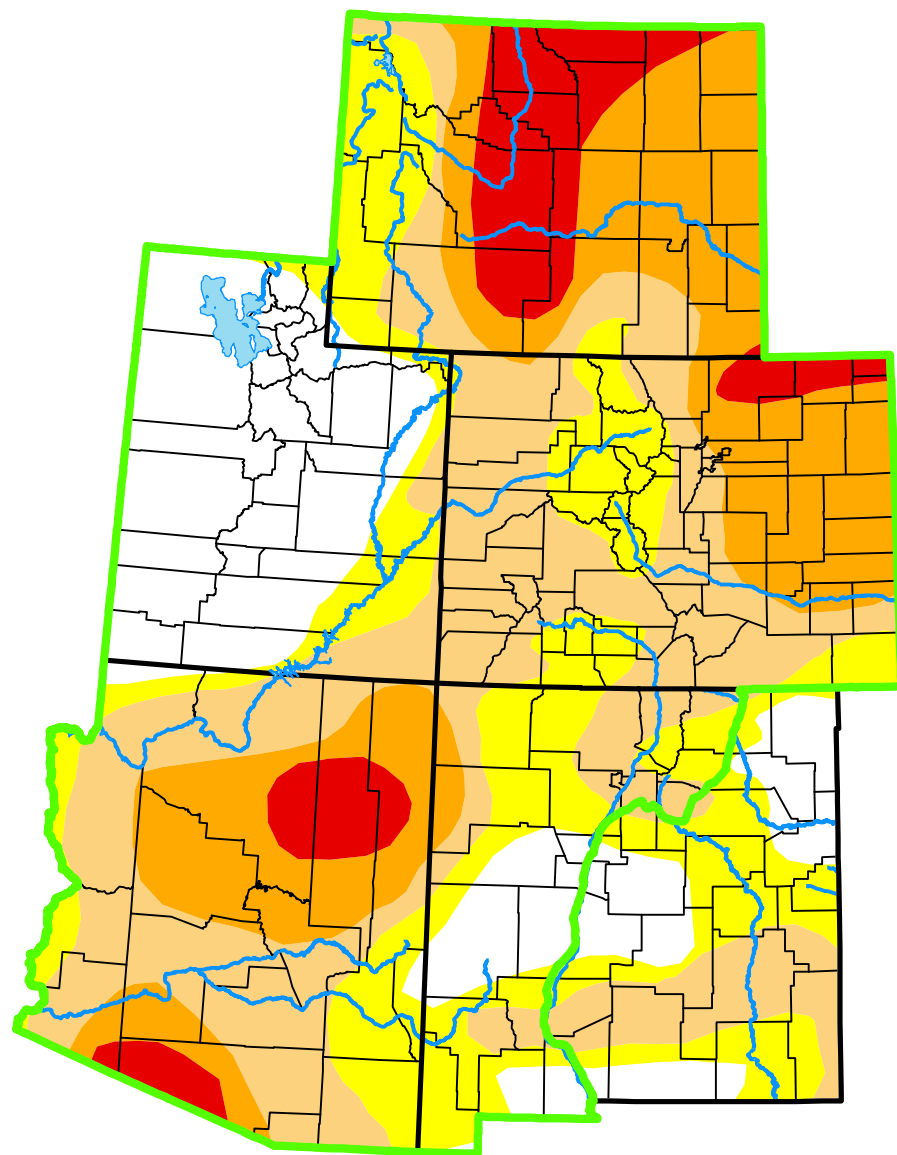


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



August 29, 2006

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	18.52	81.48	61.48	31.75	9.03	0.00
Last Week <i>08-22-2006</i>	17.87	82.13	64.39	31.75	9.32	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-30-2006</i>	18.16	81.84	60.95	40.60	22.41	4.35
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	33.36	66.64	24.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2005</i>	45.89	54.11	27.37	7.52	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-30-2005</i>	44.93	55.07	27.61	9.06	0.00	0.00

(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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