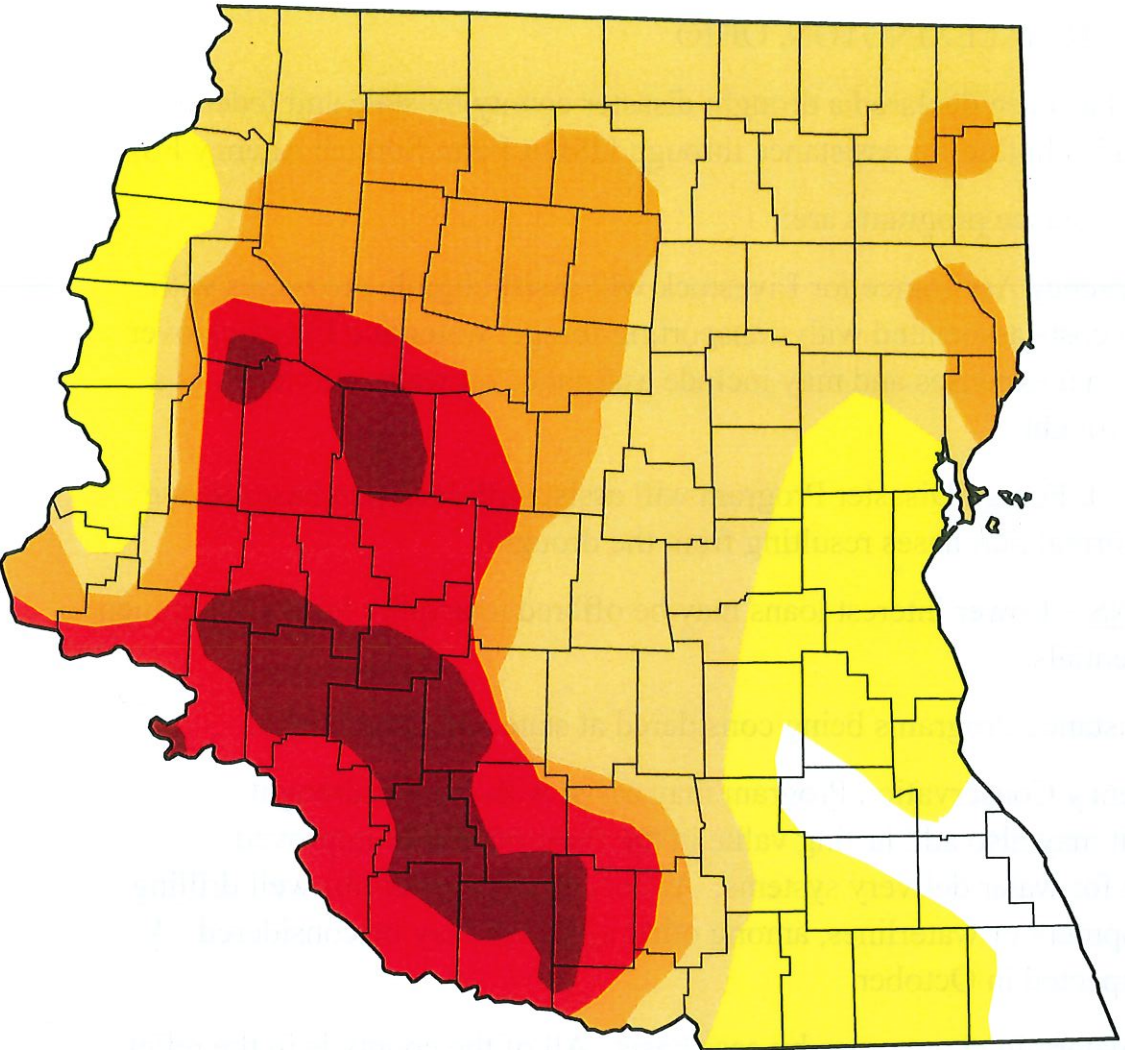








U.S. Drought Monitor Ohio

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- Intensity:**
-  None
 -  D0 Abnormally Dry
 -  D1 Moderate Drought
 -  D2 Severe Drought
 -  D3 Extreme Drought
 -  D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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DROUGHT DISASTER ASSISTANCE NOTES

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Perry County has been declared a drought disaster county by state and federal principals and is eligible for assistance through USDA Farm Service Agency FSA.

The current assistance programs are:

ELAP – Emergency Assistance for Livestock will assist eligible producers with transportation costs associated with transporting forage, water and livestock over and above normal expenses and may include assistance on water purchases as a result of the drought.

LFP – Livestock Forage Disaster Program will assist with feed purchases above and beyond normal purchases resulting from the drought.

FARM LOANS – Lower interest loans may be offered to acquire inputs, equipment and other essentials.

Potential Assistance Programs being considered at state and federal level:

ECP- Emergency Conservation Program may assist with current drought challenges but may also add lasting value in the form of new or improved infrastructure for water delivery systems. An incentive program for well drilling, spring development or waterlines, among other elements may be considered. A decision is expected in October.

Eligibility is determined on a case by case basis. All of the county is in the relief area and individuals need to contact the Farm Service Agency to establish eligibility. FSA – Lancaster 740-653-1500, FSA- Zanesville 740-454-2824 or FSA – Newark 740-670-5340. Additional information can be obtained at fsa.usda.gov. Perry SWCD can assist in the process and can be reached at 740-743-1325.

This eligibility and certification process may take some time to complete. It is important that you contact FSA as soon as possible and begin to keep good records of expenditures and resources on hand immediately.