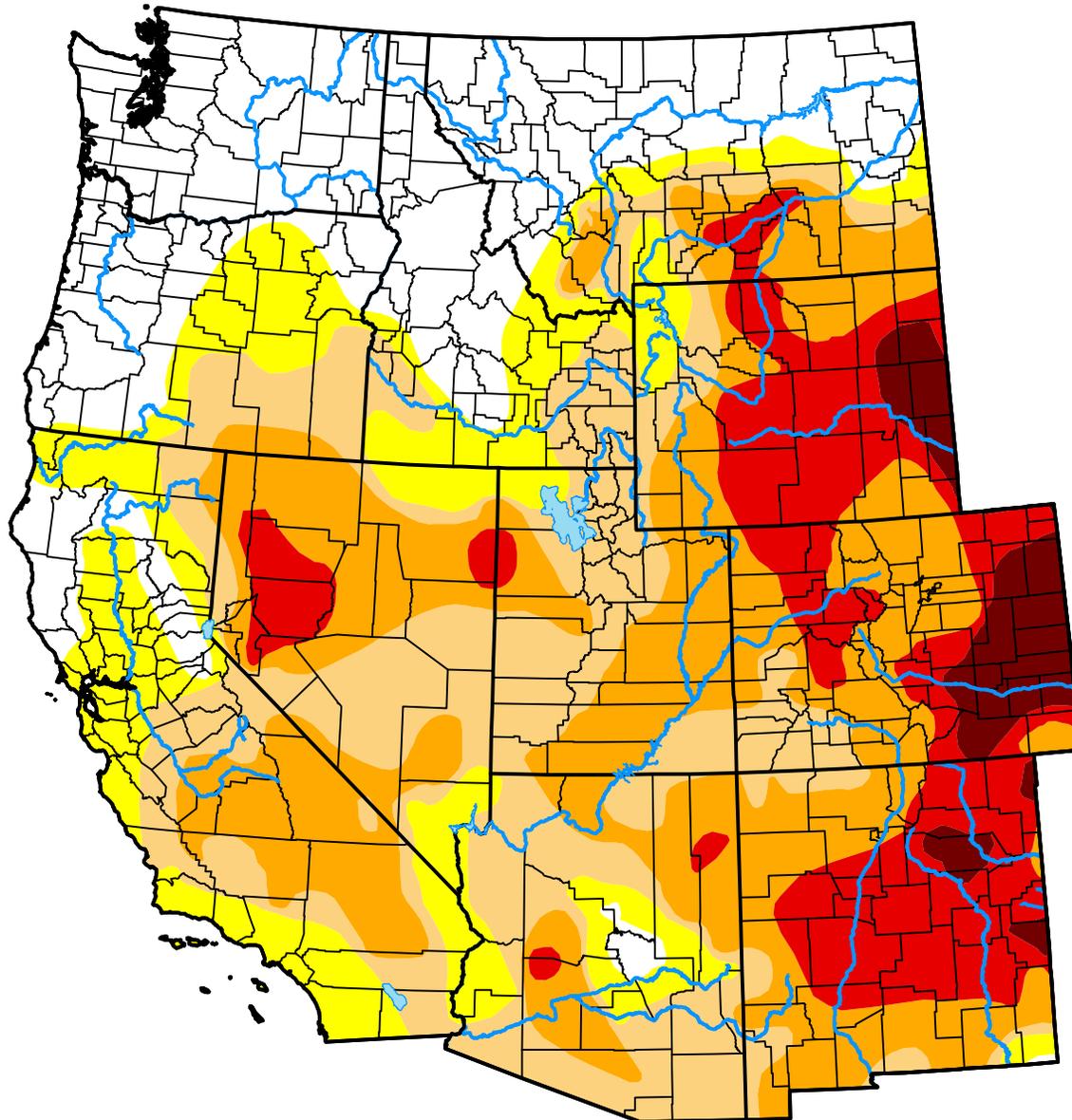


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	22.56	14.39	21.90	25.43	12.59	3.13
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-12-2013</i>	23.94	13.29	21.62	25.43	12.59	3.13
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-18-2012</i>	24.28	6.30	23.50	27.09	16.69	2.15
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-01-2013</i>	24.39	6.31	24.27	27.03	15.86	2.15
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	15.12	7.73	33.50	26.79	15.08	1.77
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-20-2012</i>	38.04	14.63	24.63	19.31	2.46	0.94

***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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