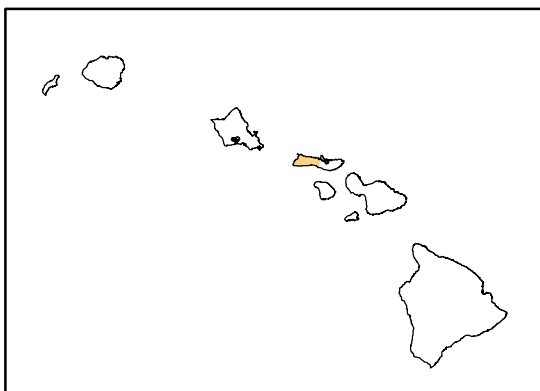
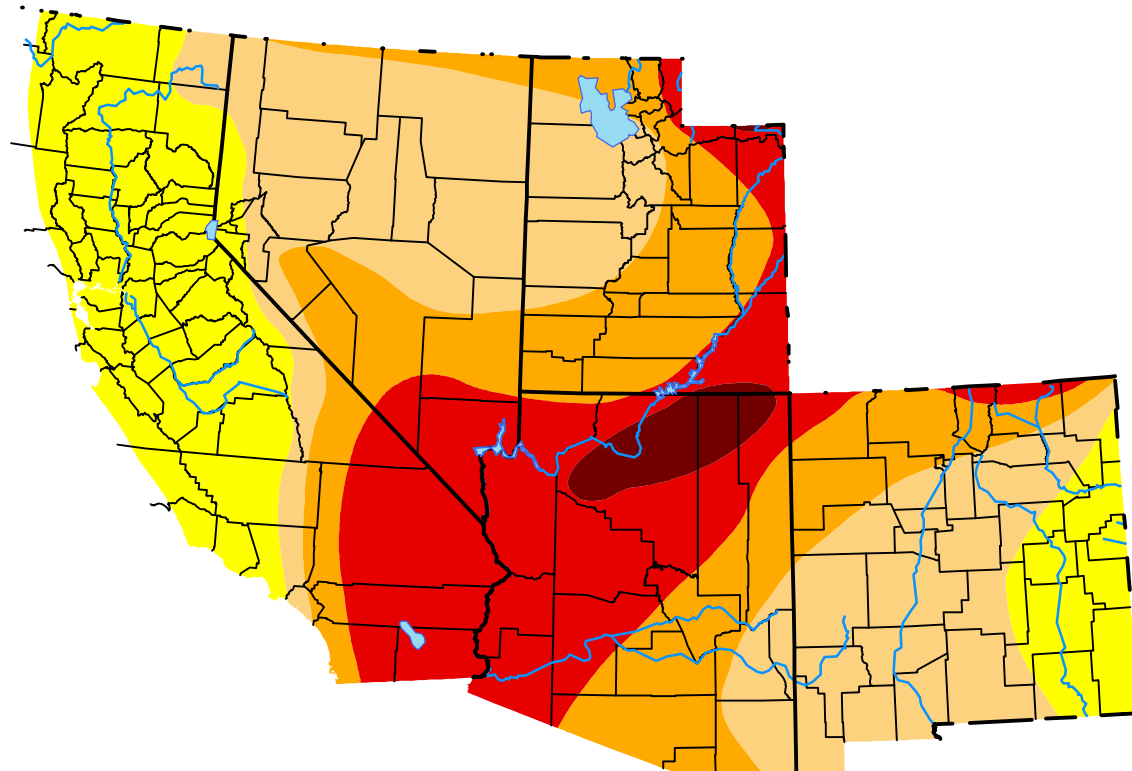


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Southwest Climate Hub

**November 19, 2002**  
*(Released Thursday, Nov. 21, 2002)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 2.51  | 97.49 | 76.74 | 45.76 | 22.67 | 2.30 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>11-14-2002</i>              | 2.44  | 97.56 | 76.45 | 45.88 | 22.47 | 2.20 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>08-22-2002</i>           | 2.33  | 97.67 | 85.49 | 61.54 | 37.11 | 9.79 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2002</i> | 45.56 | 54.44 | 31.77 | 13.87 | 4.71  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2002</i>    | 2.56  | 97.44 | 85.89 | 60.73 | 32.47 | 4.53 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>11-21-2001</i>           | 32.30 | 67.70 | 44.47 | 22.84 | 13.49 | 0.00 |

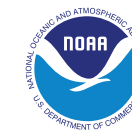
### Intensity:

|                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 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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