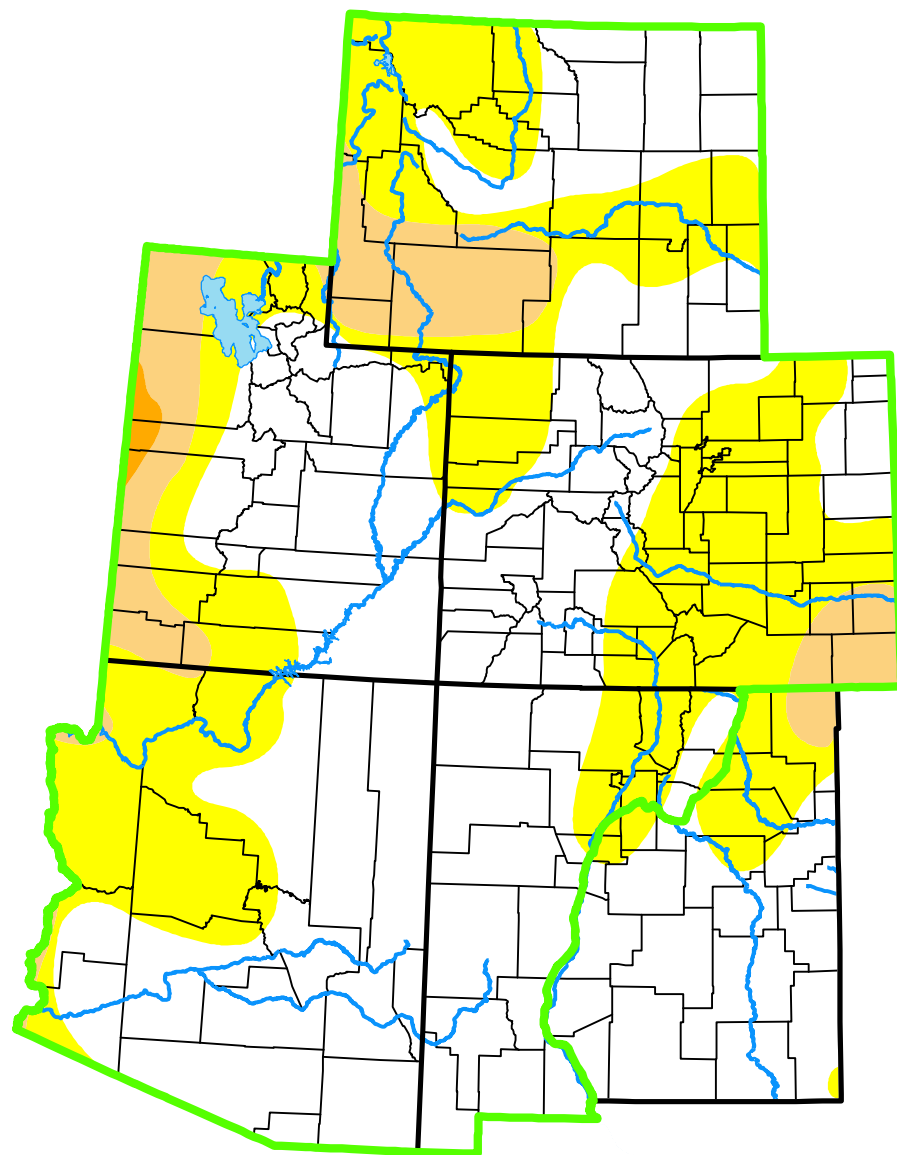


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



**October 21, 2008**

*(Released Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008)*

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 55.74 | 44.26 | 9.37  | 0.38  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>10-14-2008</i>              | 60.73 | 39.27 | 7.66  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>07-22-2008</i>           | 59.76 | 40.24 | 12.48 | 4.10  | 0.98  | 0.15 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2008</i> | 34.57 | 65.43 | 43.33 | 25.83 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 59.28 | 40.72 | 10.01 | 0.76  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>10-23-2007</i>           | 36.98 | 63.02 | 46.88 | 29.39 | 6.79  | 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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