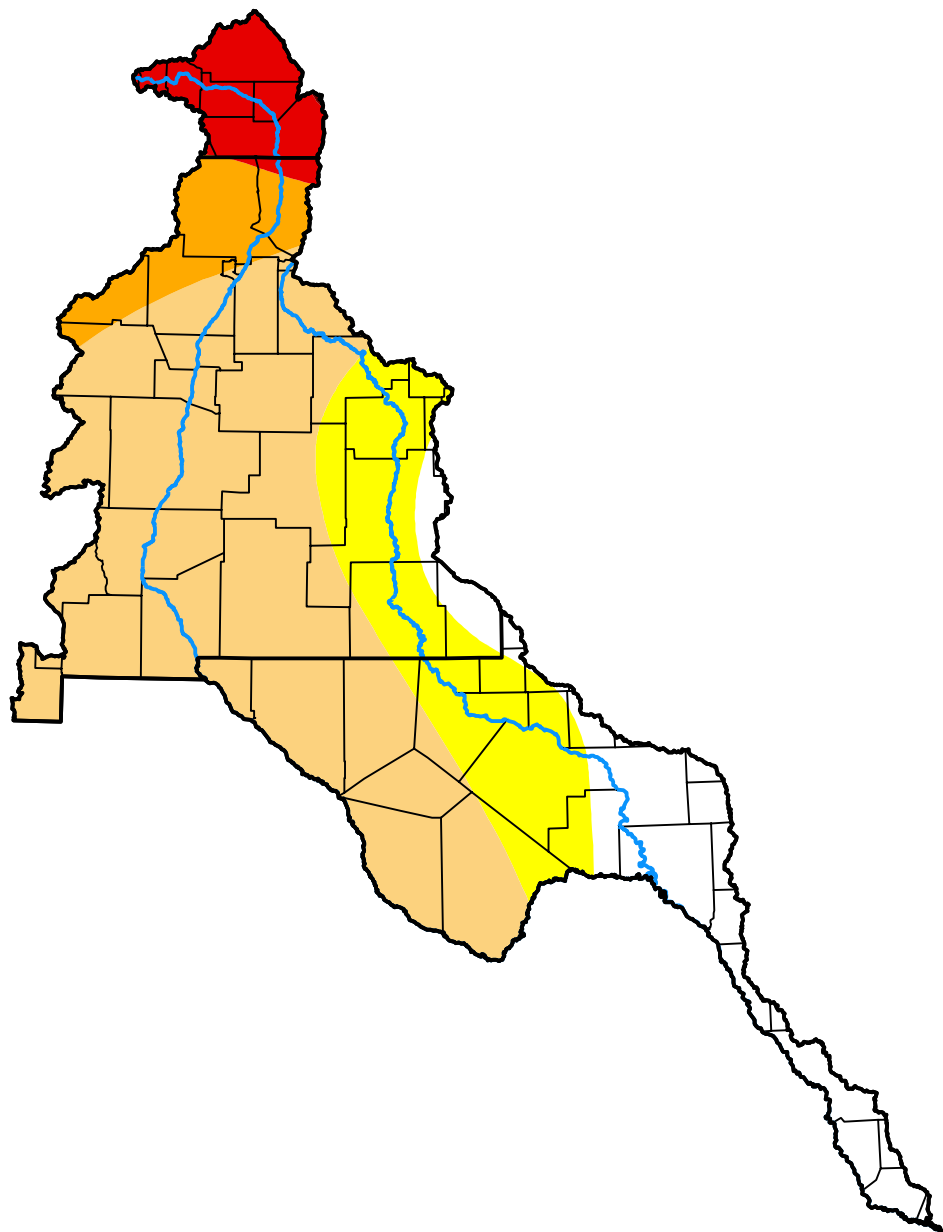


U.S. Drought Monitor Rio Grande Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	14.35	19.77	53.25	6.46	6.13	0.02
Last Week <i>12-19-2002</i>	14.10	19.32	53.65	6.86	6.08	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-26-2002</i>	1.57	6.63	58.48	21.87	6.81	4.63
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	0.01	28.50	30.81	17.75	22.92	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	1.37	7.82	64.13	19.65	2.22	4.81
One Year Ago <i>12-27-2001</i>	0.25	28.33	30.94	17.88	22.60	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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