

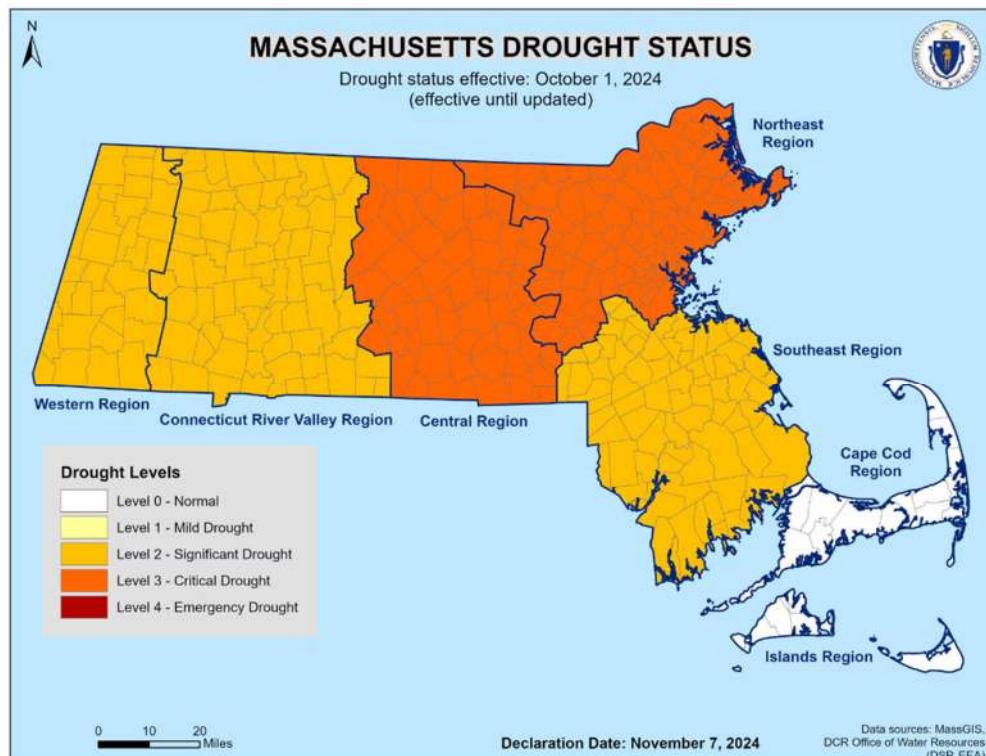


## Office of Local and Regional Health (OLRH)

### Department of Public Health

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With precipitation at an unprecedented low over the last two months, EEA Secretary Rebecca Tepper declared the Western, Connecticut River Valley, and Southeast regions to be a Level 2- Significant Drought and elevated the Central and Northeast Regions to a Level 3- Critical Drought. The Cape and Islands Regions remain at Normal conditions. As outlined in the Massachusetts Drought Management Plan, Level 2 and 3 Droughts require detailed monitoring of drought conditions, close coordination among state and federal agencies, and technical outreach and assistance to the affected municipalities.



*Image: Massachusetts Drought Status Map showing drought levels for each region*