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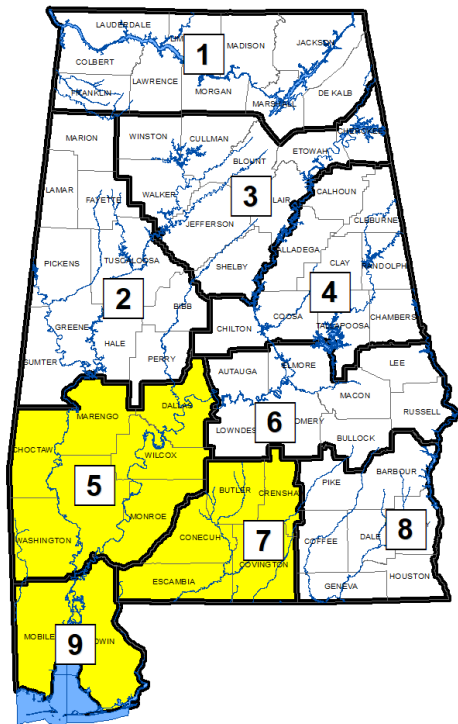
In accordance with the Alabama Drought Planning and Response Act (Code of Ala. 1975, §9-10C-1, et seq.) and the Alabama Drought Management Plan, the ADECA Office of Water Resources (OWR), based on a review of current and anticipated conditions, has declared the following portions of Alabama to be under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

Declaration Level

Emergency None
Warning None
Watch None

Advisory **Drought Regions 5, 7, and 9** which include the counties of: Baldwin, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dallas, Escambia, Marengo, Mobile, Monroe, Washington, and Wilcox

None **Drought Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8** which include the counties of: Autauga, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Coosa, Cullman, Dale, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, and Winston



Legend
No Drought Declaration
Advisory
Watch
Warning
Emergency

Recent precipitation deficits combined with high temperatures have led to abnormally dry conditions over a large portion of Southwest Alabama. As a result, Drought Regions 5, 7, and 9 have been placed under a Drought Advisory. OWR will continue monitoring our water resources and update this Declaration as needed.

Water managers are urged to carefully monitor conditions and encourage the wise and efficient use of our water resources. 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 resources.

For further information, please visit our web site at 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.