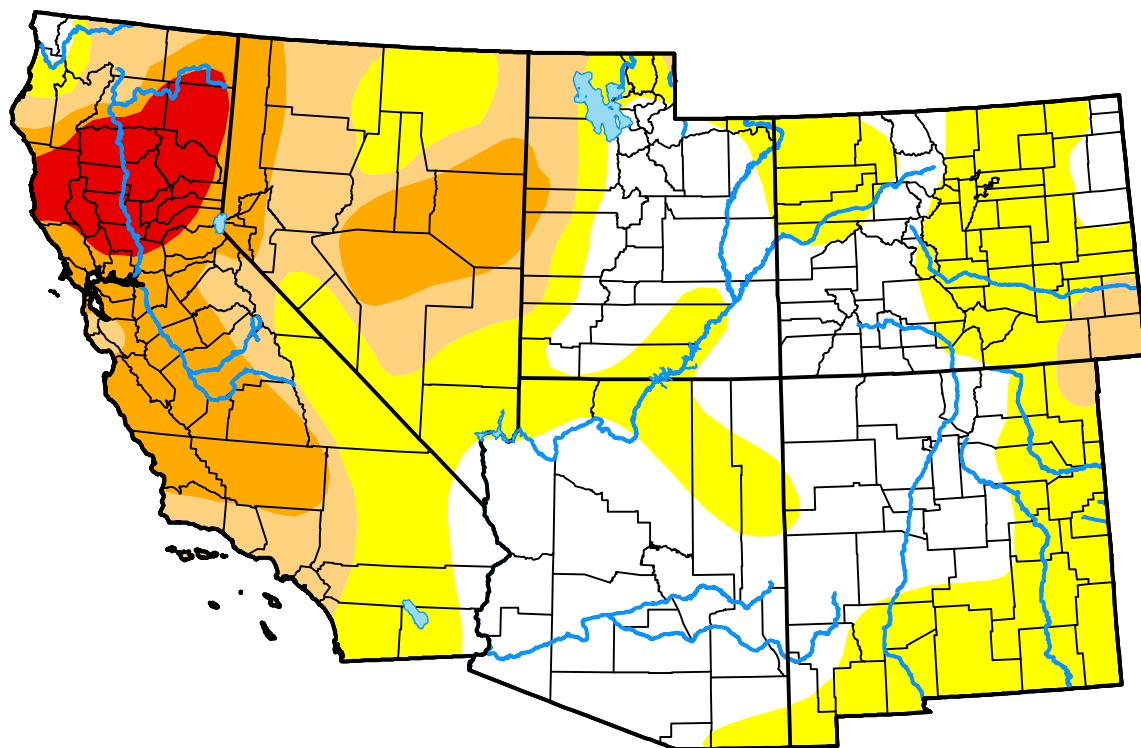


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	35.40	34.60	13.48	12.72	3.81	0.00
Last Week <i>02-10-2009</i>	31.65	34.90	15.86	13.25	4.33	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>11-18-2008</i>	26.71	37.17	22.16	13.96	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>12-30-2008</i>	32.49	30.93	21.86	14.09	0.63	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>02-19-2008</i>	30.66	35.08	18.86	15.40	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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