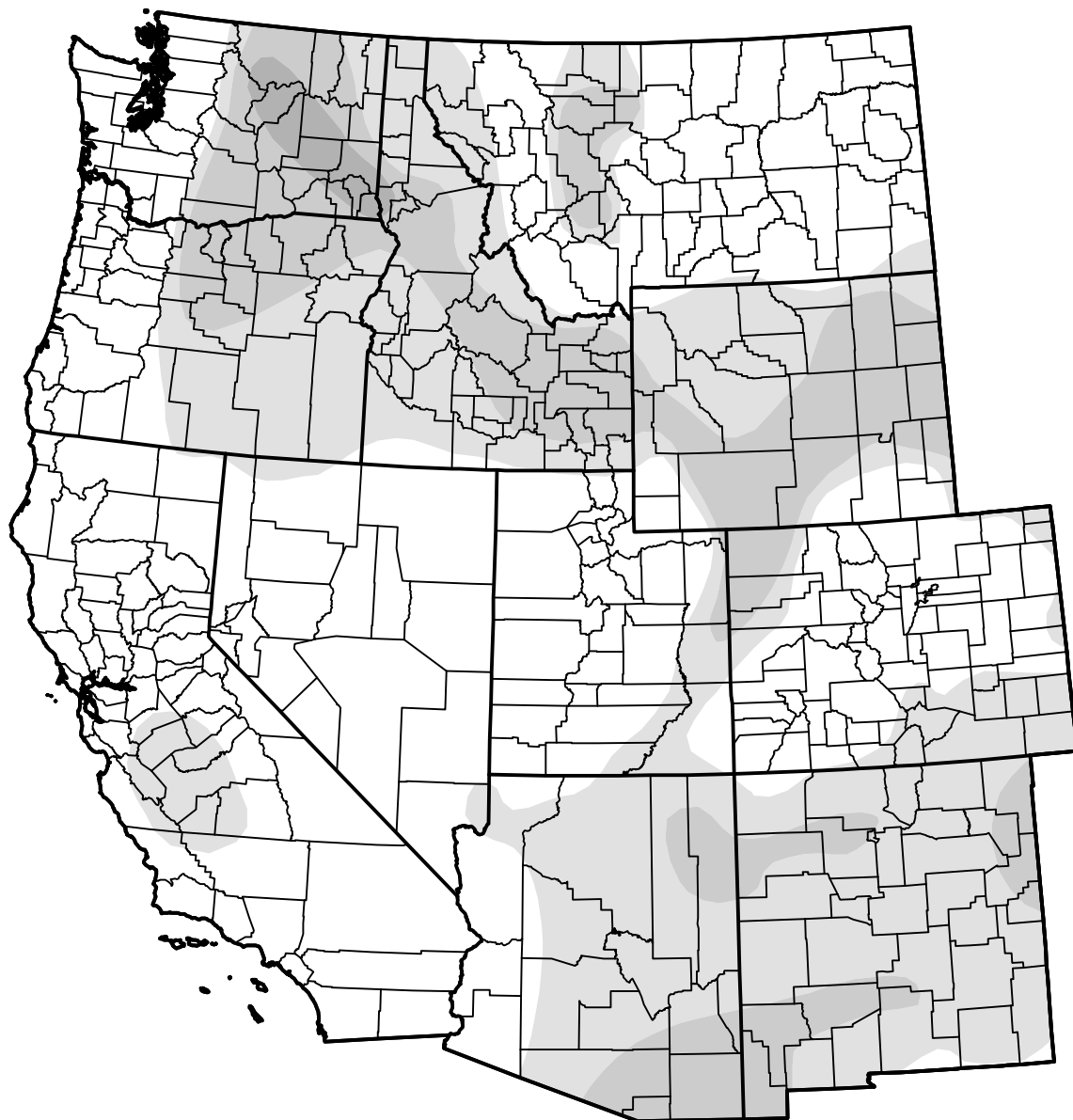


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	51.84	31.27	15.85	1.03	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-06-2005</i>	54.59	29.17	15.21	1.03	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-13-2005</i>	46.10	23.18	18.45	12.28	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2005</i>	26.17	17.65	21.90	19.31	13.03	1.94
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	45.73	23.39	19.25	10.67	0.96	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-14-2004</i>	24.84	15.69	22.75	20.86	13.59	2.27

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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