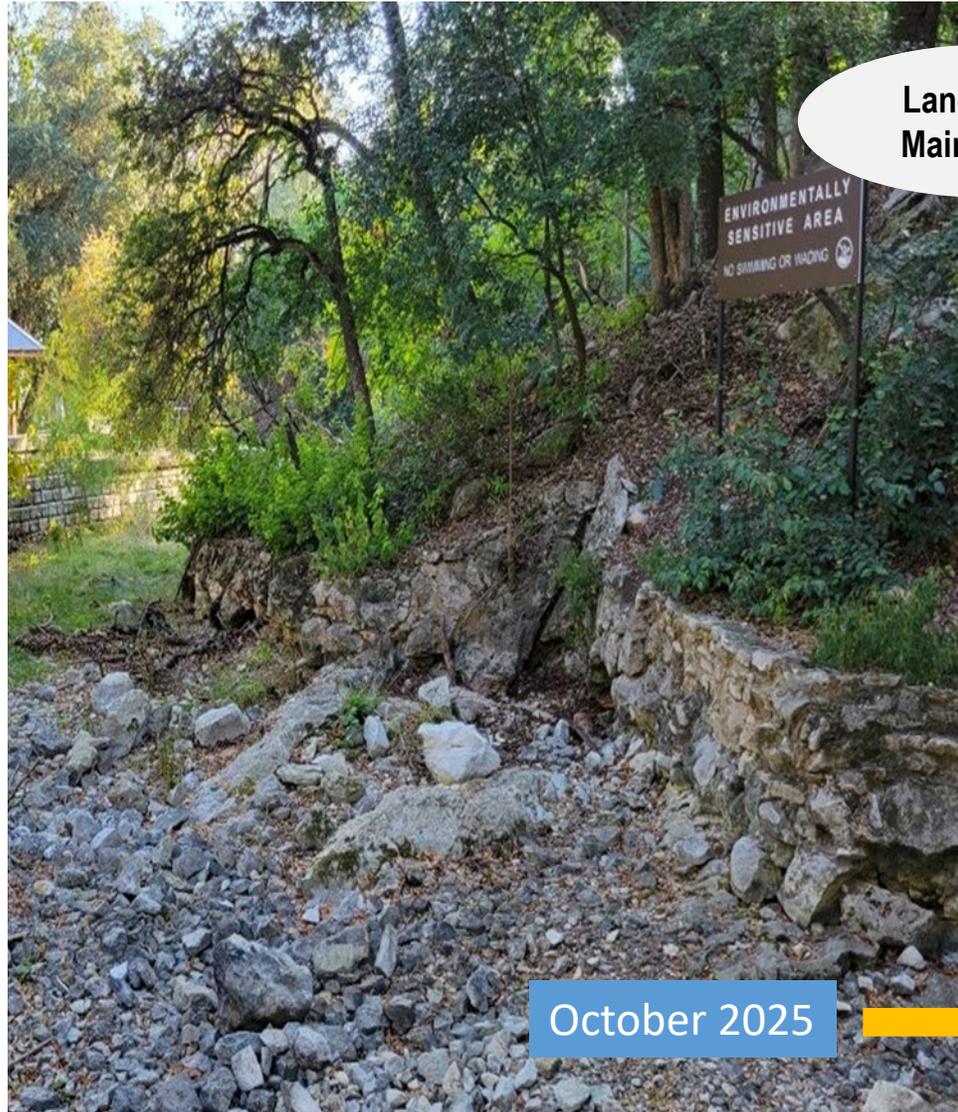


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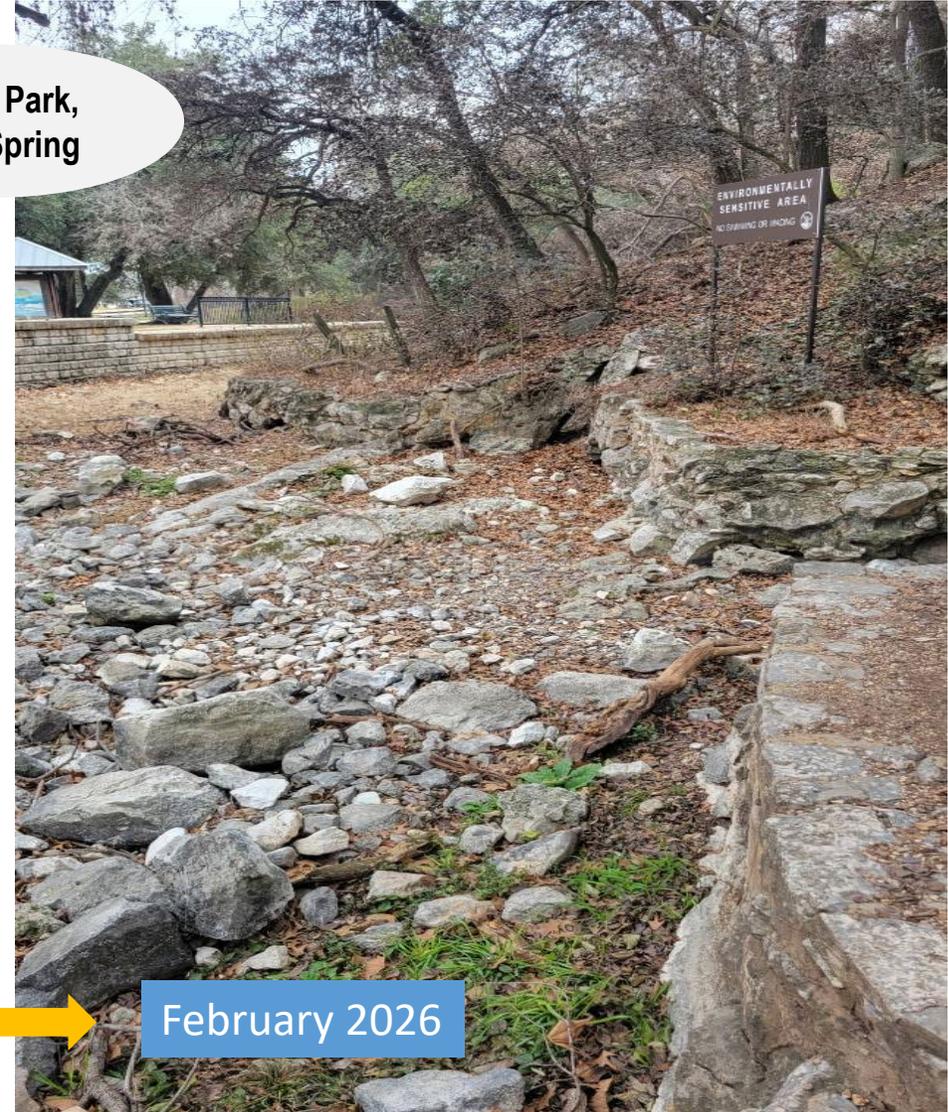
Jesse Luna, Conservation and Customer Solutions Manager

• February 26, 2026

Dry Conditions Persist



Landa Park,
Main Spring



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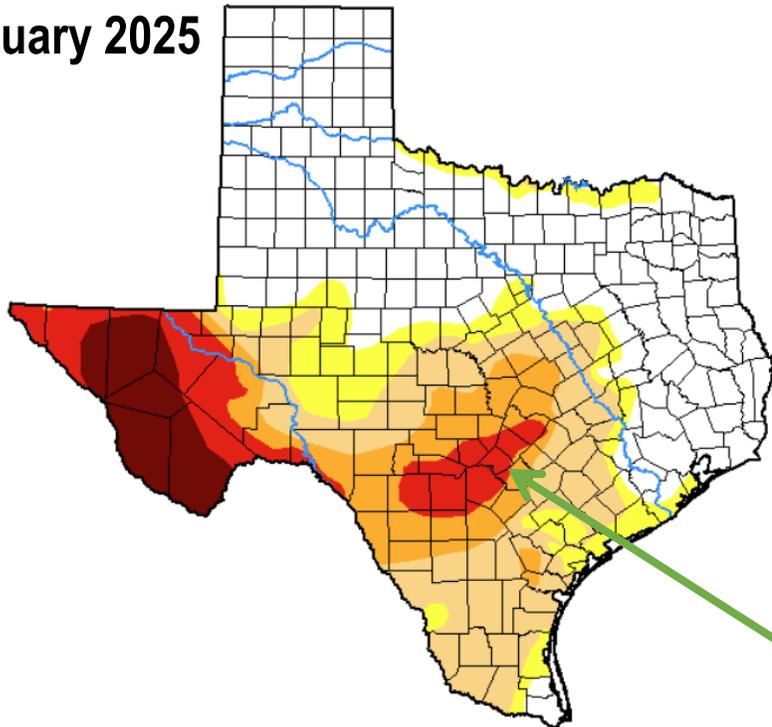
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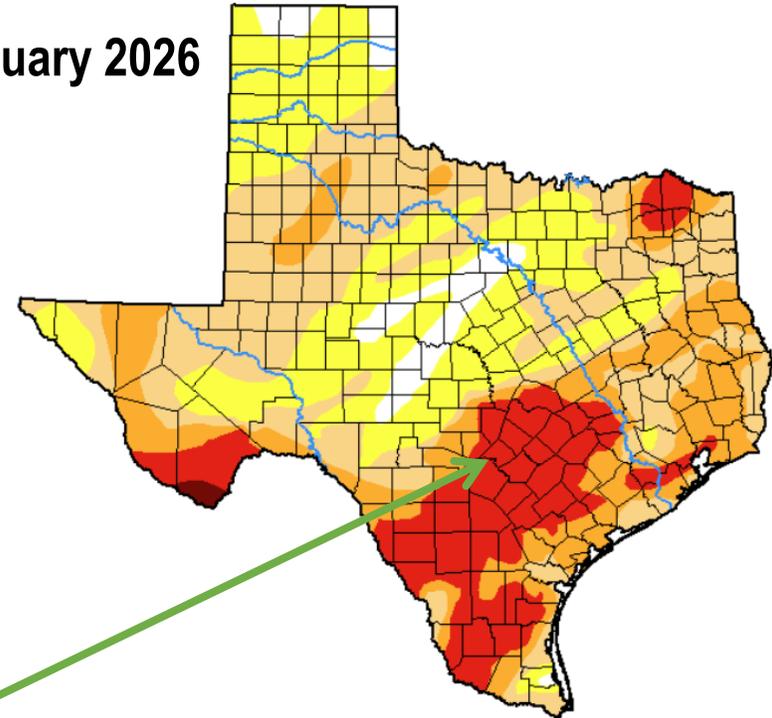
Drought Status and Updates

Current NBU Stage	Date Entered Drought	Total Duration
2	March 10, 2022	1,421 days <i>as of 1/28/26</i>

January 2025



January 2026



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Abnormally Dry Moderate Severe Extreme Exceptional

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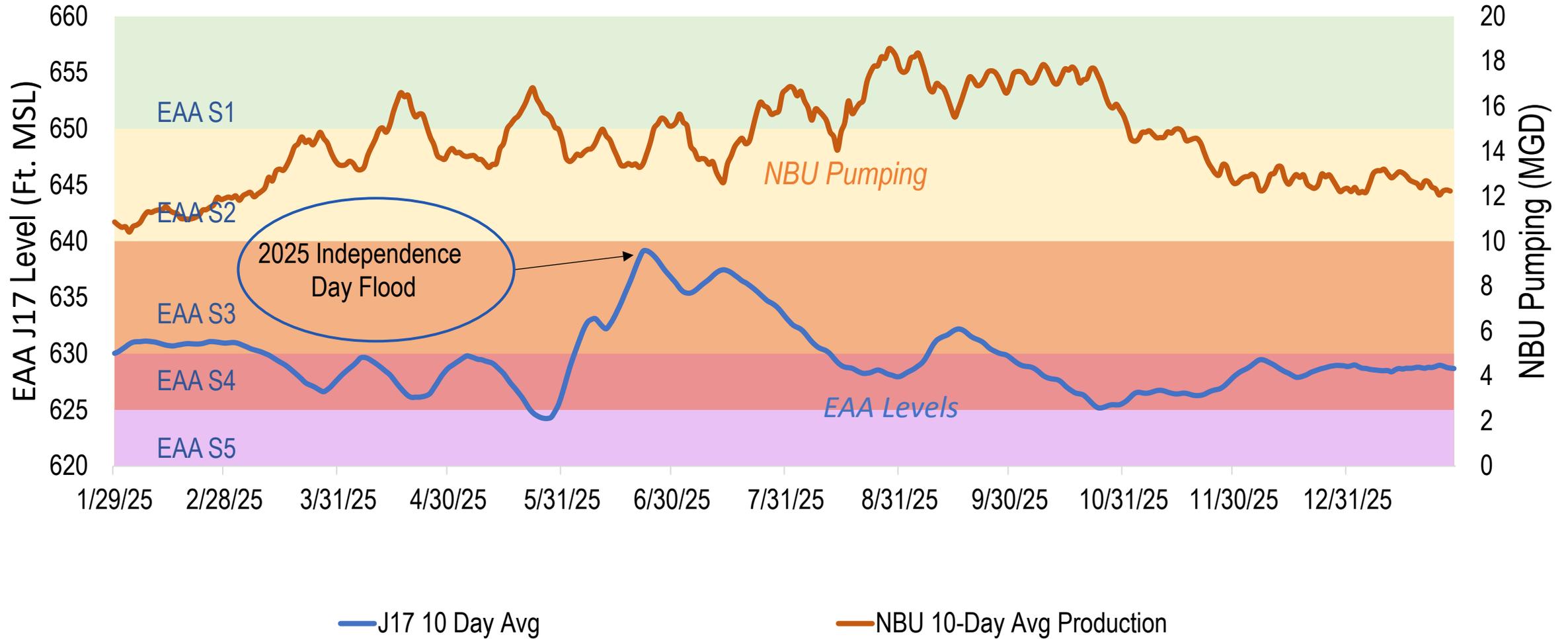
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Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) J17 Well Levels and NBU Pumping



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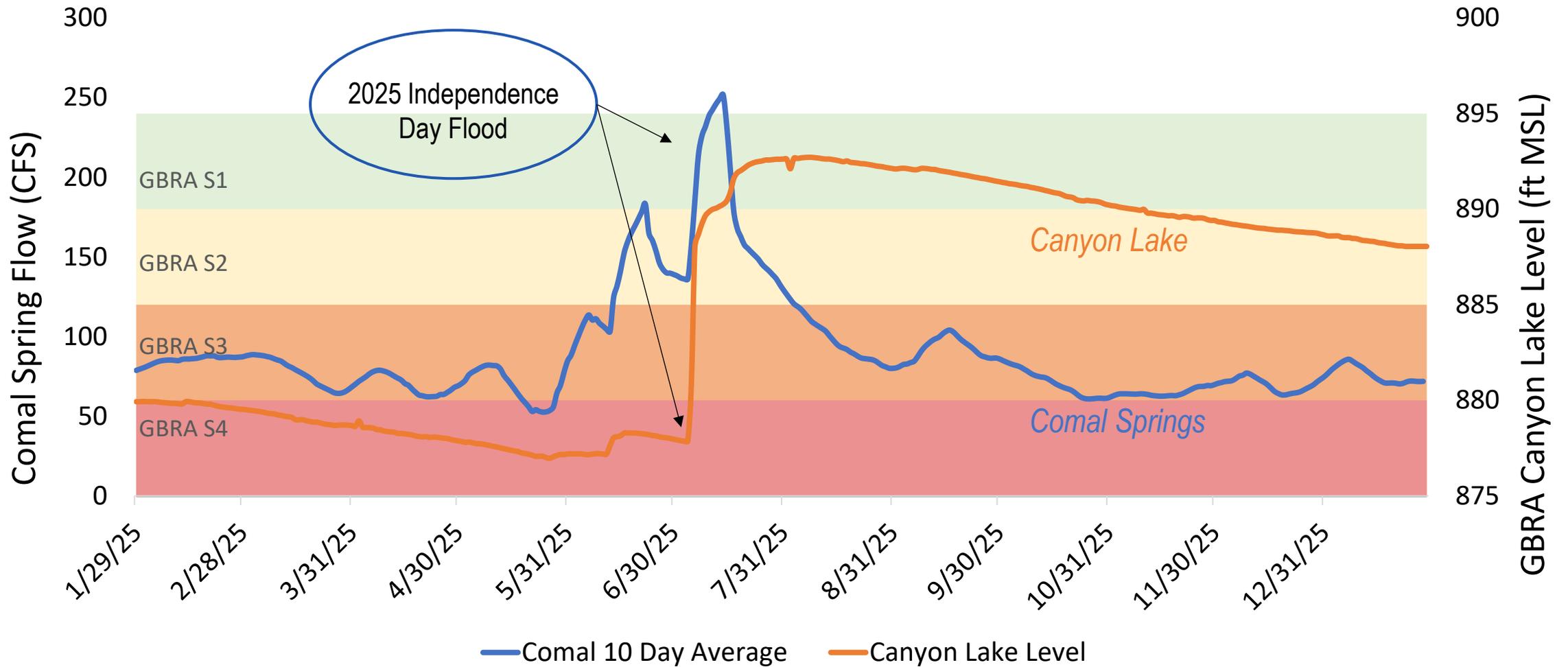
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Comal Spring Flow and Canyon Lake Level



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Drought Restrictions in the Area



Stage 2

Regulatory Agencies



Stage 4



Stage 2

Large Utilities



Stage 3



Stage 0

Comparable Utilities



Stage 3



Stage 2



Stage 3



Stage 2



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Stage 1

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Drought Synopsis: Year End 2024 vs 2025

	Fair Weather Benchmark	2024	2025
Climatological Monitoring			
Rainfall Cumulative Total (inches)	~31" (Annual Total)	23.68" (Annual Total)	27.03" (Annual Total)
Max Temperature (°F)	102°F (Annual Max)	106°F (Annual Max)	103°F (Annual Max)
	Fair Weather Benchmark	2024	2025
Year Over Year (YOY) Water Level Monitoring (Annual Averages)			
EAA J17 Level ('msl)	663.9'	633.9' (▼ 30')	629.7' (▼ 34.2')
Comal Springs (cfs)	284	115 (▼ 169)	90 (▼ 194)
San Marcos Springs (cfs)	170	113 (▼ 57)	90 (▼ 80)
Canyon Lake ('msl)	909'	885.18' (▼ 23.82')	884.68' (▼ 24.32')

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Drought Synopsis: Annual Benchmarks

	Fair Weather Benchmark	2025	2026
Climatological Monitoring (as of 1/28/2026)			
Rainfall Cumulative Total (inches)	~31" (Annual Total)	27.03" (Annual Total)	1.02" (Total to Date)
Max Temperature (°F)	102°F (Annual Max)	103°F (Annual Max)	88°F (Max to Date)
	Fair Weather Benchmark	2025	2026
Year Over Year (YOY) Monthly Water Level Monitoring (as of 1/28/2026)			
EAA J17 Level ('msl)	665.7'	641'	628.7'
Comal Springs (cfs)	300	73.1	75.1
San Marcos Springs (cfs)	171	82.9	84.7
Canyon Lake ('msl)	909'	880.29'	888.29'

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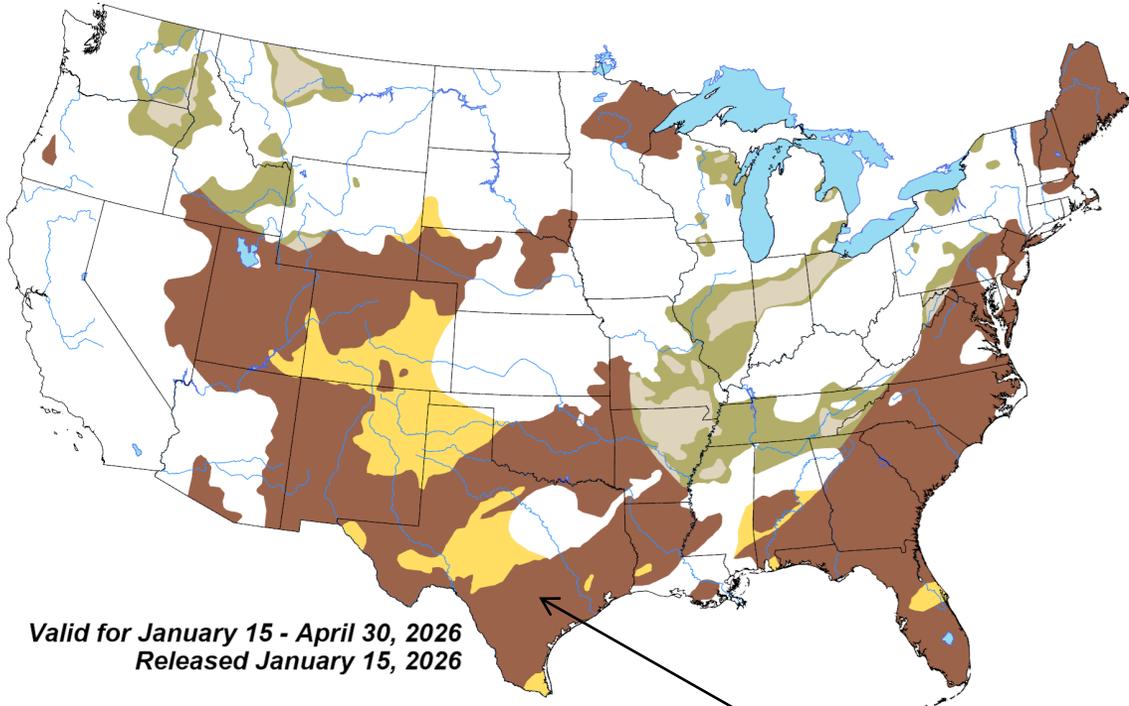


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Drought Persists

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Drought Tendency During the Valid Period



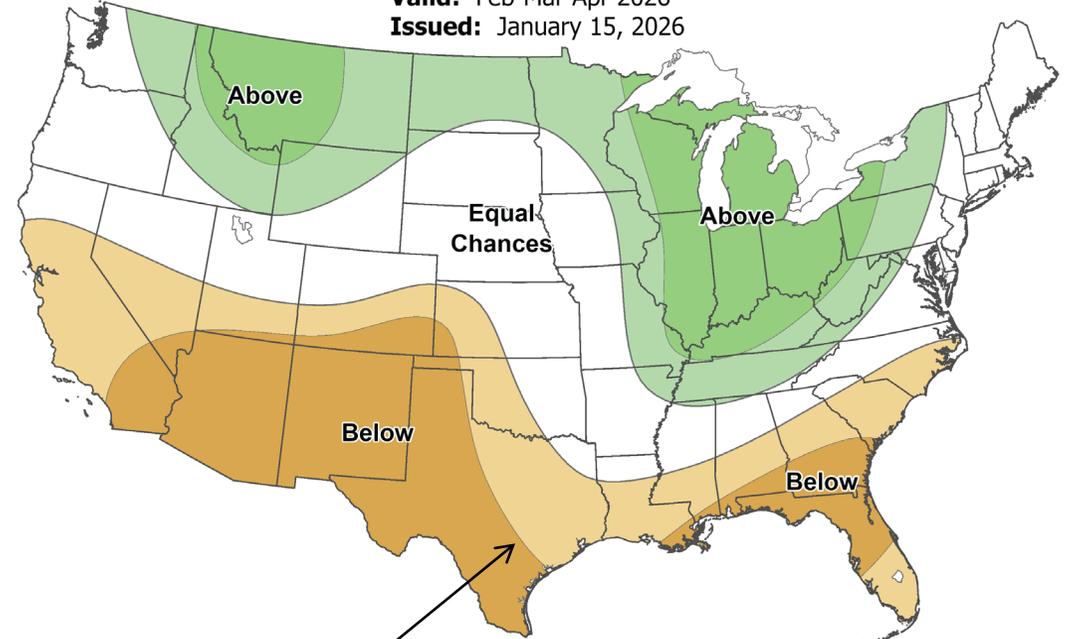
Valid for January 15 - April 30, 2026
Released January 15, 2026

- Drought persists
- Drought remains, but improves
- Drought removal likely
- Drought development likely
- No drought



Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

Valid: Feb-Mar-Apr 2026
Issued: January 15, 2026



- Probability (Percent Chance)
- | | | | | |
|---------------|--|---|--|---------------|
| Leaning Above | 33-40% | 33-40% | 33-40% | Leaning Below |
| | 40-50% | 40-50% | 40-50% | |
| Likely Above | 50-60% | Equal Chances | 50-60% | Likely Below |
| | 60-70% | | 60-70% | |
| | 70-80% | | 80-90% | |
| | 80-90% | | 90-100% | |
| | 90-100% | | 90-100% | |

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How We're Managing Drought

- **Daily Water Monitoring**
 - Edwards Aquifer J17 Well Levels
 - Canyon Lake Reservoir Levels
 - Comal River Spring Flows
 - NBU Pumping Infrastructure
 - Climatological Tracking and Forecasts
- **Enhanced Customer Resources**
 - In-Depth Customer Usage Data
 - Increased Public Communications
 - Promotion of Rebate Programs
 - Modified Compliance Monitoring
- **Revised Drought Plan – April 2026**



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