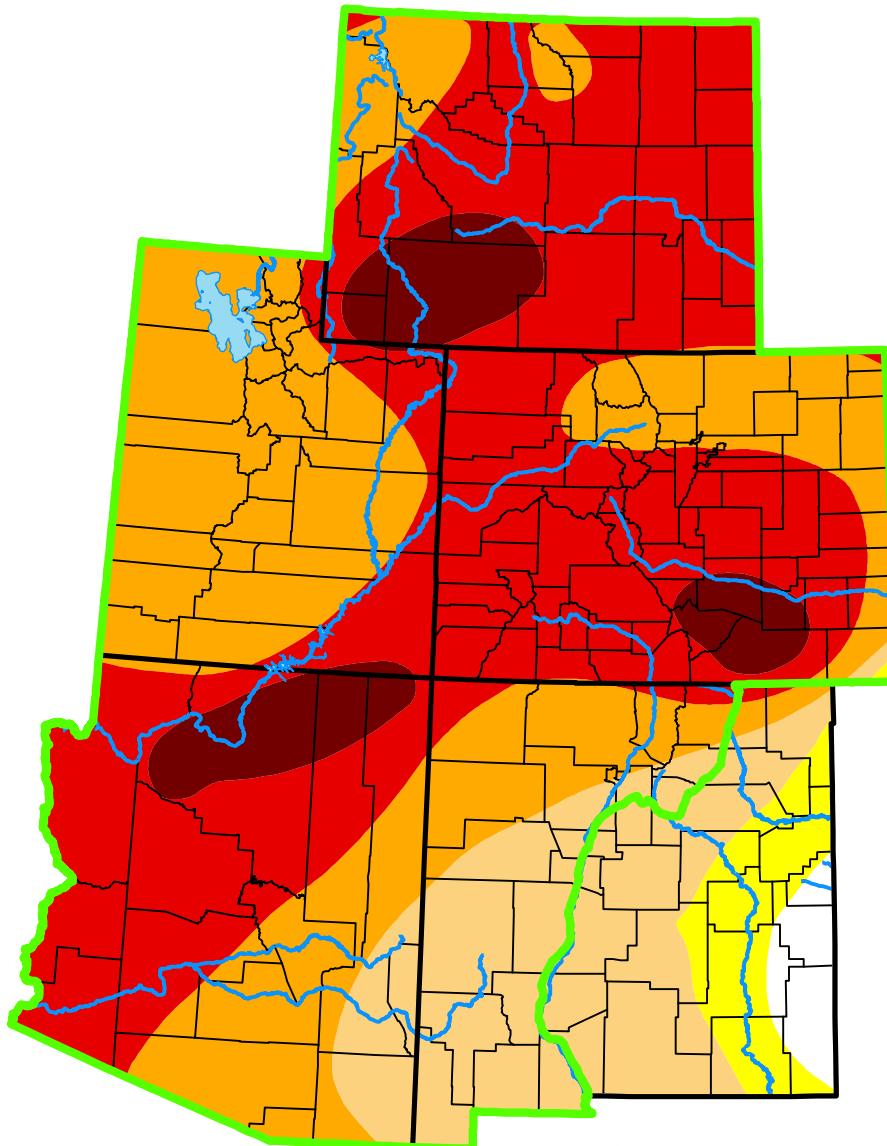


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



December 17, 2002
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	99.94	90.24	54.49	7.64
Last Week 12-10-2002	0.00	100.00	99.93	90.06	53.34	7.45
3 Months Ago 09-17-2002	0.00	100.00	100.00	94.94	70.31	21.34
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2002	40.16	59.84	25.24	12.07	6.06	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2002	0.00	100.00	100.00	92.70	66.65	16.10
One Year Ago 12-18-2001	41.76	58.24	24.18	12.27	6.82	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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