Water Weekly
For the week of 04/08/19

Water conditions
The drought map for conditions as of April 2 shows contraction of drought in South Texas but expansion in Central Texas. Overall, the area of the state impacted by drought has increased one percentage point. Beneficial rains over the April 5-7 weekend should bring improvements to next week’s map.

Drought conditions

- 12% now
- 11% a week ago
- 1% three months ago
- 49% a year ago

Intensity

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

Drought change in the last month
In early March 2019, moderate drought covered pockets of far West and Central Texas and large areas of the Panhandle and South Texas. Since then, drought conditions have been eliminated from the Panhandle, far West, and far South Texas but have persisted and intensified in Central Texas.

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