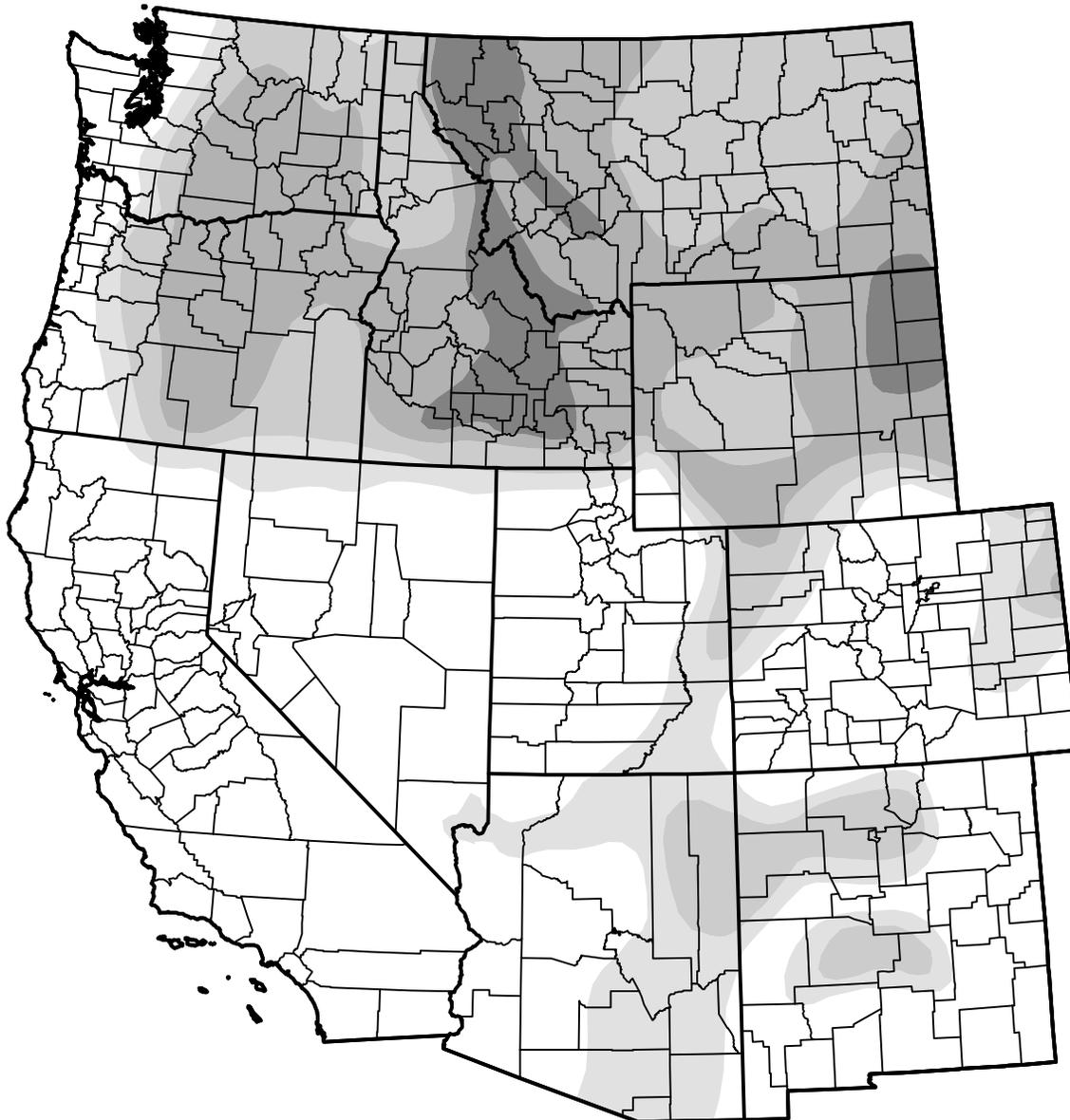


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	47.79	52.21	40.22	22.88	4.73	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-10-2005</i>	45.21	54.79	42.10	28.17	7.79	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-15-2005</i>	21.25	78.75	59.05	30.50	13.95	2.63
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2005</i>	26.17	73.83	56.18	34.28	14.97	1.94
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2004</i>	18.76	81.24	68.03	50.40	24.23	2.36
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-18-2004</i>	8.65	91.35	73.95	54.89	27.11	2.81

***Intensity:***



*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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