

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Rio Grande Watershed

**April 10, 2012**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None | D0   | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.00 | 9.61 | 19.72 | 27.54 | 25.66 | 17.47 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-05-2012</i>              | 0.00 | 8.48 | 20.45 | 23.73 | 29.86 | 17.47 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>01-12-2012</i>           | 1.79 | 2.71 | 8.94  | 36.65 | 27.70 | 22.21 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 1.79 | 2.71 | 8.94  | 36.64 | 23.33 | 26.59 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 0.07 | 0.78 | 3.72  | 13.79 | 30.37 | 51.27 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>04-14-2011</i>           | 0.67 | 0.85 | 8.02  | 31.52 | 50.29 | 8.64  |

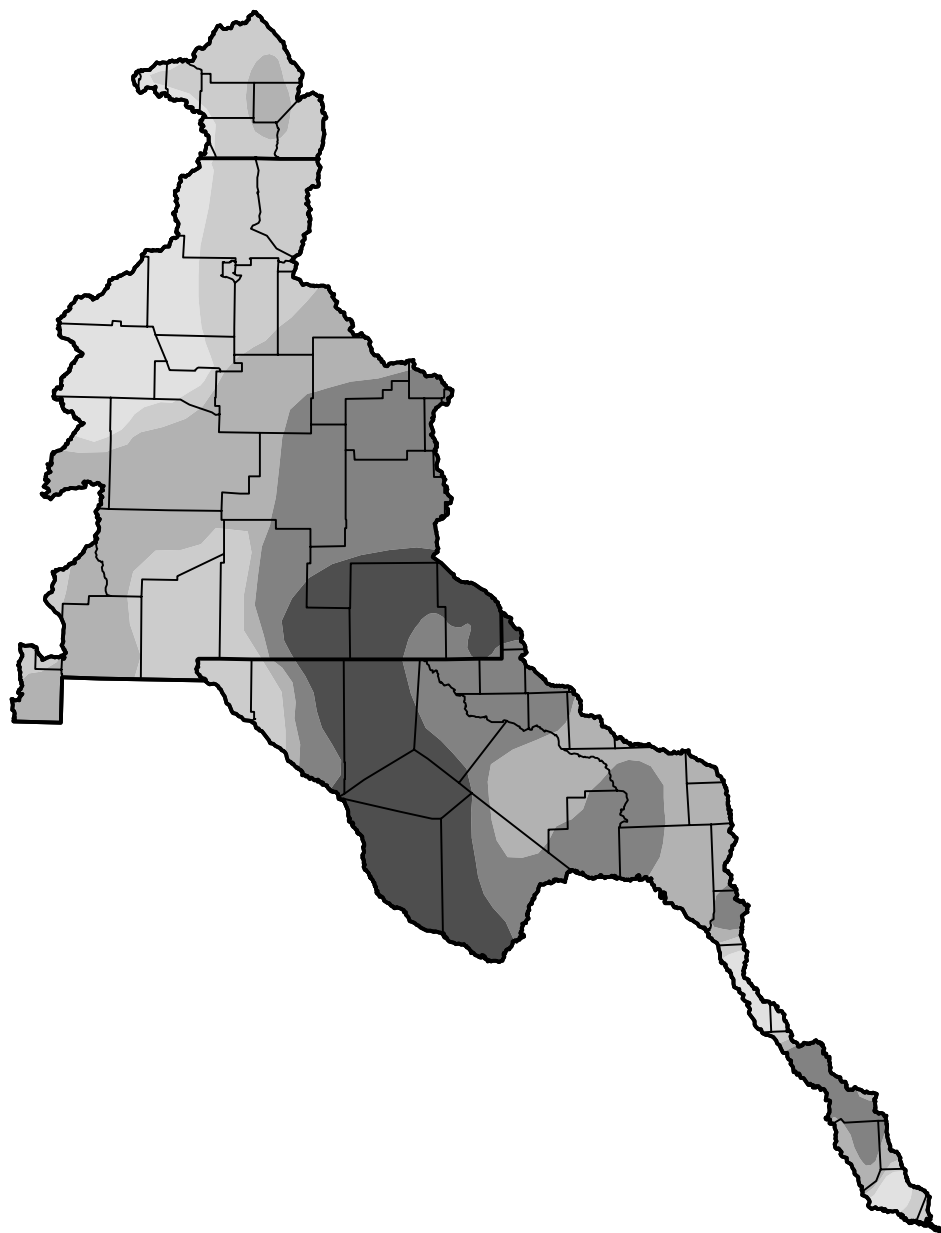
### Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  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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