

# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

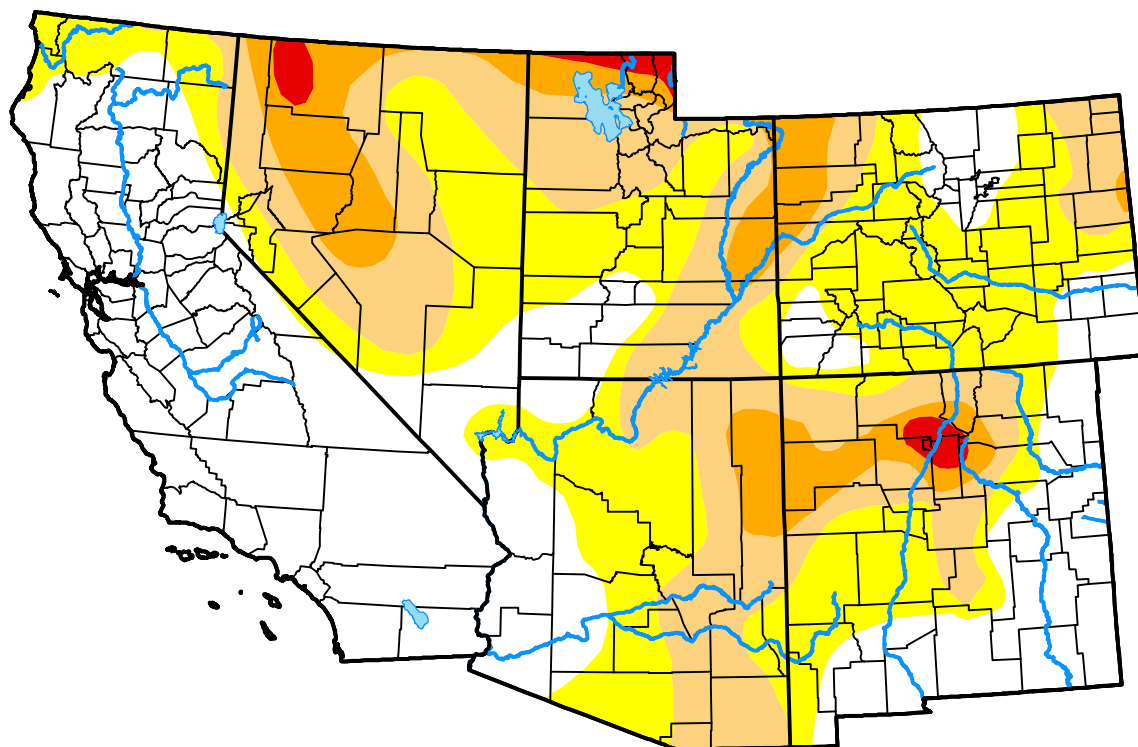
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 38.85 | 61.15 | 31.30 | 9.41  | 1.08  | 0.01 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-01-2005</i>              | 38.26 | 61.74 | 31.28 | 9.41  | 1.08  | 0.01 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-07-2004</i>           | 15.03 | 84.97 | 63.63 | 35.96 | 12.55 | 0.09 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-04-2005</i> | 24.71 | 75.29 | 56.86 | 29.43 | 10.09 | 0.09 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-28-2004</i>    | 7.43  | 92.57 | 77.08 | 55.25 | 24.06 | 0.18 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-09-2004</i>           | 17.09 | 82.91 | 74.86 | 61.33 | 32.86 | 5.85 |



## 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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