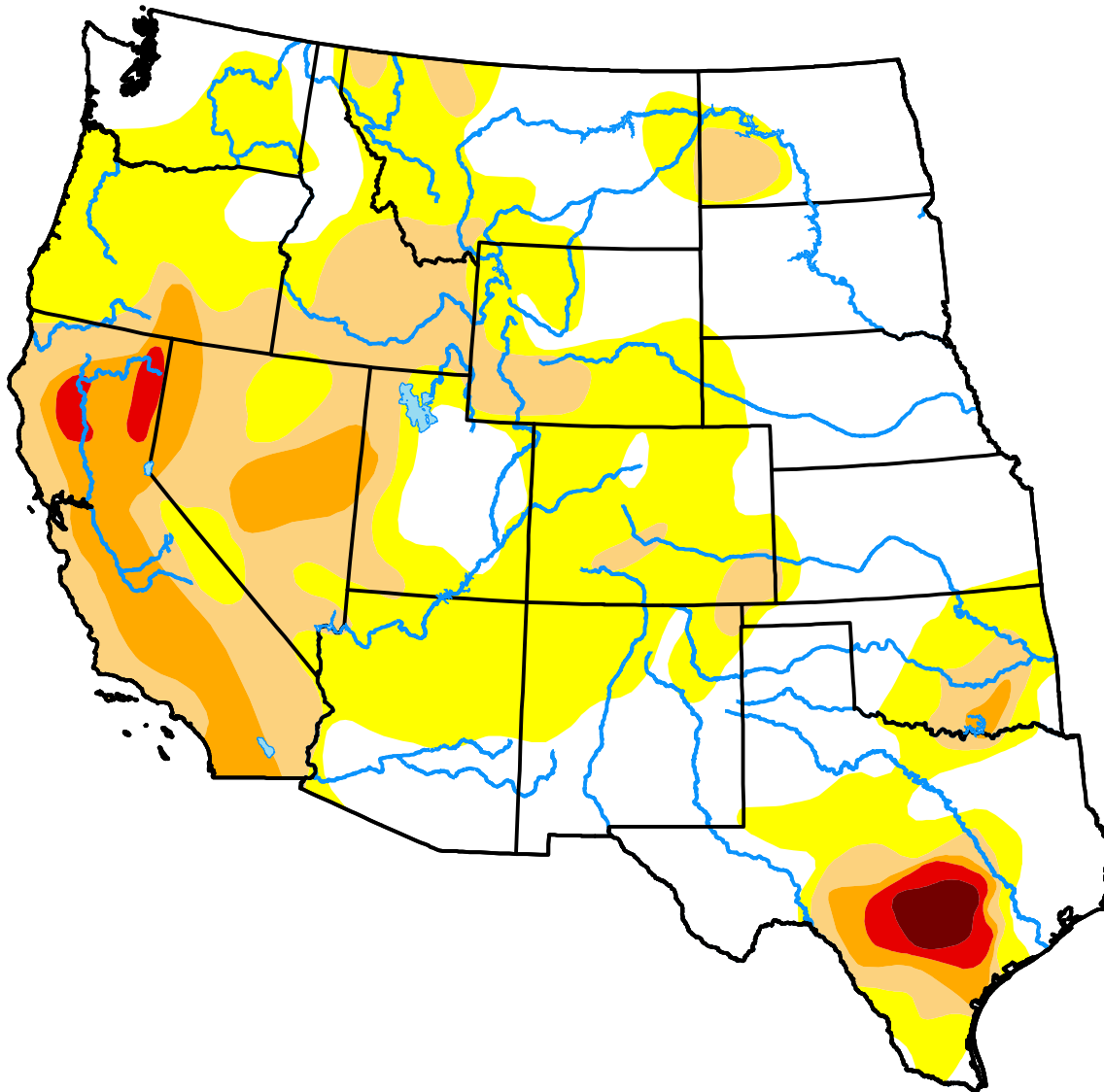


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	41.81	58.19	25.24	8.84	1.82	0.60
Last Week <i>12-09-2008</i>	45.73	54.27	24.55	8.71	1.45	0.46
3 Months Ago <i>09-16-2008</i>	48.05	51.95	24.41	8.67	0.89	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2008</i>	36.64	63.36	41.95	22.78	1.85	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2008</i>	51.73	48.27	23.81	9.07	1.24	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2007</i>	38.45	61.55	40.78	22.82	1.84	0.00

Intensity:



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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