

LKWCD Current

Summer

June 30, 2015

Rainfall

We are now finishing out the first entire half of the year of 2015 and it sure has been a good one in many ways. Not only have we had a steady amount of rainfall, but I do not even recall a single day that has reached a hundred degree weather as of yet. Here at the water district office, we have received a total of 11.87 inches for the first half of the year, which puts us right on track to reach our yearly average of ~22 inches. That being said, the office's location tends to miss out on a lot of the rain that comes through Tom Green county, so there are many areas that have had many more inches of rainfall for the first half of the year. Starting on the first of July I will be out downloading rain station data and will be able to see which areas have received the most precipitation overall. With all of the rainfall events this year, the data should be plentiful in all three counties of the district.

Water Levels

I have officially been working for the LKWCD for over a year now and have been able to experience the aquifer levels drop during times of irrigation and rise after rainfall events. It brings me great satisfaction to tell you that after measuring water levels over the past week, a very large percent of the monitor wells were up to levels higher than they have been in five years plus. The wells that did not change much tended to be wells found in eastern Concho and Runnels counties. Keep in mind, I took these water level measurement prior to multiple inches of rain that some areas experienced over last weekend, so some wells will only continue to rise. With more rain and efficient irrigating practices, let us keep these water levels rising.

“Water is the driving force of all nature.”

-Leonardo Da Vinci