## 2025 Spring Flood Outlook March 4, 2025 USACE St. Louis District Flood Preparedness Meeting Troy, Missouri

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#### Spring Flood Outlook 2025

Bottom Line Up Front:

- Significant (moderate or major) flooding is not likely anywhere.
- **Mississippi River:** Minor flooding unlikely anywhere along the Mississippi River except at Chester. This is a well below average risk.
- **Missouri River:** Minor flooding unlikely from Jefferson City to St. Charles. This is a well below average risk.
- Illinois River: Minor flooding likely by early May (below normal risk).
- Local tributaries: Near to below average flood risk, with flooding unlikely in most locations.



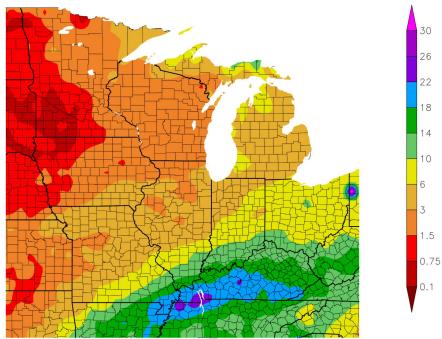
# Factors we look at for spring flooding:

- Precipitation in major river basins
- Snowpack in major river basins
- Soil moisture in area basins
- Current flow in area rivers



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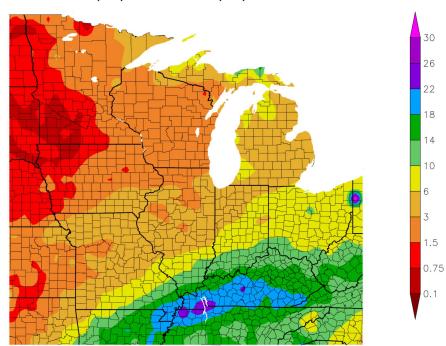
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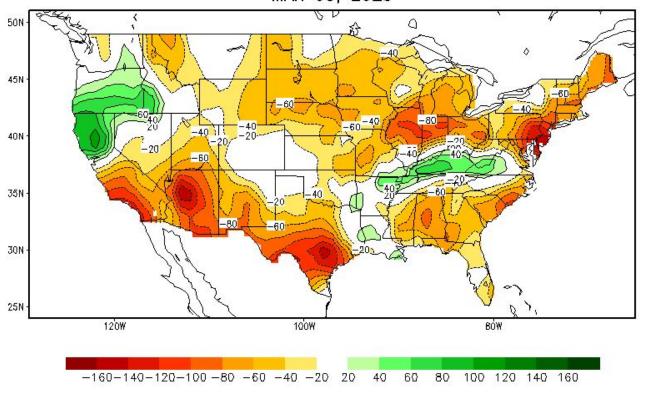


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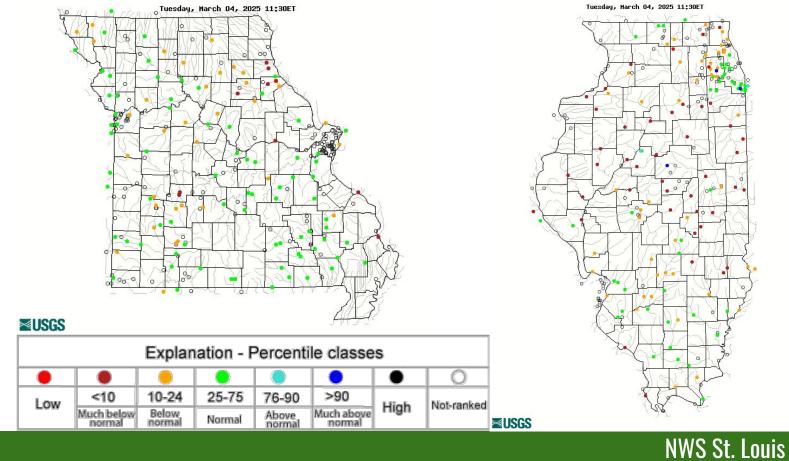
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#### Spring Flood Outlook 2023 - Soil Moisture Percentiles

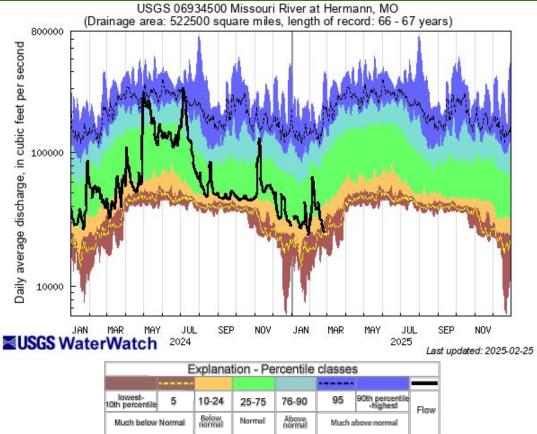
Calculated Soil Moisture Anomaly (mm) MAR 03, 2025



#### Spring Flood Outlook 2023 - Streamflow

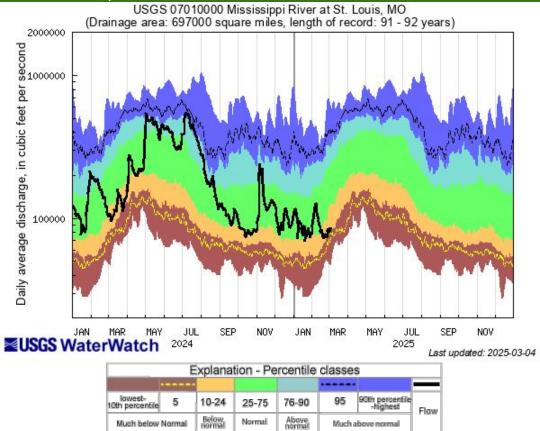


#### Missouri River at Hermann, MO



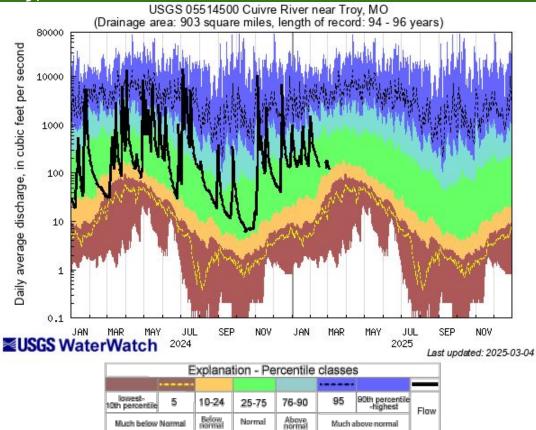


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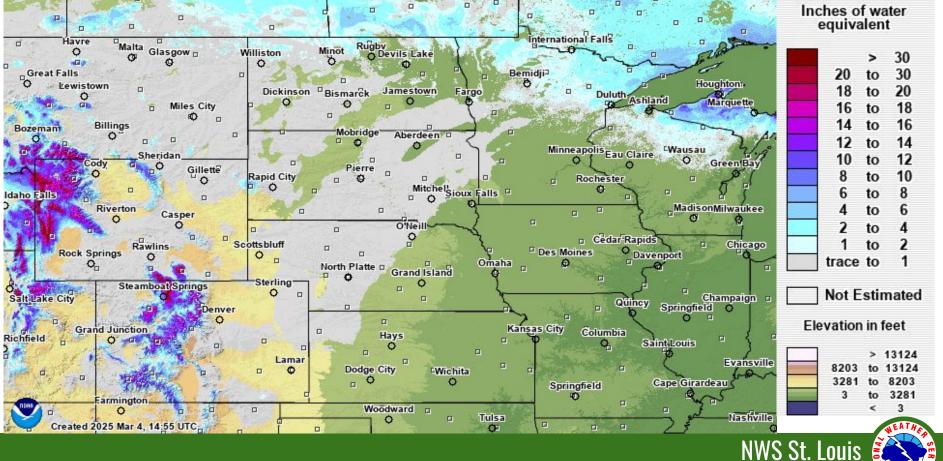


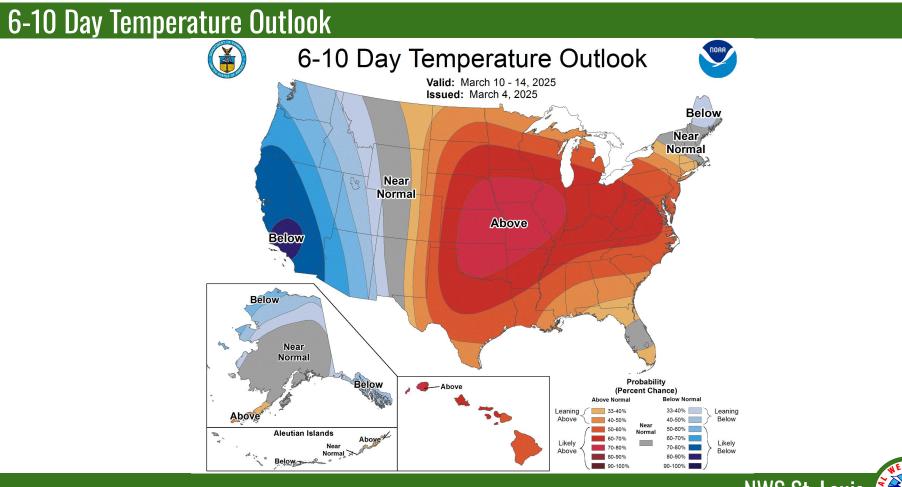


#### Cuivre River near Troy, MO



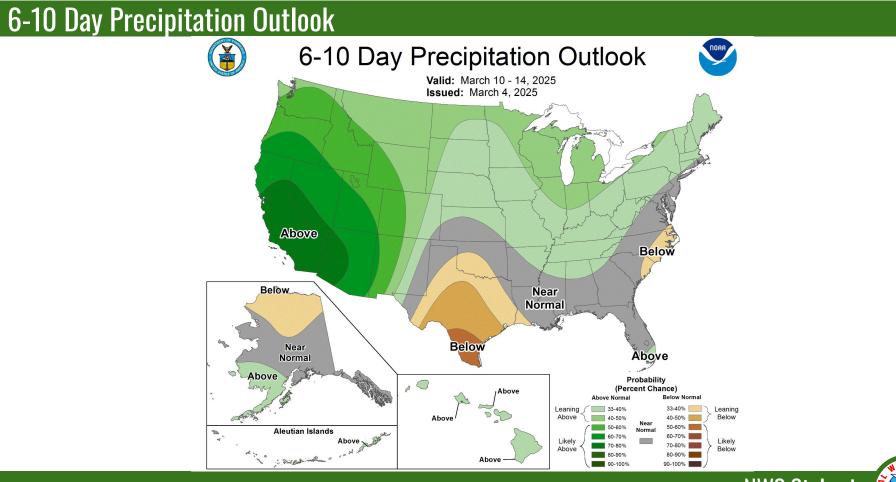
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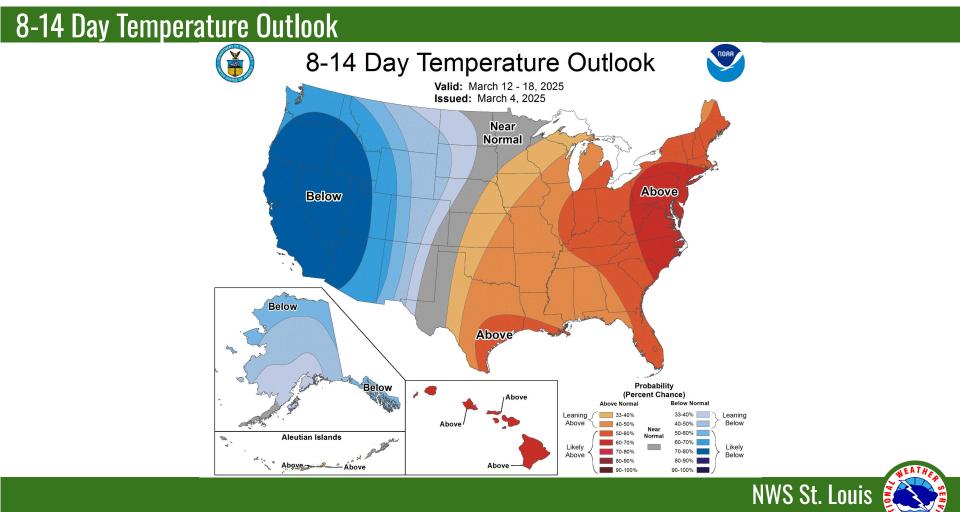


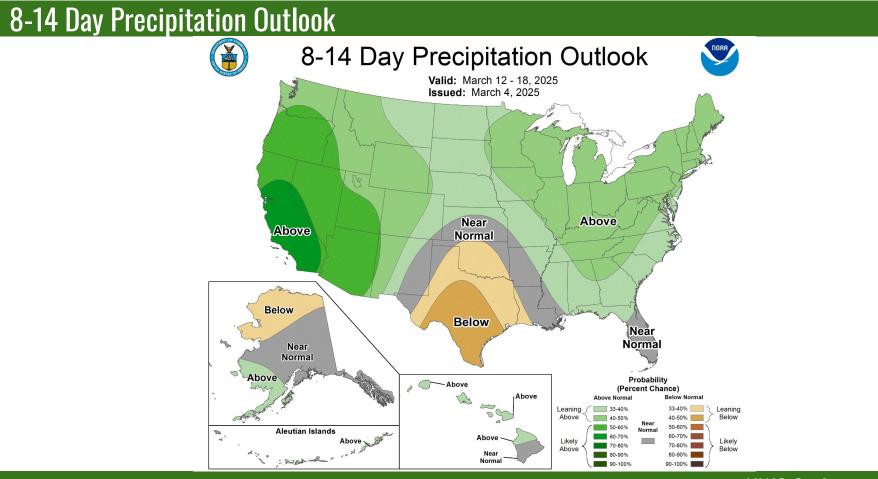


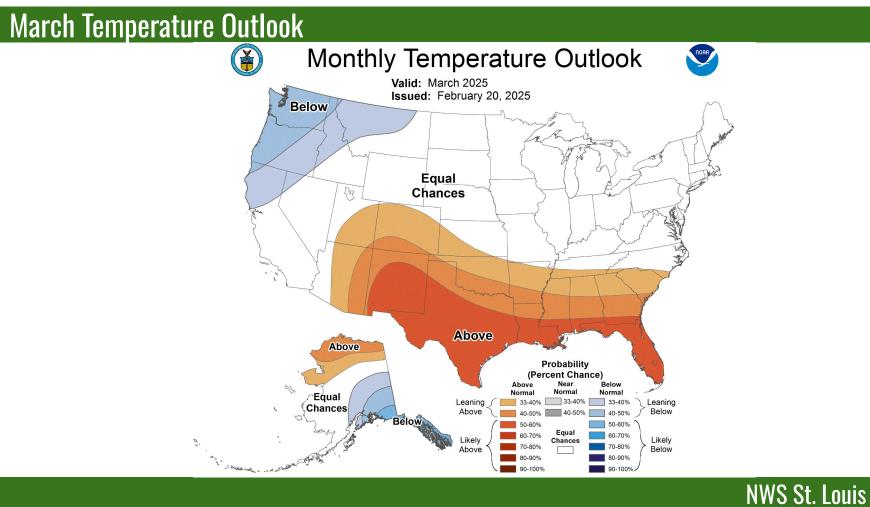
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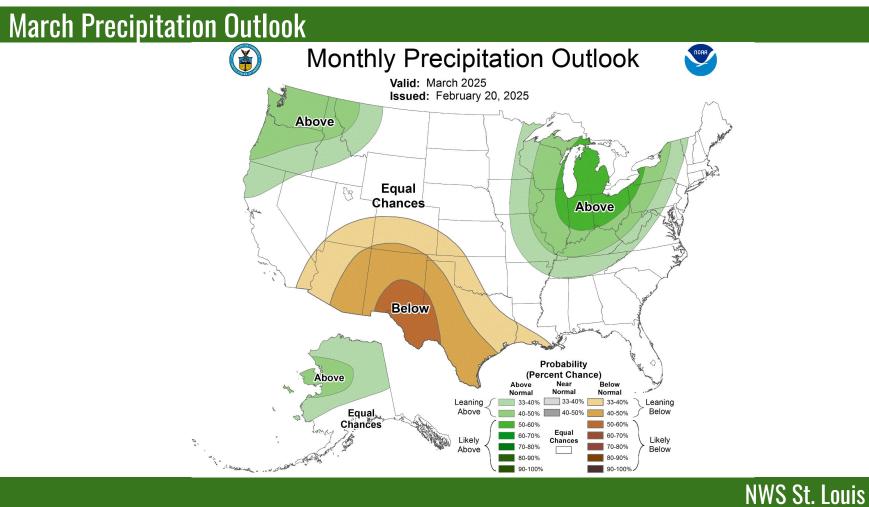
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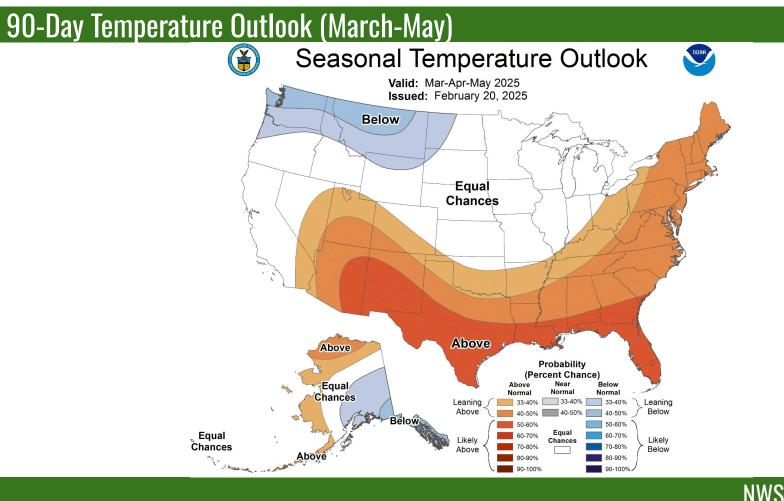


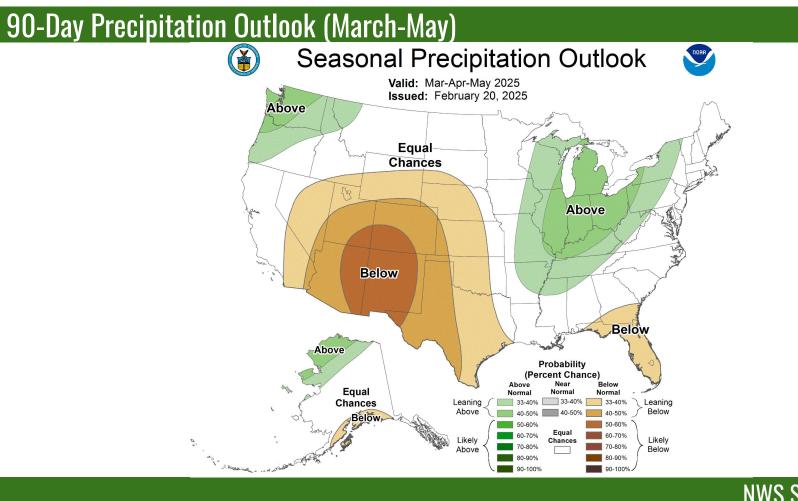




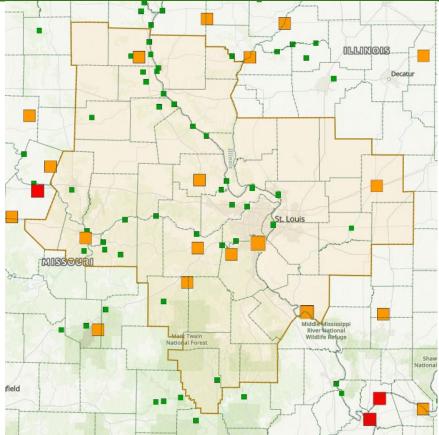








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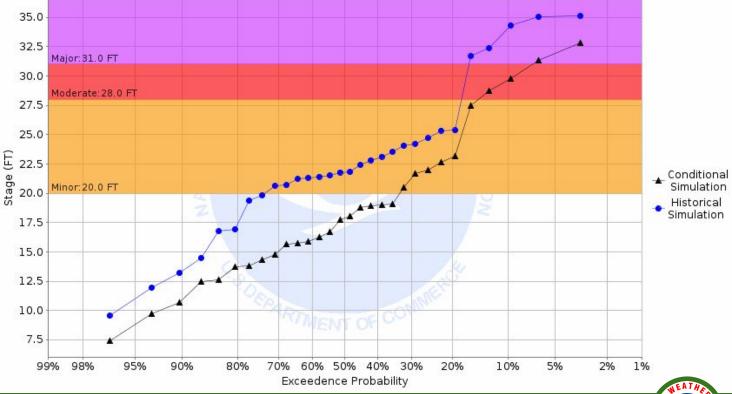




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Chance of Exceeding River Stage on the MISSOURI R at WASHINGTON MO Forecast for the period 03/01/2025 - 05/30/2025 This is a conditional simulation based on the current conditions as of 02/24/2025

- The chance of exceeding minor flood stage is 33%, which is 41% below the historical average.
- The chance of exceeding moderate flood stage is 15%, 3% below the historical average.



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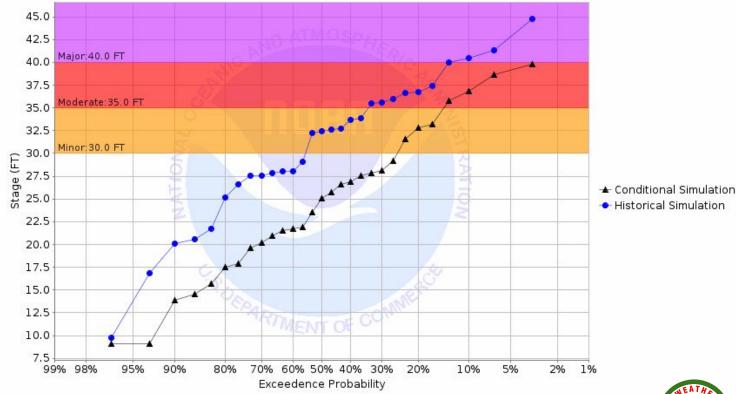
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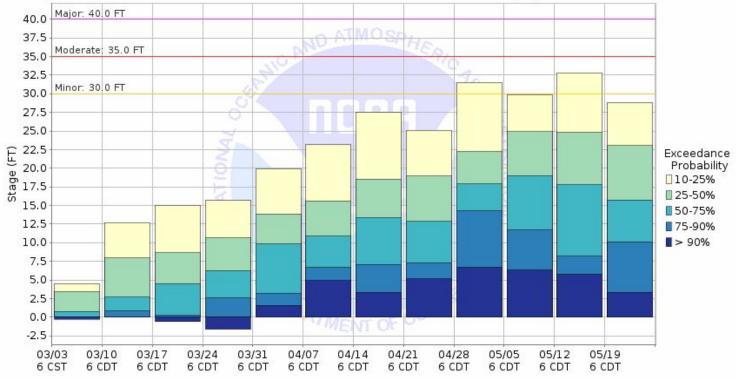
Chance of Exceeding River Stage at Mississippi River at St Louis (Eads Bridge) (EADM7) Forecast for the period 03/03/2025 - 06/01/2025 This is a conditional simulation based on the conditions as of 02/24/2025

- Similar to much of the upper Mississippi, the probability of minor flooding is 26%, 30% below the historical average.
- For significant (moderate or major) flooding, the chance is 14%, 20% below normal.

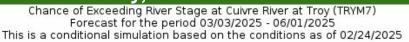


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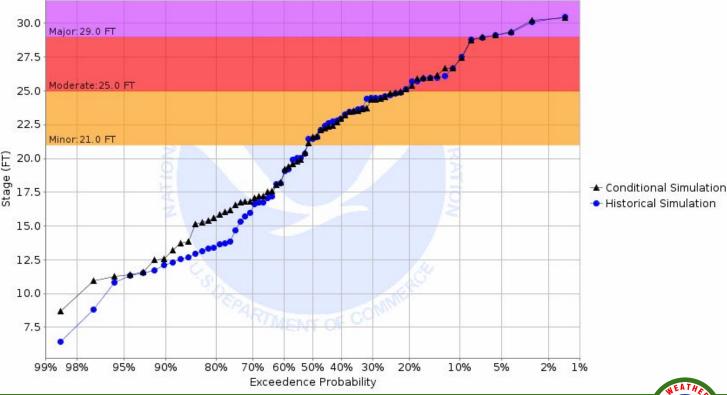
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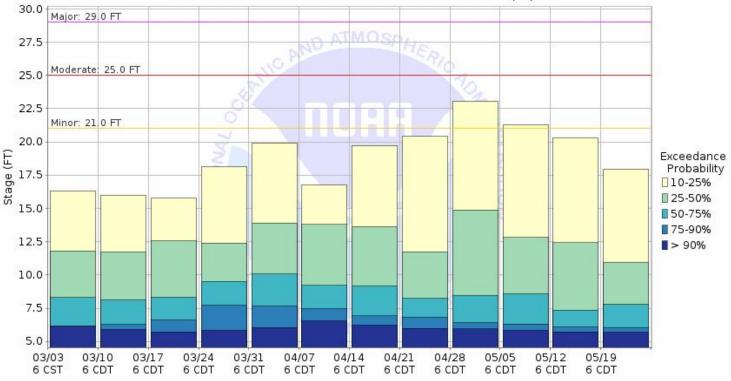


- Minor Flooding is likely at 52%, and that represents the historical average.
- Chances of moderate and major flooding are also close to the historical averages.



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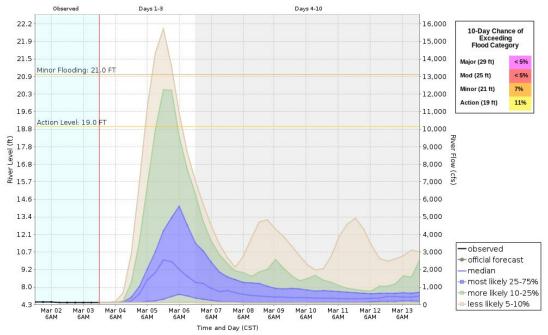
#### Near Term River Probabilities - Hydrologic Ensemble Forecast Service (HEFS)

#### **HEFS - 10 Day River Level Probabilities**



Based on Hydrologic Ensemble Forecast Service Model Simulations Used to Estimate the Range of Possible River Levels

#### Mar 04 - Mar 14, 2025 Cuivre River at Troy (TRYM7)



Model runtime: 06:00 PM CST Mar 03 2025 North Central River Forecast Center

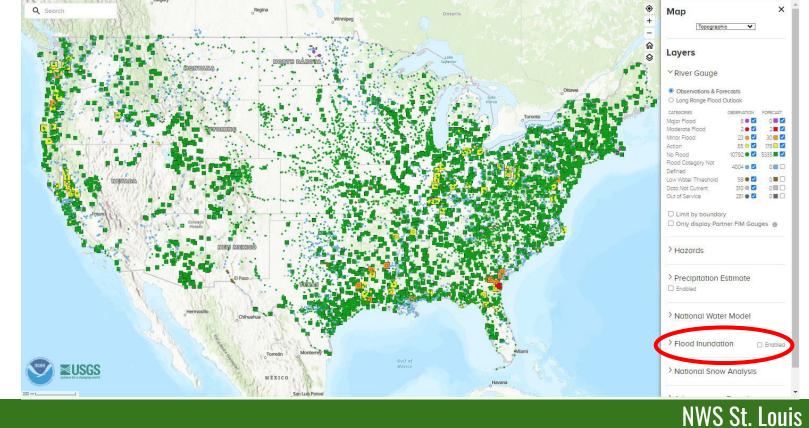
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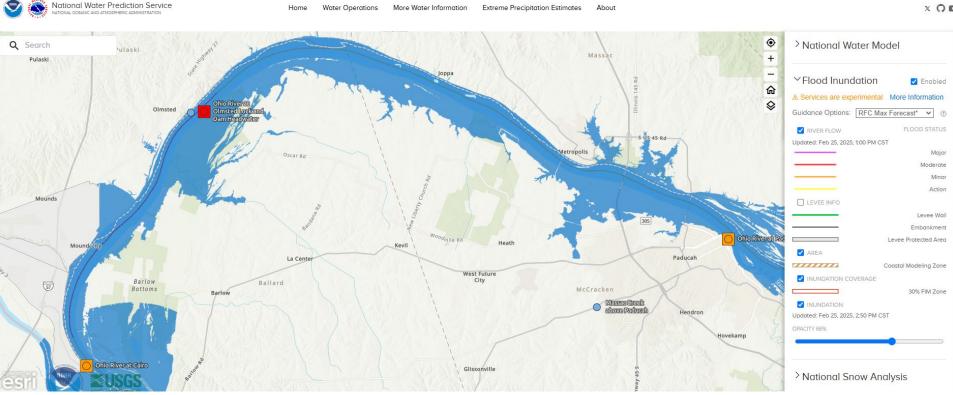
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# Questions???

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