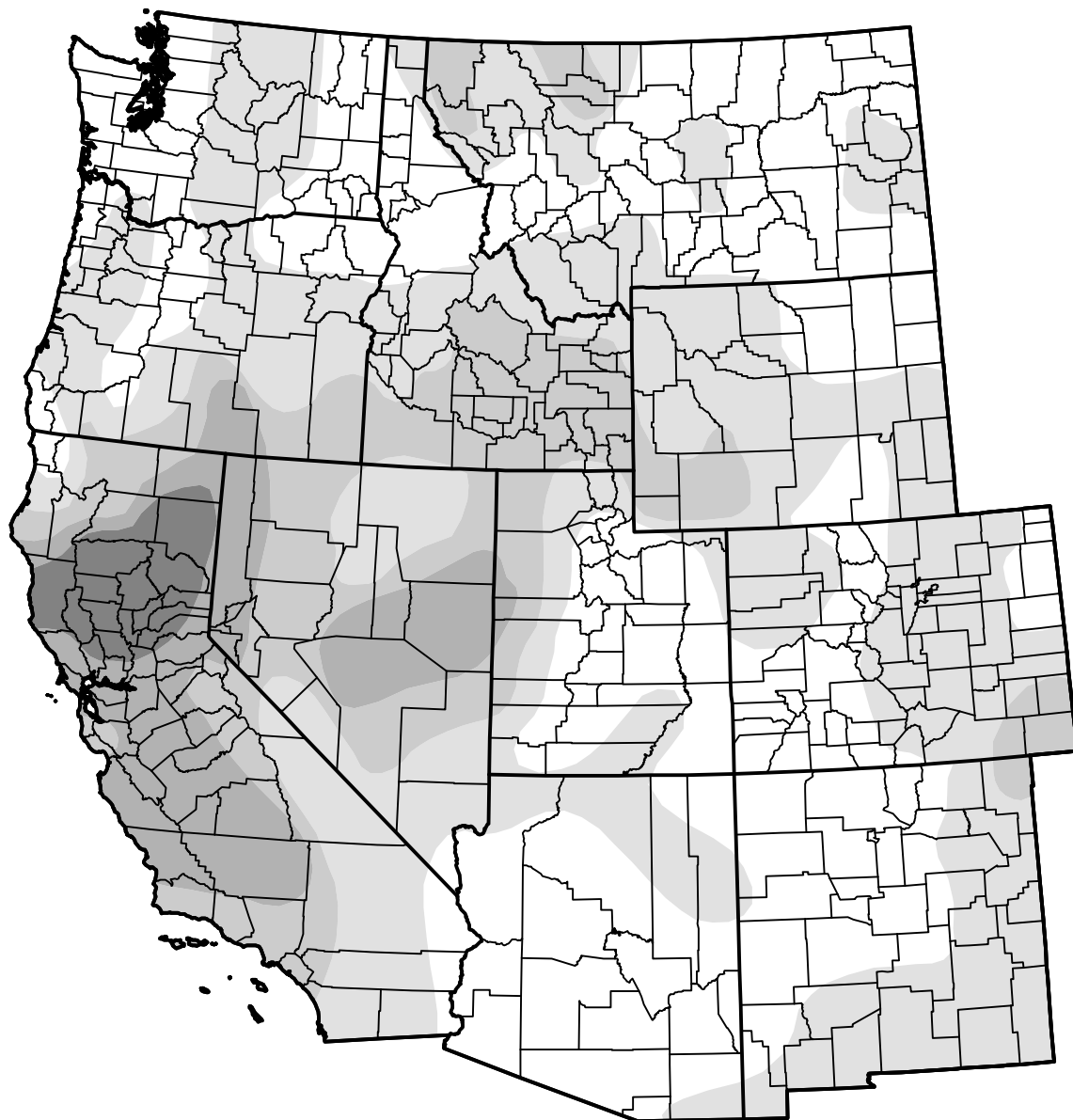


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.62	38.00	14.32	7.83	2.23	0.00
Last Week <i>02-10-2009</i>	37.10	36.70	15.52	8.14	2.53	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-18-2008</i>	35.99	34.76	20.70	8.55	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	35.35	35.75	19.90	8.63	0.37	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	40.52	30.31	18.75	10.02	0.40	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-19-2008</i>	33.86	28.62	20.66	16.86	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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