

# Drought Status Chart

## Barton Springs/ Edwards Aquifer Conservation District

# NO DROUGHT



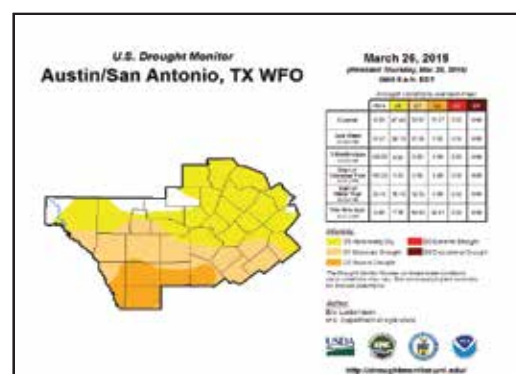
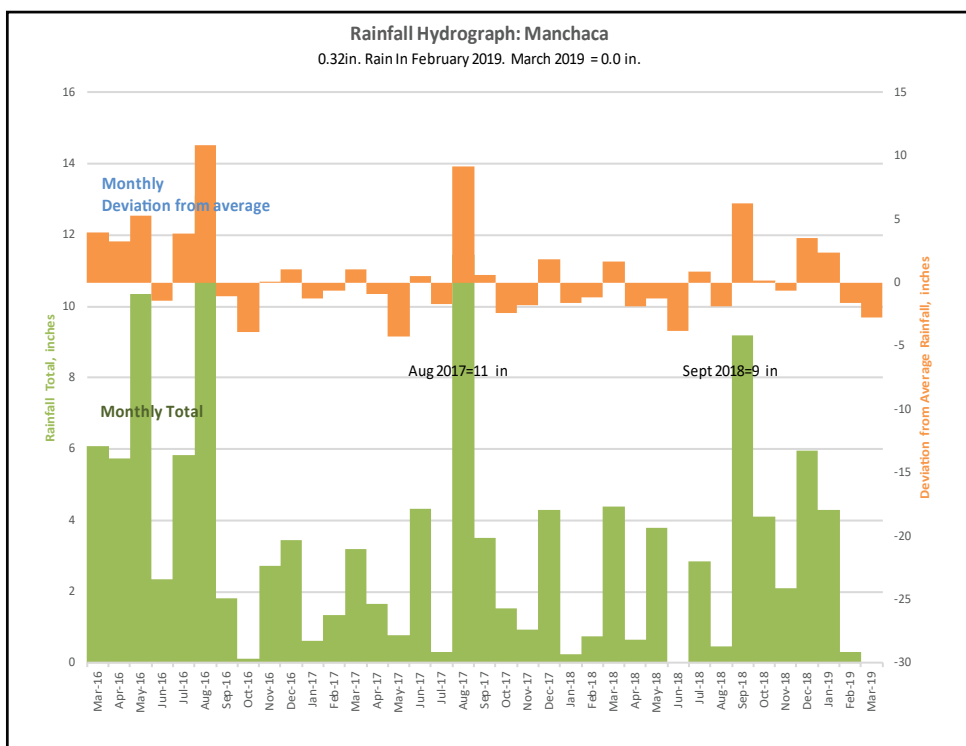
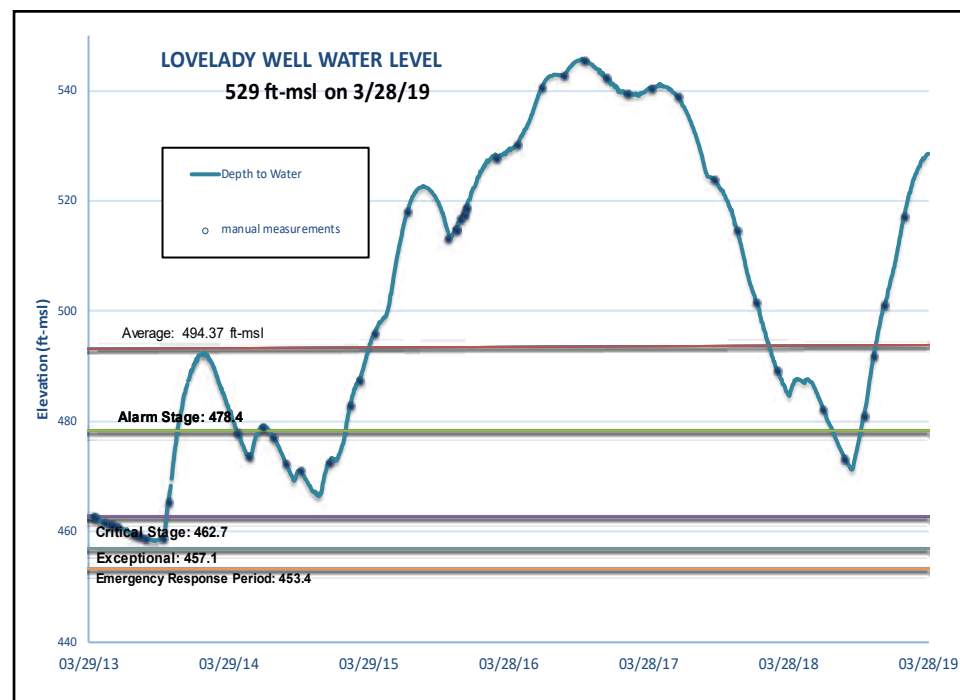
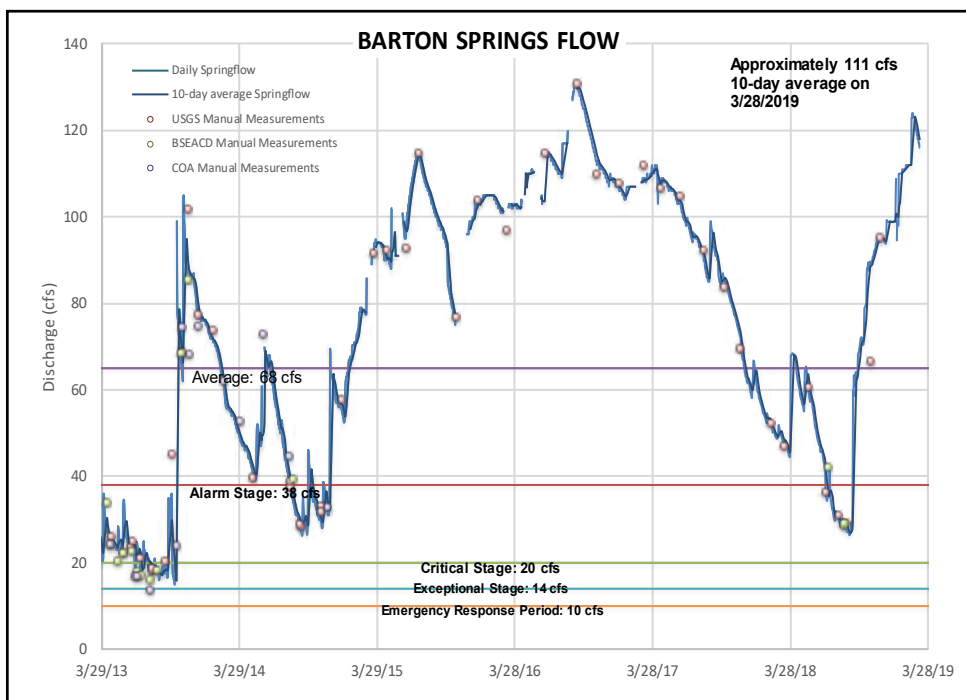
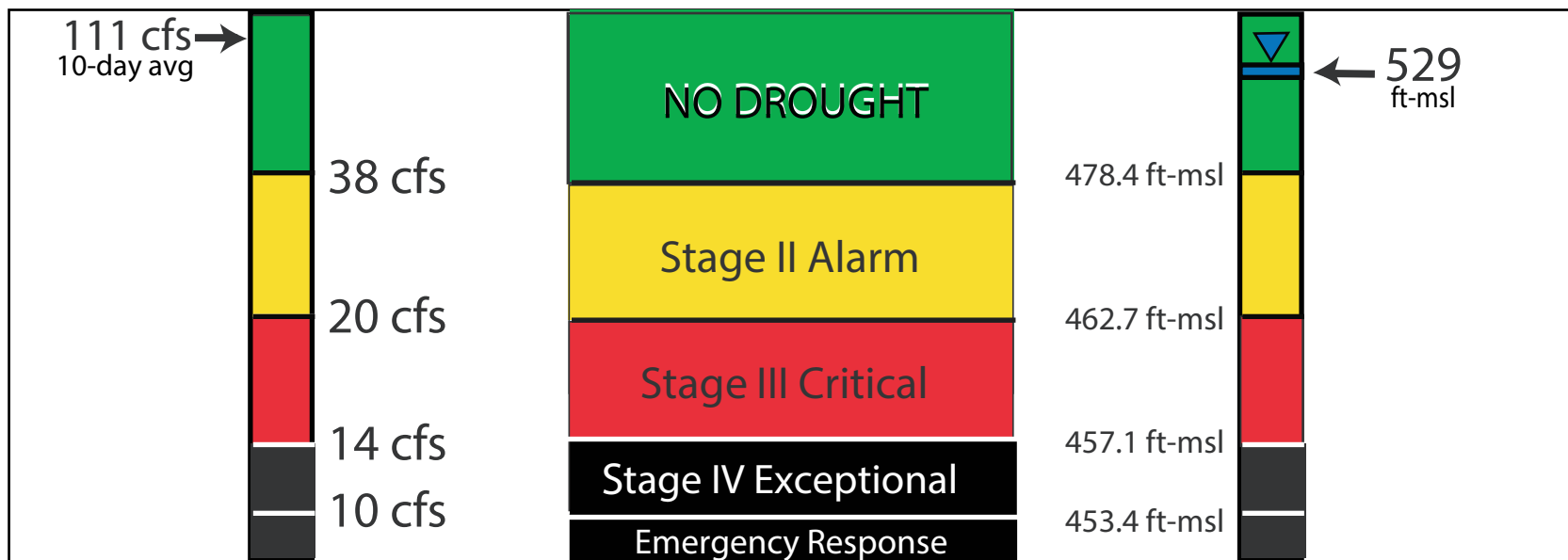
March 28, 2019



**Barton Springs Discharge**  
(cubic feet per second)  
Previous value: 123cfs on 3/7/19

**Lovelady Well Water Level Elevation**  
(feet above mean sea level)  
Previous value: 527 ft-msl on 3/7/19

### Drought Status



The BSEACD drought outlook valid from March 23, 2019, to April 11, 2019 remains in "No Drought" status. Through March of 2019, BSEACD boundaries within Travis and Hays counties received an average of 5 inches of rain. Rains in late December 2018 and entering January 2019 kept area creeks flowing and recharge continuous until mid-February when most creeks have returned to dry. Lovelady levels continue to climb and Barton Springs maintains a 10-day average above 100 cfs. Current Lovelady waterlevel (529 ft-msl) have surpassed 2015 levels (522.8 ft-msl) and continue upwards.

There's no doubt spring has arrived across Texas. The bluebonnets and wildflowers are in full bloom, the trees and plants are putting out new leaves and the overall landscape has turned green. While we can see all of this going on around us on the ground, believe it or not, it's also visible from high in the sky.

Looking ahead in 2019, The National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center issued an update that a weak El Nino is live and well and is expected to persist this spring and summer, and possibly into autumn. This is great news considering a weak El Nino will bring above average rainfall, slightly lower average temps and a lesser severe weather season. Though, the last weak El Nino conditions were in 2015 and we all remember how those "weak" conditions changed to a strong El Nino here in Central Texas.

