



June 30, 2010

Summer time is here. It may have seemed like summer for quite some time now, but the calender says it just started. The break in the heat and scattered showers is helping crops and slowing down water use. Please use your water wisely.

Water levels are very mixed in this months readings. Runnels county readings were almost all down with most of those in the 1-2 ft range. Some of the readings near irrigation were showing as much as a 15+ ft drop.

Concho county was mostly down on water levels. Areas around irrigated fields had water levels ranging from +4 ft to -70 ft. The area showing the most drawn down was the Eola area and east to the Kickapoo creek.

Tom Green county had readings from +8 ft to a -12 ft. Wall tended to be about even with readings up to the east and down to the west.

I think that much of the fluctuation is due to draw down caused by irrigation. We have the pumping capacity to pull more water out of an area in an hour than can flow into it from the surrounding aquifer in an hour. The water levels will tend to even out when pumping slows.

Have a great summer and pray for rain.

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