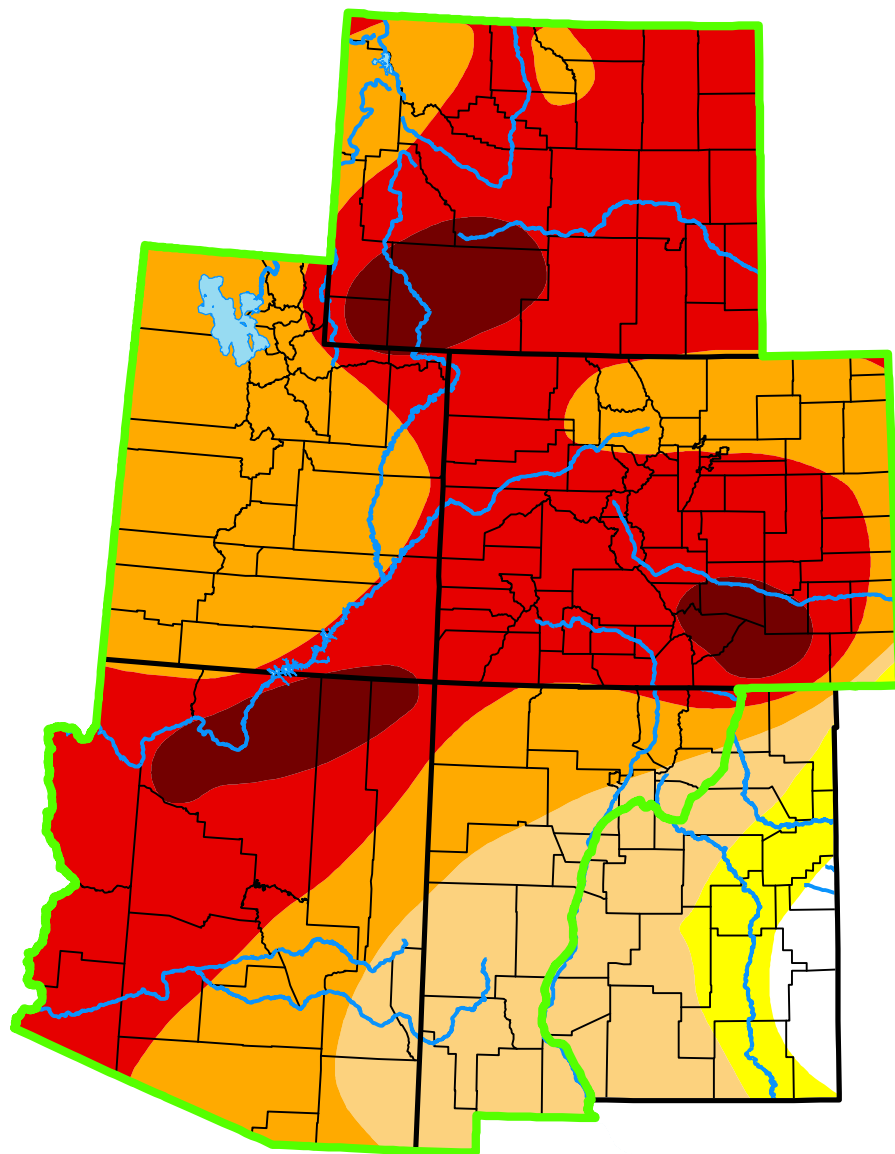


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



December 17, 2002

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	0.06	9.70	35.75	46.85	7.64
Last Week <i>12-10-2002</i>	0.00	0.07	9.87	36.72	45.89	7.45
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2002</i>	0.00	0.00	5.06	24.63	48.97	21.34
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	40.16	34.59	13.18	6.01	6.06	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	0.00	0.00	7.30	26.05	50.55	16.10
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2001</i>	41.76	34.06	11.90	5.46	6.82	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

Intensity:

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