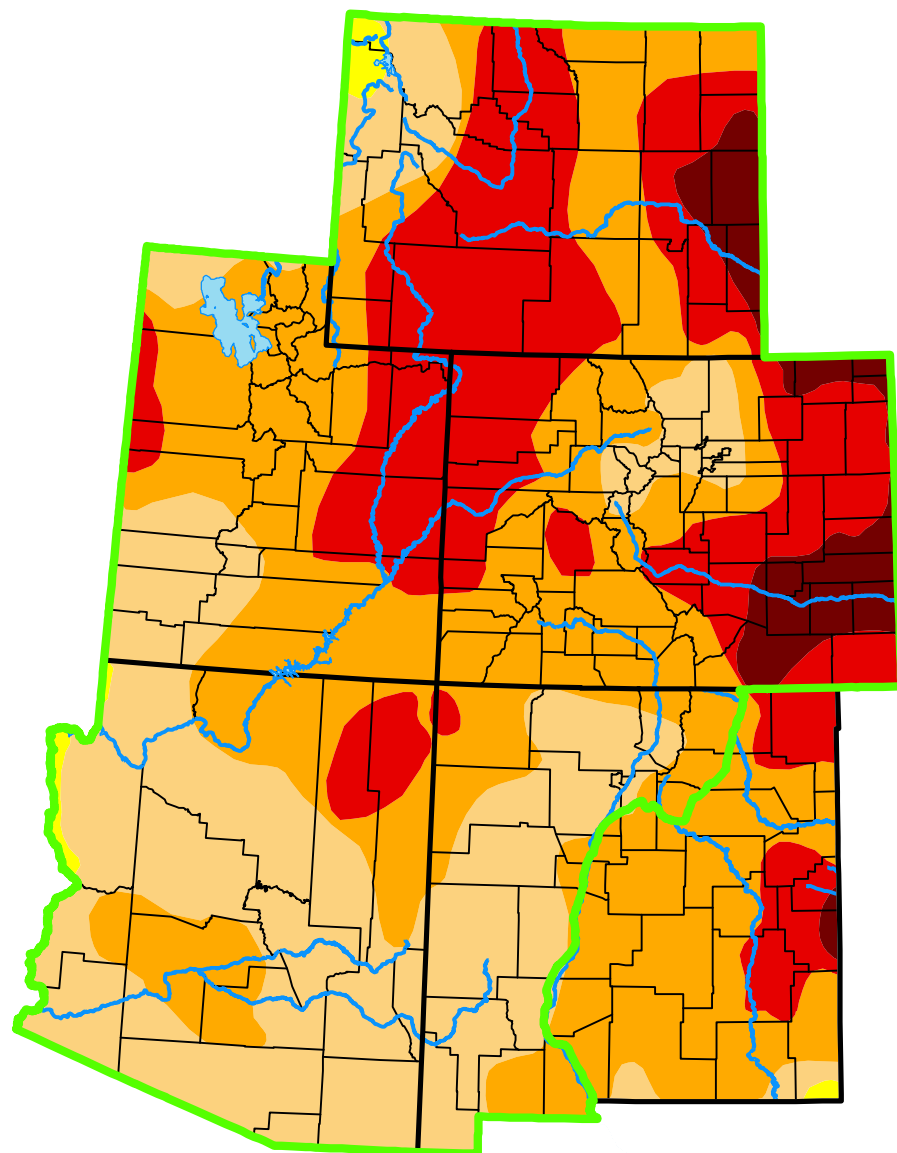


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS and Surrounding Areas



October 16, 2012

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 0.00 | 0.78 | 33.03 | 36.69 | 24.71 | 4.80 |
| Last Week <i>10-09-2012</i> | 0.00 | 0.43 | 32.79 | 36.81 | 25.16 | 4.80 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>07-17-2012</i> | 0.58 | 2.36 | 15.39 | 49.70 | 31.57 | 0.40 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i> | 58.92 | 10.89 | 13.13 | 16.37 | 0.70 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i> | 0.00 | 0.42 | 30.54 | 36.89 | 27.73 | 4.41 |
| One Year Ago <i>10-18-2011</i> | 55.11 | 11.34 | 9.39 | 13.70 | 8.80 | 1.65 |

(Statistics for area highlighted in green)

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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