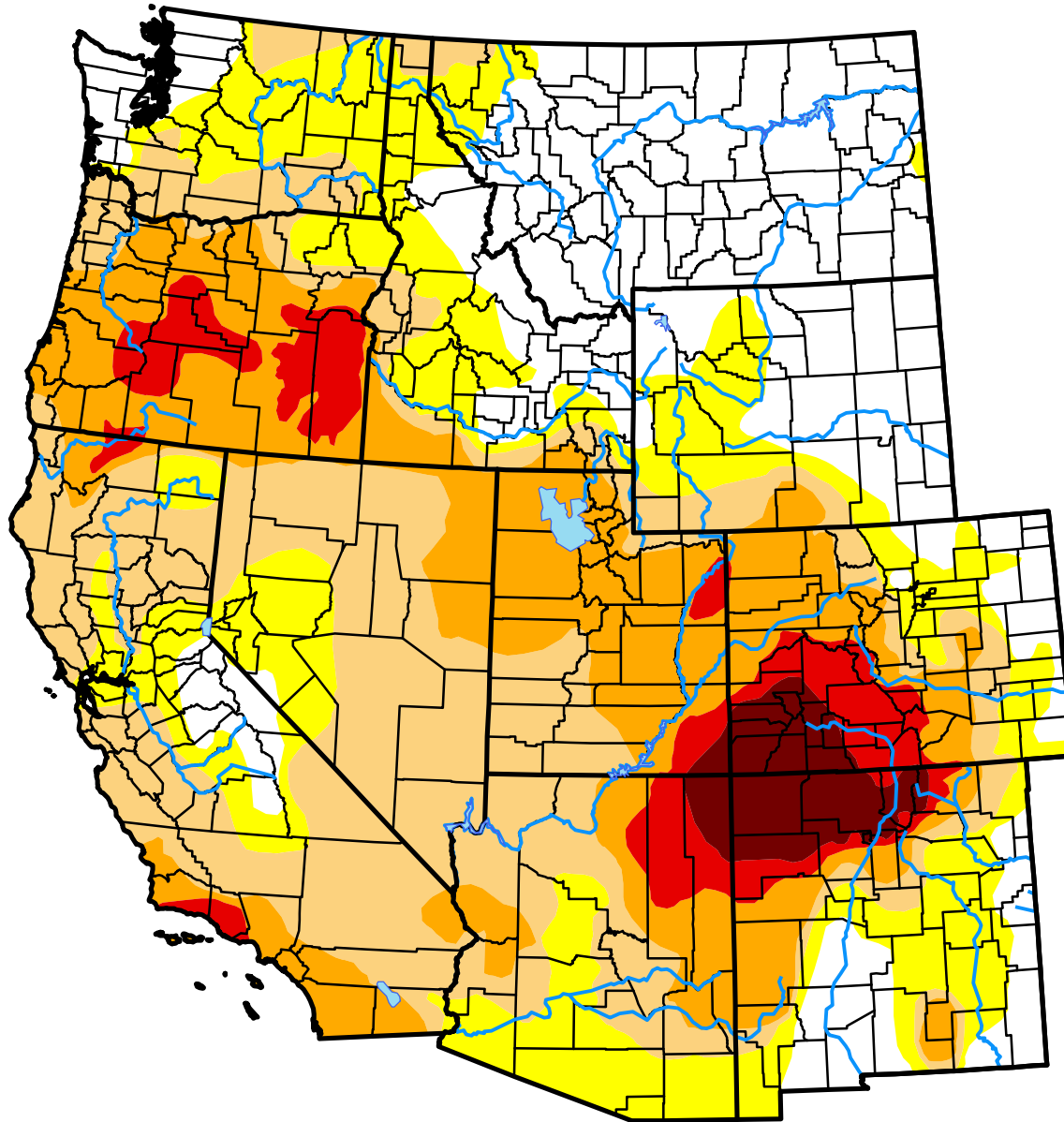


# U.S. Drought Monitor West

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	25.32	74.68	54.37	27.84	8.48	2.92
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-18-2018</i>	25.28	74.72	54.93	28.40	9.43	2.92
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-25-2018</i>	13.91	86.09	59.57	39.68	18.15	4.36
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-02-2018</i>	48.76	51.24	29.03	8.60	1.52	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-25-2018</i>	13.91	86.09	59.57	39.68	18.15	4.36
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-26-2017</i>	46.57	53.43	28.18	5.32	1.52	0.00

***Intensity:***

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.*

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