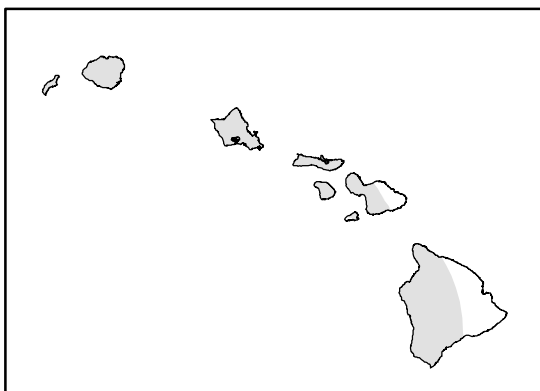
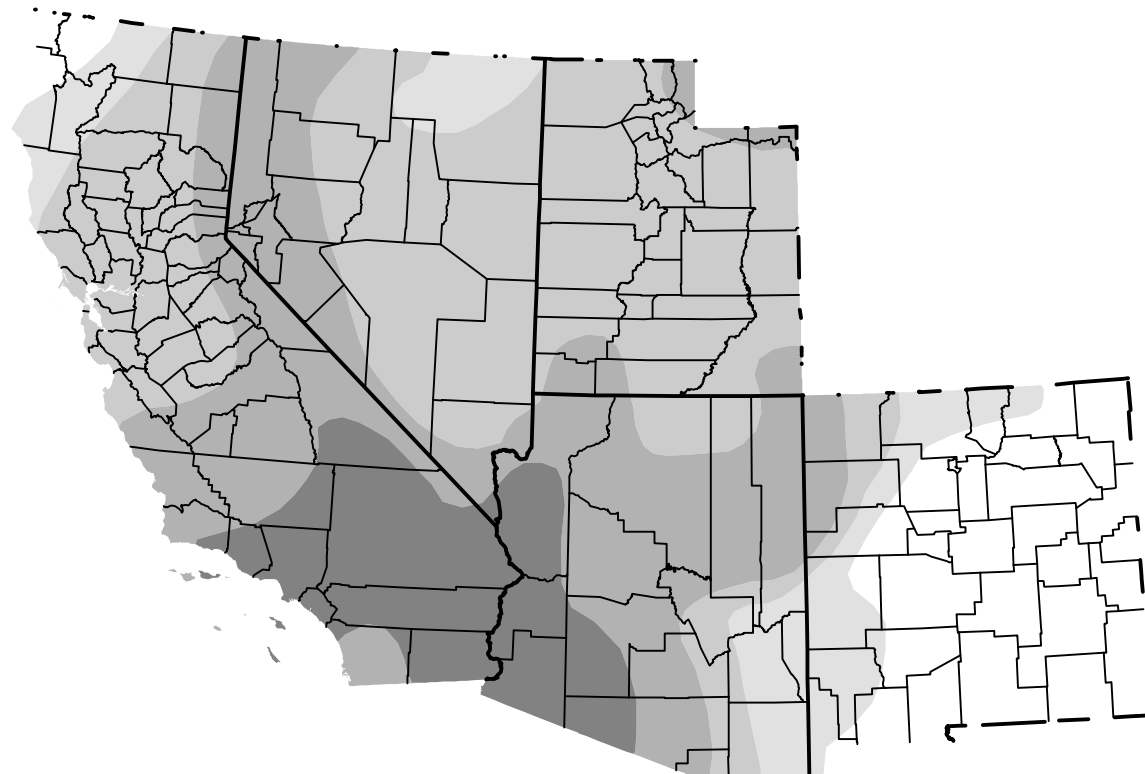


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	15.81	84.19	74.42	38.48	11.89	0.00
Last Week <i>05-10-2007</i>	16.93	83.07	72.45	35.16	11.89	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-15-2007</i>	24.52	75.48	37.01	17.95	0.00	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>05-18-2006</i>	54.51	45.49	38.24	31.70	22.21	3.36

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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