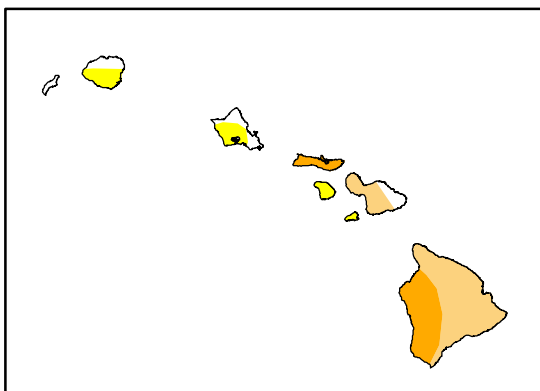
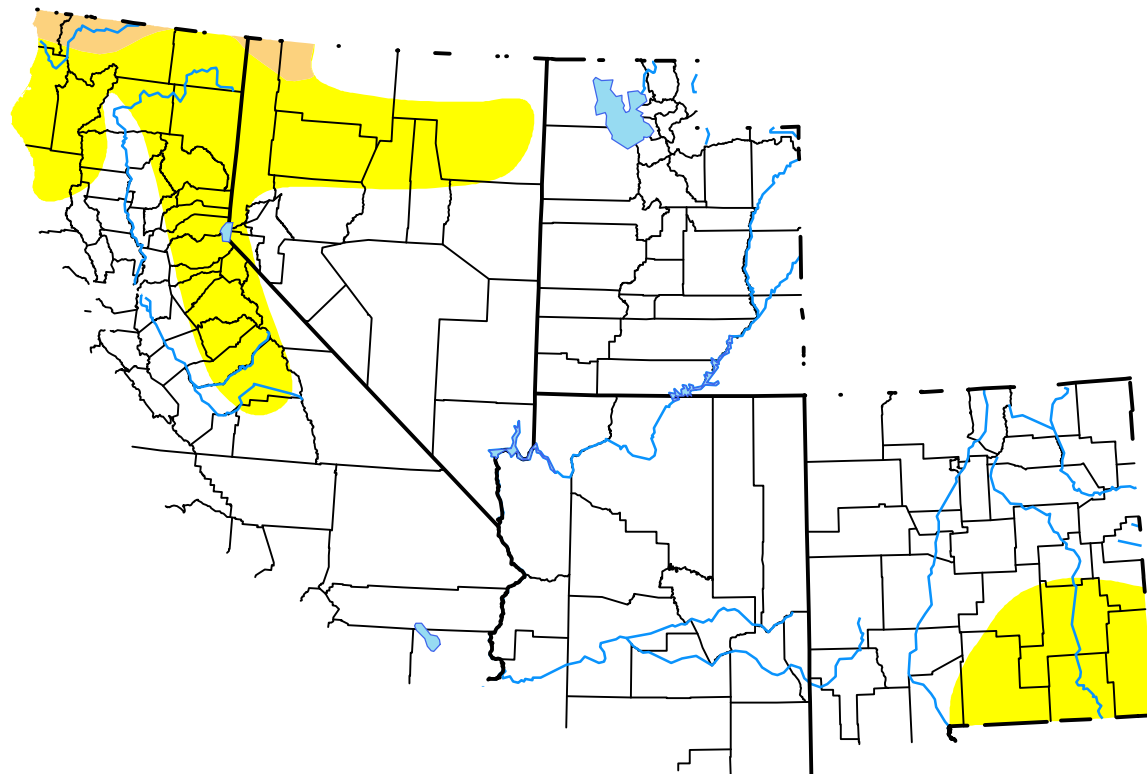


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	80.91	19.09	1.76	0.28	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>02-15-2001</i>	79.12	20.88	1.87	0.28	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-22-2000</i>	88.66	11.34	1.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2001</i>	83.72	16.28	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2000</i>	38.83	61.17	25.82	7.12	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>02-24-2000</i>	48.60	51.40	13.65	0.02	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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