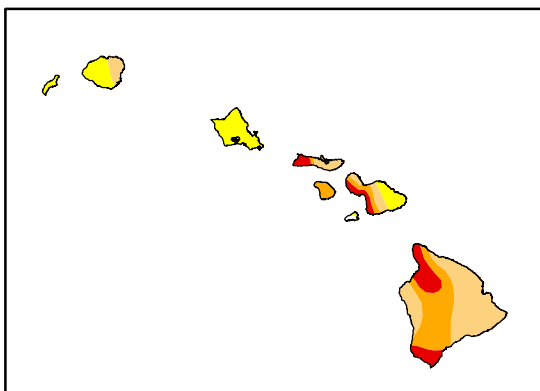
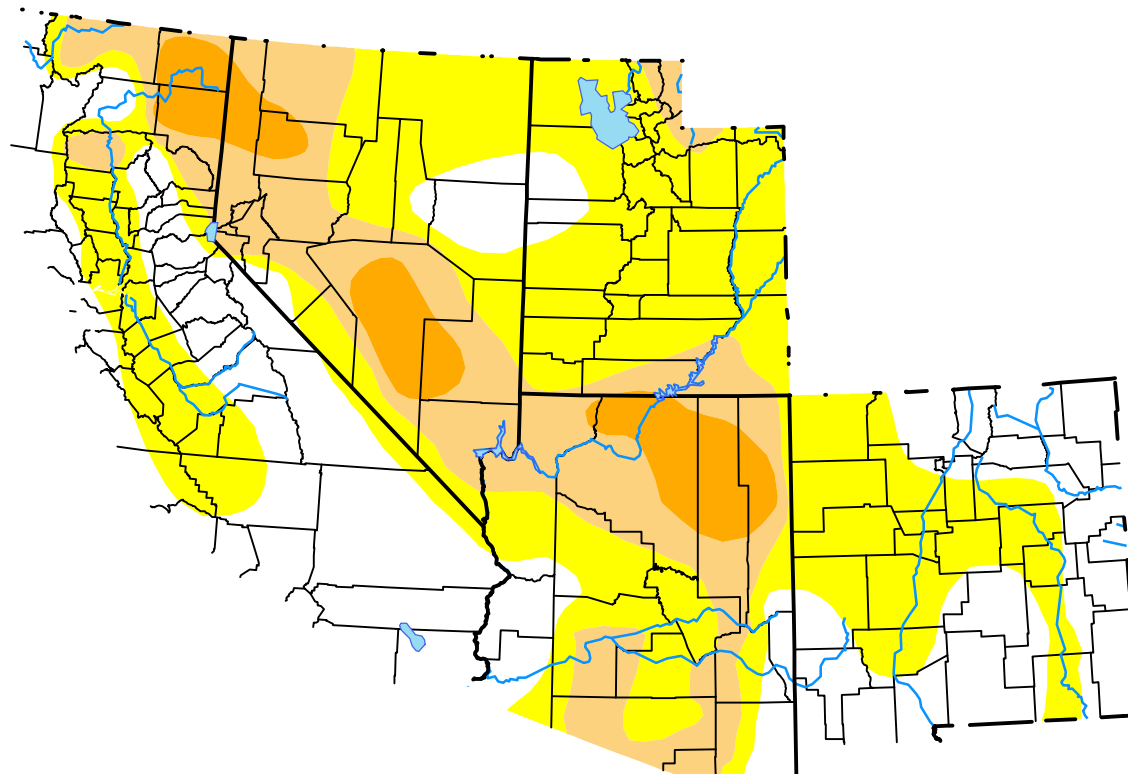


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USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	34.21	65.79	25.50	6.92	0.14	0.00
Last Week 02-11-2010	28.93	71.07	25.48	6.26	0.14	0.00
3 Months Ago 11-19-2009	27.23	72.77	49.97	19.06	0.06	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2009	22.37	77.63	52.83	19.14	1.03	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2009	30.31	69.69	38.16	14.12	0.07	0.00
One Year Ago 02-19-2009	35.15	64.85	34.37	19.62	4.49	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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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