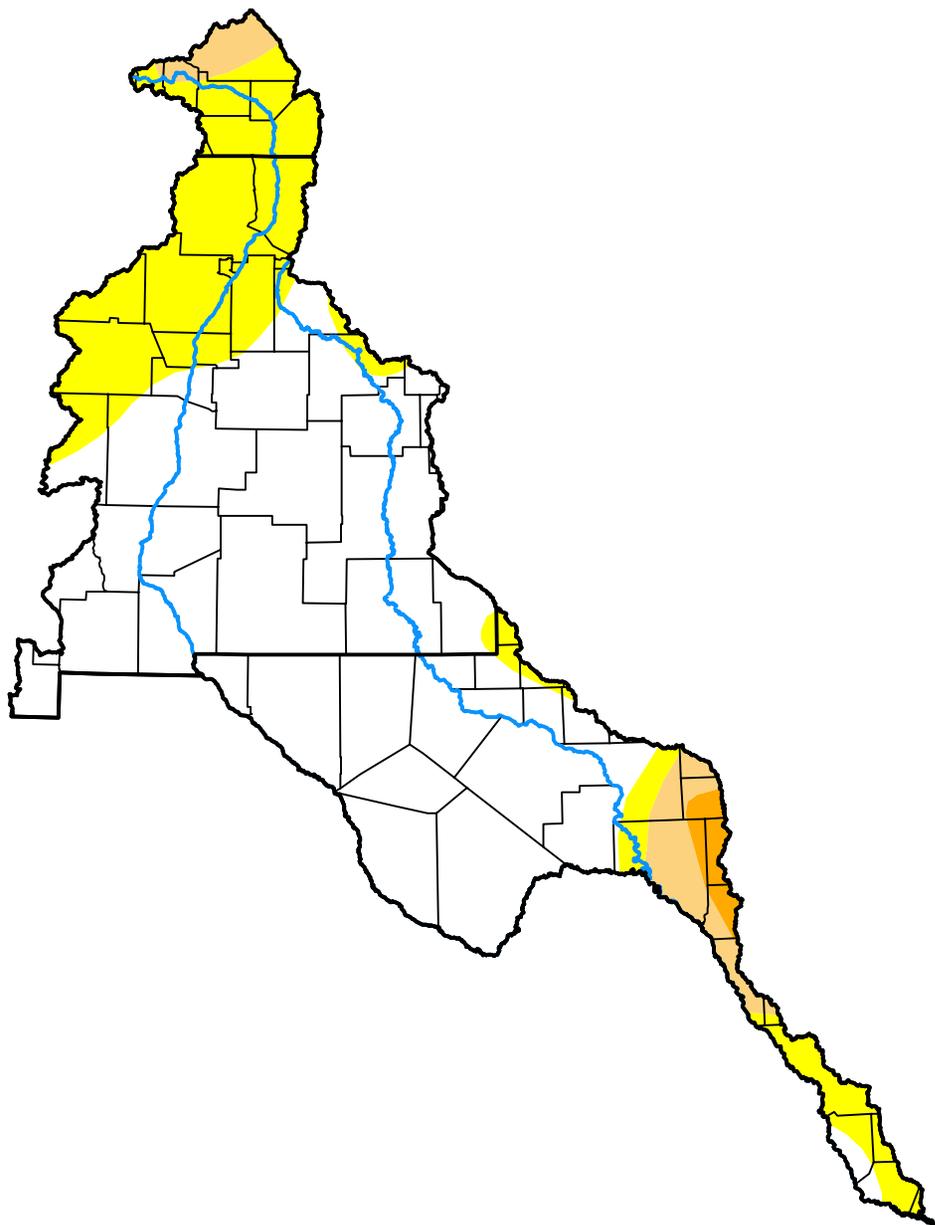


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Rio Grande Watershed

**December 16, 2008**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	69.97	30.03	6.24	1.37	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-11-2008</i>	69.97	30.03	6.24	1.37	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-18-2008</i>	75.97	24.03	4.35	0.47	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2008</i>	64.81	35.19	3.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-02-2008</i>	77.02	22.98	2.72	0.47	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-20-2007</i>	76.82	23.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	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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