Oregon Water Conditions Report

November 3rd, 2025

HIGHLIGHTS

Thus far in 2025, there are eight Oregon counties with a state drought declaration under ORS 536.

According to the US Drought Monitor, just over 31% of Oregon is in moderate drought (D1) and over 11% is in severe drought (D2). Additionally, just over 1% of the state is experiencing extreme drought (D3) conditions.

Precipitation since the beginning of the water year has been just below or just above normal for most of the state. In parts of northwestern, southeastern, and coastal Oregon, precipitation has been above normal. In other parts of southeastern and northeastern Oregon, precipitation has been below normal. Over the last two weeks, precipitation was below normal for most of central and eastern Oregon. In parts of western and southern Oregon, precipitation ranged from 0.75 to 3 inches above normal.

Temperatures since the beginning of the water year have been below normal for most of the state. However, in parts of eastern, southcentral, and coastal Oregon, temperatures were above normal. Temperatures over the last two weeks were 1°F to 2°F above normal in parts of western, southcentral, and northeastern Oregon. In parts of central and eastern Oregon, temperatures were 1°F to 4°F below normal.

Recent soil moisture indicators show an increase in conditions for most of the state with the most notable increases in western Oregon.

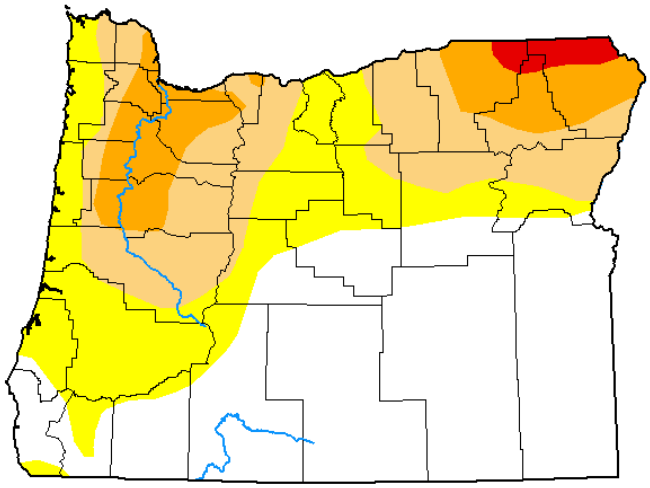
The seasonal climate outlook indicates probabilities leaning towards above normal temperatures for most of the state with equal chances of below normal, normal, or above normal temperatures in northern parts of the state. The outlook also indicates probabilities leaning towards above normal precipitation statewide.

Streamflow conditions in October were below normal in northwestern, northeastern, and coastal Oregon. The rest of the state recorded normal to above normal streamflow conditions. Streamflow conditions over the last seven days have been highly variable across Oregon. Conditions in western and eastern Oregon both ranged from below to well above normal. Central Oregon recorded conditions ranging from just below to above normal.

Reservoir storage in most basins is near to above normal. However, projects in the Powder, Tualatin, and Umatilla basins are measuring below normal. See USBR (including Klamath) and USACE teacup diagrams for more information.

DROUGHT CONDITIONS

U.S. Drought Monitor
Oregon



October 28, 2025
(Released Thursday, Oct. 30, 2025)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	45.93	54.07	31.37	11.58	1.39	0.00
Last Week 10-21-2025	43.68	56.32	39.24	18.14	1.39	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-29-2025	0.00	100.00	60.23	31.47	0.62	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-07-2025	88.40	11.60	1.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2025	32.92	67.08	47.65	24.35	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago 10-29-2024	10.43	89.57	62.81	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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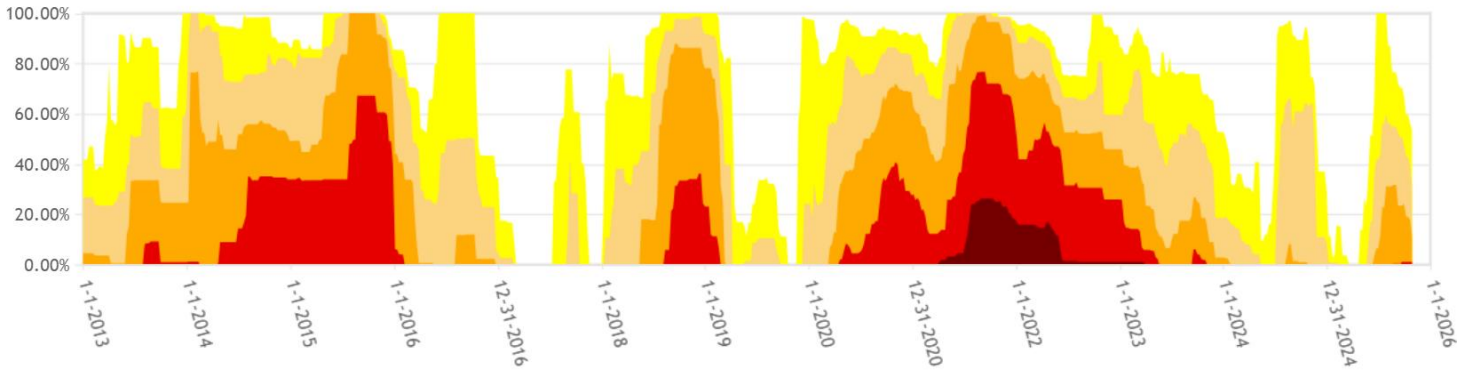
Oregon Percent Area in U.S. Drought Monitor Categories



From the U.S. Drought Monitor website, https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/DmData/TimeSeries.aspx, 11-3-2025

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

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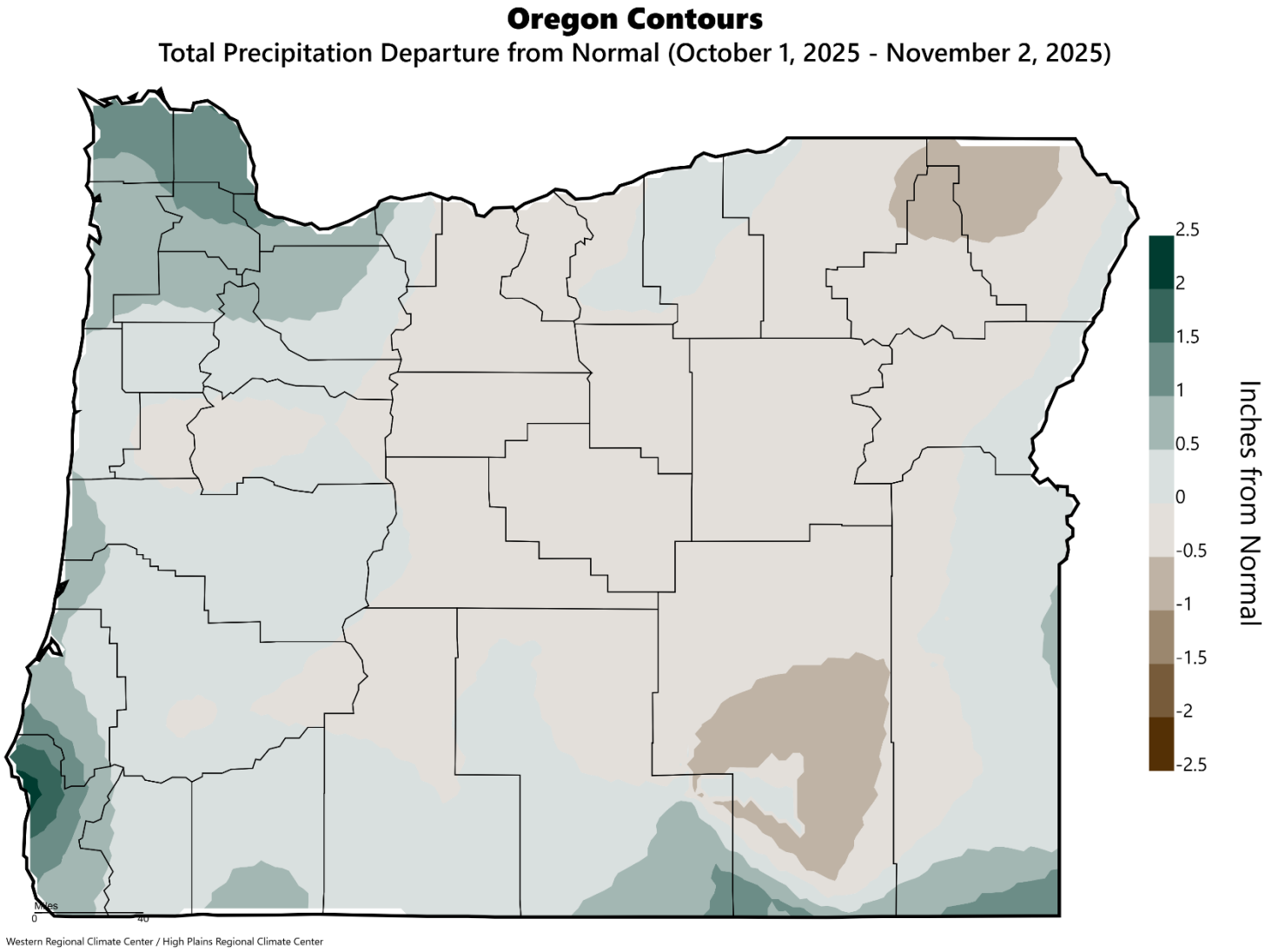

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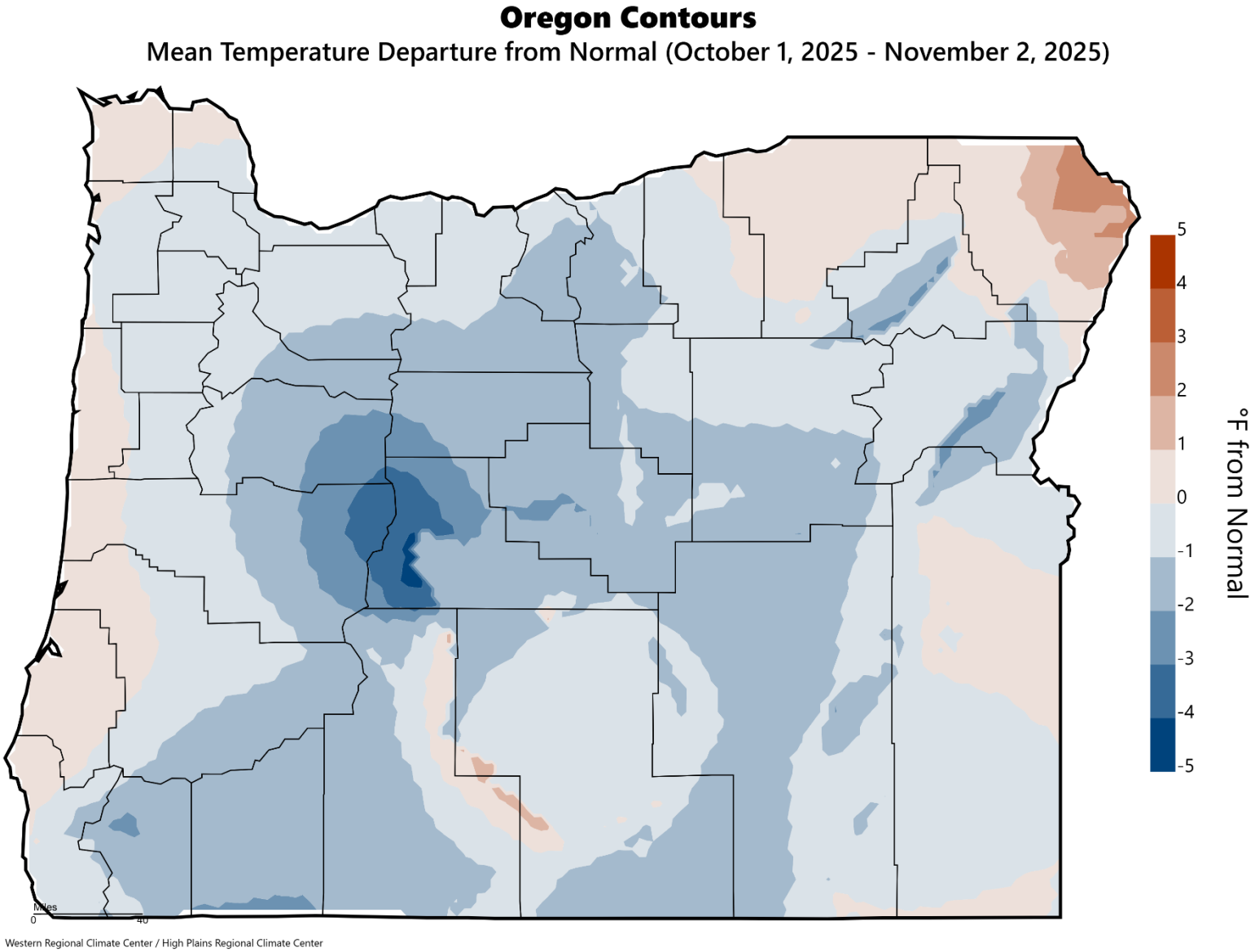

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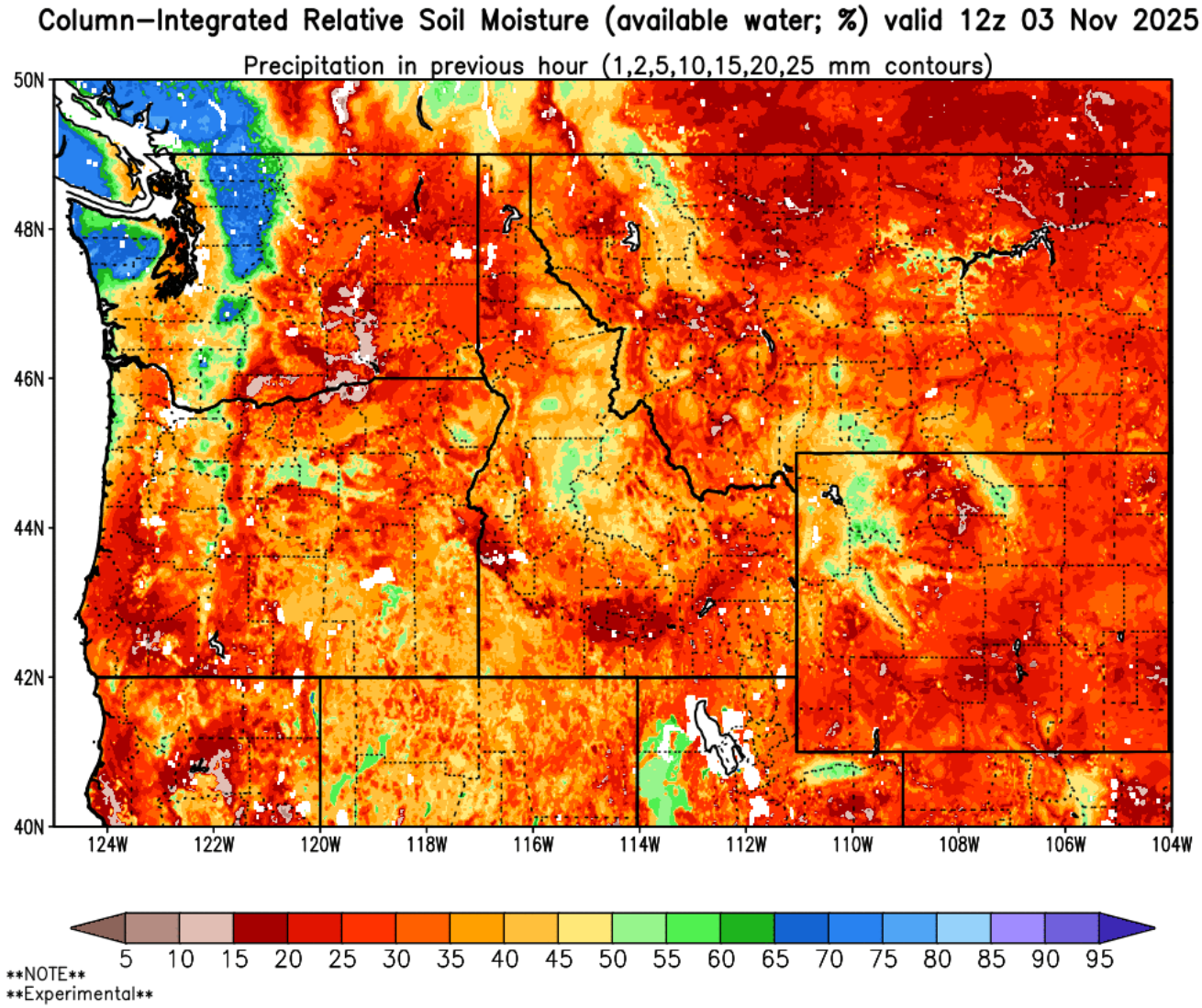

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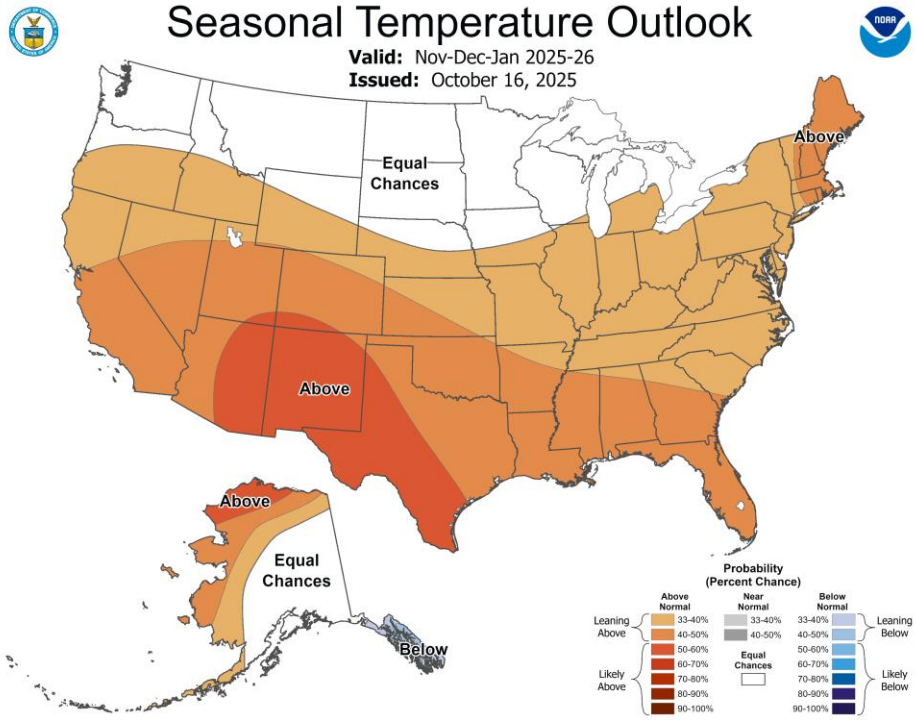
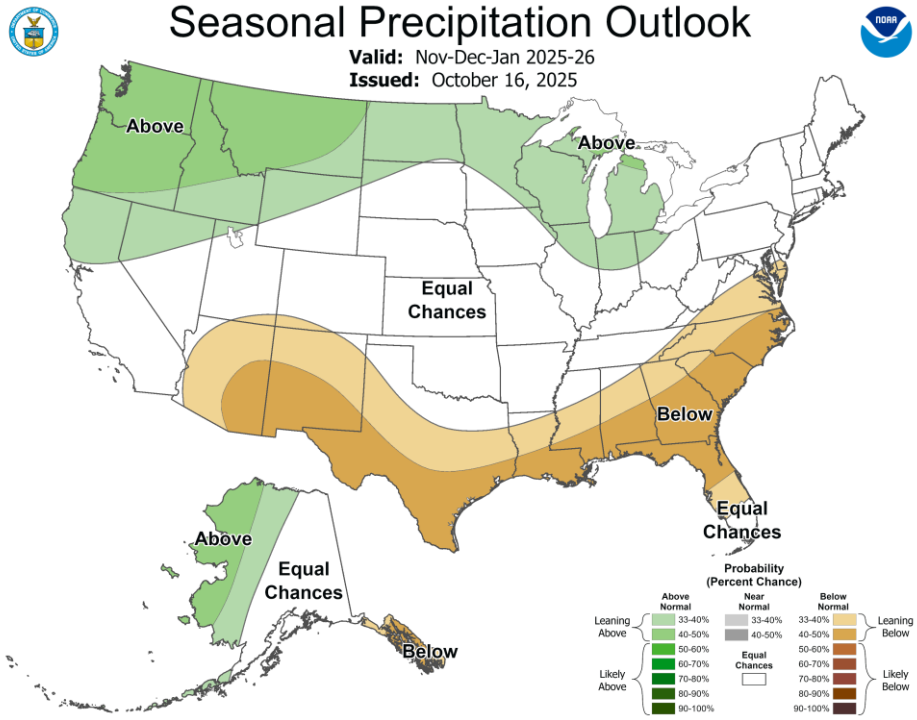
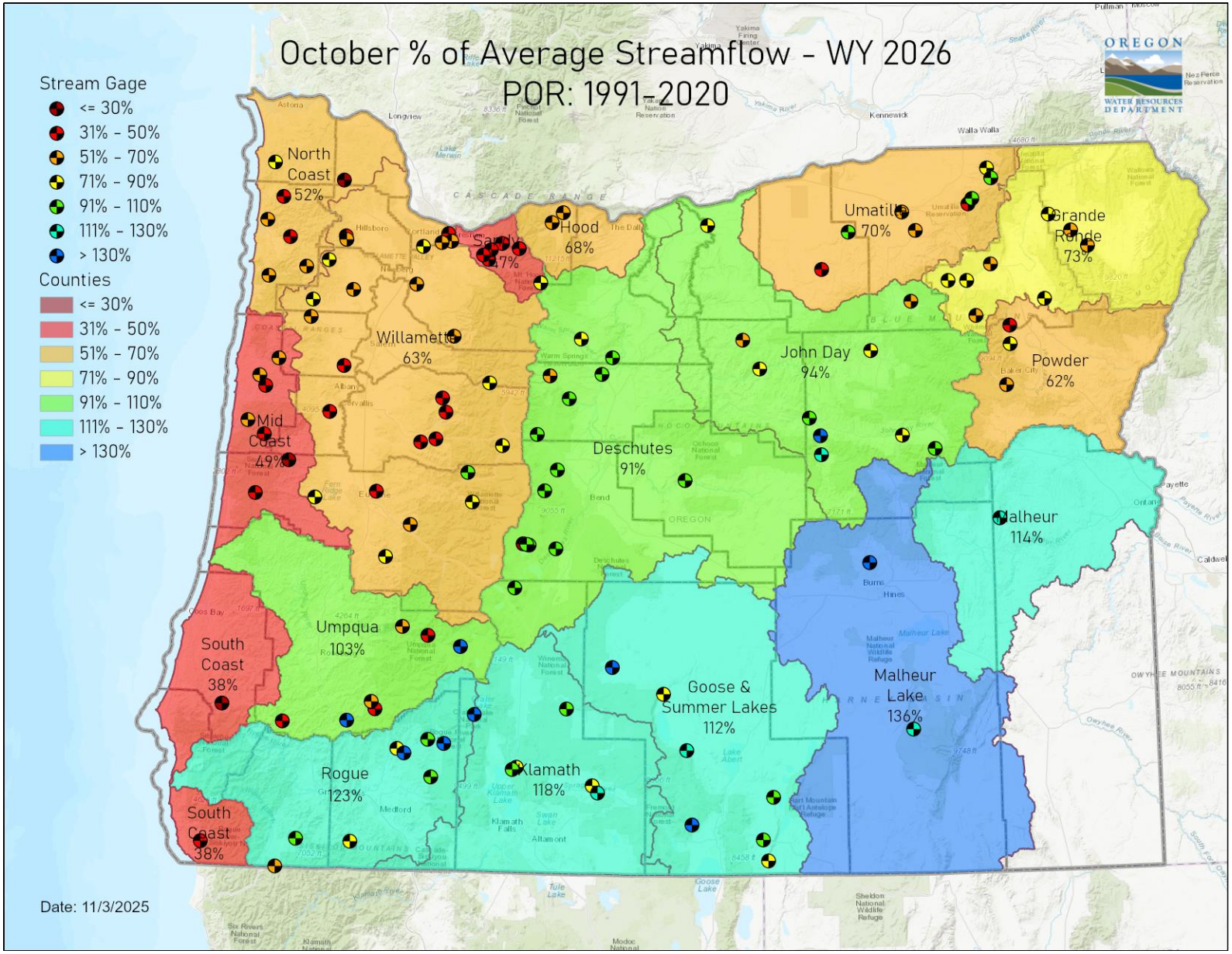




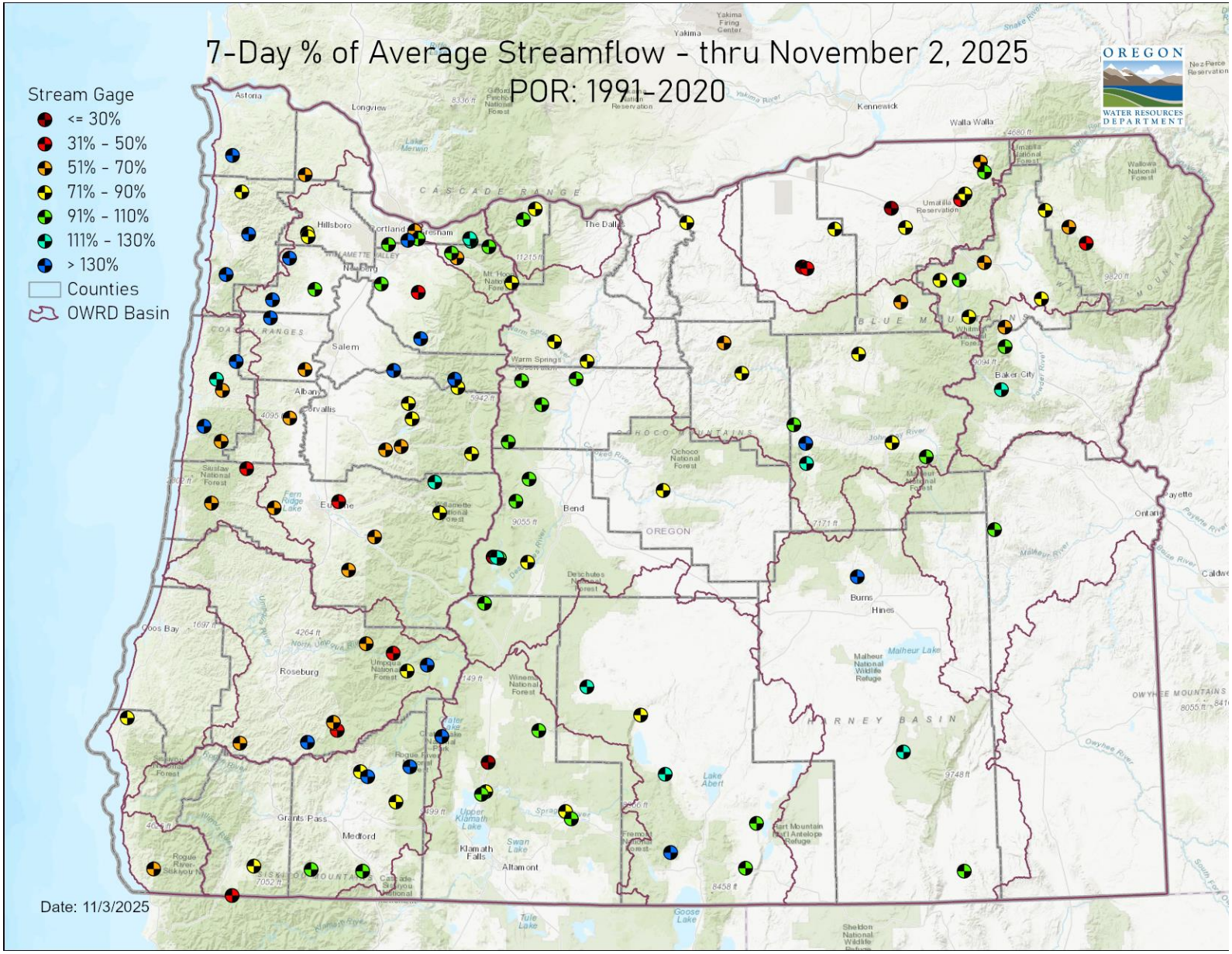
STREAMFLOW

OCTOBER



STREAMFLOW

7-DAY AVERAGE



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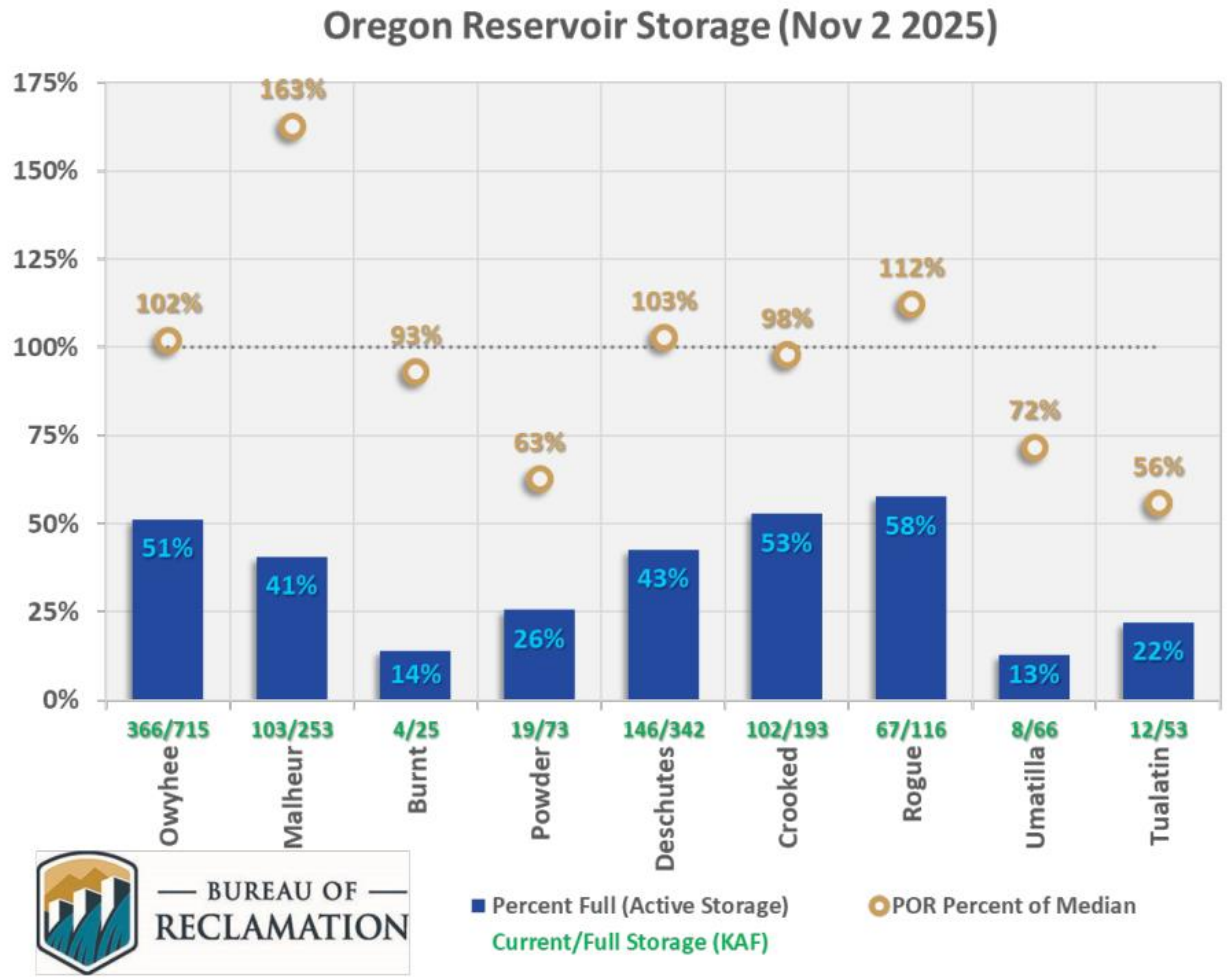
Oregon Reservoir Storage (Nov 2 2025)
175%
150%
125%
100%
75%
50%
25%
0%
102%
163%
93%
63%
103%
98%
112%
72%
56%
51%
41%
14%
26%
43%
53%
58%
13%
22%
366/715
103/253
4/25
19/73
146/342
102/193
67/116
8/66
12/53
Owyhee
Malheur
Burnt
Powder
Deschutes
Crooked
Rogue
Umatilla
Tualatin
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
Percent Full (Active Storage)
POR Percent of Median
Current/Full Storage (KAF)

RESOURCES/REFERENCES

Please visit Oregon Water Resources Department's drought information page to learn about current drought conditions, assistance programs, and potential drought tools.

If you are interested in submitting local drought-related conditions and impacts, please visit the drought impacts toolkit to learn more. Click here to visit the map of condition monitoring observer reports.

Released every Thursday, the US Drought Monitor provides a weekly assessment of drought conditions. The USDM provides a network infographic which depicts the network of observers who gather and report information about conditions and drought impacts.

The WestWide Drought Tracker uses data from PRISM to provide easy access to fine-scale drought monitoring and climate products, such as the figures depicting climate conditions within this report.

The National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center offers weekly, monthly, and seasonal climate outlooks illustrating the probabilities of temperatures and precipitation.

The Regional Climate Centers (RCC) working with NOAA partners, deliver climate services at national, regional, and state levels. Climate anomaly maps of Oregon are updated daily at around noon PST.

NASA's Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (GRACE) provide satellite-based observations of soil moisture conditions that are useful as drought indicators, helpful in describing current wet or dry soil conditions.

USGS Water Watch provides maps of real-time and average streamflow conditions at USGS sites throughout the state.

Reservoir storage "teacup" diagrams are offered by both the US Bureau of Reclamation and US Army Corps of Engineers. The diagrams represent the level of fill in the reservoirs as both percent full and as a ratio of volume of water currently in the reservoir to the volume of water in the reservoir when it is full.

Oregon wildfire information can be found through InciWeb and the Oregon Department of Forestry's Wildfire News, along with the National Interagency Fire Center which offers outlooks on the significant wildland fire potential.

Oregon Office of Emergency Management maintains a hydrology/meteorology dashboard which shows state and local drought declarations, as well as hosts many of the data sources to generate this report. Use the selection arrows at the bottom of your browser to navigate through the various sources.

US Department of Agriculture provides the Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin as a vital source of information on US and global weather, climate, and agricultural developments, along with seasonally appropriate agrometeorological charts and tables. USDA's Drought Programs and Assistance offers links to programs and resources to help those struggling with persistent drought.