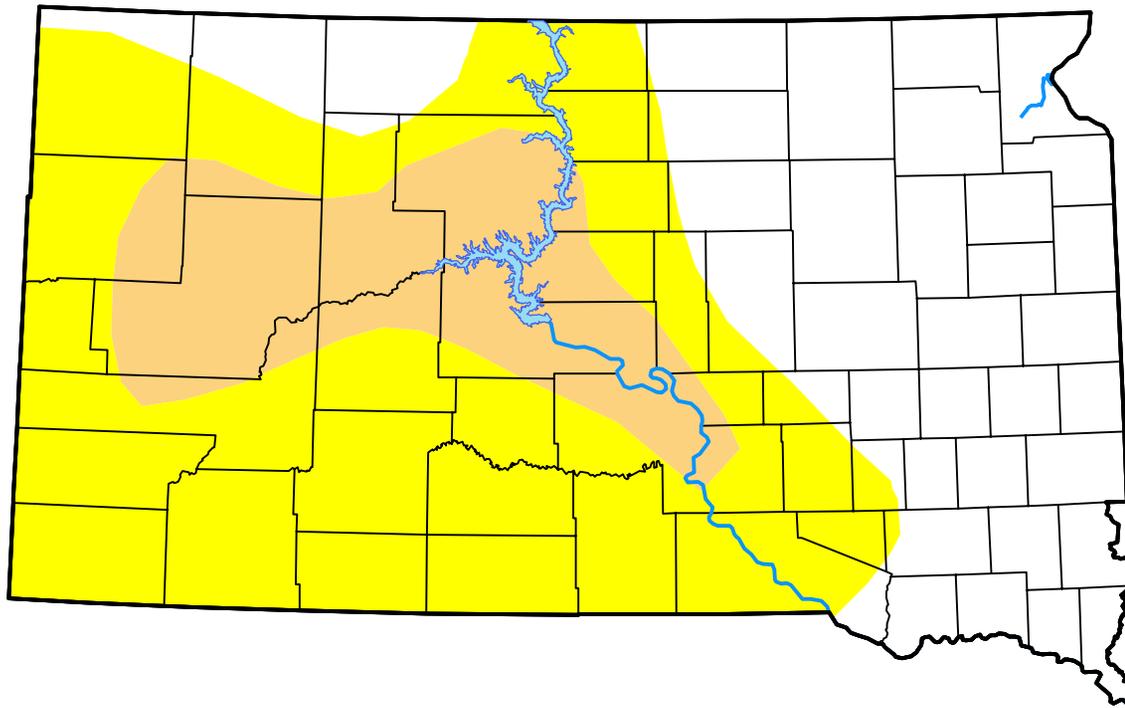


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	38.14	61.86	17.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>10-13-2005</i>	38.14	61.86	11.53	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-21-2005</i>	39.91	60.09	17.76	6.54	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	39.80	60.20	41.19	17.28	0.17	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	40.38	59.62	20.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-21-2004</i>	38.66	61.34	43.89	11.17	0.00	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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