

# Drought Status & Drought Program Upcoming Activities

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# Overview:

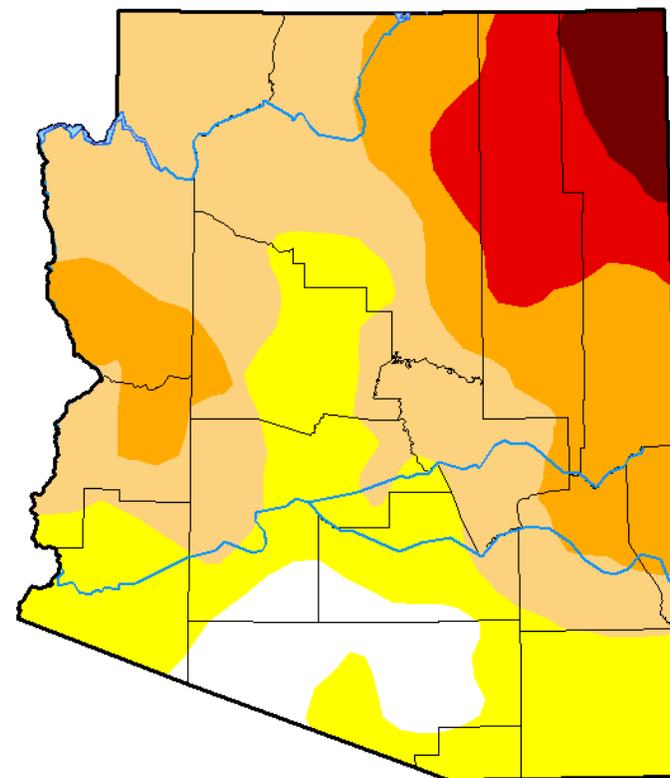
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# December Short-Term Drought Status Report

## U.S. Drought Monitor Arizona

**January 1, 2019**  
(Released Thursday, Jan. 3, 2019)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	7.38	92.62	66.78	32.09	12.60	3.30
<b>Last Week</b> 12-25-2018	0.00	100.00	69.79	32.67	12.60	3.30
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 10-02-2018	0.00	100.00	98.76	76.99	34.12	8.62
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-01-2019	7.38	92.62	66.78	32.09	12.60	3.30
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-25-2018	0.00	100.00	100.00	83.98	41.92	8.62
<b>One Year Ago</b> 01-02-2018	0.00	100.00	100.00	28.66	0.00	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.*

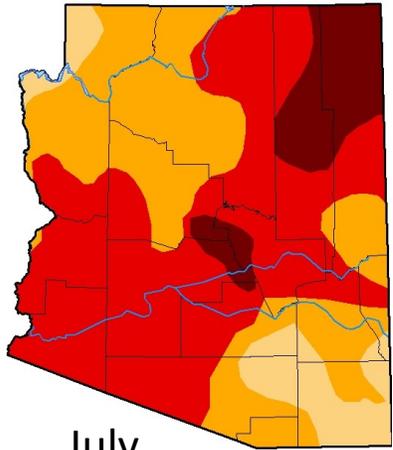
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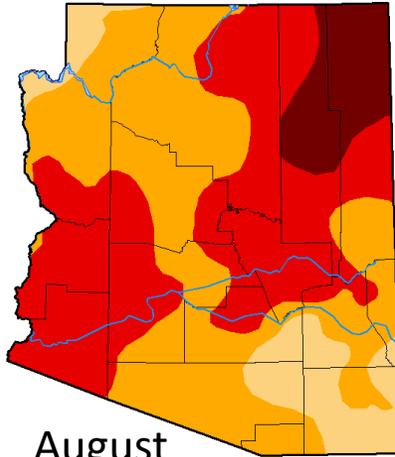


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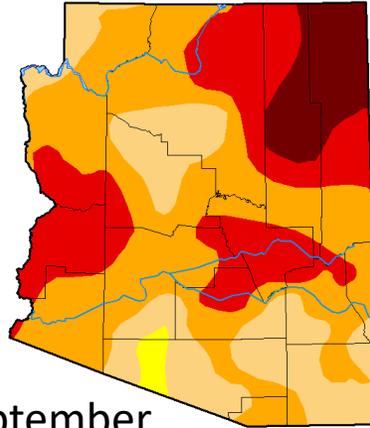
# Short-Term Drought Status Maps



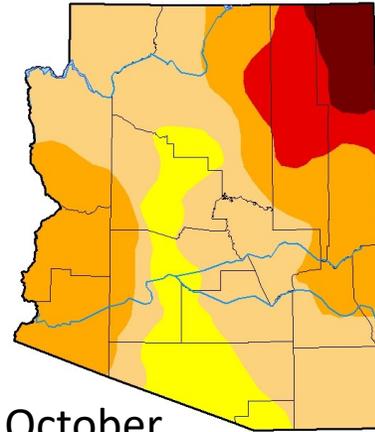
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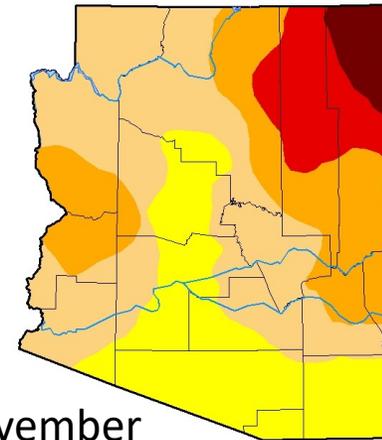
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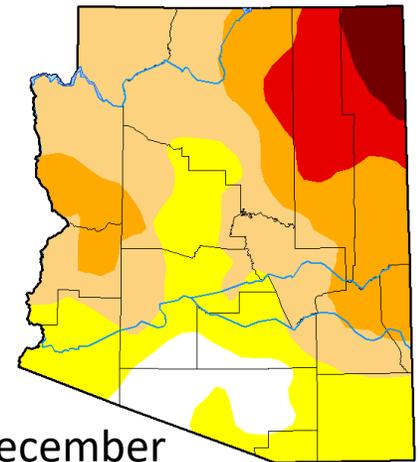
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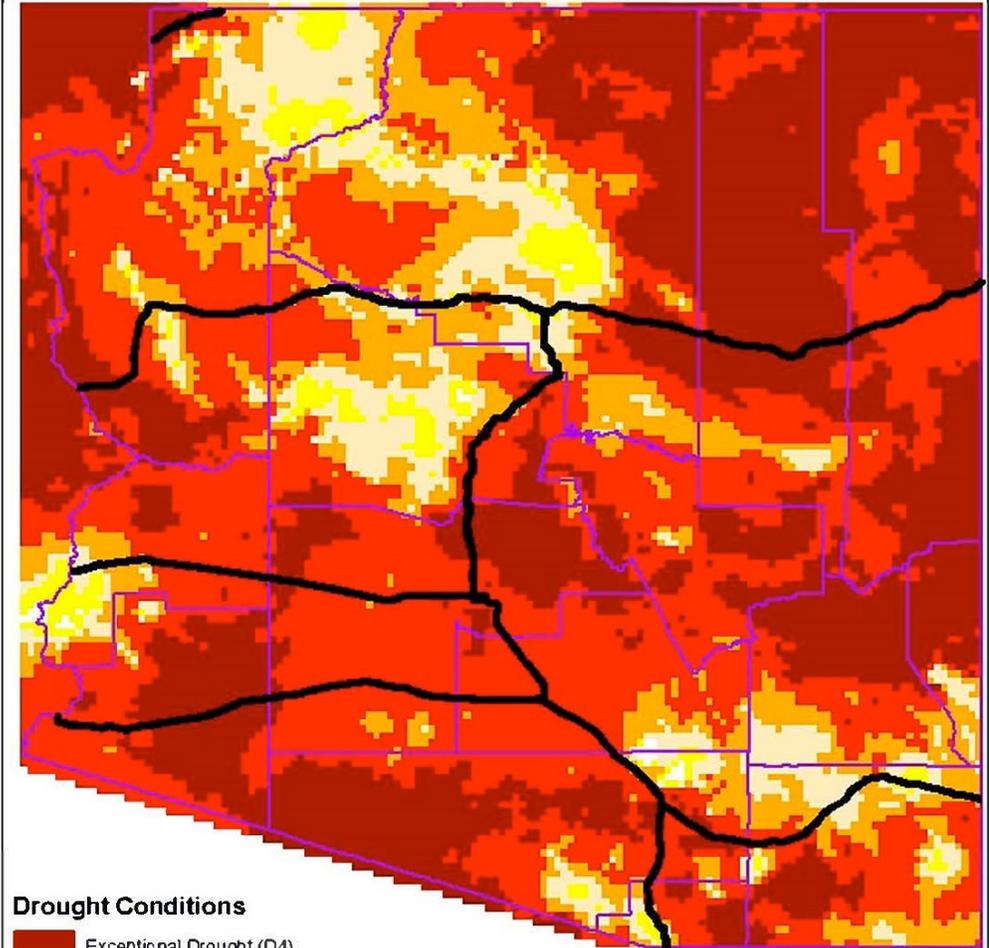
Past 6 Months

# July - September

## Long-Term Drought Status Report

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July - September Long Term Drought 2018



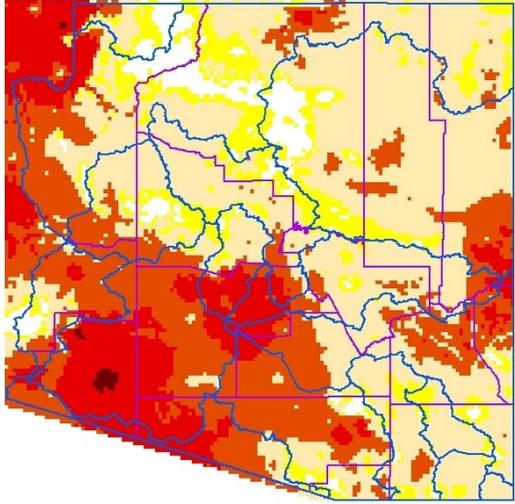
- Drought Conditions**
- Exceptional Drought (D4)
  - Extreme Drought (D3)
  - Severe Drought (D2)
  - Moderate Drought (D1)
  - Abnormally Dry (D0)
  - No Drought

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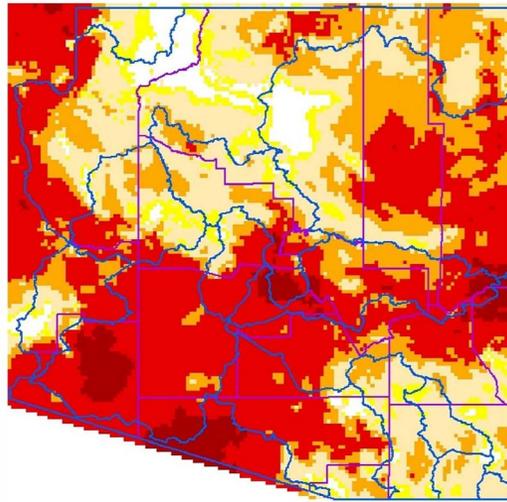
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Long-Term Drought-January 2018



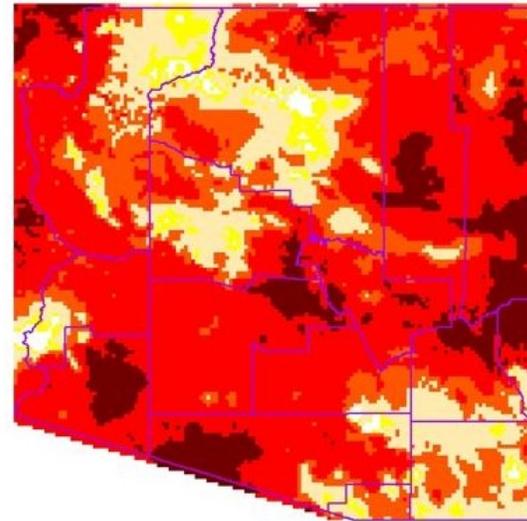
**January 2018**

Long-Term Drought-April 2018



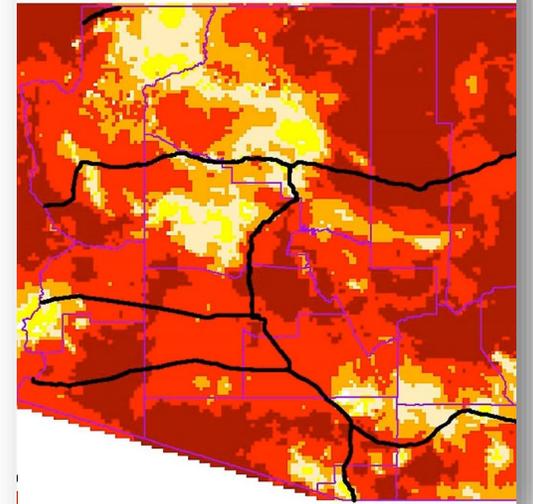
**April 2018**

Long-Term Drought: July 2018



**July 2018**

July - September Long Term Drought 2018



**October 2018**

**Past Year**

# Interagency Coordinating Group Meeting Summary



# **Drought ICG**

(Interagency Coordinating Group)

## **Spring Meeting**

### **Tentative Presentations:**

- 2019 Drought Status & MTC Activities
- Winter 2018-19 Weather Precipitation
- Colorado River Water Supply Update
- Salt & Verde Watersheds Water Supply Update
- 2019 Forest Health & Wildfires Update
- And much more!