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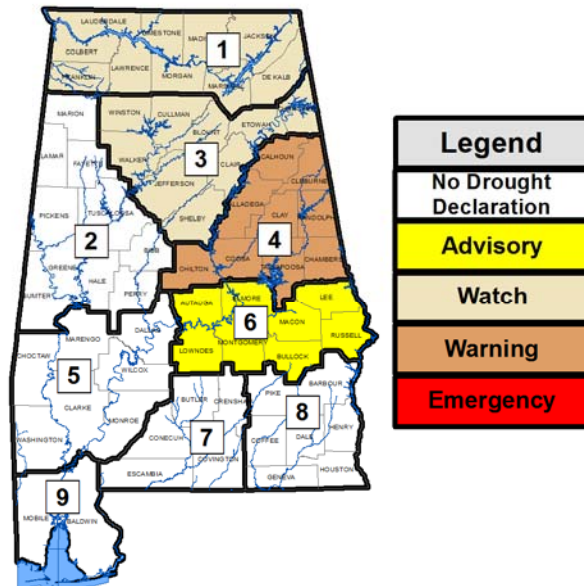


For Public Dissemination Alabama Drought Declaration

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** **Region 4 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Randolph, Talladega, and Tallapoosa
- Watch** **Regions 1 and 3 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Blount, Cherokee, Colbert, Cullman, DeKalb, Etowah, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan, Shelby, St.Clair, Walker, and Winston
- Advisory** **Region 6 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Autauga, Bullock, Elmore, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Montgomery, and Russell
- None** **Regions 2, 5, 7, 8, and 9 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, Escambia, Fayette, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Lamar, Marengo, Marion, Mobile, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Washington, and Wilcox



OWR, based on inputs this week from the Drought Monitoring & Impact Group (MIG), has revised the Alabama Drought Declaration. Recent rainfall has improved some areas of the state but continuing dry conditions in Region 4 has resulted in the elevation of that region to a Warning level. The OWR will continue to monitor conditions and provide updated notifications as needed.

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