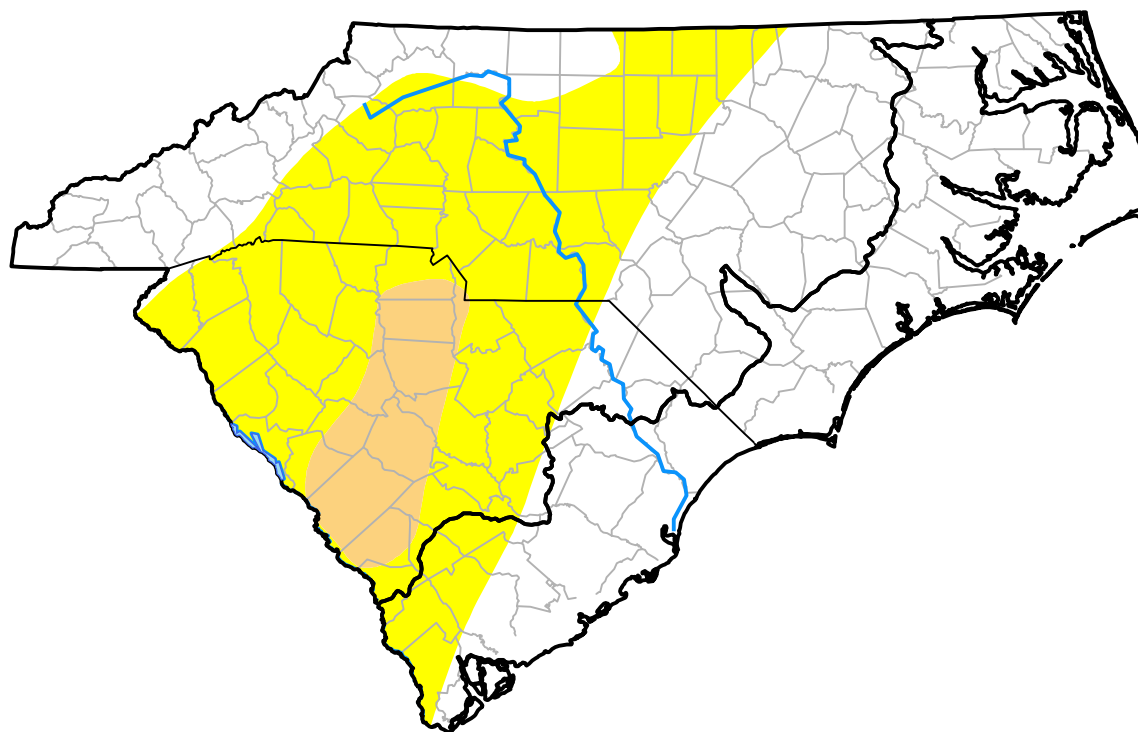


Carolinas RDEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	55.40	38.01	6.58	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 12-12-2002	45.11	41.21	13.68	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-19-2002	4.32	17.49	23.65	19.02	29.24	6.28
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2002	0.00	0.07	7.34	65.53	27.06	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-03-2002	9.12	14.70	14.62	34.34	18.67	8.55
One Year Ago 12-20-2001	0.00	0.13	4.83	80.54	14.51	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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