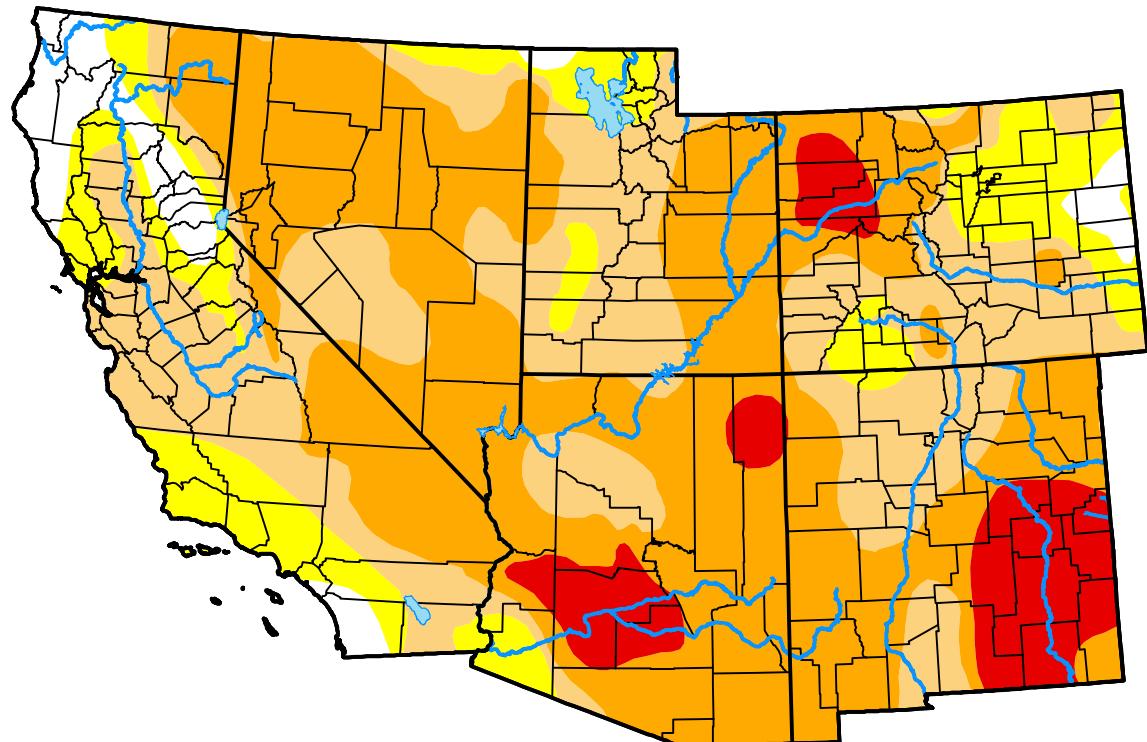


U.S. Drought Monitor

Southwest



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.44	95.56	82.90	52.31	7.98	0.00
Last Week 05-15-2012	4.55	95.45	81.79	46.61	6.89	0.12
3 Months Ago 02-21-2012	9.84	90.16	67.81	19.58	4.38	1.43
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	34.66	65.34	44.90	20.25	4.56	1.33
Start of Water Year 09-27-2011	55.16	44.84	32.58	25.65	15.91	6.52
One Year Ago 05-24-2011	62.31	37.69	31.35	23.98	15.06	5.69

Intensity:

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

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