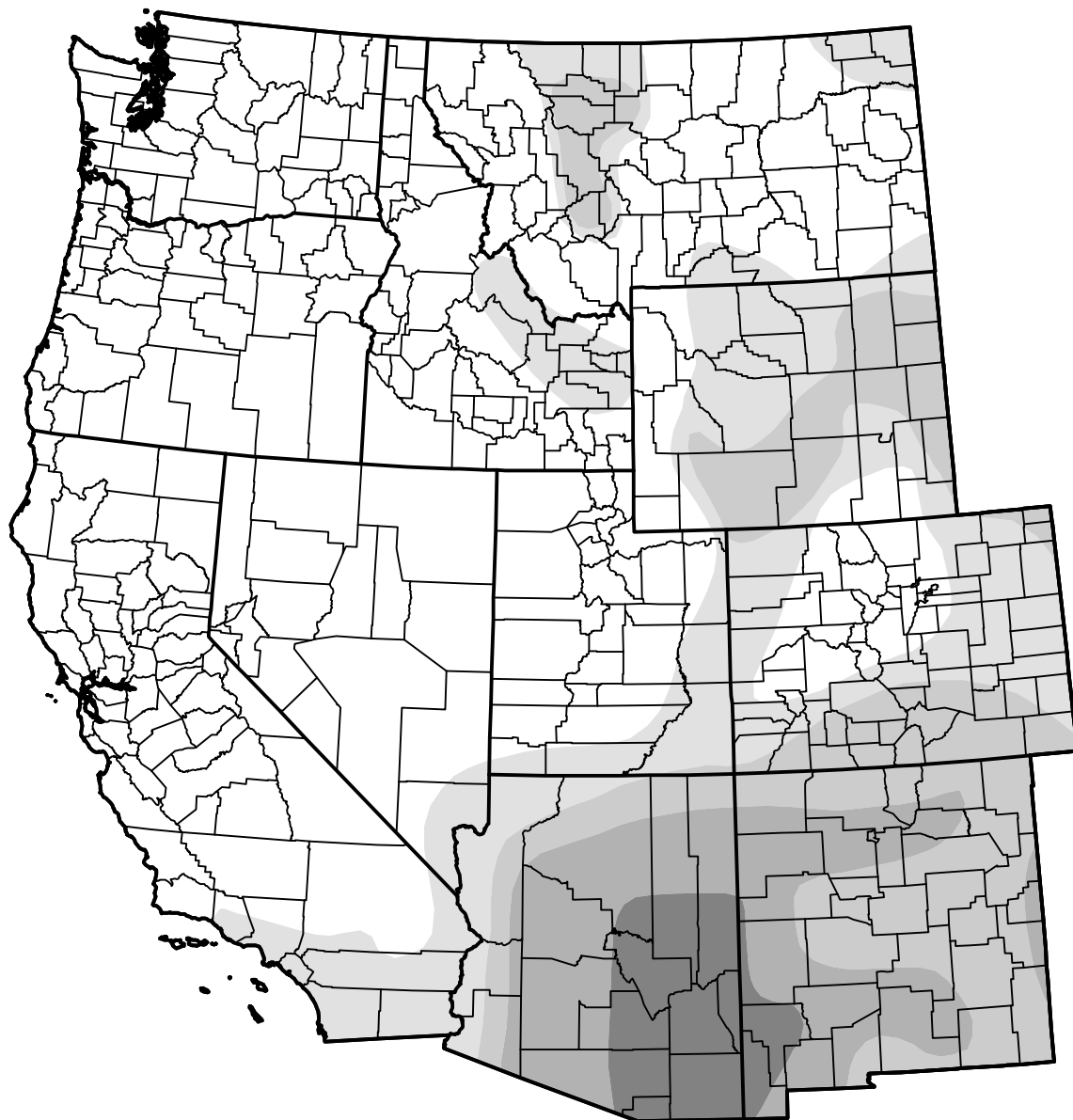


U.S. Drought Monitor West

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	59.04	16.27	12.97	7.97	3.76	0.00
Last Week <i>02-14-2006</i>	59.39	15.72	15.33	5.81	3.76	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2005</i>	50.98	27.73	17.28	4.01	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.59	28.01	14.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
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>02-22-2005</i>	20.49	20.63	25.32	19.43	11.50	2.63

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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