

November 09, 2010 RESERVOIR LEVEL AND SNOW UPDATE

The snowpack this season is still off to a slow start at less than 50% of average, but this early in the season all it would take is a good storm to catch up. The average maximum snowpack in the Upper Rio Grande is about 22 inches. There is about one inch now, and this could double or more if the forecast holds true. Storage in Elephant Butte and Caballo dams increased slightly this past week and so we may now be past the minimum period and starting the filling period.

COMBINED STORAGE Elephant Butte and Caballo November 09, 2010 393,852 acre-feet

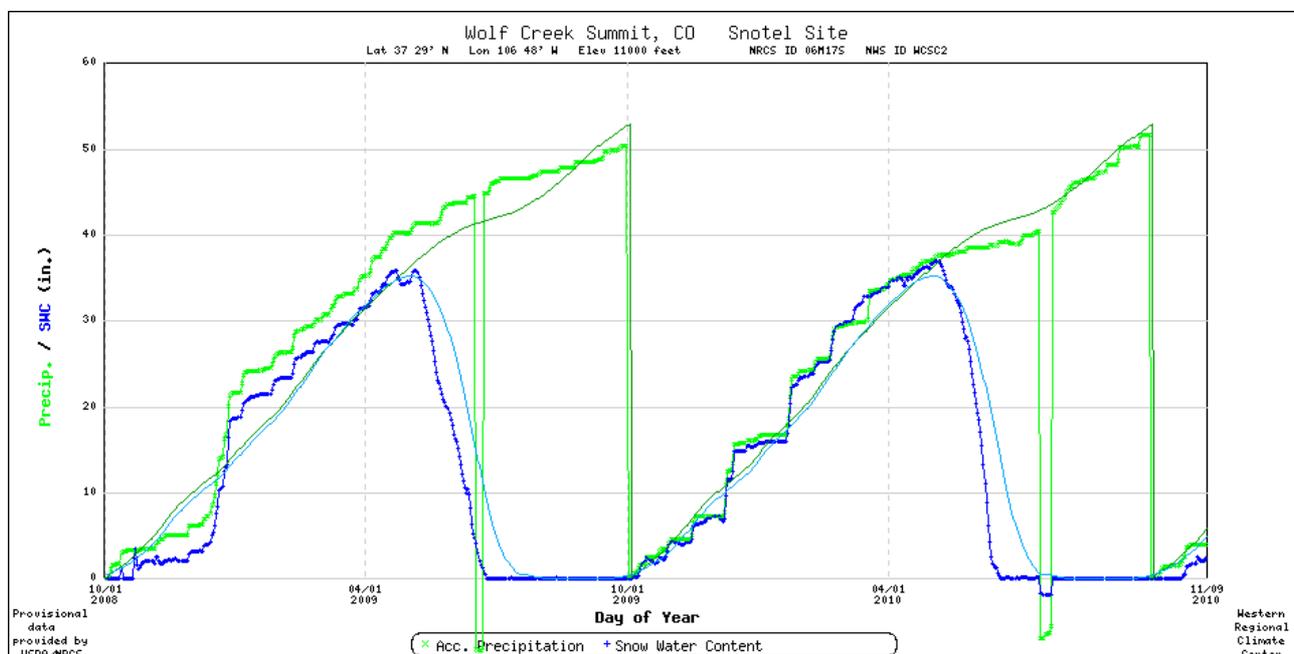
SNOW - PRECIPITATION UPDATE
Based on Mountain Data from NRCS SNOTEL Sites
As of Tuesday November 09, 2010

BASIN	ELEV.	SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT	TOTAL PRECIPITATION
Data Site Name	(Ft)	%	%

		Avg	Avg
UPPER RIO GRANDE BASIN			
	Basin wide percent of average	40*	69
RIO CHAMA BASIN			
	Basin wide percent of average	47*	54
SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAIN RANGE BASINS			
	Basin wide percent of average	14*	68

* Too early in the season to be meaningful

WOLF CREEK



FORECAST

UPPER RIO GRANDE VALLEY/EASTERN SAN JUAN MOUNTAINS BELOW 10000 FT-
INCLUDING...CREEDE...SOUTH FORK
402 AM MST TUE NOV 9 2010

TODAY

PARTLY SUNNY. SNOW LIKELY IN THE MORNING...THEN SLIGHT CHANCE OF RAIN EARLY IN THE AFTERNOON. CHANCE OF SNOW IN THE AFTERNOON. SNOW ACCUMULATION UP TO 1 INCH. HIGHS 29 TO 41. WEST WINDS 10 TO 20 MPH WITH GUSTS TO AROUND 40 MPH. CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION 70 PERCENT.

TONIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 50 PERCENT CHANCE OF SNOW UNTIL MIDNIGHT...THEN PARTLY CLOUDY AFTER MIDNIGHT. SNOW ACCUMULATION UP TO 1 INCH. LOWS 8 TO 14. SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 MPH. GUSTS UP TO 35 MPH UNTIL MIDNIGHT.

WEDNESDAY

PARTLY SUNNY. HIGHS 30 TO 39. SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 MPH.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 40 PERCENT CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. LOWS 11 TO 16. SOUTHWEST WINDS UP TO 10 MPH.

VETERANS DAY

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 50 PERCENT CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. LIGHT SNOW ACCUMULATIONS. HIGHS 27 TO 37. WEST WINDS UP TO 10 MPH.

THURSDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 20 PERCENT CHANCE OF SHOWERS. LOWS 9 TO 14.

FRIDAY THROUGH SATURDAY

PARTLY CLOUDY. HIGHS 30 TO 39. LOWS IN THE TEENS.

SATURDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 10 PERCENT CHANCE OF SHOWERS. LOWS 8 TO 18.

SUNDAY AND SUNDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY. A 20 PERCENT CHANCE OF SHOWERS. HIGHS 34 TO 44. LOWS 14 TO 23.

MONDAY

PARTLY SUNNY WITH A 20 PERCENT CHANCE OF SHOWERS. HIGHS 28 TO 38.

