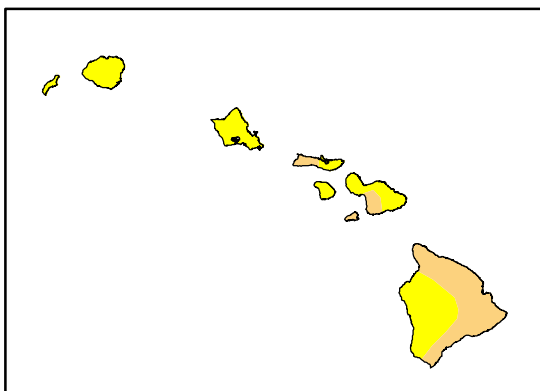
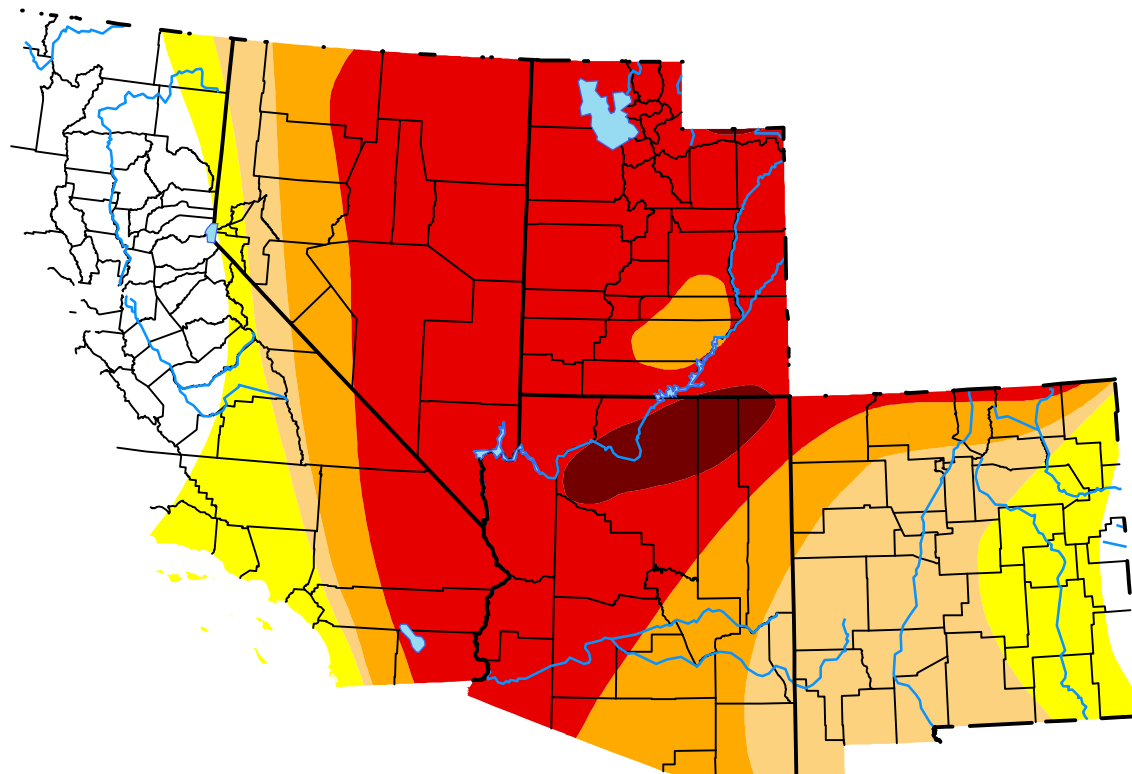


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	13.40	86.60	74.47	58.56	42.98	2.45
Last Week <i>01-30-2003</i>	14.88	85.12	73.16	58.20	43.20	2.47
3 Months Ago <i>11-07-2002</i>	1.04	98.96	90.18	59.01	28.43	3.11
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	18.08	81.92	74.19	58.26	21.74	2.37
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	2.56	97.44	85.89	60.73	32.47	4.53
One Year Ago <i>02-07-2002</i>	33.17	66.83	26.65	7.15	0.30	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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