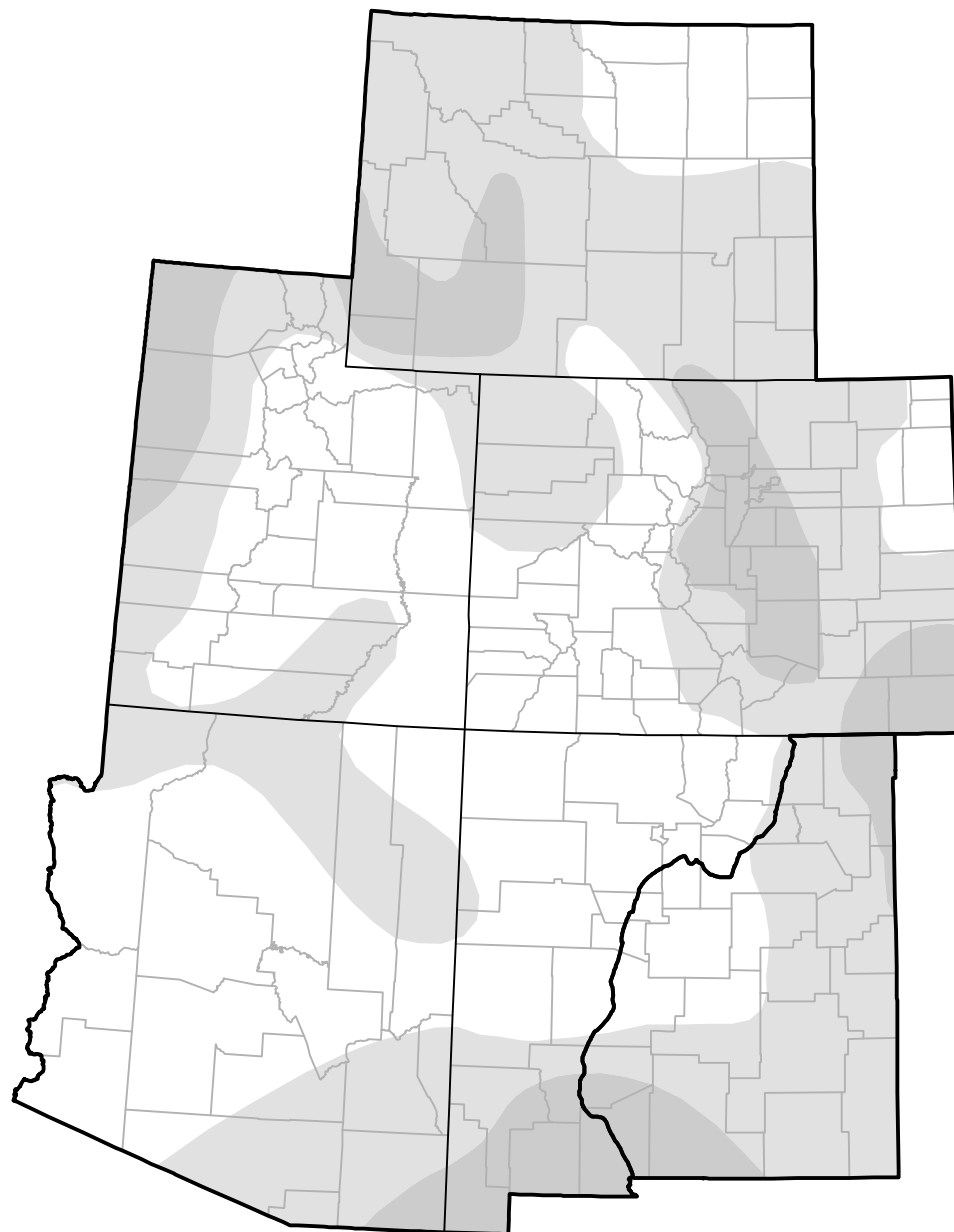


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Intermountain West RDEWS



**March 17, 2009**  
*(Released Thursday, Mar. 19, 2009)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT

### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 44.07 | 55.93 | 12.79 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-12-2009</i>              | 44.07 | 55.93 | 11.62 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-18-2008</i>           | 36.57 | 63.43 | 9.30  | 0.33  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2009</i> | 47.80 | 52.20 | 8.47  | 0.33  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2008</i>    | 59.73 | 40.27 | 9.16  | 0.67  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-20-2008</i>           | 46.74 | 53.26 | 25.00 | 8.71  | 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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