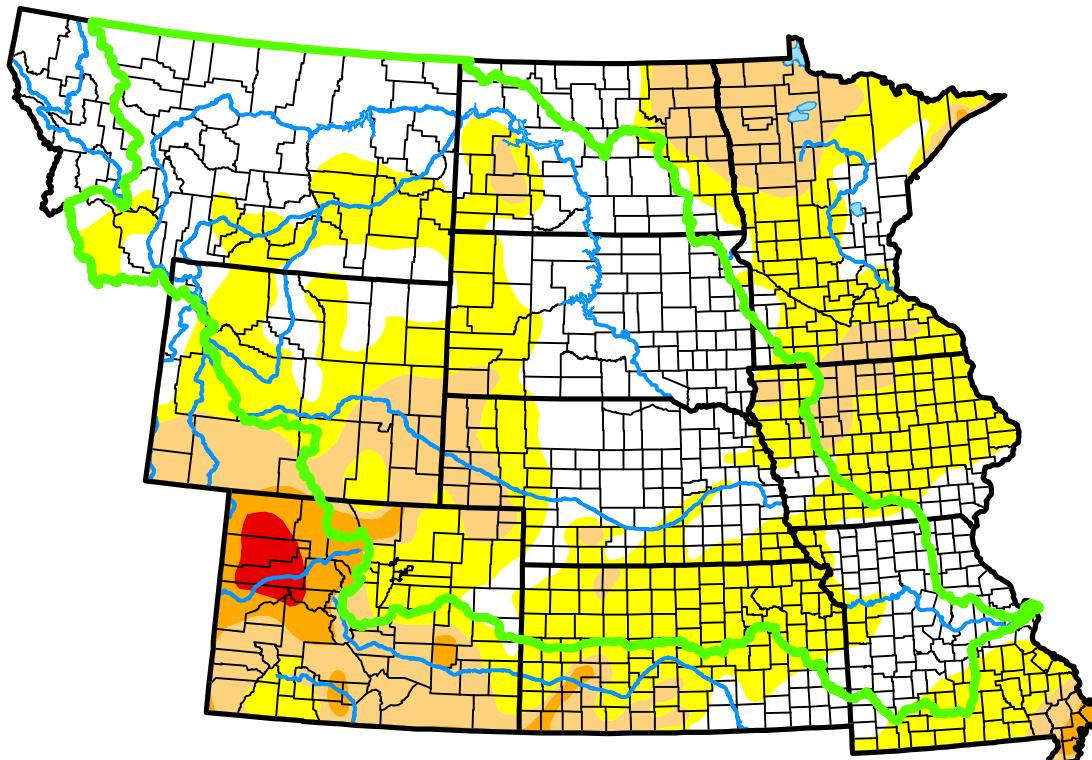


U.S. Drought Monitor
**Missouri River Basin DEWS
and Surrounding Areas**



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	54.90	36.81	7.75	0.54	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-15-2012	68.23	27.63	3.61	0.53	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-21-2012	69.35	24.21	4.07	2.38	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	74.43	19.07	4.52	1.97	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	71.66	23.74	4.34	0.24	0.01	0.00
One Year Ago 05-24-2011	91.39	4.74	2.76	1.11	0.00	0.00

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

Intensity:

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

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