

Drought Information Statement for Southern Wisconsin Valid Nov 2, 2023

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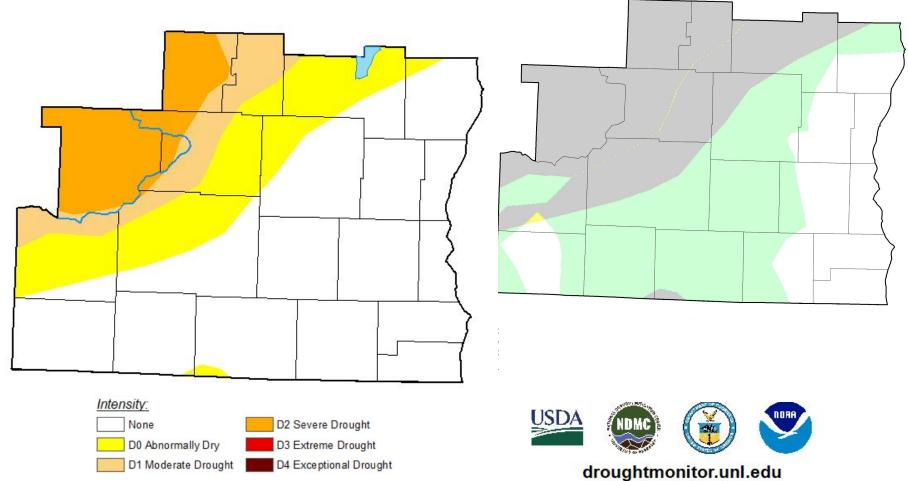


Southern Wisconsin Drought Update

- Drought improved across parts of southern Wisconsin after 0.5
 - 1 inches of rain over the past week. Conditions went from abnormally dry to no drought.
- Severe drought remains across Sauk, western Columbia, and Marquette counties. Moderate drought remains across Green Lake, central Columbia, northwest Dane, and northern lowa counties.
- Abnormally dry conditions are indicated in Fond du Lac, eastern Columbia, northwest Dodge, central Dane and central lowa counties. There is no drought across the remainder of southern Wisconsin.

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1 Week Drought Condition Class Change

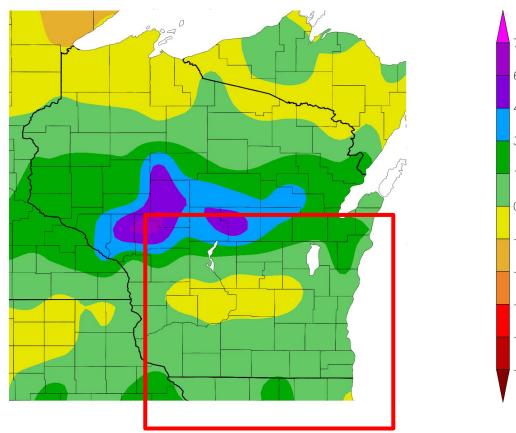
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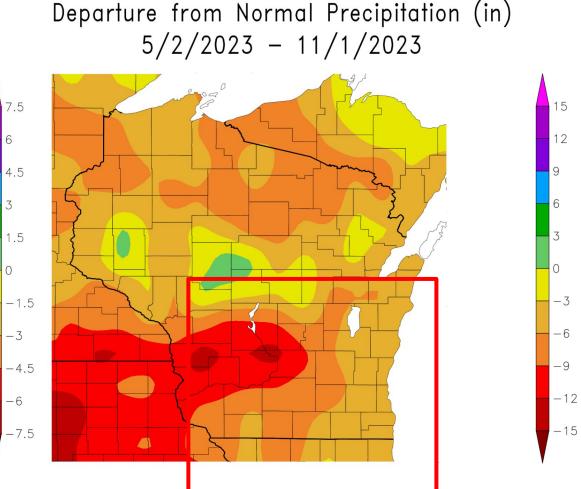


Precipitation

- Precipitation over the past month was 2-4 inches, with the lowest values in the severe drought area. Totals are within 1.5 inches of average, and many areas are at a surplus.
- Deficits since May in the severe drought area are 9 to 12 inches and 3 to 9 inches elsewhere.

Departure from Normal Precipitation (in) 10/1/2023 - 10/30/2023





Images courtesy of High Plains Regional Climate Center

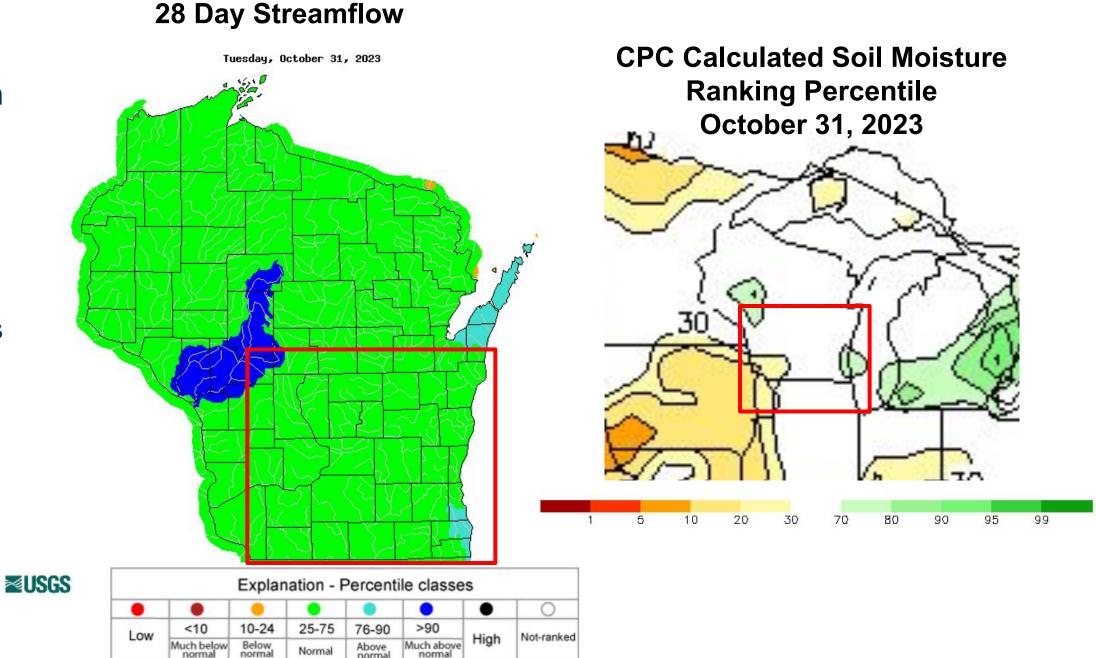


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Current Conditions

- Streamflows are in the normal range, 25-75th percentile across southern Wisconsin.
- Soil moisture is in the normal range, the 30-70th percentile, for most of southern Wisconsin. It has improved across south-west and south-central Wisconsin over the past few weeks.



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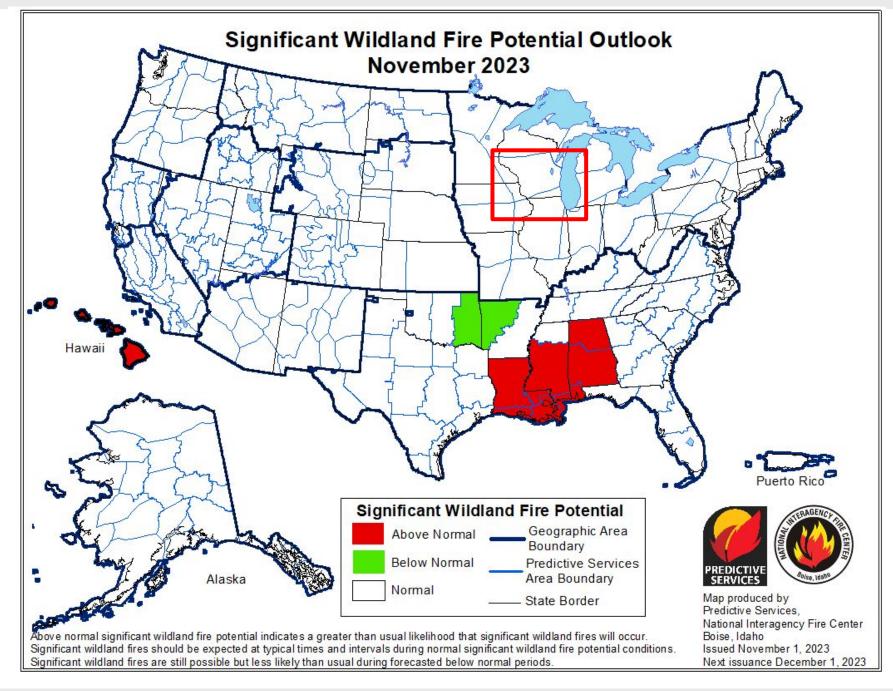
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Fire Hazard

Link to Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center

- Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook from the National Interagency Fire Center indicates normal wildland fire potential for November
- WI DNR Fire Danger is rated as low





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Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit Condition Monitoring Observer Reports (CMOR) and view the Drought Impacts Reporter

Hydrologic Impacts

Streamflows are in the normal range, 25-75th percentile across southern Wisconsin.

Agricultural Impacts

Growing season is ending. Yields were reduced.

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Wisconsin DNR Fire Danger is rated as low.

Mitigation Actions

No known actions



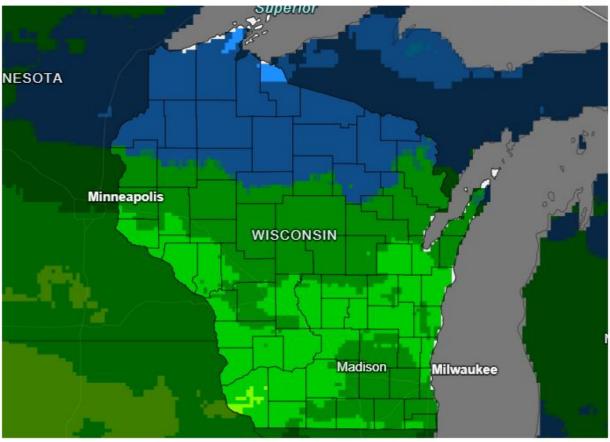
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7 Day Precipitation Forecast

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast





- There are a few chances for rain across southern Wisconsin over the next week.
- Amounts will likely be less than 0.75 inches.

Predicted Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center Data Valid: 11/02/23

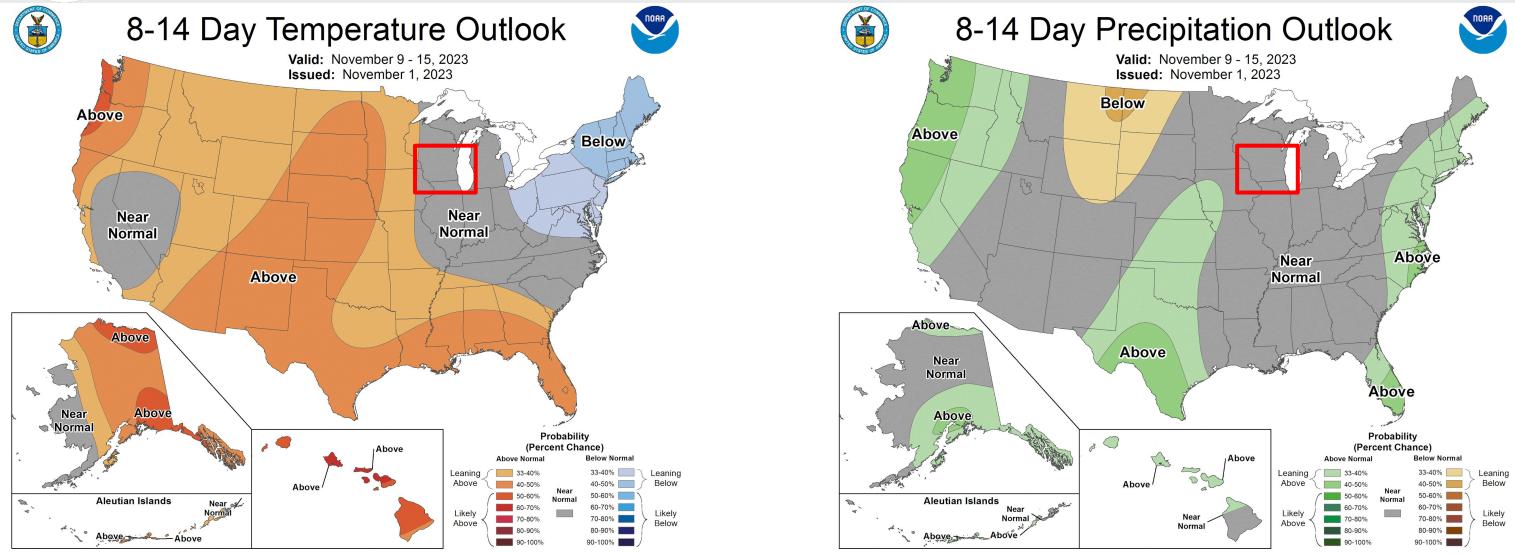
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Week 2 Outlook



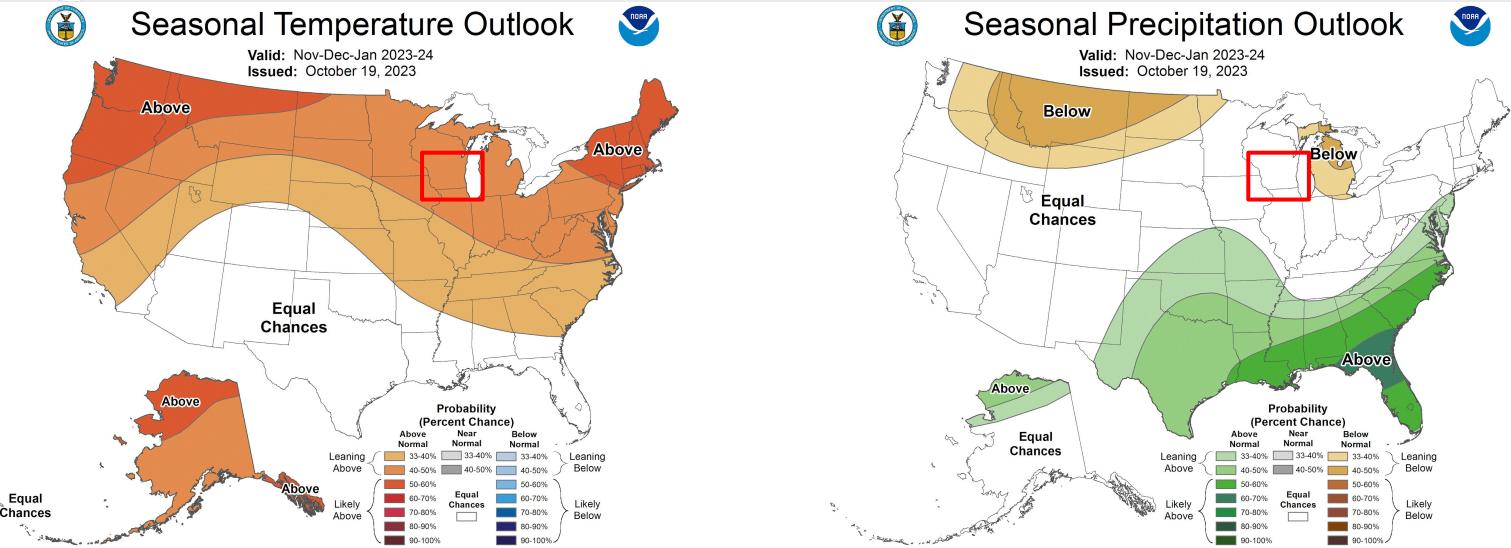
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Extended Outlook



• There are enhanced odds of above average temperature and near average precipitation



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Drought Outlook

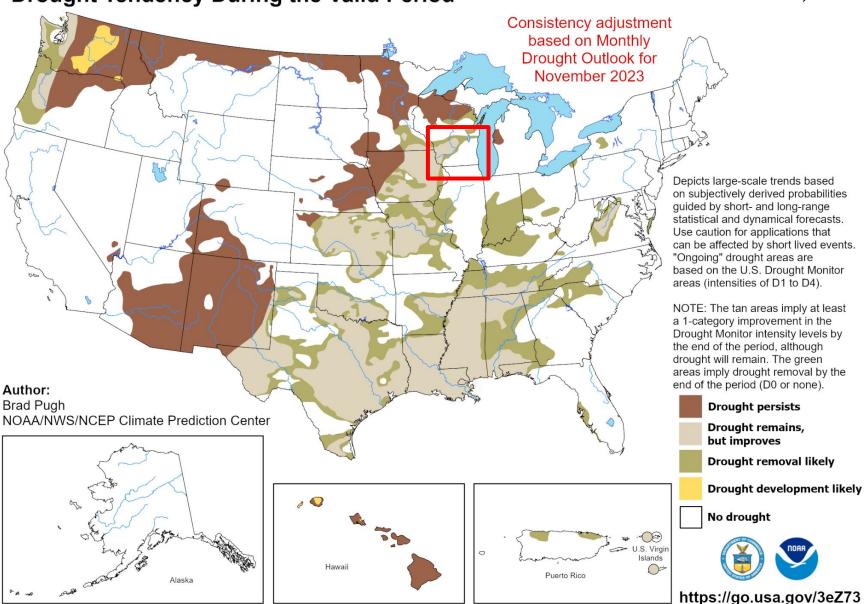
The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the CPC homepage

- Drought is forecast to improve or end across southwest Wisconsin over the next 3 months
- The lack of a dry signal in the 3 month precipitation outlook favors some drought improvement





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