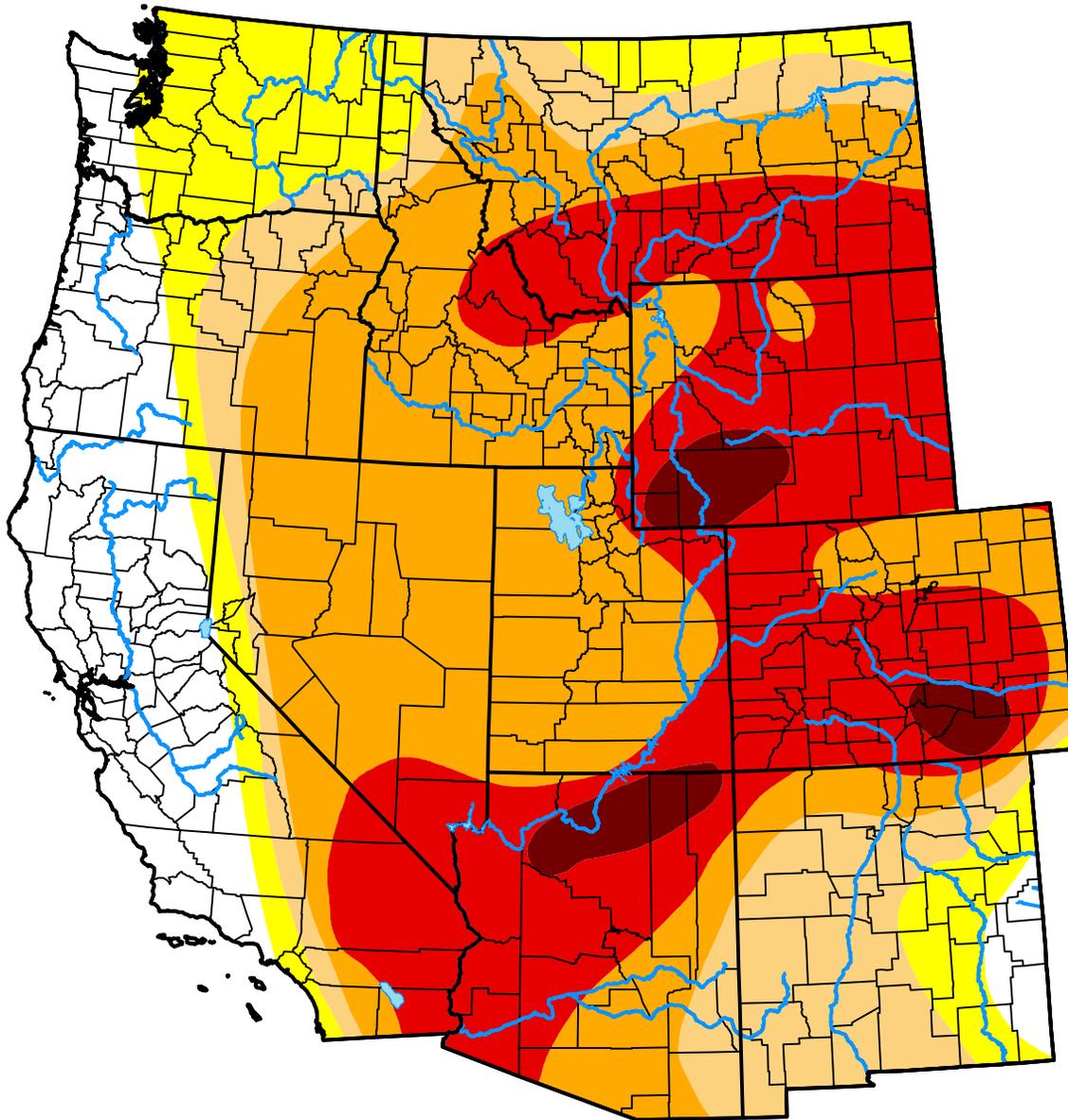


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	12.62	87.38	76.33	62.90	29.50	2.93
Last Week <i>12-24-2002</i>	10.00	90.00	78.77	64.37	29.35	2.94
3 Months Ago <i>10-01-2002</i>	5.18	94.82	77.75	59.82	35.39	6.23
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	29.08	70.92	52.40	36.90	15.10	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	5.18	94.82	77.75	59.82	35.39	6.23
One Year Ago <i>01-01-2002</i>	29.08	70.92	52.40	36.90	15.10	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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