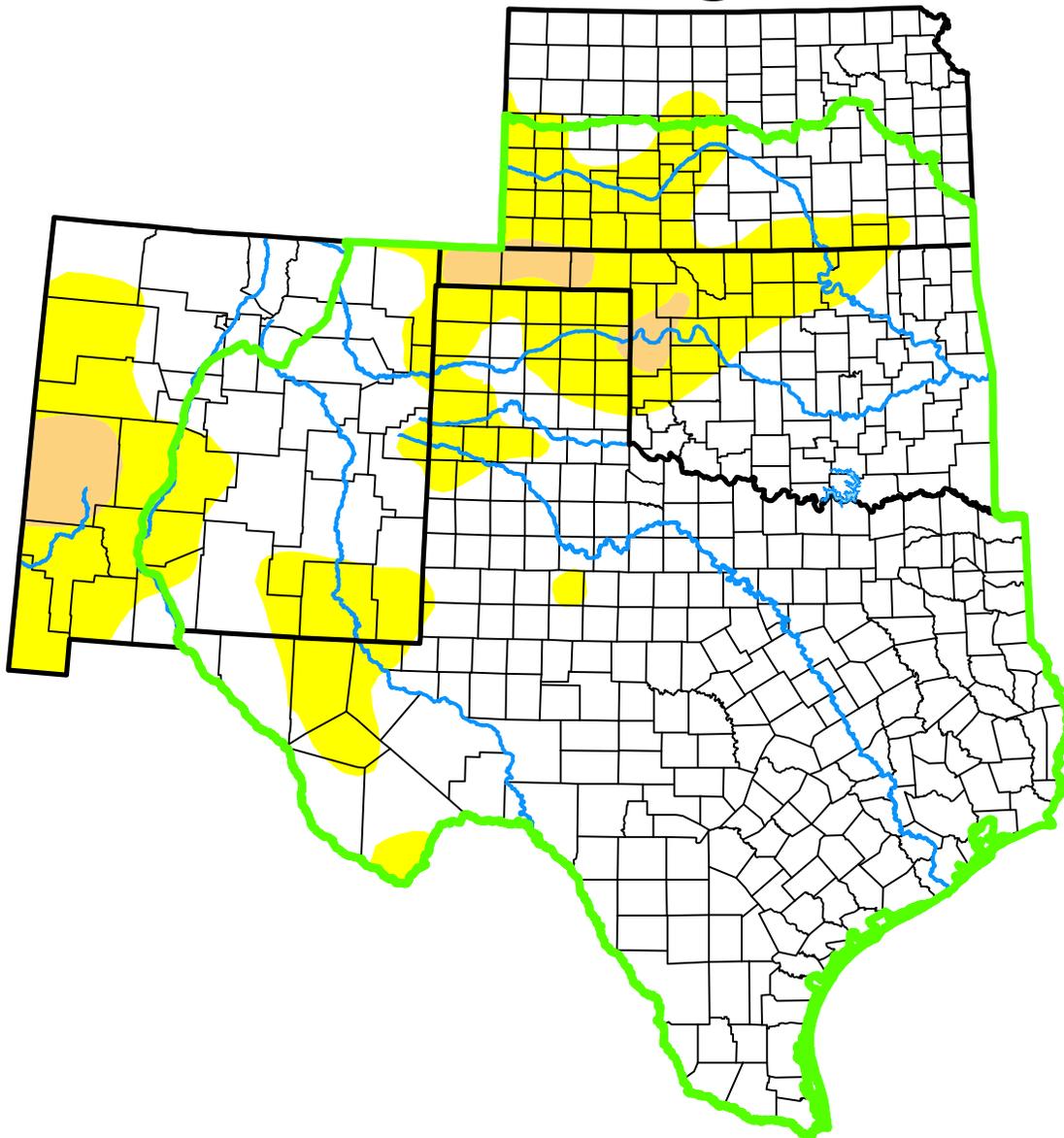


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	78.48	21.52	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>03-08-2016</i>	70.31	29.69	1.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>12-15-2015</i>	96.92	3.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2015</i>	96.54	3.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2015</i>	50.14	49.86	25.82	11.59	3.93	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-17-2015</i>	31.09	68.91	49.46	27.48	14.11	2.70

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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