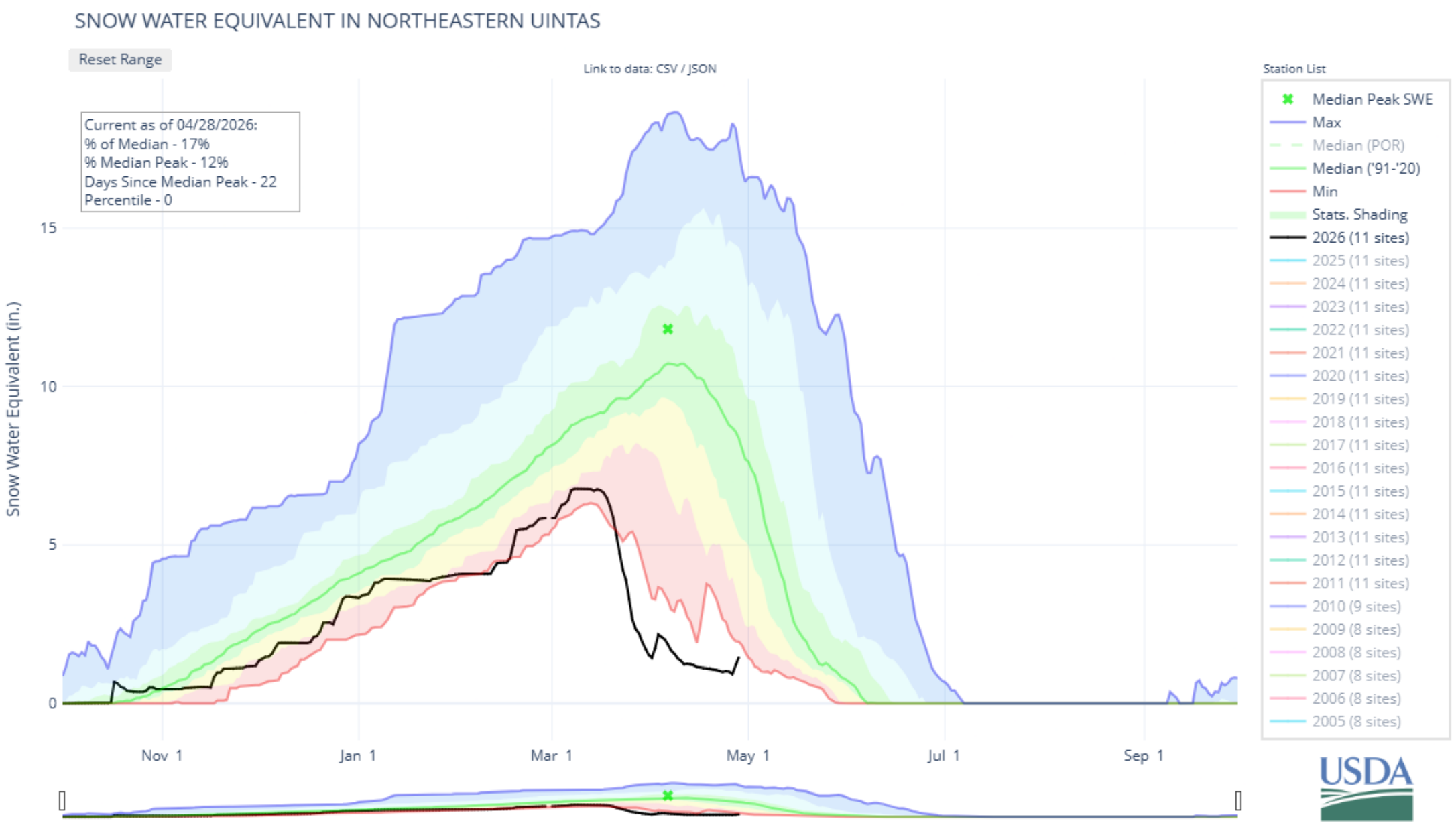


**SWE Northeastern Uintas**

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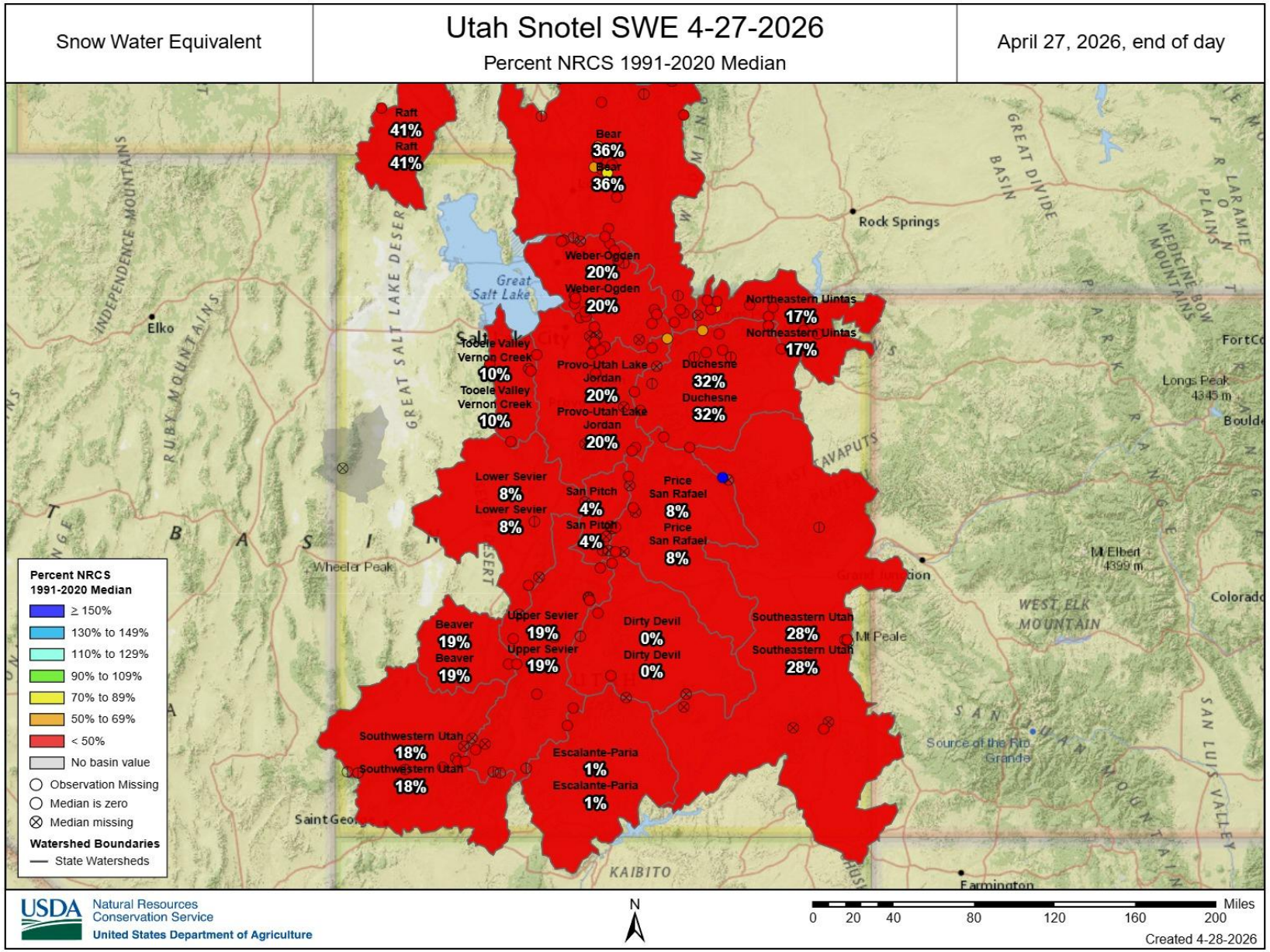
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April 27, 2026, end of day
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Weber-Ogden 20%
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Great Salt Lake
Northeastern Uintas 17%
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Tooele Valley
Vernon Creek 10%
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Provo-Utah Lake
Jordan 20%
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Duchesne 32%
Duchesne 32%
Lower Sevier 8%
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San Pitch 4%
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Beaver 19%
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Upper Sevier 19%
Upper Sevier 19%
Dirty Devil 0%
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Southeastern Utah 28%
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Rock Springs
Elko
Wheeler Peak
Mt Peale
Mt Elbert 4399 m
Longs Peak 4345 m
Source of the Rio Grande
Farmington
KAIBITO
Percent NRCS 1991-2020 Median
≥ 150%
130% to 149%
110% to 129%
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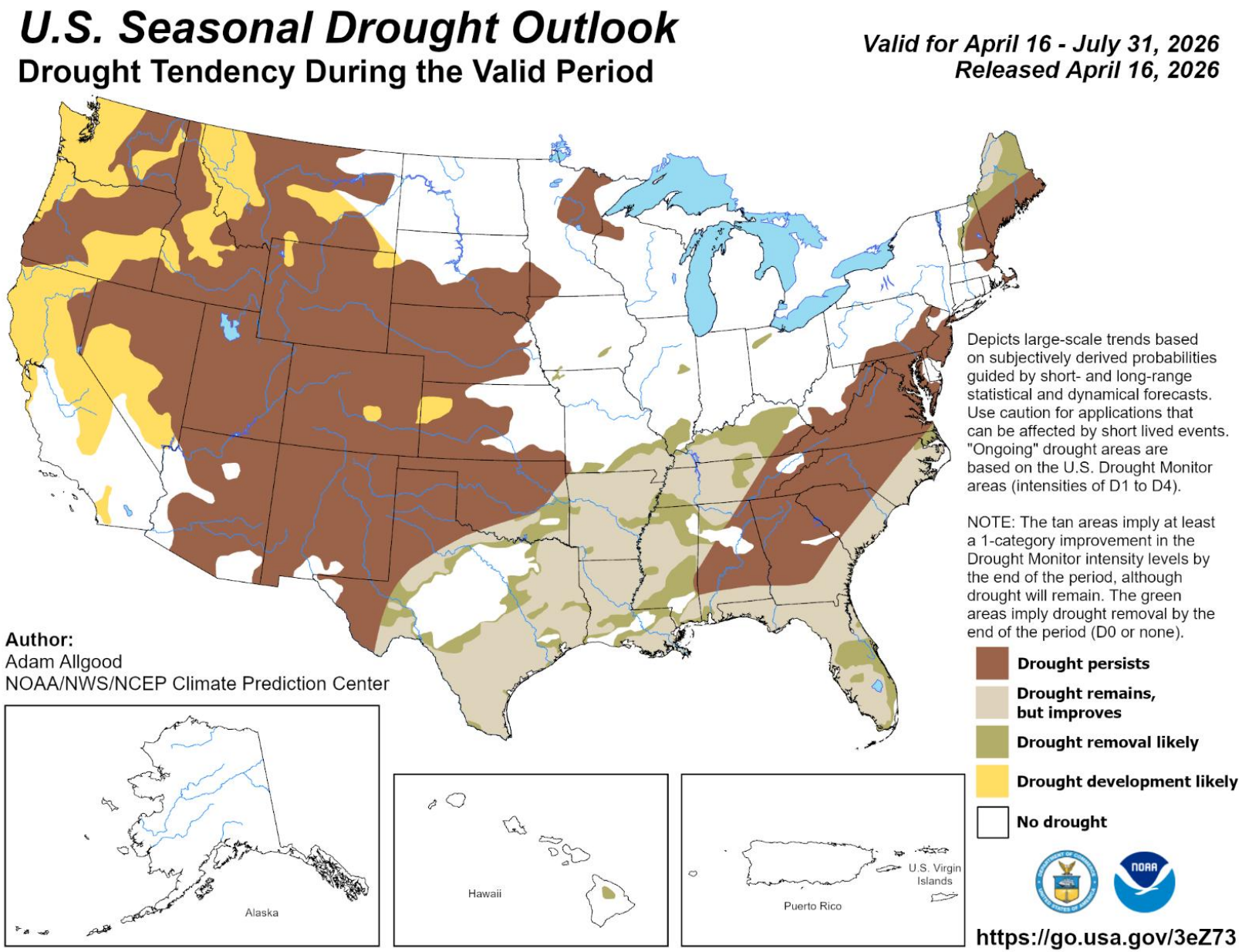
# Drought Outlook



# Seasonal Outlook

**Official NOAA Precipitation Outlooks**

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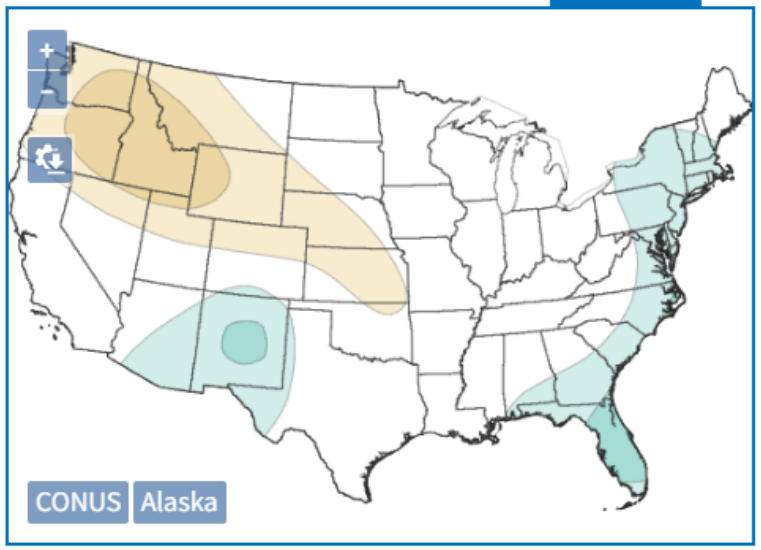


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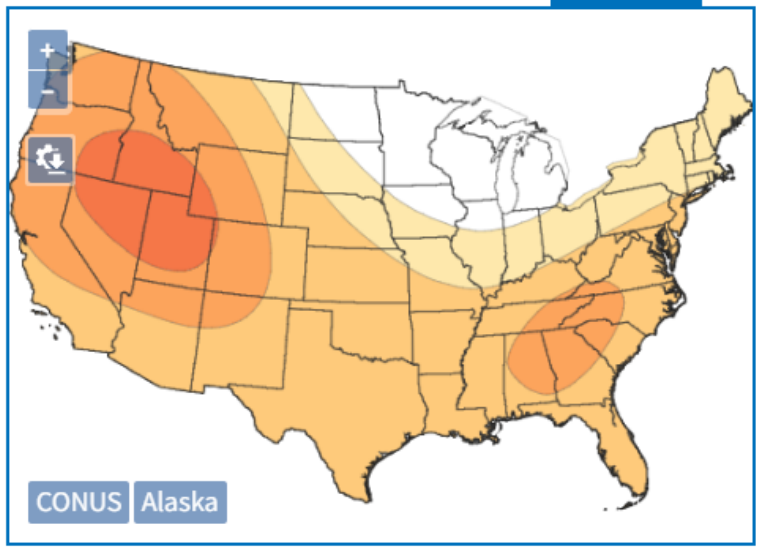


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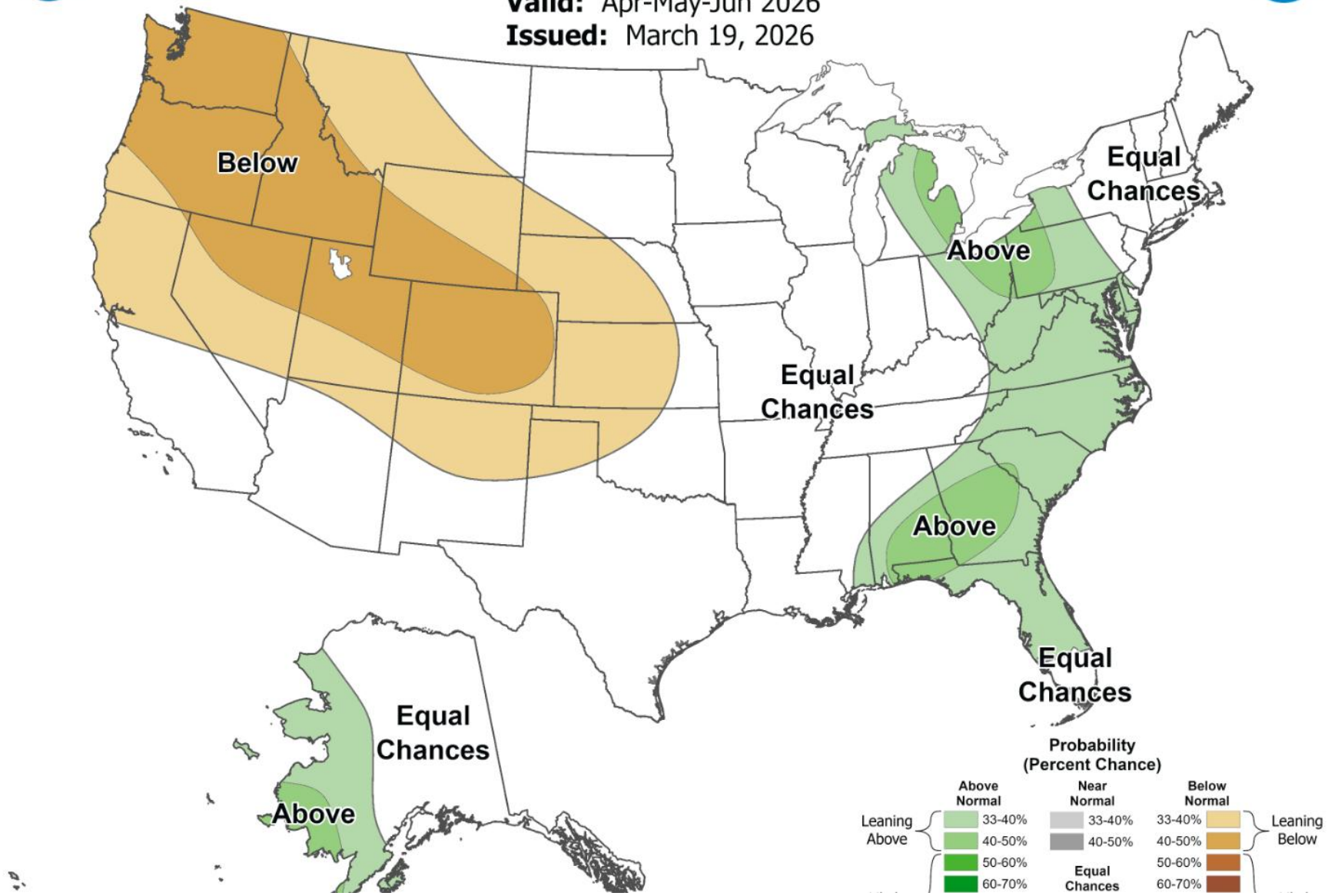
**Issued:** March 19, 2026



# Record Winter Warmth

The 2025-2026 winter will go down as Salt Lake City's **warmest winter on record.**

- The average temperature this winter was **40.7 degrees**, or **7.6 degrees above normal!**
- Records date back to the year 1874.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
NATIONAL OCEANIC & ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION
SALT LAKE CITY UTAH

## Salt Lake City
## Warmest Winters

| Winter Season (Dec-Feb) | Average Temperature |
|---|---|
| (1) 2025-2026 | 40.7 |
| (2) 2014-2015 | 38.5 |
| (3) 1977-1978 | 38.0 |

**Winter Season:** Meteorological winter, which includes the months of December, January, and February.

**Average Temperature:** Calculated by taking the average of the high and low temperatures of every day during the season.

# Record Heat Summary

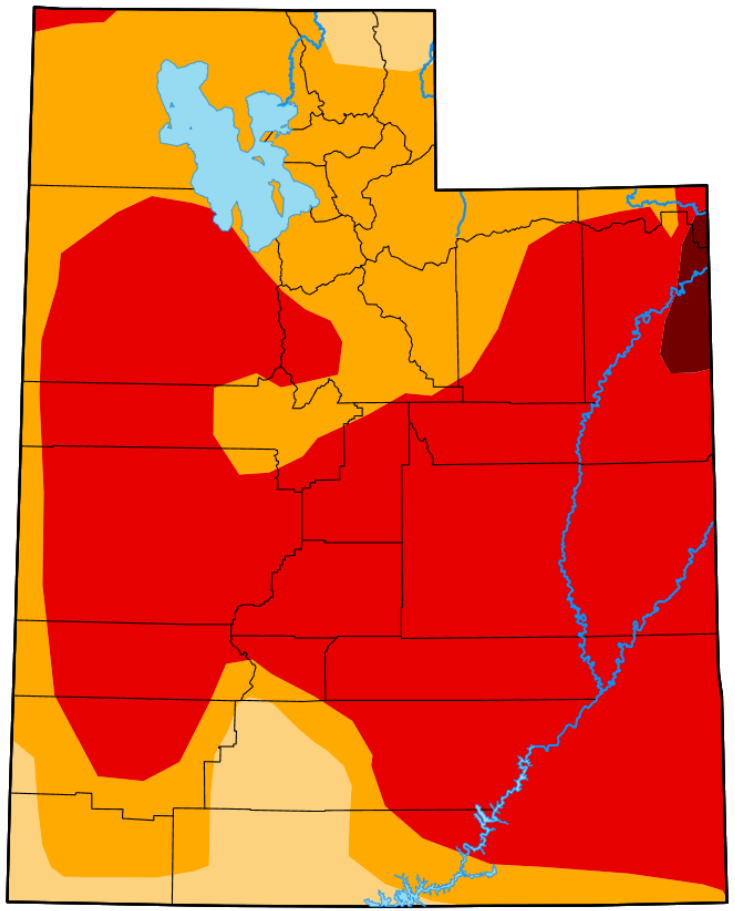
*Summary of Daily High Temperature Records Set in **Salt Lake City** — March 18-25, 2026*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **March 18** | **79°F** | ties previous record of ***79°F*** set in 2017 |
| **March 19** | **81°F** | breaks previous record of ***75°F*** set in 2004 |
| **March 20** | **80°F** | breaks previous record of ***75°F*** set in 2017 |
| **March 21** | **84°F*** | breaks previous record of ***75°F*** set in 2017<br>**new all-time March record high temperature* |
| **March 24** | **81°F** | breaks previous record of ***81°F*** set in 1956 |
| **March 25** | **83°F** | breaks previous record of ***78°F*** set in 2022 |

*All data is considered preliminary and not yet official.

National Weather Service
Salt Lake City

# Utah



## Map released: Thurs. April 23, 2026

Data valid: April 21, 2026 at 8 a.m. EDT

## Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

## Authors

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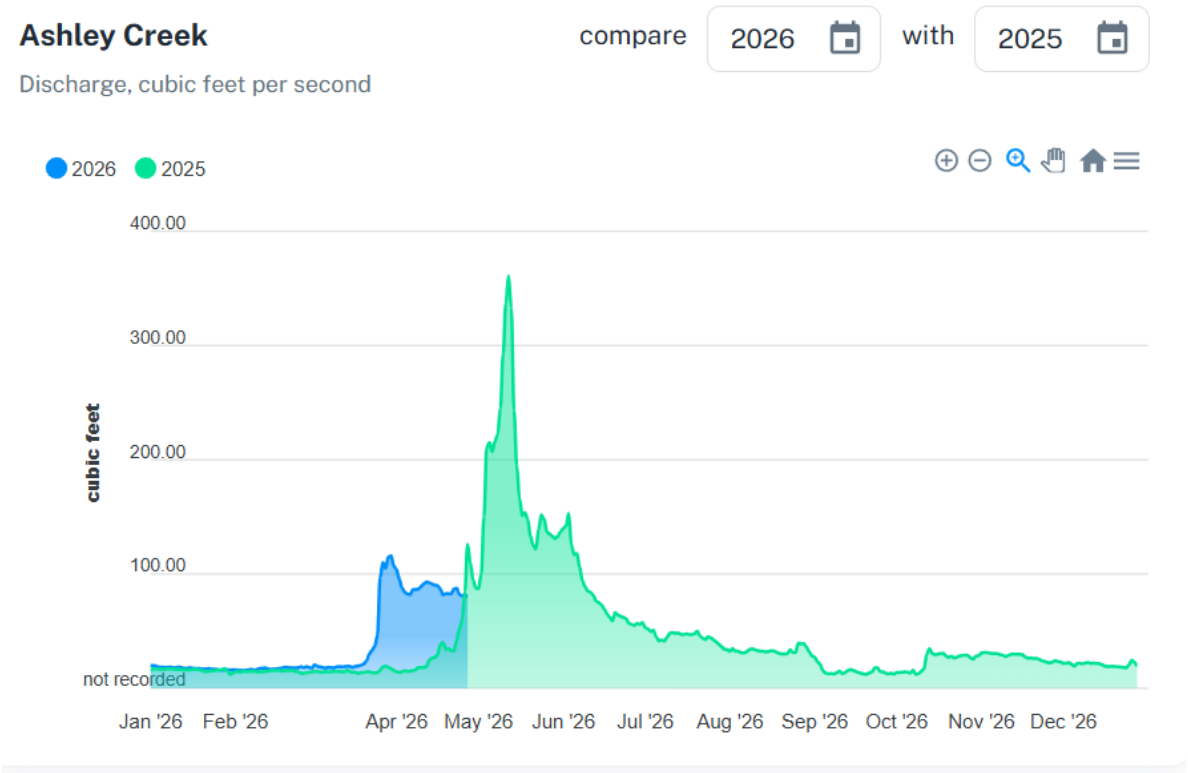
Brian Fuchs, National Drought Mitigation Center

Pacific Islands and Virgin Islands Author(s):

Anthony Artusa, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

# Ashley Creek Flows



## Red Fleet

compare 2026 with 2025

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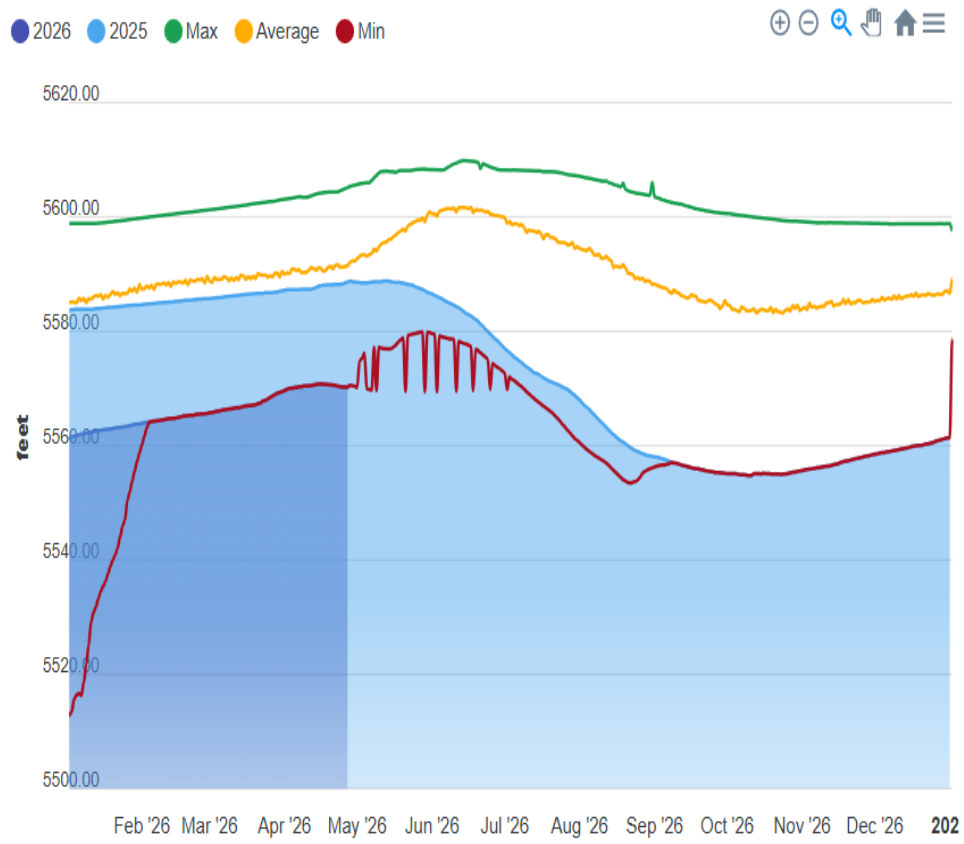


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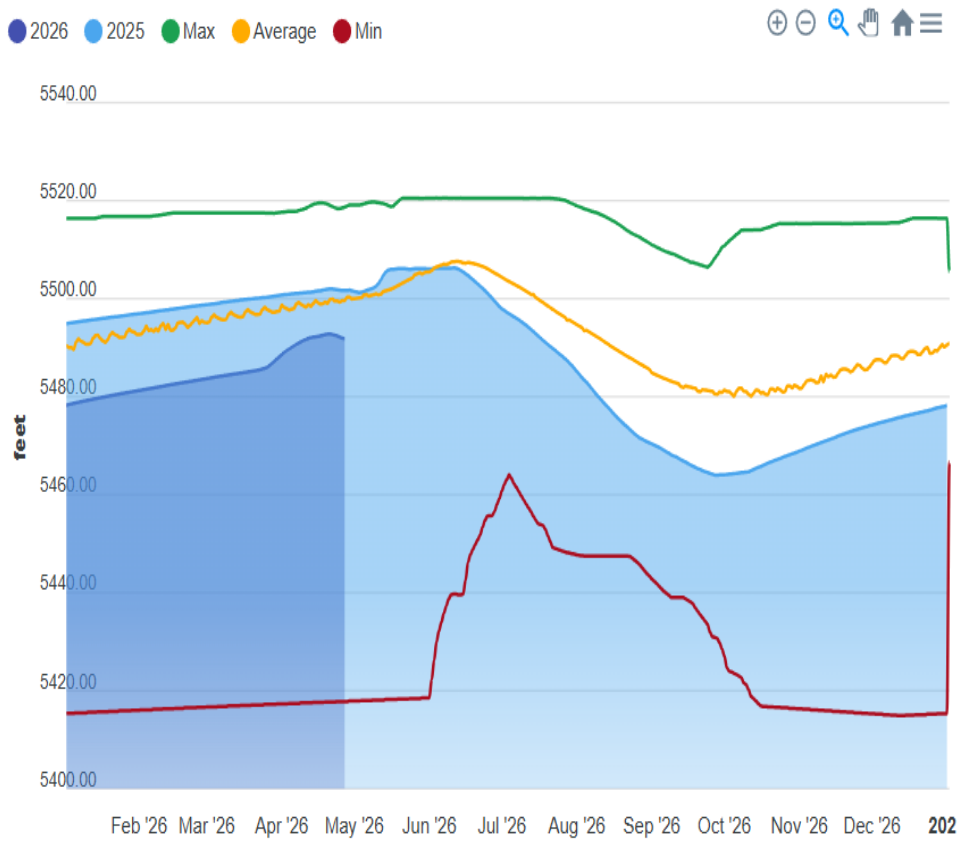
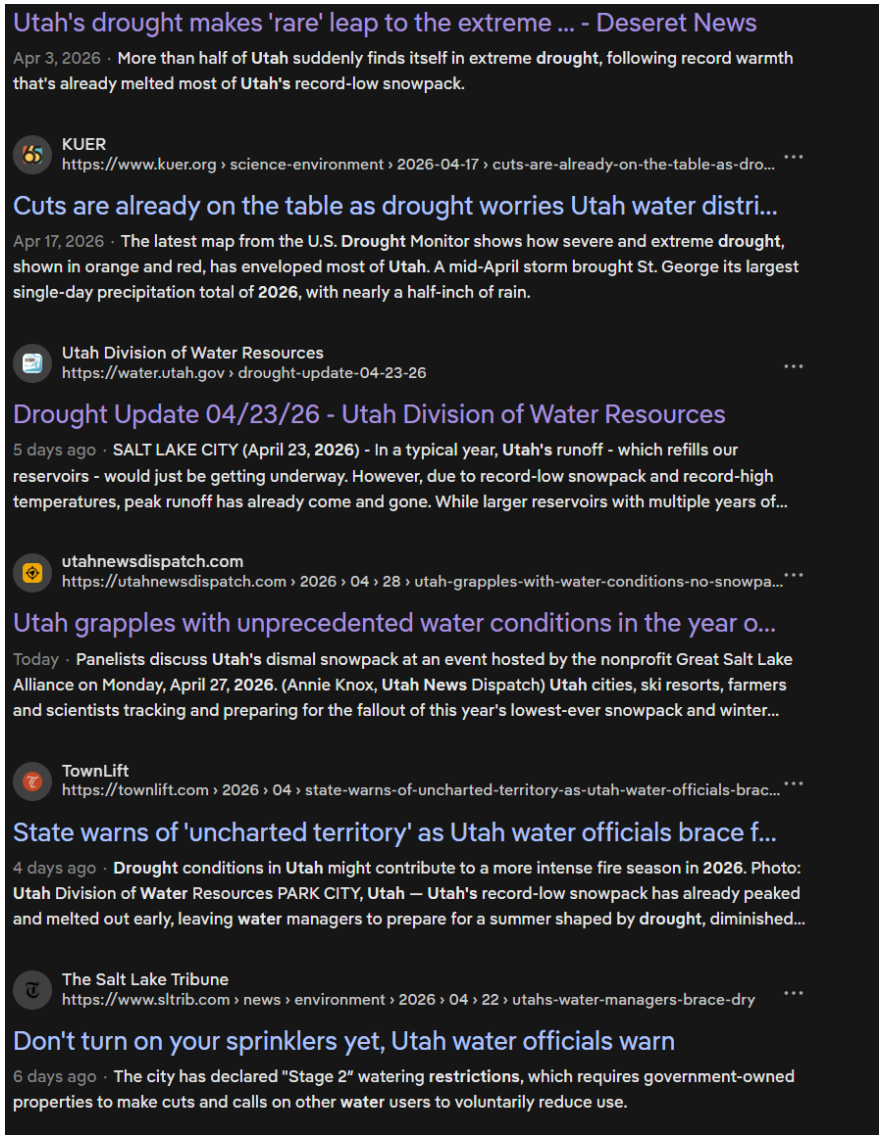


# Drought Conditions in the News

- Salt Lake issues 'Stage 2' drought response after record-setting dry winter, early runoff
- Utah town cuts outdoor watering as supply hits critical levels
- Utah water district responds to drought, faces calls for stronger action
- Morgan County cuts water use, adopts new conservation strategies
- City issues warning reminding residents against using culinary water to maintain yards


Utah's drought makes 'rare' leap to the extreme ... - Deseret News
Apr 3, 2026 · More than half of Utah suddenly finds itself in extreme drought, following record warmth that's already melted most of Utah's record-low snowpack.
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https://www.kuer.org › science-environment › 2026-04-17 › cuts-are-already-on-the-table-as-dro...
Cuts are already on the table as drought worries Utah water distri...
Apr 17, 2026 · The latest map from the U.S. Drought Monitor shows how severe and extreme drought, shown in orange and red, has enveloped most of Utah. A mid-April storm brought St. George its largest single-day precipitation total of 2026, with nearly a half-inch of rain.
Utah Division of Water Resources
https://water.utah.gov › drought-update-04-23-26
Drought Update 04/23/26 - Utah Division of Water Resources
5 days ago · SALT LAKE CITY (April 23, 2026) - In a typical year, Utah's runoff - which refills our reservoirs - would just be getting underway. However, due to record-low snowpack and record-high temperatures, peak runoff has already come and gone. While larger reservoirs with multiple years of...
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Utah grapples with unprecedented water conditions in the year o...
Today · Panelists discuss Utah's dismal snowpack at an event hosted by the nonprofit Great Salt Lake Alliance on Monday, April 27, 2026. (Annie Knox, Utah News Dispatch) Utah cities, ski resorts, farmers and scientists tracking and preparing for the fallout of this year's lowest-ever snowpack and winter...
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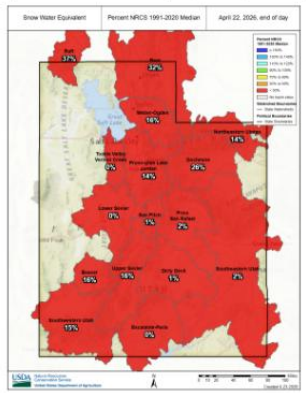
4 days ago · Drought conditions in Utah might contribute to a more intense fire season in 2026. Photo: Utah Division of Water Resources PARK CITY, Utah — Utah's record-low snowpack has already peaked and melted out early, leaving water managers to prepare for a summer shaped by drought, diminished...
The Salt Lake Tribune
https://www.sltrib.com › news › environment › 2026 › 04 › 22 › utahs-water-managers-brace-dry
Don't turn on your sprinklers yet, Utah water officials warn
6 days ago · The city has declared "Stage 2" watering restrictions, which requires government-owned properties to make cuts and calls on other water users to voluntarily reduce use.

# UDNR Water Report

by Kristin Forbis | Apr 23, 2026 | News | 0 comments




The Utah Department of Natural Resources has provided an update on water and the lack of it in the state. The April 21st update reports that Utah's snowpack is the lowest on record and peaked three weeks early. The state's peak was on March 9th at 8.4 inches. Water conservation remains critical as water managers prepare to rely on existing reservoir storage to meet summer demands. Reservoir storage averages 72% full in the state. Red Fleet Reservoir is at 41% full, Steinaker Reservoir is at 51%, Flaming Gorge is at 80%, Moon Lake Reservoir is at 73%, and Starvation Reservoir is at 92%.  As noted in the Natural Resources Conservation Service's April Water Supply Outlook Report, every major basin in Utah had record-low Snow Water Equivalent(SWE) as of April 1st, and some were almost completely melted-out. Most of Utah's 140 individual SNOTEL sites were at record-low, with 53 sites already dried out by then. By one week later, the number of snow-free sites in Utah had increased to 64. Snow Water Equivalent for the Northeastern Uintas is at 14% of the historical average for this time of year and Duchesne is 26%. Stay up to date on conditions at drought.utah.gov.

# Notice from Local State Agency Officials

SPENCER J. COX
*Governor*
DEIDRE M. HENDERSON
*Lieutenant Governor*

**State of Utah**
**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**
**Division of Water Rights**

JOEL FERRY
*Executive Director*

TERESA WILHELMSEN
*State Engineer/Division Director*

April 29, 2026

Ashley Valley Water and Sewer Improvement District
Jensen Water Improvement District
Maeser Water and Sewer Improvement District
Uintah County Commission
Vernal City

To whom it may concern:

As you are undoubtably aware, the Eastern Uintah Basin is experiencing another year of drought. Current water flows and water flow projections on both Ashley Creek and Brush Creek are low and not very promising. Reservoir storage levels in both drainages are very low this year. It does not look like there will be enough water for irrigators and public water systems to operate as they normally have over the last few decades.

Due to the ongoing water shortage, we recommend that the culinary water districts seek to reduce water diversions and conserve water usage in any way possible from both the Ashley Creek and Brush Creek drainages. We are concerned that there may not be enough natural flow and storage water to meet high demands and past water usage diversions this year. If we are not conservative with our water use in the valley, the culinary water systems in the valley may run out of water. In a low water scenario, the Ashley Creek Water Commissioner and the Utah State Engineer's office may have to reduce water diversions or shut down water diversions due to either the priority system that is used in this state for water rights or due to a lack of available water.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Andy Holmes
Ashley Creek River Commissioner
435-621-4281

Andrew W. Dutson, P.E.
Regional Engineer
435-247-1511

Eastern Region, Vernal Office, 318 N Vernal Ave., Vernal, UT 84078-1704
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# Water Rights Basics

*Discussing Water Rights, A Western Pastime*


UTAH is the 2nd driest
state in the Nation!


BRIGHTON LAKE LN 7945 S
NO OUTLET

| Snow Water Equivalent | Utah Snotel 3-30-26<br>Percent NRCS 1991-2020 Median | March 29, 2026, end of day |
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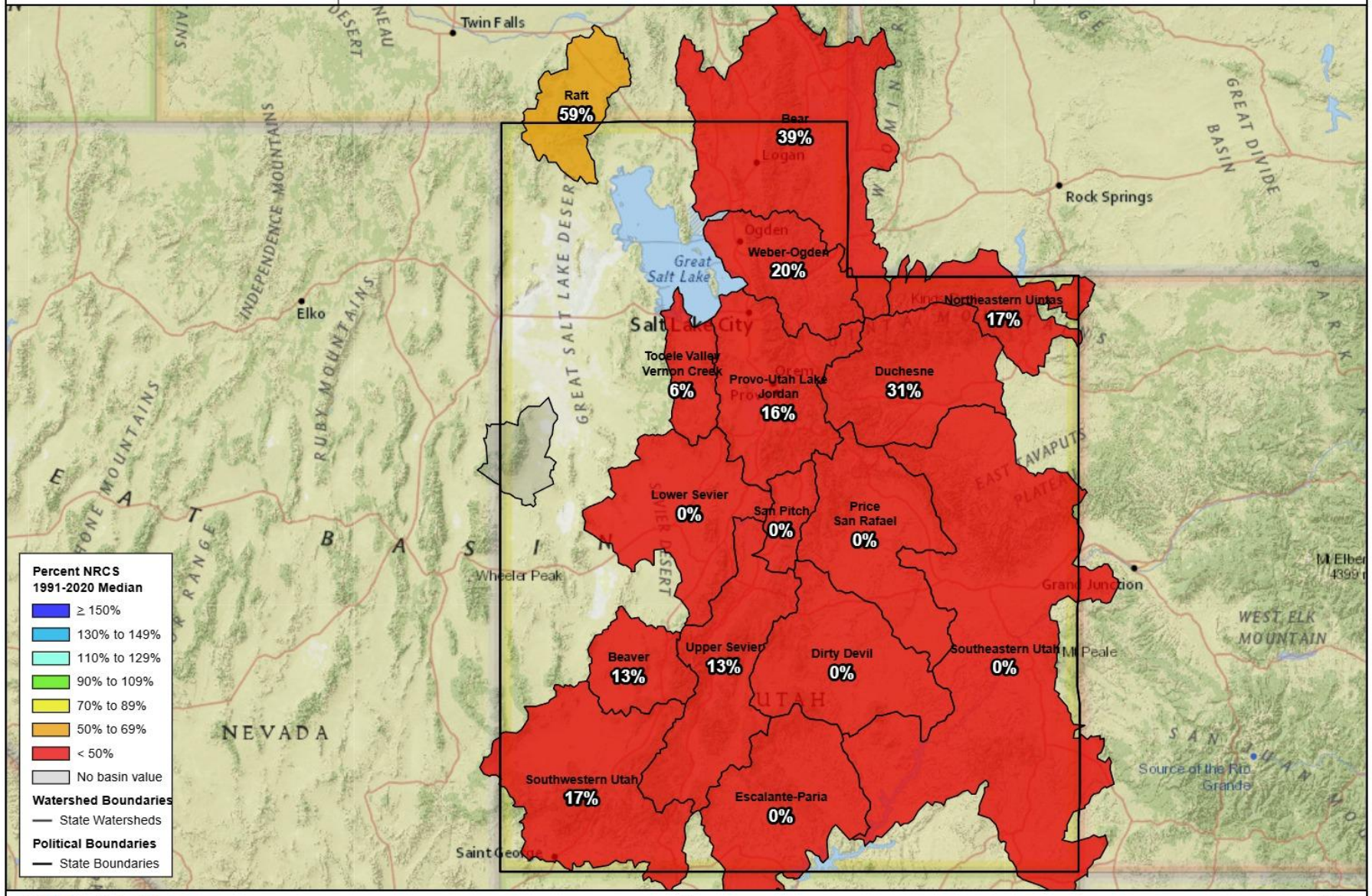


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Great Salt Lake
Bonneville
Salt Flats
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UTAH
Book Cliffs
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Moab
Colorado
River
La Sal Mtns.
Canyonlands NP
Bryce Canyon NP
Saint
George
Zion NP
Lake Powell
Four Corners
Grand Canyon
Monument
Valley

# Average Annual Precipitation

## Utah

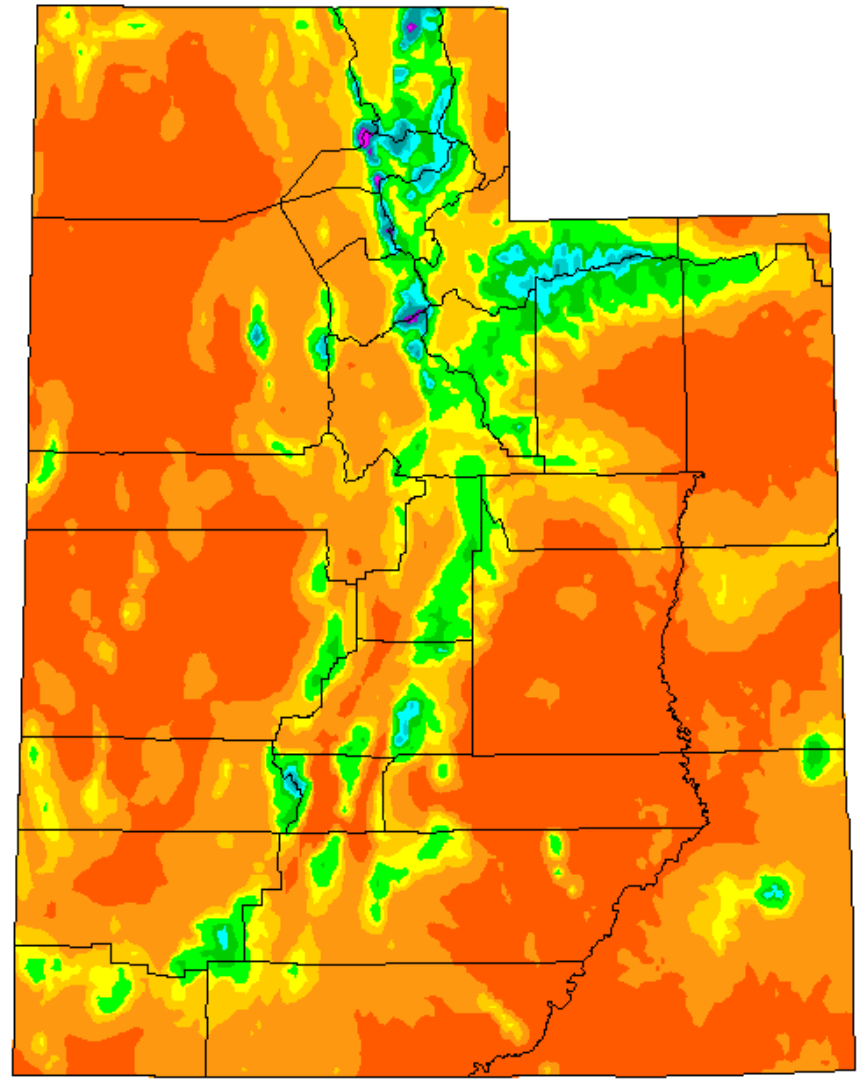
Legend (in inches)

| | |
|---|---|
| Under 10 | 35 to 40 |
| 10 to 15 | 40 to 45 |
| 15 to 20 | 45 to 50 |
| 20 to 25 | 50 to 55 |
| 25 to 30 | Above 55 |
| 30 to 35 | |

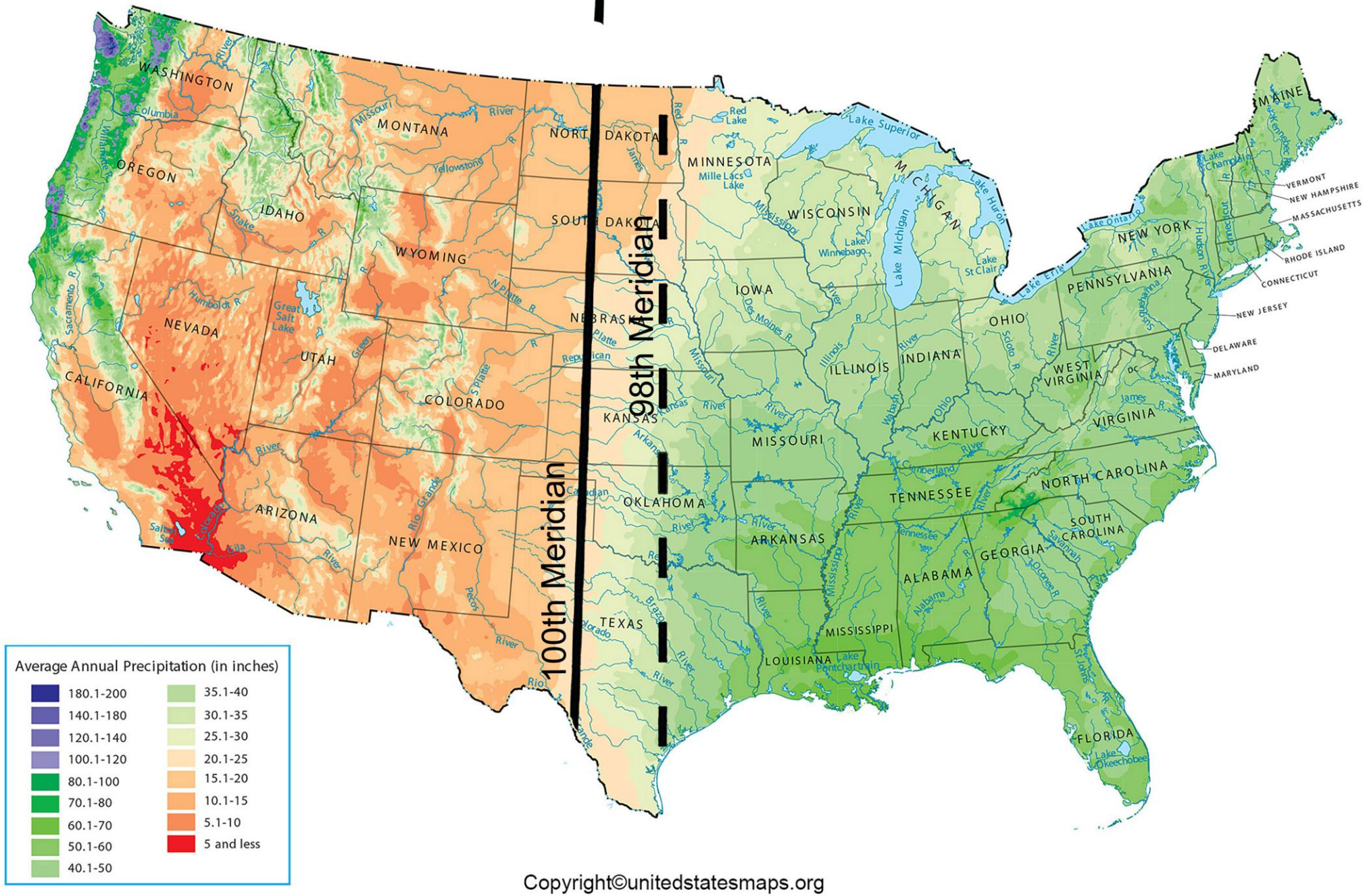
For information on the PRISM modeling system, visit the SCAS web site at http://www.ocs.orst.edu/prism

The latest PRISM digital data sets created by the SCAS can be obtained from the Climate Source at http://www.climatesource.com

This is a map of annual precipitation averaged over the period 1961-1990. Station observations were collected from the NOAA Cooperative and USDA-NRCS SnoTel networks, plus other state and local networks. The PRISM modeling system was used to create the gridded estimates from which this map was made. The size of each grid pixel is approximately 4x4 km. Support was provided by the NRCS Water and Climate Center.



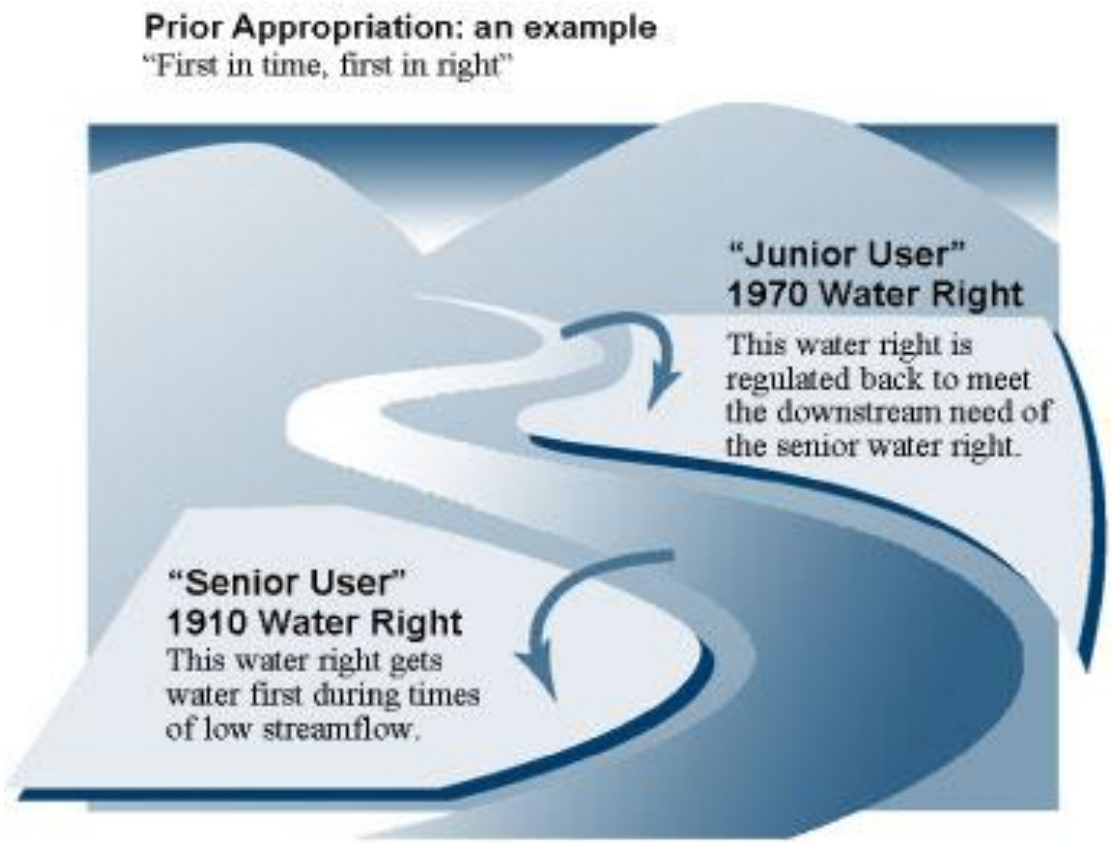
# When  you go from East to West, your rules have to change.



| Riparian Law | Prior Appropriation |
| --- | --- |
| **Land Owner:** Right to use a reasonable amount of water as it crosses the property. | **Water Right Owner:** "First in Time is First in Right" |
| Influenced by **English Law** | Influenced by **Western Mining Law** |
| Lots of available water | Scarcity of water:<br><br>Defined amount of water |

# Utah is a “Prior Appropriation Doctrine” State

- Prior Appropriation means that the first person to use or “appropriate” the water is entitled to the first right.
- Essentially a “first come first served” principle.




***An example of prior appropriation at work***

Prior appropriation ensures that the first water user to obtain water rights has first access to water in times of shortage. If a “downstream” landowner has the earlier priority date (they initiated their water right in 1910) the “upstream” landowner may have to let the water pass unused to meet the needs of the senior, downstream water right holder.

# Historical Justification for “Prior Appropriation”

▶ There had to be a way to reward those who put in the effort to divert and use the water.

# What does all of that have to do with the Rate Increase?

# All of the water in Utah is owned by the State.

*The State grants a “right” to use water to individuals according to the State’s rules and regulations.*

All water deliveries are subject to the rules and laws the state has implemented

Some water rights have a higher priority and will get their water first

Some properties have rights to use water that are NOT tied to the culinary system

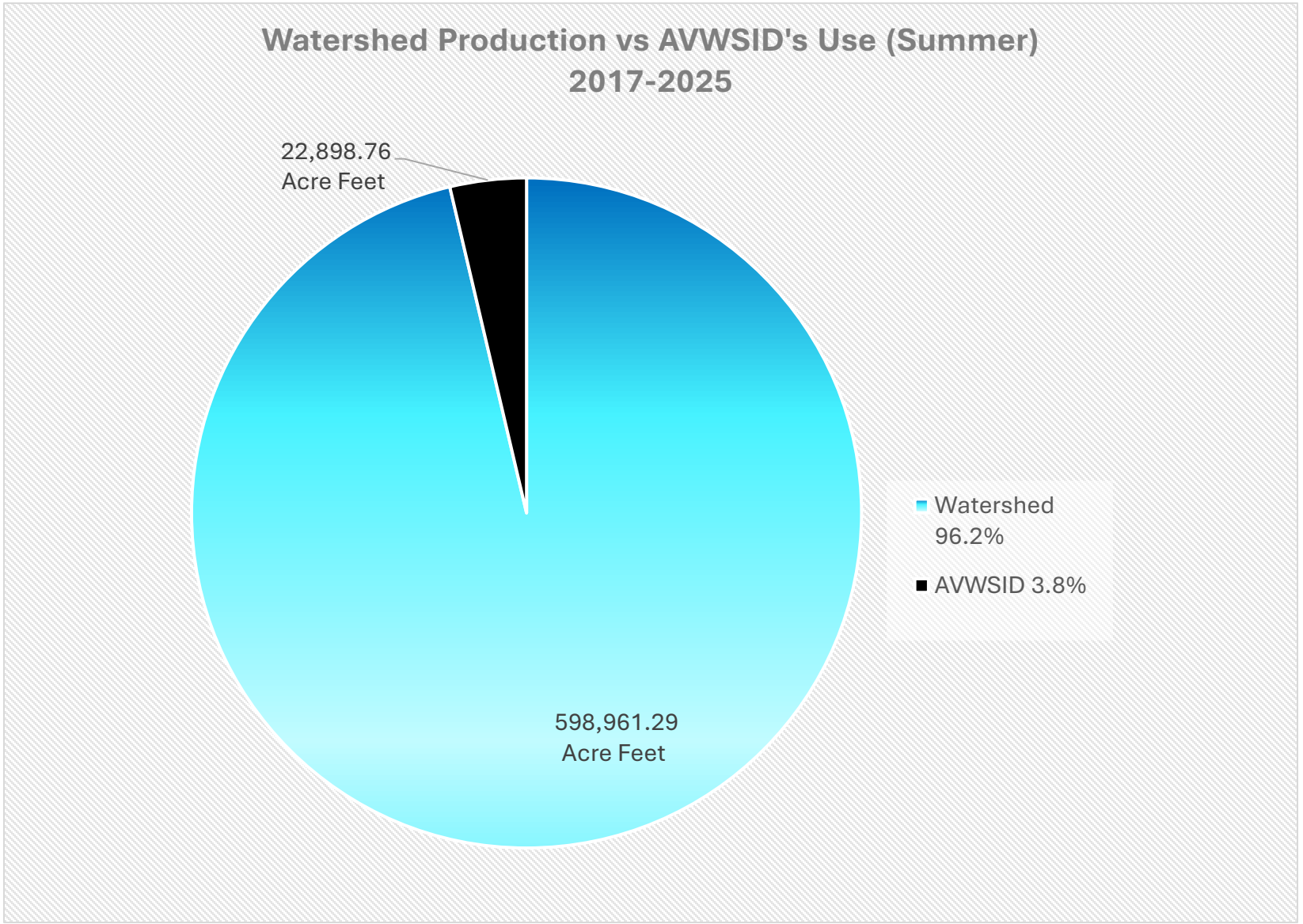
AVWSID has no legal ability to restrict use other than to its own customers

There are 4 water districts locally, and each one is approaching water conservation differently

Everyone in the valley will experience water shortages this year

If the drought continues into next year, conditions will be worse

Total outdoor restrictions might be required as the summer progresses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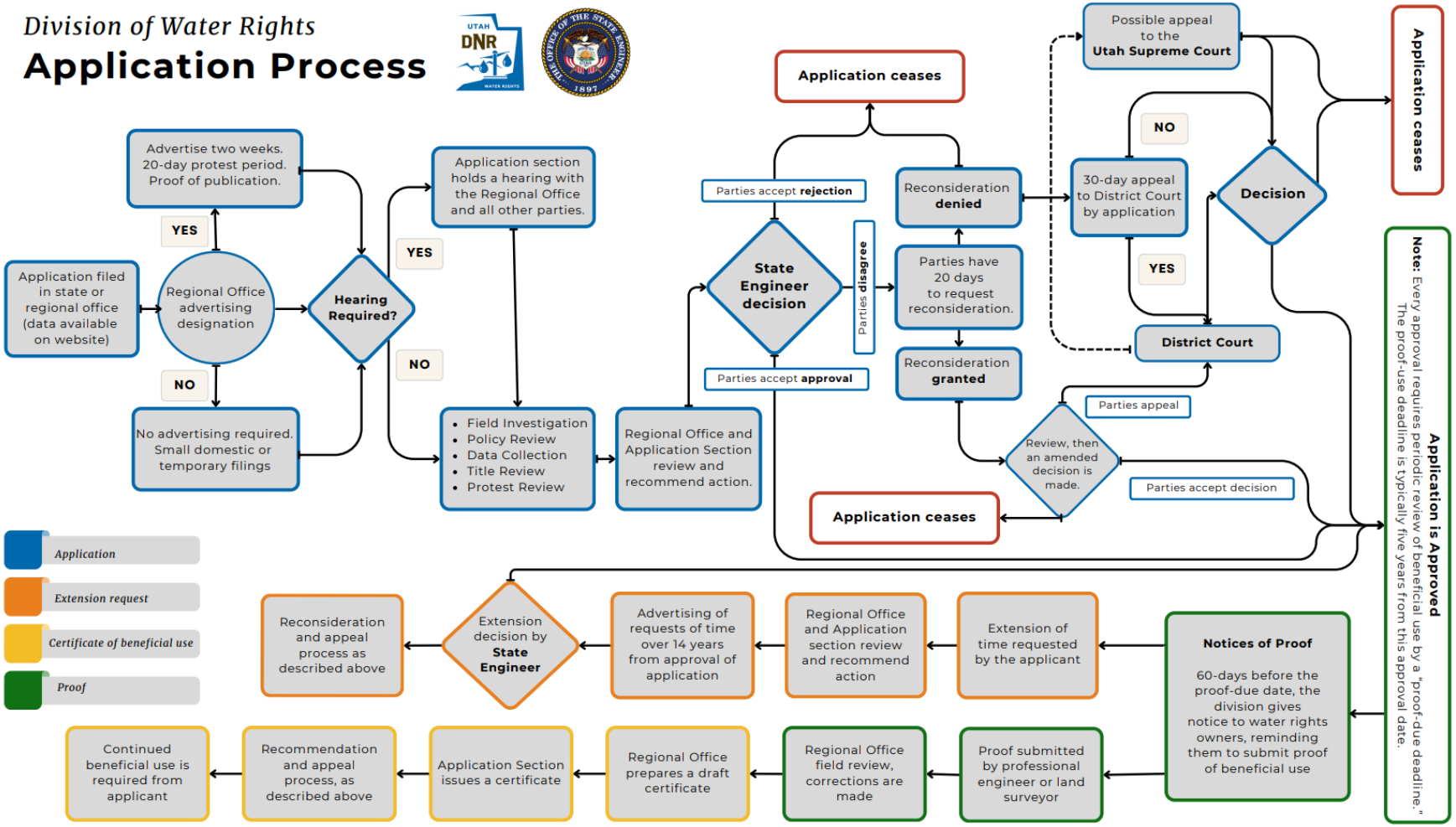


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- While leasing water for temporary use is legal in Utah, there is a process.
- This process allows for a 120-day review from the water right owner, then an additional two-week advertisement period, then 20 days for protests.
- District submitted a Change Application last year and almost all 120 review days were used and the summer was basically over before the water could be used.
- District has 4 temporary leases currently in the process of being approved.
- District is seeking additional parters who would be willing to lease water to the district for the summer months.

# 2026 Proposed Rates Survey Results Guided Modifications

Survey results from a month ago shaped how the tiered structure was formed. Here are some things we learned

- Those that conserve should NOT be punished by higher rates
- Customers were very clear that the highest users should pay the most money
- Fines should be created for those who violate the rules
- Conservation Rates should be temporary
- Billing information needs to be clear
- Public education and communication has been lacking
- Text messages and emails are the best way to contact customers
- Outdoor restrictions are overwhelmingly supported
- Any restrictions need to apply to everyone

# How is the District using what it learned?

# Those that Conserve should be rewarded, not punished!

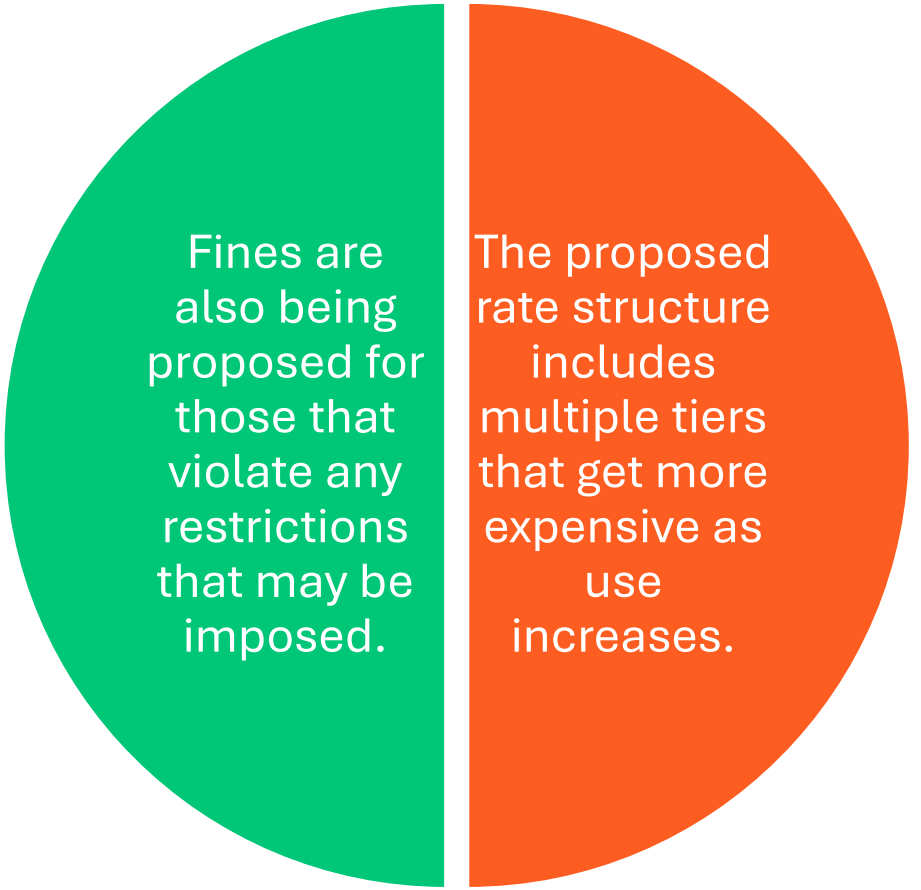
District agrees.  Those that conserve should NOT be punished with higher bills.  This rate proposal lowers the base rate, and the bill for usage up to 13,000 gallons.

## Why 13,000.  Where did that number come from?

Additionally, based on what rights the district has in the reservoirs currently, there is sufficient water for indoor and minor outdoor use.

Residential indoor use on average is approximately 5,000 to 6,000 gallons a month.  Rates were designed to reduce monthly bill if a customer uses the quantity for indoor use, while accommodating some outdoor use for animals, a small garden, and bushes and trees.

# The highest users should pay the most money



# Conservation Rates should be Temporary

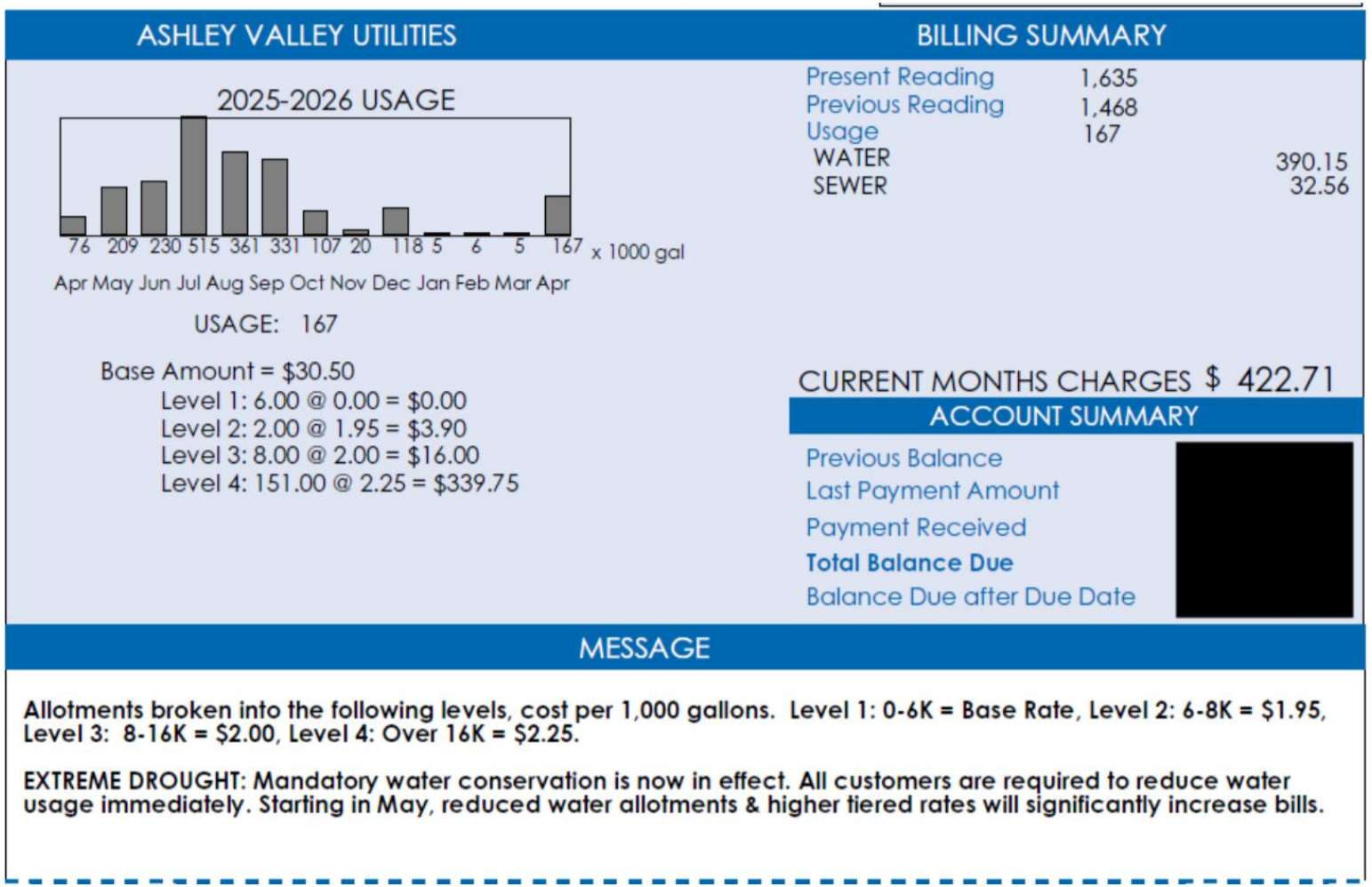
While it always seems that rates only ever go up and never down, the district doesn’t want to fall into that mentality.

So, just like in October 2025, the district will rescind the Conservation Rate once temperatures have changed and customers go back to indoor use only.

Typical change in water use happens in October, depending on weather, rainfall, and climate predictions.

# Billing information needs to be clear.

- The district recently made some changes to its billing format to show the tier breakdown and cost for each tier in the billing.



ASHLEY VALLEY UTILITIES

2025-2026 USAGE

76 209 230 515 361 331 107 20 118 5 6 5 167 x 1000 gal

Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr

USAGE: 167

Base Amount = $30.50
Level 1: 6.00 @ 0.00 = $0.00
Level 2: 2.00 @ 1.95 = $3.90
Level 3: 8.00 @ 2.00 = $16.00
Level 4: 151.00 @ 2.25 = $339.75

BILLING SUMMARY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Present Reading | 1,635 | |
| Previous Reading | 1,468 | |
| Usage | 167 | |
| WATER | | 390.15 |
| SEWER | | 32.56 |

CURRENT MONTHS CHARGES $ 422.71

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Previous Balance
Last Payment Amount
Payment Received
**Total Balance Due**
Balance Due after Due Date

[redacted]

MESSAGE

**Allotments broken into the following levels, cost per 1,000 gallons. Level 1: 0-6K = Base Rate, Level 2: 6-8K = $1.95, Level 3: 8-16K = $2.00, Level 4: Over 16K = $2.25.**

**EXTREME DROUGHT: Mandatory water conservation is now in effect. All customers are required to reduce water usage immediately. Starting in May, reduced water allotments & higher tiered rates will significantly increase bills.**

# Outdoor Restriction

Depending on weather, the district may be forced to implement outdoor restrictions.

Options include:

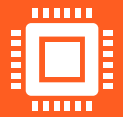
| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Watering only on certain days | No use of water for cleaning hardscape surfaces | Restricting hours of use | Implementation of fines for violation |

# Better information on use needs to be available.

The district is investing now in a new cellular meter system that allow for customers to check usage daily.

This process involves replacing the existing radio transmitter to allow for readings to occur daily.

If a customer finds this beneficial, they can request a change out through the office staff.



An online portal is being developed and available in the next few weeks for customers who have their transmitter changed.

# So, let’s look at the rates now.

Also can be found on our website at:

https://www.ashleywatersewerut.gov/2026-water-conservation-rate-proposal

# 2026 Proposed Rates

## Ashley Valley Residential

| NORMAL WATER RATE | K Gal | Base $30.50 |
|---|---|---|
| Tier 1 | 0 - 6 | $0.00 |
| Tier 2 | 6 - 8 | $1.95 |
| Tier 3 | 8 -16 | $2.00 |
| Tier 4 | 16+ | $2.25 |

| CONSERVATION RATE 2 (2025) | K Gal | Base $30.50 |
|---|---|---|
| Tier 1 | 0 - 6 | $0.00 |
| Tier 2 | 6 - 10 | $3.50 |
| Tier 3 | 10 - 16 | $3.75 |
| Tier 4 | 16 - 32 | $4.00 |

| 2026 CONSERVATION RATE | K Gal | Base $20.50 |
|---|---|---|
| Tier 1 | 0 - 6 | $0.00 |
| Tier 2 | 6 - 10 | $2.50 |
| Tier 3 | 10 - 16 | $7.50 |
| Tier 4 | 16 - 32 | $14.50 |
| Tier 5 | 32+ | $22.00 |

| EMERGENCY RATE 3 | K Gal | Base $20.50 |
|---|---|---|
| Tier 1 | 0 - 6 | $0.00 |
| Tier 2 | 6 - 10 | $5.00 |
| Tier 3 | 10 - 16 | $12.00 |
| Tier 4 | 16 - 32 | $22.00 |
| Tier 5 | 32-50 | $40.00 |
| Tier 6 | 50+ | $70.00 |

| | Current | Proposed |
|---|---|---|
| Residential Sewer | $32.56 | $33.00 |
| Commercial Sewer | $38.84 | $39.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Commercial Sewer Overage Current | $3.35 per 1,000 gallons over 8,000 gallons |
| Commercial Sewer Overage Proposed | $3.70 per 1,000 gallons over 8,000 gallons |

Sewer rate increases are directly tied to AVSMB's rate increase

## Ashley Valley Commercial

| NORMAL WATER RATE | K Gal | Base $30.50 |
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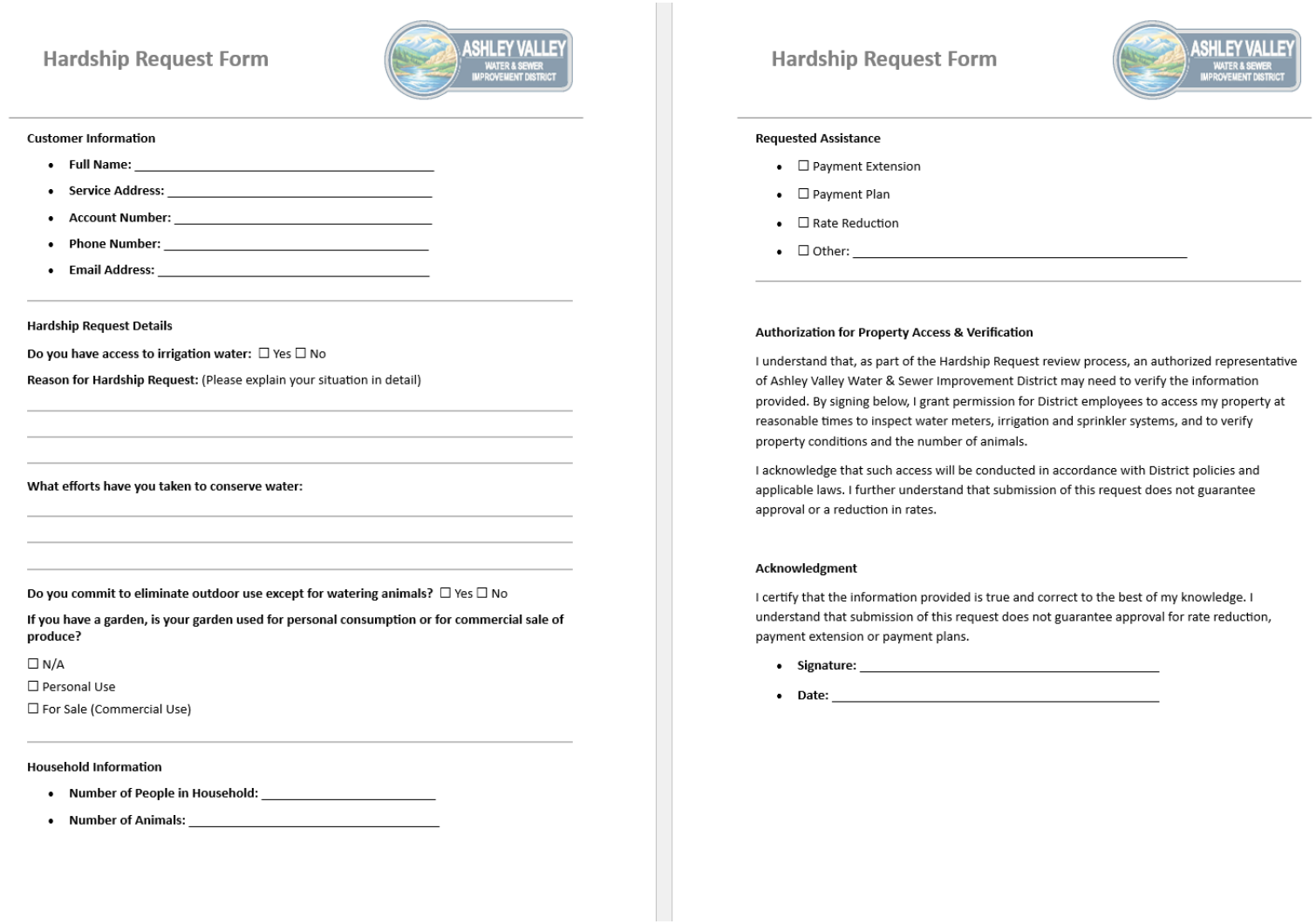

## Hardship Request Form

ASHLEY VALLEY WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

**Customer Information**

- **Full Name:** _____
- **Service Address:** _____
- **Account Number:** _____
- **Phone Number:** _____
- **Email Address:** _____

**Hardship Request Details**

**Do you have access to irrigation water:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Reason for Hardship Request:** (Please explain your situation in detail)

_____

_____

_____

**What efforts have you taken to conserve water:**

_____

_____

_____

**Do you commit to eliminate outdoor use except for watering animals?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**If you have a garden, is your garden used for personal consumption or for commercial sale of produce?**

☐ N/A

☐ Personal Use

☐ For Sale (Commercial Use)

**Household Information**

- **Number of People in Household:** _____
- **Number of Animals:** _____

## Hardship Request Form

ASHLEY VALLEY WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

**Requested Assistance**

- ☐ Payment Extension
- ☐ Payment Plan
- ☐ Rate Reduction
- ☐ Other: _____

**Authorization for Property Access & Verification**

I understand that, as part of the Hardship Request review process, an authorized representative of Ashley Valley Water & Sewer Improvement District may need to verify the information provided. By signing below, I grant permission for District employees to access my property at reasonable times to inspect water meters, irrigation and sprinkler systems, and to verify property conditions and the number of animals.

I acknowledge that such access will be conducted in accordance with District policies and applicable laws. I further understand that submission of this request does not guarantee approval or a reduction in rates.

**Acknowledgment**

I certify that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submission of this request does not guarantee approval for rate reduction, payment extension or payment plans.

- **Signature:** _____
- **Date:** _____

How will you keep the hardship approvals fair?

## Water Use & Property Assessment Checklist

Check account billing data and verify usage has dropped by 20%

☐ Yes ☐ No

Landscape & Outdoor Watering

- Grass/Landscape condition: ☐ Lush/Green ☐ Dry/Stressed
- Garden present: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Garden size (sq ft or acres): _____

- Primary use: ☐ Family food only ☐ Commercial
- Produce sold: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Sprinkler system present: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Timer settings reviewed: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Valve boxes checked for leaks: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Water feature/fountain present: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Swimming pool present: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Pool type: _____ Estimated gallons: _____

Household & Water Demand

Number of people in household: _____

- Water used for medical reasons: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, explain: _____

Animals & Agricultural Use

- Animals watered: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Number of animals: _____

Type(s): _____

Auto-filling water through present: ☐ Yes ☐ No

- Fill system working properly: ☐ Yes ☐ No

## Water Use & Property Assessment Checklist

Water Source & Supply

- Primary water source: ☐ Municipal ☐ Well ☐ Irrigation

Secondary water source (if any): _____

Meter checked for leaks with all water off: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Structures & Equipment

Outbuildings using water (check all that apply):

- Shop ☐ Arena ☐ Barn ☐ Shed ☐ Other: _____

Swamp cooler present: ☐ Yes ☐ No

- Set to fill properly: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Inspector Name: _____

Date: _____

Property Address: _____

Additional Notes:

_____

_____


# Not everyone uses culinary water for outdoor use.

- AVWSID has partnered with Vernal City to order signs to put in yards that define that outdoor use is not culinary. Signs will be ready to hand out in the coming weeks.

# Resources

- www.ashleywatersewerut.gov
- https://conservewater.utah.gov/
- https://conservewater.utah.gov/weekly-lawn-watering-guide/
- https://slowtheflow.org/
  - Slow The Flow has multiple rebate programs available in this area
- https://www.ashleywatersewerut.gov/2026-water-rate-calculator

# Examples

- www.ashleywatersewerut.gov

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