



(Saturday, May 16, 2026)

Subject: Water Year 2026 Upper Snake River and Reservoir Operations Update

Purpose: The purpose of these updates is to provide information regarding Reclamation's operations and basin conditions as the season progresses. The information is provisional and subject to change.

**\*Milner Dam: Releases below Milner Dam will decrease incrementally on Sunday (-1,400 cfs) and Monday (-1,500 cfs), and Tuesday (-500 cfs), which will bring flow past Milner Dam to 0 cfs.** This will complete the delivery of approximately 75,000 acre-feet from the Palisades Powerhead storage account for flow augmentation ([Upper Snake Irrigation Project Flow Augmentation, CPN Region](#)).

May 2026 runoff forecasts

**CURRENT MONTHLY FORECAST SUMMARY  
MAY 1, 2026**

| FORECAST POINT  | FORECAST PERIOD | 1991-2020 AVERAGE (KAF) | FORECAST (KAF) | PERCENT NORMAL |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| *** HEISE       | MAY-JUL         | 2898                    | 2040           | 70%            |
| JACKSON LAKE    | MAY-JUL         | 701                     | 525            | 75%            |
| ISLAND PARK     | MAY-JUL         | 158                     | 90             | 57%            |
| TETON           | MAY-JUL         | 303                     | 181            | 60%            |
| *** RIRIE       | MAY-JUN         | 35                      | 3              | 10%            |
| *** LITTLE WOOD | MAY-JUL         | 52                      | 20             | 39%            |

\* Coordinated with USACE

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