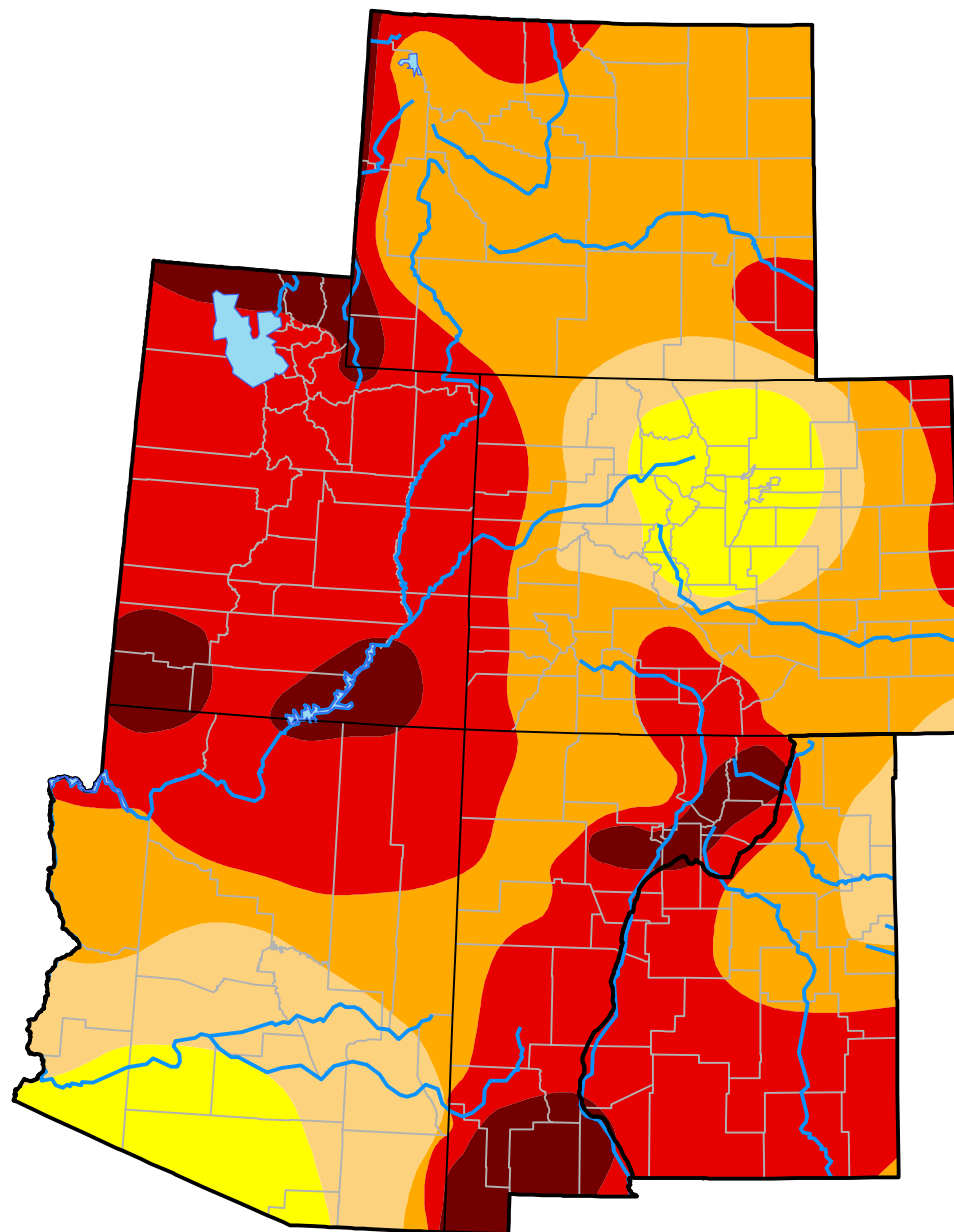


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	7.35	11.81	35.26	38.50	7.09
Last Week <i>12-11-2003</i>	0.00	7.38	12.34	35.51	37.69	7.08
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2003</i>	0.00	4.55	15.47	34.68	41.97	3.34
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2003</i>	2.14	4.69	15.29	29.98	41.26	6.65
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2003</i>	0.00	6.37	15.19	33.21	41.75	3.48
One Year Ago <i>12-19-2002</i>	1.55	3.69	15.00	31.77	41.28	6.71

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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