Mainstem Reservoir Status:

- System storage is 65.1 MAF; 9.0 MAF of the 16.3 MAF of flood control storage is occupied. About 55% of the flood control storage remains to be evacuated over the next 11 weeks.
- Large areas of eastern MT, ND, eastern SD, and northern NE have received heavy rainfall the past 10 days (lower right graphic). Normal September precipitation for most of these areas is around one inch. More precipitation is forecasted for the Basin this week beginning today through next Tues.
- The Sep 1 calendar year runoff forecast for the upper Missouri Basin above Sioux City was updated mid-month from 54.6 MAF (215% of average) to 58.8 MAF (232% of average) due to all the September rain.
- Gavins Point releases were reduced to 60,000 cfs over the weekend to lessen flooding. Our reservoir studies indicate increasing to 80,000 cfs by Saturday and holding through October.
- Refer to the 3-Week Forecast (click here) for the most up-to-date System information – pool levels, inflows and releases.
- The Gavins Point release schedule and forecasted Missouri River flows and stages can be found here:

Click Here for Missouri River releases, flows & stages

Accumulated Precipitation for Past 10 Days

*In January 2011, the Base of Flood Control was 56.8 MAF, and the Top of Exclusive Flood Control was 73.1 MAF.