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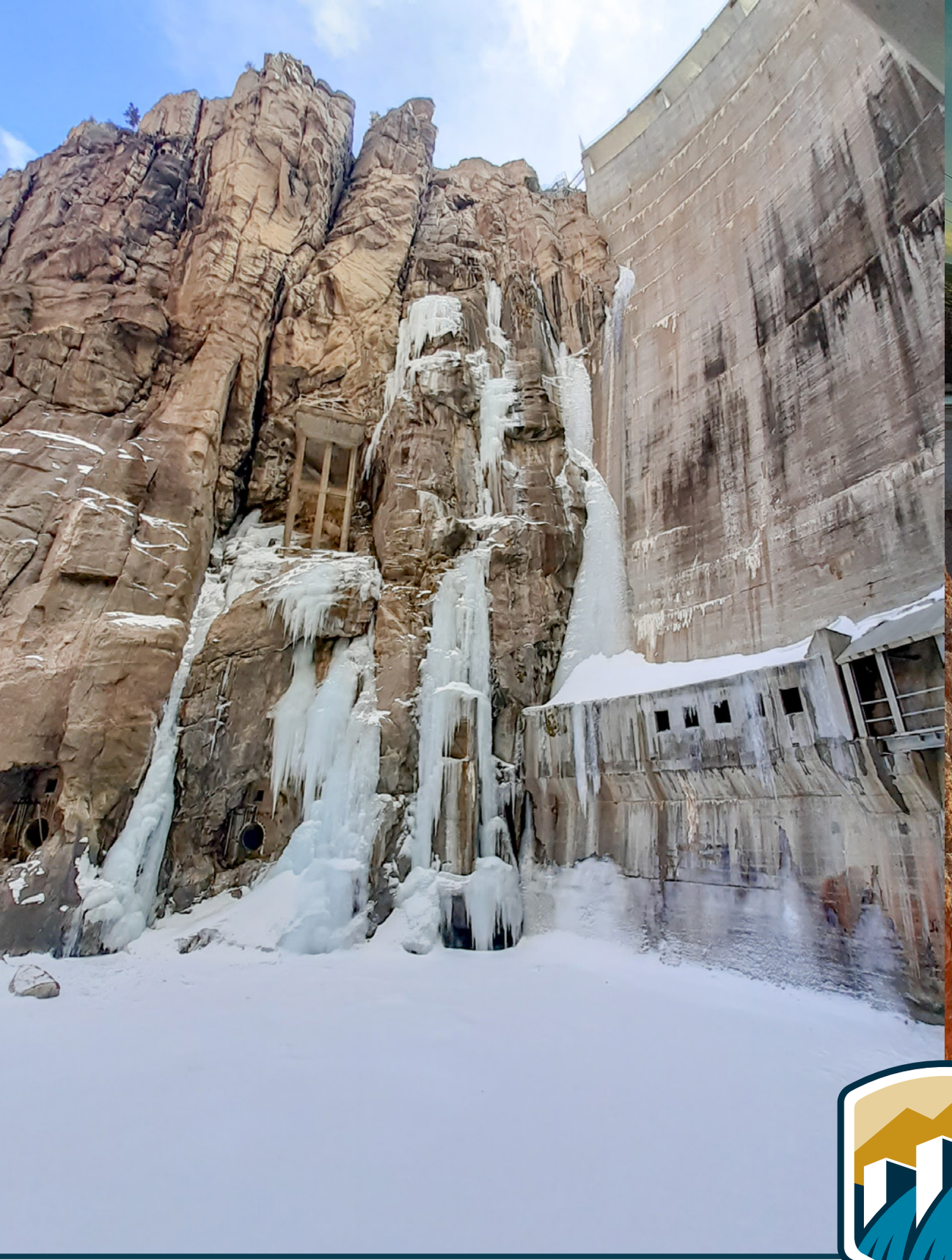

Photo by Kelsey Wagner
A dangerous but beautiful winter at Buffalo Bill Dam in Wyoming.

Photo by Kelsey Wagner
The sun shines over Yellowtail Dam and Reservoir in Montana.

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JANUARY 2021

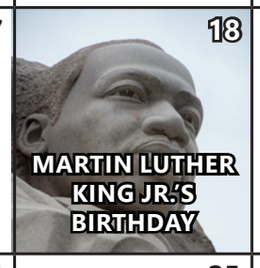
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Cover photo by Corbyn Coffelt The upstream end of Lake Sherburne Reservoir in Glacier National Park in Montana. This photo won 1st place in the 2020 photo contest.					1	2
3	4 1921 Shoshone Power Plant excavation begins (WY)	5	6	7	8	9
10 1951 First fill of Horsetooth Reservoir (CO)	11 1909 Boundary Waters Treaty with Canada signed	12	13	14	15 1910 Shoshone Dam last concrete placed (WY)	16
17	18 	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 1955 Lovewell Dam starts construction (KS)	28 1955 Norton Dam first diversion of water (KS)	29	30
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Photo by Dan DiCenso
Commercial divers install an experimental seal system designed by the Technical Services Center to the vertical contraction joints on the Pueblo Reservoir Dam in Colorado.

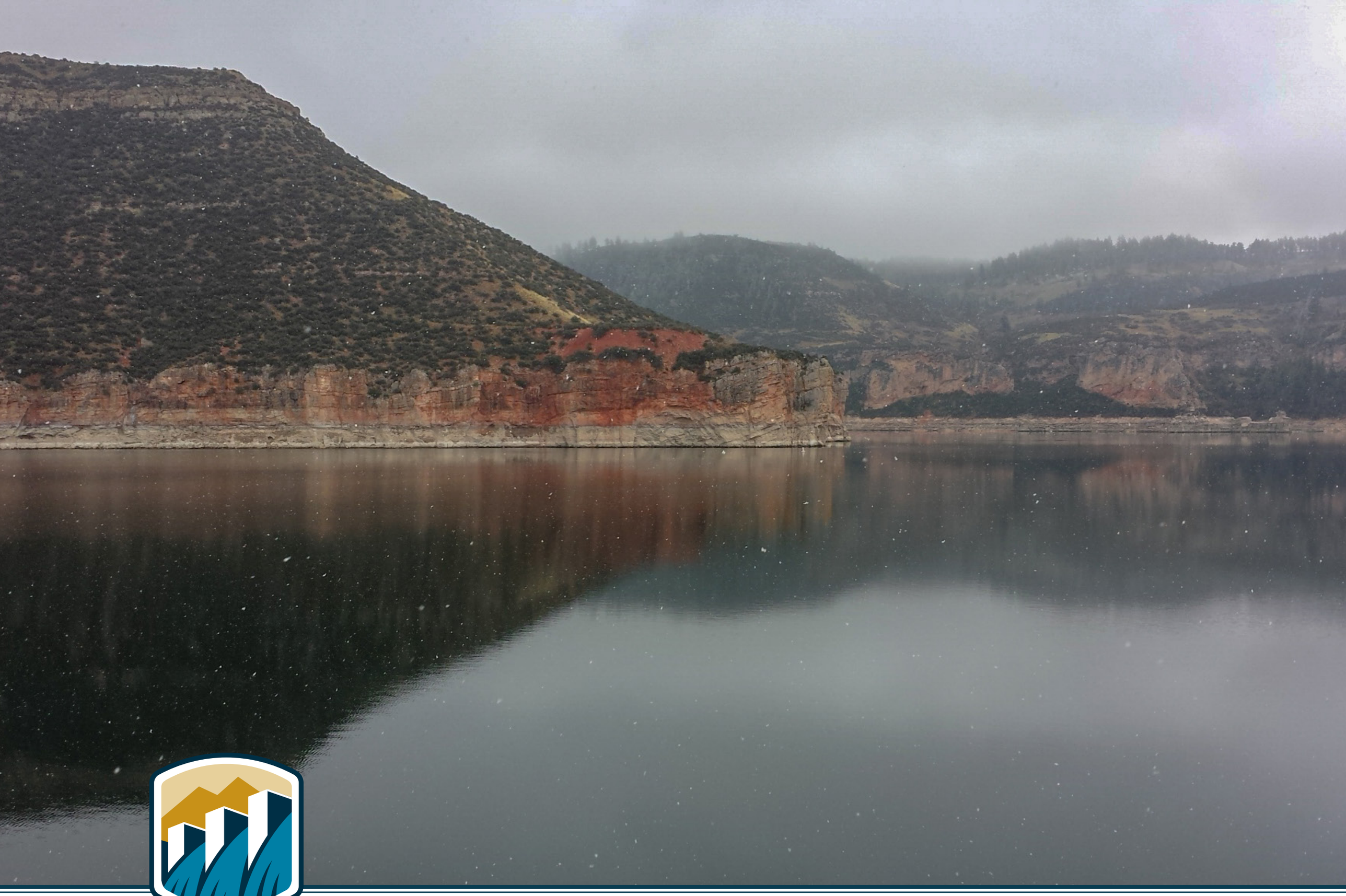

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Photo by Gary Barsness
Bighorn Lake in Montana during the winter.

FEBRUARY 2021

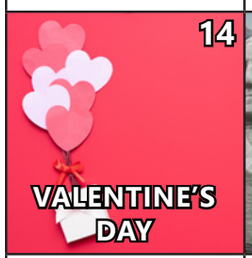
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1966 Norman Project delivers first water to City of Norman (OK)	2	3 1944 Treaty signed with Mexico for Rio Grande, Colorado & Tijuana Rivers	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 1963 Twin Buttes Dam completed (TX)
14  	15 	16	17	18	19 1937 Construction begins on Marshall Ford Dam (TX)	20
21 1911 Warren Act allows sale of surplus water to non-project irrigators	22	23	24	25 1956 Washita Basin Project authorized (OK)	26 1906 Sun River Project authorized (MT)	27
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Photo by Taryn Preston
Ice formations at Little Goose Bay in Montana.

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Photo by Gary Barsness
Mist from behind Shoshone Power Plant in Wyoming during spring runoff.

MARCH 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 1906 Belle Fourche Dam construction begins (SD)	2	3	4	5	6
7 1961 Merritt Dam construction begins (NE)	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS	15	16	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	18	19	20 1ST DAY OF SPRING
21	22	23 1908 Corbett Diversion Dam completed (WY)	24	25 1908 Jamestown Dam contract awarded (ND)	26	27
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Photo by Mark Skoric
Reclamation Staff install a new pump/motor assembly at Diamond Creek Dike Pumping Plant in Wyoming.

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Photo by Dave Marsh
Morning sunrise at Marys Lake in Colorado.

APRIL 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 1949 Construction begins on Cedar Bluff Unit (KS)	2	3
4 	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 1949 Angostura Power Plant closes (SD)	16	17
18 1905 Huntley Project authorized (MT)	19 1949 Construction begins on Shadehill Dam (SD)	20	21	22	23	24
25 1974 Construction begins on aquaduct system for Mountain Park Project (OK)	26 1940 Mirage Flats Project authorized (NE)	27	28	29	30 1965 Construction completed on pipelines for Norman Project (OK)	

Photo by Catherine Griffin
Zebra Mussels on rip rap at Waconda Lake in Kansas.

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Photo by Oliver Lorenzo
Rope Access Technicians work at Altus Dam in Oklahoma.

MAY 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 1966 O&M of Norman Project transferred to the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District (OK)	3	4	5	6	7	8 2008 Federal funding for the Platte River Recovery Program authorized
9 MOTHER'S DAY	10	11	12 1966 Construction resumes on Altus Dam after being delayed by WWII (OK)	13	14 1966 First concrete placed in Merritt Dam (NE)	15
16	17	18 1982 Choke Canyon Dam considered substantially complete (TX)	19	20	21 1907 President Theodore Roosevelt declared Huntley Project lands open for settlement (MT)	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 MEMORIAL DAY					

Photo by Kelsey Wagner
The Bighorn River flows in Montana.

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Photo by Jeff Ticknor
Jacob Noland and Adam Northrup inspect the spillway at Altus Dam.

JUNE 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5 1942 President Franklin D. Roosevelt approved Rapid Valley Project's Deerfield Dam (SD)
6 1914 Secretary of the Interior authorized construction of Lake Sherburne Dam (MT)	7	8	9	10	11	12 1906 Congress made Texas a Reclamation state
13	14	15	16	17 1902 U.S. Reclamation Service founded	18	19 2012 Dedication of Standing Rock Rural Water System treatment plant (SD)
20 	21 	22 1905 Construction of Lower Yellowstone Project begins (MT)	23 1947 First water through Alva B. Adams Tunnel (CO)	24	25	26
27	28	29 1972 First water delivered from Fryingpan-Arkansas Project (CO)	30 1962 Groundbreaking for Sandford Dam (TX)			

Photo by Samantha Bartz
Water flows out of the toe drain outfall at Box Butte Dam in Nebraska.

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Photo by Taryn Preston
A kite surfer rides the waves at Canyon Ferry Reservoir in Montana.

JULY 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 1967 First water impounded at Shadehill Dam (SD)	7	8	9	10 1982 Groundbreaking for the McGee Creek Project (OK)
11	12	13 1927 Guernsey Dam completed (WY)	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28 1947 First bucket of concrete placed at Angostura Dam (SD)	29	30	31

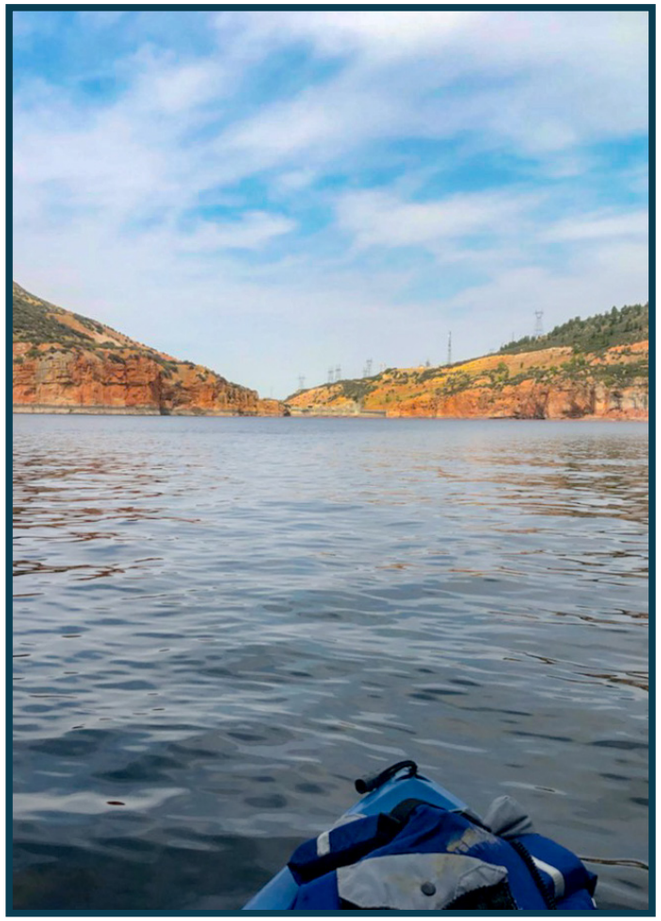

Photo by Kevin Cunningham
Recreation at Yellowtail Dam in Montana.

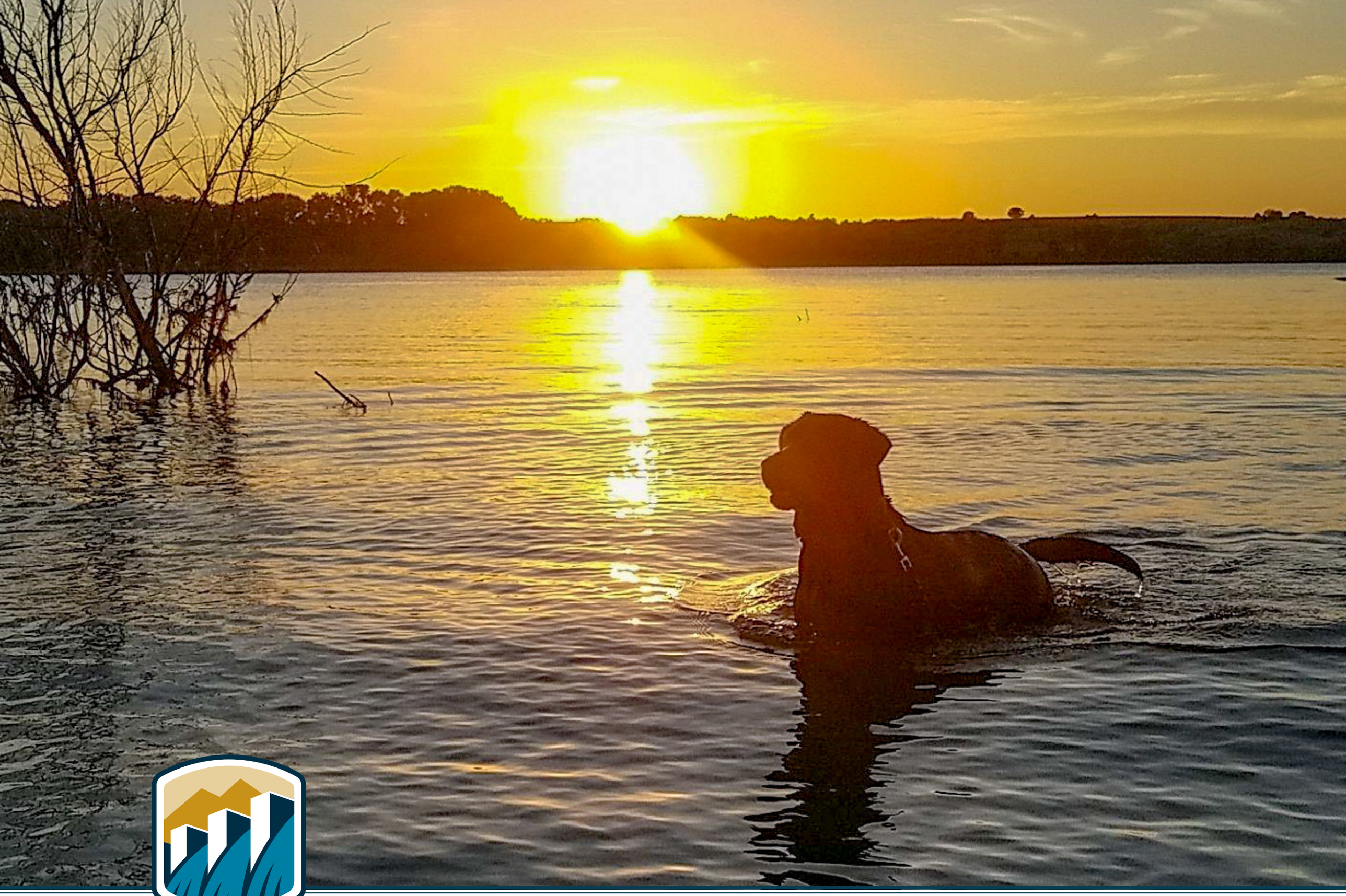

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Photo by Cherri Lashley
A Charcoal Labrador dog named Quinn cools off at the Red Willow Dam in Nebraska on a hot summer night. This photo tied for third place in the 2020 Photo Contest.

AUGUST 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5 1965 Initial stage of Garrison Project authorized (ND)	6	7 1962 President Kennedy dedicated Oahe Dam (SD)
8	9	10	11 1946 Mirage Flats Project completed (NE)	12	13	14 2012 Fort Peck/Dry Prairie Rural Water treatment plant dedicated (MT)
15 1951 Shadehill Dam completed (SD)	16 1962 Fryingpan-Arkansas Project authorized	17	18	19	20	21 2012 Lewis & Clark Rural Water System treatment plant dedicated (SD)
22 1950 Alcova Power Plant authorized (WY)	23 1986 McGee Creek Project dedicated (OK)	24	25	26	27 2006 Mid-Dakota Rural Water System completed (SD)	28
29	30	31 2006 Sanford Dam completed (TX)				

Photo by Laura Hertz
Full personal protective equipment is used while spraying invasive and noxious weeds for land management in South Dakota.

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Photo by Jeff Rieker
A fall sunrise at Green Mountain Dam and Power Plant in Colorado. This photo won 2nd place in the 2020 Photo Contest.

SEPTEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 1975 Construction work begins on Snake Creek Pumping Plant (ND)	3	4
5 1947 Dedication of Altus Dam (OK)	6 LABOR DAY	7	8	9	10	11 NEVER FORGET PATRIOT DAY
12	13 1950 First bucket of concrete placed at Canyon Ferry Dam (MT)	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 1953 Jamestown Dam completed 251 days ahead of schedule (ND)	21 1968 Mountain Park Project authorized (OK)	22 1ST DAY OF FALL	23	24	25 1970 Riverton Project reauthorized as a Pick-Sloan Unit (WY)
26	27	28 1976 McGee Creek Project authorized (OK)	29	30		

Photo by Corbyn Coffelt
Bull Lake Dam outlet works in Wyoming.

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Photo by Anellise Deters
Gary Bone and Anellise Deters inspect Trenton Dam Spillway Bridge in Nebraska.

OCTOBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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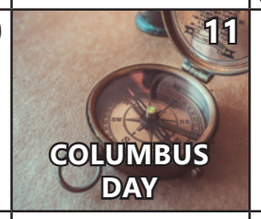
3 2020 Arkansas Valley Conduit Groundbreaking Ceremony (CO)	4	5 1965 First storage in Norton Dam (KS)	6	7	8	9
10 2012 Emmons County Water Treatment Plant dedicated (ND)	11 	12	13	14	15 2020 St. Mary Canal Repairs Ribbon Cutting Ceremony (MT)	16
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24	25	26	27 1974 Nueces River Project authorized (TX)	28	29	30
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Photo by Ron Rogers
Flatiron Reservoir outlet works and spillway in Colorado.

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Photo by Anna Hoag
A view of North Fork Red River from the top of Altus Dam in Oklahoma. This photo tied for 3rd place in the 2020 Photo Contest.

NOVEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 1952 Boysen Dam and Power Plant completed (WY)	6
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14 1946 Construction of Milk River Project completed (MT)	15	16	17	18	19	20
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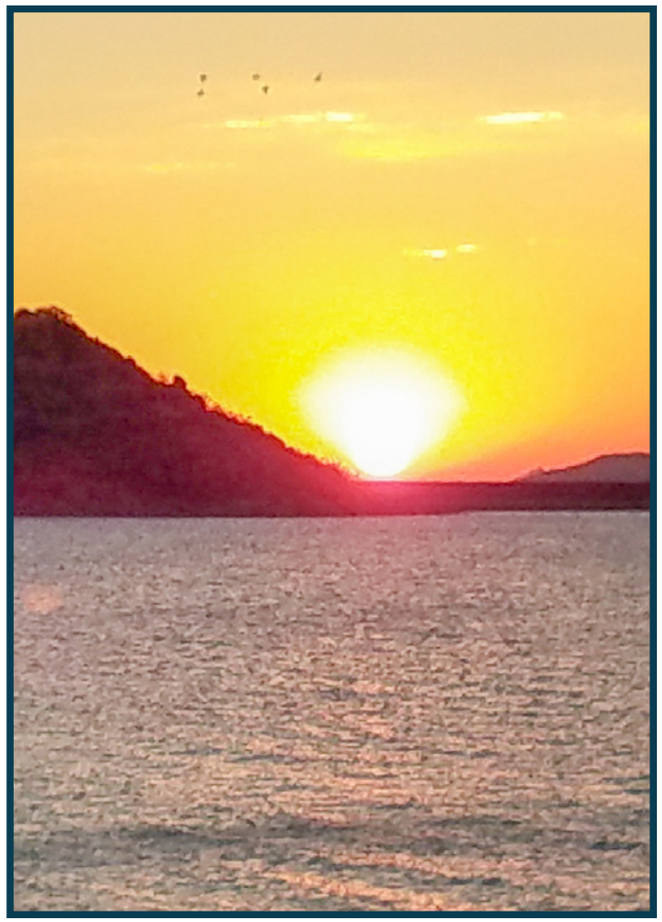

Photo by Gary Barsness
Lake Altus at sunrise in Oklahoma.

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Photo by Chan Worley
Old Glory flying high above an island on Pactola Lake in South Dakota.

DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5	6	7	8 1948 Heart Mountain Power Plant begins service (WY)	9 1949 Heart Butte Unit completed (ND)	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 1944 Flood Control Act becomes law, creating Pick-Sloan Program	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 1950 Canadian River Project authorized (TX)	30	31	

Photo by Taryn Preston
A calm morning on Canyon Ferry Reservoir in Montana.

2021

This calendar is produced by the Missouri Basin and Arkansas-Rio Grande-Texas Regions Public Affairs Staff featuring images submitted to the annual employee photo contest.

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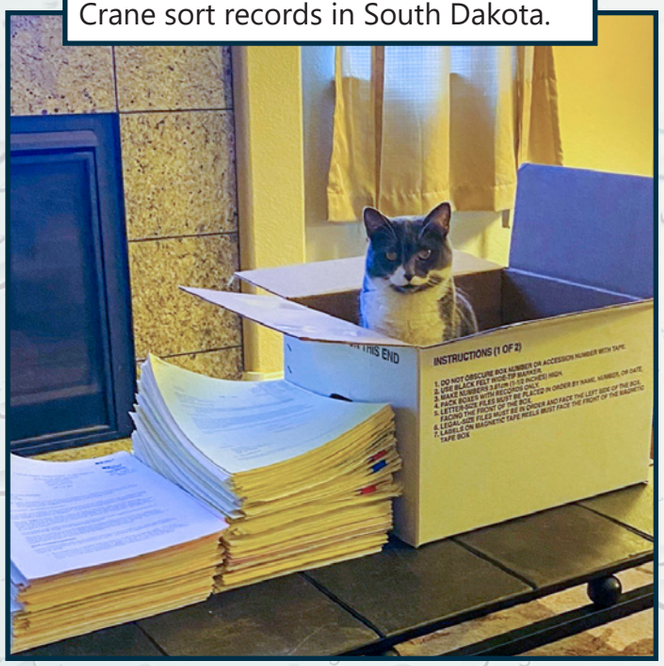
Two views while teleworking. Above: Brittany Jones' backyard vista in Montana. Below: Emma helps Kelley Crane sort records in South Dakota.



In a year of challenges, major progress was [illegible] seen. At the Regional Office in Billings, Montana, Tyler Johnson photographed the shovels used in the groundbreaking ceremony for Colorado's Arkansas Valley Conduit.

Smoke from wildfires darkened the skies this year. Above: Sam Braverman photographed smoky skies over Horsetooth Reservoir in Colorado. Below: Darryl Asher's photograph of a smoky morning at the Regional Office in Billings, Montana.

Nature always presents a variety of photographic subjects. Above: Elizabeth Jones captured this bear near Yellowtail Powerplant in Montana. Below: Juanita Tuttle's subject at Altus Dam in Oklahoma was somewhat smaller.

The Missouri Basin calendar highlights facilities, activities, and historical events around the region, and is not intended to be an all-inclusive publication.

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