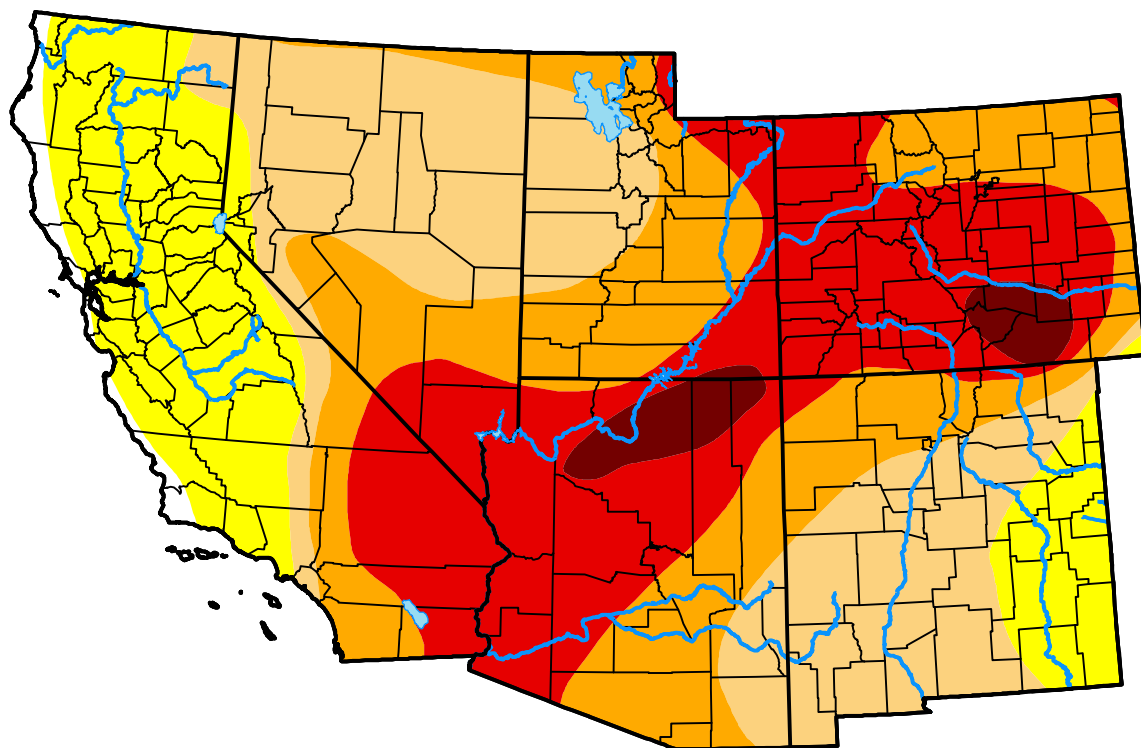


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	1.29	98.71	80.57	54.15	29.24	2.95
Last Week <i>11-26-2002</i>	1.13	98.87	80.99	54.17	30.40	2.99
3 Months Ago <i>09-03-2002</i>	1.21	98.79	88.52	71.86	45.05	13.29
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2002</i>	45.05	54.95	29.45	11.89	4.04	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	1.40	98.60	88.79	67.17	39.95	7.67
One Year Ago <i>12-04-2001</i>	38.78	61.22	32.95	16.14	7.49	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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