

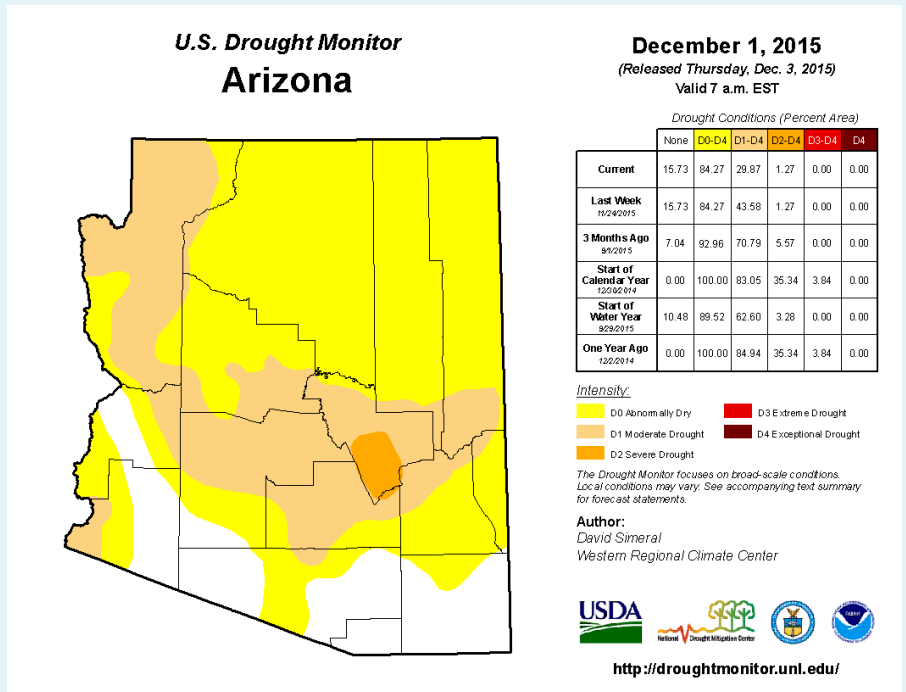
Short-term Drought Status Report

November 2015

Summer and fall rainfall has improved conditions on the Colorado Plateau in Coconino, Navajo, and Apache counties, eliminating moderate drought (D1) from Coconino County and restricting it to the southernmost part of Navajo County and the southern quarter of Apache County.

The only area of severe drought (D2) in the state is in southern Gila County. Drought conditions in eastern Gila County have improved due to rainfall over the past several months.

Fall precipitation, both rain and snow, has been steady and is a welcome precursor to the winter precipitation anticipated due to the El Niño pattern that has been strengthening over the past six months. El Niño precipitation generally picks up in late January.



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