

# Drought Status & Drought Program Update

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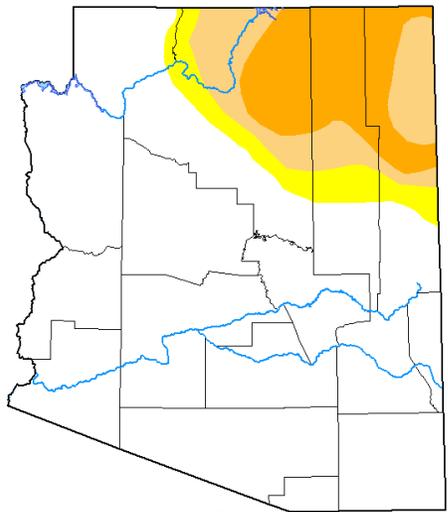


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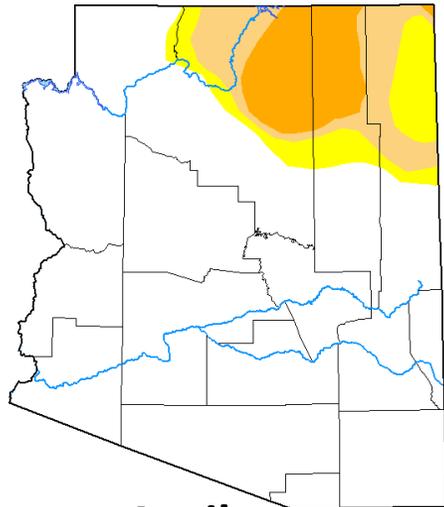
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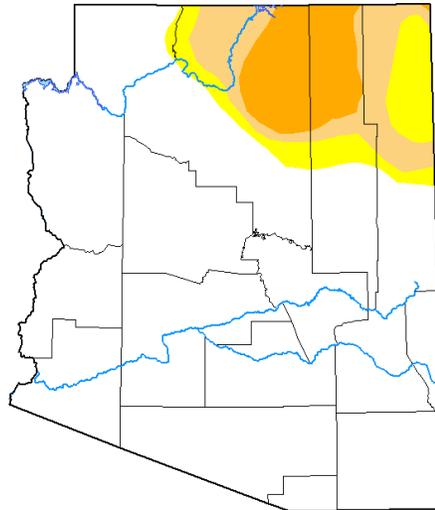
# Monthly Short-Term Drought Status Maps



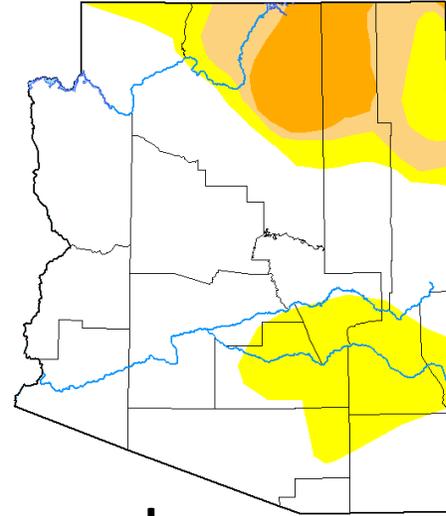
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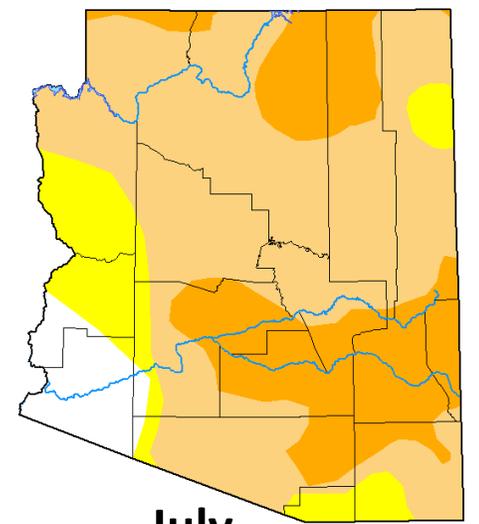
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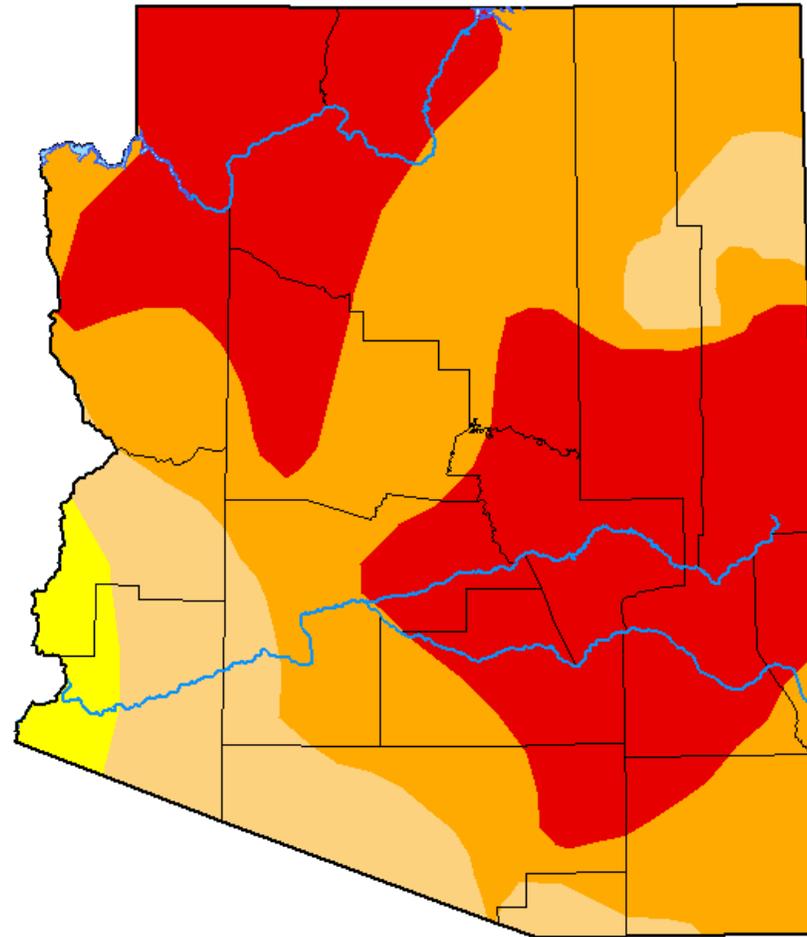
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# August 2020 Monthly Short-Term Drought Status

## U.S. Drought Monitor Arizona

**September 1, 2020**  
(Released Thursday, Sep. 3, 2020)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.00	100.00	97.45	82.16	42.25	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>08-25-2020</i>	0.00	100.00	97.45	82.36	42.25	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>06-02-2020</i>	80.51	19.49	13.67	6.76	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2019</i>	70.37	29.63	23.00	16.73	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2019</i>	5.00	95.00	80.99	25.66	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>09-03-2019</i>	11.16	88.84	25.91	0.00	0.00	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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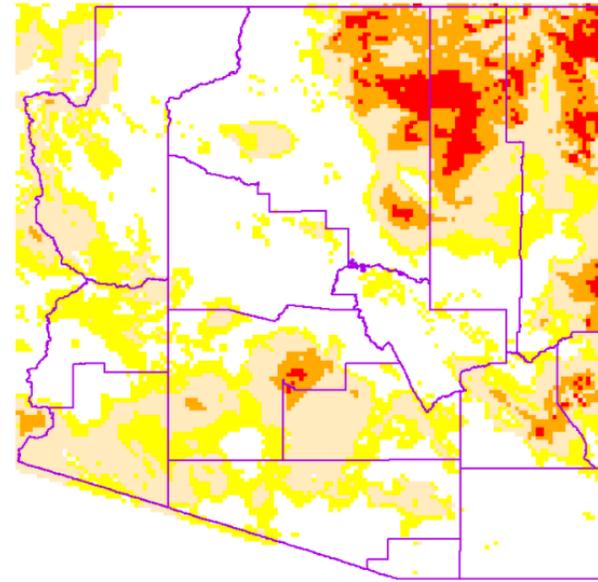


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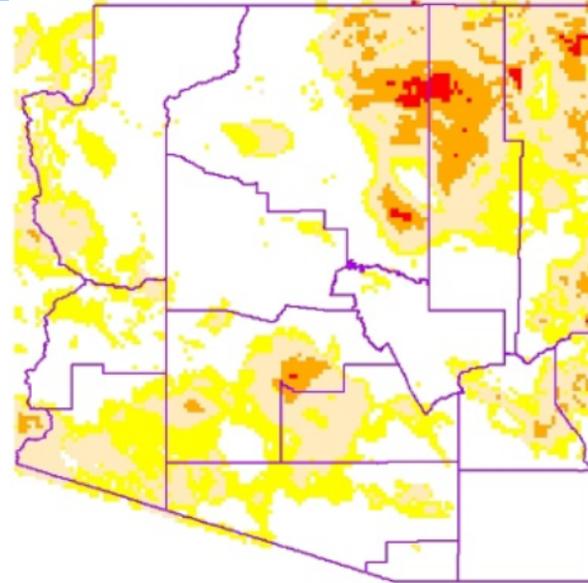


# Long-Term Drought Status Maps

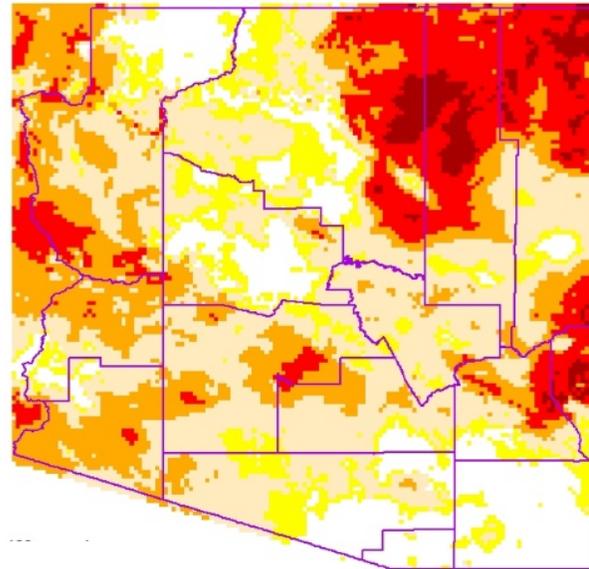
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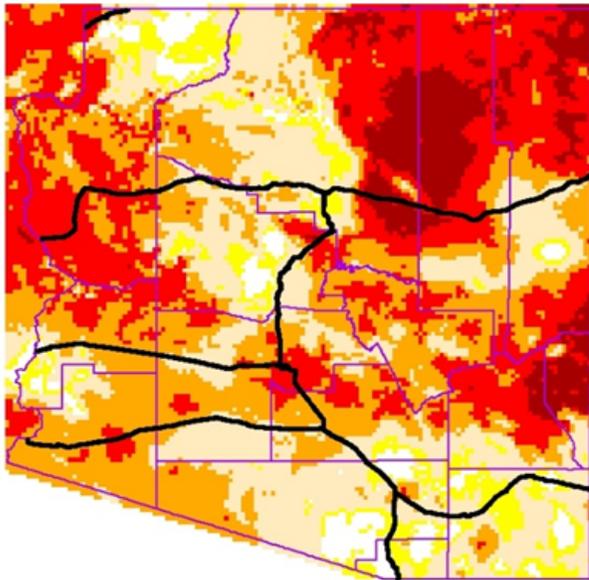
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Oct – Dec 2019



July – Sep 2019



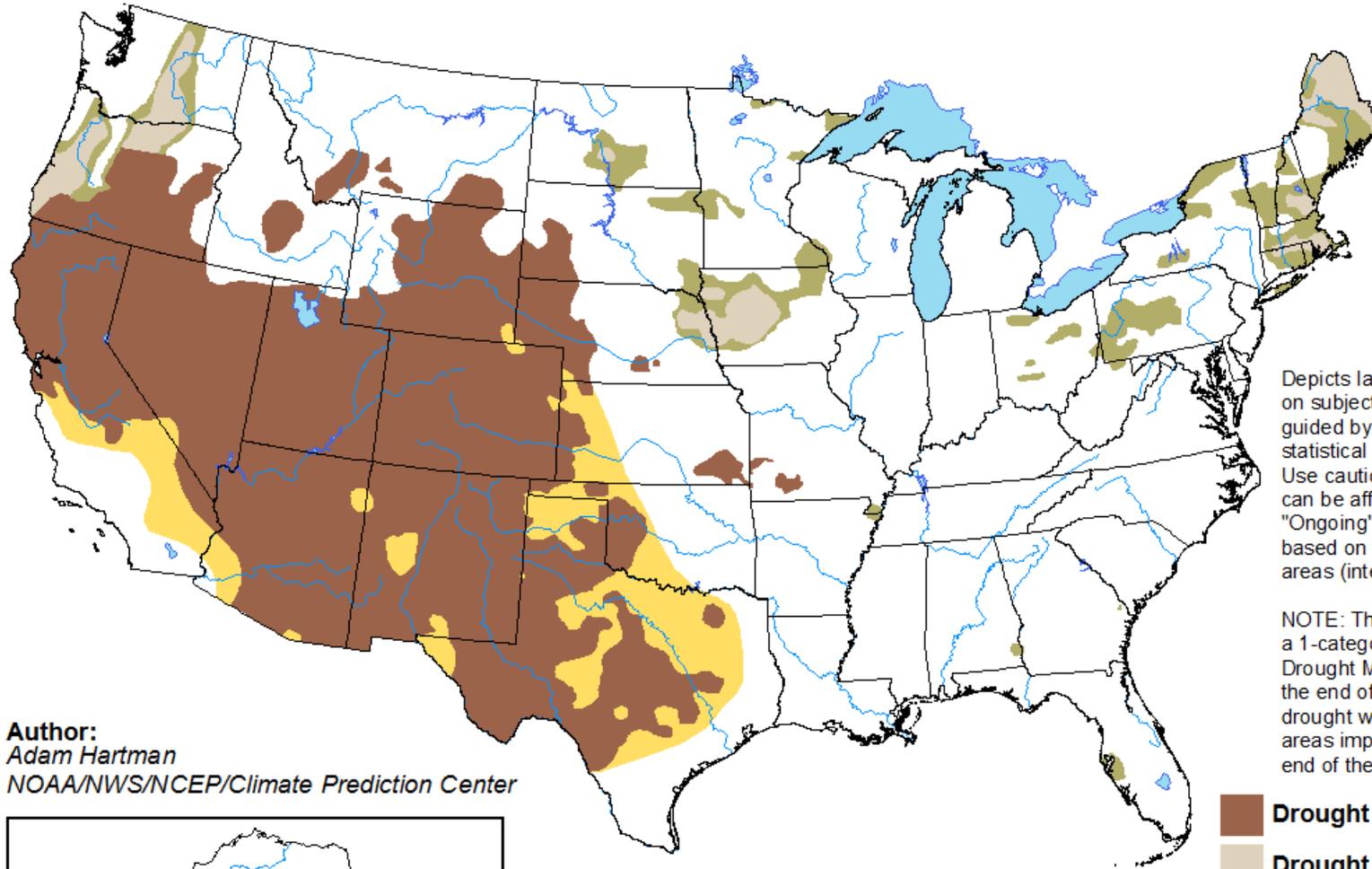
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# U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

## Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for August 20 - November 30, 2020

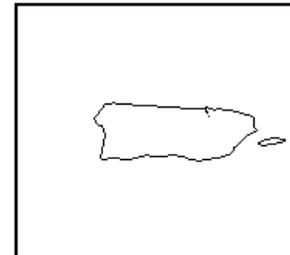
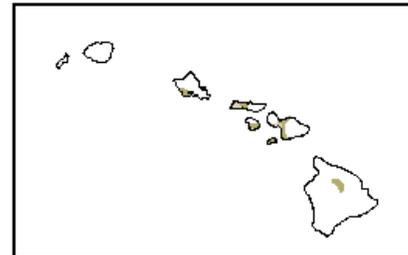
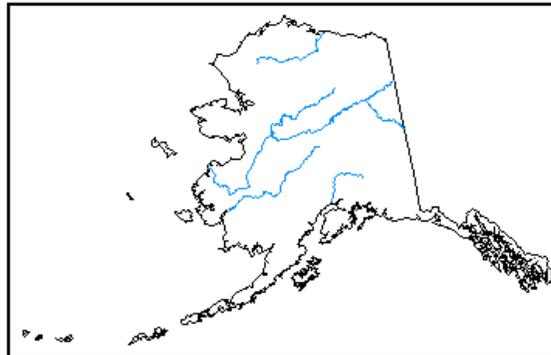
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Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4).

NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none).

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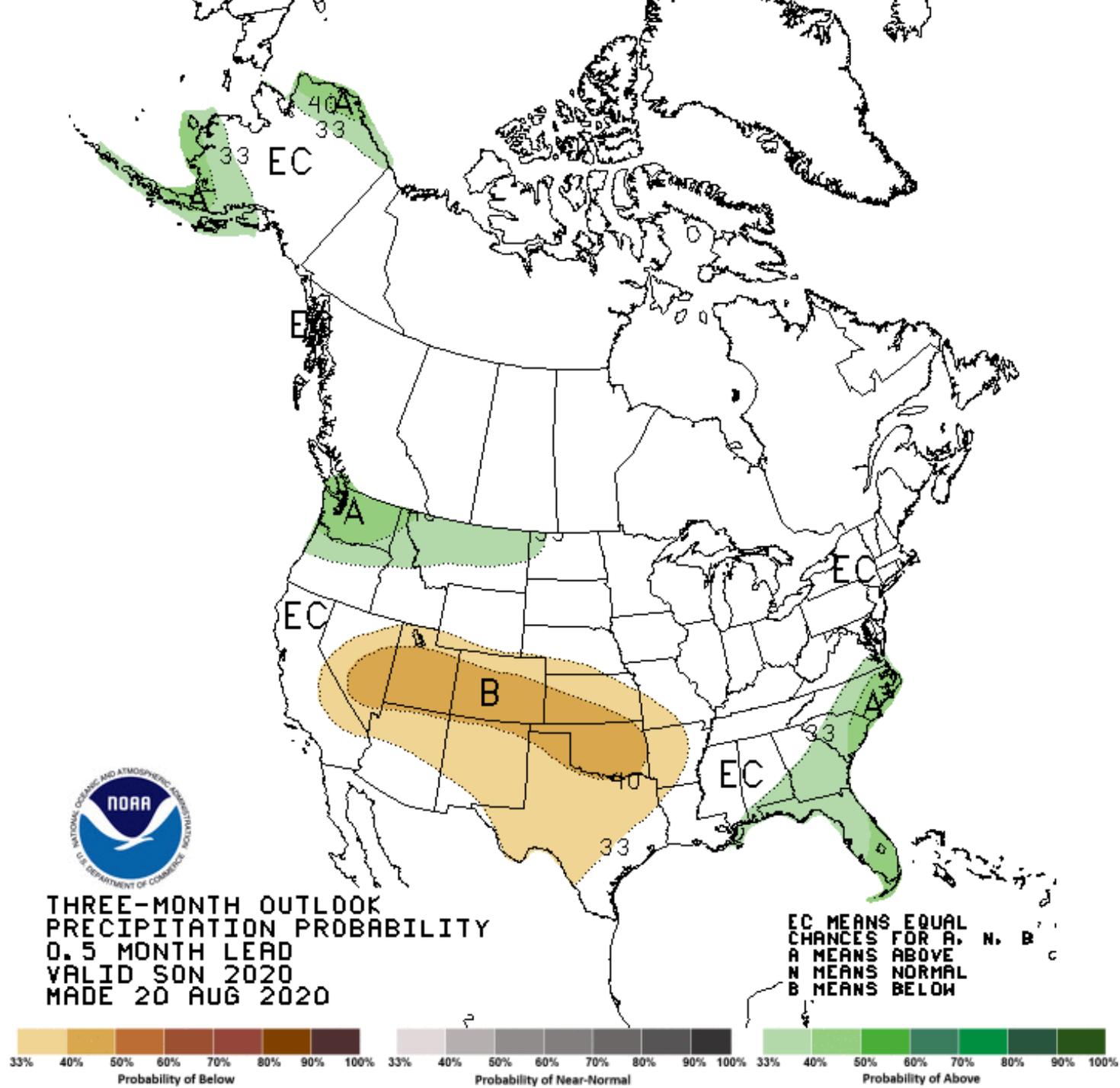


-  **Drought persists**
-  **Drought remains but improves**
-  **Drought removal likely**
-  **Drought development likely**



<http://go.usa.gov/3eZ73>

# Three-Month Precipitation Outlook



# Upcoming Events

- Monday, October 5, 2020 – Drought Monitoring Technical Committee Meeting
  - Update Long-term Drought Status
  - Discuss Arizona Drought Preparedness Annual Report
- Tuesday, November 10, 2020 – Drought Interagency Coordinating Group Meeting
  - Drought Declaration Recommendation to the Governor
- End of November – Arizona Drought Preparedness Annual Report
  - Drought conditions and preparedness activities for the water year
  - October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020



# Thank you!

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