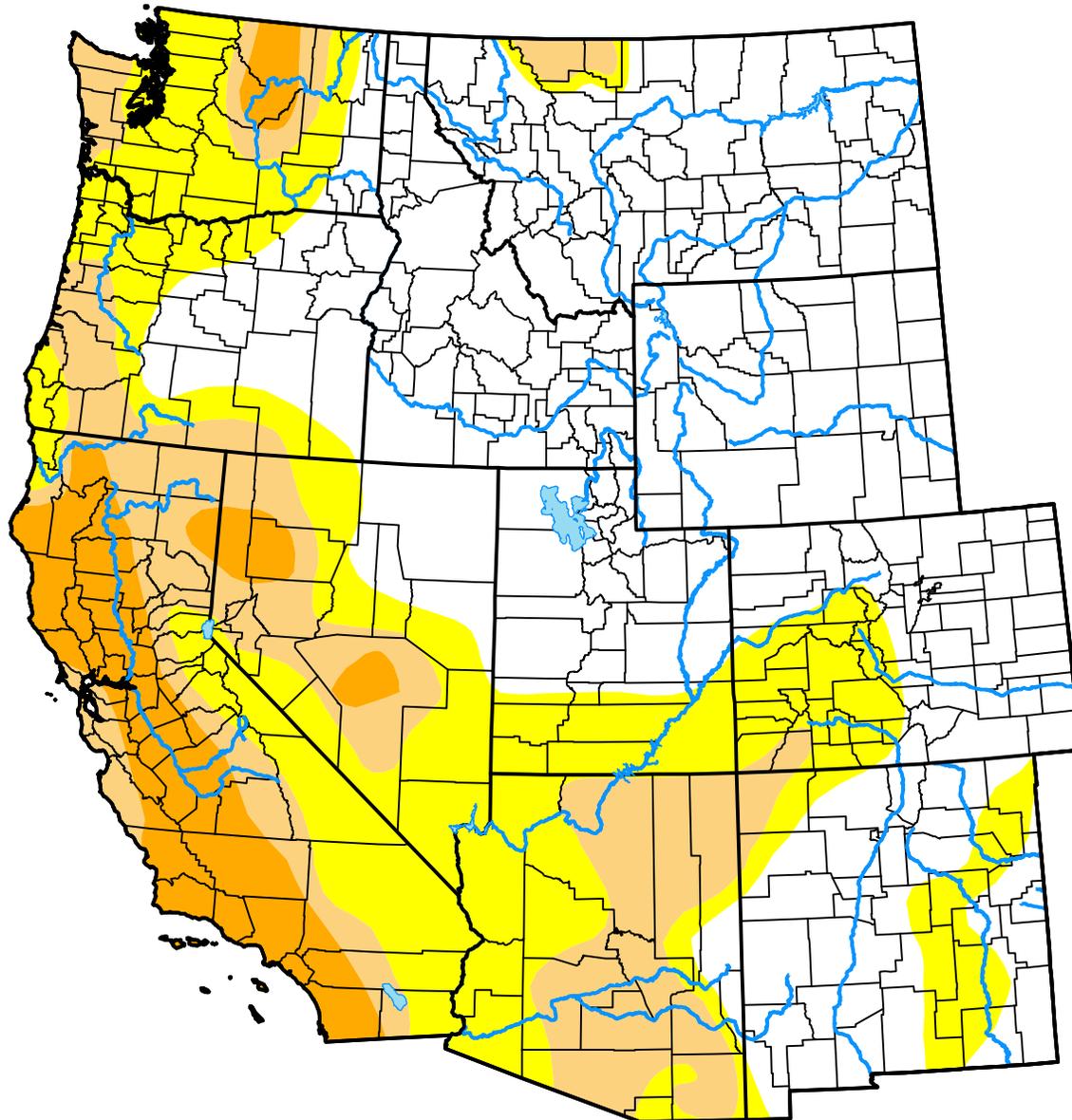


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West

**September 22, 2009**  
 (Released Thursday, Sep. 24, 2009)  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 52.85 | 24.77 | 14.93 | 7.46  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-15-2009</i>              | 49.44 | 26.83 | 16.02 | 7.71  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-23-2009</i>           | 54.71 | 26.66 | 11.21 | 7.42  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 35.35 | 35.75 | 19.90 | 8.63  | 0.37 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 40.52 | 30.31 | 18.75 | 10.02 | 0.40 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-23-2008</i>           | 40.52 | 30.24 | 18.79 | 10.04 | 0.40 | 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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