

## **Weekly Snowpack/Flood Threat info from NWS**

Below are the files from today's NWS and Emergency Management Coordination Call. They are held weekly at 1500 hours.

In Summary from today:

- Snowpack is still above normal and 84 % of peak for the year state wide.
- Gunnison River Basin is sitting at 91% of peak (total snow received) is still on the mountains and yet to melt
- Surface Creek will remain an area to watch and flow is roughly 380 cfs which is up from normal of 210 this time of year due to delayed snow melt. Peak run off for Surface Creek is estimated to be next week due to warming temperatures. They do not estimate any flooding will occur but the creek will reach Bank Full Levels or have some slight over bank overflow in areas but no actual flooding. It is still ranked 9 out of 101 years for snow right now.
- The NWS is recommending a continued elevated awareness for the Gunnison River in Delta County due to the snow melts, increasing temperatures and aspinall releases. It is projected to remain at or slightly above bank full stage in the coming weeks and they may issue advisories for low level flooding next week.

I shared a bunch of links to river and stream gauges for the Gunnison and Surface Creek on the OEM Facebook Page this morning and it was posted to the County Website Under Emergency Management and shared with Orchard City. The link to the page is: <https://www.deltacounty.com/682/Spring-Runoff-Resources>

Drew Petersen with DHSEM reached out today to make sure we were aware of snowpack levels on the Mesa and to see if we needed anything. I briefed him on the actions we have taken and the continual monitoring and said that if something changed I would let him know. The Grand Mesa Water Users also reached out to ensure I have the current Emergency action plans for high risk dams on the Grand Mesa due to the snow pack and fact all of them will be full this year.

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