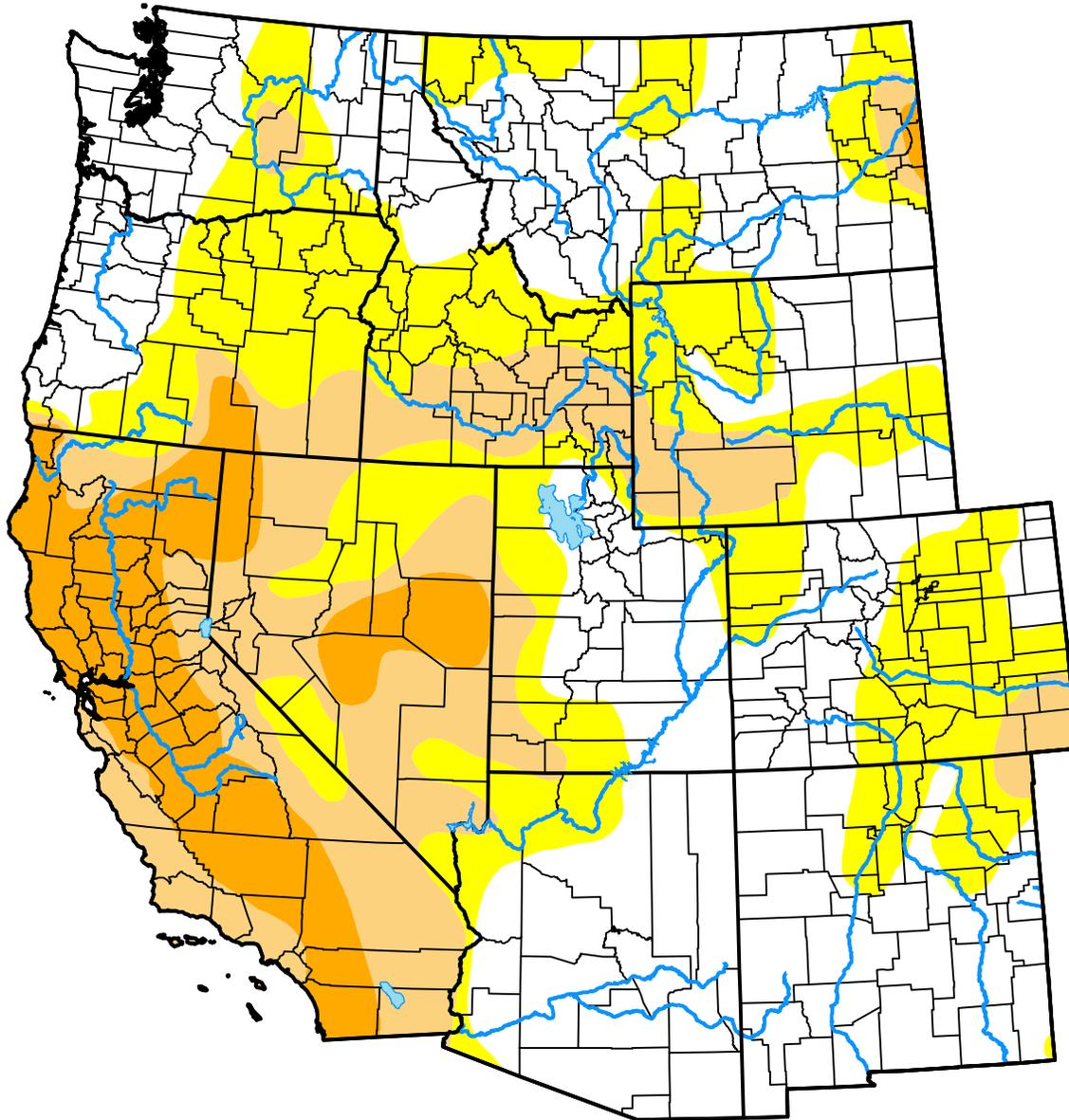


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 44.07 | 55.93 | 27.47 | 9.80  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-07-2008</i>              | 41.27 | 58.73 | 28.61 | 10.40 | 0.13  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-15-2008</i>           | 41.06 | 58.94 | 33.29 | 7.32  | 0.40  | 0.11 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2008</i> | 26.30 | 73.70 | 54.70 | 33.05 | 2.73  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 40.52 | 59.48 | 29.17 | 10.42 | 0.40  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-16-2007</i>           | 23.20 | 76.80 | 60.92 | 44.19 | 12.09 | 0.00 |

***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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