CURRENT DROUGHT CONDITIONS

We continue to totter on the teeter-totter of drought: Improving conditions in the eastern half of the state (the teeter); deteriorating conditions in the western half (the totter). The most recent drought outlook predicts more teetering and tottering through the end of August.

Current drought statistics
• 95% of state currently in drought
• 97% a week ago
• 89% three months ago
• 97% a year ago

Statewide reservoir statistics
• Currently 67% full
• 66% a week ago
• 67% three months ago
• 77% a year ago
• Normally 85% at this time

A WIDER VIEW OF THE DROUGHT

Every once in a while we take a peek at the North American Drought Monitor to see what’s happening in southern Colorado (the source of much of the water in Elephant Butte Reservoir which is used as a source for the El Paso area) and north-central Mexico (the source of much of the water in Lake Amistad and Lake Falcon which is a source for the lower Rio Grande Valley).

Drought Impact Types:
- Delineates dominant impacts
- S = Short-Term, typically <6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L = Long-Term, typically ≥6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

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