

Water Weekly

For the week of 10/23/17

Water conditions

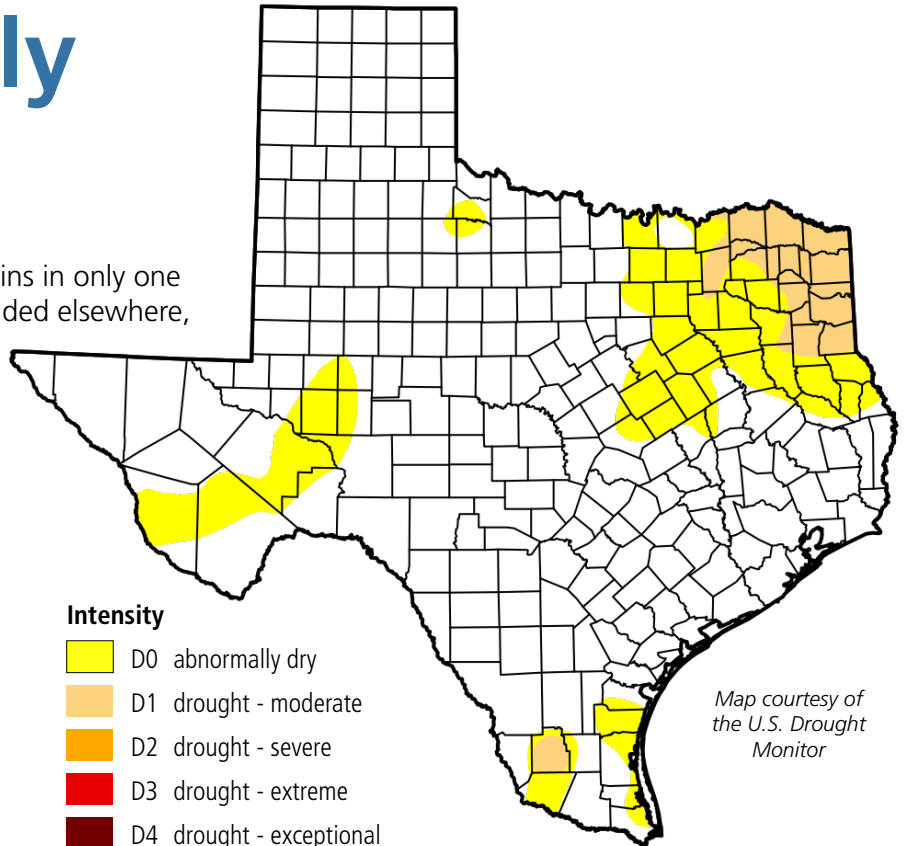
Drought contracted in South Texas and remains in only one county in that area. However, drought expanded elsewhere, now present in 21 counties in the north-east. The city of Longview received almost 8 inches of precipitation in August, but less than 1 inch from September 1 to October 20.

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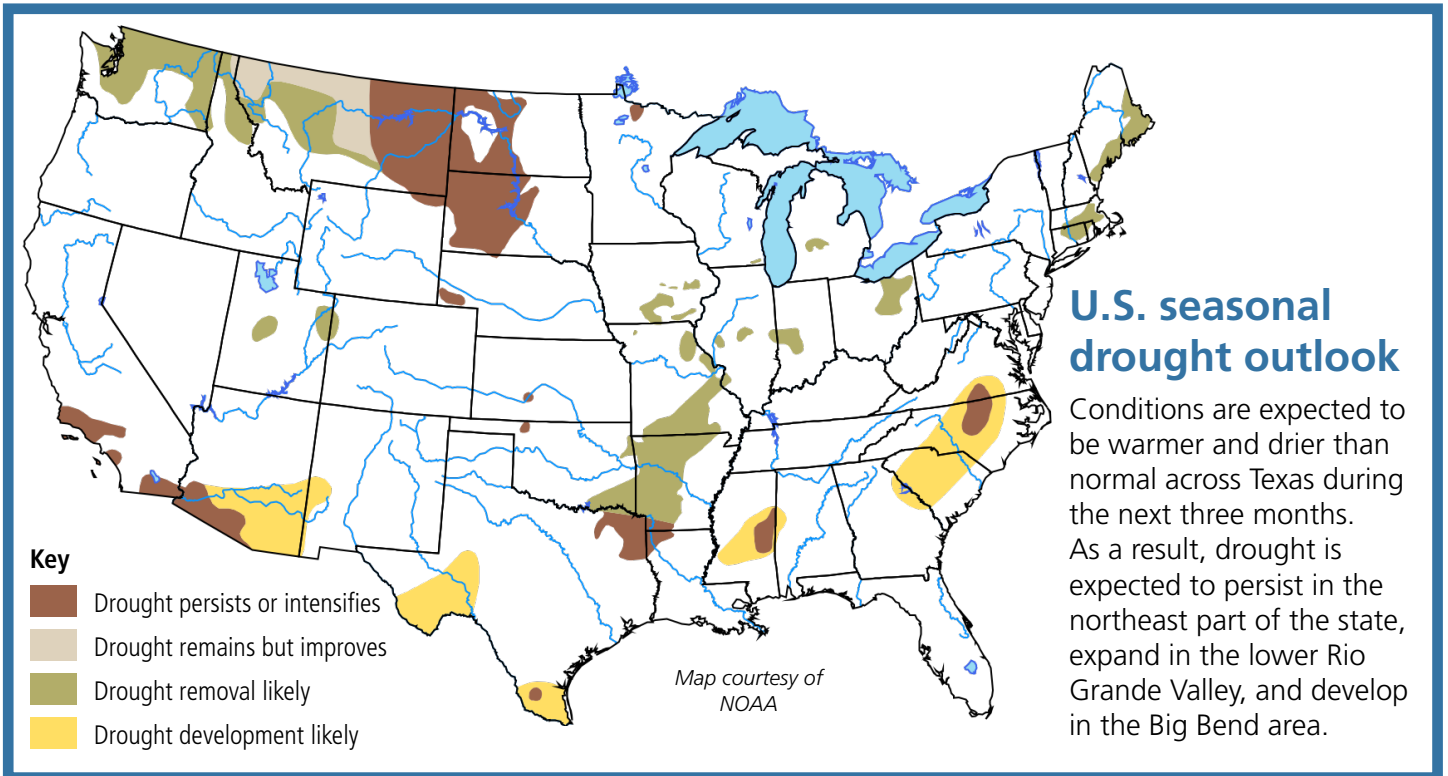
- ◆ 4% now
- ◆ 3% a week ago
- ◆ 8% three months ago
- ◆ 6% a year ago

Intensity

- ◆ D0 abnormally dry
- ◆ D1 drought - moderate
- ◆ D2 drought - severe
- ◆ D3 drought - extreme
- ◆ D4 drought - exceptional



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor



U.S. seasonal drought outlook

Conditions are expected to be warmer and drier than normal across Texas during the next three months. As a result, drought is expected to persist in the northeast part of the state, expand in the lower Rio Grande Valley, and develop in the Big Bend area.

Map courtesy of NOAA

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