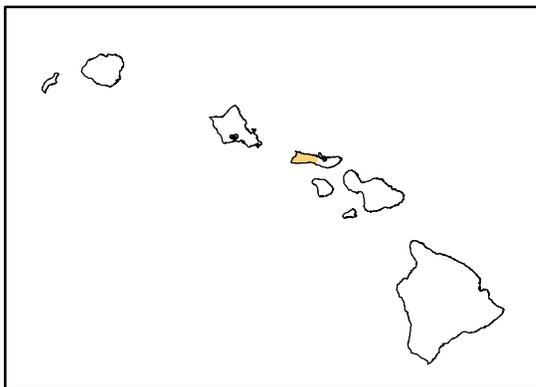
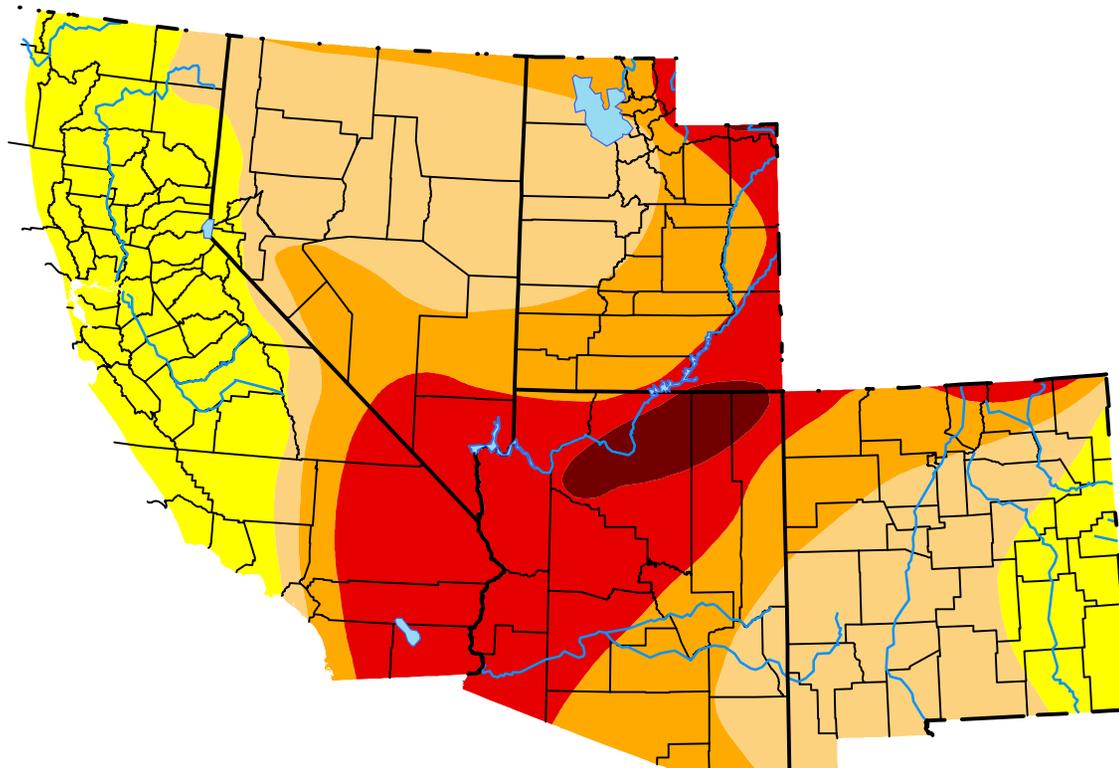


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**November 19, 2002**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	2.51	20.75	30.97	23.10	20.37	2.30
<b>Last Week</b> <i>11-14-2002</i>	2.44	21.11	30.57	23.41	20.27	2.20
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>08-22-2002</i>	2.33	12.18	23.95	24.43	27.31	9.79
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2002</i>	45.56	22.67	17.91	9.16	4.71	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-03-2002</i>	2.56	11.55	25.16	28.26	27.95	4.53
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>11-21-2001</i>	32.30	23.23	21.63	9.34	13.49	0.00

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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