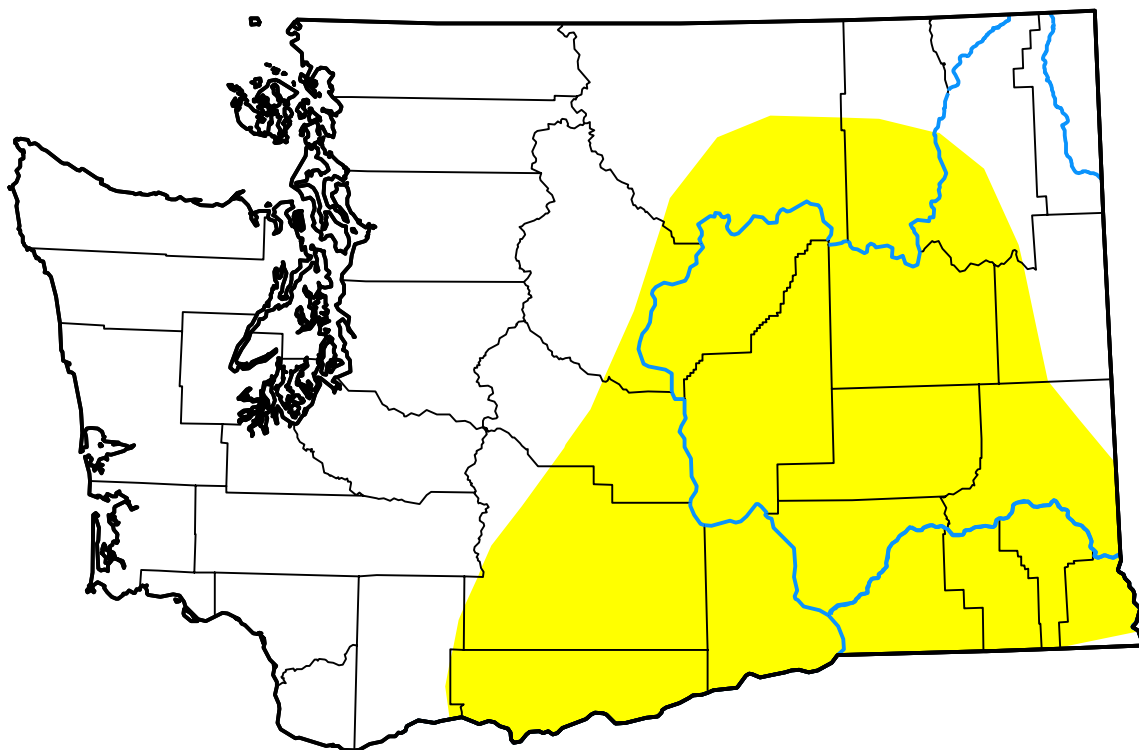


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	57.14	42.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-18-2008</i>	51.69	48.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-25-2008</i>	66.41	33.59	5.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	95.42	4.58	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	66.41	33.59	5.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-27-2007</i>	95.42	4.58	0.51	0.00	0.00	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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