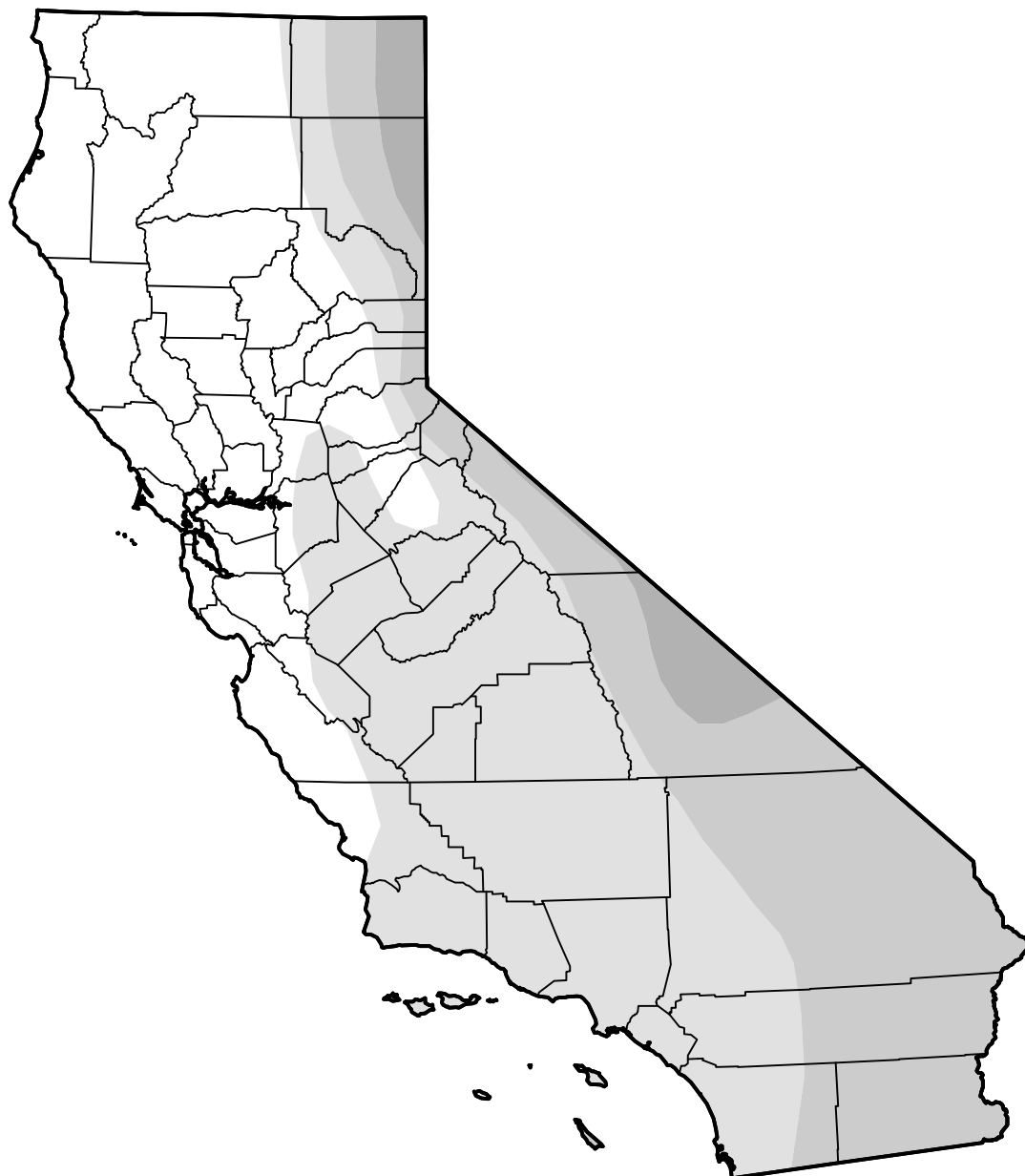


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	32.23	67.77	29.37	3.98	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-16-2004</i>	32.23	67.77	29.37	3.98	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-23-2004</i>	5.26	94.74	61.08	21.10	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	67.34	32.66	20.28	9.47	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	5.41	94.59	61.08	21.10	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-24-2003</i>	47.84	52.16	32.06	9.80	0.01	0.00

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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