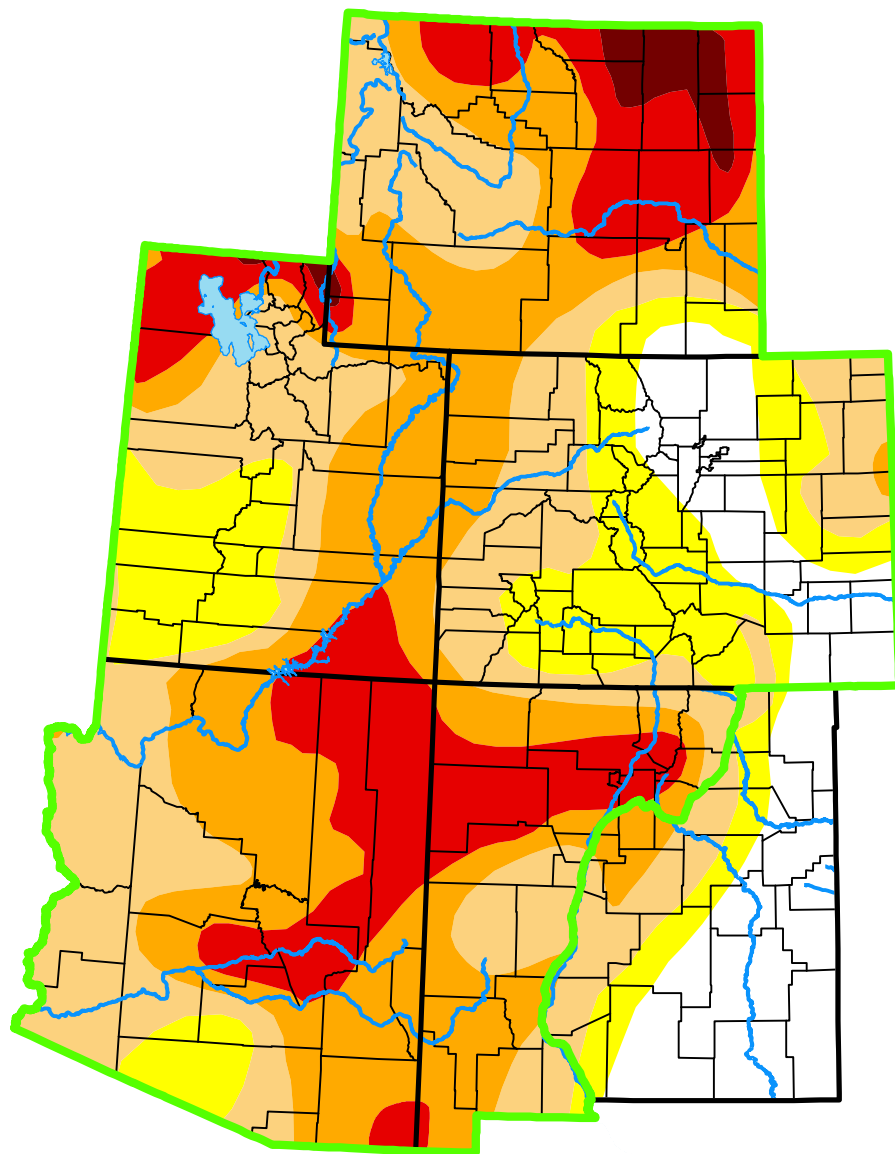


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



December 21, 2004

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	5.86	94.14	79.01	49.29	19.01	1.79
Last Week <i>12-14-2004</i>	5.86	94.14	79.07	49.26	18.66	1.77
3 Months Ago <i>09-21-2004</i>	3.59	96.41	86.92	70.24	31.90	1.98
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2003</i>	0.00	100.00	91.02	81.33	41.49	8.07
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2004</i>	4.67	95.33	86.75	70.23	31.90	1.98
One Year Ago <i>12-23-2003</i>	0.00	100.00	92.19	80.99	44.15	8.58

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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