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For Public Dissemination Alabama Drought Declarations

In accordance with the Executive Order 19 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 the State of Alabama to be under the specified drought declaration levels.

Declaration Level

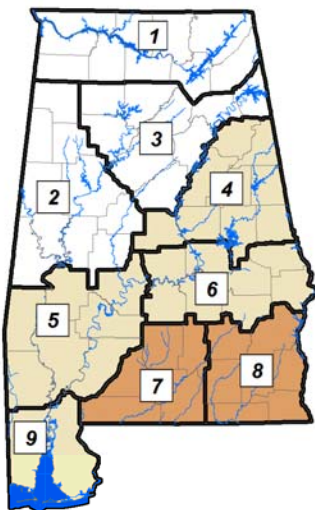
Emergency None

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

Watch **Regions 4, 5, 6 and 9 under the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:**
Autauga, Baldwin, Bullock, Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dallas, Elmore, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Randolph, Russell, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Washington, and Wilcox

Advisory None

None **Regions 1, 2 and 3 under the Alabama Drought Management Plan which includes the counties of:**
Bibb, Blount, Cherokee, Colbert, Cullman, DeKalb, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, and Winston



While many areas of the state, especially in the northern portions of the state, have experienced plentiful rainfall, drought conditions continue to exist in the wiregrass and surrounding areas. Conditions in these areas are still experiencing long-term rainfall and streamflow deficits that, in some cases, are approaching historical lows. Public water systems and other non-public and private water users should continue to monitor water conditions and review plans in the event that conditions worsen. The OWR will be monitoring conditions and will continue to provide updated notifications as needed.

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