Water Weekly
For the week of 05/28/18

Water conditions
The latest drought map shows a 2 percentage point decrease in the area of the state impacted by drought. The area in extreme or exceptional drought decreased by 4 percentage points to 9 percent of the state, its lowest value since late January 2018.

Drought conditions
- 41% now
- 43% a week ago
- 71% three months ago
- 2% a year ago

Drought change in the last month
Since late April 2018, scattered rains have brought at least one category of drought improvement to large areas of the Panhandle and West, Central, and South Texas. However, new areas along the coast and near and east of Dallas/Fort Worth have started to dry out.

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Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor