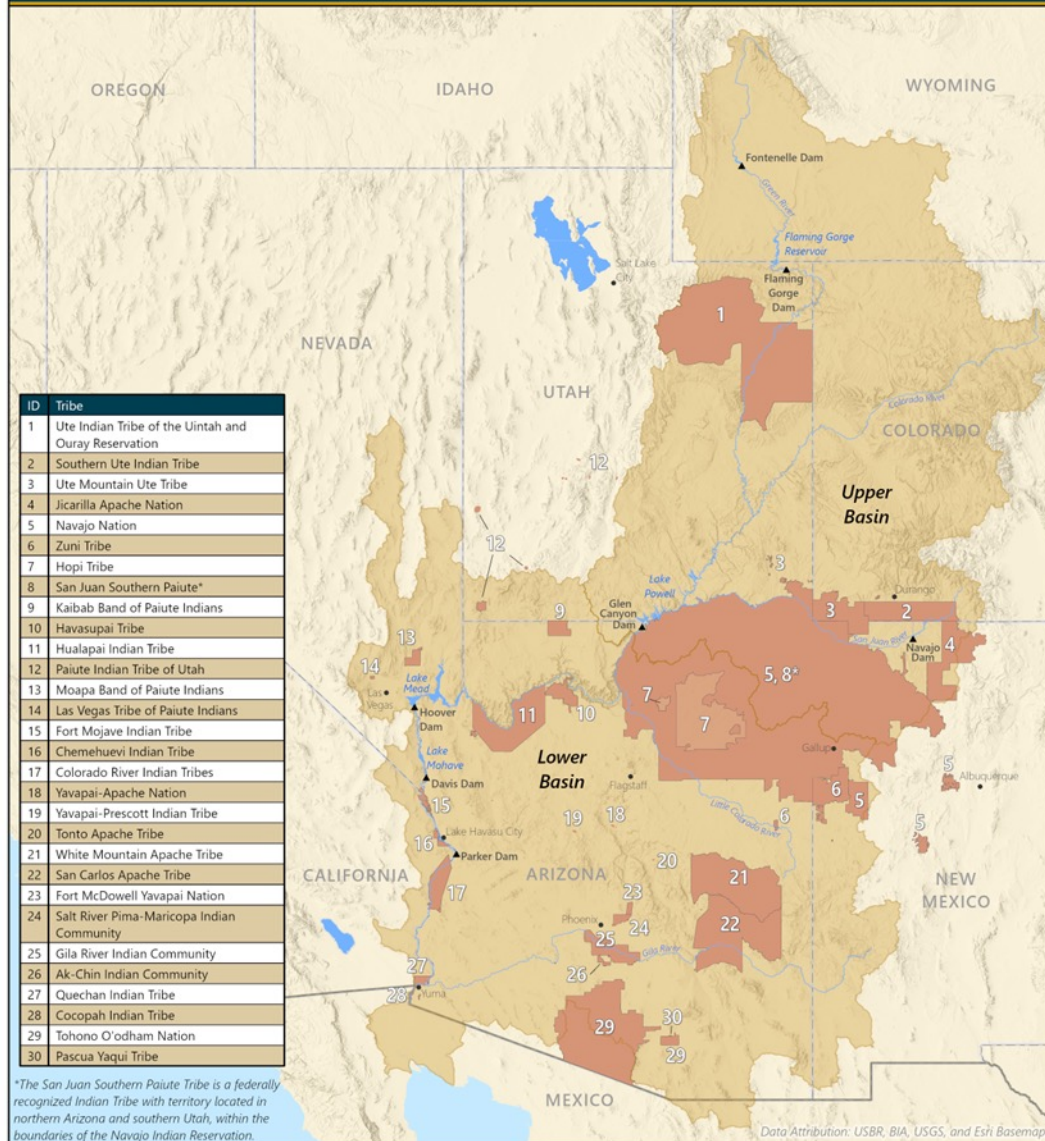


Cross-cutting priorities for tribal communities

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1	Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation
2	Southern Ute Indian Tribe
3	Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
4	Jicarilla Apache Nation
5	Navajo Nation
6	Zuni Tribe
7	Hopi Tribe
8	San Juan Southern Paiute*
9	Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians
10	Havasupai Tribe
11	Hualapai Indian Tribe
12	Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
13	Moapa Band of Paiute Indians
14	Las Vegas Tribe of Paiute Indians
15	Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
16	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe
17	Colorado River Indian Tribes
18	Yavapai-Apache Nation
19	Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe
20	Tonto Apache Tribe
21	White Mountain Apache Tribe
22	San Carlos Apache Tribe
23	Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
24	Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
25	Gila River Indian Community
26	Ak-Chin Indian Community
27	Quechan Indian Tribe
28	Cocopah Indian Tribe
29	Tohono O'odham Nation
30	Pascua Yaqui Tribe

*The San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with territory located in northern Arizona and southern Utah, within the boundaries of the Navajo Indian Reservation.

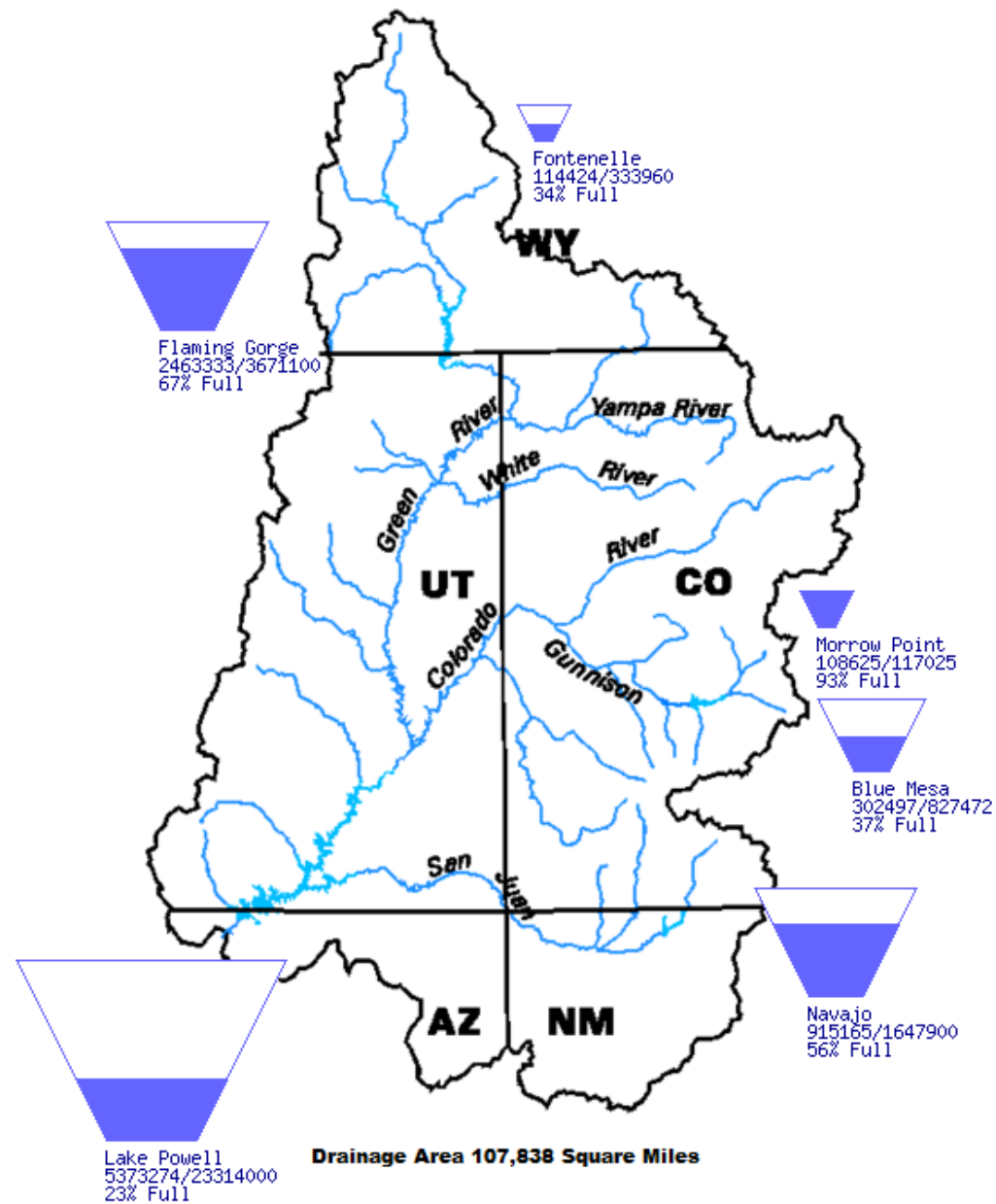
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- City
- ▲ Dams
- ~ River
- Reservoir/Lake
- Tribal Reservations
- Hydrologic Basin



Upper Colorado River Drainage Basin



UPPER BASIN APPROVES DROUGHT RESPONSE OPERATIONS PLAN THROUGH SPRING OF 2023

AS PART OF THE 2019 UPPER BASIN DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN, THE UPPER BASIN STATES AND UCRC HAVE APPROVED A DROUGHT RESPONSE OPERATIONS PLAN EFFECTIVE THROUGH THE SPRING OF 2023*

The Colorado River Basin is experiencing the unprecedented conditions of combined prolonged drought, low runoff conditions, and depleted storage in the Basin's largest reservoirs – Lake Powell and Lake Mead. Best available science indicates that these conditions will continue to adversely impact the Basin.

The Department of the Interior (DOI), Bureau of Reclamation, the Upper Division States, and the Upper Colorado River Commission (UCRC) have consulted with the Lower Division States, Tribes, other federal and state agencies, and NGOs to prepare and complete the 2022 Drought Response Operations Plan (2022 Plan).

In addition to the 161,000 acre-feet provided from Upper Basin reservoirs in 2021, **the 2022 Plan authorizes an additional release of 500,000 acre-feet of water from Flaming Gorge Reservoir, beginning in May 2022 and ending in April 2023.** The release is intended to address and protect critical infrastructure, dam operations, hydropower, and public health and safety concerns.

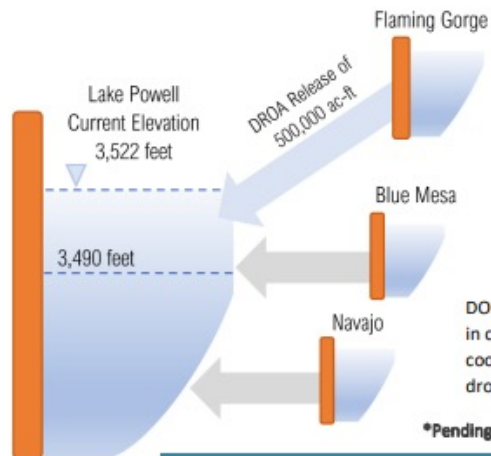


Key elements of the 2022 Plan

- Total release of 500,000 acre-feet from Flaming Gorge (May 2022 through April 2023)
- Possible releases from Blue Mesa and Navajo Reservoir in fall of 2022 and winter of 2023 if conditions warrant.
- Possible operational adjustments at Lake Powell in winter of 2023.

DOI has proposed additional measures at Lake Powell that operate in conjunction with the 2022 Plan releases. Combined, these cooperative actions will delay or prevent Lake Powell from dropping below key elevations, including 3,490 feet.

*Pending approval by the Secretary of the Interior



To learn more, please see the DOI website: <https://www.usbr.gov/dcp/droa.html>

7.2. Participation of Upper Basin Tribes

Each Upper Basin Tribe (Ute Indian Tribe, Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, Navajo Nation, and Jicarilla Apache Nation) may separately designate one representative to participate in and provide recommendations to any working group established by the DROA Parties to help draft, develop, implement, analyze proposals for, or monitor any Drought Response Operation. Each Upper Basin Tribe may designate different representatives for any group in which that Tribe has chosen to participate, or multiple Tribes may designate the same, single representative to participate in any group. The representatives designated by the Upper Basin Tribes shall be referred to collectively as the Upper Basin Tribal Representatives. Participation by any Upper Basin Tribe in any working group shall be wholly voluntary. Participation in the groups shall be in addition to, and shall not be construed to replace, opportunities that any individual Tribe, in the Upper Basin or otherwise, has for formal consultation with the United States regarding drought response, operations of Initial Units, or any other matter.

7.3 Outreach and consultation with Native American Tribes

DROA requires outreach and notification to Native American Tribes “relevant to the

Ute Mountain Ute Tribe



Southern Ute Indian Tribe





