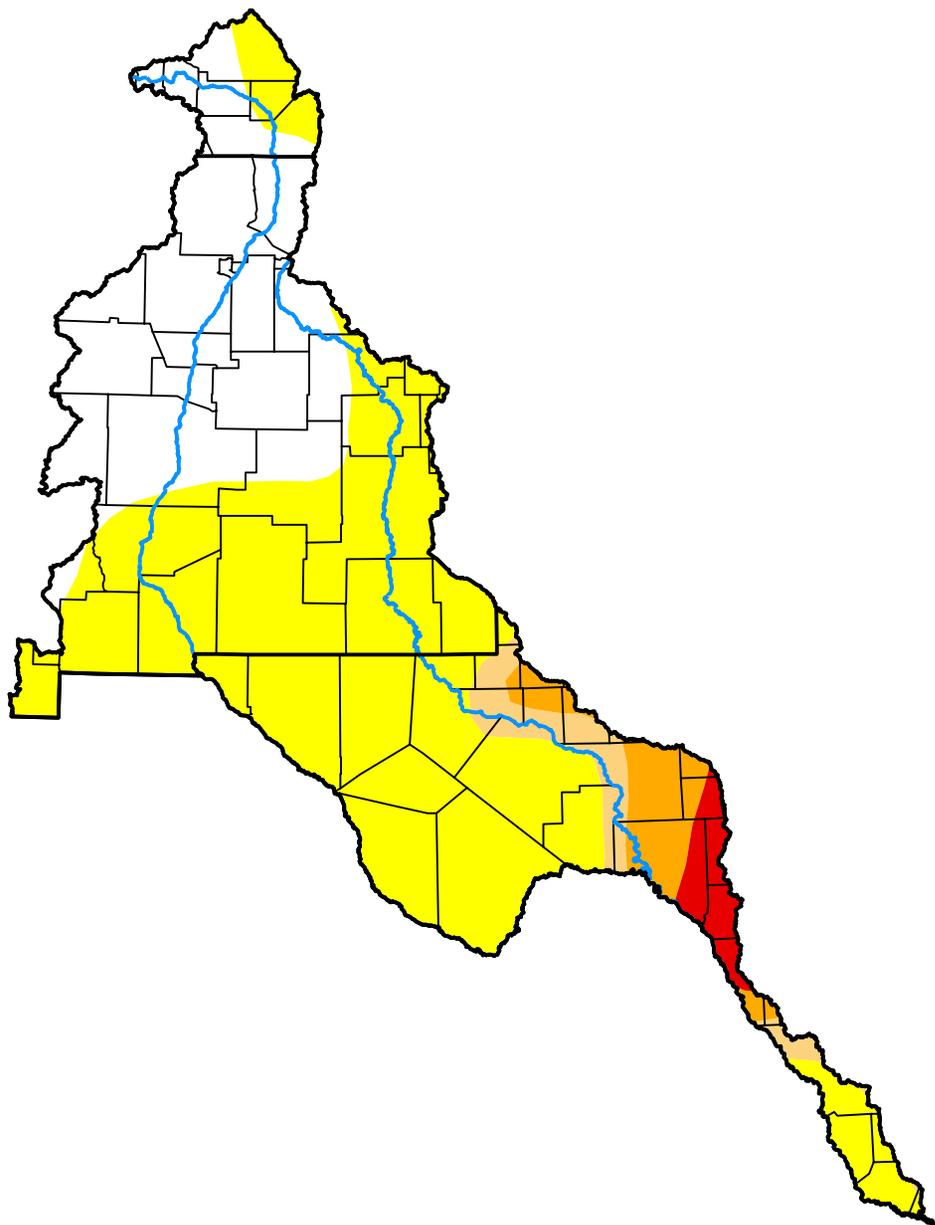


U.S. Drought Monitor

Rio Grande Watershed

February 17, 2009
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Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| Current | 31.02 | 57.91 | 3.99 | 4.58 | 2.50 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>02-12-2009</i> | 33.77 | 56.29 | 3.76 | 3.67 | 2.50 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>11-20-2008</i> | 72.42 | 23.00 | 3.21 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2009</i> | 71.45 | 23.81 | 3.37 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i> | 77.02 | 20.26 | 2.25 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>02-21-2008</i> | 32.56 | 57.05 | 5.04 | 4.29 | 1.06 | 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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