## **BASIN CONDITIONS UPDATE**

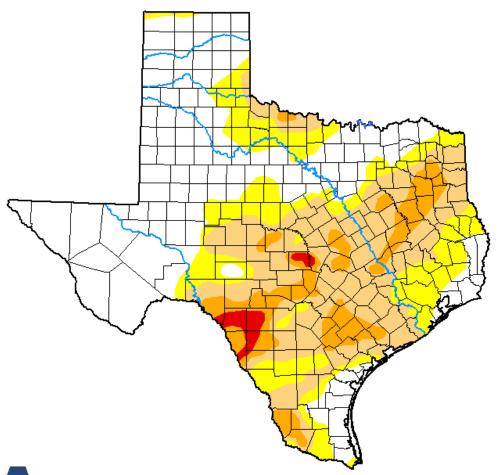
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### U.S. Drought Monitor

### **Texas**

Jan. 16, 2020



#### Intensity:

None

D0 Abnormally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought

D3 Extreme Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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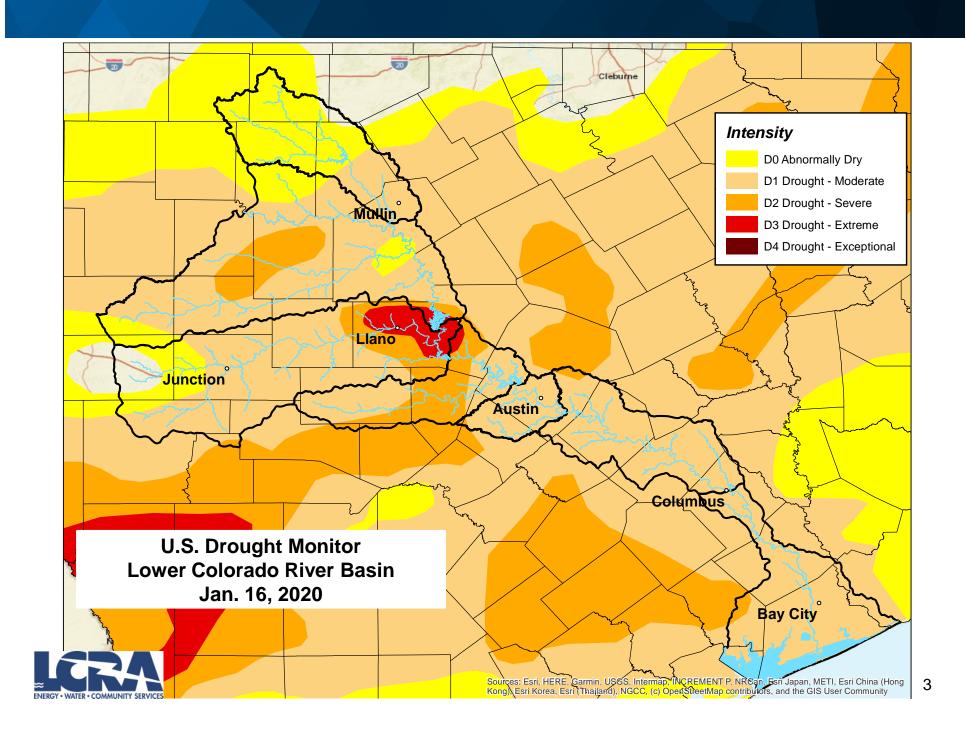




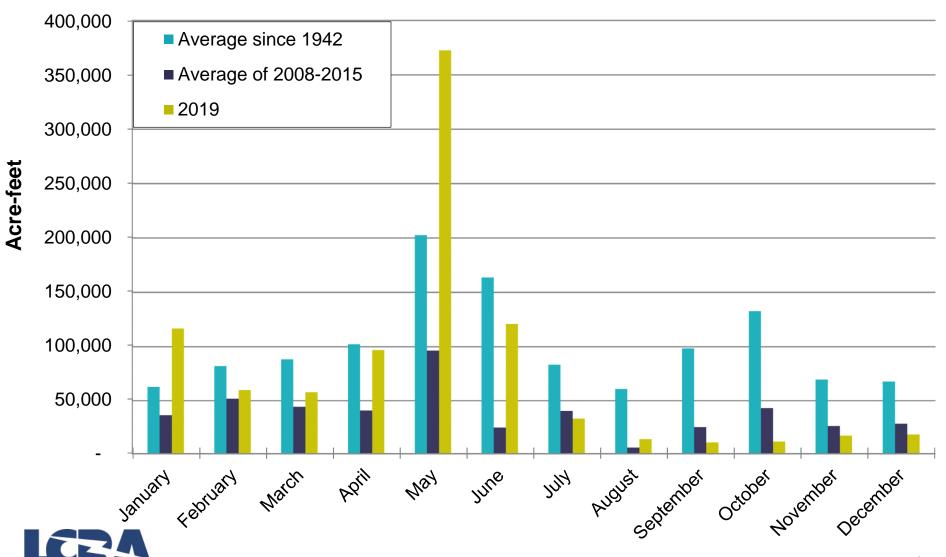




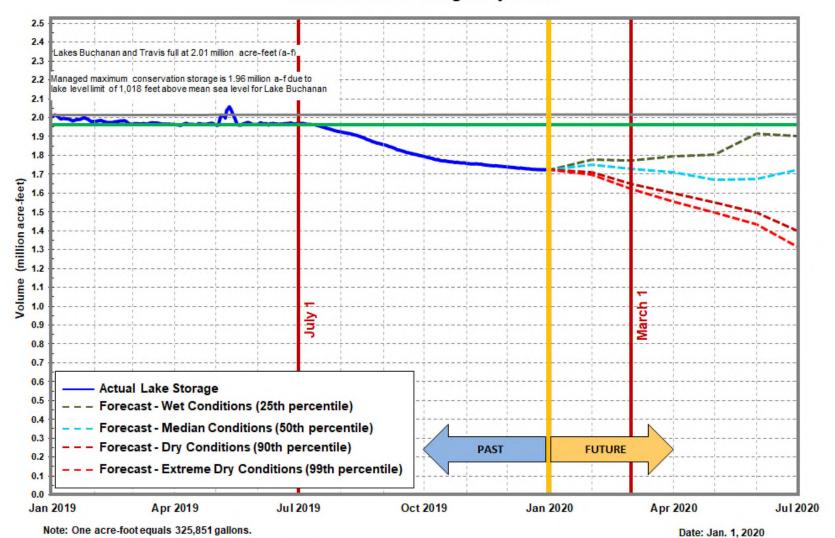




## Water Flowing Into the Highland Lakes

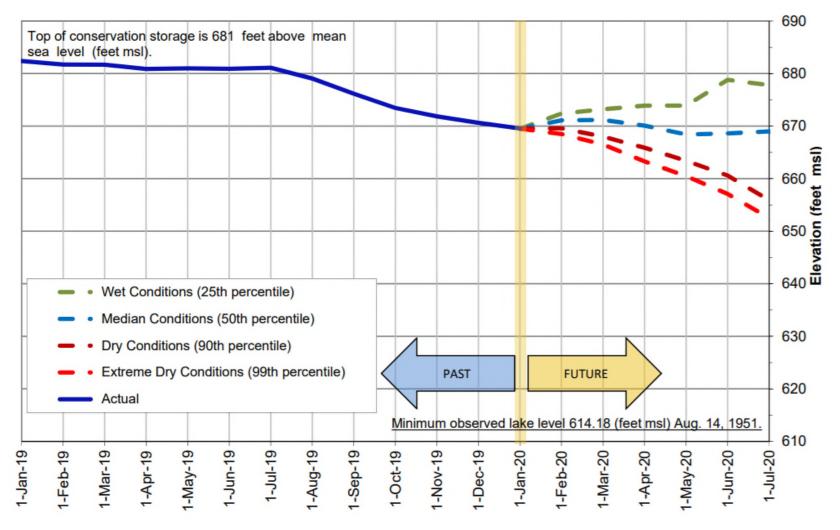


### Lakes Buchanan and Travis Total Combined Storage Projections





#### Lake Travis Level Forecast\*



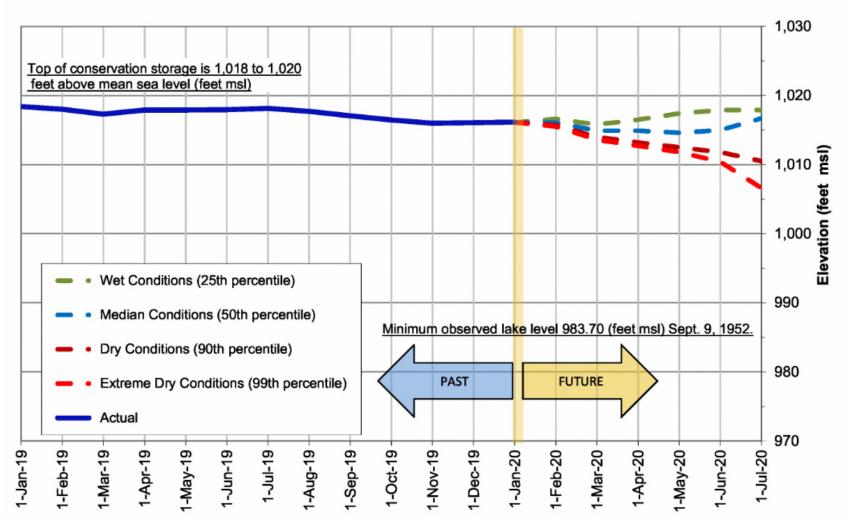
\*Based on results from the draft stochastic model under development to reflect provisions of the 2015 Water Management Plan.



Average for January: Historic Low (1951):

667.61 feet msl 614.18 feet msl

#### Lake Buchanan Level Forecast\*



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Average for January: Historic Low (1952):

1,010.72 feet msl 983.70 feet msl

# **Lake Level Comparisons**

	Jan. 1, 2019	Jan. 1, 2020
Lake Travis (feet msl)	682.39	669.54
Lake Buchanan (feet msl)	1,018.44	1,016.16
Combined Storage (a-f)	1,966,845	1,722,901

\*For purposes of the 2015 Water Management Plan, the combined storage is defined as the total of the daily average volume of water in Lake Buchanan (excluding any water above the maximum managed elevation of 1,018 feet msl) and the daily average volume of water in Lake Travis (excluding any water above the maximum conservation elevation of 681 feet msl).