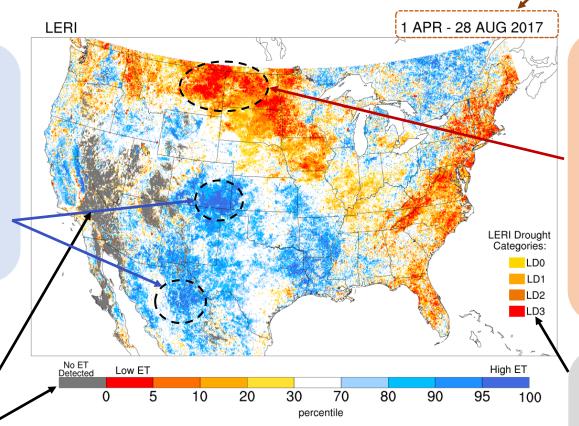
## **Reading a LERI map**

Time period for which the LERI map is generated

Unusually high
evaporative
response as
accumulated during
this period
signifying unusually
wet land-surface
conditions



Generated by NOAA/ESRL/Physical Sciences Division Data Source: USGS SSEBop Evapotranspiration (2000 - present)

Unusually low
evaporative
response as
accumulated
during this period
signifying
unusually dry landsurface conditions.
LD3 means that
this dryness is
expected less than
5% of the time

These categories are analogous to D0-D3 categories in the US Drought Monitor. There is no LD4 category because of the short period of the SSEBop ET<sub>a</sub> record

The gray shading shows that no ET<sub>a</sub> is detected using the SSEBop method