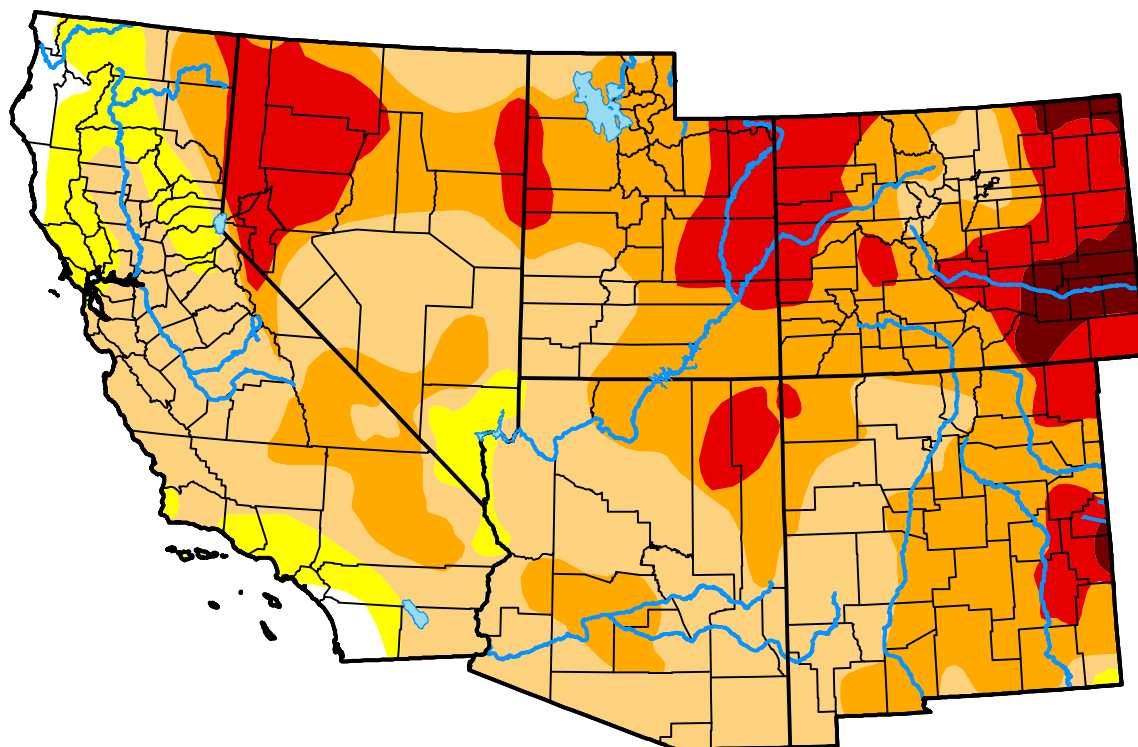


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.51	6.88	38.14	35.47	15.78	2.22
Last Week <i>10-09-2012</i>	1.52	5.57	38.88	35.58	16.23	2.23
3 Months Ago <i>07-17-2012</i>	3.62	5.83	19.44	45.88	24.97	0.27
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i>	34.66	20.43	24.65	15.69	3.23	1.33
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2012</i>	2.72	4.37	37.46	35.79	16.99	2.65
One Year Ago <i>10-18-2011</i>	57.04	11.62	6.23	10.60	9.60	4.91

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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