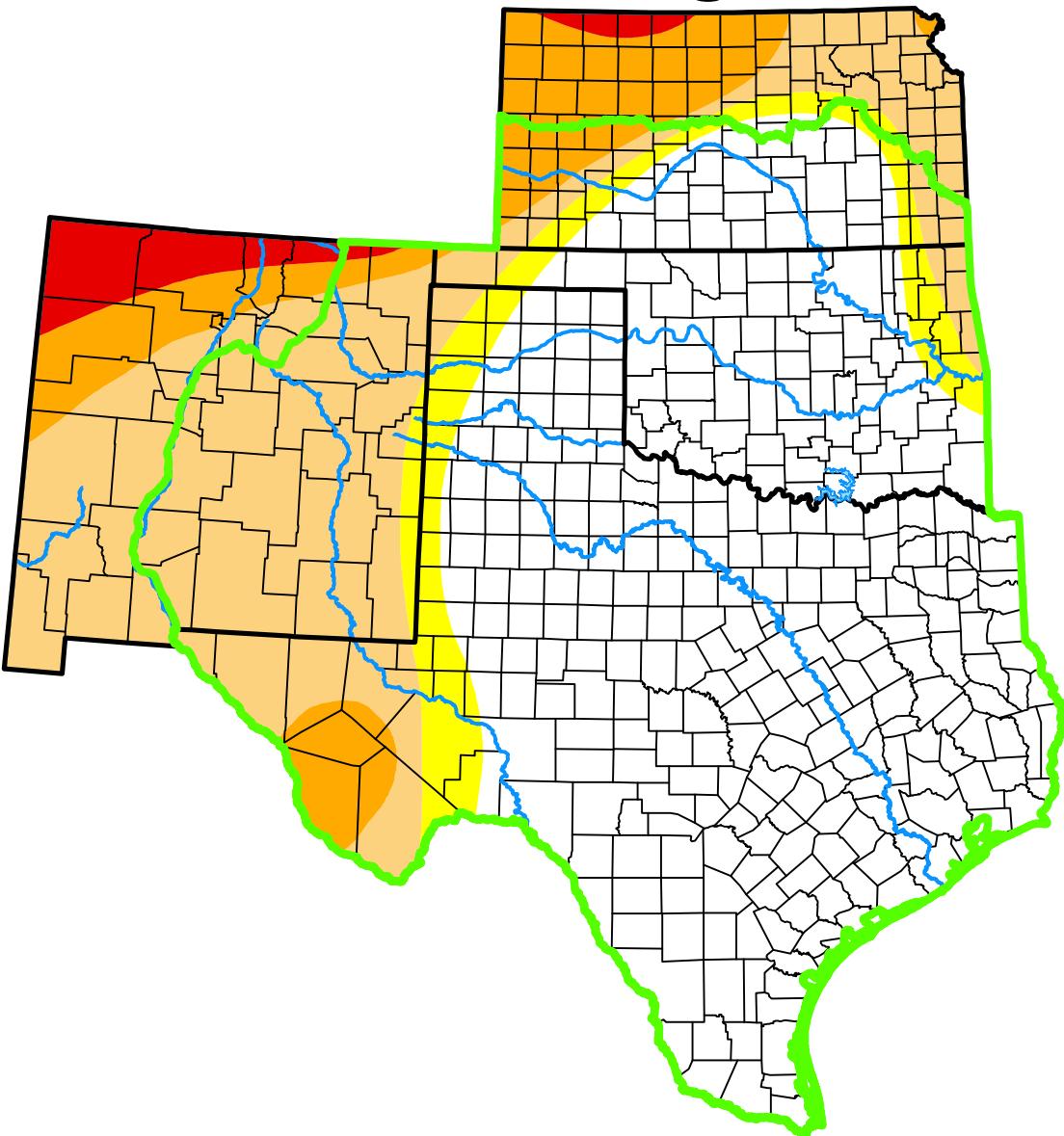


U.S. Drought Monitor
**Southern Plains DEWS
and Surrounding Areas**



October 29, 2002
(Released Thursday, Oct. 31, 2002)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Current | 68.95 | 7.09 | 19.88 | 3.95 | 0.14 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 10-22-2002 | 50.03 | 20.73 | 24.07 | 4.83 | 0.35 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 07-30-2002 | 53.21 | 15.69 | 16.62 | 8.07 | 6.26 | 0.15 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2002 | 37.24 | 10.70 | 33.82 | 11.04 | 7.19 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 10-01-2002 | 27.99 | 38.81 | 26.71 | 5.45 | 1.03 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 10-30-2001 | 37.18 | 11.75 | 35.22 | 15.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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