



# Drought Information Statement for the Mojave Desert and Eastern Sierra

Valid November 27, 2025

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- This product will be updated if drought conditions change significantly.
  - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
  - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/VEF/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
  - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/> for regional drought status updates.
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- Heavy precipitation fell across the area in mid-November, bringing valley rain and mountain snow above 6000 feet in elevation.
  - A strong start to Water Year 2026 allowed for Drought Monitor improvements for much of the area, including the elimination of remaining D3.



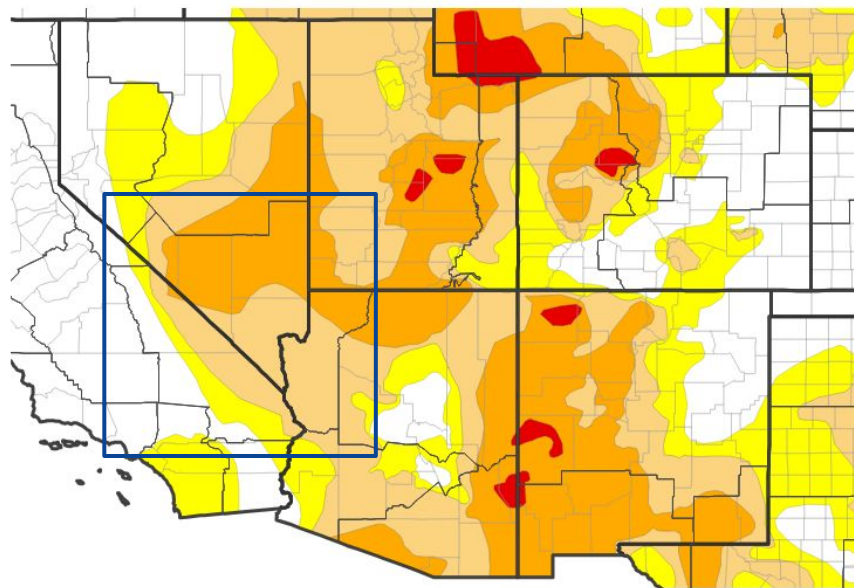


# U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for the Southwestern United States

- Drought Intensity and Extent
  - **D4 (Exceptional Drought):** None.
  - **D3 (Extreme Drought):** None.
  - **D2 (Severe Drought):** Most of Lincoln and central Nye counties, eastern Esmeralda County, far northern Mohave County.
  - **D1 (Moderate Drought):** Most of Clark and Mohave counties, central Esmeralda County, and Inyo and San Bernardino counties along the California/Nevada state line.
  - **D0 (Abnormally Dry):** Sections of central Inyo and San Bernardino counties, western Esmeralda County.

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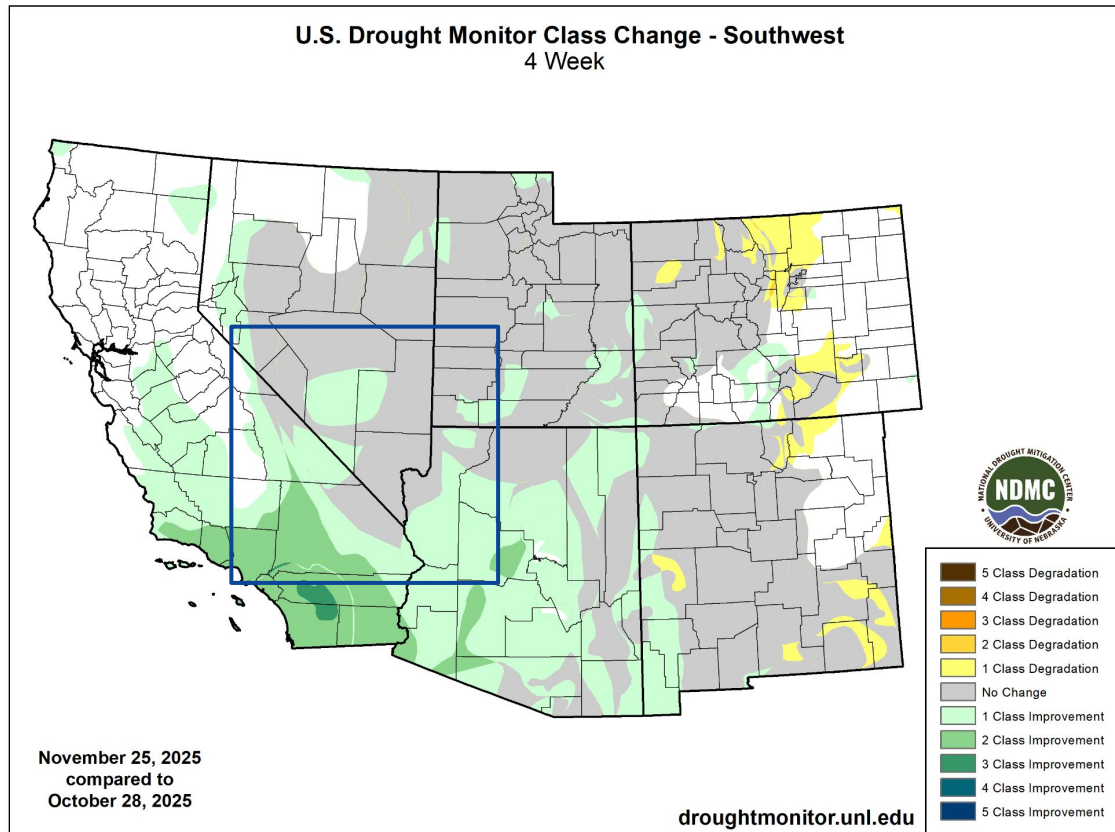


# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for Southwestern United States

## Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.

- **Drought Worsened:** No degradation was observed.
- **No Change:** Parts of eastern Inyo and San Bernardino counties, eastern Lincoln County, all of Clark and Esmeralda counties.
- **Drought Improved:** Central and southern Nye County, western Lincoln County, most of Inyo, San Bernardino, and Mohave counties.

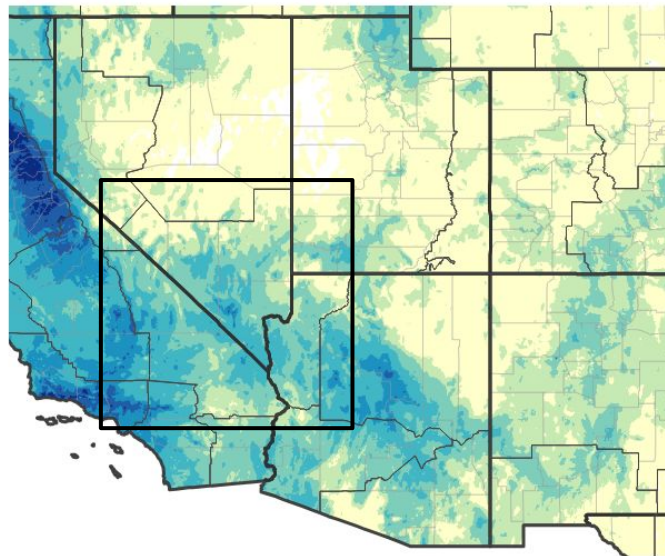




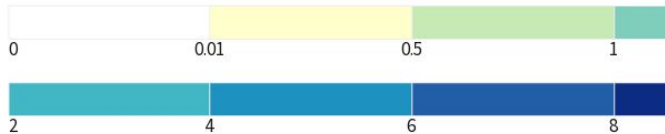
# Precipitation

- 30-day precipitation totals are above-average for most of the area due to daily rainfall lasting from November 14 to 22.
- This includes 1.64 inches of rain in Las Vegas, 1.39 inches above normal for November.
- Snow water equivalent is 2.6 inches in the Spring Mountains, well above the median of 0.4 inch.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

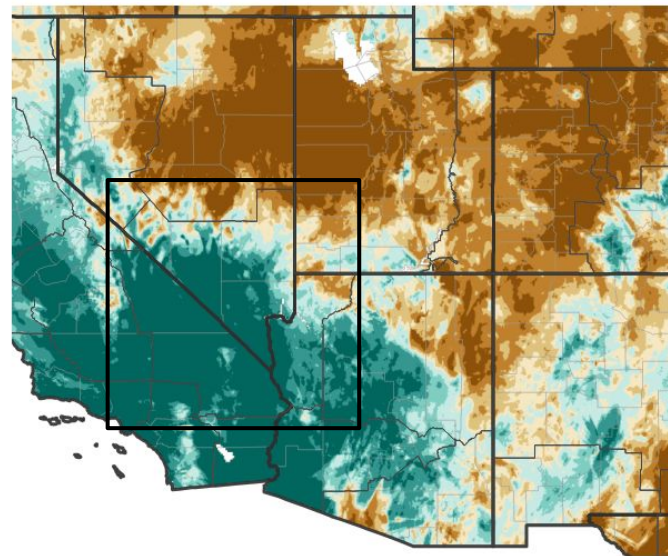


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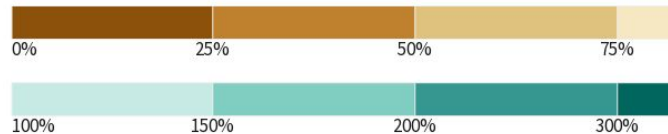


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30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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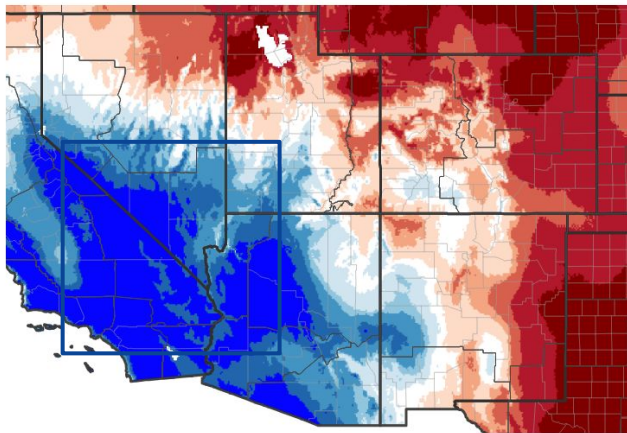




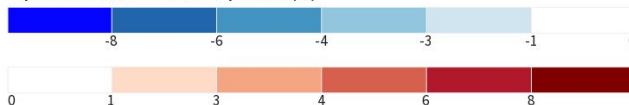
# Temperature

- Average maximum temperatures have been above average over the last 30 days.

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



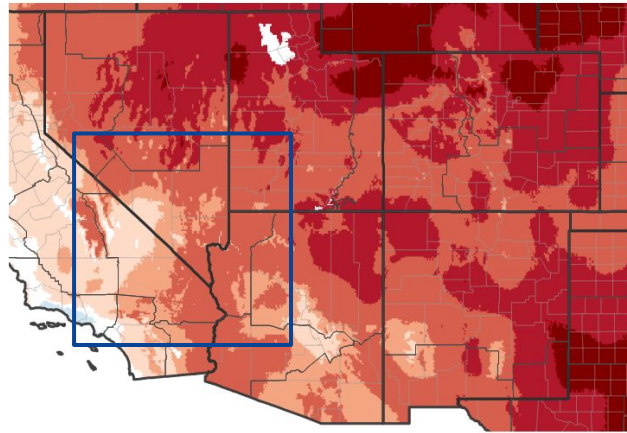
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



Source(s): NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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# Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit [Condition Monitoring Observer Reports \(CMOR\)](#) and view the [Drought Impacts Reporter](#)

## Hydrologic Impacts

- [Lake Mead is at 1,058.12 feet in elevation, or 32 percent full.](#)

## Agricultural Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time.

## Fire Hazard Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time.

## Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time.

## Mitigation Actions

- [Southern Nevada Water Authority is on the winter landscape watering schedule through the end of February.](#)



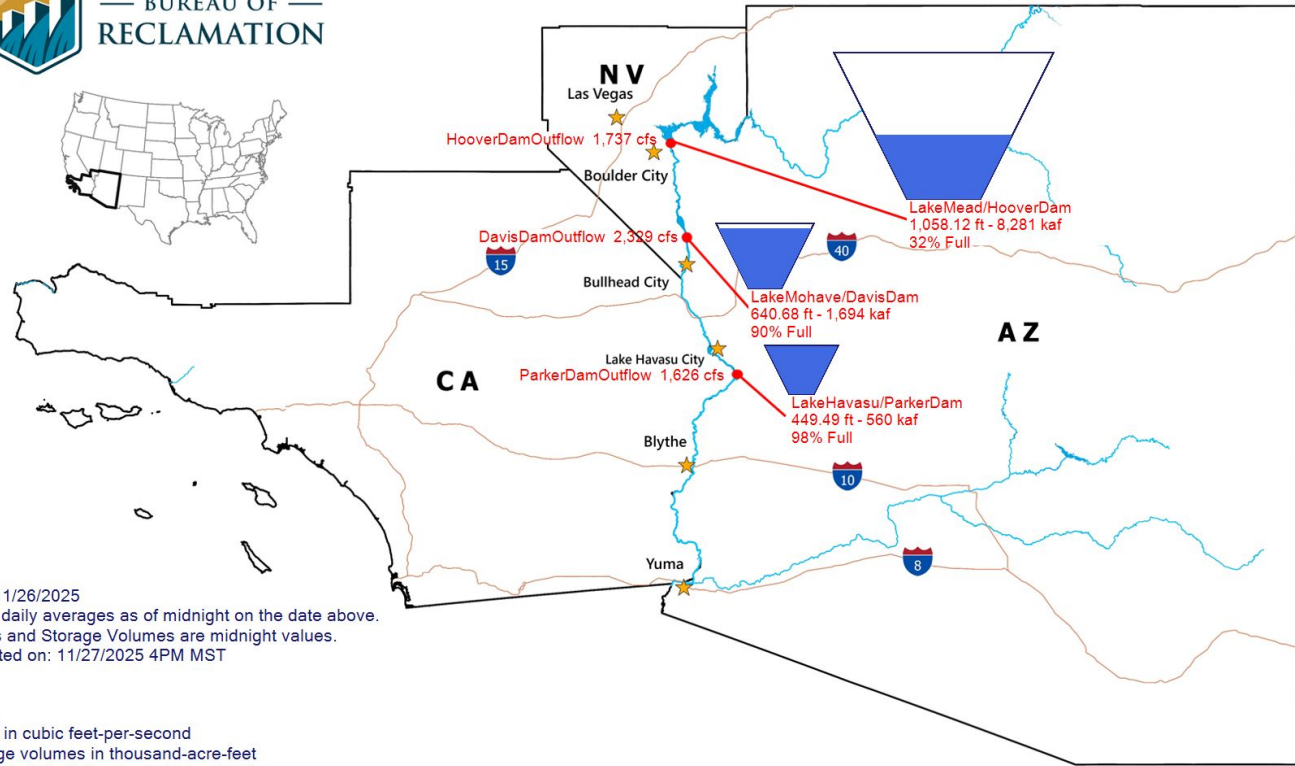


# Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Lake Mead is at 1,058.12 feet in elevation, or 32% full.
- Lake Mohave is at 640.68 feet in elevation, or 90% full.
- Lake Havasu is at 449.49 feet in elevation, or 98% full.
- The Bureau of Reclamation [24-month study](#) indicates that Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, and Lake Havasu elevations increase through February 2026. Lake Havasu will remain steady.



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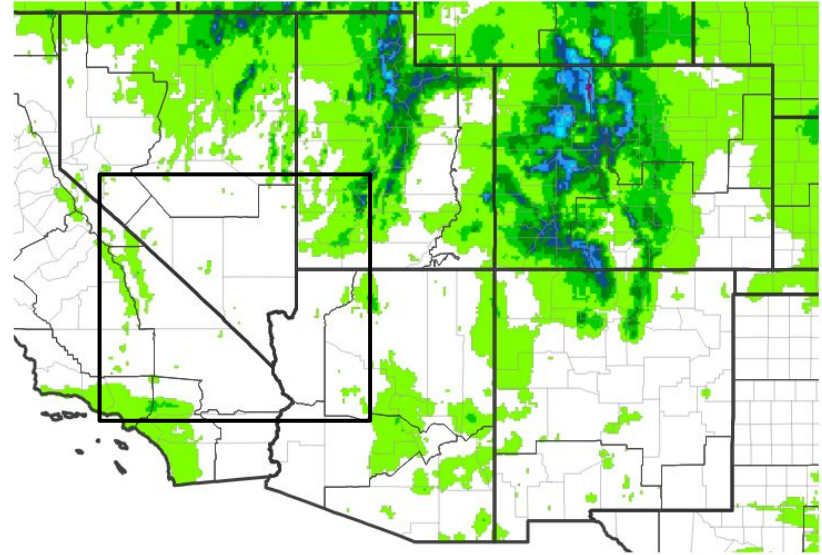




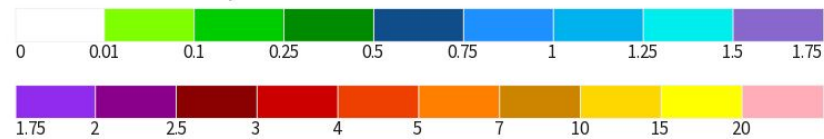
# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- A series of disturbances will move through the region in early December, bringing the potential for light precipitation and cooler temperatures.

## 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for November 27, 2025–December 4, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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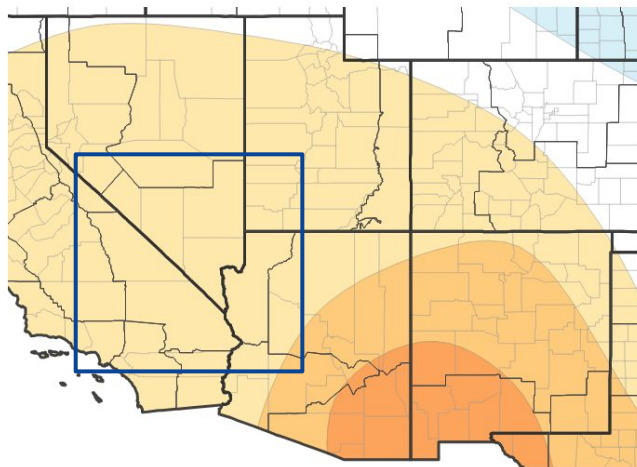


# Long-Range Outlooks

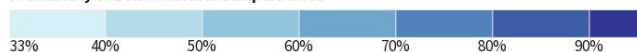
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- There is a 33 to 40% probability of above-normal temperatures areawide through February 28.
- There are equal chances for above and below-normal precipitation across southern Nevada, Inyo County, and northern Mohave County through February 28.
- There is a 33 to 40% probability of below-normal precipitation in San Bernardino County and southern Mohave County through February 28.

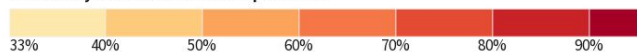
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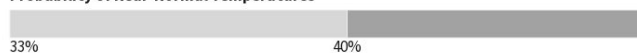
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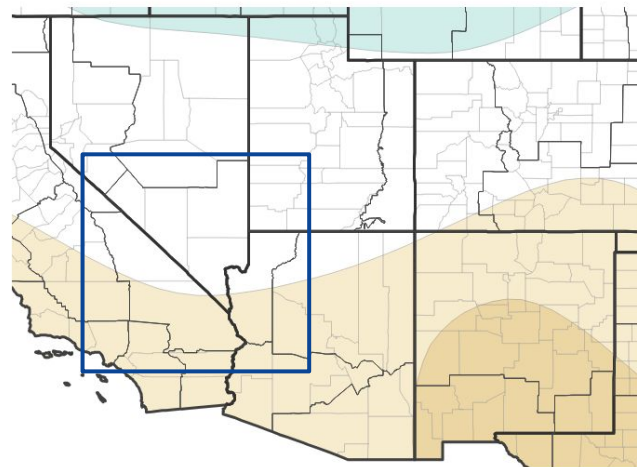
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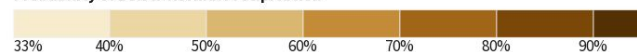
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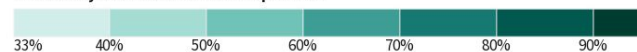
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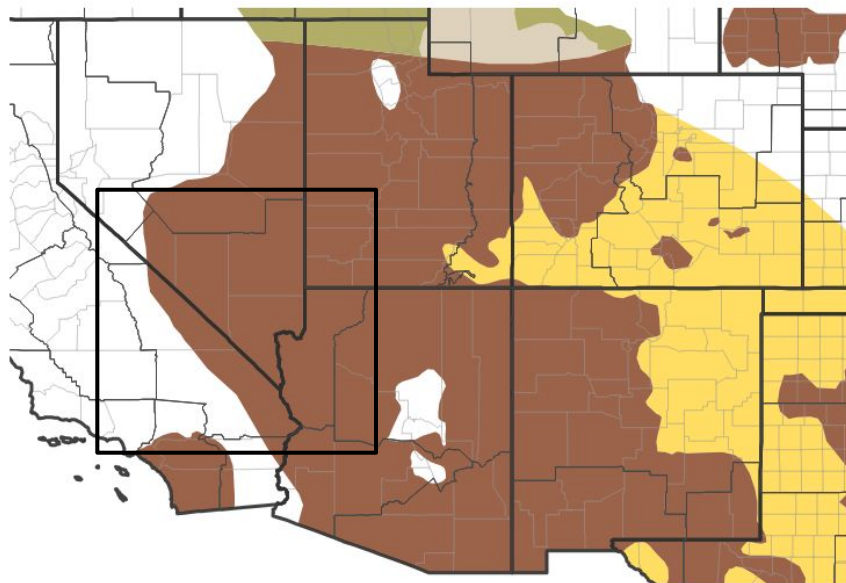


# Drought Outlook

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- Drought is expected to persist through at least February 28, 2026 for most of southern Nevada, northwestern Arizona, and southeastern California.

**Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for November 20, 2025–February 28, 2026**



**Drought Is Predicted To...**



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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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