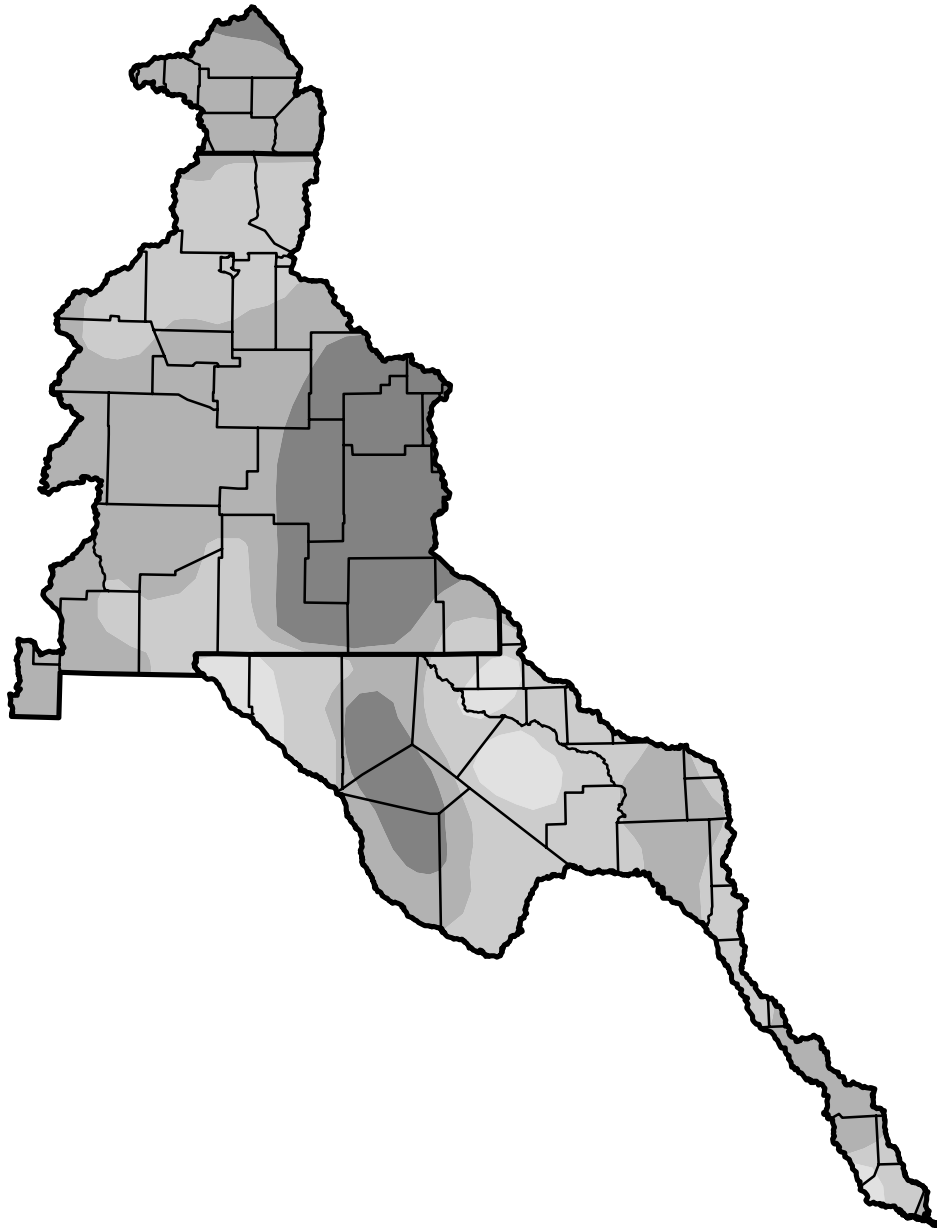


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




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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	4.52	31.84	43.15	20.49	0.00
Last Week <i>07-10-2012</i>	0.00	2.96	29.85	46.13	21.07	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>04-17-2012</i>	0.00	9.39	19.46	29.31	26.38	15.45
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	1.79	2.70	8.92	36.62	23.34	26.64
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i>	0.07	0.78	3.71	13.75	30.41	51.29
One Year Ago <i>07-19-2011</i>	0.07	0.93	1.32	9.21	21.55	66.92

Intensity:

-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Moderate Drought
-  D2 Severe Drought
-  D3 Extreme 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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