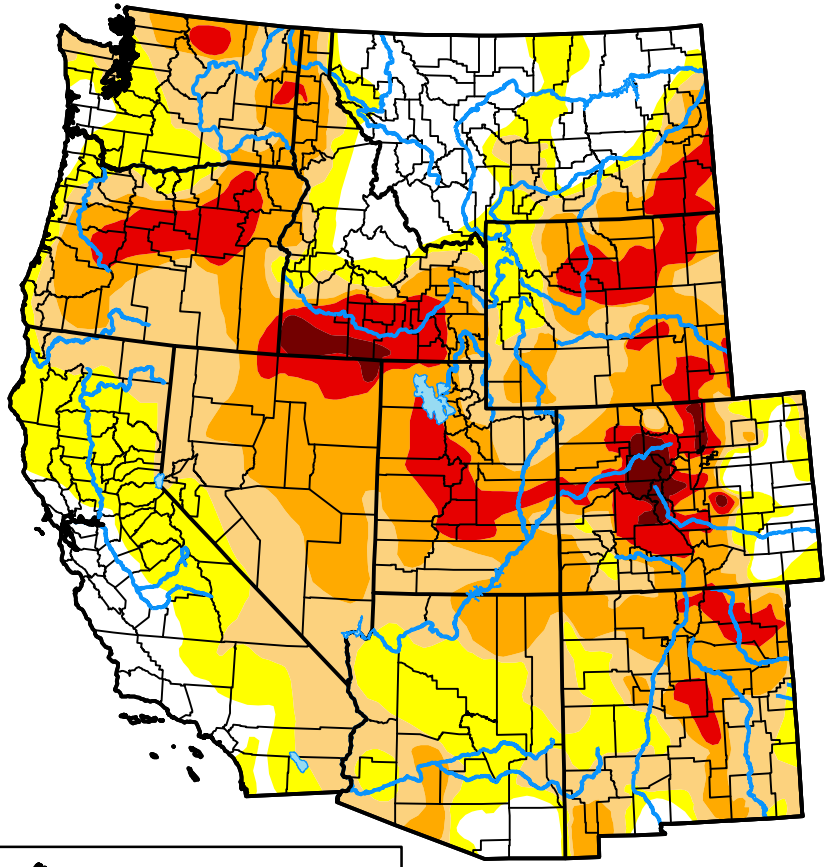
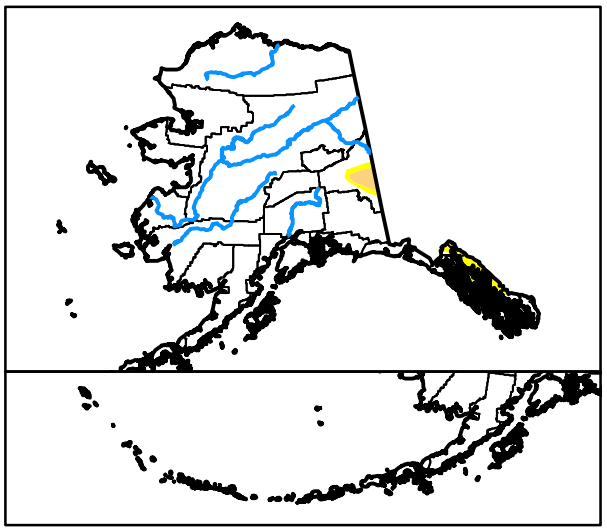
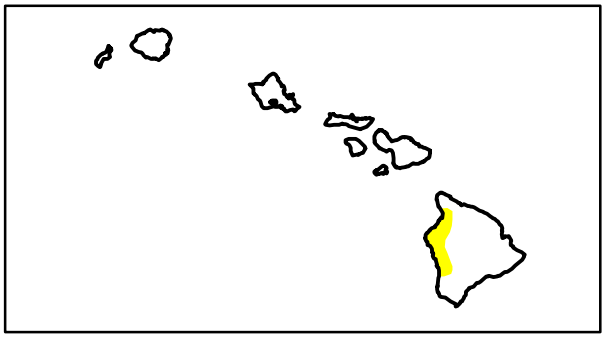
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West Climate Region







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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.29	57.71	42.61	24.42	7.63	0.86
Last Week *10-06-2026*	40.27	59.73	43.90	25.61	8.64	0.86
3 Months Ago *07-14-2026*	35.23	64.77	48.35	33.74	13.28	1.26
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	56.94	43.06	24.48	9.69	0.79	0.04
Start of Water Year *09-30-2025*	44.95	55.05	43.57	29.58	8.04	0.46
One Year Ago *10-14-2025*	46.23	53.77	41.29	25.79	5.97	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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