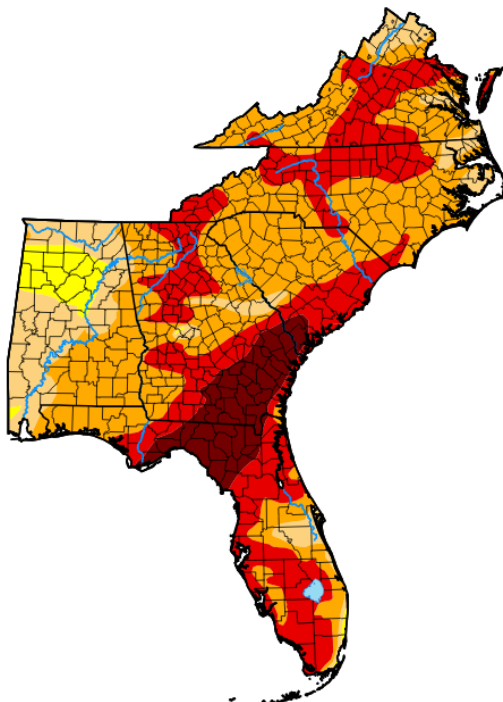


Catawba-Wataree LIP Trigger Status Summary for 06/1/2026 and Changes Compared to 05/15/26

NOTE: All three metrics must return to LIP Stage 1 or higher to exit out of the Stage 2 Drought Conditions.

	Reservoir Storage as % of Target	% of 6-Month Long-Term Avg Streamflow	3-Month Avg of US Drought Monitor
Normal	>=100%	>85%	<0
LIP Stage 0	>90%	<=85%	>=0
LIP Stage 1	▲ 85.9% >75%	<=78%	>=1
LIP Stage 2	>57%	<=65%	▲ 2.33 >=2
LIP Stage 3	>42%	<=55%	>=3
LIP Stage 4	<=42%	▲ 40.9% <=40%	4



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Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

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