

# U.S. Drought Monitor Rio Grande Watershed

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 94.12 | 4.82  | 1.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>02-16-2017</i>              | 92.74 | 5.54  | 1.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-23-2016</i>           | 61.46 | 37.48 | 1.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2017</i> | 83.38 | 15.70 | 0.92 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2016</i>    | 75.04 | 24.10 | 0.86 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-25-2016</i>           | 75.94 | 23.63 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

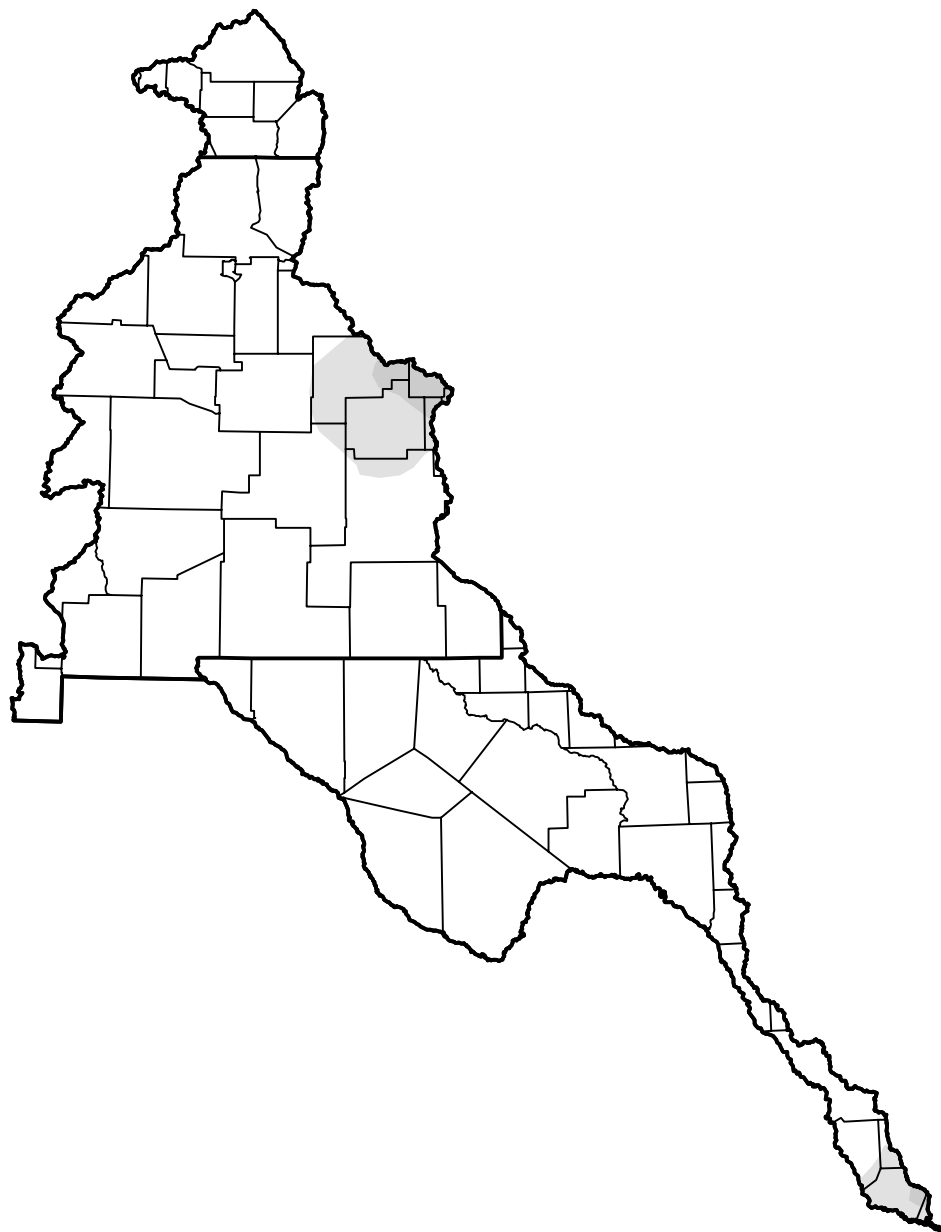
## Intensity:

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