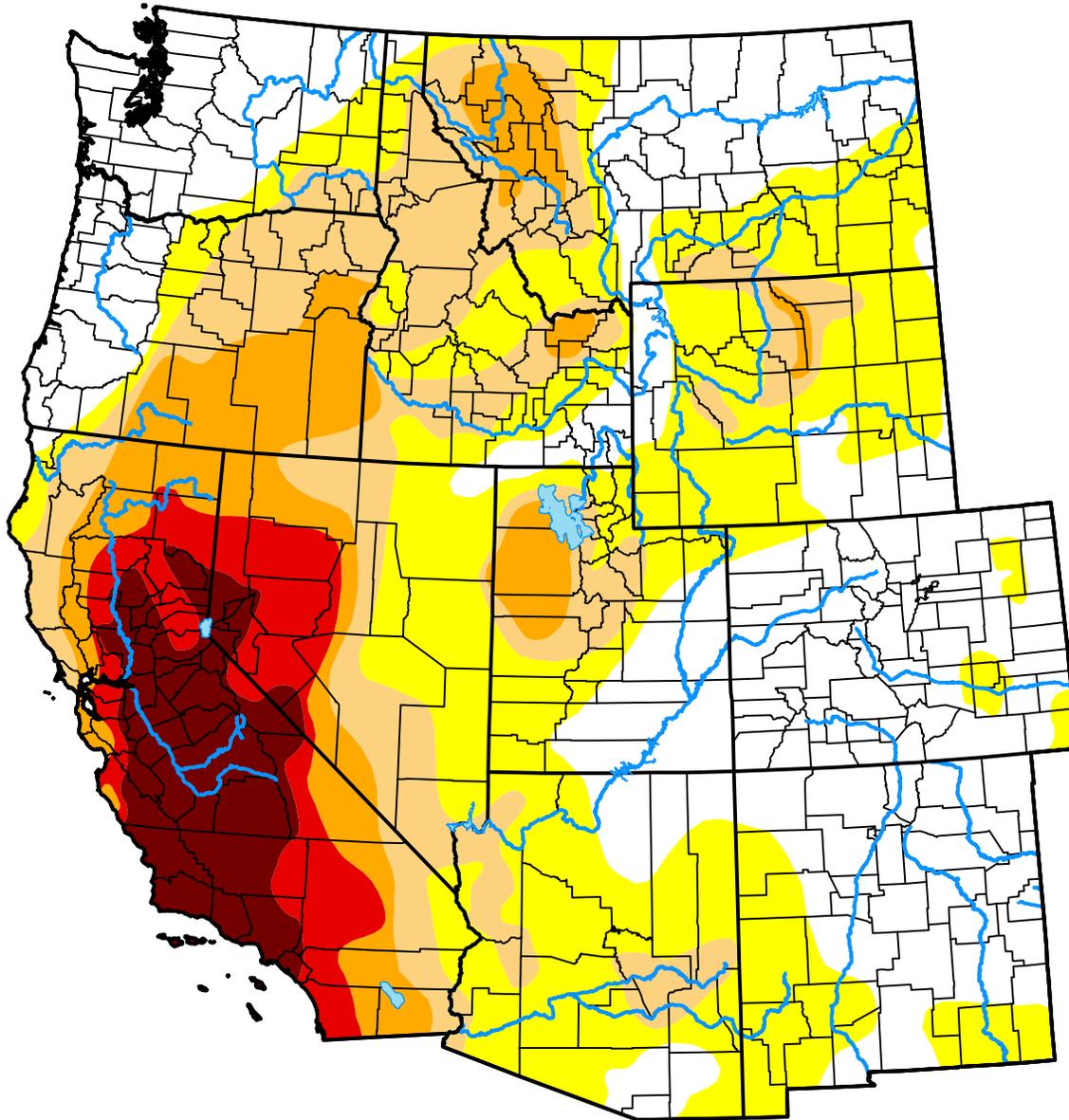


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	34.49	65.51	35.79	19.70	10.28	5.55
<b>Last Week</b> <i>02-23-2016</i>	37.06	62.94	36.25	19.70	10.28	5.55
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-01-2015</i>	28.98	71.02	48.88	37.23	21.16	6.85
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	33.17	66.83	45.07	29.30	15.92	6.85
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	22.77	77.23	57.81	42.42	26.50	7.62
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-03-2015</i>	29.95	70.05	59.79	29.48	16.62	7.04

***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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