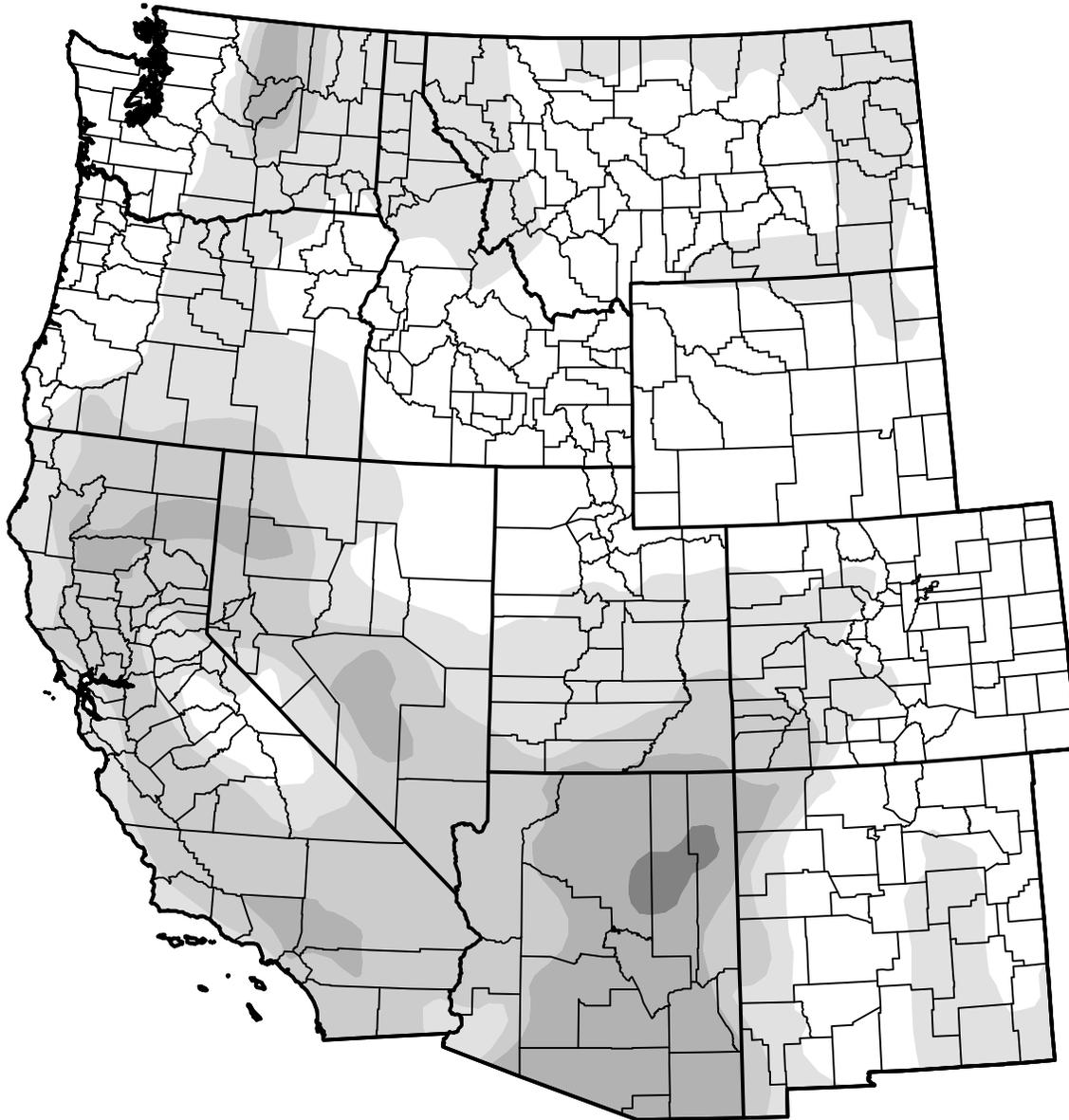


U.S. Drought Monitor

West

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	43.02	56.98	28.43	9.90	0.49	0.00
Last Week <i>12-08-2009</i>	44.39	55.61	28.68	11.59	0.55	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-15-2009</i>	49.44	50.56	23.73	7.71	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	35.35	64.65	28.90	9.00	0.37	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2009</i>	40.73	59.27	22.81	7.46	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-16-2008</i>	27.46	72.54	31.00	10.03	0.78	0.00

Intensity:



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