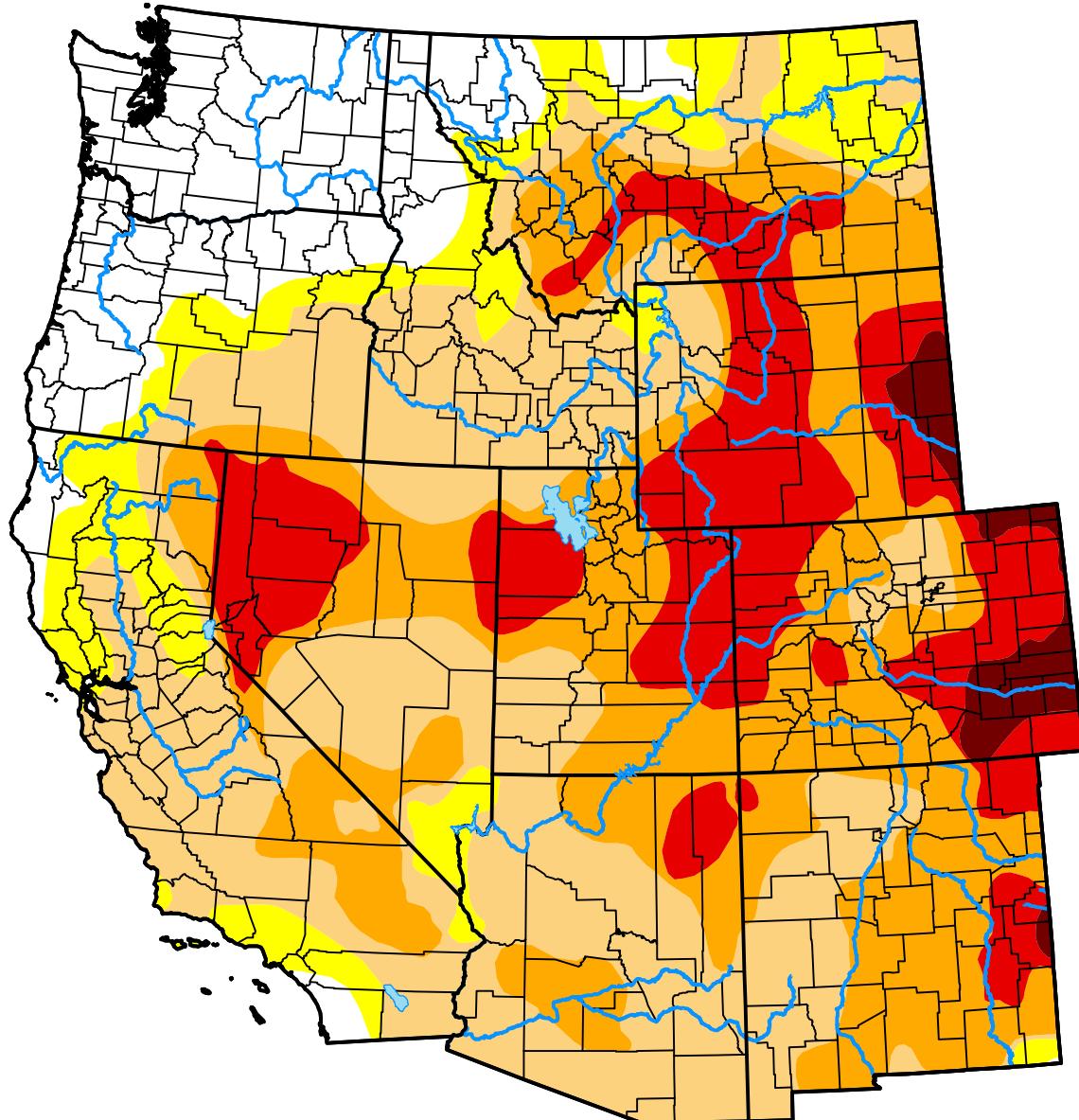


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## West



October 23, 2012  
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### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	14.05	85.95	76.17	43.80	17.77	1.93
Last Week 10-16-2012	13.22	86.78	76.22	42.63	15.79	1.93
3 Months Ago 07-24-2012	20.07	79.93	68.22	50.19	17.53	0.25
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2012	50.20	49.80	28.05	11.84	2.67	0.78
Start of Water Year 09-25-2012	15.12	84.88	77.15	43.65	16.85	1.77
One Year Ago 10-25-2011	74.12	25.88	18.32	14.67	8.48	2.87

### 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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