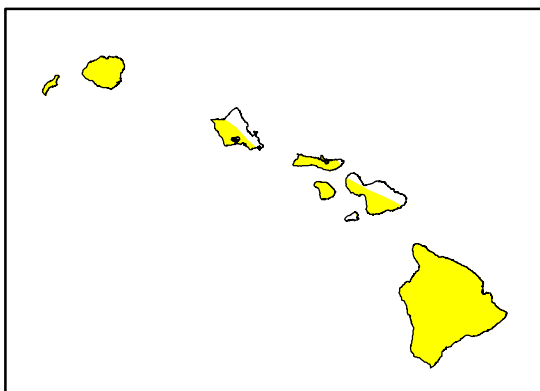
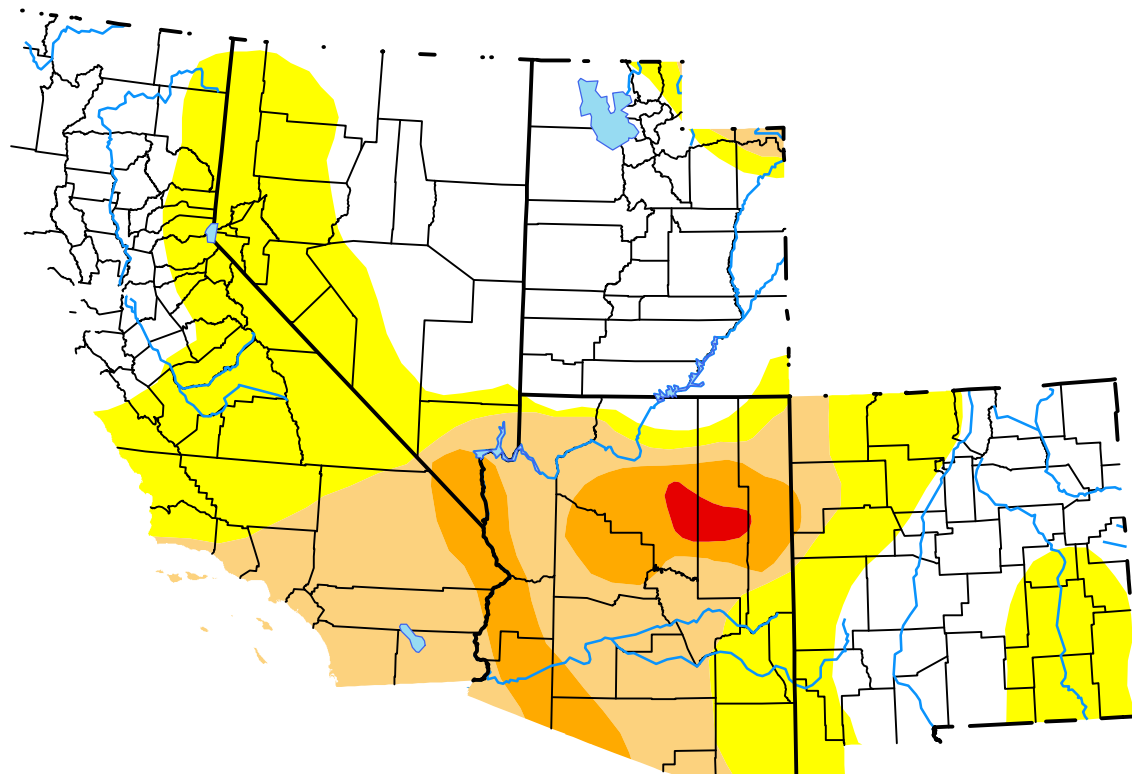


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	44.88	55.12	24.45	7.27	0.58	0.00
Last Week <i>01-11-2007</i>	44.44	55.56	24.45	7.27	0.58	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-19-2006</i>	70.12	29.88	14.89	4.42	0.58	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2007</i>	48.60	51.40	23.83	4.42	0.58	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2006</i>	66.95	33.05	17.13	5.72	1.39	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-19-2006</i>	56.58	43.42	24.12	4.37	0.00	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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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