



DROUGHT HAZARD REPORT

SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Operations Center Partner Agencies

10/16/2025 1715 hrs

Hazard Event #: 25-059

Status:

D3 Extreme Drought

HAZARDS EXPECTED

Elevated fire weather risk.

DISCUSSION

Greene County is currently in D3 extreme drought conditions. This is an increase from D2 Severe Drought conditions over the last 4 weeks.

A number of locations are seeing below normal stream flows, with reports of small creeks, streams, and ponds nearly dried up. 20 Condition Monitoring Observer Reports (CMORs) from the last 7 days indicate severely dry conditions; agricultural impacts include early supplemental feeding of hay due to dead grass and little to no regrowth and reduced water quality and quantity resulting in hauling water for livestock. Decreased stock weights, animal stress and livestock mortality, herd culling, early crop harvests, crop stress and failure, reduced crop yields, and inability to plant fall forage due to the lack of moisture are all being reported. Farmers are reporting "going into winter this low (on water and feed) is going to be a major issue."

There is an increased risk of fires and potential early onset of the fall fire season due to the lack of precipitation, above normal temperatures, and dry soil.

CITIZEN ACTION STATEMENT

- Water lawns less frequently, water early in the morning to minimize evaporation, and fix any sprinklers that water sidewalks.
- Be cautious with fire. Avoid burning leaves or other debris and take extra care when building campfires or driving off-road.
- Dispose of cigarettes properly. Ensure all cigarette butts are fully extinguished and properly disposed of.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Springfield-Greene County EOC: **OpCon Level 4: Monitoring**

*** OEM will continue to monitor this developing weather situation. ***

A WebEOC incident has not been generated for this event at this time.

Incident Name: N/A

Agency: State of MO WebEOC

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