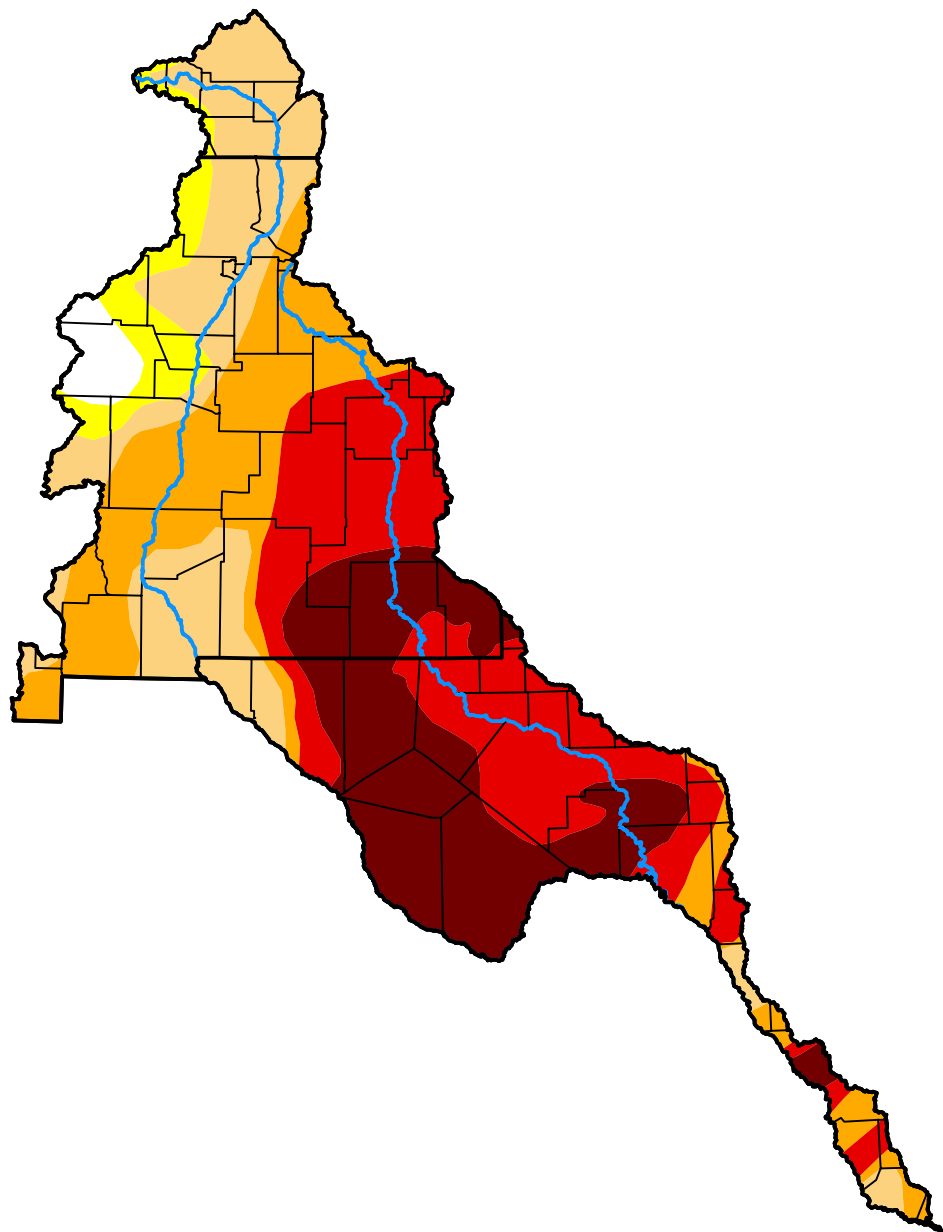


U.S. Drought Monitor

Rio Grande Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	2.23	5.10	21.52	21.40	26.11	23.64
Last Week <i>02-23-2012</i>	2.23	5.09	18.40	24.52	27.76	21.99
3 Months Ago <i>12-01-2011</i>	0.30	2.28	5.37	18.32	38.75	34.98
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	1.79	2.71	8.94	36.64	23.33	26.59
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	0.07	0.78	3.72	13.79	30.37	51.27
One Year Ago <i>03-03-2011</i>	2.05	21.41	17.61	54.10	4.83	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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