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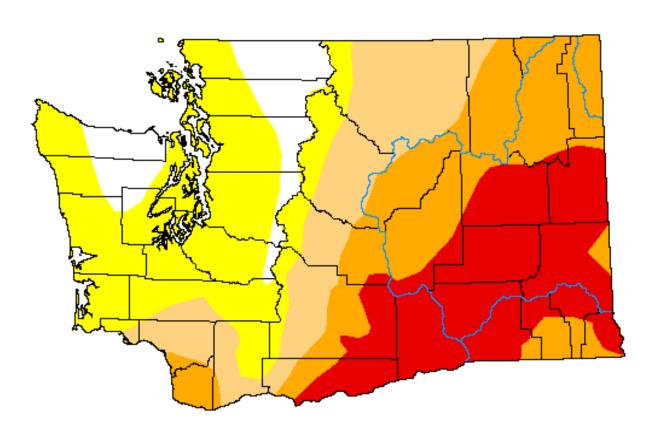
## **DROUGHT & FIRE UPDATE—2021**

Washington State Department of Health Office of Drinking Water

# U.S. Drought Monitor Washington

## June 15, 2021

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



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D3 Extreme Drought

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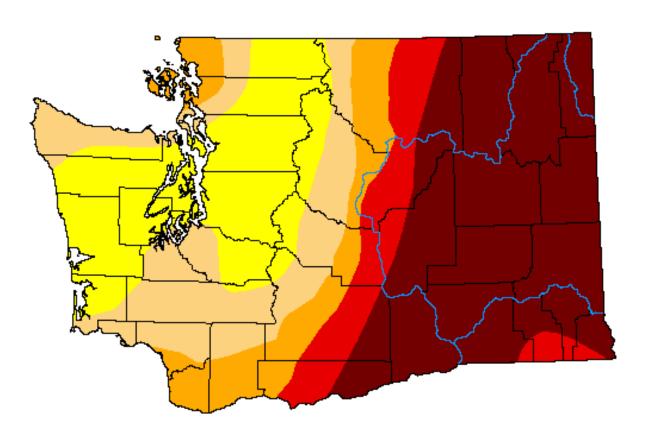


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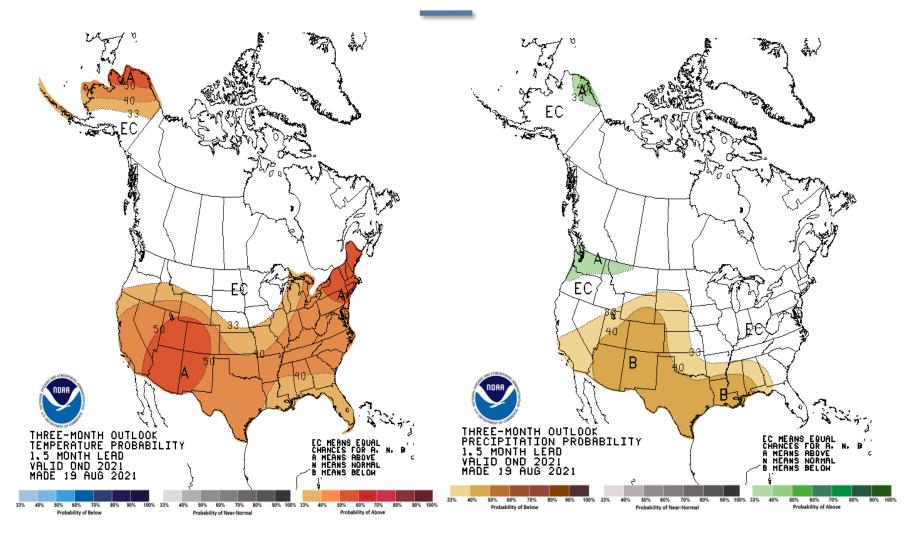






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## **NOAA Forecasts**



# What is ODW doing?

- Finalizing agreement with Ecology for monies to reimburse costs for trucking water
- Sent out a survey to stakeholders last week on drought impacts they are seeing
- Continuing to monitor impacts and provide technical assistance.
- Next Water Supply Availability Committee meeting is October 15.



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# Fire Update

- Continuing to monitor fires each day
- From NPS Fire Chief: Days are getting shorter lessening time for active fire behavior though it remains very warm and dry. Fires continue to grow under these conditions, but there are less new starts. Winds still problematic. We still have a way to go with conditions trending in the right direction.

