

Gene Tautges, President/Chairman
Alex Boehmer, Vice President/Treasurer
Bill Hudson, Secretary



Glenn Walsh, Director
Bruce Jones, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Josh Pike
FROM: Justin O. Ramsey, PE
CC: Andrew Connor, Cyndi Foster, Justin Stone, Renee Lewis
DATE: April 13, 2026
RE: Drought Update

Below is the PAWSD Drought Stage Trigger worksheet.

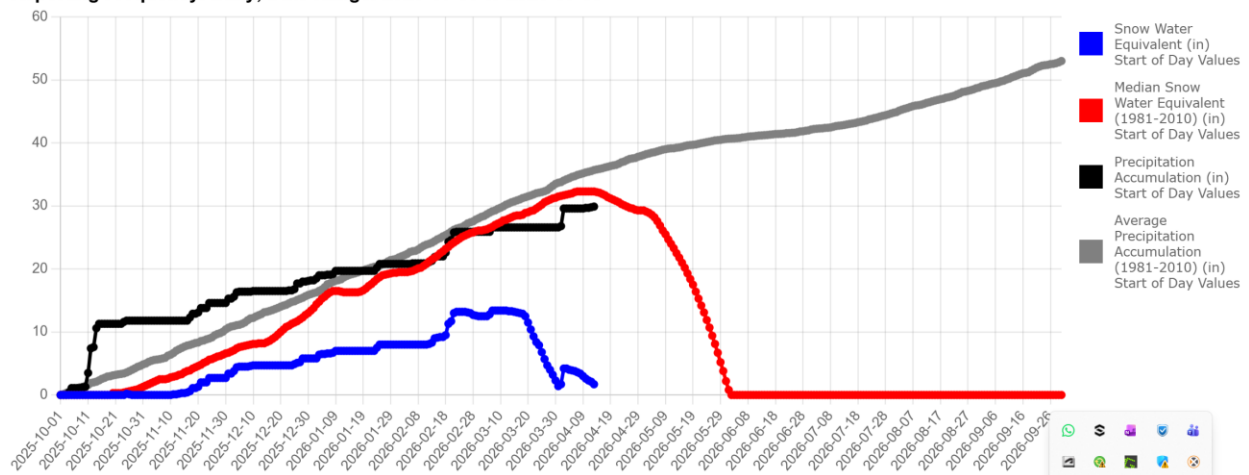
Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District
Drought Stage Trigger Points
Data Entry Sheet

Today's Date	:	4/13/2026	
Date of SWE at 0"	:	NA	
Four Mile Call:	:	NA	
Early Drought Stage	=		
Hatcher Reservoir Level	:	7,739.40	Feet
San Juan River Flow	:	442.0	CFS
CO Drought Monitor	:	D3	
Drought Stage	=	Voluntary	

Hatcher reservoir is currently full, and the San Juan River is flowing at 442 cubic feet per second (CFS). The NOAA National Integrated Drought Information System has recently upgraded all of Archuleta County from Severe Drought to Extreme Drought. These conditions place us in the Voluntary Drought Stage. Drought conditions are such that PAWSD is encouraging customers to voluntarily reduce the amount of water they use. There are no mandatory water use restrictions in place.

The current Snow Water Equivalency (SWE) is 1.7", the median SWE on this day is 32.3". The recent snow in the upper watershed delayed the SWE from dropping to zero, however it is still likely the SWE will drop to zero and the District will go into a higher-level drought stage in the next few days. If the SWE drops to zero prior to April 17, we will go directly to drought stage 2. If the SWE goes to zero between April 17 and May 1st the District will enter drought stage 1.

Upper San Juan (840) Colorado SNOTEL Site - 10140 ft
Reporting Frequency: Daily; Date Range: 2025-10-01 to 2026-09-30



The District greatly appreciates everyone's continued diligence in conserving water. If you have any questions regarding the current Drought Management Plan, it can be found on the website at <https://www.pawsd.org/water-service/water-conservation/>.