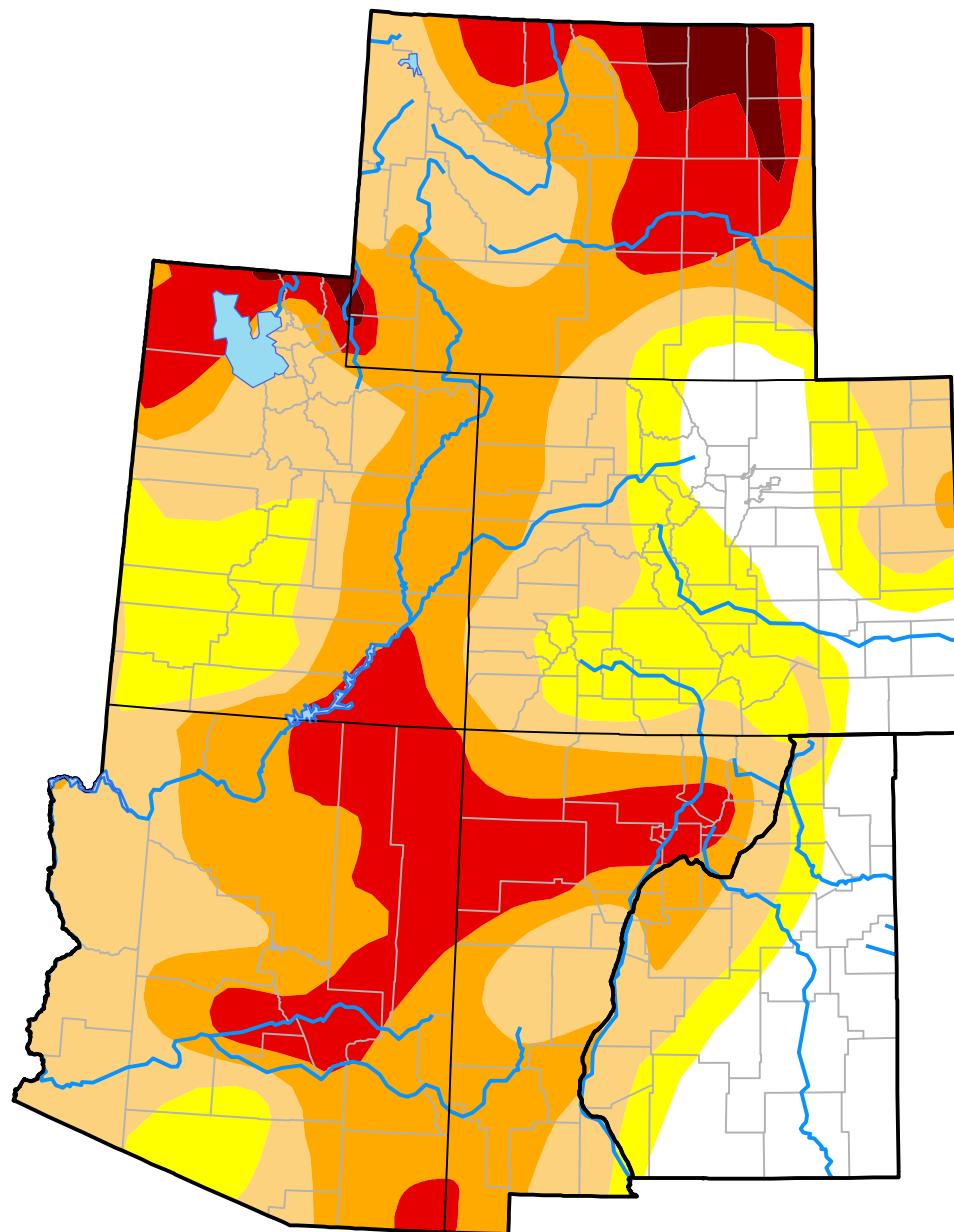


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	12.27	15.09	28.62	27.63	14.85	1.55
Last Week <i>12-09-2004</i>	12.27	14.89	28.70	27.75	14.85	1.55
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2004</i>	6.75	11.42	18.22	32.32	29.57	1.71
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-31-2003</i>	0.00	7.89	8.52	38.63	36.10	8.87
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	8.24	11.00	17.16	35.57	26.30	1.74
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2003</i>	0.00	7.35	11.81	35.26	38.50	7.09

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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