

North Dakota Bi-Weekly Drought Update

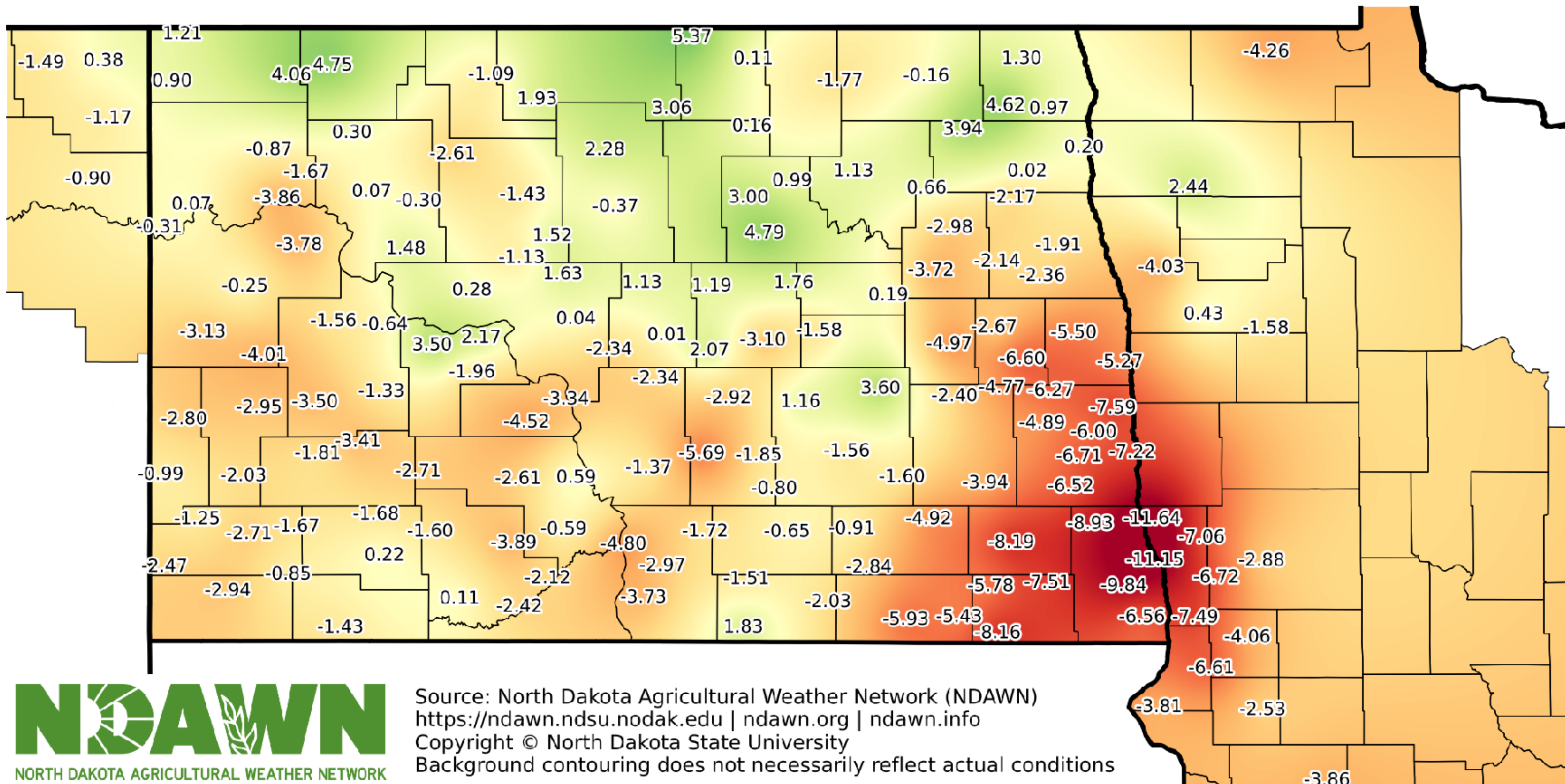
Daryl Ritchison, October 1, 2026

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Departure from Normal Precip Since October 1 (in)

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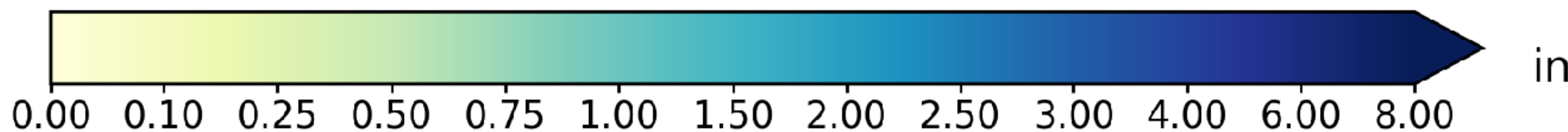
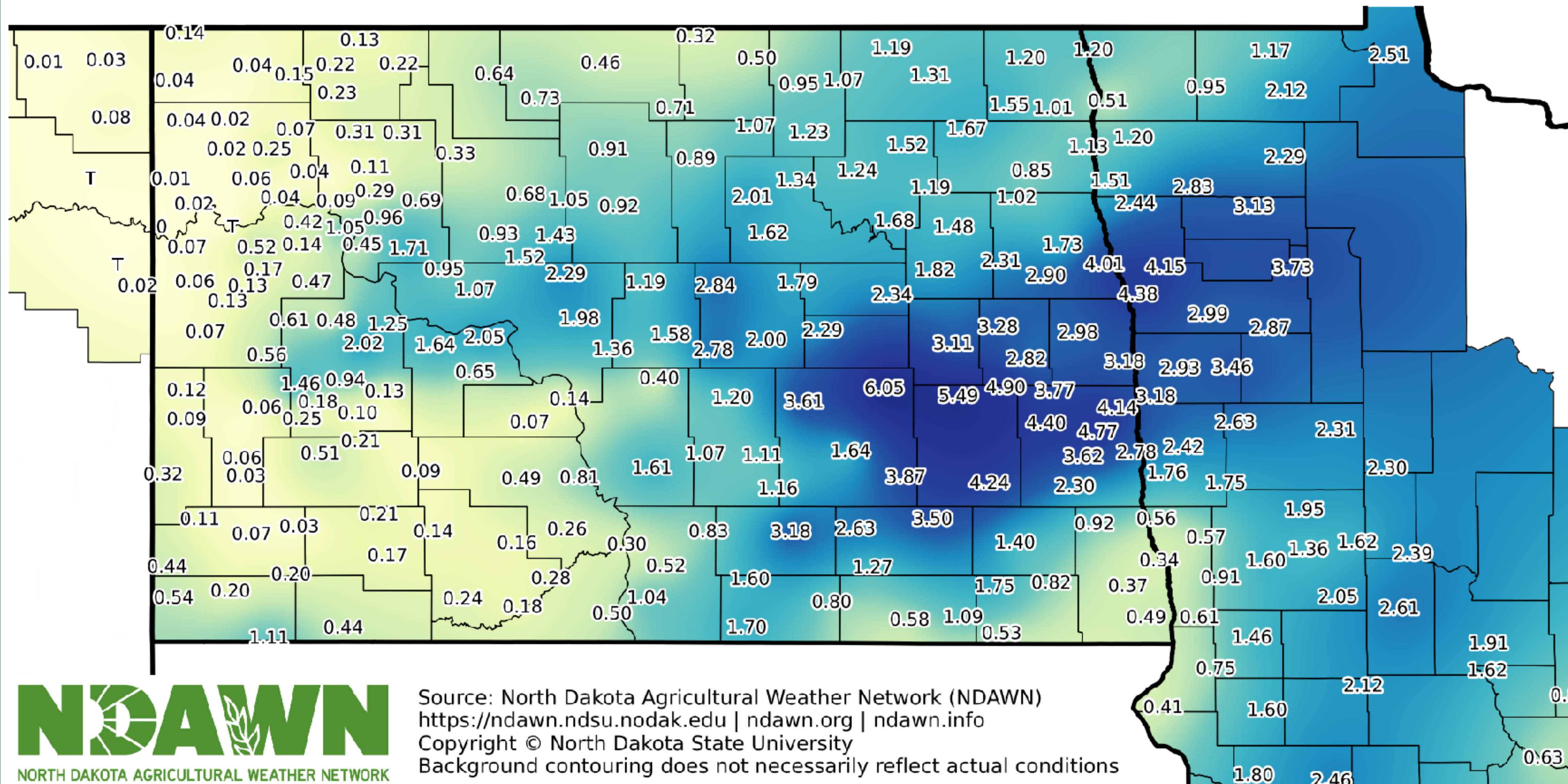


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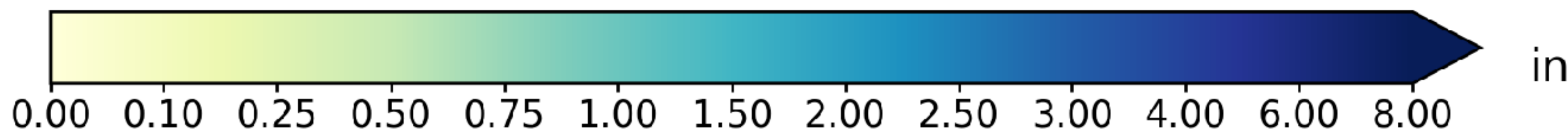
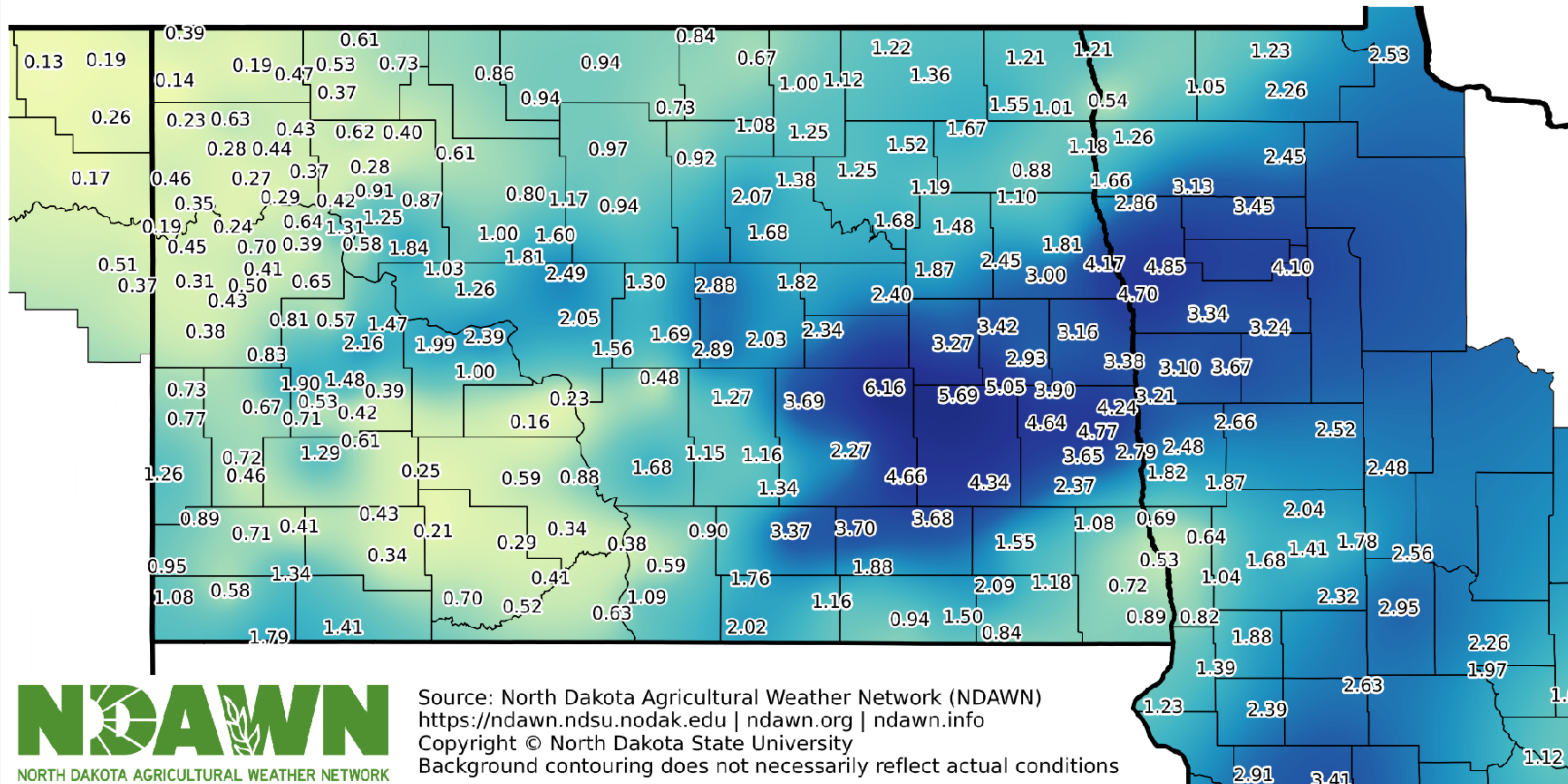
Total Precipitation - Past 7 Days (in)

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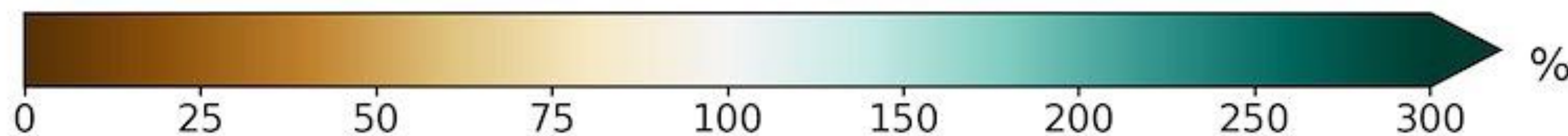
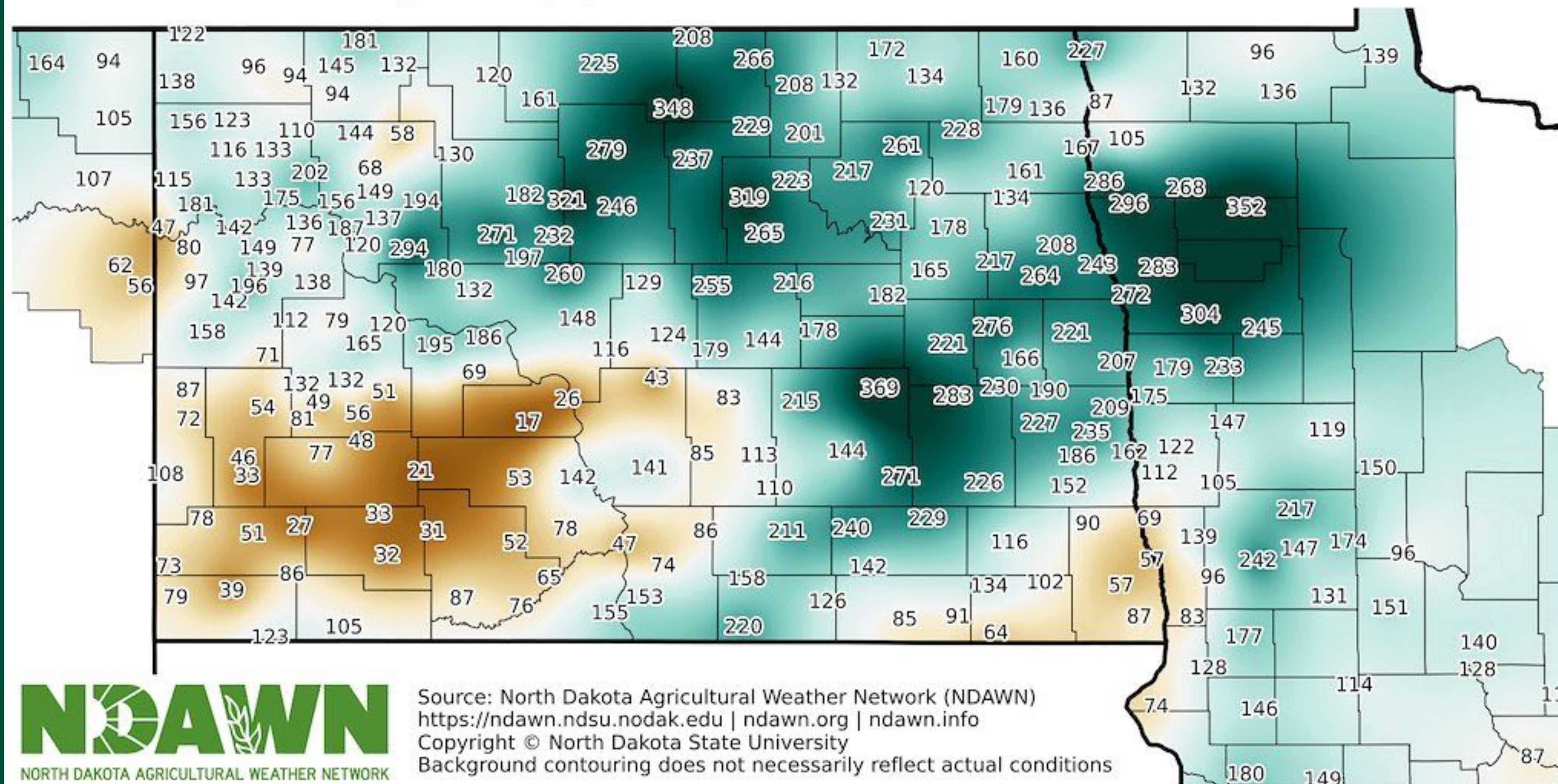
Total Precipitation - Past 14 Days (in)

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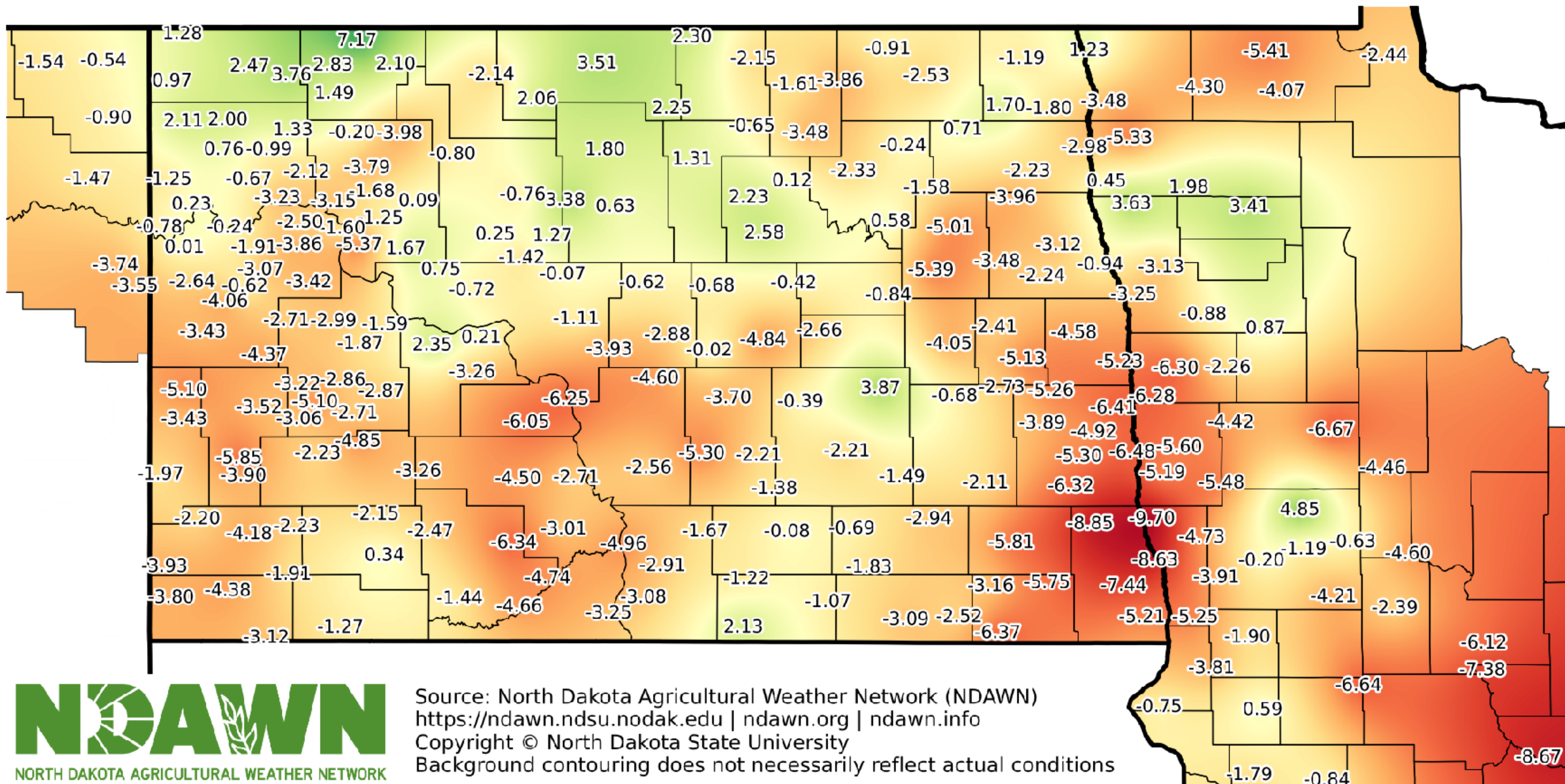
Percent of Normal Precipitation (%)

09-01-2026 - 09-30-2026



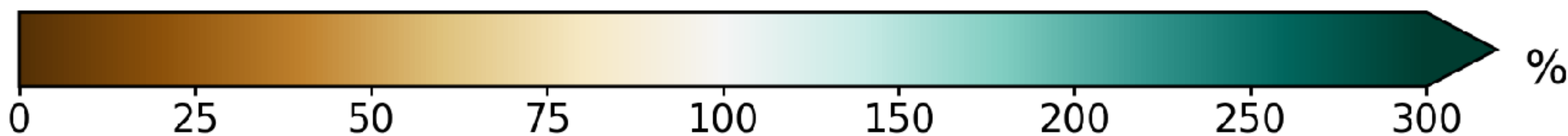
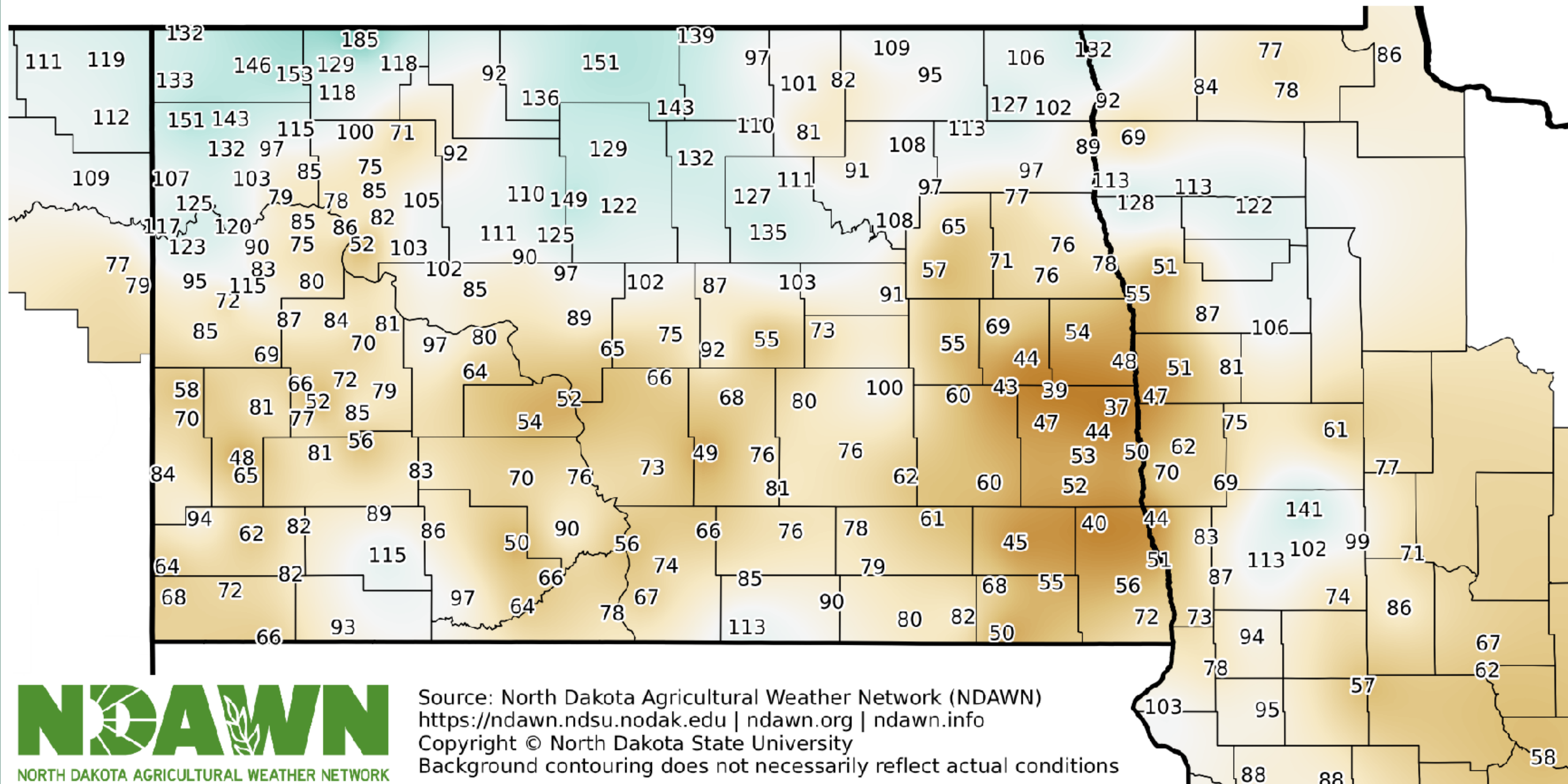
Departure from Normal Precip Since May 1 (in)

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Percent of Normal Precipitation Since June 1 (%)

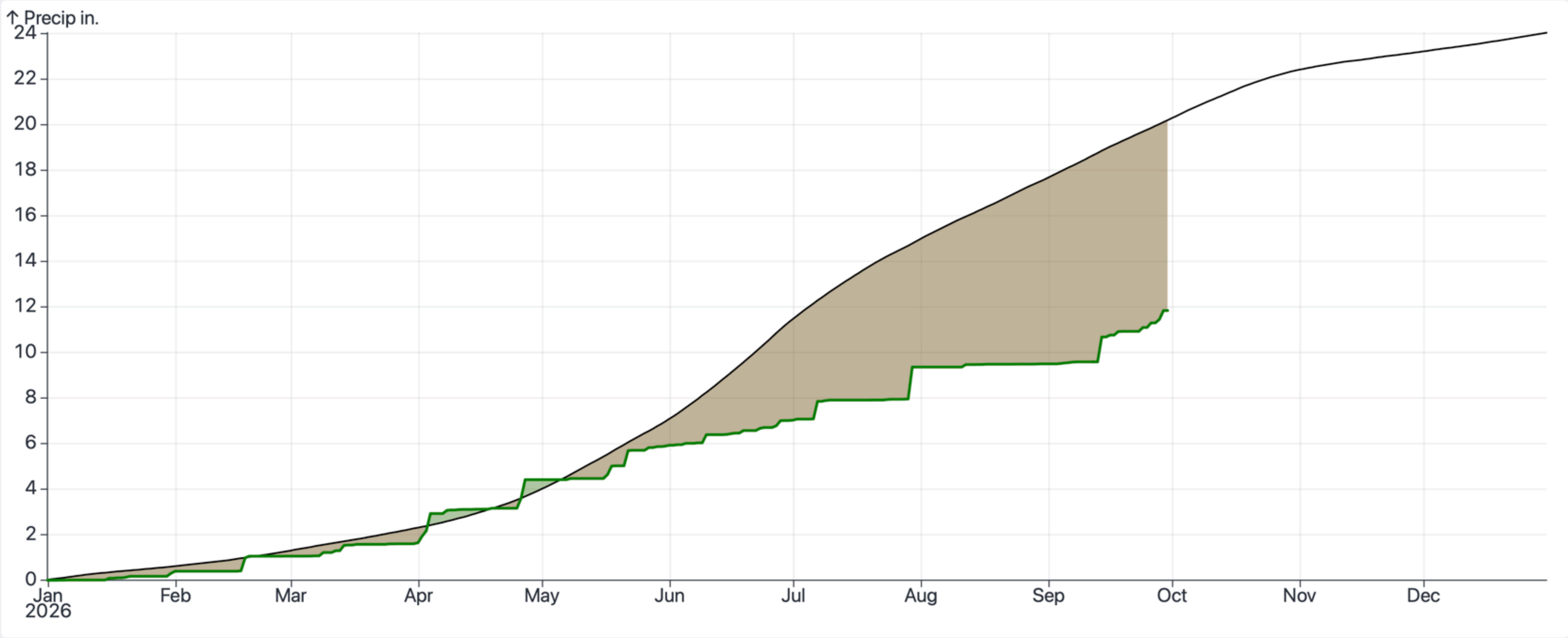
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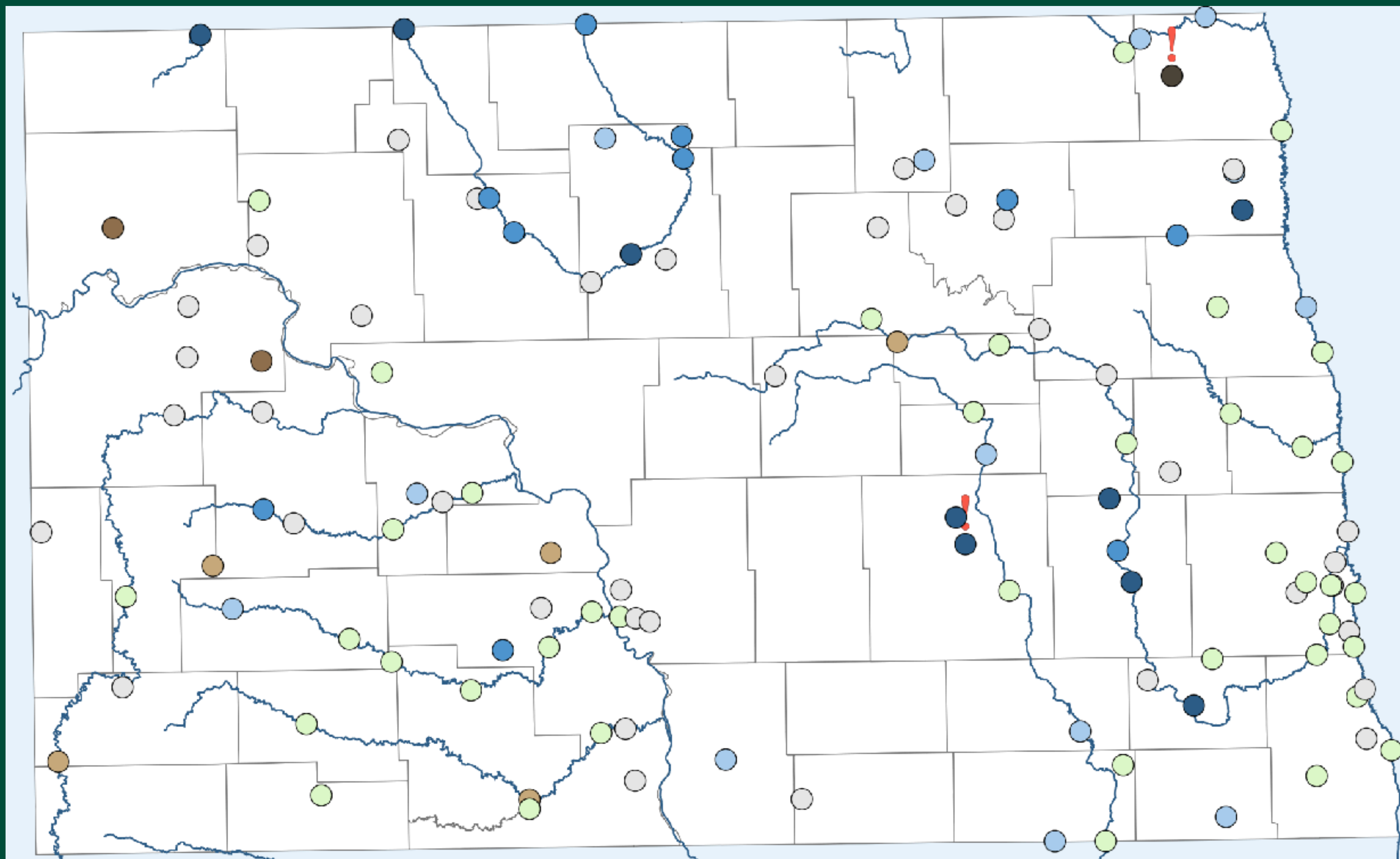


Precipitation

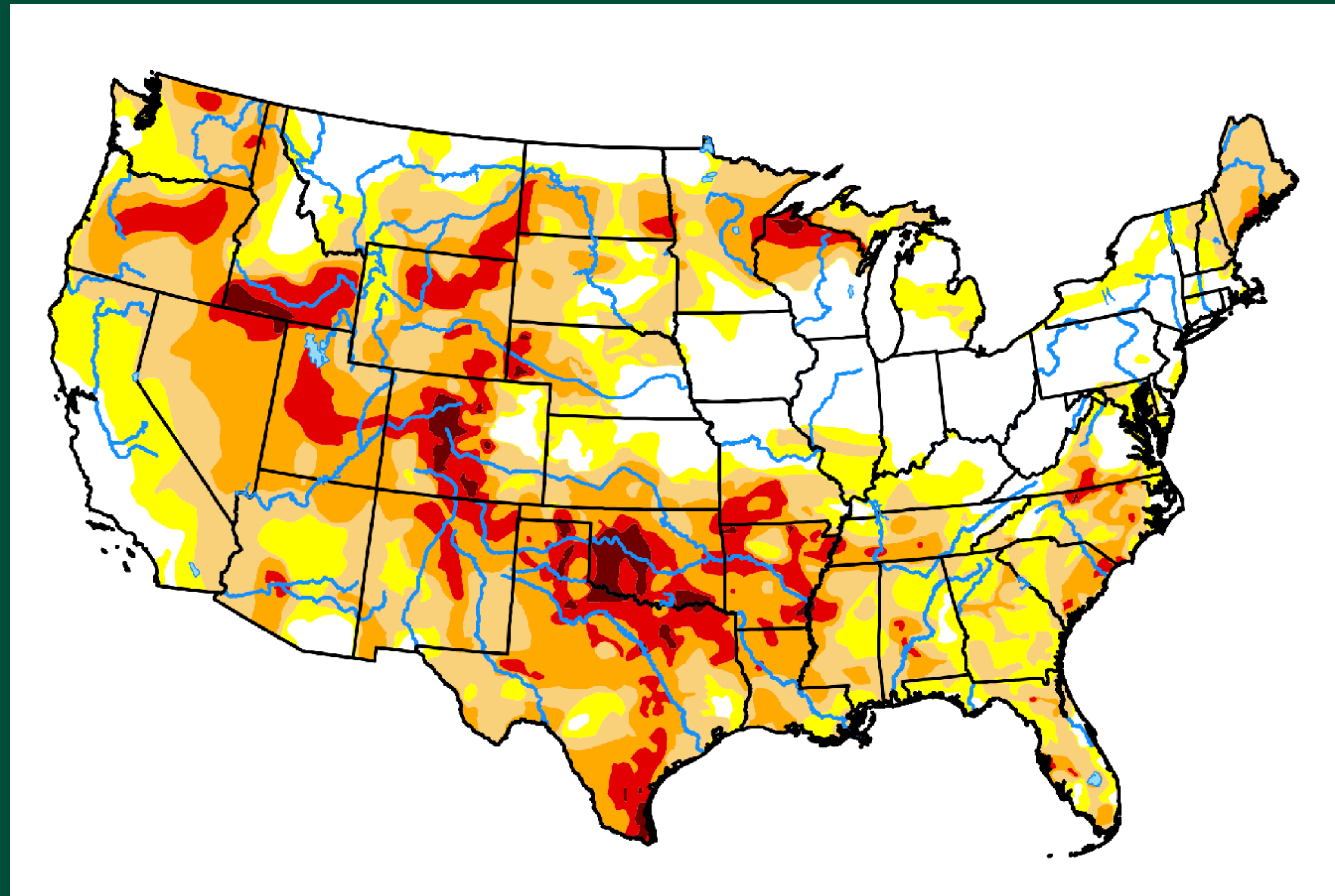
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■ Daily Precip ■ Normal Daily Precip





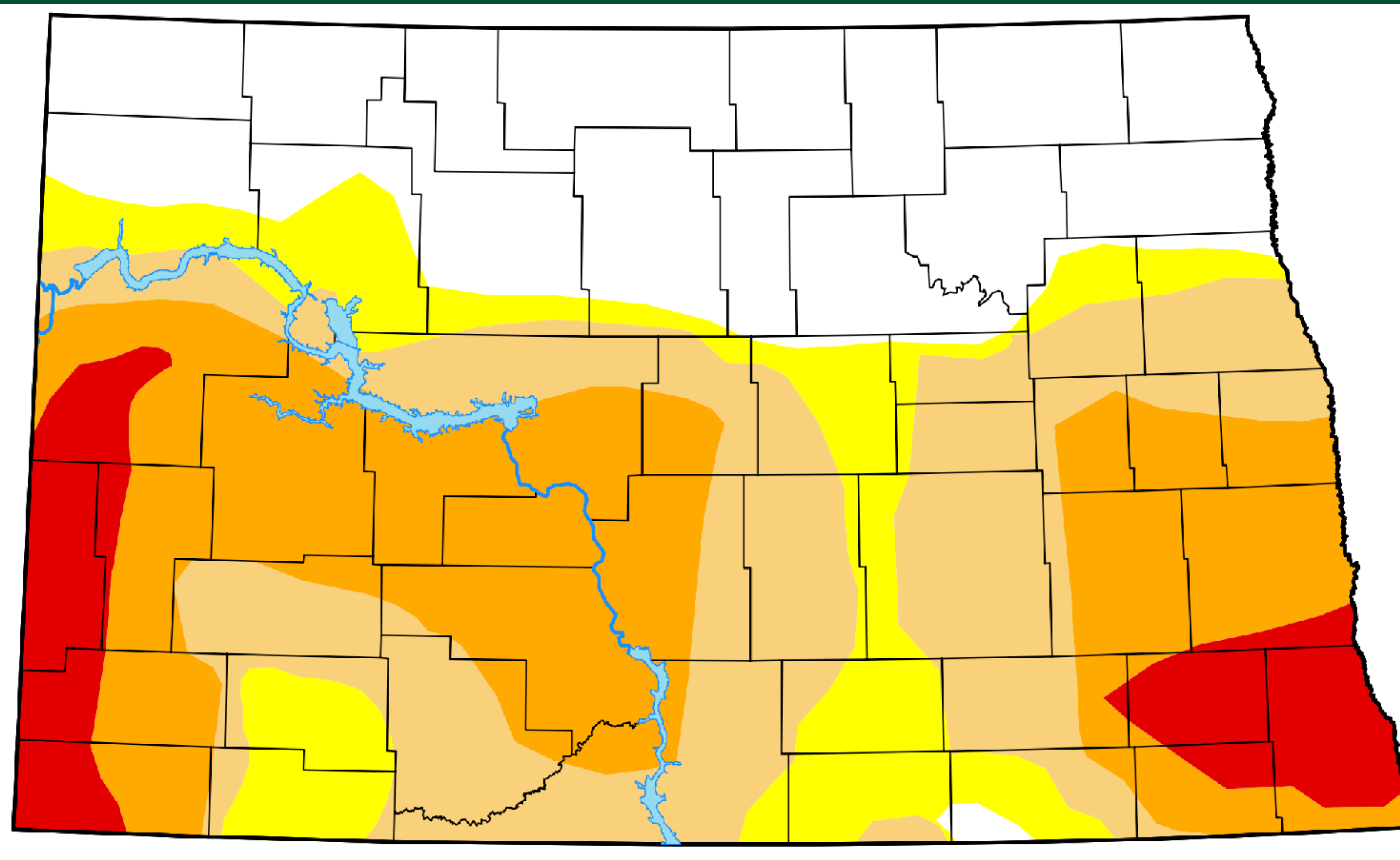
Current Stream Flows



Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)

Drought Monitor

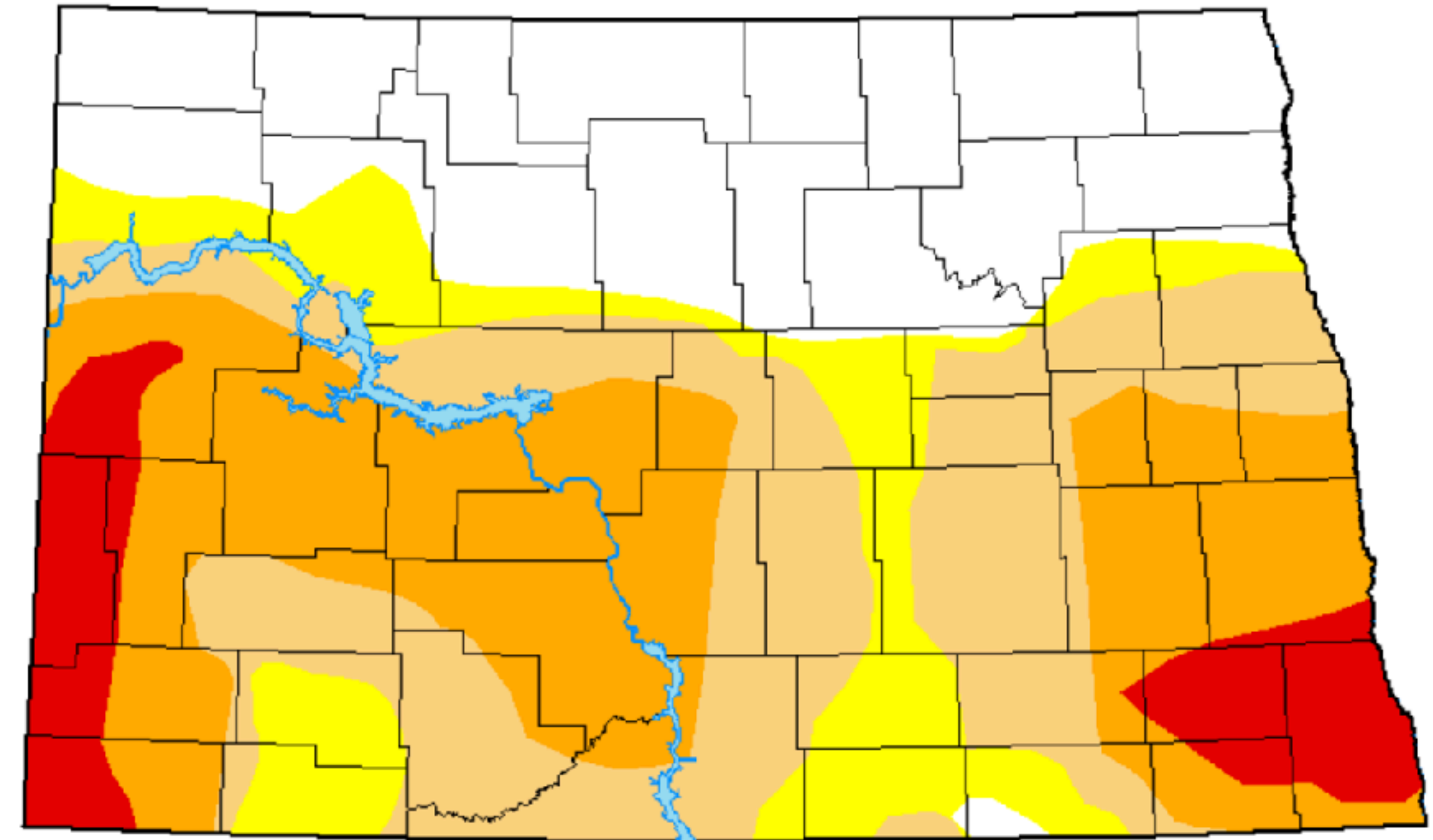
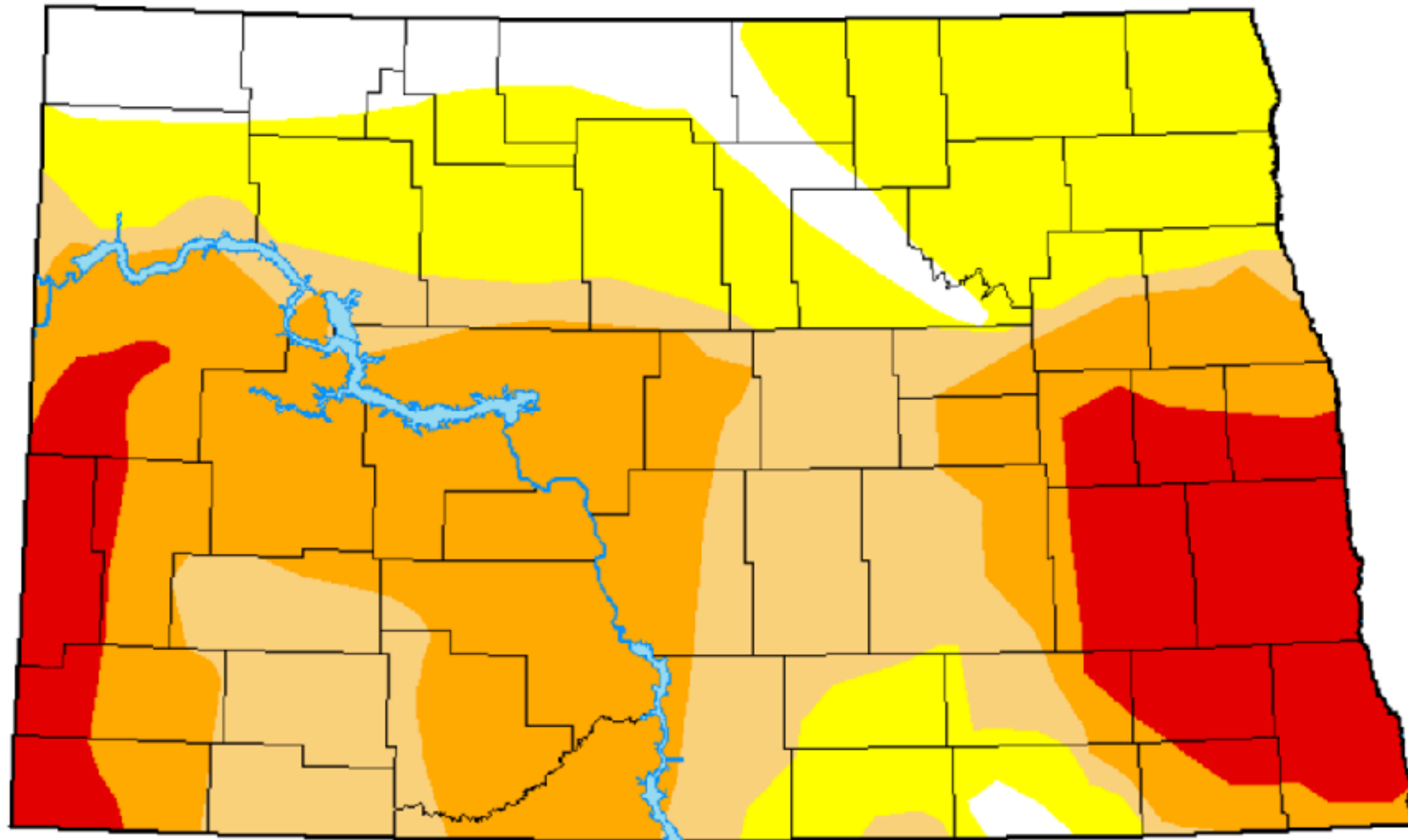


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North Dakota Drought Monitor

September 15, 2026

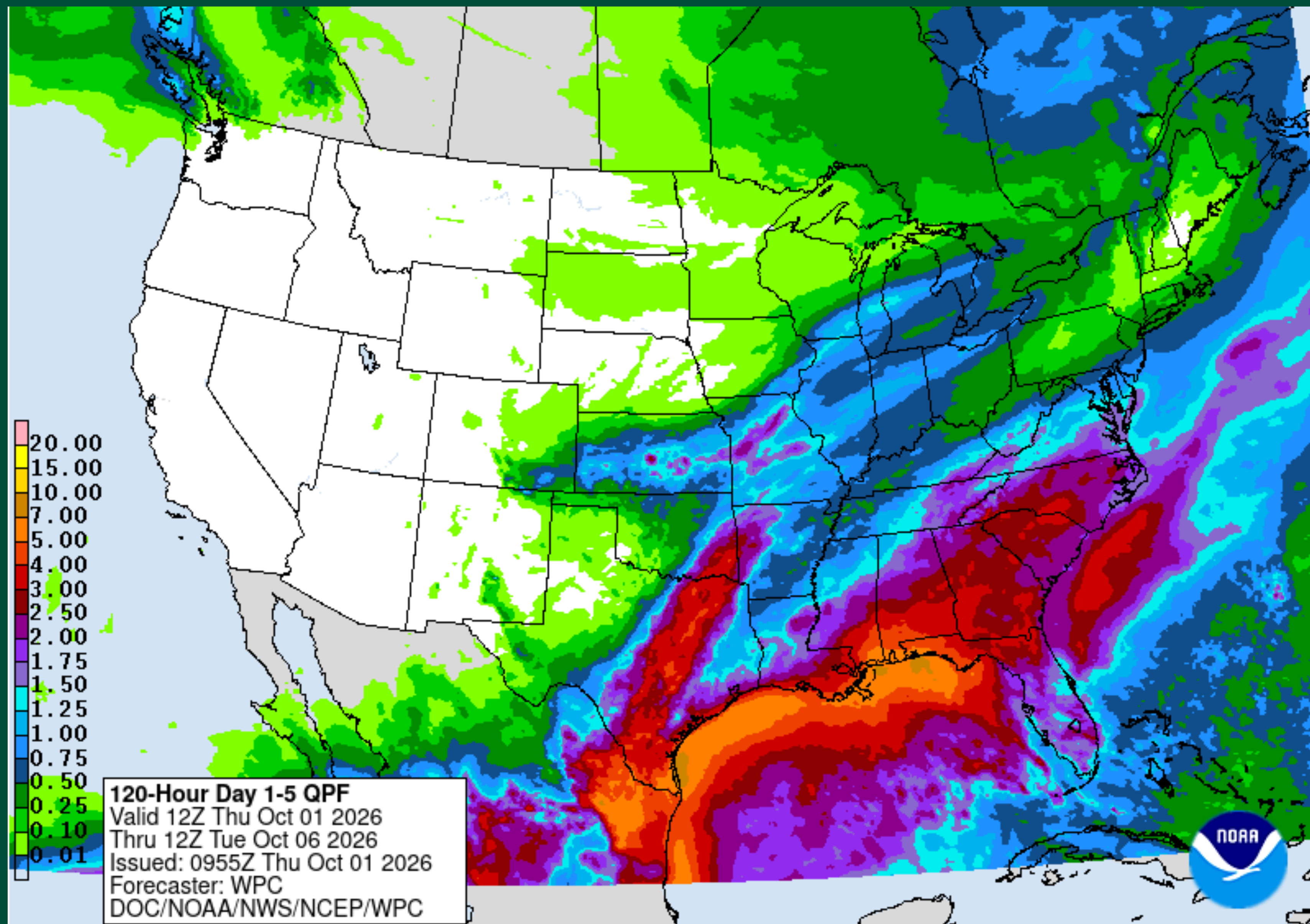
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Two Week Comparison

Week	Date	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	<u>2026-09-29</u>	28.79	71.21	58.45	33.50	7.54	0.00
Last Week to Current	<u>2026-09-22</u>	12.52	87.48	63.68	45.15	13.68	0.00
3 Months Ago to Current	<u>2026-06-30</u>	67.80	32.20	8.79	0.35	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year to Current	<u>2025-12-30</u>	98.04	1.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year to Current	<u>2025-09-30</u>	94.92	5.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago to Current	<u>2025-09-30</u>	94.92	5.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Drought Statistics



Next 5 Days

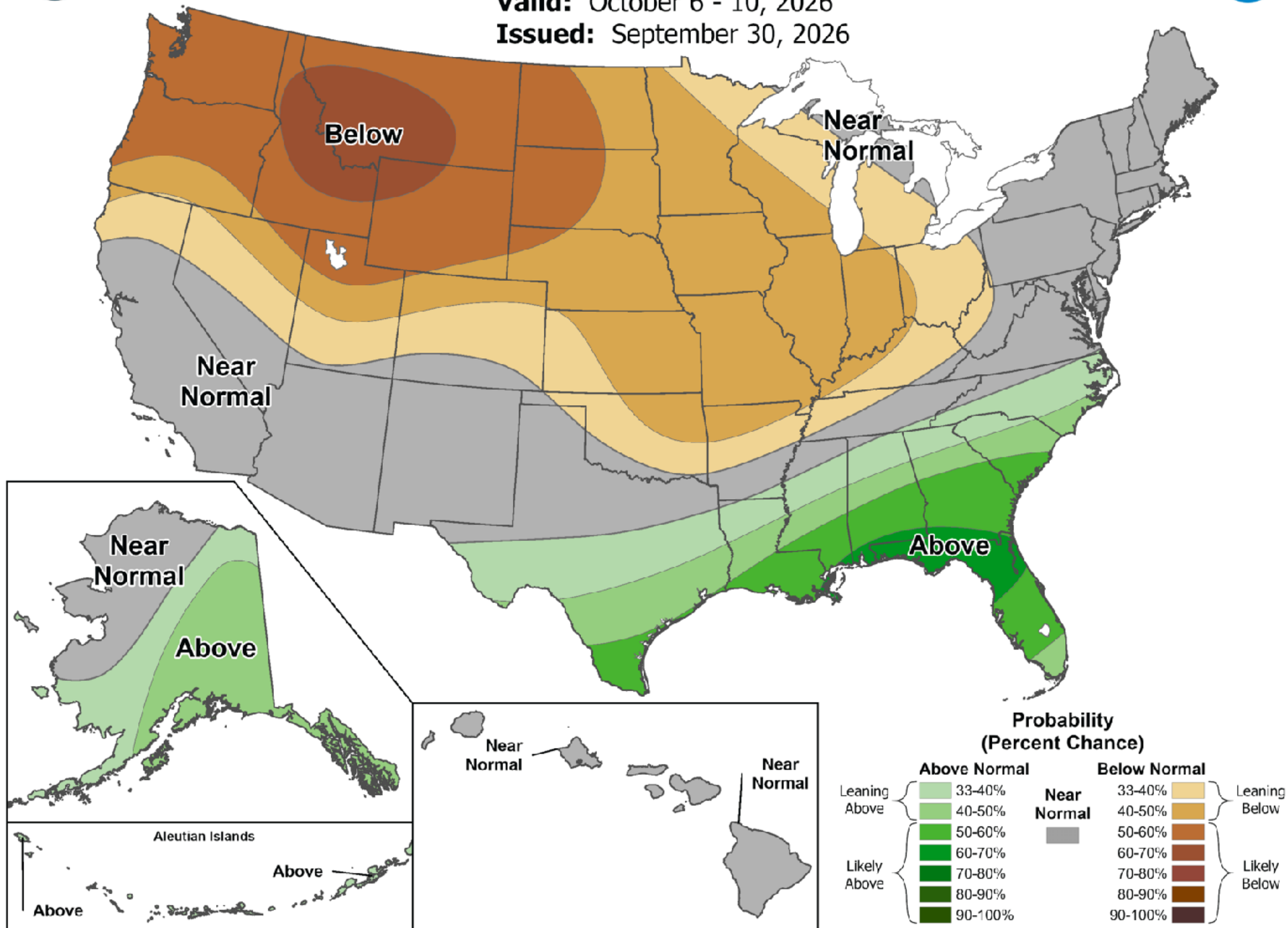


6-10 Day Precipitation Outlook



Valid: October 6 - 10, 2026

Issued: September 30, 2026



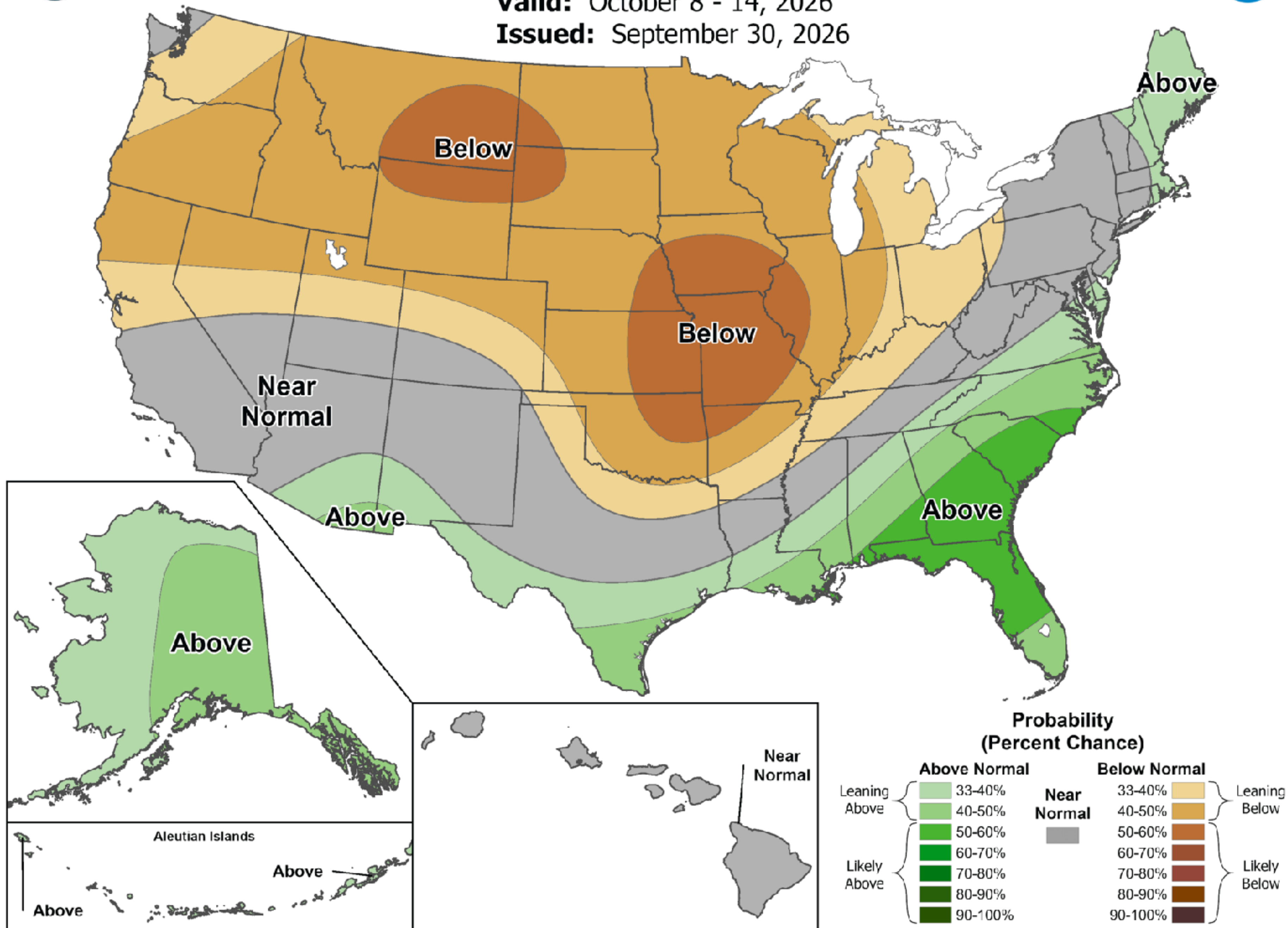


8-14 Day Precipitation Outlook



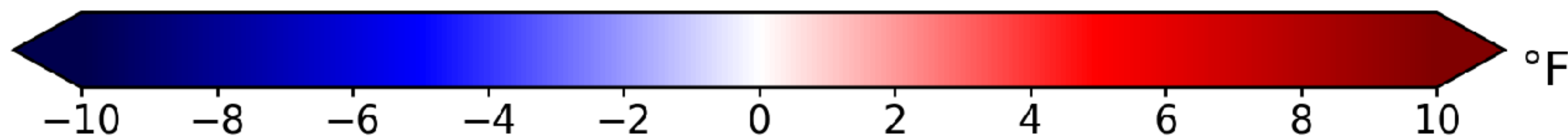
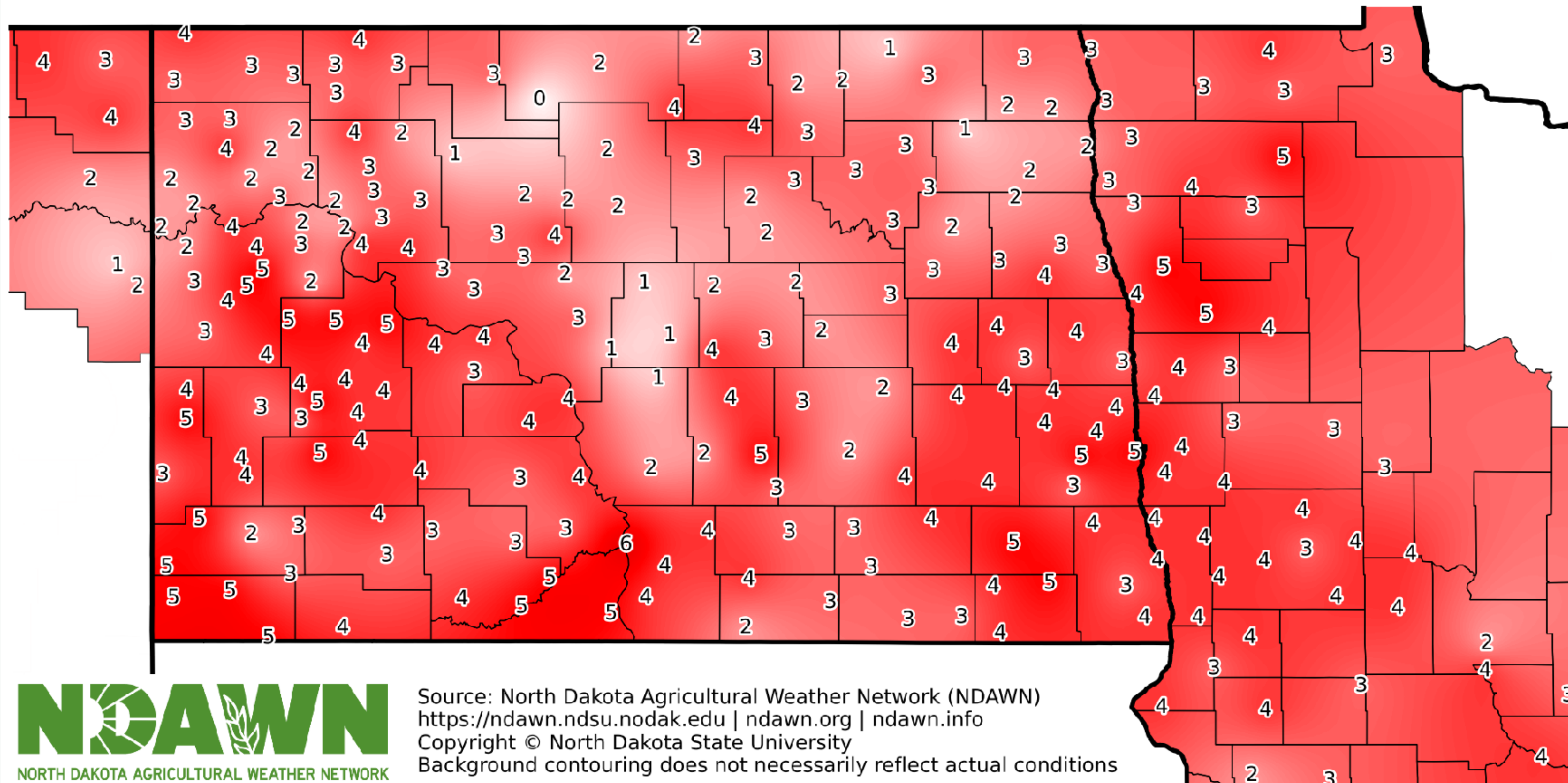
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Departure from Normal Temperature - Current Month (°F)

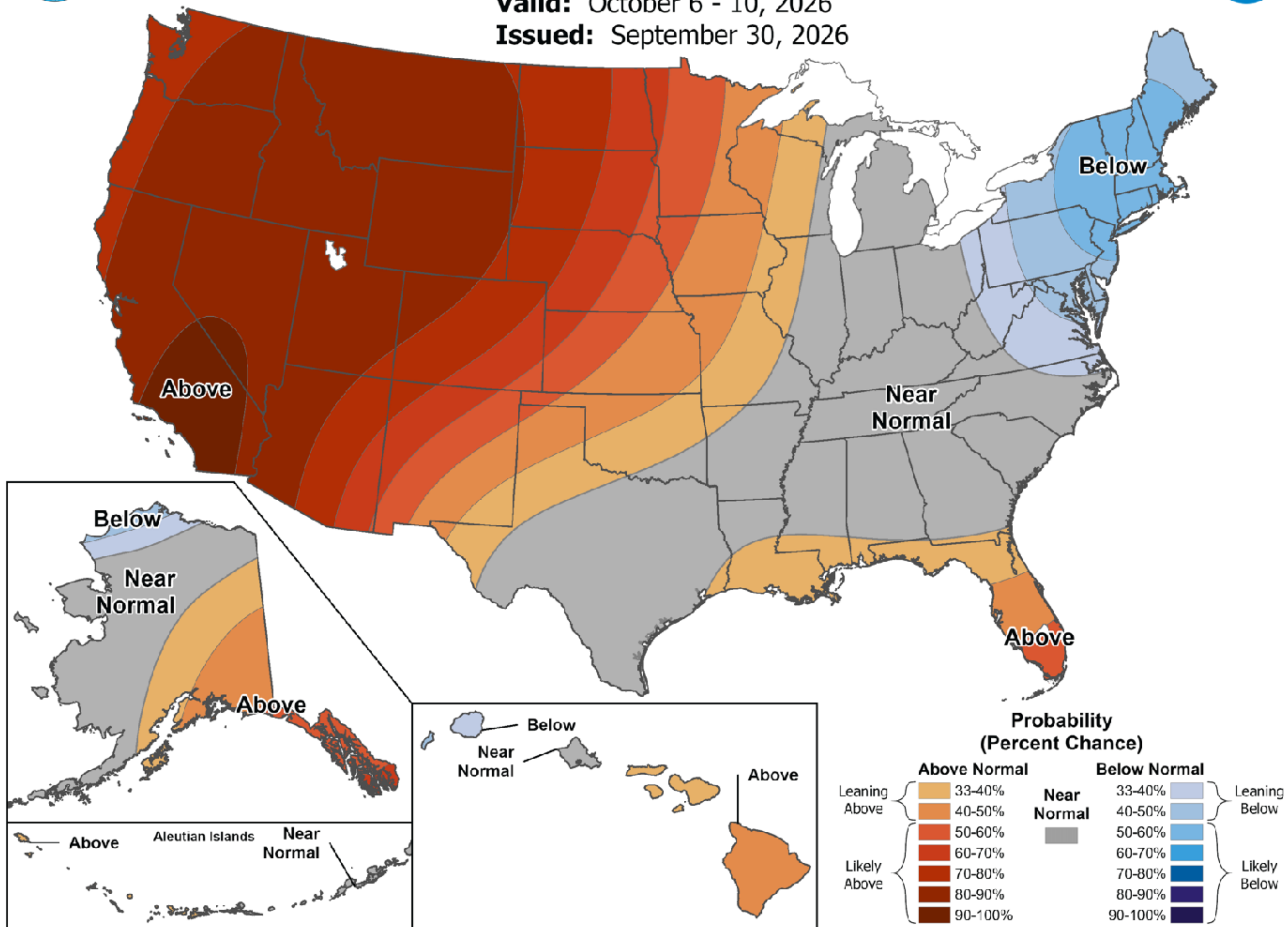
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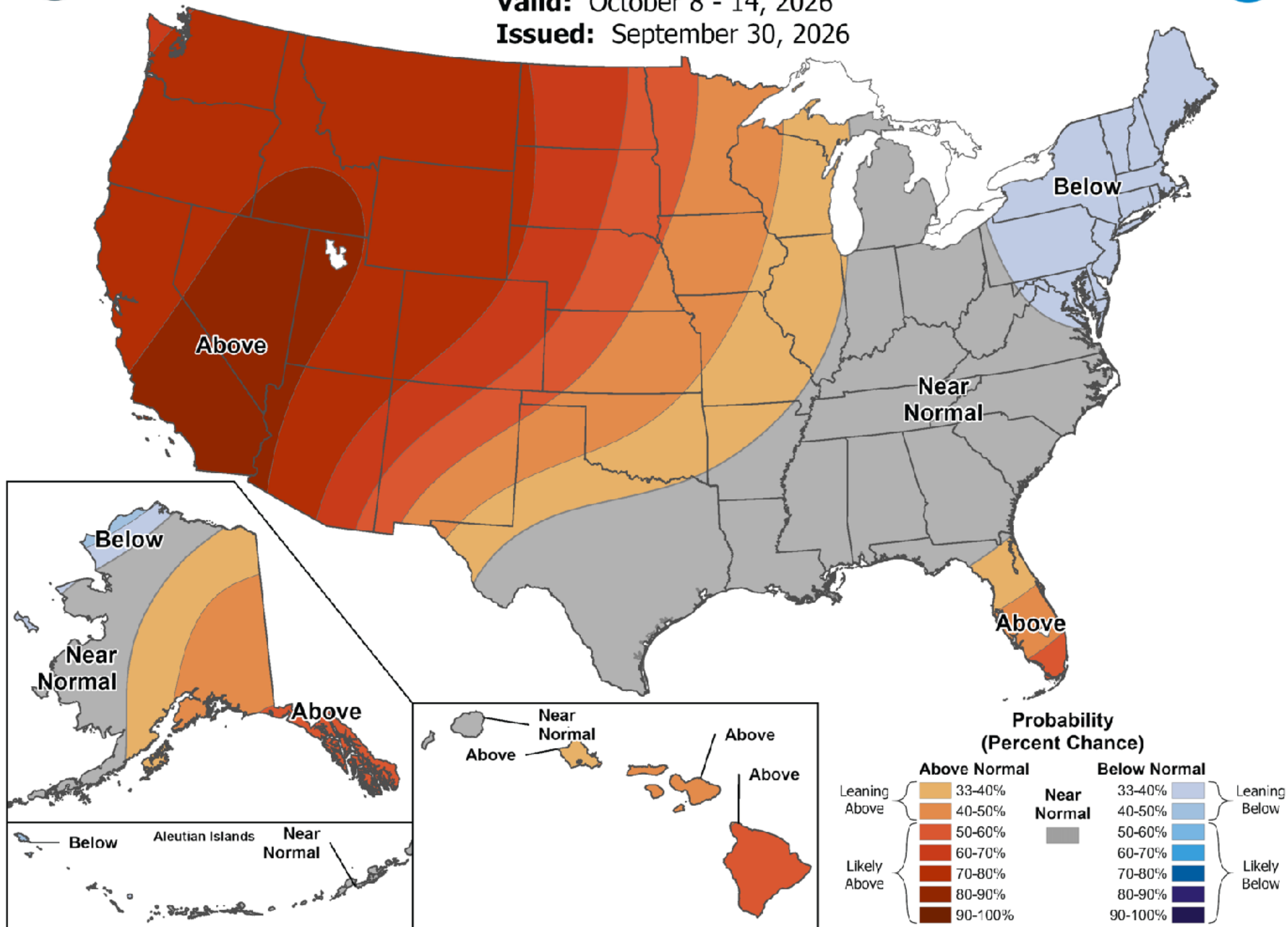
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Summary

Drier pattern for a while

Harvest Conditions look excellent

Drought Improvement from September Rains

Above Average Temperatures next 10 days

Autumn Fire Season

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