

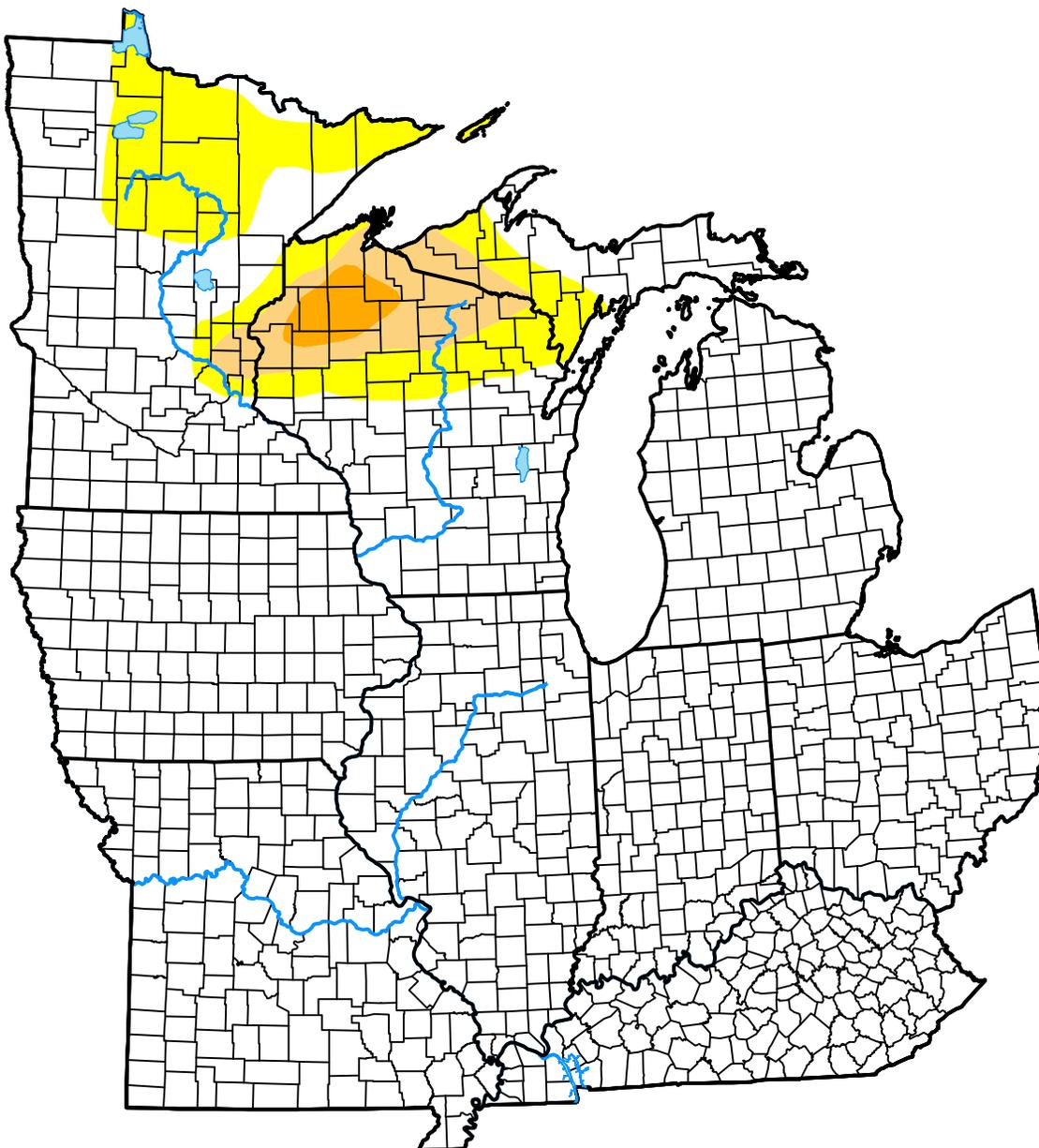
U.S. Drought Monitor Midwest

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| Current | 88.70 | 7.82 | 2.69 | 0.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>12-08-2009</i> | 88.70 | 7.82 | 2.69 | 0.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-15-2009</i> | 72.89 | 17.87 | 7.64 | 1.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i> | 72.23 | 11.90 | 11.55 | 4.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i> | 67.63 | 17.09 | 8.25 | 5.75 | 1.27 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-16-2008</i> | 64.63 | 16.43 | 12.55 | 6.39 | 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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