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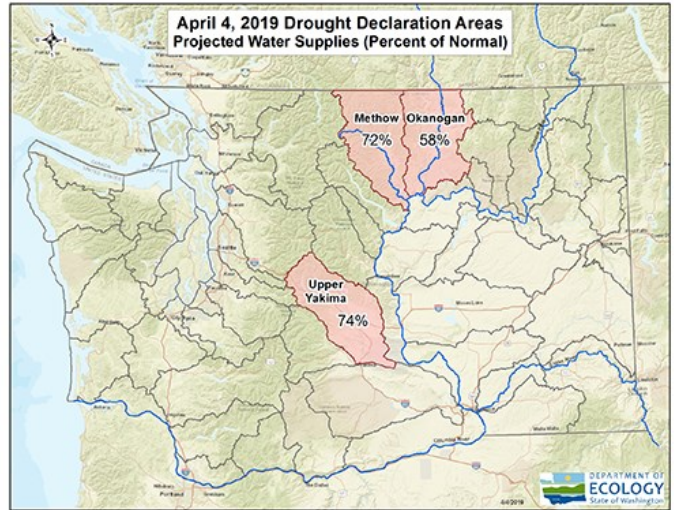
# 2019 Drought Workshop

A **drought emergency** was declared on April 4, 2019 for three watersheds including the **Upper Yakima**. Water supply predictions were at 77% at that time. Drought conditions have the greatest impact on pro-ratable irrigation districts like the Kittitas Reclamation District and on tributary flows and fish habitat.





The **Kittitas County Conservation District** invites you to a workshop on May 8th at 7 PM to learn more about services and programs offered by agencies and groups working in the Upper Yakima watershed to address this situation.

*“By declaring a drought emergency, we can offer vital support to these communities. We also empower our partner state agencies and local conservation and irrigation districts to provide a range of emergency services.”*

Ecology Director Maia Bellon



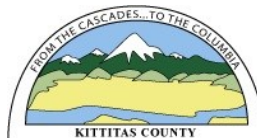
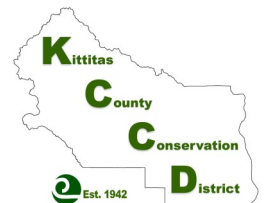
**7PM Wednesday May 8, 2019**  
**Kittitas Valley Event Center—**  
**Armory Hall**  
**901 E. 7th Avenue, Ellensburg**

-  Get the latest status of the drought emergency and water supply predictions
-  Learn about programs to lease water rights
-  Find out how to access technical assistance for water measuring and irrigation water management
-  Learn about opportunities to improve your irrigation system for the future to build long term drought resiliency



Speakers include **Trevor Hutton** (Department of Ecology), **Anna Lael** (Kittitas County Conservation District), and **Urban Eberhart** (Kittitas Reclamation District). Also attending will be **Arden Thomas** (Kittitas County), **Lisa Pelly** (Trout Unlimited—Washington Water Project), and **Greg McLaughlin** (Washington Water Trust).

Vendors with real-time soil moisture monitoring systems are invited to the workshop. Come check out the technology and learn how it can improve your irrigation water management.



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