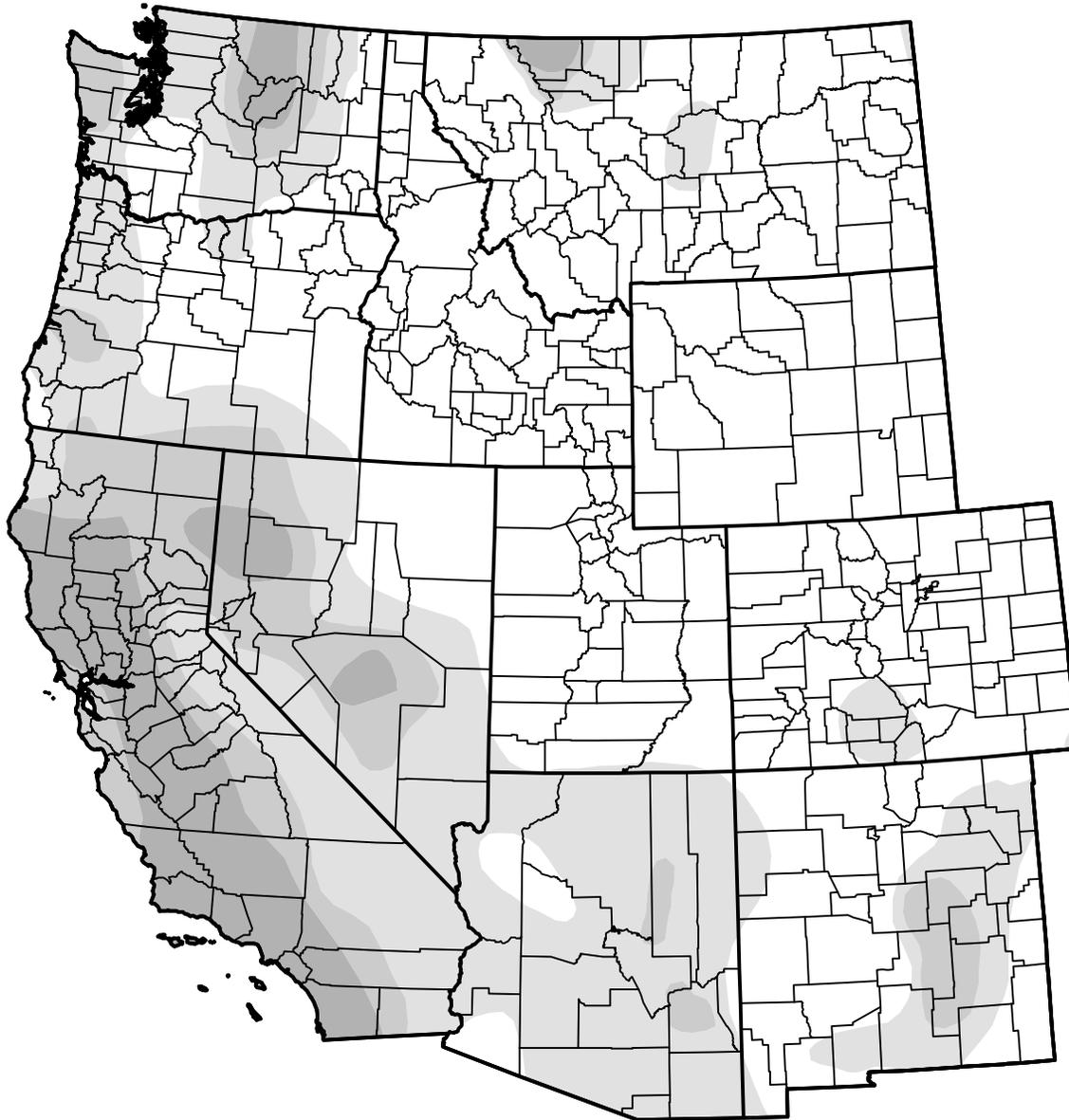


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	57.46	42.54	16.98	7.24	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-11-2009</i>	53.59	46.41	16.78	7.07	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-19-2009</i>	42.84	57.16	27.21	8.21	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>08-19-2008</i>	34.68	65.32	29.82	9.66	0.24	0.00

***Intensity:***



*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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