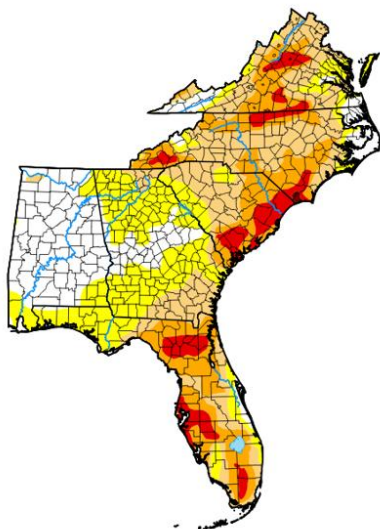


Catawba-Wateree LIP Trigger Status Summary for 08/01/2026 and Changes Compared to 07/16/26

NOTE: All three (3) metrics must return to LIP Stage 1 or higher to exit out of the Stage 2 Drought Conditions. All three (3) metrics have improved in the last 2-week period.

	Reservoir Storage as % of Target	% of 6-Month Long-Term Avg Streamflow	3-Month Avg of US Drought Monitor
Normal	$\geq 100\%$	$> 85\%$	< 0
LIP Stage 0	$> 90\%$	$\leq 85\%$	≥ 0
LIP Stage 1	88.5% $> 75\%$	$\leq 78\%$	1.52 ≥ 1
LIP Stage 2	$> 57\%$	$\leq 65\%$	≥ 2
LIP Stage 3	$> 42\%$	43.5% $\leq 55\%$	≥ 3
LIP Stage 4	$\leq 42\%$	$\leq 40\%$	4

US Drought Monitor Map



Map released: Thurs. July 30, 2026

Data valid: July 28, 2026 at 8 a.m. EDT

Intensity

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

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