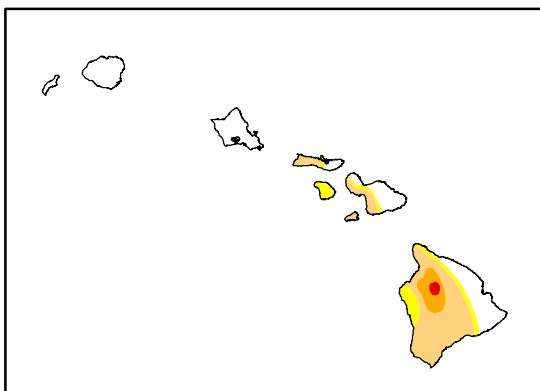
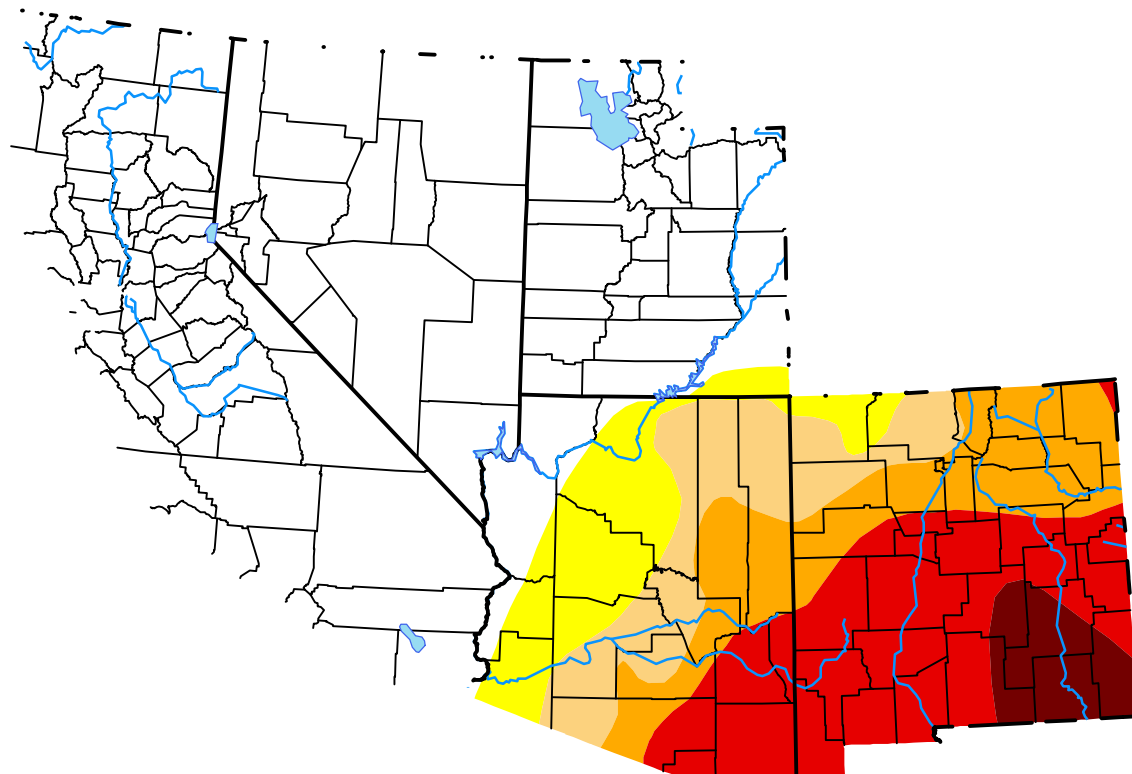


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	62.04	6.66	7.33	8.50	12.67	2.78
Last Week 04-28-2011	62.04	6.66	11.72	5.96	13.61	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-03-2011	66.76	16.39	9.63	7.20	0.01	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-06-2011	65.37	19.78	14.67	0.15	0.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2010	55.50	32.14	11.18	0.84	0.28	0.06
One Year Ago 05-06-2010	53.65	32.57	9.25	4.26	0.24	0.03

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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