

U.S. Drought Monitor

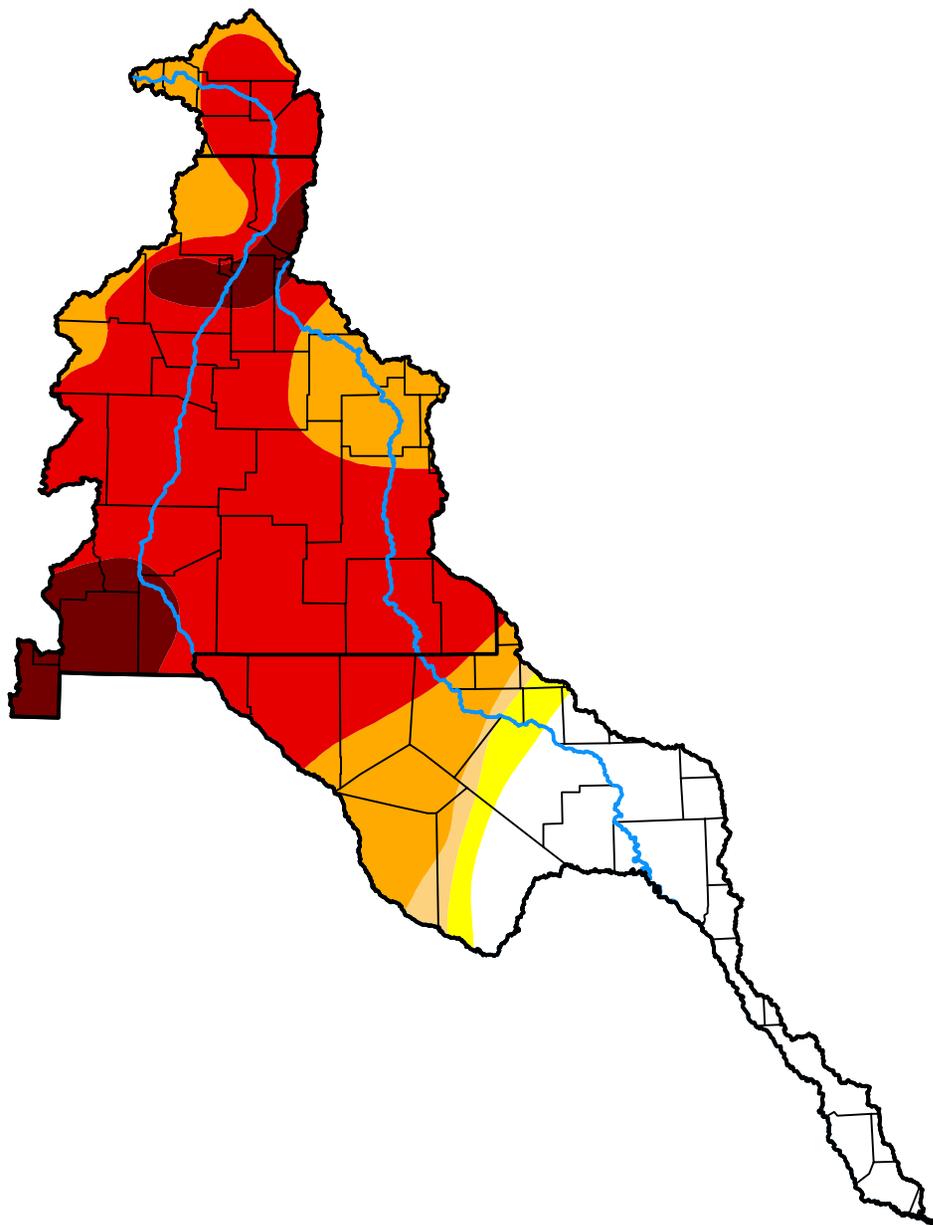
Rio Grande Watershed

December 16, 2003
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 17.65 | 2.90 | 1.94 | 19.53 | 49.44 | 8.54 |
| Last Week <i>12-11-2003</i> | 17.48 | 2.68 | 2.26 | 19.63 | 49.32 | 8.62 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2003</i> | 6.92 | 5.23 | 5.30 | 23.44 | 59.11 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i> | 15.61 | 23.40 | 51.47 | 3.42 | 6.08 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i> | 11.45 | 4.76 | 5.77 | 18.86 | 59.17 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-19-2002</i> | 14.10 | 19.32 | 53.65 | 6.86 | 6.08 | 0.00 |



Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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