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Everyone should be smiling over the rainfall received in the last 6 weeks. It was not evenly spread out but I think that everyone got more rain than normal for July. We missed having a good runoff event by never getting that last big rain.

The aquifer over most of Tom Green shows to be in good shape with water levels going up. This is due mostly to irrigation pumping being shut off for much of this last month. We are getting some extra recharge from the rains but much of the received rainfall was needed just to fill subsoil moisture needs. Average gain in water levels over Tom Green is around 6 ft with variations from 1 ft to almost 20 ft in the different wells.

Concho tended to have less rain so where water levels were up there were much smaller gains. Concho also had more pumping going on in the last month due to less rainfall so some areas saw a decline in water levels. Water levels range from a drop of 4 ft to a rise of 3 ft.

Runnels county tends to have smaller changes and this month is no exception. The water levels over most of Runnels were within 2 ft above or below last month's readings. Miles area varied from the norm with larger gains in some of the wells near irrigation. Water levels showed up by 6 ft to 14 ft in the Miles area.

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