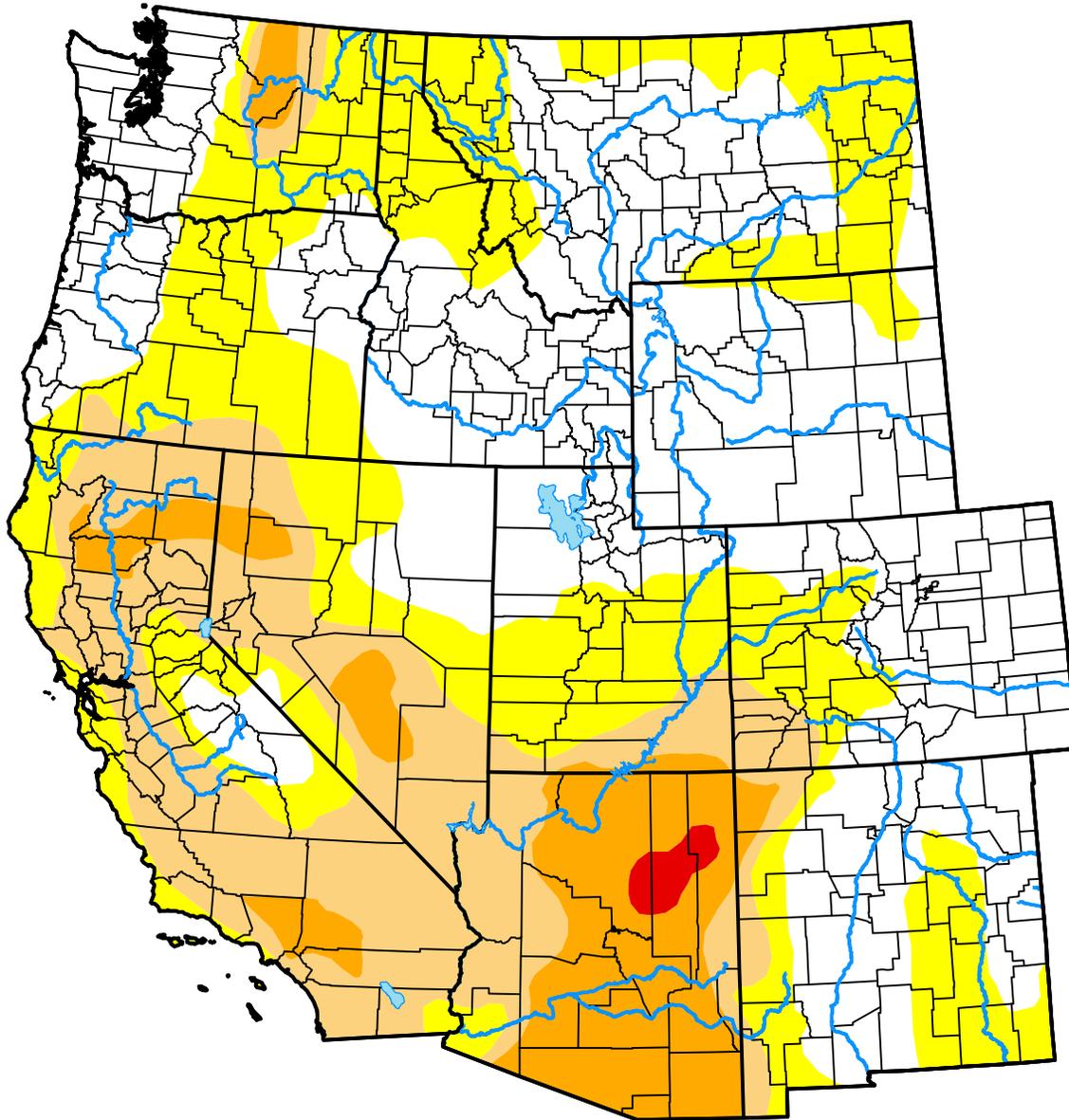


U.S. Drought Monitor

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>12-15-2009</i> | 43.02 | 56.98 | 28.43 | 9.90 | 0.49 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-22-2009</i> | 52.85 | 47.15 | 22.39 | 7.46 | 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>12-23-2008</i> | 31.54 | 68.46 | 30.10 | 9.00 | 0.37 | 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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