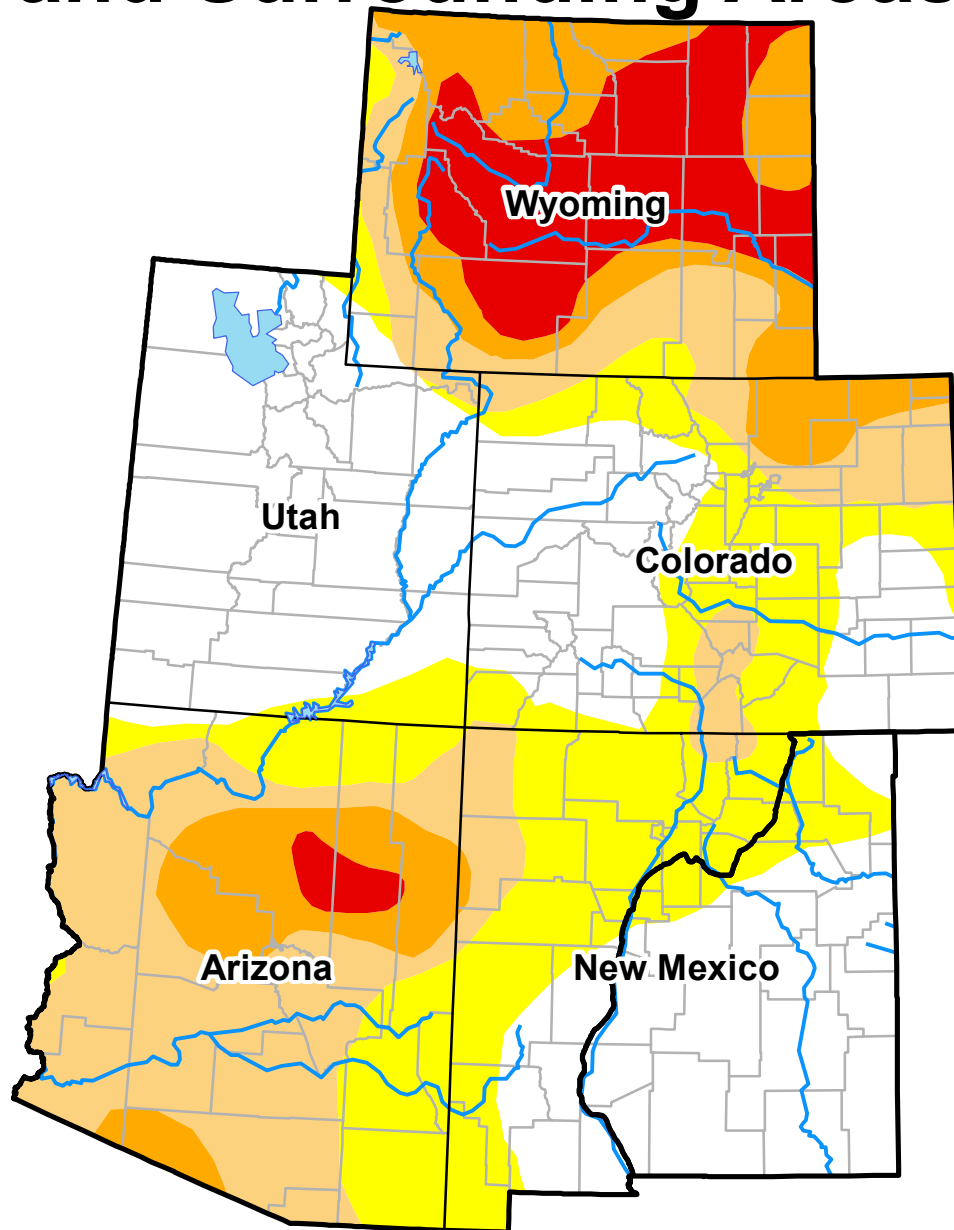


Intermountain West RDEWS and Surrounding Areas

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.65	62.35	40.41	20.57	8.59	0.00
Last Week <i>12-05-2006</i>	42.60	57.40	39.10	20.57	8.59	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-12-2006</i>	26.65	73.35	53.54	25.18	12.30	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2006</i>	29.68	70.32	23.63	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-26-2006</i>	30.29	69.71	42.97	20.13	10.10	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-13-2005</i>	35.61	64.39	19.66	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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