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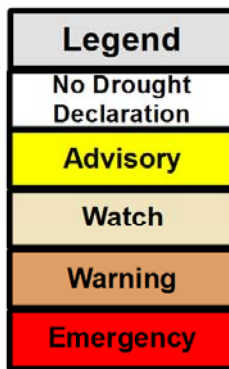
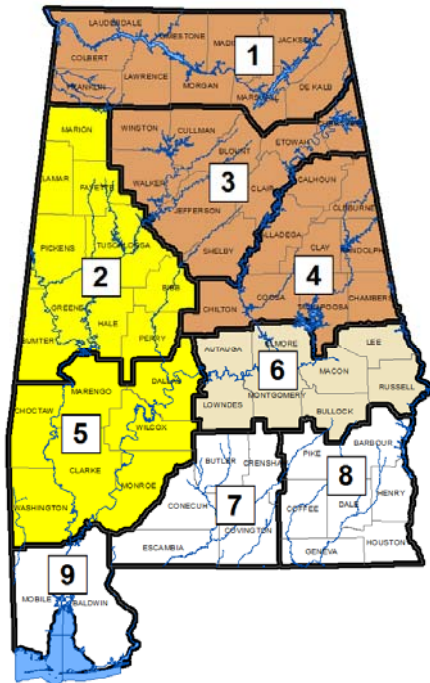


For Public Dissemination Alabama Drought Declaration

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



OWR, based on inputs this week from the Drought Monitoring & Impact Group (MIG), has revised the Alabama Drought Declaration. Below average rainfall amounts and higher temperatures have continued to intensify drought conditions in northern and eastern parts of the state. The OWR will continue to monitor conditions and provide updated notifications as needed.

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