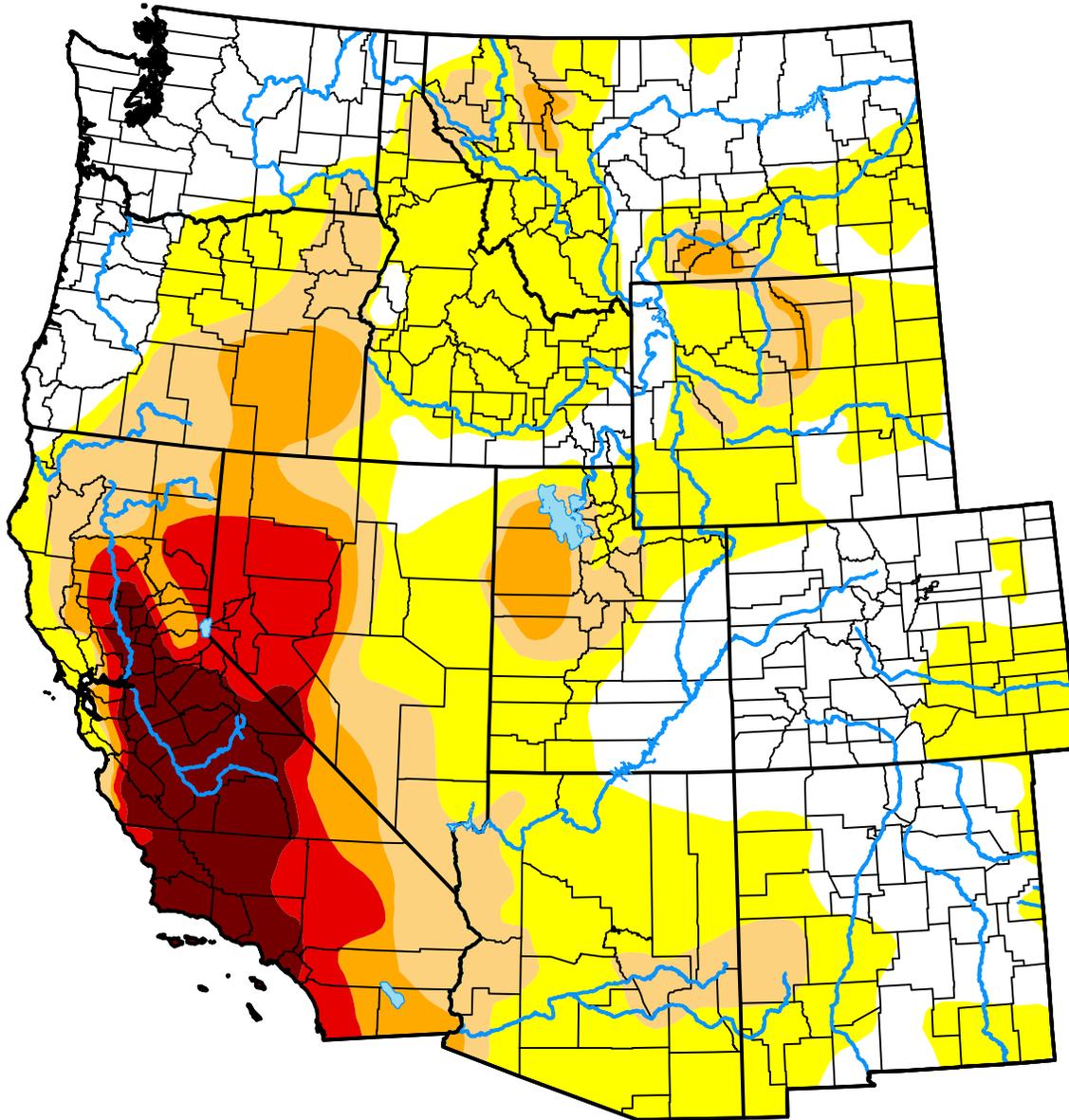


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	32.27	37.44	13.91	6.83	4.80	4.74
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-08-2016</i>	33.33	35.84	12.03	8.52	4.72	5.55
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-15-2015</i>	30.80	21.95	13.99	16.55	9.86	6.85
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-29-2015</i>	33.17	21.75	15.77	13.38	9.07	6.85
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2015</i>	22.77	19.42	15.40	15.92	18.88	7.62
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-17-2015</i>	29.93	9.77	29.28	14.40	9.58	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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