



Technicians'
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We hope that everyone has a very happy Easter and that you enjoy the Holiday with family and friends. It is a time of renewal when we are offered the chance to renew our lives much like nature is renewing our world with new plants. The trees are leafing out and blooming starting a

new cycle of life. It feels like time to plant spring crops and gardens, but is still trying to freeze after the cold fronts come through. We still need a big rain to give the earth the much needed water for the seeds and young growth to thrive.

In all three counties there were across the board drops in water levels since last month. Most were in the 1 foot to 5 foot lower range. We even saw these drops in wells that do not normally move much. We are seeing a double hit on water levels at this time of year. The trees are leafing out and taking up large amounts of the shallow water. Farmers and house owners are out watering what they can. Farmers this year have lots of wheat planted and it is needing all the water they can pump due to there being almost no spring rains so far this year. In some of the heavier irrigation areas levels were down 5 feet to 20 feet.

Historically we are not far from what waters levels were the last two years for this month. We are up from levels last year, but down from levels two years ago.

Sincerely
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