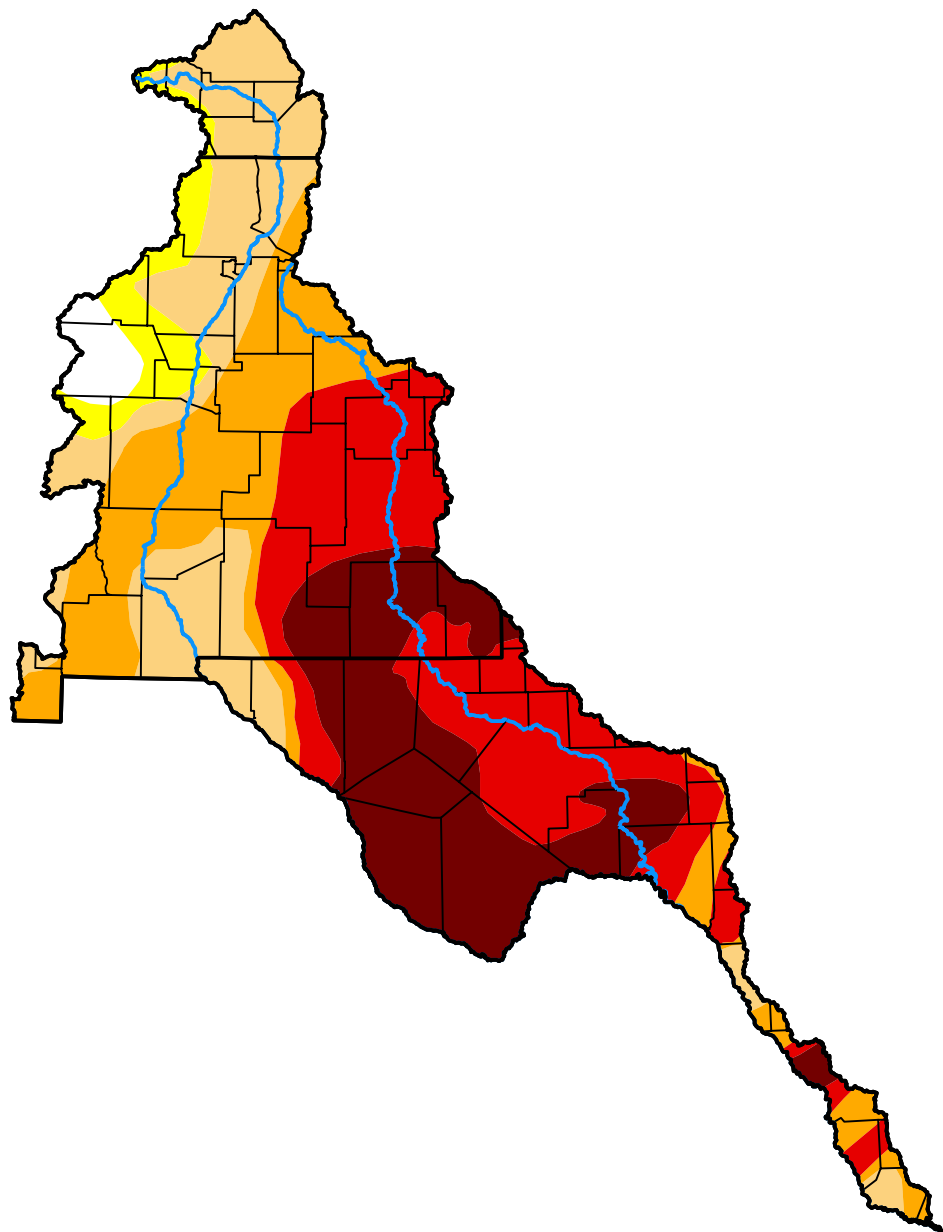


U.S. Drought Monitor

Rio Grande Watershed

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	2.23	97.77	92.68	71.15	49.75	23.64
Last Week <i>02-23-2012</i>	2.23	97.77	92.68	74.27	49.75	21.99
3 Months Ago <i>12-01-2011</i>	0.30	99.70	97.42	92.06	73.74	34.98
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	1.79	98.21	95.50	86.56	49.92	26.59
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2011</i>	0.07	99.93	99.15	95.43	81.64	51.27
One Year Ago <i>03-03-2011</i>	2.05	97.95	76.54	58.93	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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