Water Weekly
For the week of 09/04/17

Water conditions
From a water-resource perspective, the hurricane and tropical storm forms of Harvey eliminated drought and filled reservoirs in the impact area. Harvey extinguished coastal drought conditions in much of the state; however, drought remains—and abnormally dry conditions expanded—in South Texas and the lower Rio Grande Valley.

Drought conditions
- 1% now
- 2% a week ago
- 4% three months ago
- 2% a year ago

Rainfall totals over the past 14 days
Harvey dropped record amounts of rain on the state, with a large area centered on Houston receiving more than 20 inches (and some locations receiving more than 50 inches). The falloff of rainfall outside of Harvey’s path is steep, which is why drought remains in the Valley and why Choke Canyon Reservoir upstream of Corpus Christi still remains only a third full.

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