

Apr 25, 2012 RESERVOIR LEVEL AND SNOW UPDATE

Much of the snow has melted now, with only a handful of locations in the three basins still having a significant snowpack. Wolf Creek summit still has 21 inches, but this is 15 inches below average for this date. Releases from Caballo dam continue to be higher than the river flow at San Marcial (as they have been since releases began at the beginning of this month). The flow at San Marcial since March 1 has been 76,000 ac-ft. However, since April 1, river flow has been 38,000 ac-ft compared to 51,000 ac-ft released from Caballo. Storage in Elephant Butte/Caballo dams had a peak of 412,000 ac-ft during the first week of this month, but with the release exceeding inflow storage is down about 10,000 ac-ft since then, to just over 400,000 ac-ft.

COMBINED STORAGE Elephant Butte and Caballo April 24, 2012 402,517 acre-feet

S N O W - P R E C I P I T A T I O N U P D A T E
Based on Mountain Data from NRCS SNOTEL Sites
As of Wednesday April 25, 2012

BASIN Data Site Name	ELEV. (Ft)	SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT %	TOTAL PRECIPITATION %
		Avg	Avg
UPPER RIO GRANDE BASIN			
	Basin wide percent of average	35	86
RIO CHAMA BASIN			
	Basin wide percent of average	5	72
SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAIN RANGE BASINS			
	Basin wide percent of average	20	97

WOLF CREEK



