

MONTANA DNRC STATE WATER PROJECTS RESERVOIR CONTENTS

February 28, 2026

All Contents in Acre-Feet

RESERVOIR	TOTAL CAPACITY (includes dead storage)*	CONTENTS						READING DATE	ELEVATION	COMMENTS	
		FULL POOL	30 YR AVERAGE	LAST YEAR	LAST MONTH	PRESENT	% CAPACITY				% AVERAGE
		CONTENTS	1995- 2025	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Feb-26				Feb-26
		February						feet			
CLARK FORK BASIN											
E.F. ROCK CREEK	16,040	9,086	9,489	8,571	8,711	54	96	3/1/2026	6,034.4		
NEVADA CREEK	11,207	6,157	3,084	4,197	--	--	--	--	--	not reported	
W.F. BITTERROOT	32,362	8,309	8,394	13,859	11,430	35	138	3/4/2026	4,681.4		
LOWER MISSOURI BASIN											
ACKLEY	6,722	3,034	3,951	4,112	4,350	65	143	3/5/2026	4,307.5	3,250 AF active storage	
BAIR	7,300	3,423	2,603	2,395	2,471	34	72	3/1/2026	5,299.4		
DEADMAN'S BASIN	75,968	47,950	60,687	60,558	64,579	85	135	3/1/2026	3,915.3	60,829 AF active storage	
FRENCHMAN	2,777	1,944	3,562	1,758	2,011	72	103	3/3/2026	2,263.2		
MARTINSDALE	23,348	9,469	9,977	10,292	10,242	44	108	3/4/2026	4,762.7		
N.FK. SMITH RIVER	11,406	6,338	6,180	5,486	5,870	51	93	3/4/2026	5,468.6		
YELLOWWATER	3,842	1,866	--	1,401	1,426	37	76	3/3/2026	3,110.6		
UPPER MISSOURI BASIN											
MIDDLE CREEK	10,184	5,930	5,358	5,364	5,484	54	92	3/1/2026	6,697.2		
NILAN	10,992	6,250	4,873	--	--	--	--	--	--	not reported	
RUBY RIVER	37,612	27,961	28,414	25,320	29,296	78	105	3/1/2026	5,383.5		
WILLOW CREEK	18,000	13,669	12,203	10,310	11,520	64	84	3/5/2026	4,727.0		
YELLOWSTONE BASIN											
COONEY	28,230	19,565	22,792	20,481	21,147	75	108	3/1/2026	4,242.3	21,057 AF active storage	
COTTONWOOD	1,900	859	--	1,113	1,093	58	127	2/27/2026	5,098.4		
TONGUE RIVER	79,071	47,926	47,129	46,452	49,942	63	104	3/1/2026	3,419.4		

* Note: Water elevation is in the local project datum.

* Note: Reservoir contents include dead storage at the following:

Ackley 1001 AF **
 Cooney 90 AF **
 Deadman's 3750 AF **
 Nilan 900 AF **

** O&M slope storage table does not include dead storage (so dead storage has been added into the monthly contents table)

Tongue River 711 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)
 W. F. Bitterroot 656 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)
 Willow Creek 269 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)

* Note: Cooney capacity reflects capacity after 1982 dam rehabilitation; prior capacity was 24,195 A.F. Average storage shown is for post rehabilitation data.

* Note: Middle Creek capacity reflects capacity after 1993 dam rehabilitation; prior capacity was 8,027 A.F. Average storage shown is for post rehabilitation data.

* Note: Nevada Creek Reservoir Capacity reflects live storage capacity survey conducted in year 2000. Prior live storage capacity documented as 12,723 AF.

* Note: Tongue River capacity reflects capacity after 1999 dam rehabilitation; prior capacity was 68,040 A.F. Average storage is post rehabilitation data.

* Note: Frenchman Reservoir capacity tables updated based on aerial survey; prior capacity was 3752 A.F. Average shown is from 2008 forward.

