

February 17, 2013 RESERVOIR LEVEL AND SNOW UPDATE

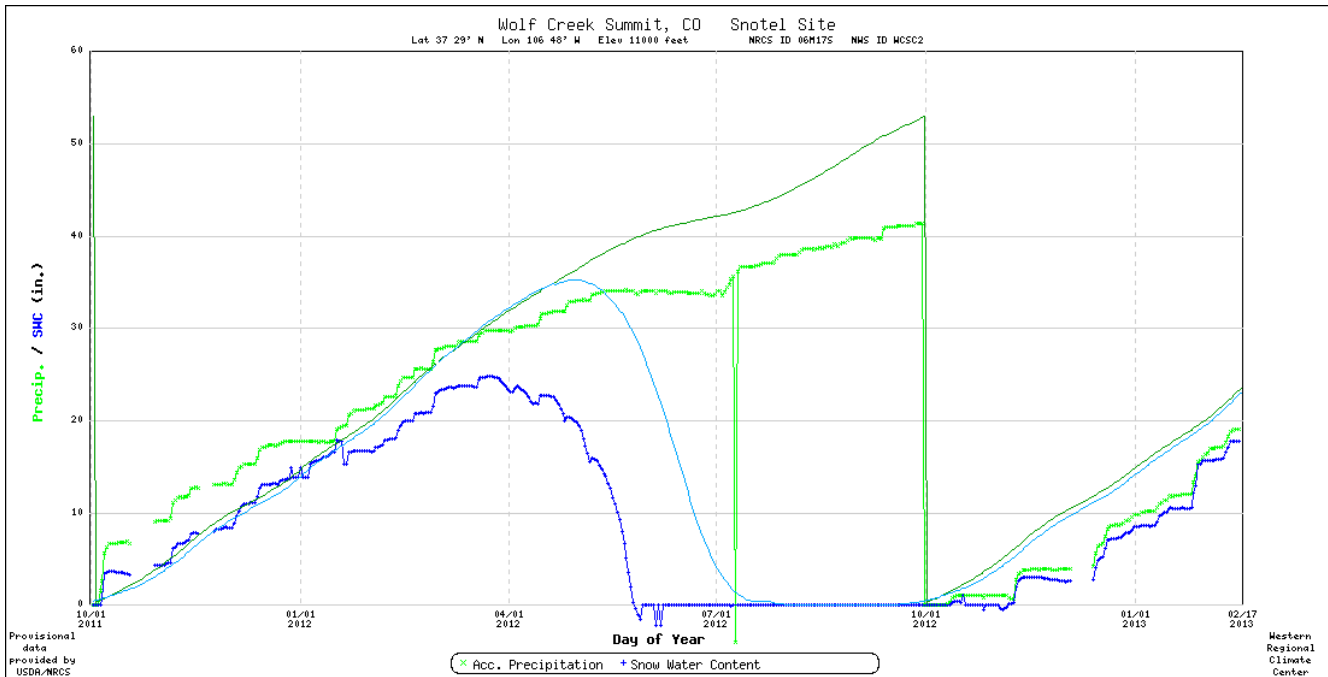
The snowpack has been accumulating at about the average rate this past week, so like last week we remain below average in the Upper Rio Grande, Rio Chama and Sangre de Cristo basins. In the Upper Rio Grande, the average snowpack is currently at 12 inches, compared to the long term average of 15 inches in the middle of February. The average peak snowpack, which occurs around the middle of April, is 22 inches. The snowpack therefore needs to increase by 10 inches in order to reach the average, and this requires an accumulation rate 40% higher than average. There is a 20-50% chance of snow towards the end of the week, but no major storms in the forecast. Storage in Elephant Butte/Caballo is increasing by about 1000 ac-ft/day, and is now past the 200,000 ac-ft level.

COMBINED STORAGE Elephant Butte and Caballo February 15, 2013 205,446 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 Saturday February 17, 2013

| BASIN Data Site Name | SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT % | TOTAL PRECIPITATION % |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Avg | Avg |
| UPPER RIO GRANDE BASIN | | |
| Basin wide percent of average | 80 | 74 |
| RIO CHAMA BASIN | | |
| Basin wide percent of average | 77 | 67 |
| SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAIN RANGE BASINS | | |
| Basin wide percent of average | 69 | 66 |

WOLF CREEK



FORECAST

UPPER RIO GRANDE VALLEY/EASTERN SAN JUAN MOUNTAINS BELOW 10000 FT-
INCLUDING...CREEDE...SOUTH FORK

351 AM MST SUN FEB 17 2013

TODAY

MOSTLY SUNNY. HIGHS 36 TO 44.
SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 MPH.

TONIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY. LOWS 2 TO 16.
SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 MPH.

WASHINGTONS BIRTHDAY

MOSTLY SUNNY. A 30 PERCENT CHANCE
OF SNOW SHOWERS IN THE MORNING.
HIGHS 26 TO 34. WEST WINDS UP TO
10 MPH.

MONDAY NIGHT

PARTLY CLOUDY. LOWS 3 BELOW TO 13
ABOVE ZERO. SOUTHWEST WINDS UP TO
10 MPH.

TUESDAY

MOSTLY SUNNY. HIGHS 32 TO 40.
SOUTHWEST WINDS 10 TO 15 MPH.

TUESDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY. LOWS 7 TO 19.

WEDNESDAY

CLOUDY WITH A 50 PERCENT CHANCE
OF SNOW SHOWERS. HIGHS 26 TO 34.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

CLOUDY WITH A 40 PERCENT CHANCE
OF SNOW SHOWERS. LOWS 3 TO 15.

THURSDAY

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 30 PERCENT
CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. HIGHS 23
TO 31.

THURSDAY NIGHT

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 20 PERCENT
CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. LOWS 2 TO
14.

FRIDAY

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 30 PERCENT
CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. HIGHS 23
TO 31.

FRIDAY NIGHT

CLOUDY WITH A 20 PERCENT CHANCE
OF SNOW SHOWERS. LOWS ZERO TO 13.

SATURDAY

MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 20 PERCENT
CHANCE OF SNOW SHOWERS. HIGHS 25
TO 33.

