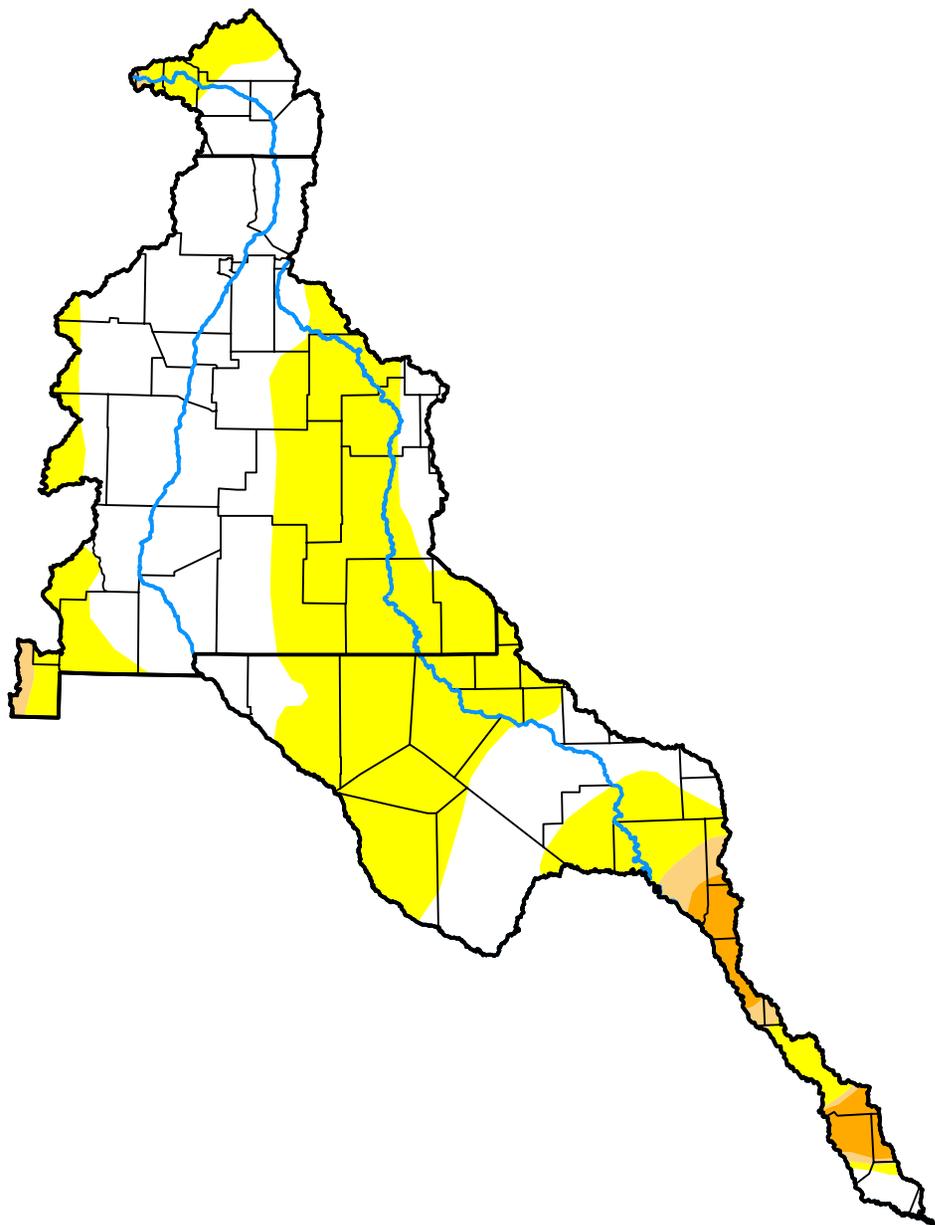


U.S. Drought Monitor

Rio Grande Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	51.18	44.54	1.87	2.41	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-10-2009</i>	53.41	42.12	1.82	2.10	0.56	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2009</i>	63.64	23.06	9.44	3.49	0.37	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>10-01-2009</i>	76.80	18.37	2.37	2.24	0.22	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2008</i>	69.97	23.79	4.87	1.37	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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