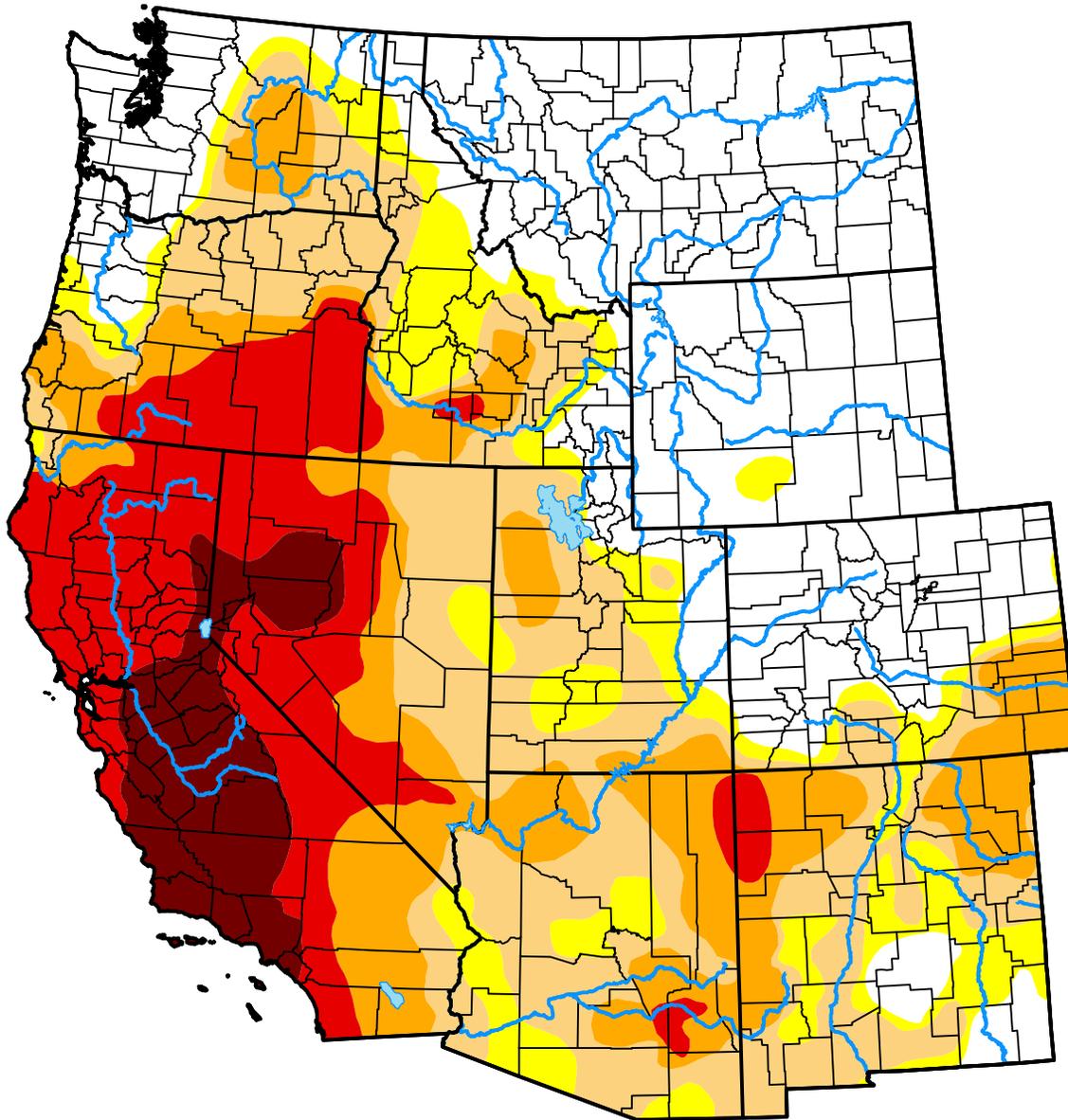


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West

**December 23, 2014**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	34.61	65.39	54.60	33.69	18.68	5.40
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-16-2014</i>	34.51	65.49	54.85	33.90	18.75	5.40
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-23-2014</i>	31.18	68.82	56.42	35.96	20.00	8.90
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2013</i>	22.20	77.80	51.44	31.11	7.75	0.63
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2014</i>	31.48	68.52	55.57	35.65	19.95	8.90
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-24-2013</i>	22.20	77.80	51.15	30.75	7.62	0.63

***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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