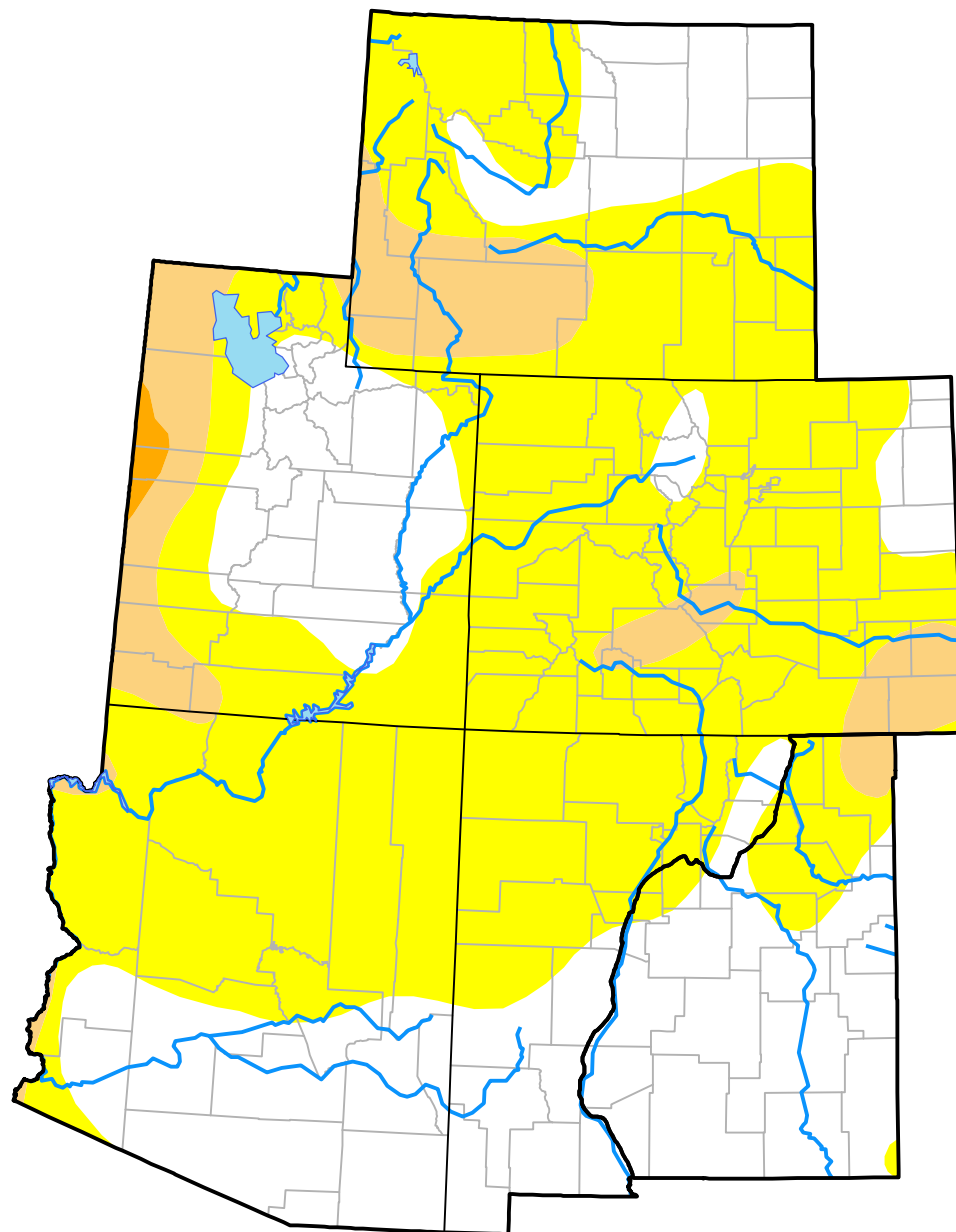


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	36.57	63.43	9.30	0.33	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>12-11-2008</i>	36.59	63.41	9.30	0.33	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2008</i>	59.70	40.30	9.12	1.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	34.93	65.07	38.24	22.70	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i>	59.73	40.27	9.16	0.67	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2007</i>	34.93	65.07	38.24	22.70	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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