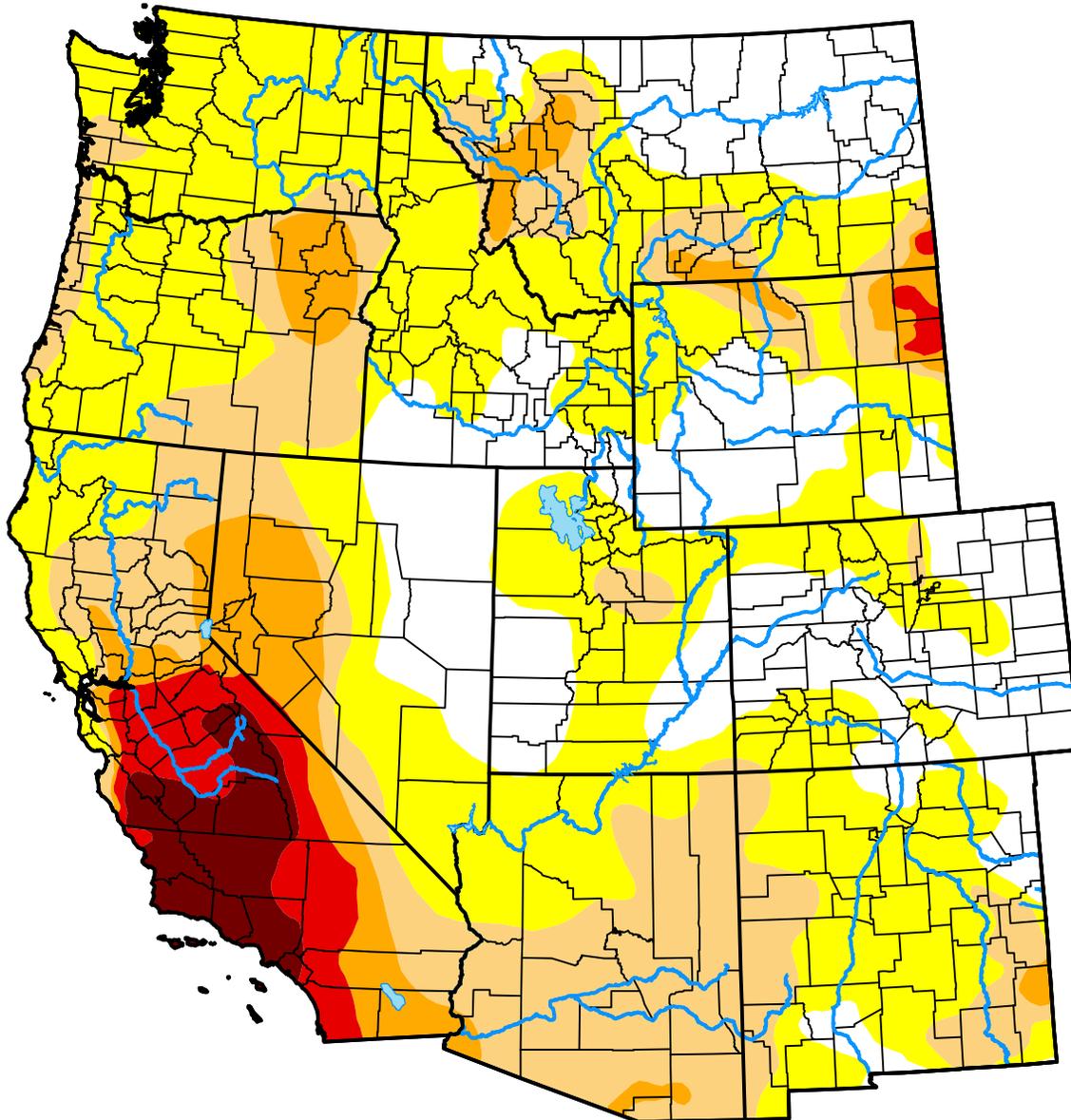


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	23.76	42.32	20.97	6.96	3.19	2.81
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-16-2016</i>	24.80	41.66	20.43	6.98	3.31	2.81
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>05-24-2016</i>	45.06	24.11	19.85	4.74	3.43	2.81
<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>08-25-2015</i>	25.90	14.72	16.85	14.93	19.98	7.62

***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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