

YBSA Monthly Report

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Storage: The current storage in the five reservoirs (Keechelus, Kachess, Cle Elum, Bumping, Rimrock) are at 61%. This storage level is about the same as last year. At the present time the intake of the reservoirs is at 1331 cubic feet per second (cfs) and the release to the rivers is at 4072 cfs. The Yakima River flow near Prosser is at 376 acre-feet. Lake Cle elum will increase the river flow by 75 cfs and Roza canal will add 48 cfs.

Low flow in the lower Yakima River has created a hazardous condition for fish. High water temperatures and hot water returning to the river put the salmonoid population at risk.

Columbia River: For decades the flow in the Columbia River is managed jointly between the United States and Canada. Currently, our President has decided the United States will no longer talk with Canada. The State of Washington usage of water in the Columbia River is critical for agricutlure and fish. The state needs to develop a plan to manage the available Columbia River water.

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