

Water Weekly

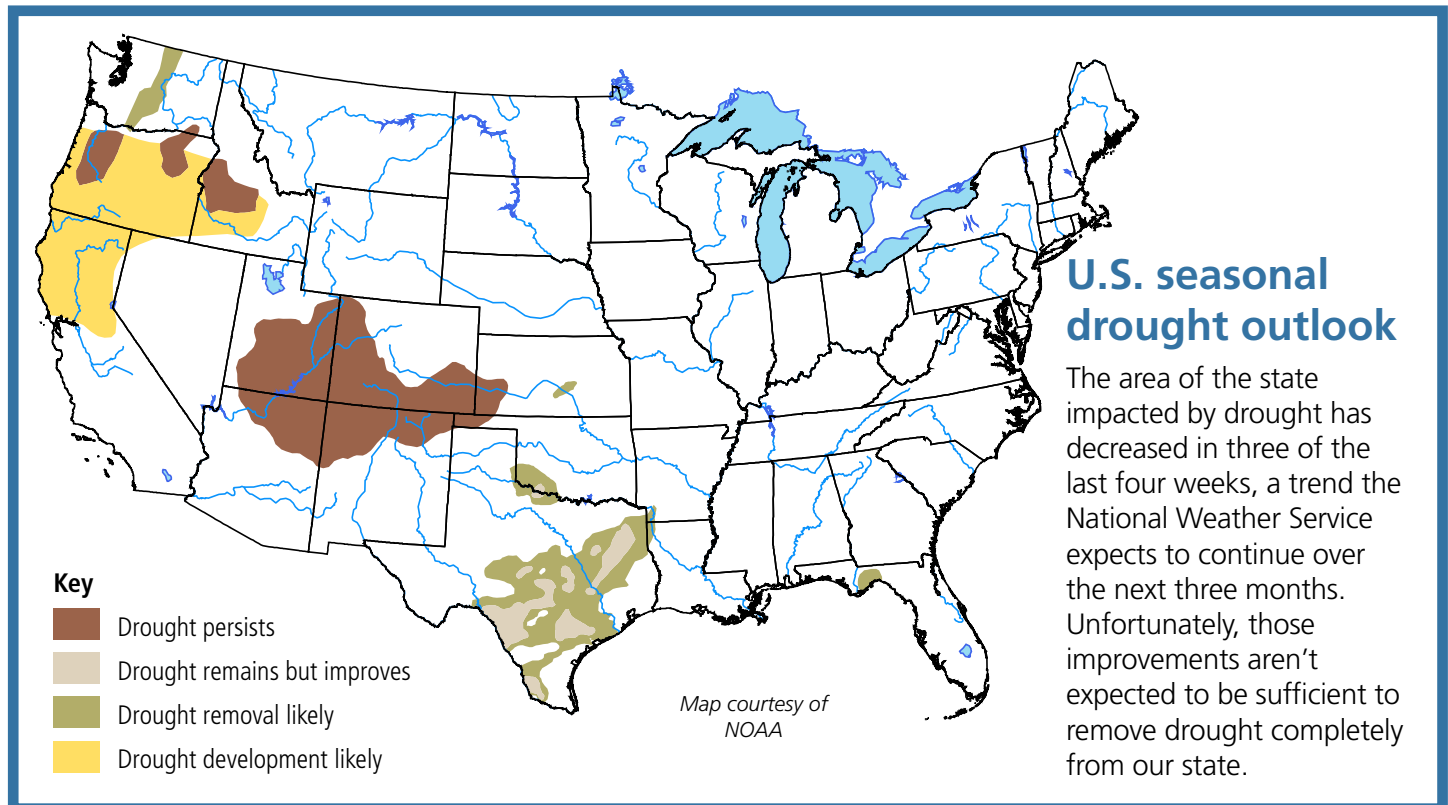
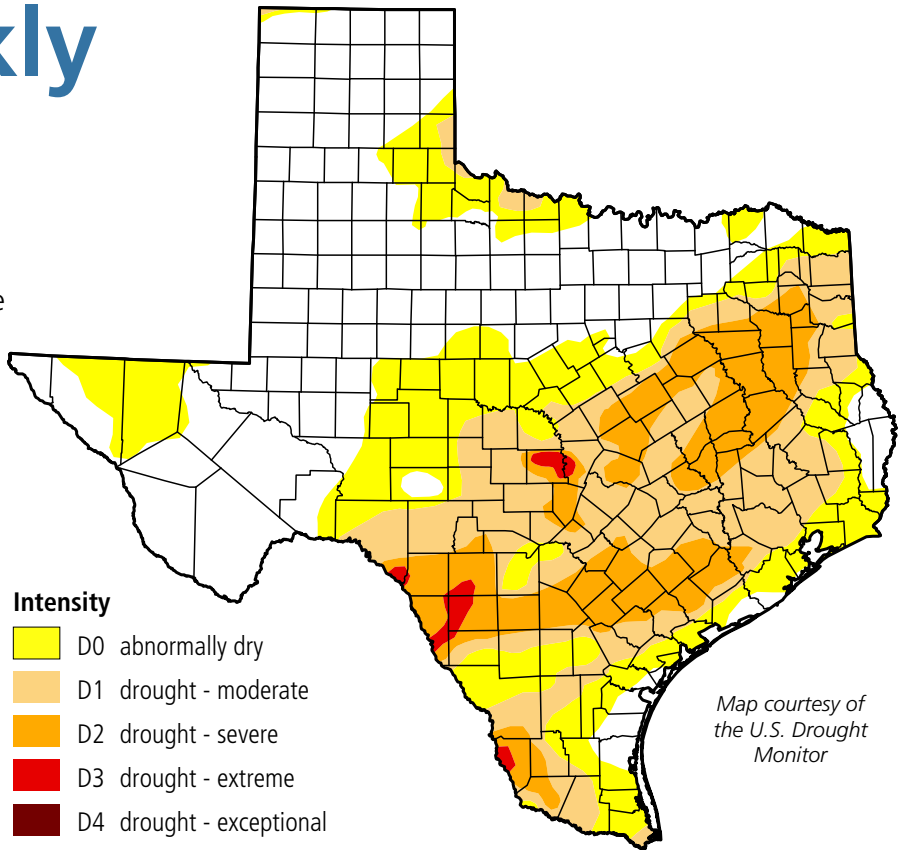
For the week of 01/27/20

Water conditions

As shown on the latest drought map for conditions as of January 21, the area of the state impacted by drought decreased by 2 percentage points in the last week. But in many areas where drought remained, drought intensified. Severe or worse drought expanded from 11 to 14 percent of the state.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 35% now
- ◆ 37% a week ago
- ◆ 49% three months ago
- ◆ 2% a year ago



U.S. seasonal drought outlook

The area of the state impacted by drought has decreased in three of the last four weeks, a trend the National Weather Service expects to continue over the next three months. Unfortunately, those improvements aren't expected to be sufficient to remove drought completely from our state.

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