

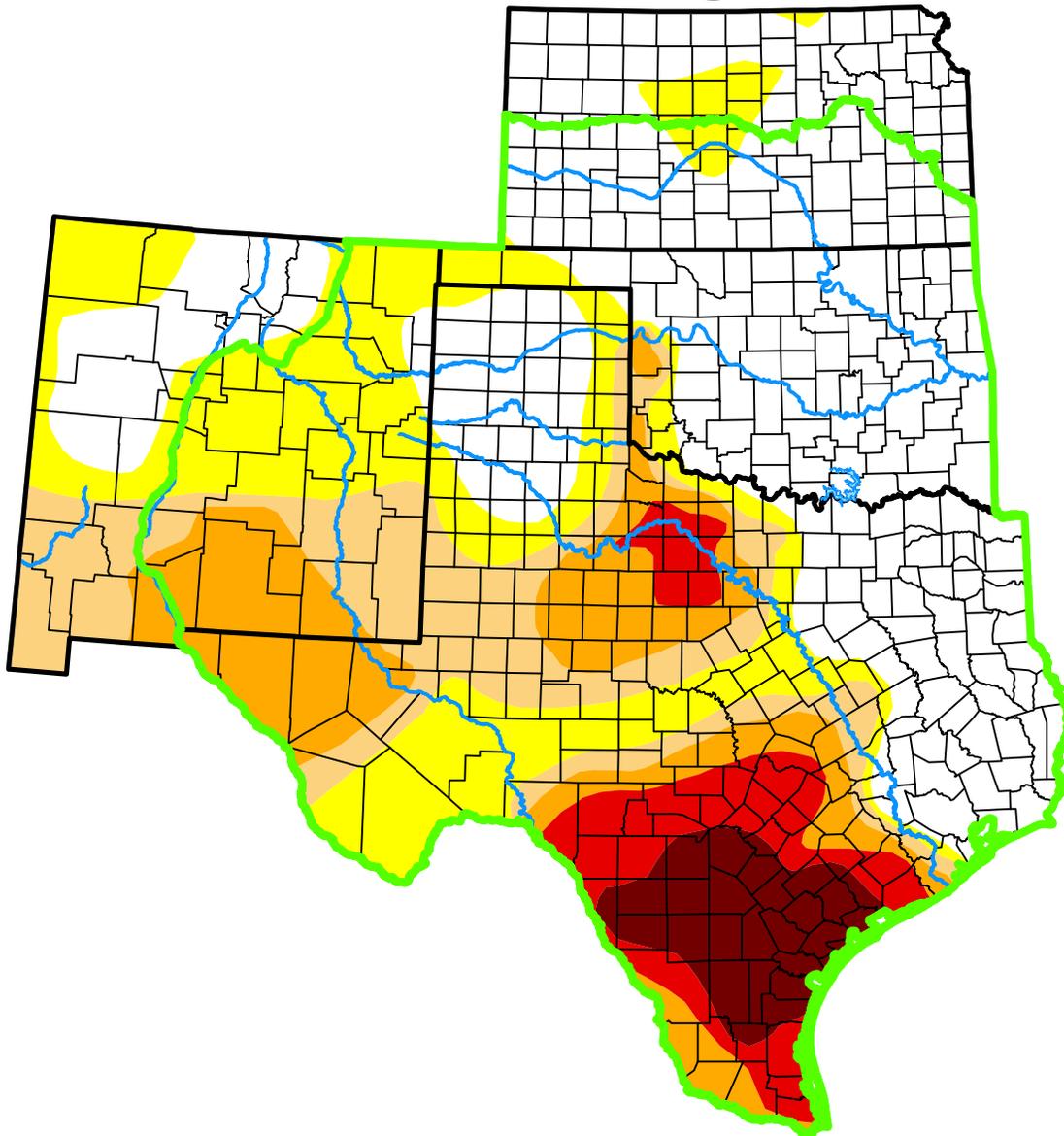
U.S. Drought Monitor

Southern Plains DEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.36	20.21	12.32	14.08	7.16	5.86
Last Week <i>04-28-2009</i>	32.73	22.84	14.97	16.58	7.02	5.86
3 Months Ago <i>02-03-2009</i>	18.13	33.73	19.02	17.33	7.78	4.01
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	55.60	27.18	7.66	4.09	2.96	2.50
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	69.61	15.54	8.36	4.30	2.19	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-06-2008</i>	45.77	17.98	19.03	13.07	4.15	0.00

(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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