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Corps: Missouri River Will Get More Water in 2014

(AP) - Slightly more water than normal is expected to flow into the Missouri River this spring, but the dams along the river should have room for it.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says several of the reservoirs remain below normal because they are still recovering from the 2012 drought.

So the Corps' Jody Farhat says the reservoirs should be able to safely handle the 26.1 million acre feet of runoff expected this year. That forecast is slightly above normal runoff of 25.2 million acre feet.

The Corps adjusts the amount of water released from dams along the river in response to conditions.

Last year, releases along the water were limited because the Corps was conserving water as the region recovered from drought. That affected barge traffic on the river.