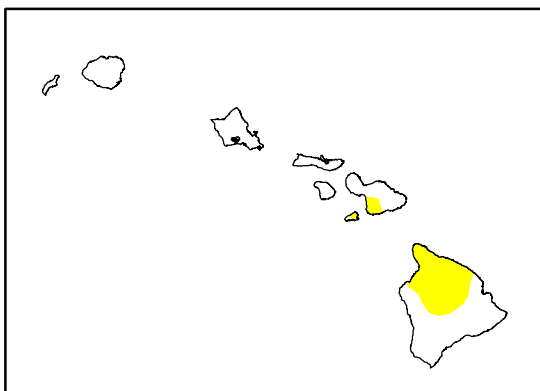
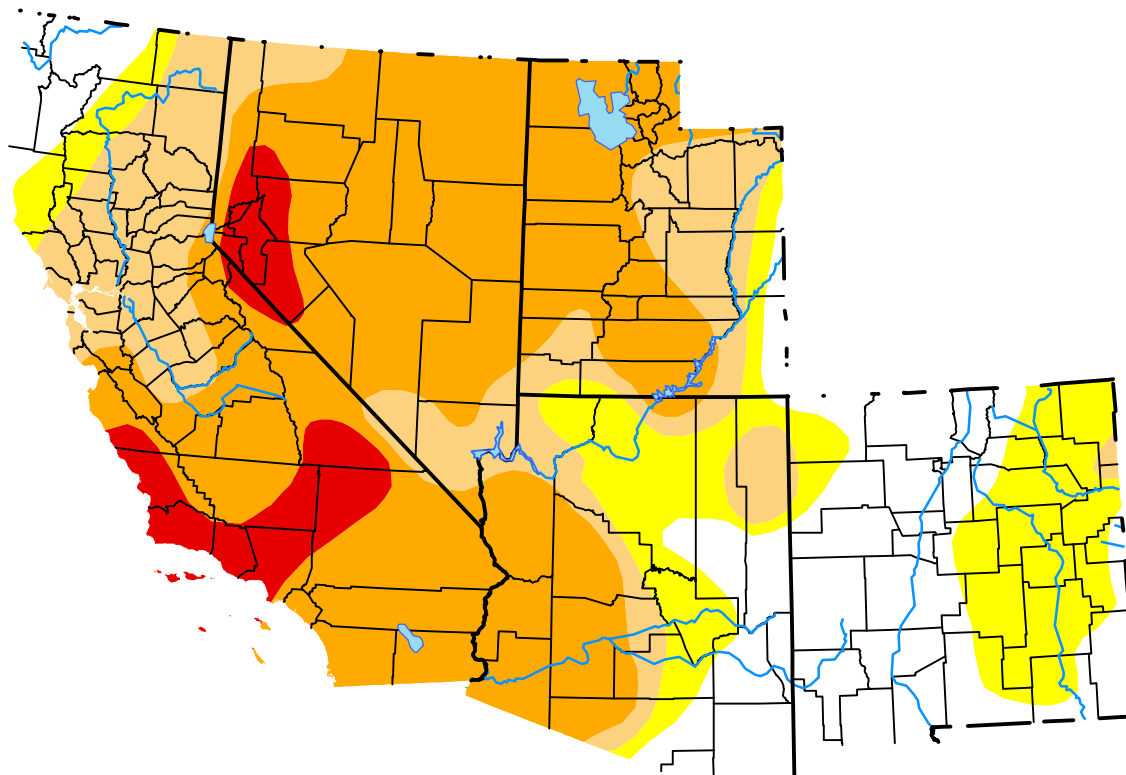


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
Last Week <i>12-27-2007</i>	20.86	79.14	63.30	45.33	5.44	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>10-04-2007</i>	21.29	78.71	68.84	51.13	16.01	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	79.14	63.29	45.33	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	78.91	69.70	51.22	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>01-04-2007</i>	48.60	51.40	23.83	4.42	0.58	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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