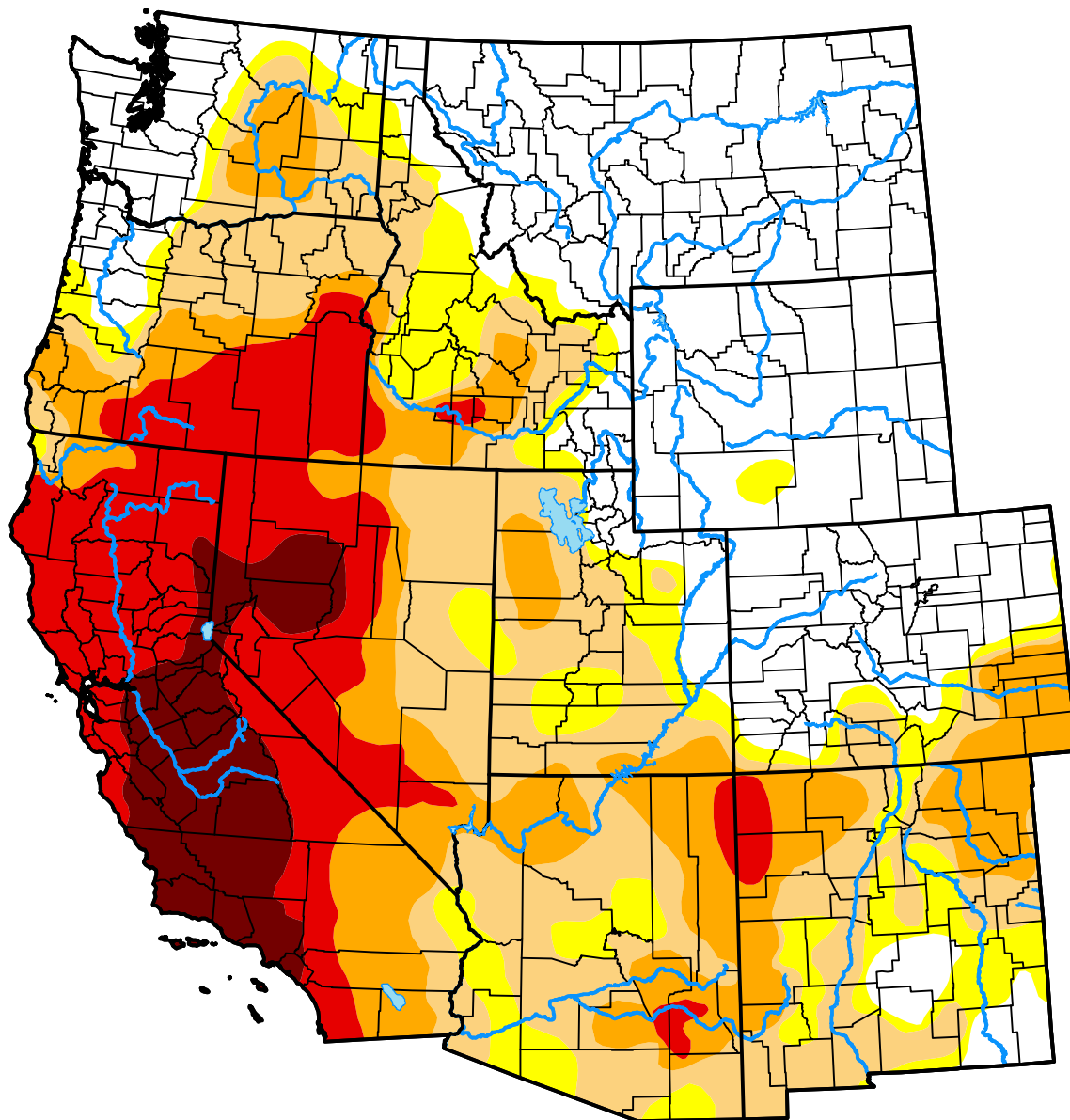


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	34.51	10.64	20.95	15.15	13.35	5.40
Last Week <i>12-09-2014</i>	34.32	10.52	21.15	15.03	10.53	8.45
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2014</i>	29.74	13.02	18.55	18.81	10.98	8.90
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2013</i>	22.20	26.36	20.33	23.37	7.12	0.63
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2014</i>	31.48	12.95	19.92	15.70	11.06	8.90
One Year Ago <i>12-17-2013</i>	22.53	26.26	20.59	23.04	6.93	0.63

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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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