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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

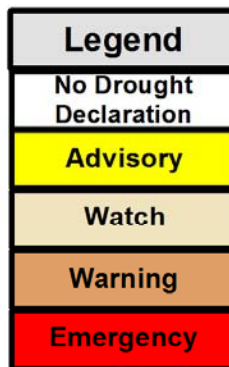
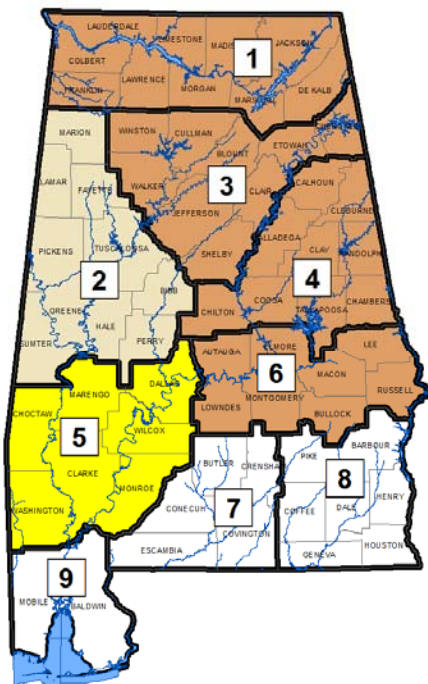
Emergency None

Warning **Regions 1, 3, 4, and 6 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Autauga, Blount, Bullock, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Cullman, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marshall, Montgomery, Morgan, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Walker, and Winston

Watch **Region 2 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Bibb, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Lamar, Marion, Perry, Pickens, Sumter, and Tuscaloosa

Advisory **Region 5 in the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:** Choctaw, Clarke, Dallas, Marengo, Monroe, 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



The lack of rainfall and the limited potential for any improvement in conditions has led to a degradation of drought declaration levels in Alabama. Streamflows, reservoir elevations, and groundwater levels are expected to continue to decline over the next few weeks. Water managers and users should carefully monitor local conditions and be prepared to take action as needed.

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