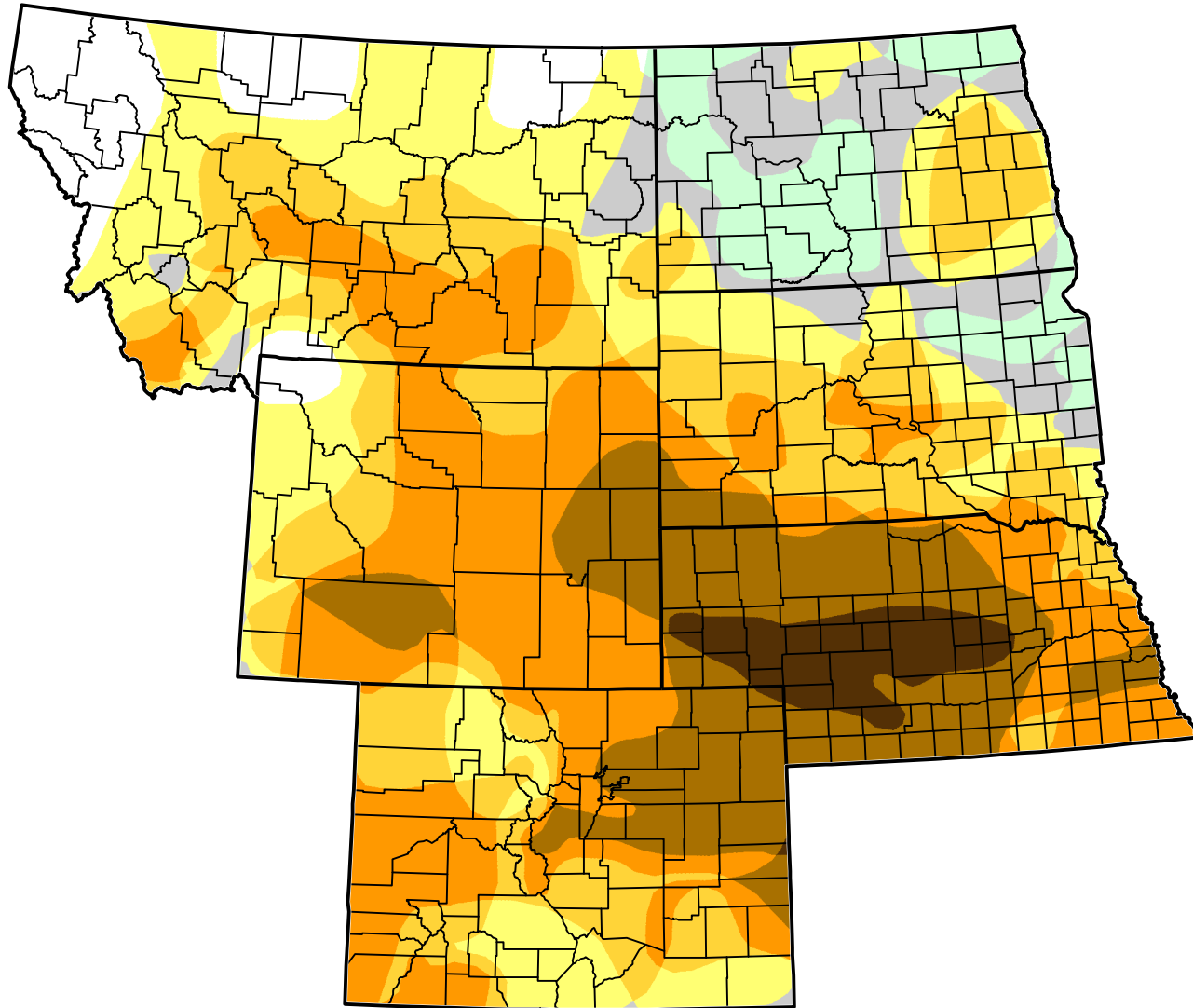


# U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub 6 Months



August 14, 2012  
compared to  
February 28, 2012

-  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