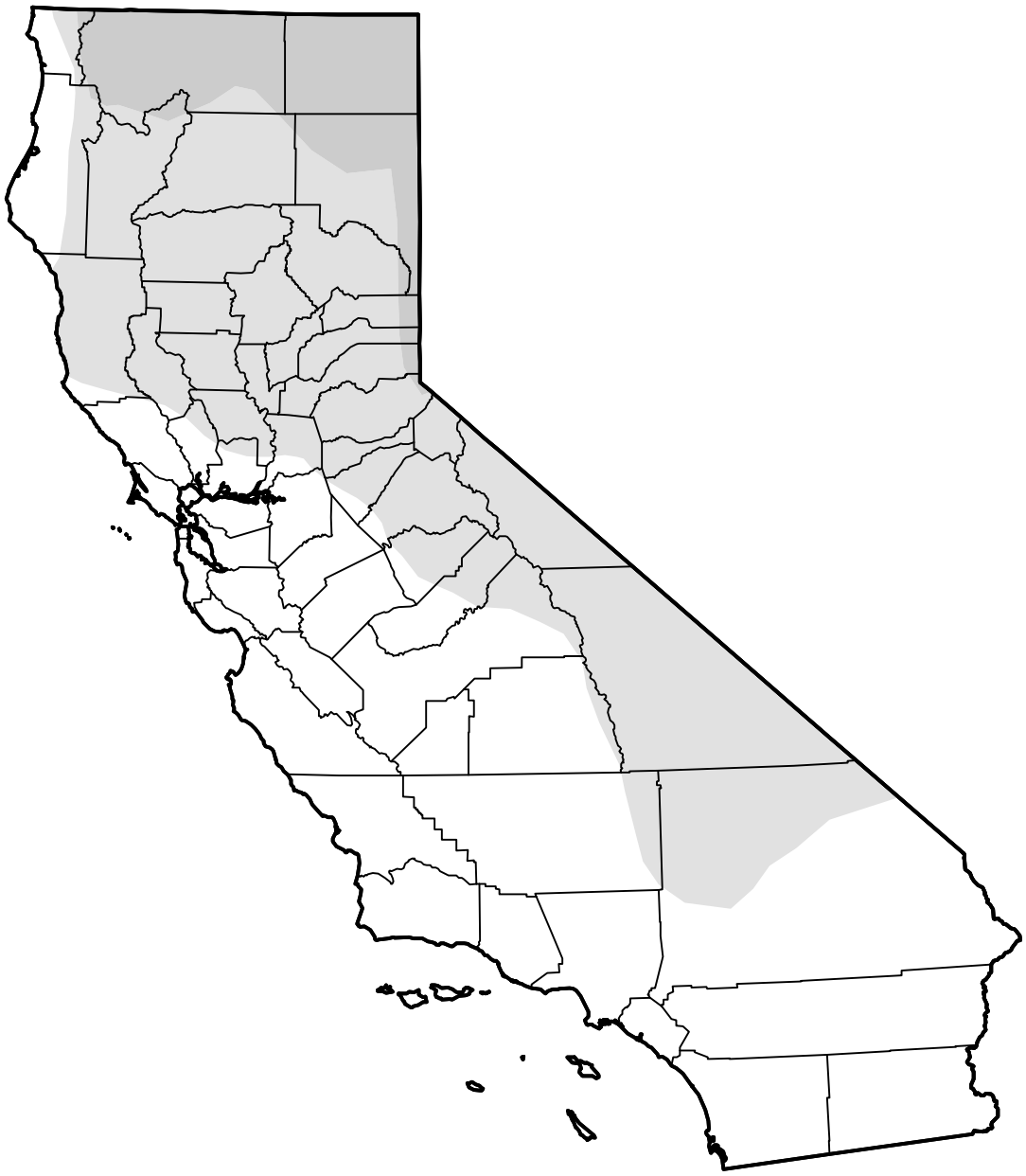
# *U.S. Drought Monitor*

# California



## November 17, 2026

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**Valid 7 a.m. EST**

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Current** | 52.33 | 47.67 | 8.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Last Week** *11-10-2026* | 27.88 | 72.12 | 8.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **3 Months Ago** *08-18-2026* | 34.73 | 65.27 | 7.39 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Calendar Year** *01-06-2026* | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **Start of Water Year** *09-29-2026* | 27.88 | 72.12 | 23.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| **One Year Ago** *11-18-2025* | 70.12 | 29.88 | 14.86 | 0.69 | 0.00 | 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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