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MONTHLY R	EPORT OF RIVER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS	REPORT FOR: MONTH YEAR January 2002
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When no flooding occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as significant rises, record low stages, ice conditions, snow cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (NWS Instruction 10-924)

[X] No flood stages were reached in this HSA in January.

January began the new year for the HSA fairly uneventfully. A few storm systems moved through the area, but the region was closed off from Gulf moisture return most of the time and, as a result, low-level moisture was sparse and monthly precipitation totals were light.

Some locations in the HSA that received notable amounts of precipitation for January were:

Tatum, Lea County 0.84"
Forsan, Howard County 0.91"
Loop, Gaines County 0.91"
Seminole, Gaines County 1.14"

The average of all stations reporting was 0.26".

Midland International Airport received meager 0.08" of precipitation for the month. Normal for the month of January is 0.53".

As a result of January's sparse precipitation, short-term drought conditions in Texas west of the Pecos remain severe. Areas that are east of the Pecos/south of Midland are experiencing near-normal conditions, as well as areas farther north, and Southeast New Mexico.

Reservoir levels across the HSA remain below conservation levels, and the flood threat remains low.

River products issued: RVS = 0 FLS = 0 FLW = 0

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