

Water Weekly

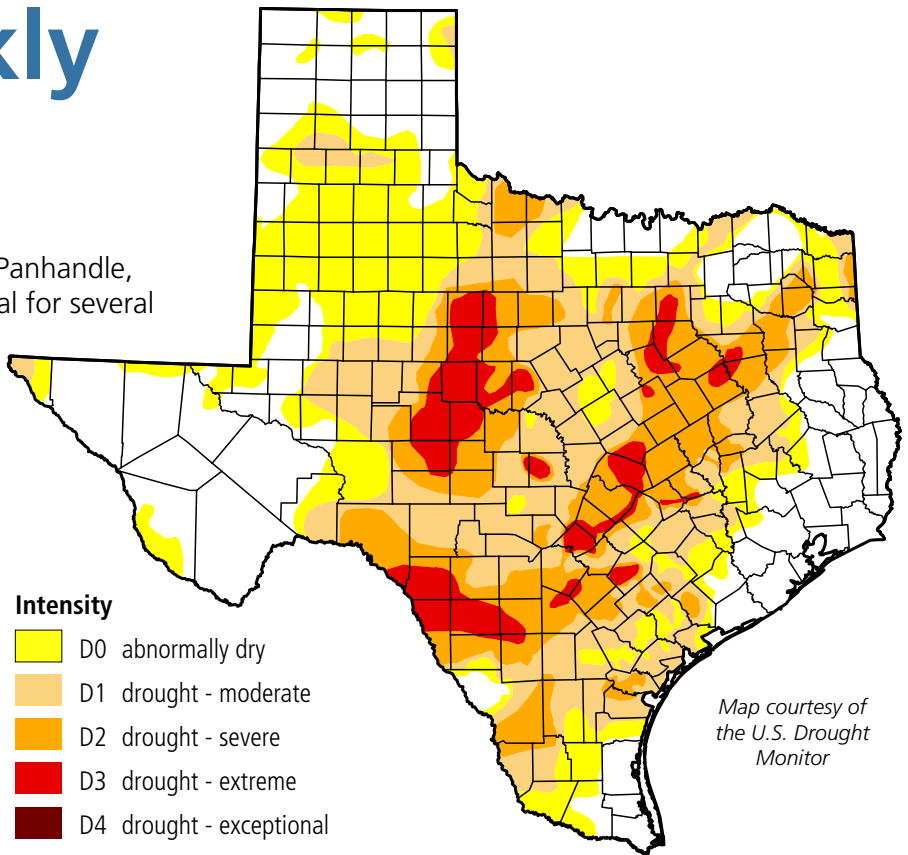
For the week of 10/07/19

Water conditions

With the exception of West Texas and the Panhandle, Texas has been hotter and drier than normal for several weeks. This has allowed areas flooded by Tropical Storm Imelda to begin recovery, improved drought conditions in West Texas and the Panhandle, and fueled drought expansion and intensification in Central Texas.

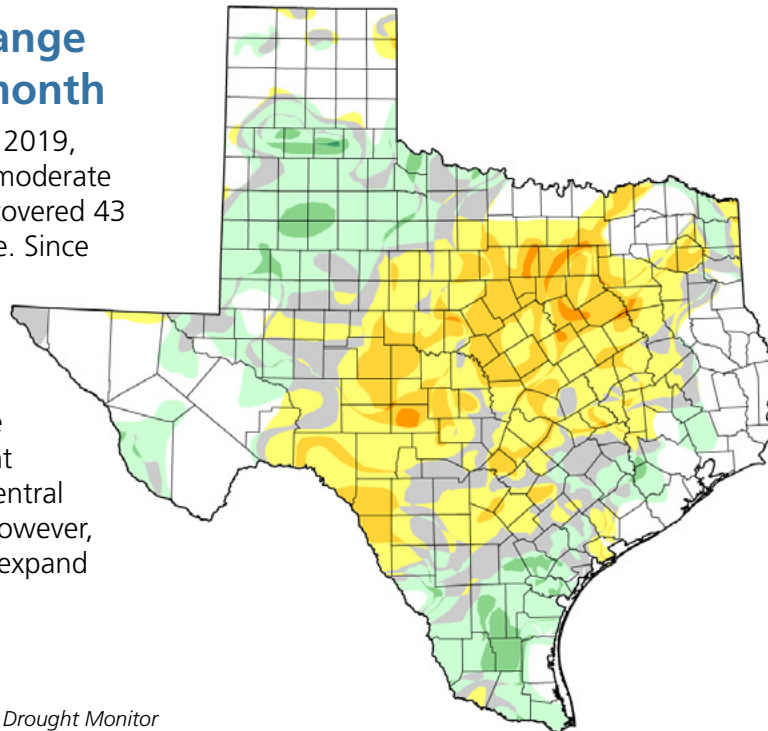
Drought conditions

- ◆ 46% now
- ◆ 48% a week ago
- ◆ 1% three months ago
- ◆ 18% a year ago



Drought change in the last month

In early September 2019, scattered areas of moderate or worse drought covered 43 percent of the state. Since then, drought conditions have improved along the coast and in West Texas and the Panhandle. Drought conditions in the central part of the state, however, have continued to expand and intensify.



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