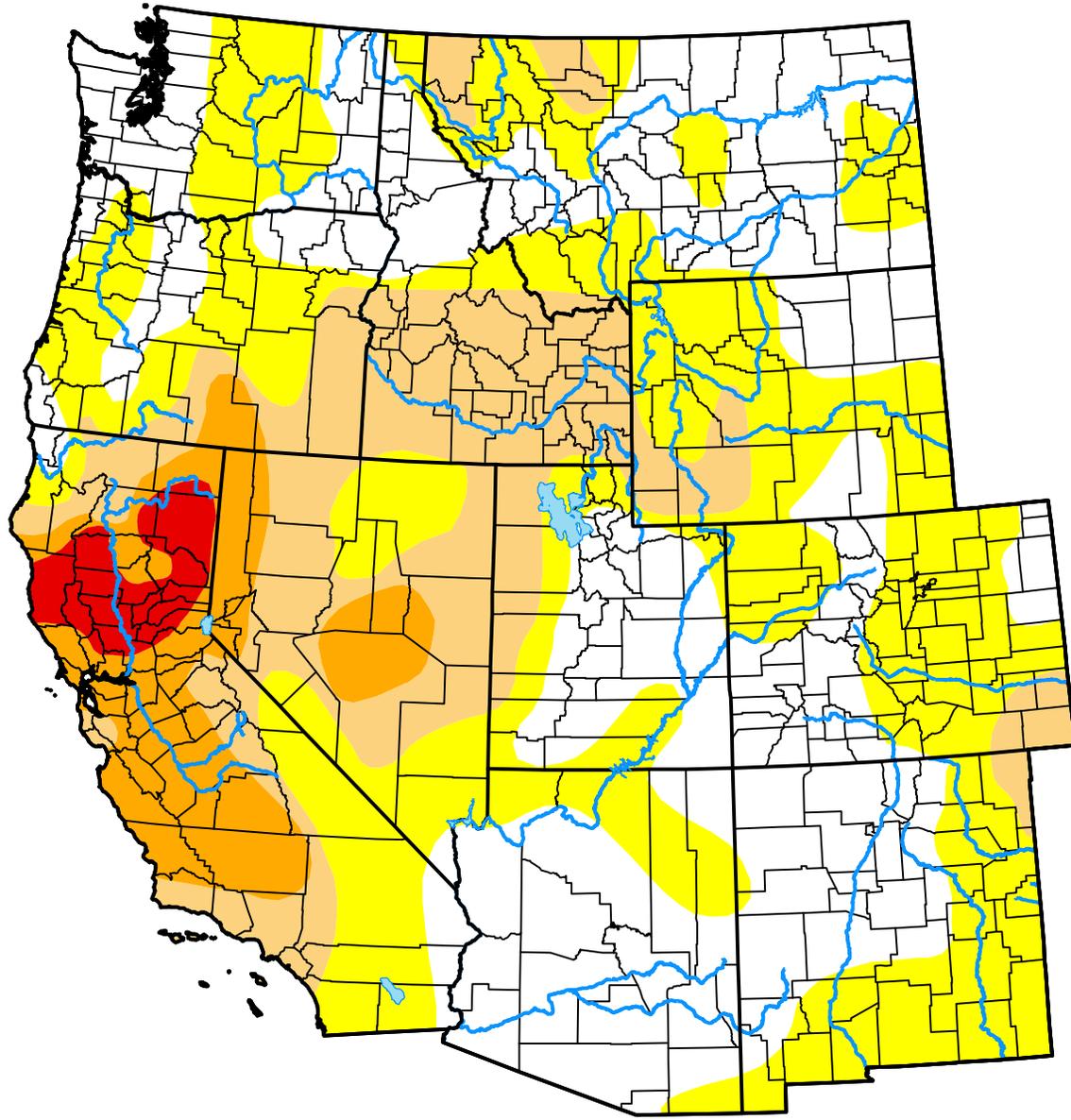


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	37.22	62.78	26.45	9.05	1.97	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-17-2009</i>	37.62	62.38	24.38	10.06	2.23	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>11-25-2008</i>	35.99	64.01	29.26	8.55	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2008</i>	35.35	64.65	28.90	9.00	0.37	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2008</i>	40.52	59.48	29.17	10.42	0.40	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>02-26-2008</i>	37.79	62.21	37.04	16.63	0.00	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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