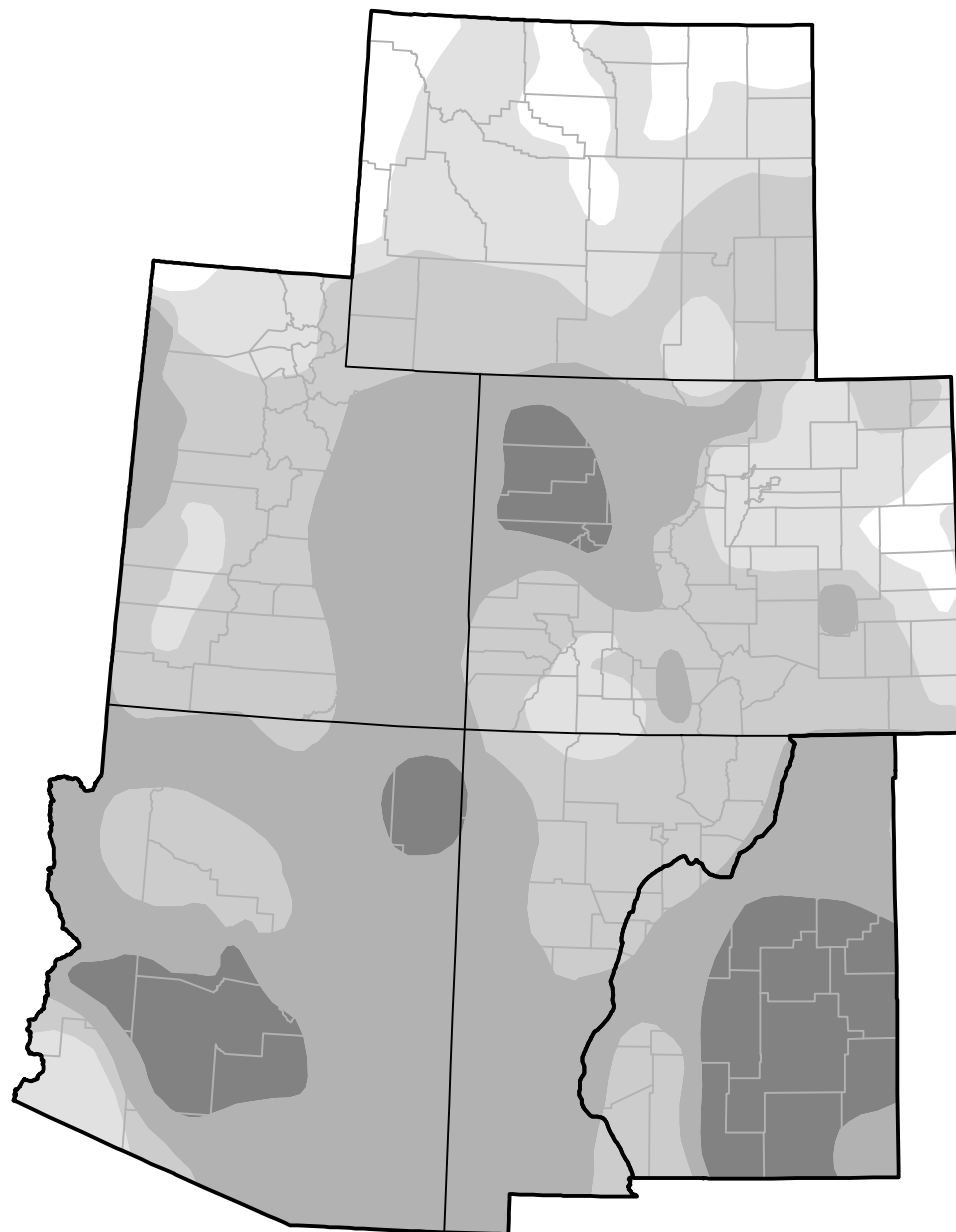


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Intermountain West RDEWS



**May 22, 2012**

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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 5.14  | 94.86 | 77.99 | 47.37 | 10.59 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-17-2012</i>              | 6.56  | 93.44 | 71.60 | 39.70 | 9.14  | 0.16 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-23-2012</i>           | 27.61 | 72.39 | 52.63 | 23.26 | 5.81  | 1.89 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2012</i> | 51.79 | 48.21 | 38.59 | 26.88 | 6.05  | 1.76 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2011</i>    | 45.58 | 54.42 | 43.23 | 34.04 | 21.12 | 8.65 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-26-2011</i>           | 49.99 | 50.01 | 41.61 | 31.82 | 19.99 | 7.56 |

### 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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