

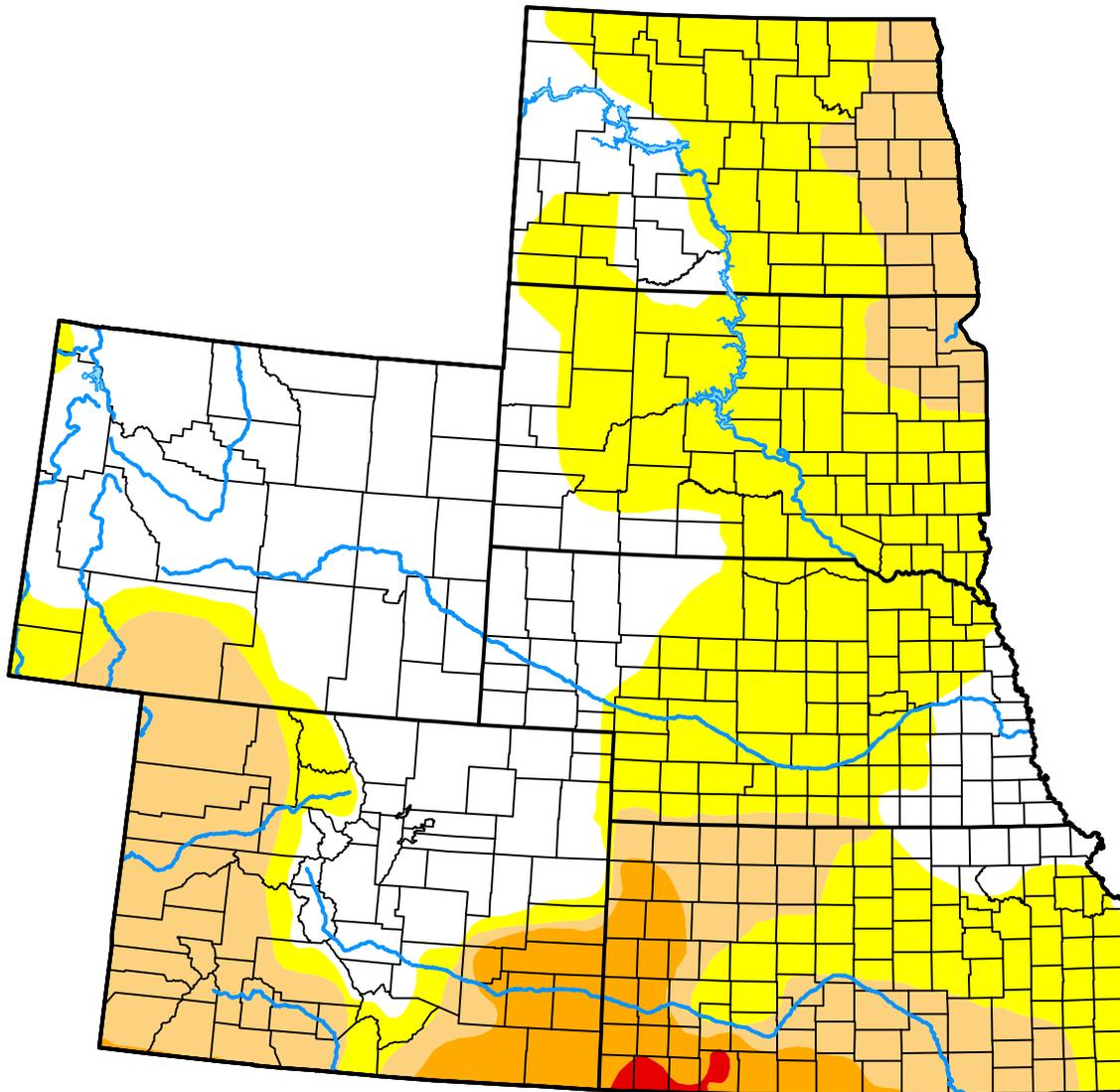
# U.S. Drought Monitor

## High Plains

**March 17, 2015**  
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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	36.64	38.10	19.74	5.21	0.30	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-10-2015</i>	45.43	33.44	15.62	5.21	0.30	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-16-2014</i>	61.11	27.61	5.82	5.10	0.36	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-30-2014</i>	59.44	29.27	5.82	5.10	0.36	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-30-2014</i>	78.99	8.86	6.17	5.12	0.86	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-18-2014</i>	53.06	19.07	13.45	10.33	3.79	0.30



**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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