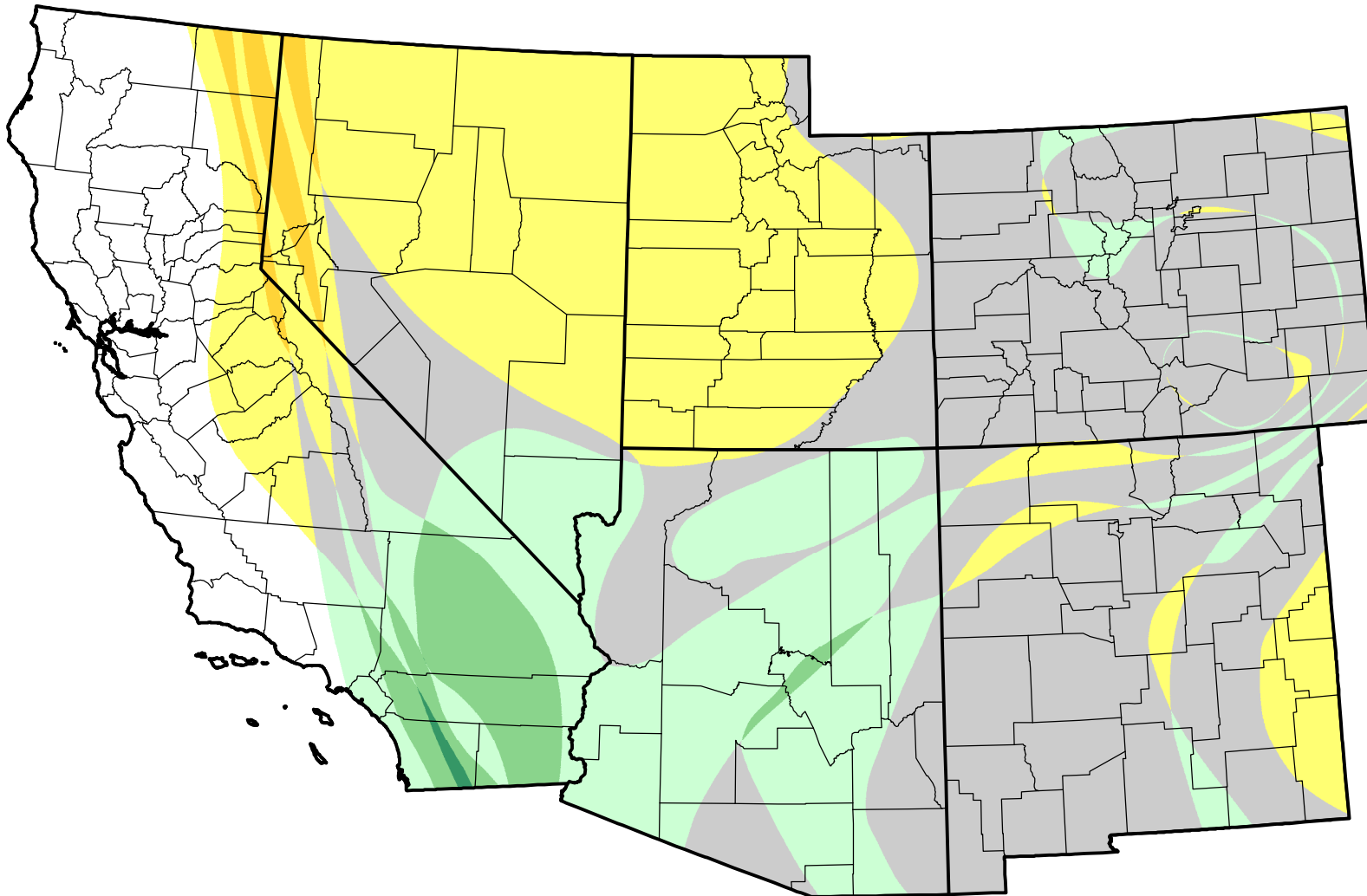


U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - Southwest

Start of Calendar Year



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|  | 5 Class Degradation |
|  | 4 Class Degradation |
|  | 3 Class Degradation |
|  | 2 Class Degradation |
|  | 1 Class Degradation |
|  | No Change |
|  | 1 Class Improvement |
|  | 2 Class Improvement |
|  | 3 Class Improvement |
|  | 4 Class Improvement |
|  | 5 Class Improvement |