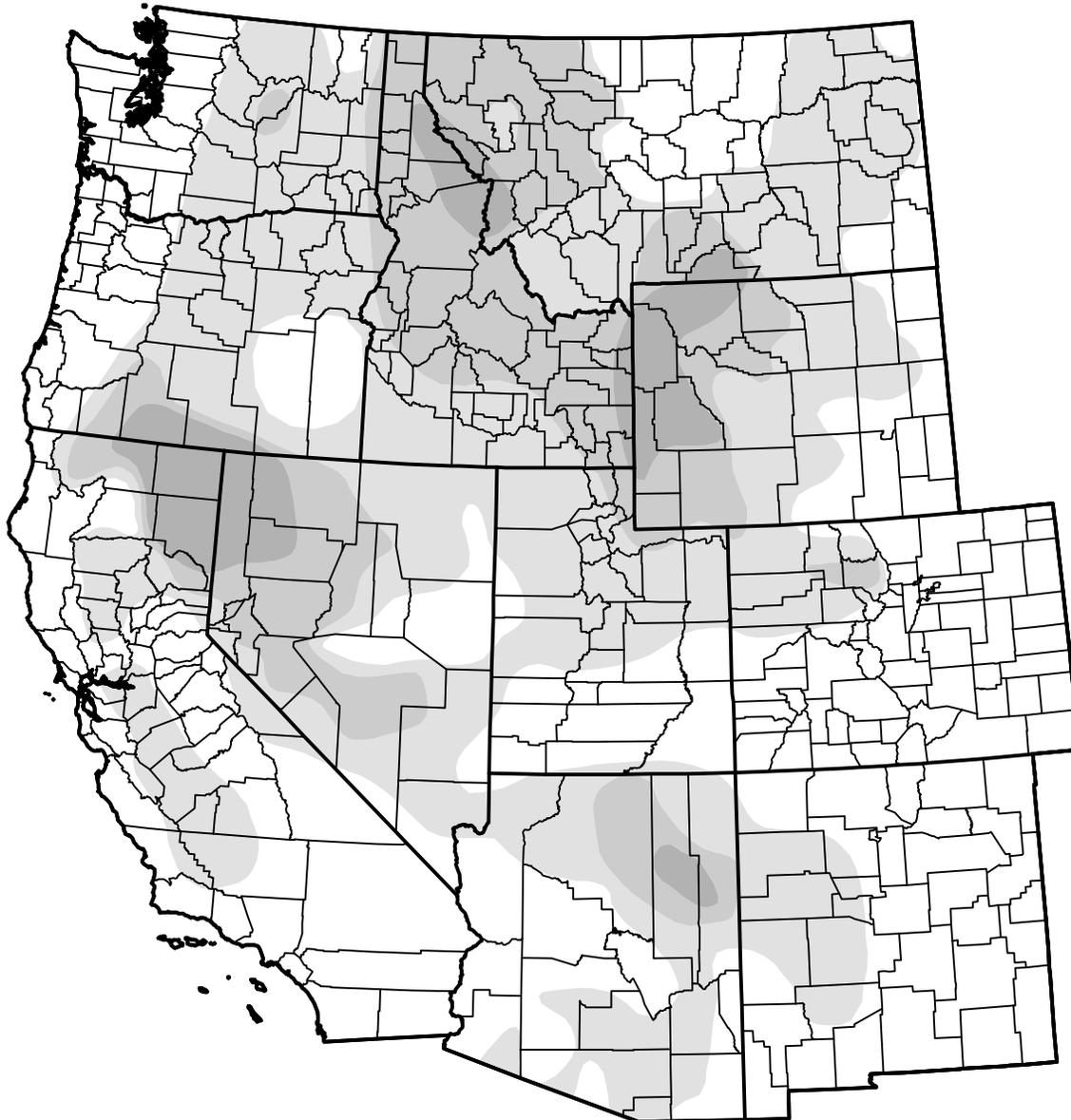


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

**April 20, 2010**  
(Released Thursday, Apr. 22, 2010)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	44.90	55.10	19.69	4.92	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-13-2010</i>	42.23	57.77	20.03	4.48	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-19-2010</i>	32.47	67.53	31.79	13.64	0.92	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2009</i>	40.80	59.20	28.43	9.90	0.49	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2009</i>	40.73	59.27	22.81	7.46	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-21-2009</i>	32.87	67.13	25.76	7.74	0.00	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>*

***Author:***

Anthony Artusa  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

