

# U.S. Drought Monitor USDA Northwest Climate Hub

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 78.15 | 21.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-02-2017</i>              | 74.04 | 25.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-08-2016</i>           | 86.92 | 10.26 | 2.51 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-05-2017</i> | 87.33 | 12.05 | 0.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2016</i>    | 70.76 | 21.67 | 6.13 | 1.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-10-2016</i>           | 74.67 | 18.01 | 3.50 | 3.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

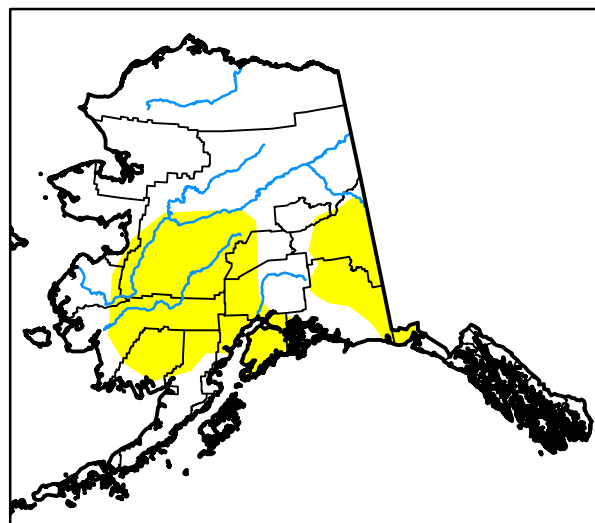
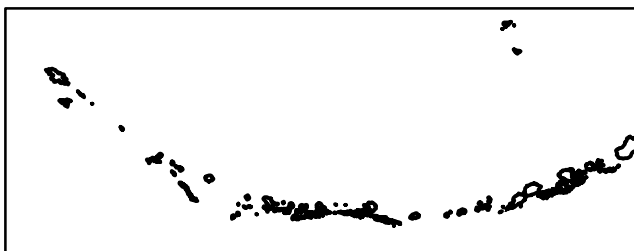
## Intensity:

|                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 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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