

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West

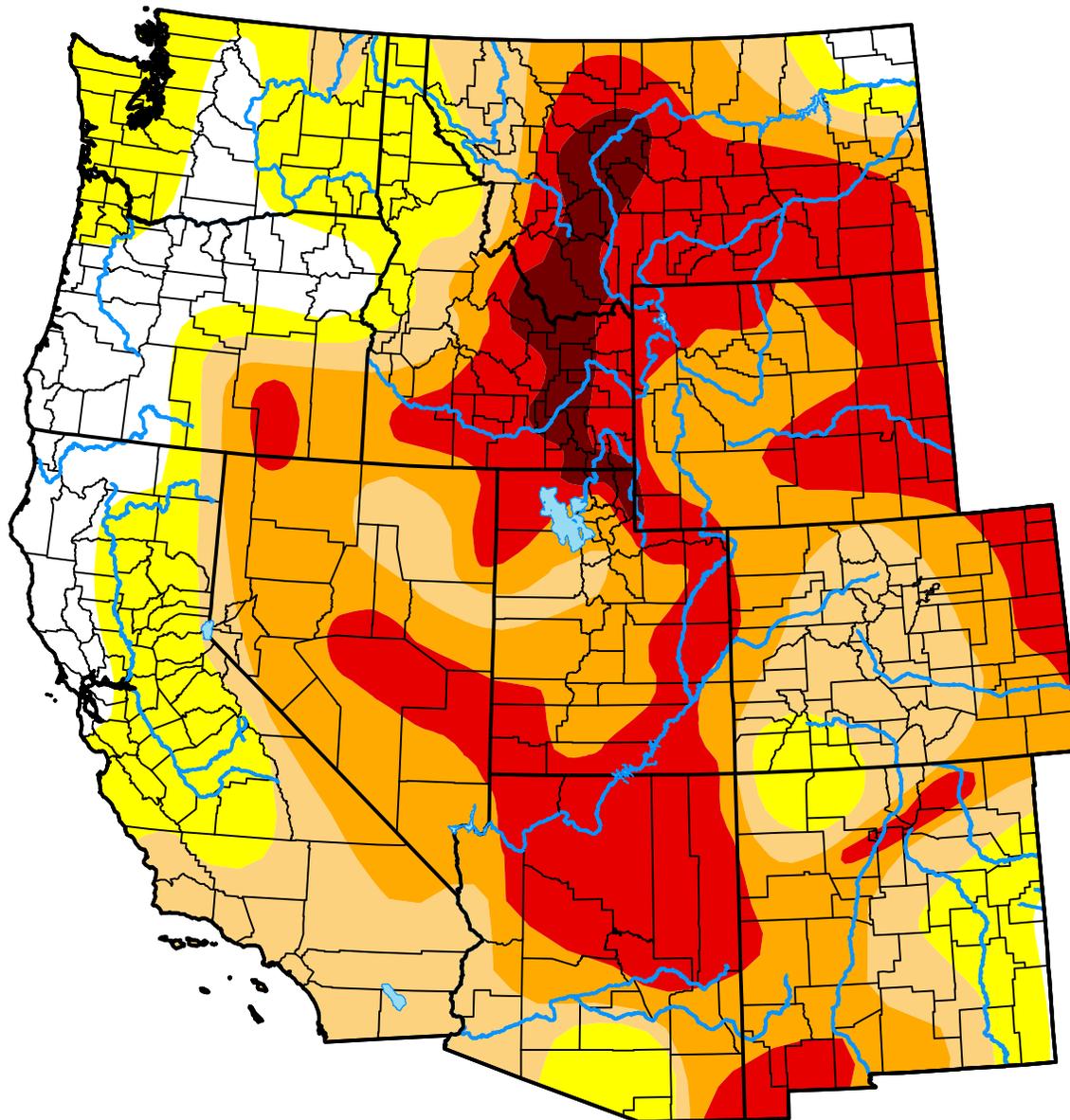
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	8.65	91.35	73.95	54.89	27.11	2.81
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-11-2004</i>	9.04	90.96	73.97	54.89	27.11	2.77
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-17-2004</i>	17.22	82.78	69.97	60.03	30.76	6.95
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2003</i>	14.51	85.49	78.10	64.14	32.80	8.62
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2003</i>	9.28	90.72	82.26	64.88	39.35	5.31
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-20-2003</i>	23.07	76.93	69.18	53.77	25.58	1.52



**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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