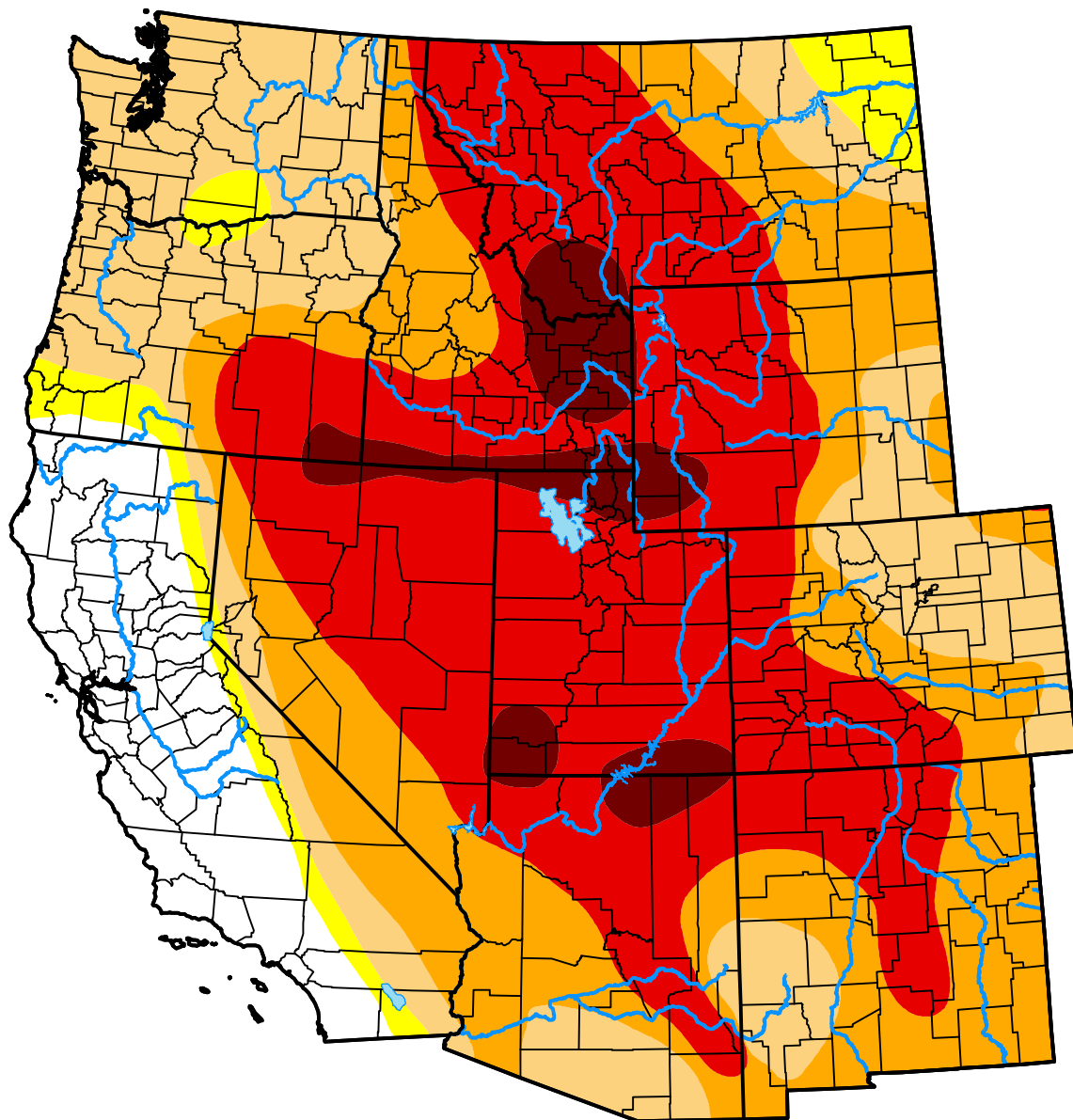


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	9.14	90.86	87.07	66.07	40.99	5.36
Last Week <i>08-12-2003</i>	8.82	91.18	87.08	63.66	38.18	4.94
3 Months Ago <i>05-20-2003</i>	23.07	76.93	69.18	53.77	25.58	1.52
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	12.62	87.38	76.33	62.90	29.50	2.93
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>08-20-2002</i>	8.03	91.97	79.50	62.21	40.94	9.91

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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