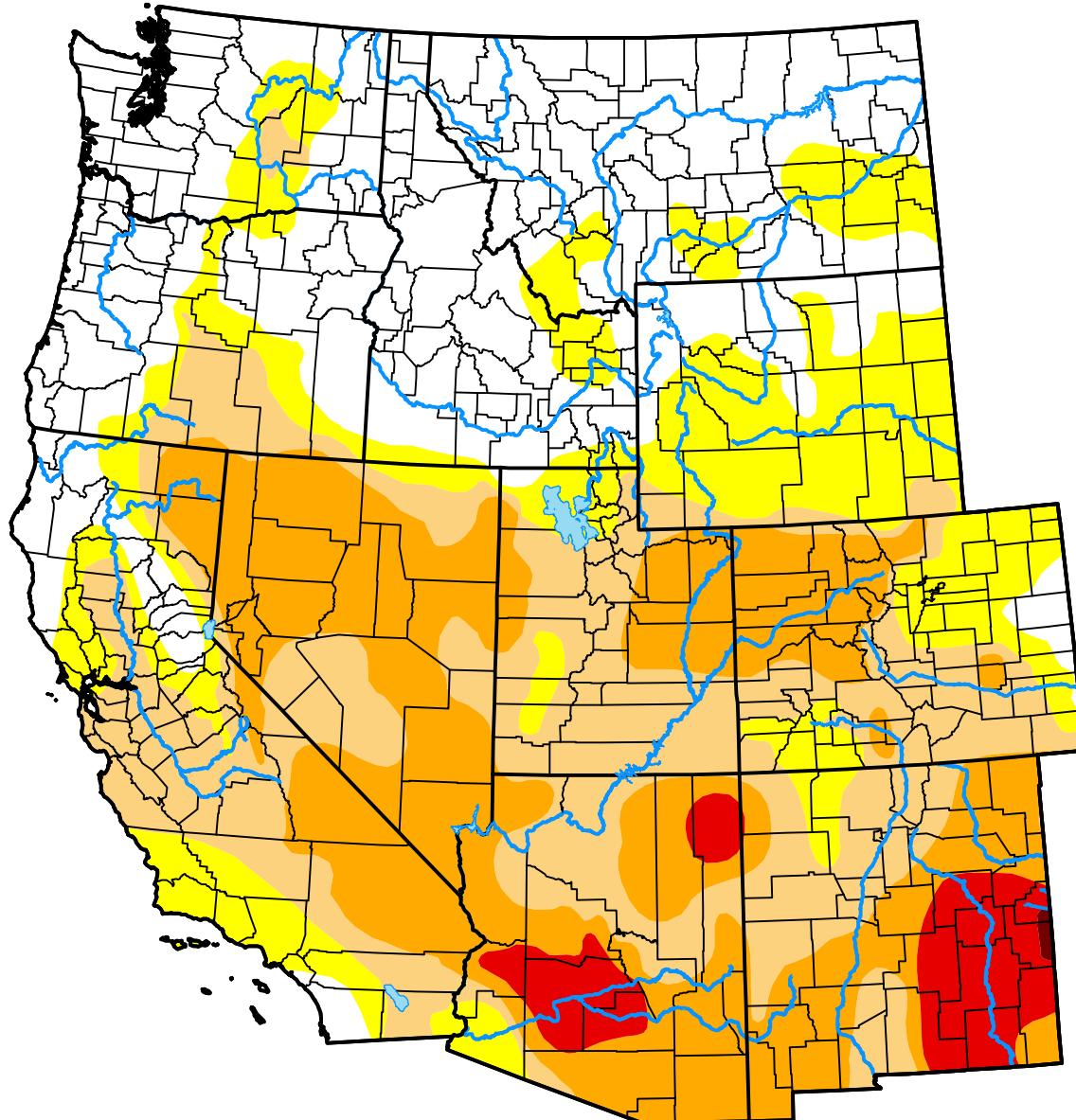


U.S. Drought Monitor

West



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	31.27	68.73	50.07	27.34	4.02	0.07
Last Week 05-08-2012	31.85	68.15	49.83	26.45	4.36	0.36
3 Months Ago 02-14-2012	33.22	66.78	40.87	10.32	2.56	0.83
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	50.20	49.80	28.05	11.84	2.67	0.78
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	66.72	33.28	19.04	14.99	9.30	3.81
One Year Ago 05-17-2011	76.18	23.82	19.58	14.72	8.78	3.28

Intensity:

	None		D2 Severe Drought
	D0 Abnormally Dry		D3 Extreme Drought
	D1 Moderate Drought		D4 Exceptional Drought

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