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For Public Dissemination Alabama Drought Declaration

In accordance with the Alabama Drought Planning and Response Act (Code of Ala. 1975, §9-10C-1, et seq.) and the Alabama Drought Management Plan, the ADECA Office of Water Resources (OWR), based on a review of current and anticipated conditions, has declared the following portions of Alabama to be under the specified drought declaration levels.

Declaration Level

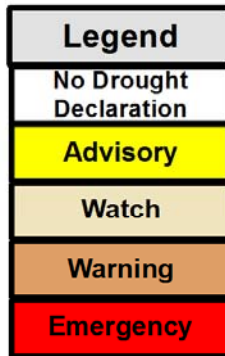
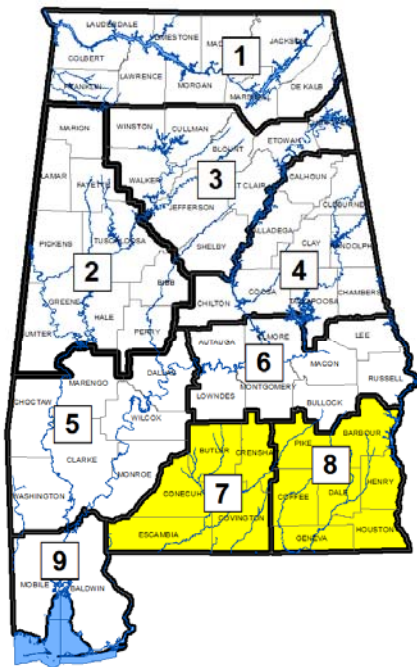
Emergency None

Warning None

Watch None

Advisory **Regions 7 and 8 of the Alabama Drought Management Plan which include the counties of:**
Barbour, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike

None **Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9 of the Alabama Drought Management Plan which include the counties of:** Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Cullman, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Wilcox, and Winston



Rainfall events earlier this month have helped to significantly improve the drier conditions that had begun to impact large areas of the state over the last few months. The southeastern portion of the state continues to experience reduced streamflow levels that bear watching with the approach of the spring and summer seasons.

Water managers are urged to continue to monitor water sources and implement water conservation measures as needed. Public water system customers are encouraged to follow their local water system’s recommendations regarding water use. All other water users should make prudent decisions on their water use to protect available water resources.

For further information, please visit our web site at <http://water.alabama.gov> and follow the links for Drought Planning and Management. You may also reach our office at (334) 242-5499, fax at (334) 242-0776, or e-mail at water@adeca.alabama.gov.