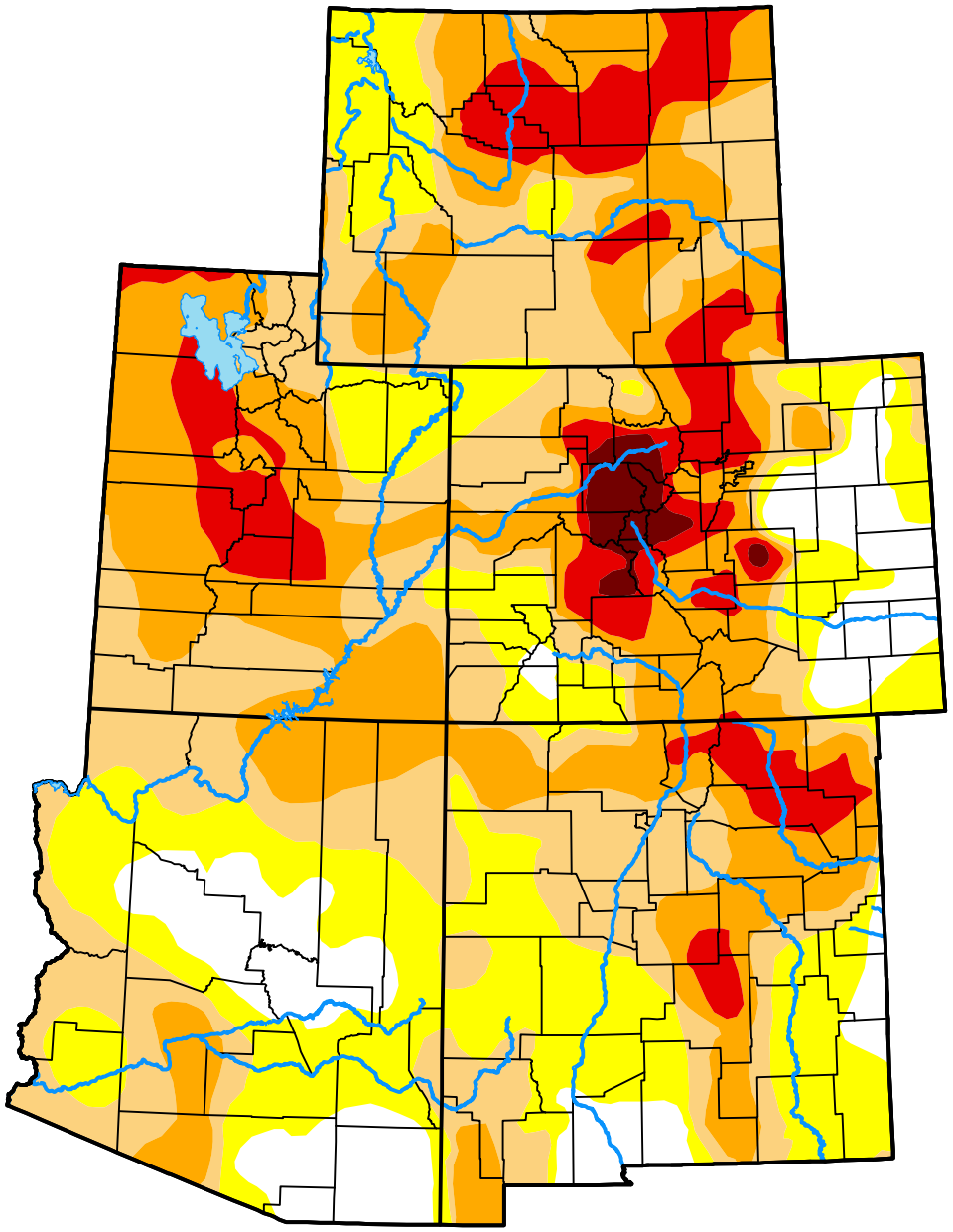
U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West DEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	10.19	23.72	28.20	26.90	9.78	1.19
Last Week *10-13-2026*	5.79	18.75	28.64	32.15	12.98	1.69
3 Months Ago *07-21-2026*	2.20	3.57	15.31	45.23	31.22	2.47
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	17.84	24.84	29.09	26.05	2.05	0.13
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	4.27	11.75	30.57	34.17	17.25	2.00
One Year Ago *10-21-2025*	22.34	12.80	24.59	33.26	7.01	0.00

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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