

Intermountain West RDEWS and Surrounding Areas

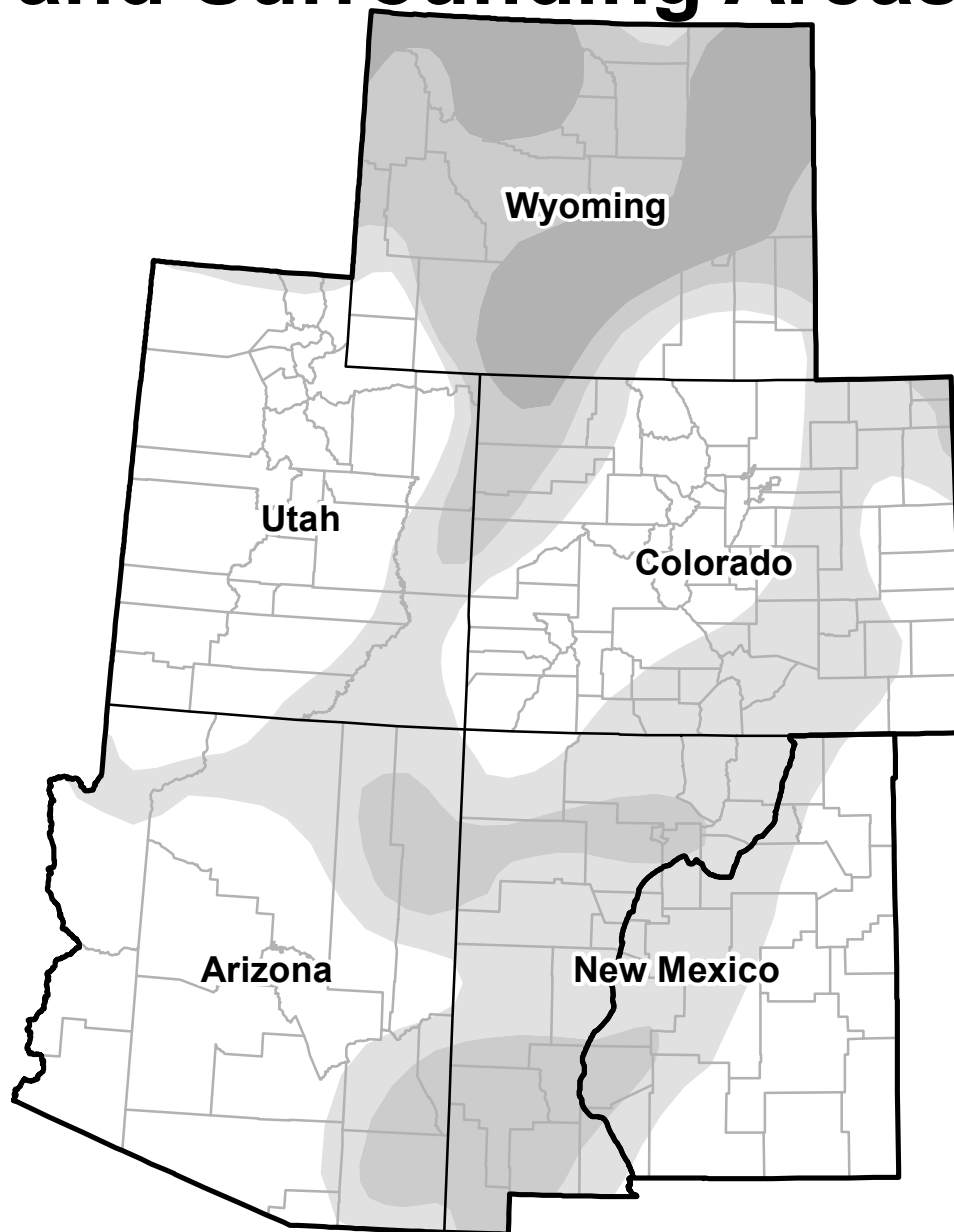
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	47.76	27.41	16.87	7.96	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-16-2005</i>	43.58	28.10	19.52	8.80	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-24-2005</i>	52.04	22.59	13.83	9.45	2.10	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	12.27	15.91	31.23	25.01	14.01	1.57
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	8.24	11.00	17.16	35.57	26.30	1.74
One Year Ago <i>08-24-2004</i>	7.12	10.17	16.88	31.81	32.28	1.75



Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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