

# U.S. Drought Monitor Southwest

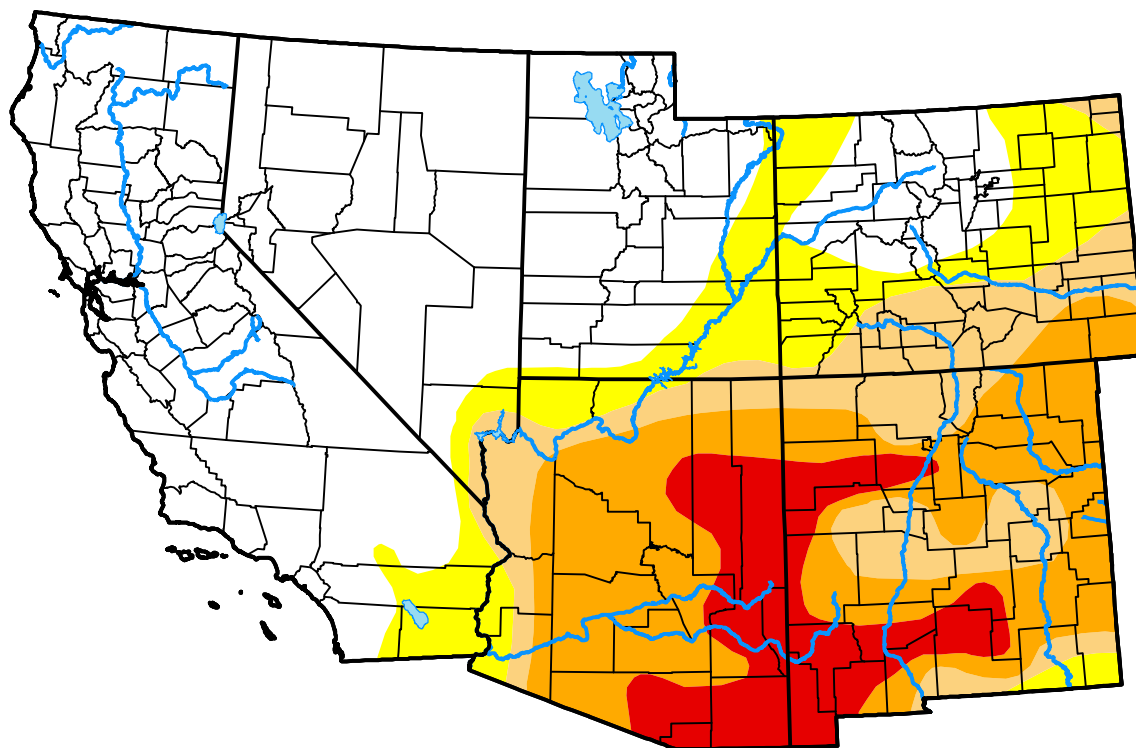
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**Valid 7 a.m. EST**

## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 49.82 | 12.54 | 11.81 | 17.27 | 8.55 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-21-2006</i>              | 48.61 | 14.45 | 11.12 | 17.27 | 8.55 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-27-2005</i>           | 61.88 | 29.69 | 8.43  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2006</i> | 57.97 | 30.48 | 11.55 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2005</i>    | 72.54 | 20.44 | 6.87  | 0.16  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-29-2005</i>           | 43.46 | 28.03 | 20.93 | 7.11  | 0.46 | 0.00 |



## 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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