

U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS and Surrounding Areas

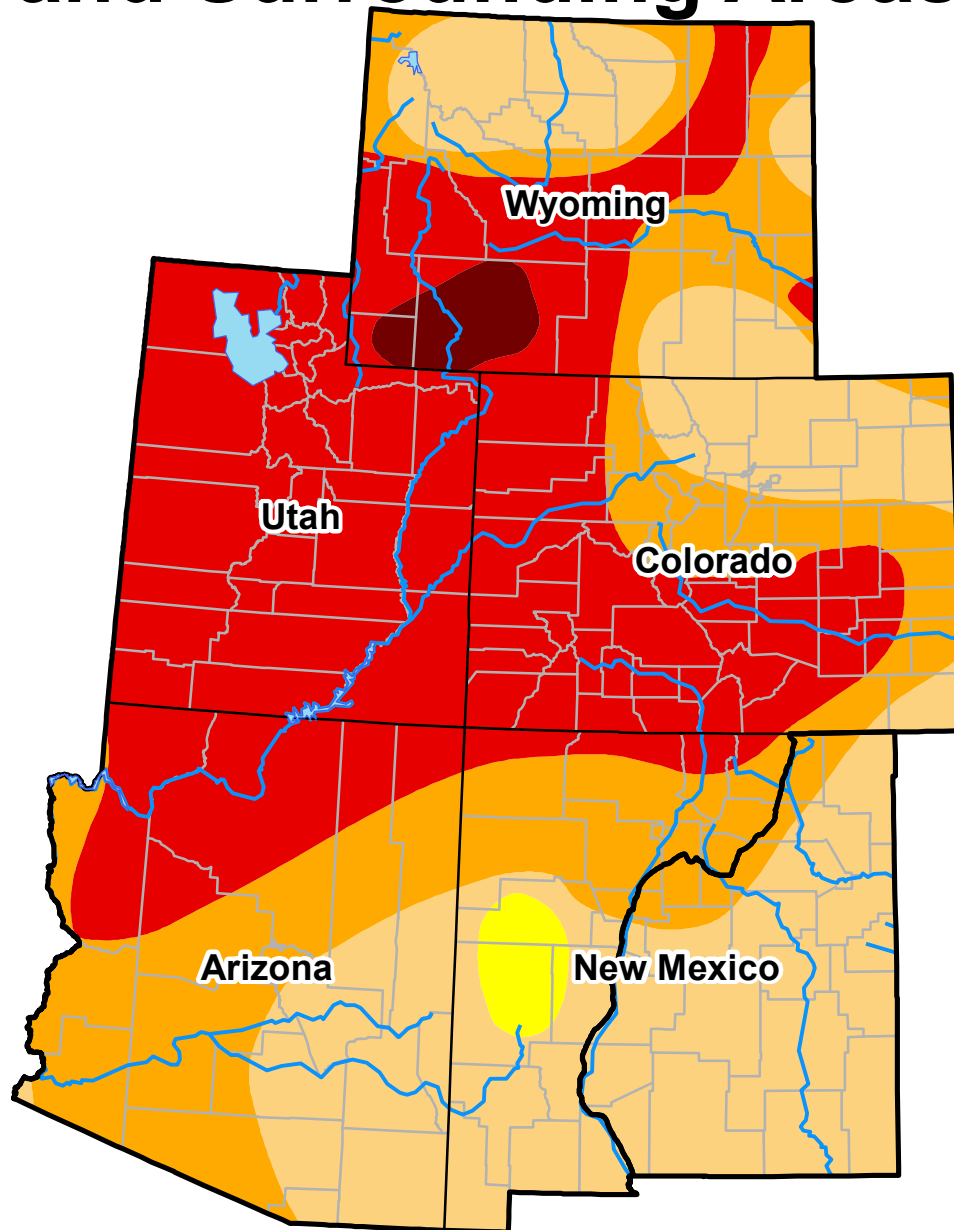
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	1.21	31.67	24.74	40.87	1.51
Last Week <i>04-29-2003</i>	0.00	3.80	26.46	25.21	43.02	1.51
3 Months Ago <i>02-04-2003</i>	0.92	6.26	13.84	16.32	51.83	10.84
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2002</i>	2.14	4.69	15.29	29.98	41.26	6.65
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2002</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
One Year Ago <i>05-07-2002</i>	0.48	4.18	6.58	50.27	38.50	0.00



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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