BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Montana Area Office - Reservoir Operations

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

Bighorn Basin Current Conditions

Boysen Dam

Elevation: 4714.0 feet 11.0 feet below full pool
Elevation Change Since November 1: 1.5 feet
Average Elevation (30 years): 4715.1 feet
Storage: 550,017 acre feet Percent of Average: 97% Percent Full: 74%

Inflow: 800 cfs
River Release: 400 cfs

Snow Water Equivalent: 1.0 inches Percent of Median: 43%
November Volume Inflow Forecast: 49.6 kaf; 101% of average

Buffalo Bill Dam

Elevation: 5359.6 feet 33.9 feet below full pool
Elevation Change Since November 1: 0.8 feet
Average elevation (30 years): 5366.1 feet
Storage: 397,498 acre feet Percent of Average: 91% Percent Full: 61%

Inflow: 335 cfs
River Release: 260 cfs Canal Release: 0 cfs

Snow Water Equivalent: 0.6 inches Percent of Median: 23%
November Volume Inflow Forecast: 21.7 kaf; 88% of average

Yellowtail Dam

Elevation: 3626.2 feet 13.8 feet below full pool
Elevation change since November 1: -0.2 feet
Average elevation (30 years): 3629.0 feet
Storage: 863,058 acre feet Percent of average: 97% Percent Full: 85%

Inflow: 1,300 cfs
River release: 1,560 cfs Canal Release: 0 cfs

Snow Water Equivalent: 0.7 inches Percent of Median: 29%
November Volume Inflow Forecast: 81 kaf; 64% of average



