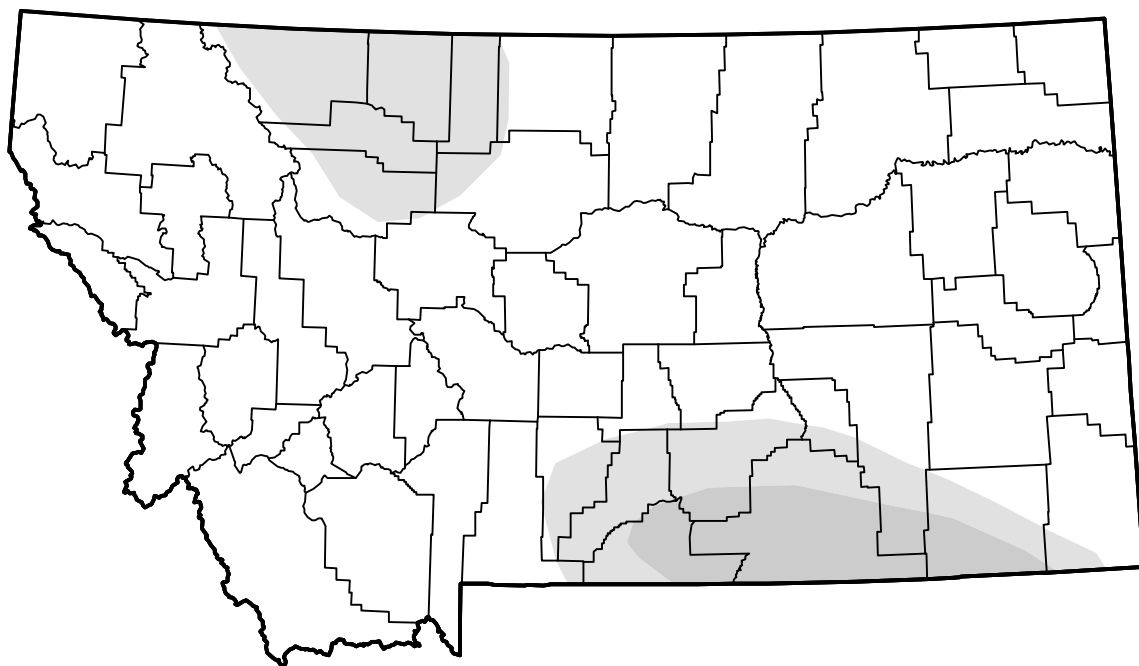


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	81.91	18.09	5.15	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-11-2006</i>	81.90	18.10	5.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-16-2006</i>	76.84	23.16	7.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	66.39	33.61	11.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	3.90	96.10	43.13	13.02	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-19-2005</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	56.15	15.62	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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