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Spring is here and it feels like summer already. Most of the wheat looks good but some of it is needing a drink pretty bad. Milo and hay grazer planting has started. Pastures have greened up and are looking good now.

Concho county had mixed results on water levels. Levels averaged about 2 ft higher than last month across most of the county. There was some good recharge in a few spots along the Kickapoo. A 2 ft rise in one month in water levels in many of these livestock wells is a big jump.

Tom Green averaged around a 3 ft rise in water levels. There were areas near where wheat is being irrigated that were down by 10 or more ft. We are still working with aquifers that are well below normal levels for this time of year many still 10-20 ft below where they should be. This means that the draw down is greater than normal due to water mostly being in the lower smaller aquifer areas.

Runnels was mixed but mostly had lower readings for the water levels. Some of these wells have been in a declining state for several years now. They do not drop much each month but it adds up as time goes by. Most readings in Runnels were within 1 ft up or down from last month.

Have a great Easter
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