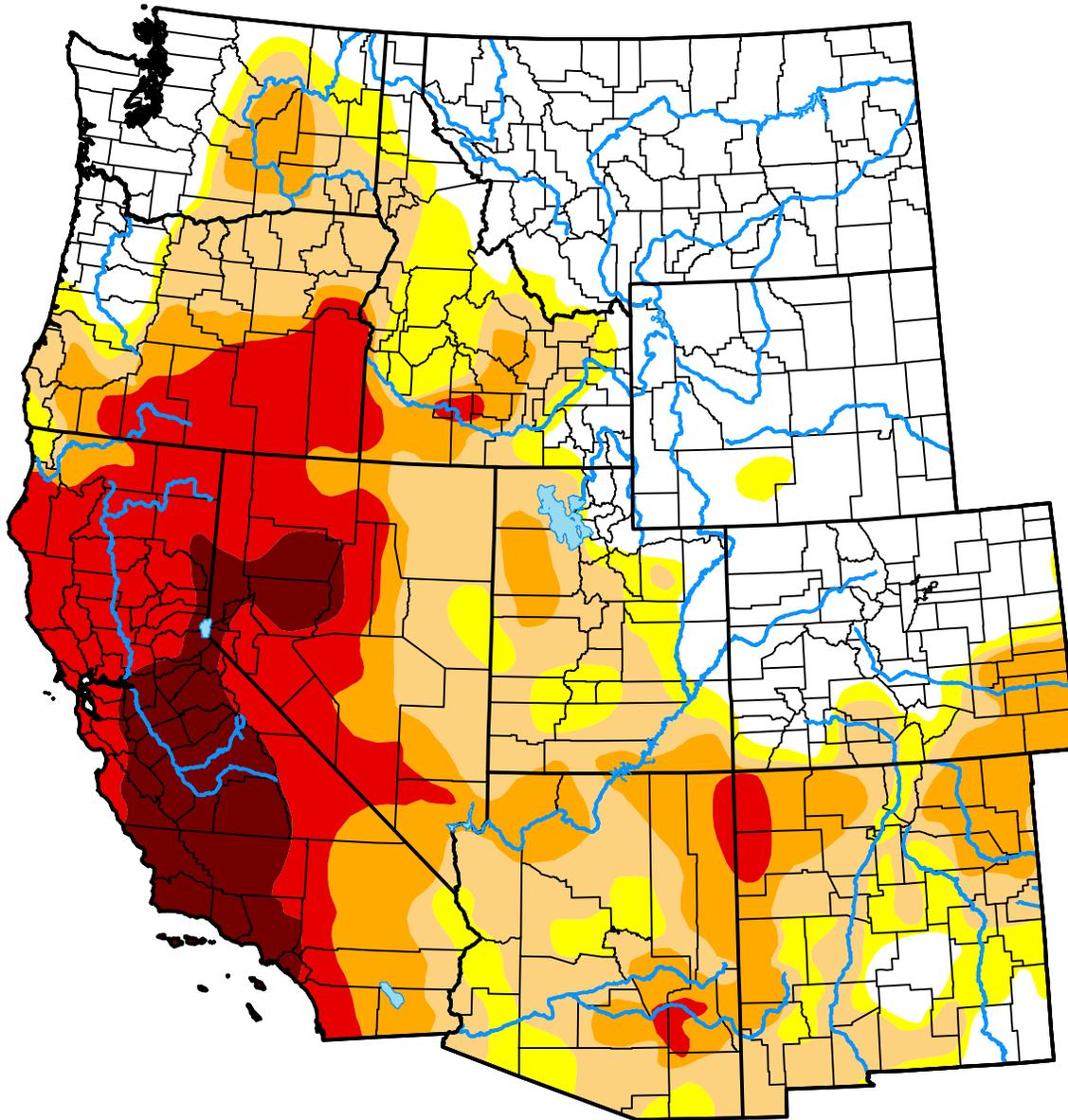


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

**December 30, 2014**  
(Released Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 34.76 | 10.76 | 20.99 | 14.82 | 13.27 | 5.40 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-23-2014</i>              | 34.61 | 10.79 | 20.91 | 15.02 | 13.27 | 5.40 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>           | 31.48 | 12.95 | 19.92 | 15.70 | 11.06 | 8.90 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i> | 22.20 | 26.36 | 20.33 | 23.37 | 7.12  | 0.63 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2014</i>    | 31.48 | 12.95 | 19.92 | 15.70 | 11.06 | 8.90 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-31-2013</i>           | 22.20 | 26.36 | 20.33 | 23.37 | 7.12  | 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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