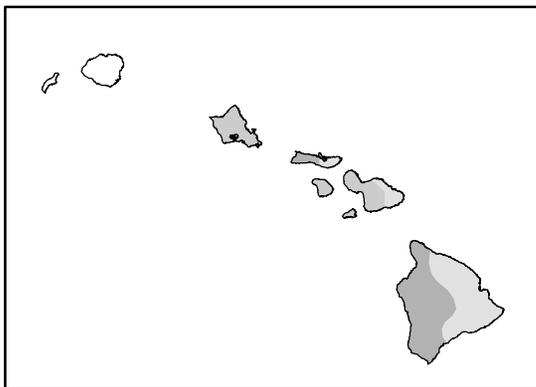
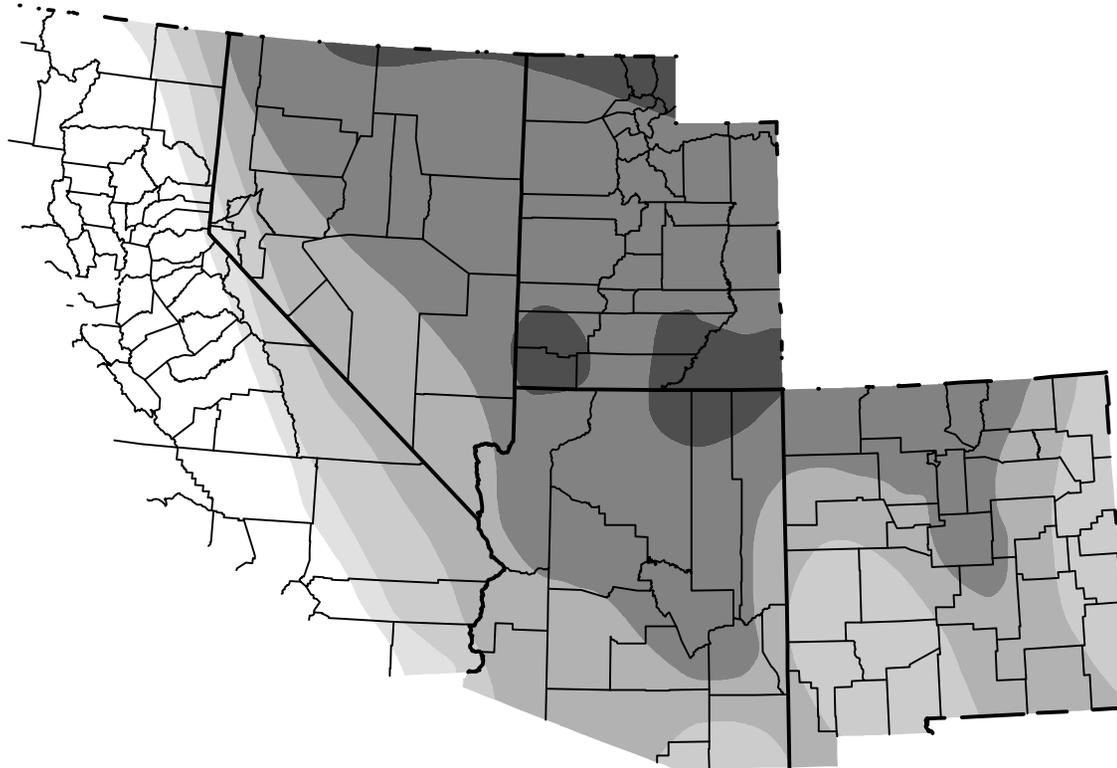


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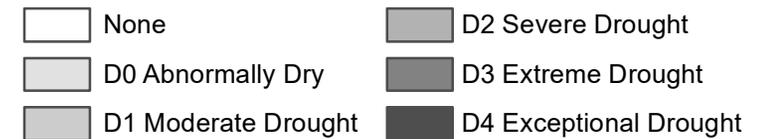
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	17.07	3.54	13.62	23.61	37.12	5.04
<b>Last Week</b> <i>07-24-2003</i>	16.82	4.58	11.87	23.67	38.99	4.07
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-01-2003</i>	16.02	6.66	24.18	24.00	29.15	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2003</i>	18.08	7.73	15.93	36.52	19.37	2.37
<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>08-01-2002</i>	2.33	10.59	21.67	26.15	27.29	11.98

***Intensity:***



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

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