Water Weekly
For the week of 02/24/20

Water conditions
Drought continues to contract in the northern half of the state but expand and intensify in the south. As of February 18, the total area of the state impacted by drought is down dramatically, but extreme drought is up one percentage point and now impacts 3 percent of the state.

Drought conditions
- 24% now
- 33% a week ago
- 32% three months ago
- 7% a year ago

U.S. seasonal drought outlook
The latest seasonal drought outlook from the National Weather Service is a mixed bag for Texas. Over the next three months, the National Weather Service expects drought to contract in central and east Texas, persist in south Texas, and develop in new areas of west Texas.

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