

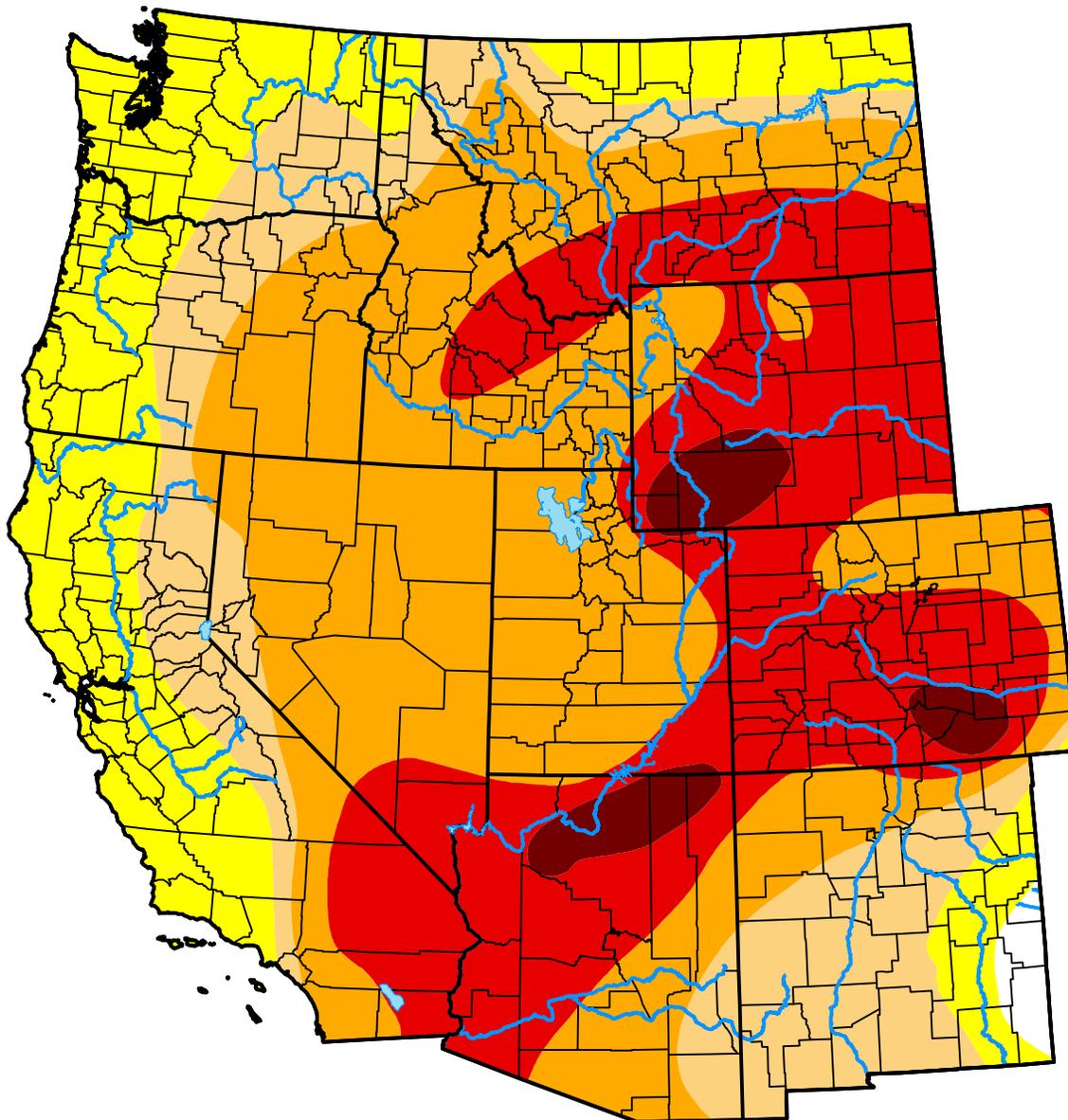
# U.S. Drought Monitor West

**December 10, 2002**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.71  | 99.29 | 81.43 | 65.12 | 28.70 | 2.89 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-03-2002</i>              | 1.20  | 98.80 | 78.54 | 56.00 | 28.59 | 2.48 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-10-2002</i>           | 7.39  | 92.61 | 79.77 | 64.60 | 37.83 | 9.51 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 29.08 | 70.92 | 52.40 | 36.90 | 15.10 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 5.18  | 94.82 | 77.75 | 59.82 | 35.39 | 6.23 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-11-2001</i>           | 24.54 | 75.46 | 55.26 | 39.71 | 18.61 | 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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