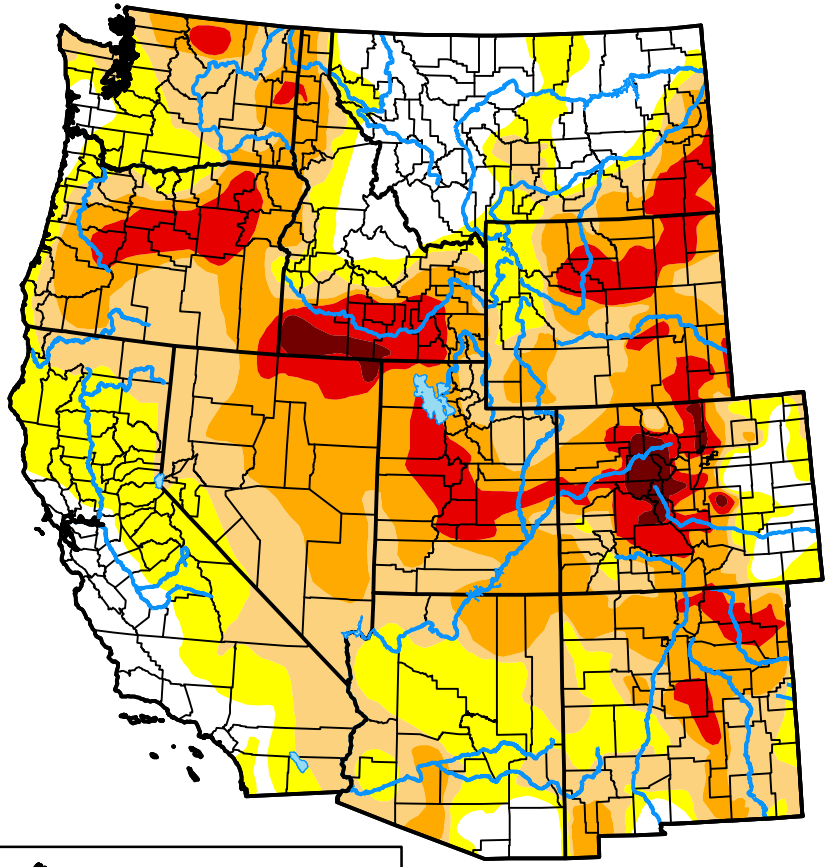
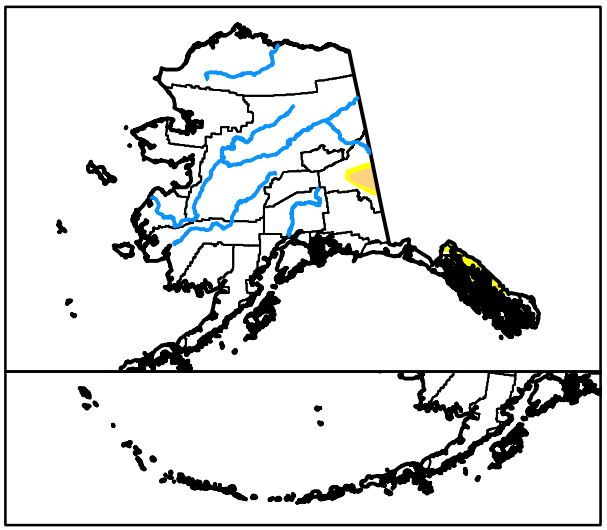
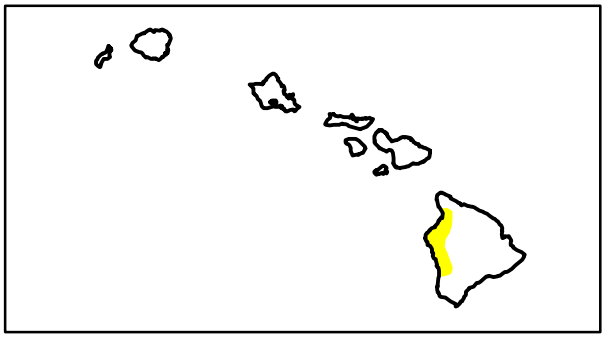
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West Climate Region







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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	42.29	15.09	18.20	16.79	6.77	0.86
Last Week *10-06-2026*	40.27	15.83	18.28	16.97	7.78	0.86
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	35.23	16.42	14.60	20.46	12.01	1.26
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	56.94	18.58	14.79	8.90	0.75	0.04
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	44.95	11.48	13.99	21.54	7.58	0.46
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	46.23	12.48	15.50	19.82	5.69	0.28

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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