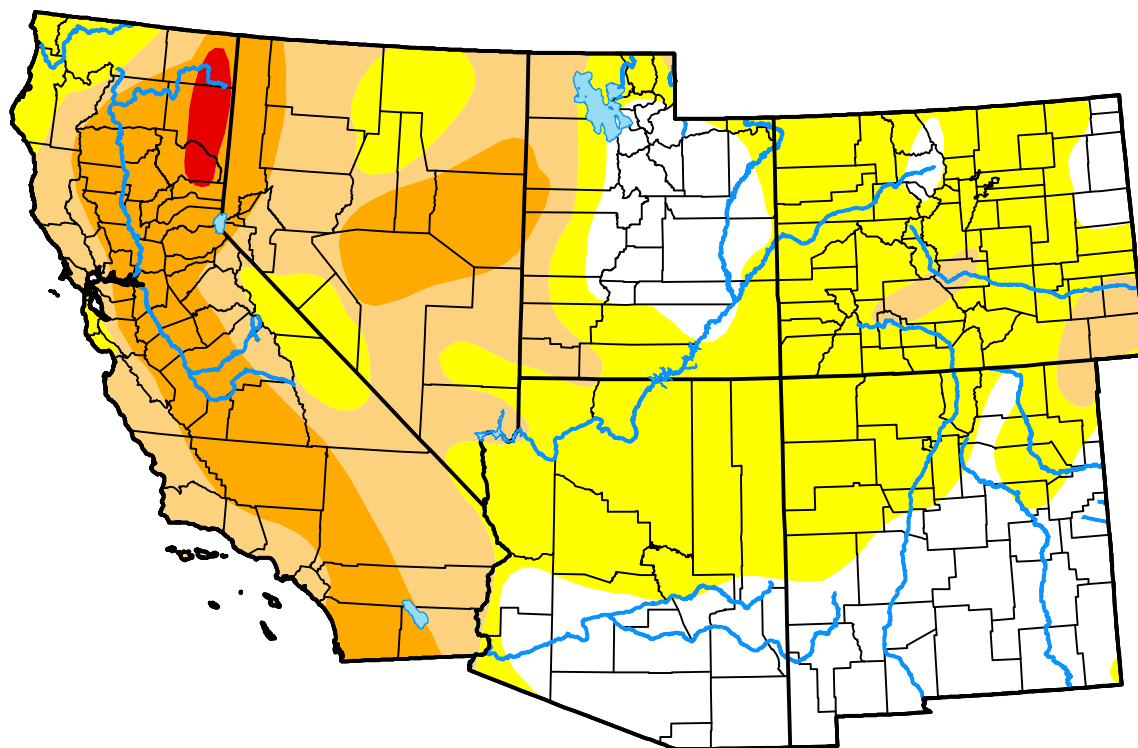


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	23.65	39.33	20.90	15.40	0.73	0.00
Last Week <i>12-02-2008</i>	23.65	39.64	22.75	13.96	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-09-2008</i>	40.05	21.35	23.54	15.06	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	26.18	19.15	15.73	34.26	4.68	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	39.88	21.58	22.11	15.96	0.47	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-11-2007</i>	24.66	20.74	15.68	34.26	4.67	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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