

[LKWCD Current]

Fall Issue

October 31, 2016

Water Levels and Rainfall

Cotton ginning is now under way and the water levels are reflecting the lack of irrigation. Although we only had a mere .01 inches of rain here at the office for the entire month of October, water levels in all three counties were up from last month. Most wells were up anywhere from 1-3 feet from last month. Some wells are still seeing record highs. As I stated previously, there was basically no rainfall during this historically warm October. There was some rain mid month in northern Runnels, but not much more an inch or so. Last October we had received 3.3 inches of rain here for the month. Although we had a dry month this year, August and September gave us plenty of precipitation to satisfy the aquifer. This month I went out and downloaded the rain gauge stations that are installed throughout the district as I do at the end of every quarter. Most areas in all three counties have received nearly thirty inches of rain this year so far which is about ten inches over the annual average! We still have a few more months to add to those totals but the rest of the year is forecasted to be rather warm and dry.