

MEDIA ADVISORY

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## Upper Colorado River Commissioners to Discuss Hydrologic Shortages and Provide Hydrology Updates at 311th Special Meeting

**SALT LAKE CITY — Feb. 14, 2025 —** The 311th Special Meeting of the Upper Colorado River Commission will occur virtually by [Zoom](#) on February 18 at 10:00 a.m. MST, where the commissioners will include a briefing on hydrologic shortage in the Upper Basin, as well as hydrology and other updates.

The seven Colorado River Basin States are working to develop post-2026 operational rules for Lake Powell and Lake Mead. Over the last quarter century, the Colorado River Basin has experienced record-low snowpack, resulting in less water flowing through our rivers and being stored in our reservoirs. Water users in the Upper Division States are on the front lines of climate change.

Without large reservoirs above their uses, throughout the last 25 years, water users have regularly faced uncertainty and uncompensated shortages due to the strict administration of water rights based on the availability of supply. In order to reach equitable and durable solutions to sustain the entire basin, it is vital to understand how hydrologic shortages occur in the Upper Basin and how the Upper Basin manages water uses and contributes to the health of the Colorado River system.

- WHAT:** 311th Special Meeting of the UCRC
- WHEN:** Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. MST
- WHERE:** Virtual Zoom meeting [HERE](#).
- WHY:** Public briefing on hydrologic shortage

For more information about the Upper Colorado River Commission, visit <http://www.ucrccommission.com>.

### **About the Upper Colorado River Commission (UCRC):**

The [UCRC](#) is an interstate administrative agency made up of duly appointed representatives from the four Upper Division States of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

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