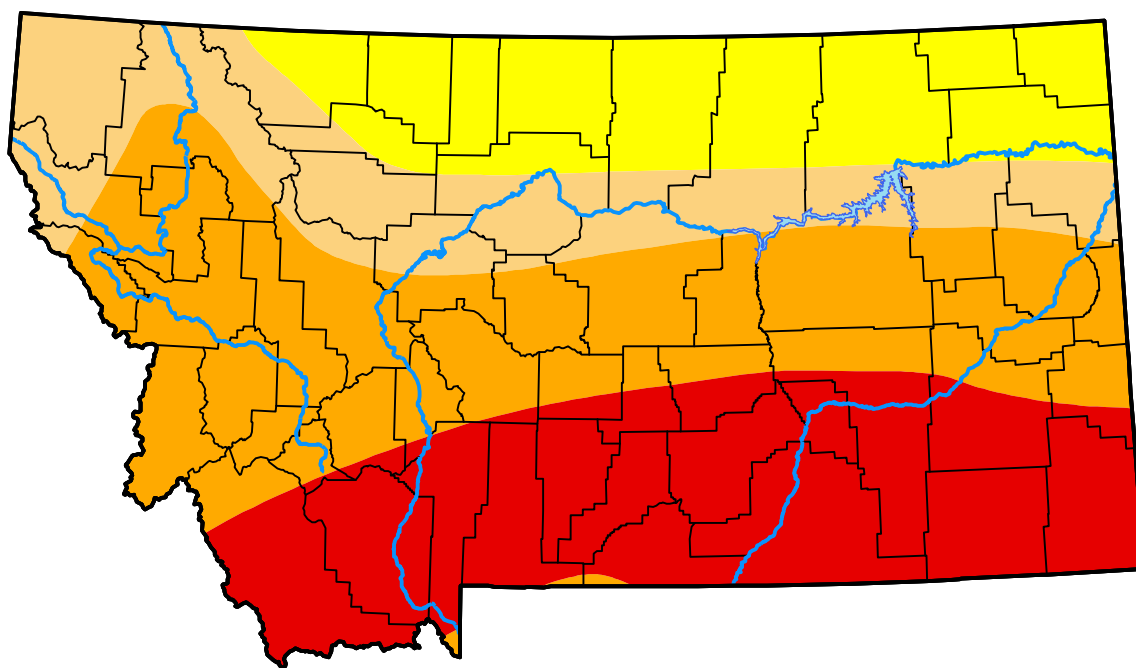


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	18.52	18.48	33.76	29.24	0.00
Last Week 12-12-2002	0.00	18.91	18.64	34.02	28.43	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-19-2002	9.02	23.88	25.92	15.24	25.94	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2002	0.00	0.00	11.62	39.61	48.77	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-03-2002	2.22	38.43	22.34	14.74	22.28	0.00
One Year Ago 12-20-2001	0.00	0.00	11.82	40.01	48.18	0.00

Intensity:

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

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