

City Council Work Session Handouts

October 21, 2013

- I. Review and Discuss the North Texas Municipal Water District Stage 3 Modified Water Conservation Plan
- II. Review and Discuss a Proposed Amendment to the Parks Rules Regarding Overnight Parking

STAGE 3 WINTER WATER RESTRICTIONS

City Council Briefing: October 21, 2013

BACKGROUND

- August 2011
 - Stage 2 - 5% reduction goal / twice week watering
 - Requested by NTMWD; Provided for by Code of Ordinances
 - Lake Lavon – 8.8' below Conservation Level

- November 2011
 - Modified Stage 3 - 10% reduction goal / twice month watering
 - Administrative Order 11-01
 - Lake Lavon – 12' below Conservation Level

BACKGROUND

- April 2012
 - Stage 3 - 10% reduction goal / once week watering
 - Administrative Order 12-01
 - Lake Lavon - 1' Above Conservation Level
- June 2012
 - Stage 2 - 10% reduction goal / twice week watering
 - Administrative Order 12-02
 - Lake Lavon - .3' Below Conservation Level

BACKGROUND

- December 2012
 - North Texas Zebra Mussel Barrier Act of 2012 passed
 - Provided Congressional exemption from the Lacey Act
 - Permits NTMWD to resume pumping water to Lake Texoma when the new pipeline is completed in January-March 2014
- April 25, 2013
 - NTMWD Board Initiates Stage 3 to be effective June 1st
 - NTMWD confirms contract to purchase water from Dallas Water Utilities
 - Up to 60 Million Gallons a Day
 - 3 year agreement

BACKGROUND

- June 2013
 - Stage 3 - 10% reduction goal / once week watering
 - Administrative Order 13-01
 - Lake Lavon - 7.2' Below Conservation Level

Last Digit of Address	Permitted to Water Landscape
Even (0, 2, 4, 6, 8)	Saturdays
Odd (1, 3, 5, 7, 9)	Sundays

BACKGROUND

■ Exceptions:

- Foundations, new landscaping, new plantings of shrubs, and trees may be watered for up to 2 hours an any day by a hand-held hose, a soaker hose, or a dedicated zoned using a drip irrigation system
- Public athletic fields used for competition may be watered twice per week.
- Golf courses may water greens and tee boxes without restrictions
- Locations using other sources of water supply for irrigation may irrigate without restrictions
- Smart irrigation and drip irrigation systems, provided irrigation does not occur more than once every seven days

BACKGROUND

- Watering between 10 am – 6 pm is prohibited.
- Watering during any period of precipitation is prohibited.
- Using water in such a manner as to allow runoff or other waste is prohibited.
- Hydroseeding, hydromulching and sprigging shall be permitted.

BACKGROUND

- Washing of vehicles, boats, trailers, etc. is permitted.
- Newly constructed swimming pools, jacuzzis and spas may be filled.
- Pools may be drained and refilled for repairs as needed.
- Existing swimming pools, jacuzzis, and spas may be replenished to maintain operational levels.

CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT

Lake Levels

NTMWD LAKE CONSERVATION POOLS/TRIGGERS

Water Supply	Conservation Pool	Drought Stage Trigger Elevation
Lavon	492 ft.	Stage 1 – 484.0 ft. Stage 2 – 481.0 ft. Stage 3 – 478.5 ft. Stage 4 – 475.0 ft.
Chapman / Cooper	440 ft.	Stage 1 – 433.5 ft. Stage 2 – 431.0 ft. Stage 3 – 428.5 ft. Stage 4 – 425.5 ft.
Tawakoni	437.5 ft.	Undesignated
Texoma (Unavailable)	617 ft.	Undesignated

LAKE LEVELS SINCE STAGE 3 BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2013

	Jun 1st	Jul 1st	Aug 1st	Sep 1st	Oct 1st	Oct 21st	Net Change
Lavon	484.78'	484.27'	483.04'	481.26'	480.03'	479.83'	-4.95'
Chapman	431.62'	431.10'	430.02'	428.46'	427.29'	426.60'	-5.02'
Tawakoni	432.12'	431.54'	430.60'	429.41'	428.80'	428.52'	-3.60'
Texoma	615.23'	617.54'	617.51'	617'	613.17'	612.22'	-3.01'

Drought & Weather Forecasts

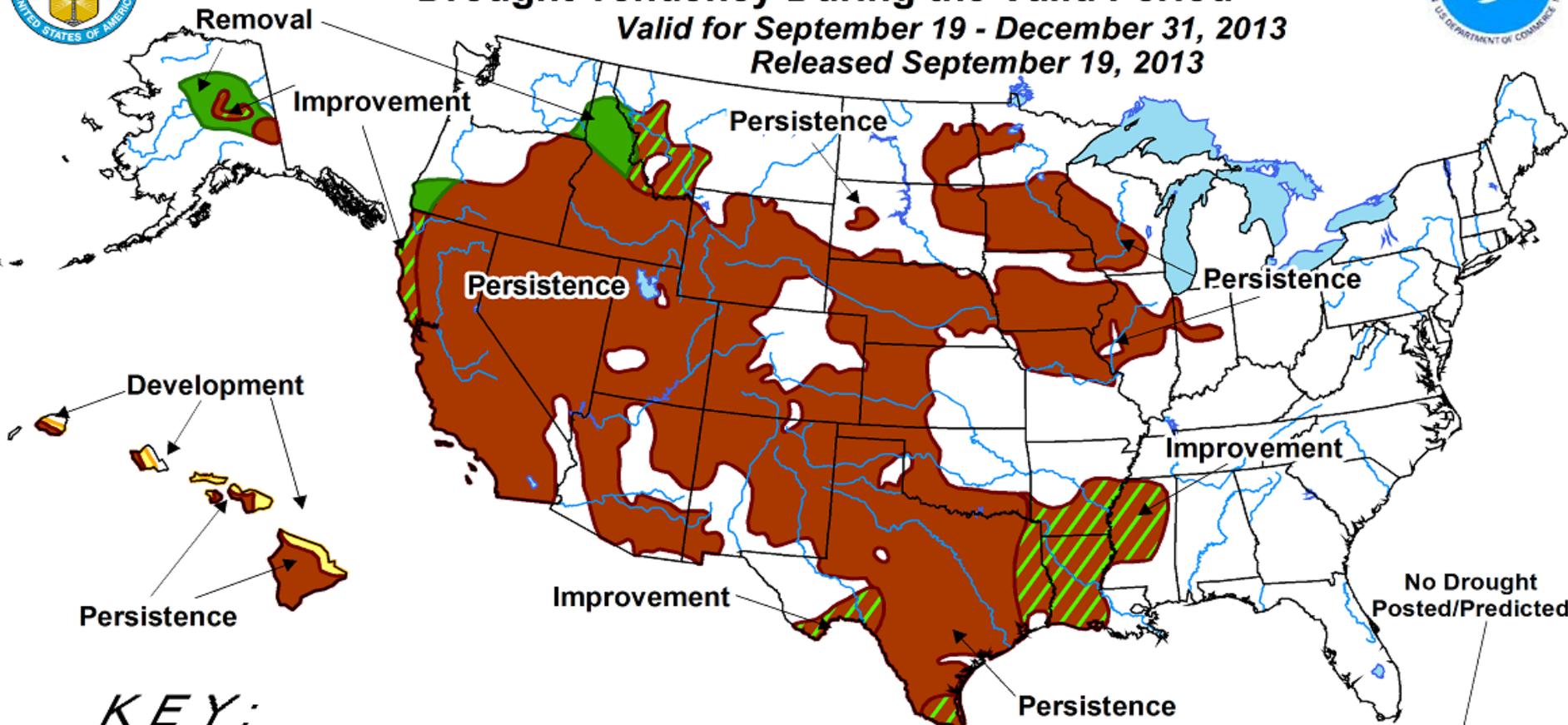


U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for September 19 - December 31, 2013

Released September 19, 2013



KEY:

-  Drought persists or intensifies
-  Drought remains but improves
-  Drought removal likely
-  Drought development likely

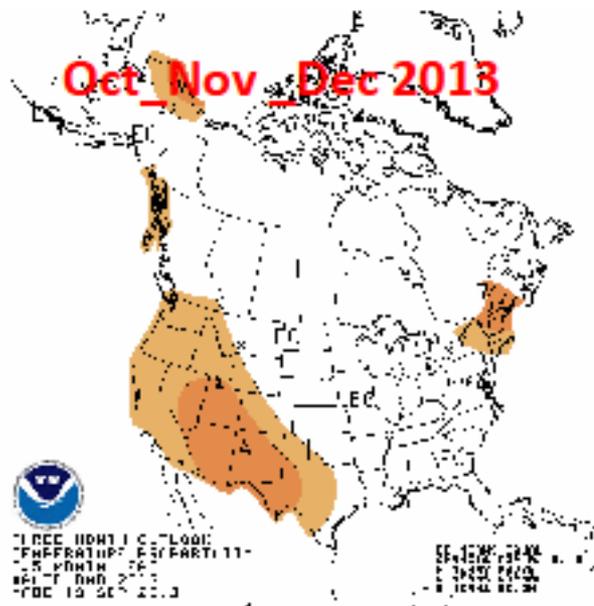
Author: Anthony Artusa, Climate Prediction Center, NOAA
http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/expert_assessment/season_drought.html

Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Short-term events -- such as individual storms -- cannot be accurately forecast more than a few days in advance. Use caution for applications -- such as crops -- that can be affected by such events. "Ongoing" drought areas are approximated from the Drought Monitor (D1 to D4 intensity). For weekly drought updates, see the latest U.S. Drought Monitor.

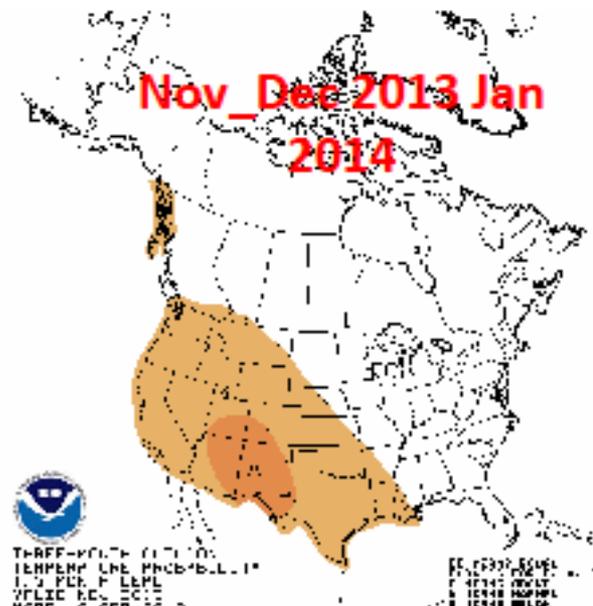
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National Weather Forecasts

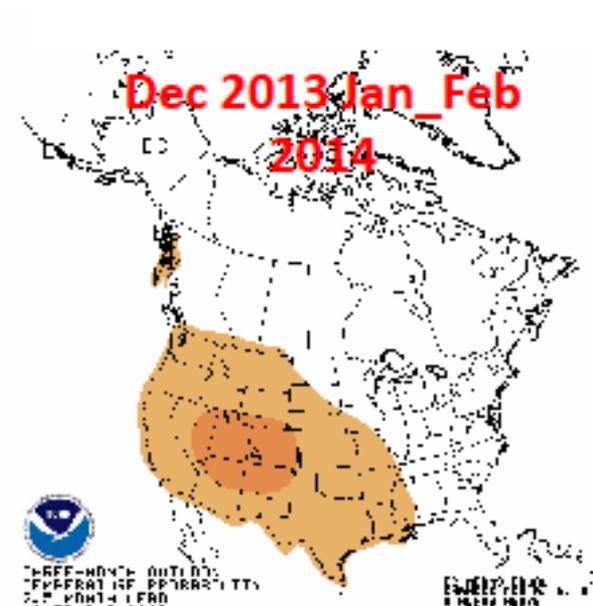
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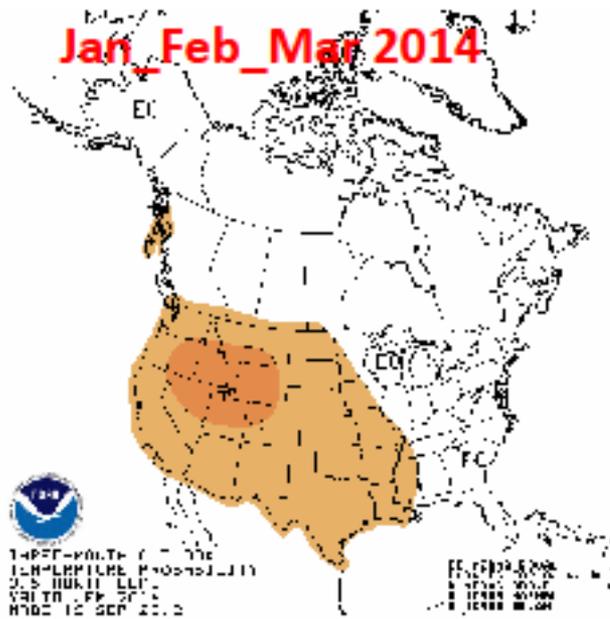
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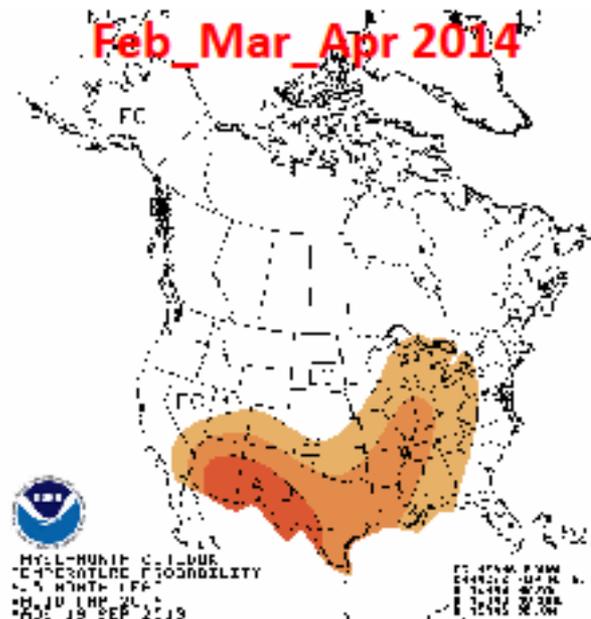
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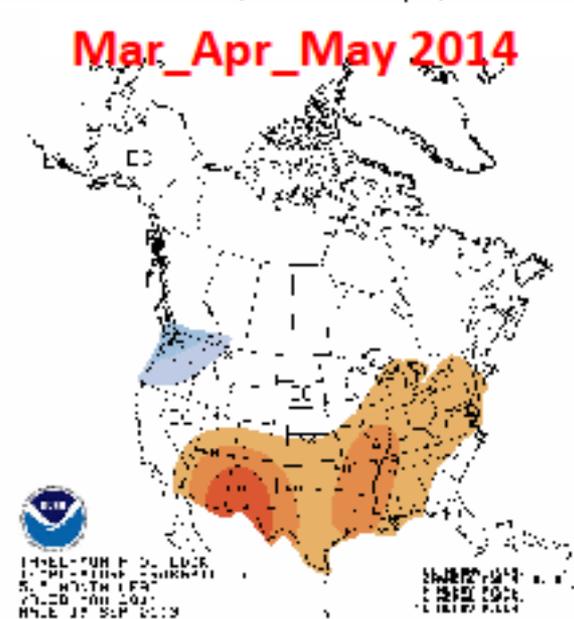
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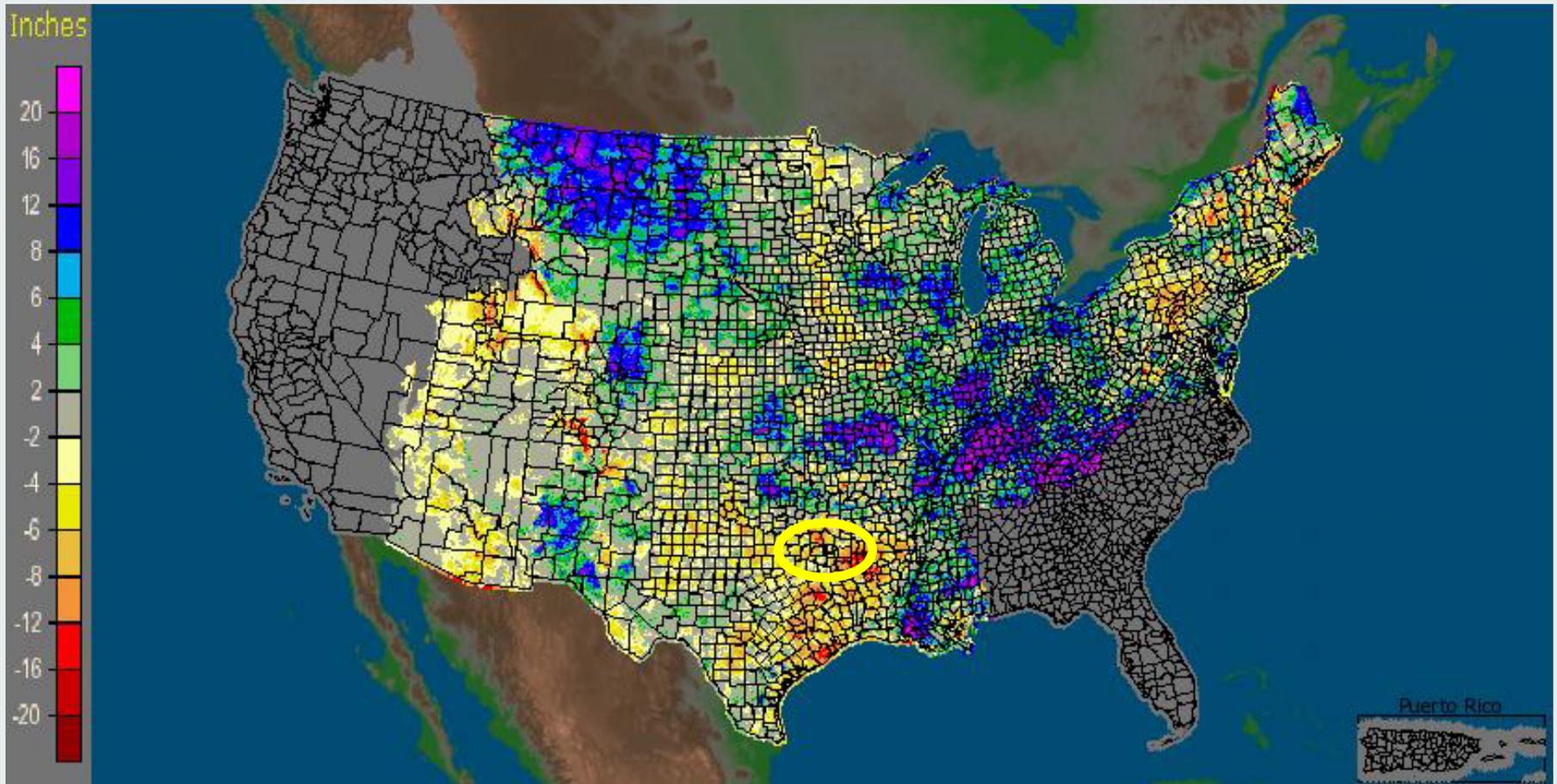
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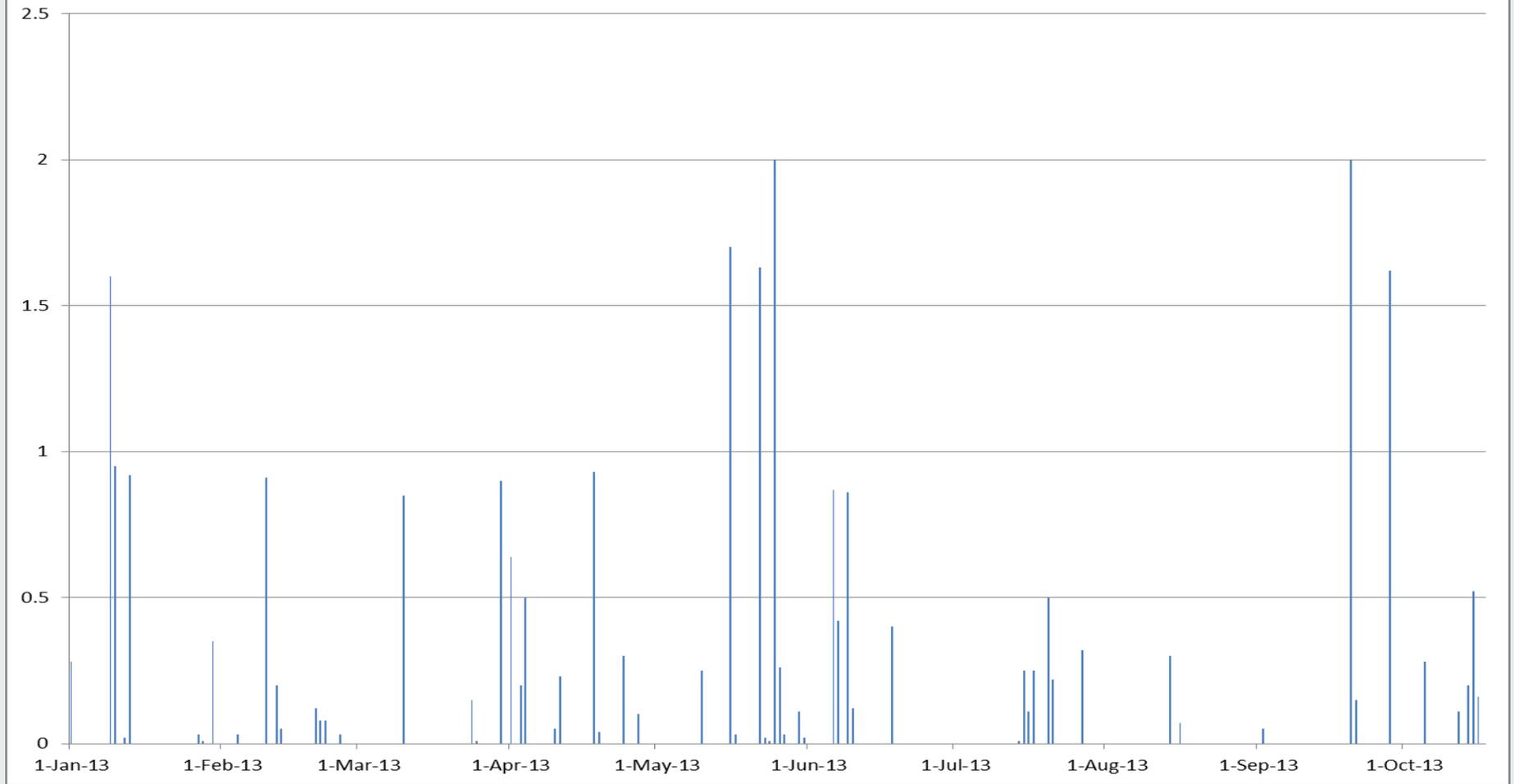


RAINFALL DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL SINCE JANUARY 2013

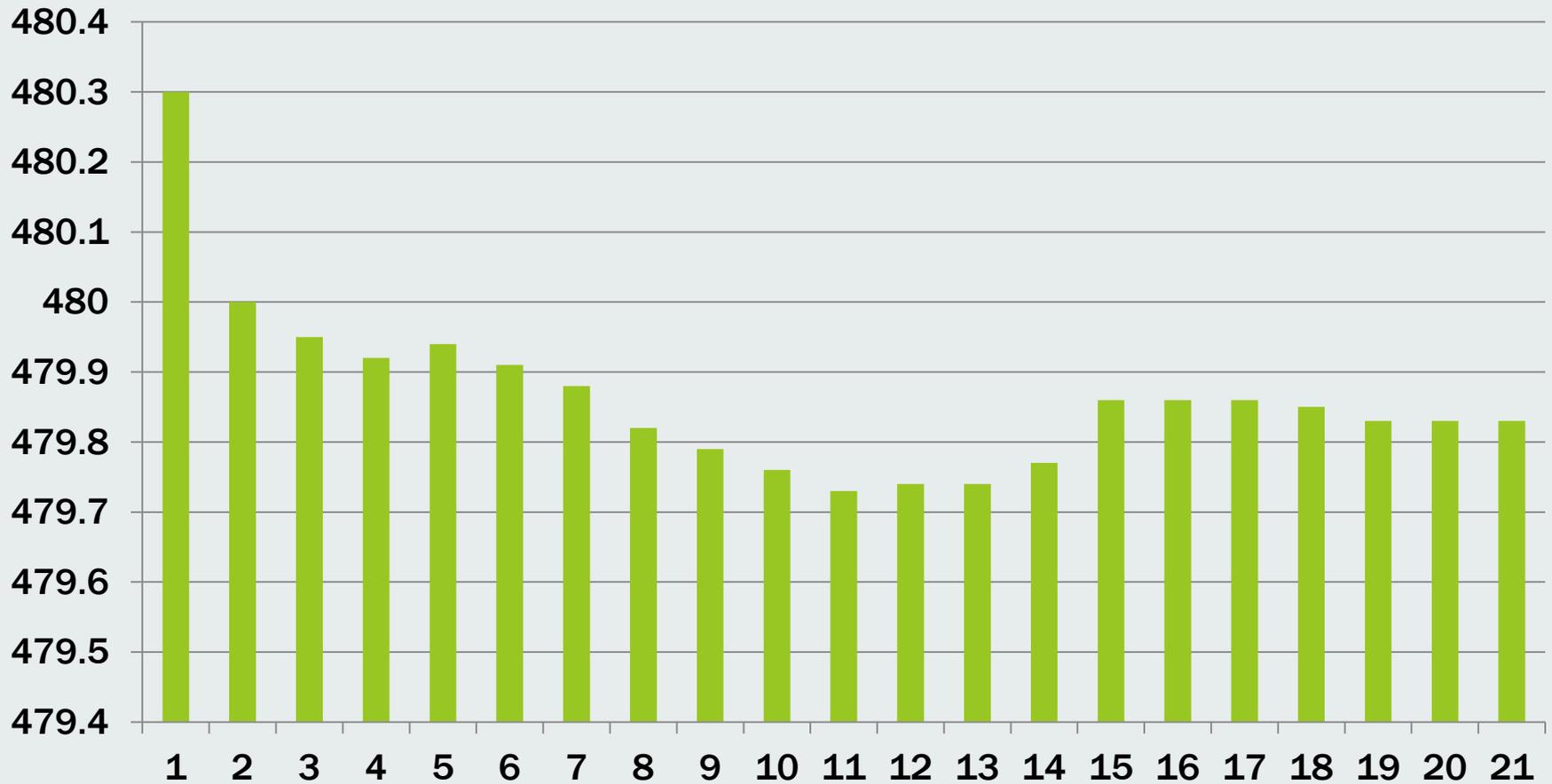


DFW RAINFALL SINCE JANUARY 1, 2013

2013 Daily Precipitation January 1st - October 17th

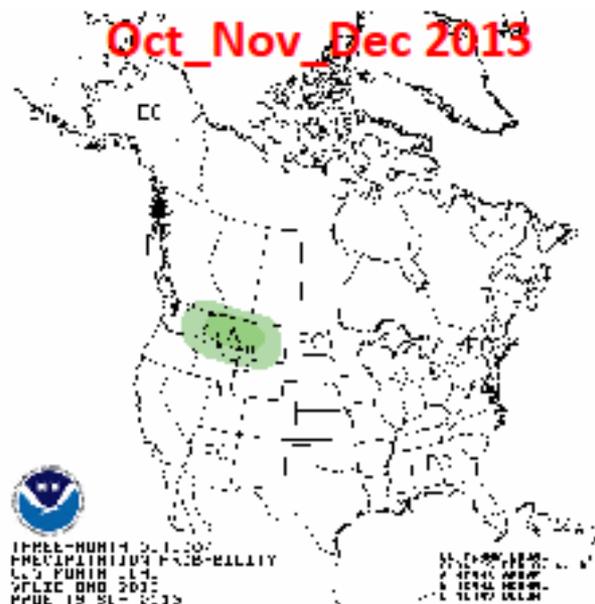


LAKE LAVON LEVEL – OCTOBER 2013

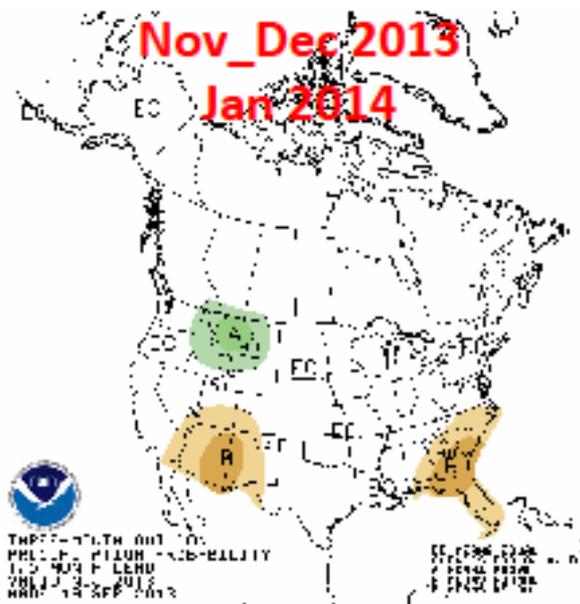


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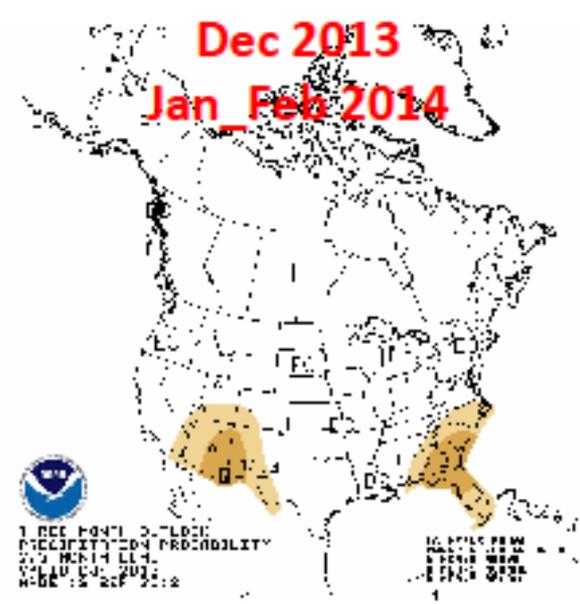
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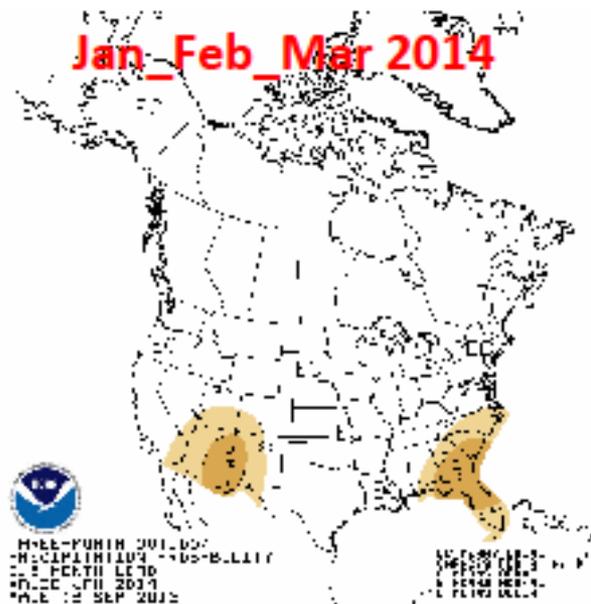
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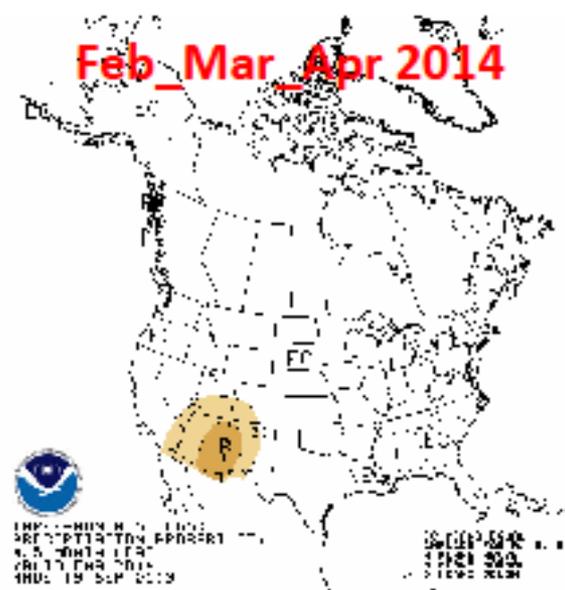
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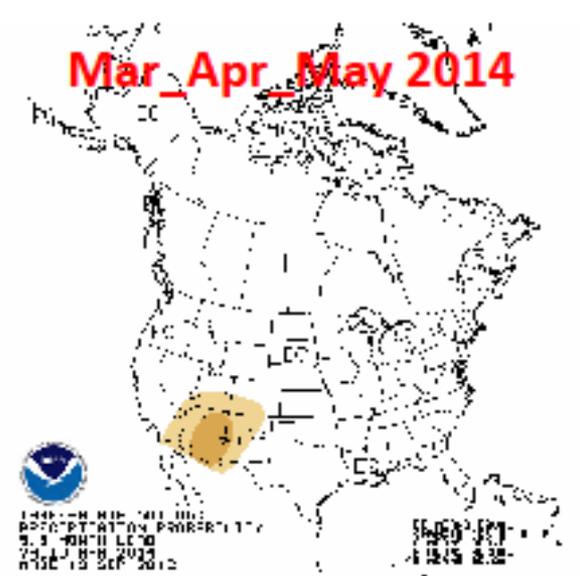
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Pipeline Extension Project

TEXOMA UPDATE

Pipeline Segment	Length	Installed	% Complete
A	46,037	46,037	100
B	46,163	37,163	80.5
C	46,411	46,411	100
D	65,175	57,013	87.5
E	48,185	37,627	78
Total	251,974	224,252	89

Other Projects:

Balancing Reservoir – 82% Complete

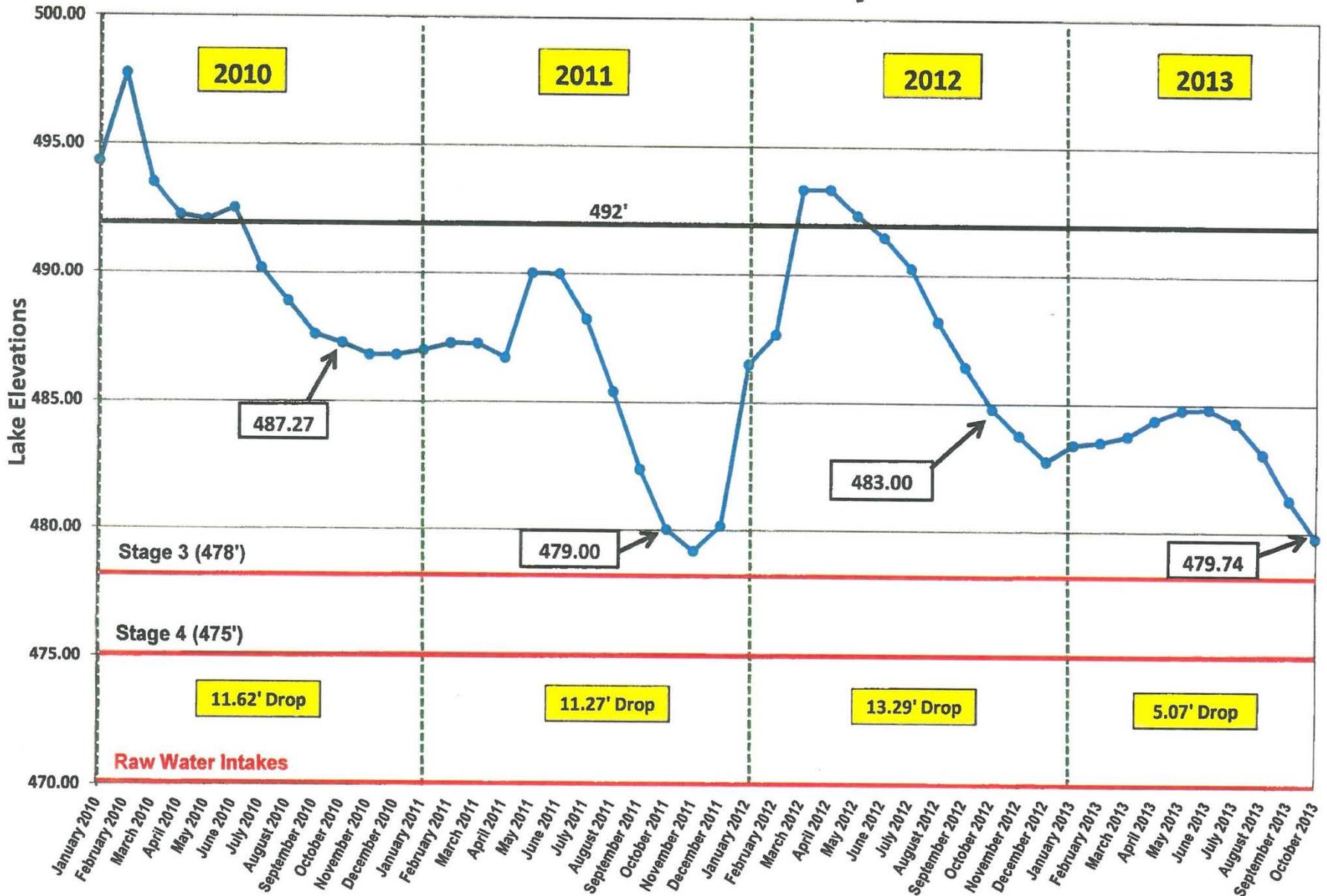
Blending Facilities – 48% Complete

Water Treatment Plants III & IV – Online January 2014

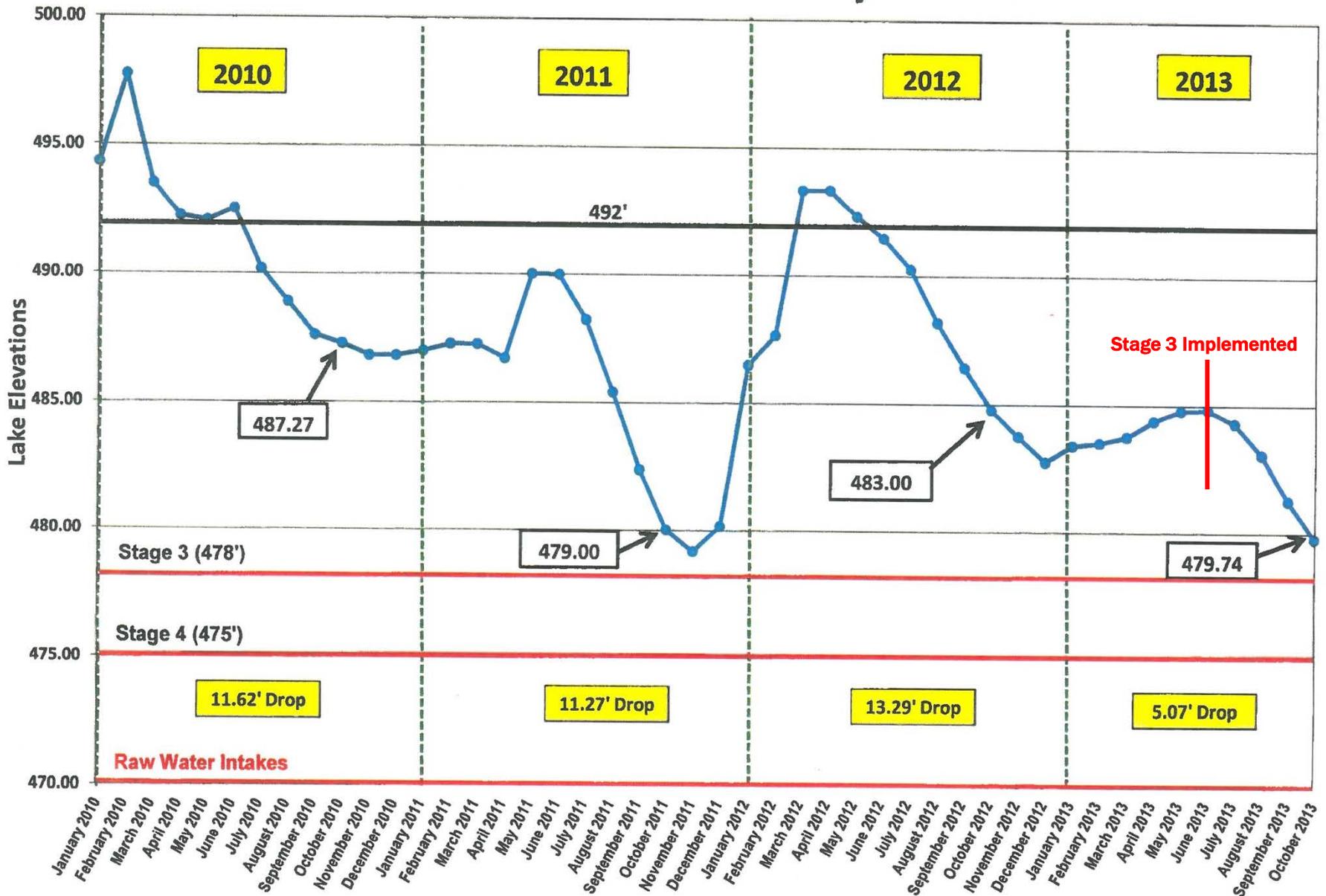
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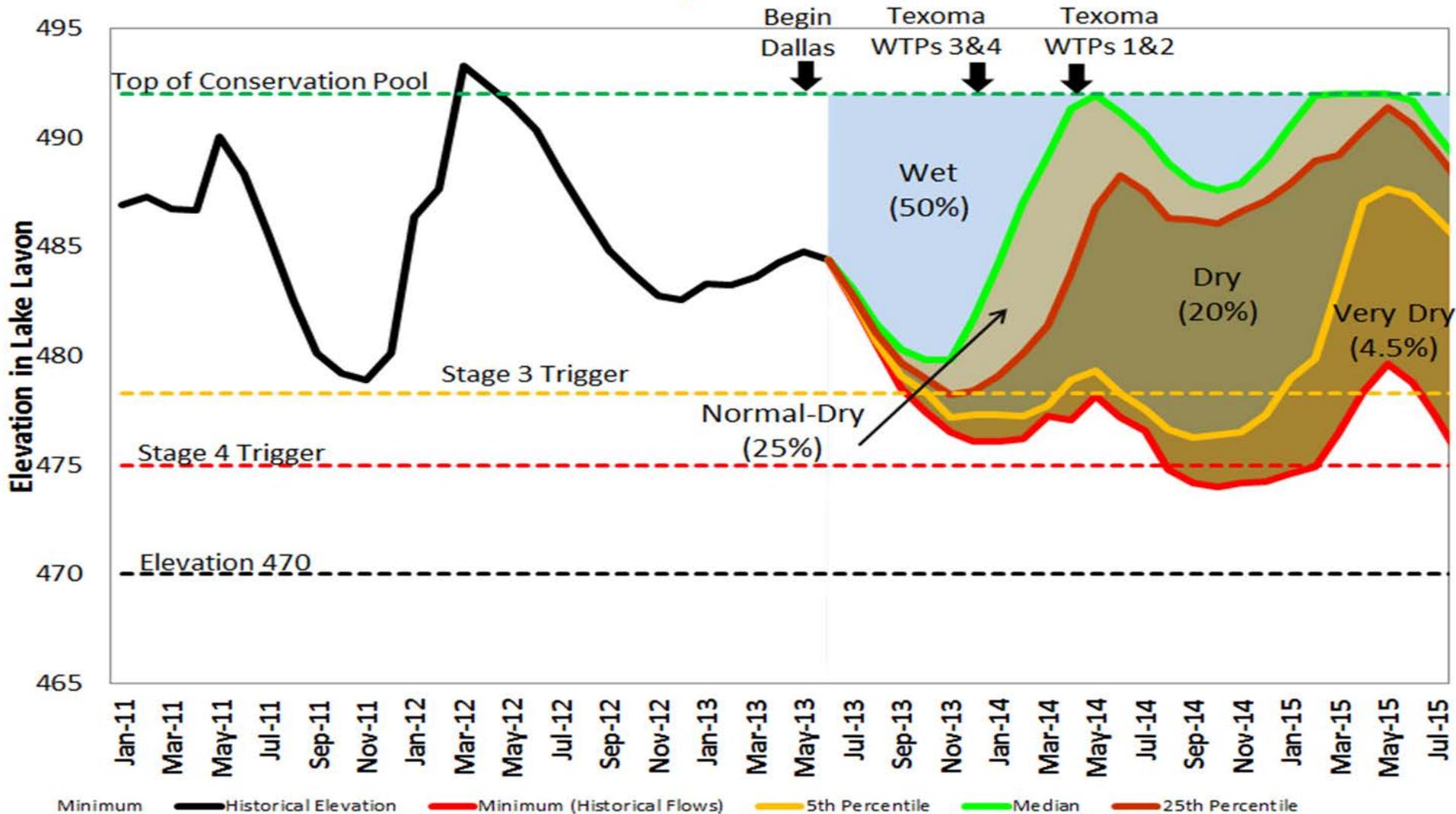
Lake Lavon Elevations by Month



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SHORTAGES FOR PLANNED MEASURES



NEXT STEPS

NTMWD ACTION

- On October 17th, the North Texas Municipal Water District Board of Directors unanimously voted to remain in Stage 3 but transition to Winter Regulations.
- Adoption of Stage 3 Winter Water Restrictions was deemed necessary due to:
 - Below average rainfall
 - Declining water levels of NTMWD reservoirs
 - Ongoing prohibition of pumping water from Lake Texoma due to the zebra mussel infestation
 - Uncertain outlook

CITY OF RICHARDSON ACTION

- On November 1, 2013, the City Manager will execute Administrative Order 13-02, thereby adopting Stage 3 Winter Water Restrictions locally.
- Given the season, these restrictions are anticipated to have a minimal impact on the community
 - Most grass and many types of vegetation are dormant throughout this time and do not require regular watering
 - Evaporation is significantly less during this time which results in higher ground moisture levels

STAGE 3 WINTER WATERING SCHEDULE

Last Digit of Address	Permitted to Water Landscape
Even (0, 2, 4, 6, 8)	1 st and 3 rd Saturday of each month
Odd (1, 3, 5, 7, 9)	1 st and 3 rd Sunday of each month

- Watering will be permitted between 10 am – 6pm
 - Reduce the possibility of watering during freezing temperatures – early morning / late night

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Once Per Week Watering Starting June 1

Stage 3 watering restrictions are in effect June 1. Watering is allowed once per week depending on address.

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6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

18 OCT Repertory Company Theatre presents Clue: The Musical
7:30 PM

19 OCT Waterwise Landscape Class
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[FULL CALENDAR](#)

Thursday October 17
A Few Clouds 70° 

October 2013

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Currently we are at:

Stage 1 | Stage 2 | Stage 3 | Stage 4

The City of Richardson implemented Stage 3 water restriction measures Saturday, June 1, 2013. The implementation of Stage 3 comes at the request of the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) which is facing critical shortages in its water supply.

The City of Richardson has developed the following plan based on the guidelines requested by the NTMWD.

[Lawn Irrigation Schedule \(1 time per week until further notice\)](#)

Last Digit of Address	Allowed Landscape Water Day
0,2,4,6,8 (Even)	Saturday (irrigation prohibited between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)
1,3,5,7,9 (Odd)	Sunday (irrigation prohibited between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

Additional Restrictions:

- No outdoor watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. or during times of precipitation (rain, snow, sleet, etc.).
- Excessive water runoff from any landscaped area onto any impervious surfaces is prohibited.

Exemptions - The following water usage is exempt from stage 3 restrictions:

- Watering around foundations and ornamental landscape (shrubs, flowerbeds, trees) with a soaker hose, drip system or hand watering is allowed any day at any time as necessary but responsibly. Hand watering of grass is prohibited. Just a reminder, excessive runoff of water and watering during times of precipitation is still prohibited.
- Variances are available for watering of existing newly installed landscaping until vegetative roots are established. Any variance approved for watering new landscaping will expire 30 days after becoming effective.
- Public athletic fields may be watered up to twice a week.
- The operation of ornamental fountains is permitted.

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NTMWD announces need for increased water conservation

At its Sept. 22 board meeting the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD), the City's water supplier, approved a measure to ask its member cities to implement Stage 3 emergency water restrictions beginning Nov. 1. The request is a result of the loss of the Lake Texoma raw water supply due to the presence of invasive zebra mussels and NTMWD's remaining share of the Lake Chapman raw water supply being reduced to 36 percent of capacity due to drought conditions.

The NTMWD's Stage 3 conservation measures target a 10 percent reduction in water use by all of its member cities. The City of Richardson is now reviewing its current consumption rates to determine if its Stage 2 water conservation measures are meeting the goal, or if increasing to Stage 3 water conservation measures will be needed to reach the 10 percent goal.

"The North Texas Municipal Water District has a large service area that it is watching to determine future water needs," said Public Services Department Director Jerry Ortega. "For the District, Stage 3 water conservation targets a 10 percent reduction in usage, but in many cases cities are able to attain the District's goals by using less harsh measures for

water restrictions. We are going to review the success of our Stage 2 restrictions now to see if we are currently meeting the District's 10 percent reduction goal. If we are, then we may stay at Stage 2 water conservation measures on Nov. 1."

The City's primary water source reservoirs are drastically lower than normal by almost 10 feet after this record-breaking summer season. Plus experts are predicting a very dry fall and winter. It is therefore the utmost importance that Richardson residents use water wisely and follow current water restrictions in place. Currently, Stage 2 of the City's Emergency Water Management and Drought Contingency Plan remains in effect.

The plan allows for twice weekly watering on particular days based on address (see table).

Tips on water conservation can be found on the Water Conservation website available on the City's homepage at www.cor.net. The site also explains variances that are in effect which the City uses to ensure public facilities are maintained for athletic or other activities.

For a complete list of Stage 2 watering restrictions and possible fines, visit www.cor.net or use your smartphone to scan this QR-code.



Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	Wednesday and Sunday
2, 4, 6, 8, 0 (even)	Tuesday and Saturday

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Press Release

For Release: October 22, 2013

CONTACT: Greg Sowell, 972-744-4218

RICHARDSON TO MODIFY STAGE 3 EMERGENCY WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2013.

Modified water conservation measures will allow only twice per week watering until further notice.

(Richardson, TX) – The City of Richardson will implement its Stage 3 water restriction measures Saturday, June 1, 2013. The implementation of Stage 3 comes at the request of the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) which is facing critical shortages in its water supply.

The City of Richardson has developed the following plan based on the guidelines requested by the NTMWD.

Lawn irrigation schedule (1 time per week until further notice)

Last digit of address	Allowed landscape water day
0, 2, 4, 6, 8 (Even)	Saturday (irrigation prohibited between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.)
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Additional restrictions:

- No outdoor watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. or during times of precipitation (rain, snow, sleet, etc.).
- Excessive water runoff from any landscaped area onto any impervious surfaces is prohibited.

Exemptions - The following water usage is exempt from stage 3 restrictions:

- Use of drip irrigation systems and soaker hoses to protect foundations is allowed.



North Texas
Municipal Water District

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
Contact:
Rick Ericson-214.706.6000

North Texas Municipal Water District to continue Stage 3 water restrictions
Beginning November 1st – March 31st landscape watering allowed only once every two weeks

(Wylie, Texas-Oct. 17, 2013) The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) Board of Directors has unanimously voted to remain in Stage 3 of the *NTMWD Water Conservation and Drought Contingency and Water Emergency Response Plan*. Continuation of Stage 3 water restrictions is necessary due to below average rainfall, declining water levels of NTMWD reservoirs and the ongoing prohibition of pumping water from Lake Texoma due to the zebra mussel infestation.

As part of the Stage 3, seasonal landscape watering is limited to once every two weeks with sprinklers or irrigation systems at each service address between **November 1 and March 31**. Landscape experts point out that lawns become dormant during winter months and require less water. Soaker hoses and drip irrigation systems can continue to be used for up to two-hours per day for foundations and trees. Check with your city for specific restrictions.

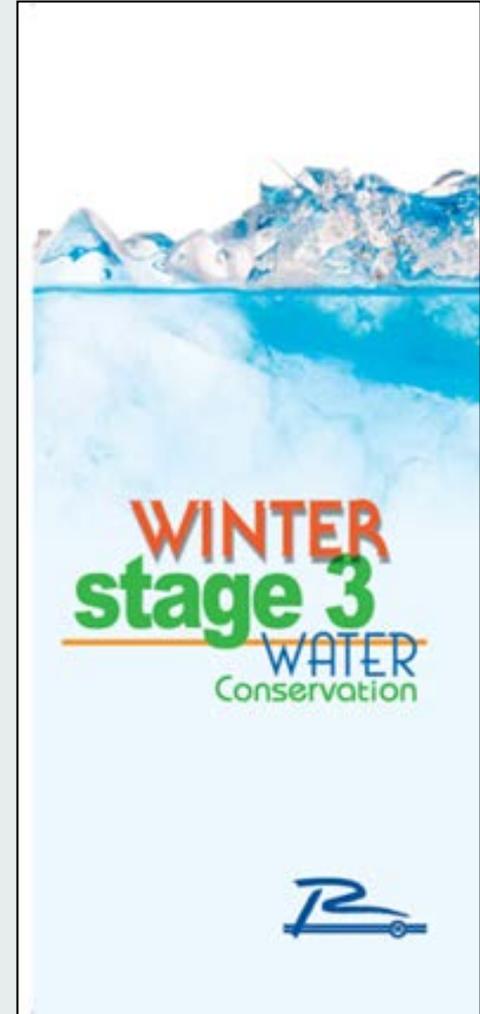
"Recent rain has helped water lawns and gardens but has not significantly impacted lake levels," said Jim Parks, Executive Director of NTMWD. "The NTMWD Board of Directors will review the Stage 3 restrictions if the area receives significant rainfall this fall and winter that result in substantial increases to water supplies. However, NTMWD must manage the current available water supplies and plan for future needs." Parks added.

Lavon Lake, the district's primary water supply, is currently more than 12 feet below the normal conservation level. Lake Chapman, the other key NTMWD reservoir is over 13 feet low.

Parks said the NTMWD will get some partial relief in January when the first phase of the new pipeline from Lake Texoma comes online. The \$310m pipeline will connect Lake Texoma to the Wylie, Texas water treatment plant and allow the NTMWD to resume using the Texoma water supply while minimizing the spread of the invasive zebra mussel. The Texoma supply is anticipated to be fully restored in the Spring of 2014.

Home and business property owners can help retain ground moisture by applying 3-4 inches of mulch around landscaping and trees. For additional water conservation tips, visit www.northtexaswater.org or www.ntmwd.com

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**Winter Stage 3 Water Restrictions
Twice a Month Watering Now in Effect**

Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days <small>May water anytime on allowed watering day.</small>
0, 2, 4, 6, 8 (even)	1st and 3rd Saturday
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	1st and 3rd Sunday

For a complete list of Winter Stage 3 watering restrictions visit cor.net or use your smartphone to scan this QR-code.




**NOTICE: Winter Stage 3 Restrictions
TWICE A MONTH WATERING EFFECTIVE NOV. 1, 2013**

The North Texas Municipal District (NTMWD) announced it is requesting all of its member and customer cities to implement Winter Stage 3 water conservation measures effective Nov. 1, 2013.

The City of Richardson has developed the following plan based on the guidelines requested by the NTMWD. The winter Stage 3 watering schedule does not conform to the City's prior Stage 3 water conservation plan. The plan has been updated by administrative order signed by the City Manager to implement more restrictive measures in order to meet conservation demands.

Winter Stage 3 Watering Schedule for Lawn Sprinklers	
Last digit of address	Allowed landscape watering days
0, 2, 4, 6, 8 (even)	First and third Saturdays of the month
1, 3, 5, 7, 9 (odd)	First and third Sundays of the month

Watering allowed anytime on designated day.



For a complete list of Stage 3 watering restrictions visit cor.net or use your smartphone to scan this QR-code.



TURN OFF YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM

- In conjunction with other NTMWD Cities, Richardson is asking its water customers to evaluate ground moisture and water only when needed.
- Customers are encouraged to turn their irrigation system off and only water when their moisture meter reads “Dry”.
- Moisture meters are available from the City as part of the Outdoor Water Conservation Kits for \$5.

MEASURE BEFORE YOU WATER

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Water Conservation Kits Know when to water

Help conserve water with the City of Richardson's outdoor and indoor water conservation kits. You can purchase both kits at the Water Customer Service Office, 411 W. Arapaho Rd. Suite 101, and at the Richardson Service Center, 1260 Columbia Dr.

Outdoor Kit

The kit contains a soil moisture meter probe that helps you know when to water, a deluxe seven-spray hose nozzle and a rain gauge. Cost is \$5 each.



Indoor Kit

This kit contains 2 Earth Massage Showerheads, 2 Faucet Sink Aerators, 1 Toilet Tank Bank, 1 Swivel Kitchen Aerator, 1 Leak Detection Pack and 1 Flow Meter Bag. Cost is \$8 each.



OTHER RESOURCES



Water IQ – Know Your Water
www.WaterIQ.org



American Water Works Association
www.awwa.org



H2O4Texas
www.h2o4texas.org



Water Environment Federation
www.wef.org



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)
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www.tceq.state.tx.us



Texas Water Development Board
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 Conservation Education and Public Awareness (TWDB)
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www.txsmartscape.com



Texas Department of Agriculture
 Water Awareness
www.texasagriculture.gov



Texas Urban Landscape Guide
<http://urbanlandscapeguide.tamu.edu/irrigation.html>



Water Wise Conservation Program
www.getwise.org

ENFORCEMENT

- A team of inspectors will be on duty for approximately 18-hours a day, 7-days a week to enforce Stage 3 Winter Watering Restrictions.
- Inspectors will proactively canvass neighborhoods and commercial areas to identify violations as well as respond to citizen complaints, which upon receipt will be dispatched to inspectors in the field for investigation/action.
- Residents are encouraged to report violations via the My Richardson App, online at www.cor.net, or by calling 972-744-4111.

ENFORCEMENT

- 1st violation – Staff will take a picture of the violation and leave a door hanger documenting the violation as well as the date and time it was observed.
- Staff will follow this action with a notice of violation (which references the fact that a door hanger was left) to ensure the issue is brought to the resident's attention.



NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Address: _____

In an effort to conserve water and comply with mandates issued by the North Texas Municipal Water District in response to the current drought, Stage 3 of the City's Emergency Water Management Plan was enacted on June 1, 2006.

On _____ at _____ the following violations were observed:

Watering on a prohibited day. Watering day(s) for the subject property are _____ and _____.

Watering between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Watering such that a constant stream of water overflows onto the street, alley, sidewalk, parking lot, other _____.

Watering during rainfall/precipitation.

Washing building, vehicle, boat, trailer, other _____.

Washing/hosing down sidewalk, driveway, other _____.

Other _____.

Please understand that failure to adhere to the above watering restrictions will result in the immediate issuance of a citation.

If you feel this notice has been sent in error, please contact me as soon as possible at 972-744-4166 so we can discuss your concerns.

Issued By: _____ Date: _____

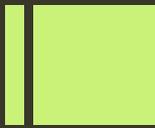
ENFORCEMENT

- 2nd and all subsequent violations– Staff will take a picture of the violation and issue a citation.
- Staff will also send notices when it observes “evidence of watering”. The purpose of this notice is to inform the resident that their sprinkler system is very likely operating on an inappropriate day or during an inappropriate time even though staff did not actually see the watering take place.

ENFORCEMENT

- A defendant will not be required to appear in court if issued a citation for a first offence. A defendant may instead elect to plead Guilty or No Contest and pay the window fine of \$150.
- If a second (or subsequent) citation is issued or if a citation is written as an "aggravated offense", the defendant is required to appear before the Judge to have his/her case resolved.
 - Up to a \$2,000 fine

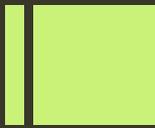
**STAGE 3 WINTER
WATER RESTRICTIONS**



Overnight Parking in Richardson Parks

Richardson City Council

October 21, 2013



Citizens have inquired about occasional overnight parking in Richardson Parks

- Overnight parking within parks has been an issue for some Richardson residents leading to citizen inquiries of which the police have been challenged to deal with the situation under the current park and recreation ordinances.
- Richardson's parks and recreation ordinances do not prohibit overnight parking.
- Research with other cities has found that other cities have ordinances prohibiting overnight parking in municipal parks.
- Current Richardson ordinances address park curfew but do not address vehicles left in the parks overnight.



Existing Richardson Code of Ordinances Chapter 15 Parks and Recreation

- Article III. Park Rules
 - Section 15-61. Unlawful Acts
 - Within the limits of any city park, it shall be unlawful for any person to do any of the acts hereinafter specified, except as may be otherwise provided:
 - Item (18) To remain, stay, or loiter in any park between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. of the following day, or remain, stay, or loiter in any park except during the posted hours of operation, if posted as open other than 5:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. of the same day.



Proposed Richardson Code of Ordinances Chapter 15 Parks and Recreation

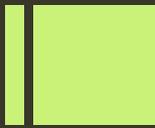
- Article II. Parks and Recreation Commission
 - Section 15-31. Powers and Duties
 - Item (11) *Recommend Rules and regulations.* It (the Park and Recreation Commission) shall recommend to the city council rules and regulations governing the use of parks and recreation facilities.

(Code 1966, § 14-3(J))
- The Park and Recreation Commission met on October 15 and considered the no overnight parking in the park item.
 - The Commission recommended (6 to 1) the City Council adopt an ordinance or change and existing ordinance prohibiting overnight parking within Richardson Parks.



Proposed Richardson Code of Ordinances Chapter 15 Parks and Recreation

- **On the recommendation of the Park and Recreation the following section of Chapter 15 is up for consideration for amendment:**
 - **Sec. 15-63. Parking vehicles.**
 - (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to park, stand or store a motor vehicle in any City park between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. of the following day, or to park or stand a motor vehicle in any City park, except during the posted hours of operation, if posted as open other than 5:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. of the same day.”



Next Steps

- If the City Council wishes to include no overnight parking within Richardson parks, staff will bring the ordinance change to the City Council on October 28, 2013 for adoption.
- If so adopted:
 - Signs will be posted within municipal parks where overnight parking issues warrant them.
 - The City will notify the Police Department and the Homeowners Association's about the ordinance change.
 - Staff will work on outreach to educate the public on the ordinance change and allow for flexibility during the transition to the new way of operation.