

# 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
<b>Current</b>	14.05	85.95	76.17	43.80	17.77	1.93
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10-16-2012</i>	13.22	86.78	76.22	42.63	15.79	1.93
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>07-24-2012</i>	20.07	79.93	68.22	50.19	17.53	0.25
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2012</i>	50.20	49.80	28.05	11.84	2.67	0.78
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2012</i>	15.12	84.88	77.15	43.65	16.85	1.77
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>10-25-2011</i>	74.12	25.88	18.32	14.67	8.48	2.87

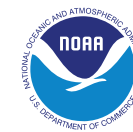
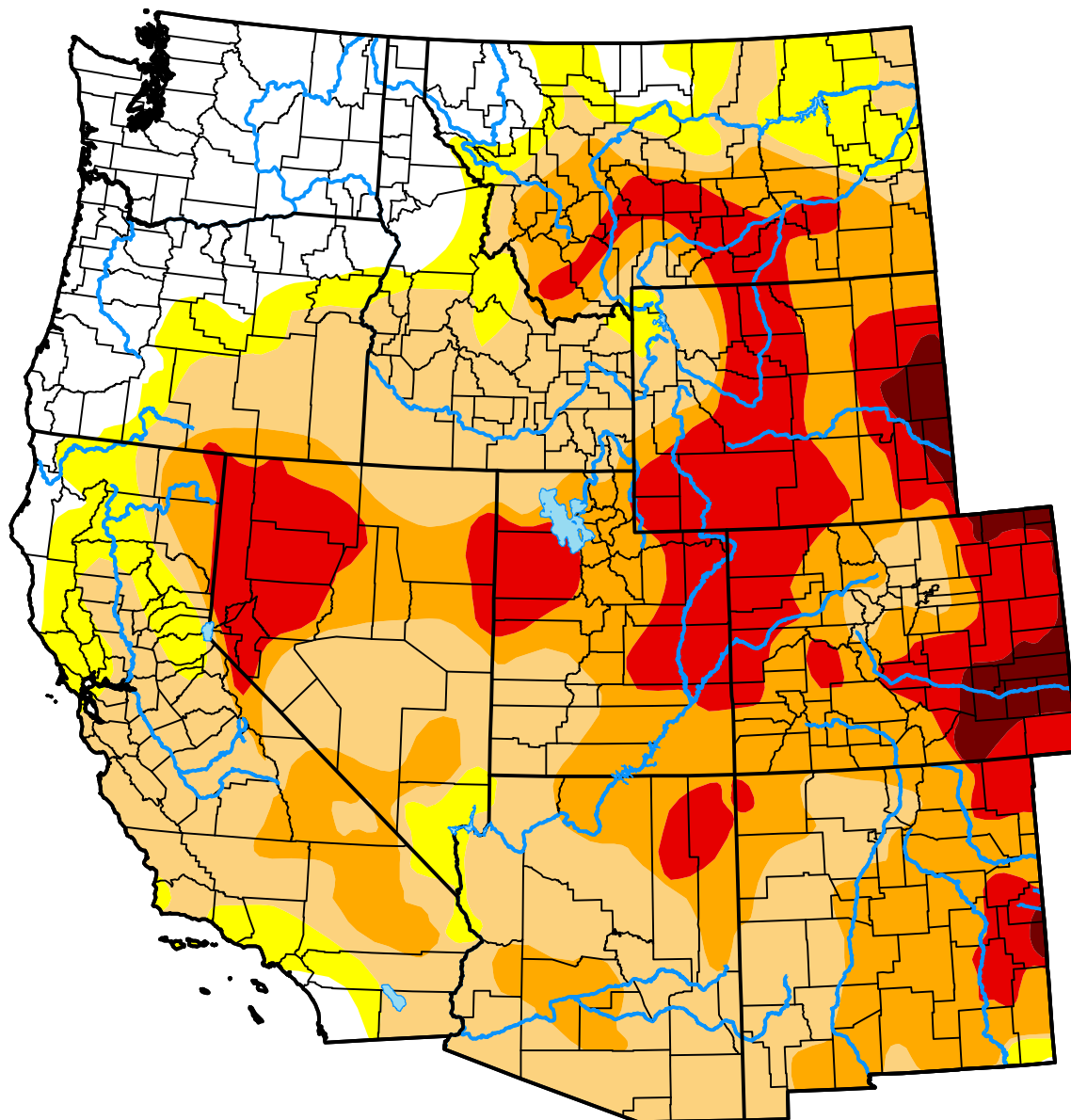
## Intensity:

 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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