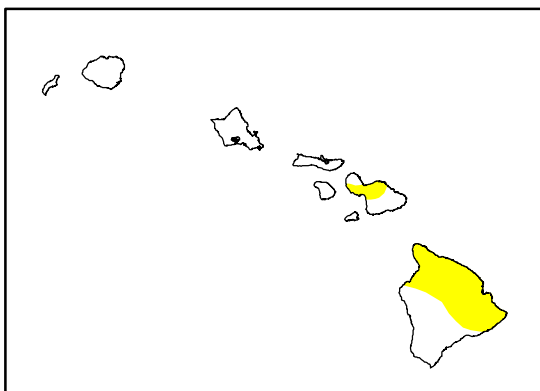
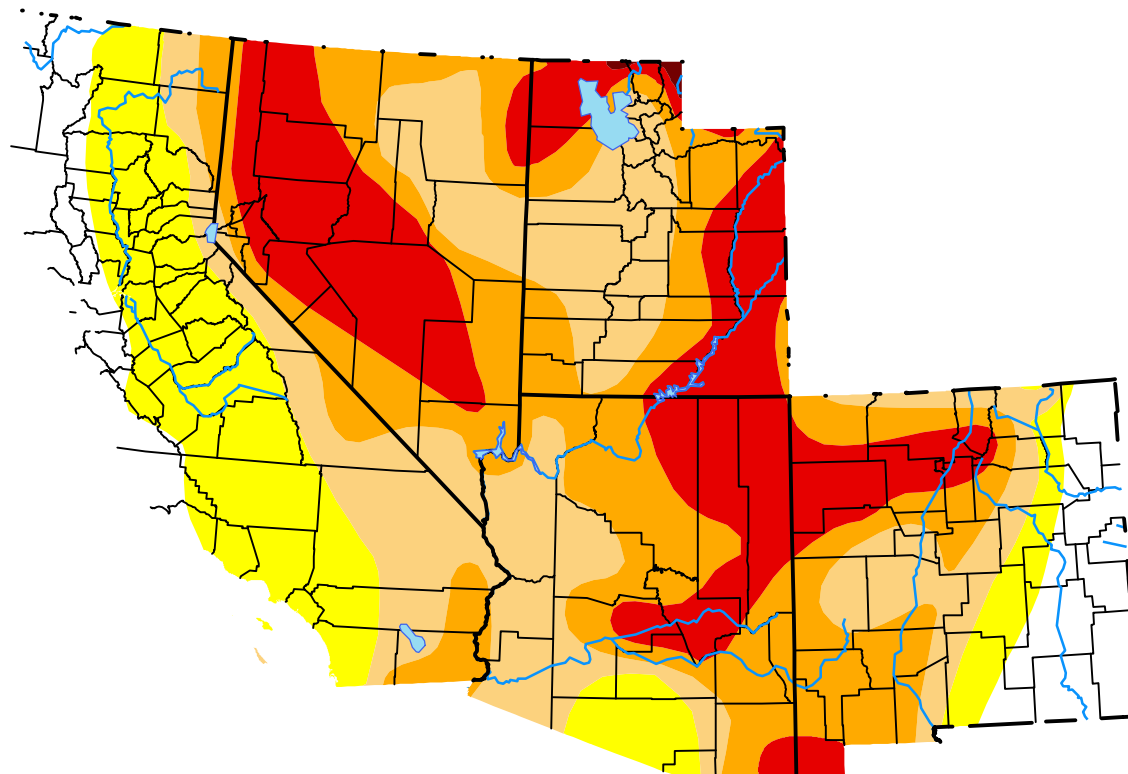


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	11.33	17.03	24.76	26.17	20.60	0.11
Last Week 11-04-2004	10.66	17.67	19.66	29.94	21.96	0.11
3 Months Ago 08-12-2004	5.99	12.11	18.12	34.08	29.41	0.28
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2003	18.57	7.18	8.28	26.93	31.08	7.96
Start of Water Year 09-30-2004	5.68	14.09	18.68	34.46	26.89	0.21
One Year Ago 11-13-2003	12.29	7.86	13.86	20.40	39.71	5.87

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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