

News Release

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MCWD Welcomes Recent Storms

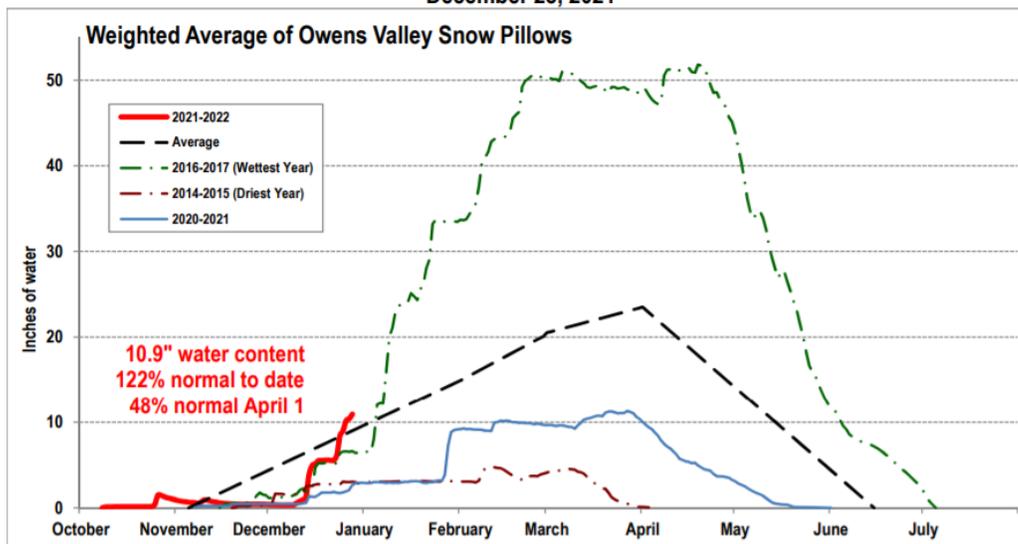
The Mammoth Community Water District relies on precipitation in the form of snow for their annual surface water supply and groundwater recharge.

Mammoth Lakes, California – The Mammoth Community Water District (District) welcomed snowfall brought to the Eastern Sierra by recent storms. The District stores water in Lake Mary which is filled as the snowpack melts in spring/summer. In addition to this surface water supply, adequate snowpack and runoff is essential for recharging the groundwater aquifer. District staff utilizes snow pillow data and snow surveys completed by hydrographers to assess water availability for the year.

“I am optimistic that we will have an adequate water supply this year, but it is too early to say with any certainty what level of conservation measures will be required to support water deliveries this summer,” states Clay Murray, Operations Superintendent. “We have to wait and see what the rest of season brings in terms of April 1 snowpack and groundwater aquifer recharge.”

The Owens Valley is off to a good start with 122% of normal to date water content which is about half (48%) of average for the water year, which is measured on April 1. Specifically in the Mammoth Basin, water content is a little behind the Owens Valley with 116% of normal to date, and 44% of the average for the water year.

EASTERN SIERRA CURRENT PRECIPITATION CONDITIONS December 28, 2021



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MCWD provides water and wastewater utility service to the Town of Mammoth Lakes and surrounding areas. MCWD strives to provide reliable, affordable utility service to our customers and to conduct our operations in a manner reflecting our stewardship role. We encourage our customers to practice responsible use of our limited water resources, and to take advantage of the information and services available to support this goal.