

# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Pacific Northwest Watershed

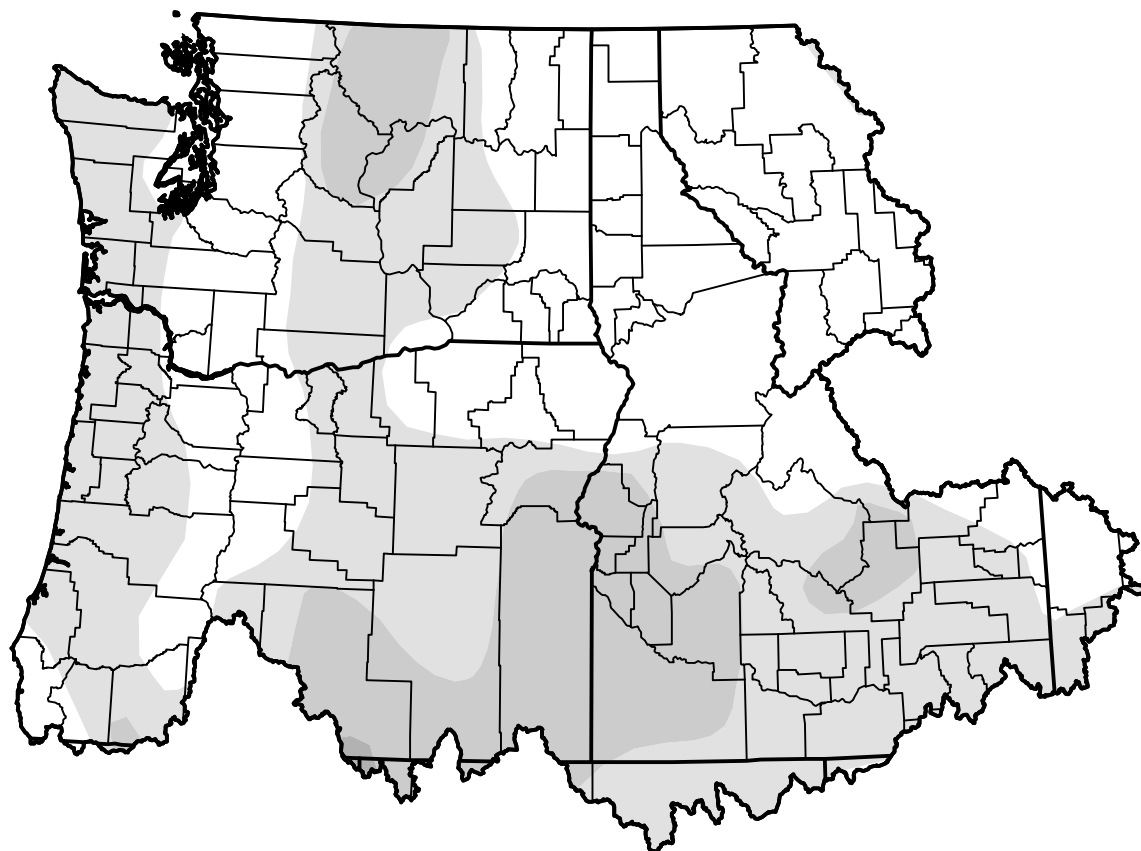
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 42.98 | 39.75 | 17.13 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>04-30-2009</i>              | 42.24 | 37.88 | 18.78 | 1.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-05-2009</i>           | 43.10 | 35.16 | 19.97 | 1.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 34.86 | 41.95 | 21.42 | 1.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2008</i>    | 37.11 | 45.39 | 15.88 | 1.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-08-2008</i>           | 68.62 | 17.65 | 12.04 | 1.68 | 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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