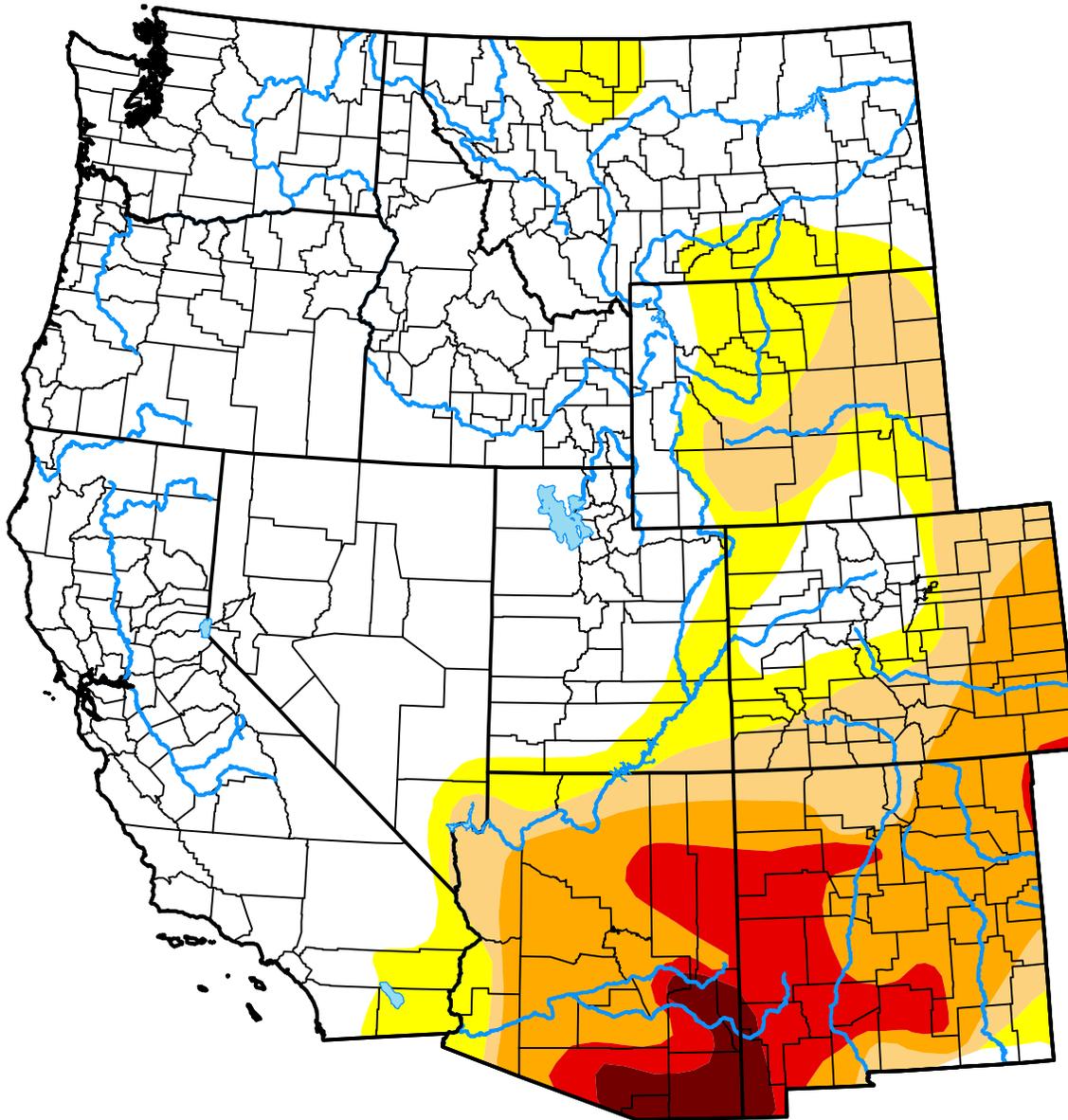


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	62.24	37.76	27.06	17.74	6.40	1.48
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-25-2006</i>	62.78	37.22	27.39	17.63	5.82	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-31-2006</i>	60.98	39.02	22.32	6.32	0.75	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2006</i>	57.59	42.41	14.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2005</i>	45.73	54.27	30.88	11.63	0.96	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-03-2005</i>	42.23	57.77	43.48	29.23	11.22	1.64

***Intensity:***

- None
- 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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