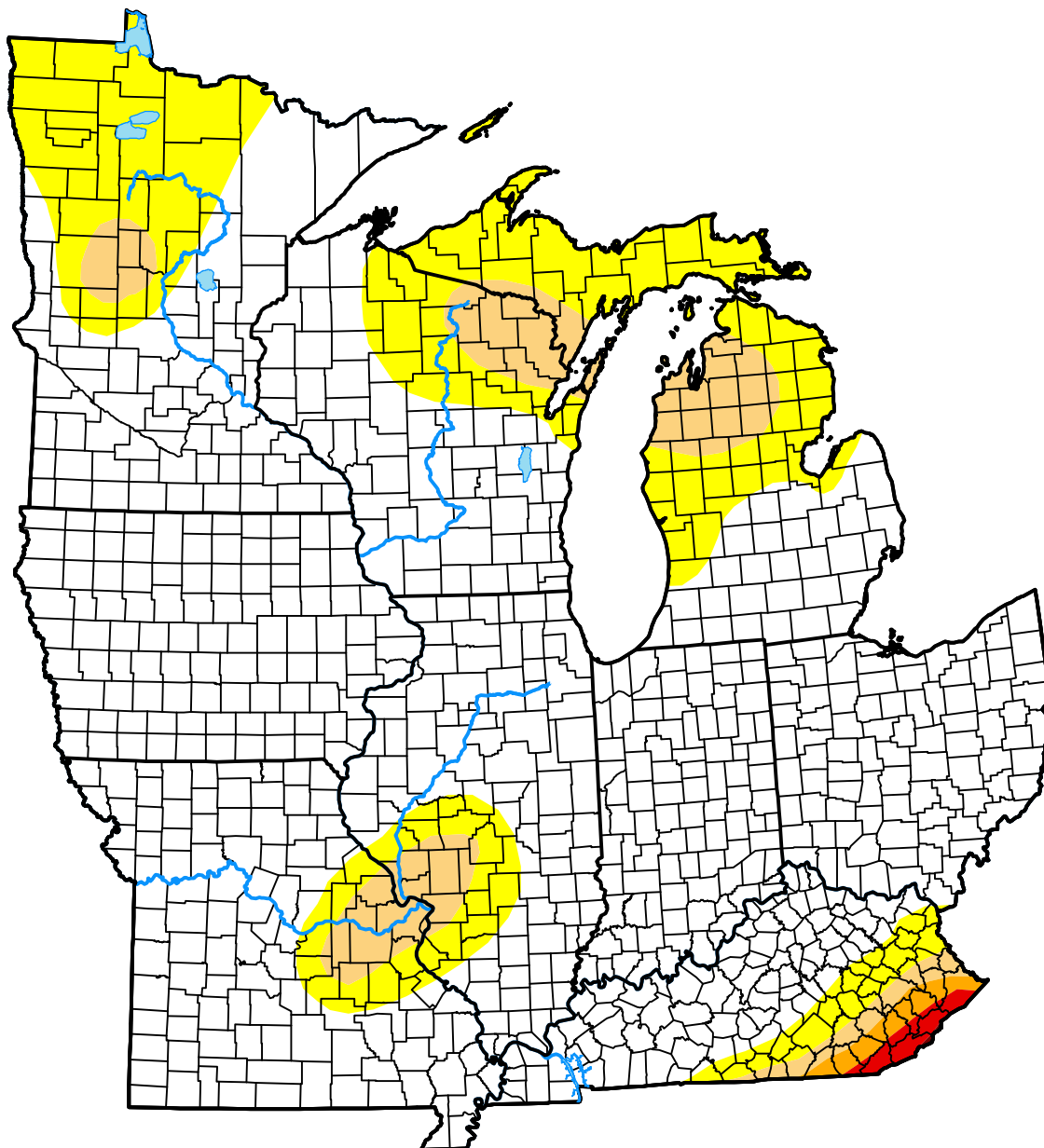


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	75.43	17.78	5.89	0.50	0.38	0.01
Last Week <i>12-11-2007</i>	71.20	19.98	7.38	1.04	0.38	0.01
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2007</i>	45.96	11.93	15.06	17.21	9.22	0.61
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2007</i>	57.83	24.09	6.97	4.04	7.07	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2007</i>	45.07	14.25	16.96	13.57	9.54	0.61
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2006</i>	59.03	23.04	6.82	4.04	7.07	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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