Massachusetts Drought Task Force Meeting NWS Update

National Weather Service

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Review of past Few Weeks

The Good News...Decent rainfall late November and Early December

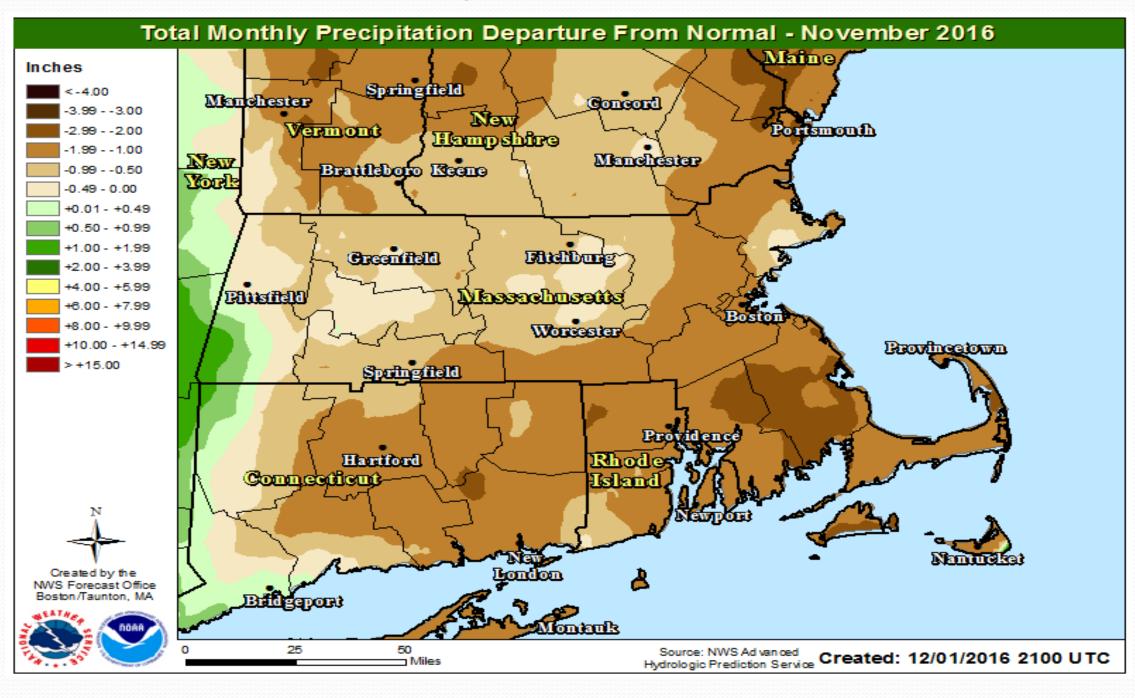
Daily Stream Flows are back to normal

Potentially good news on the forecast front (more on that later)

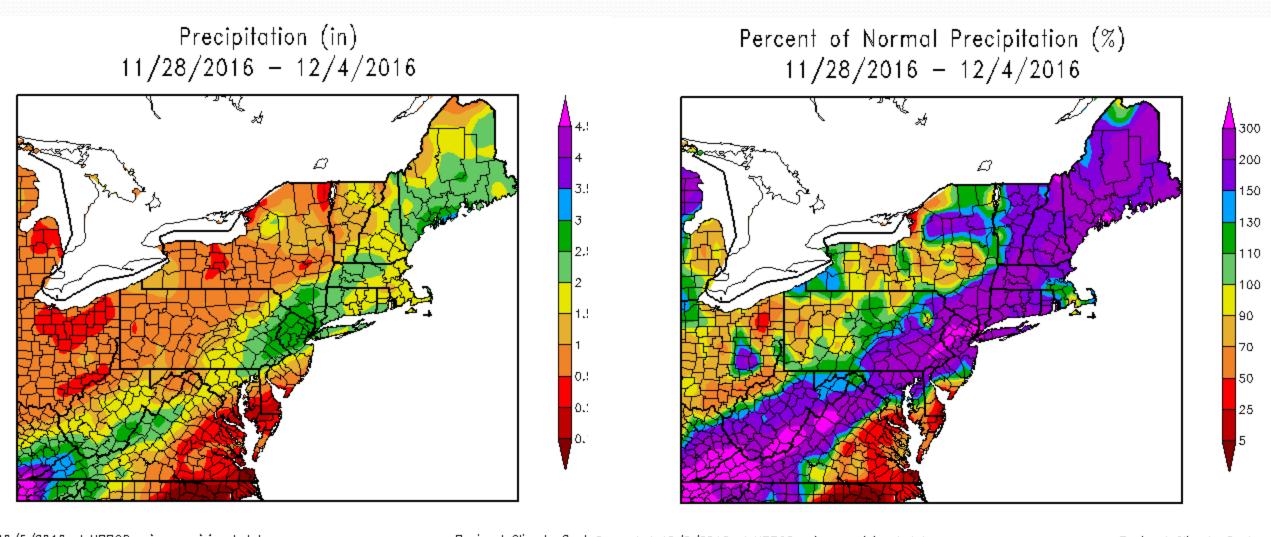
The not so good news...Still ended the month of November with below normal precipitation.

Ground Water still below normal

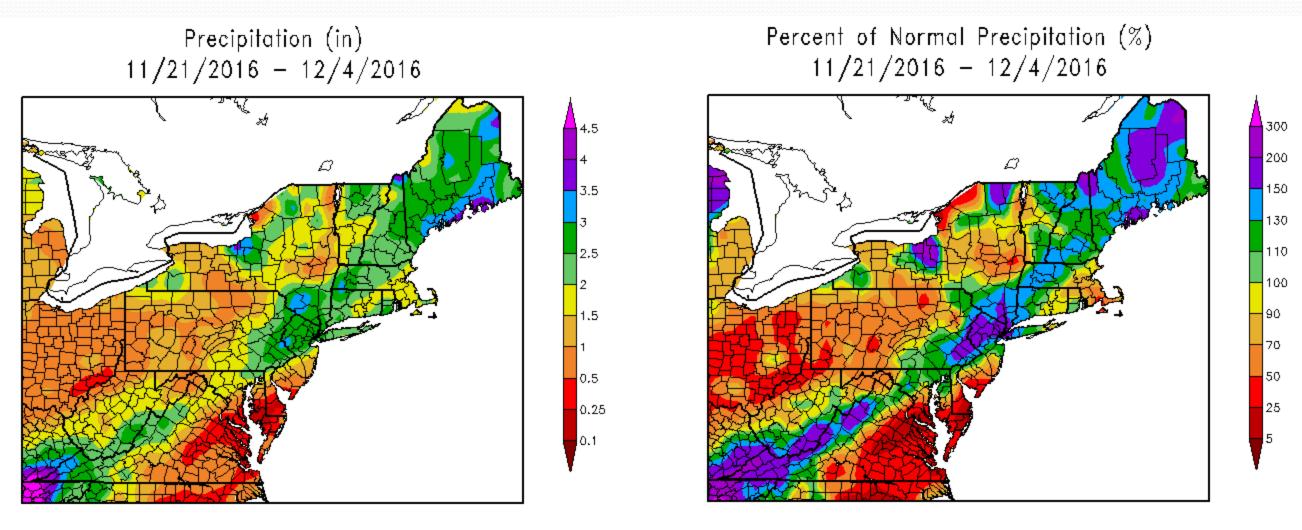
November Departure from Normal



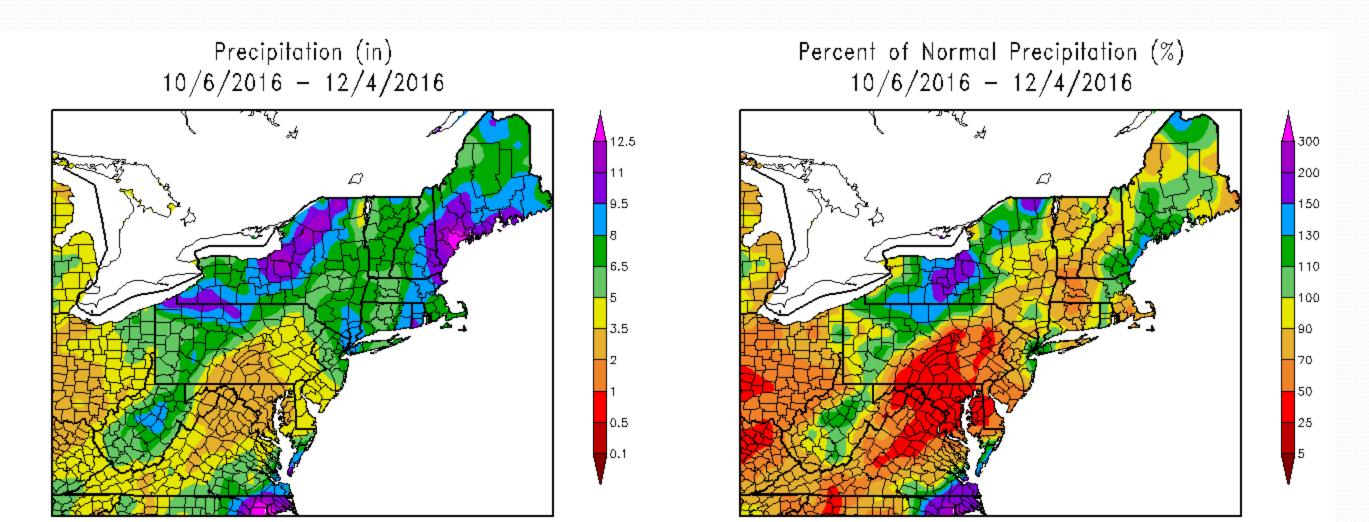
7 Day Precip and Percent of Normal



14 Day Precip and Percent of Normal

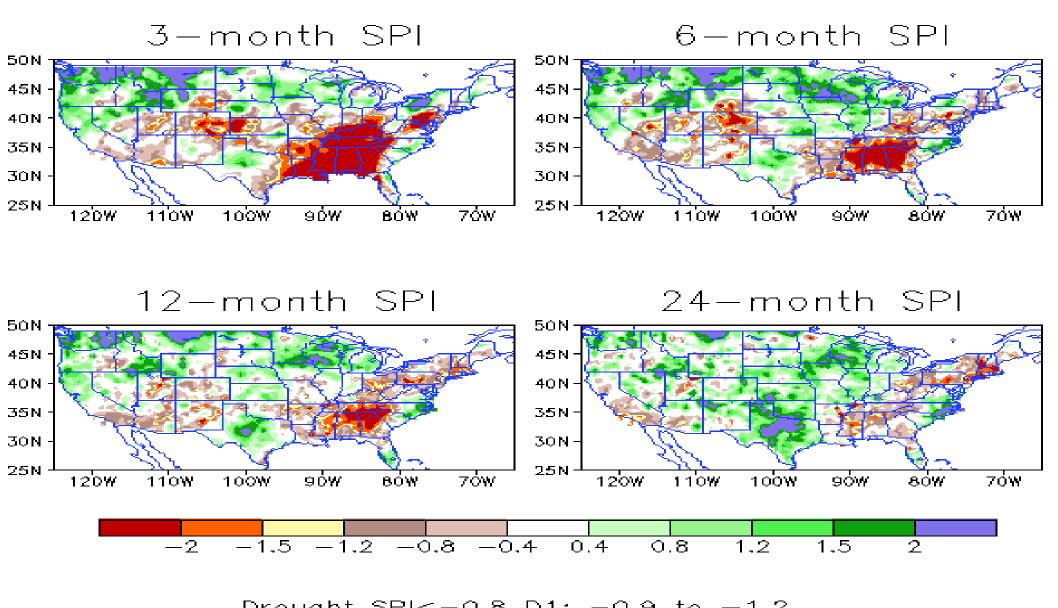


60 Day Precip and Percent of Normal



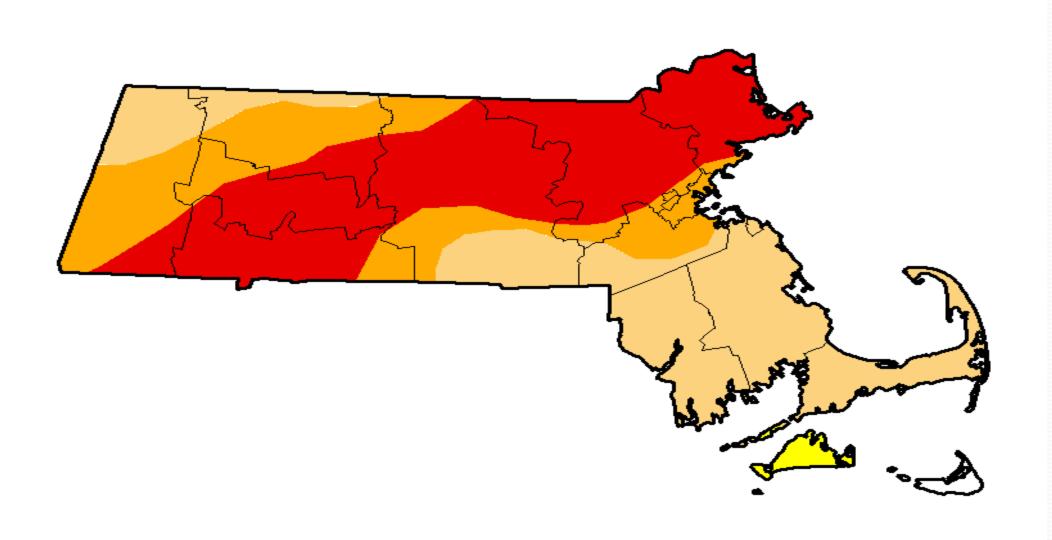
3/6/12/24 Month SPI

SPI through 03Dec2016

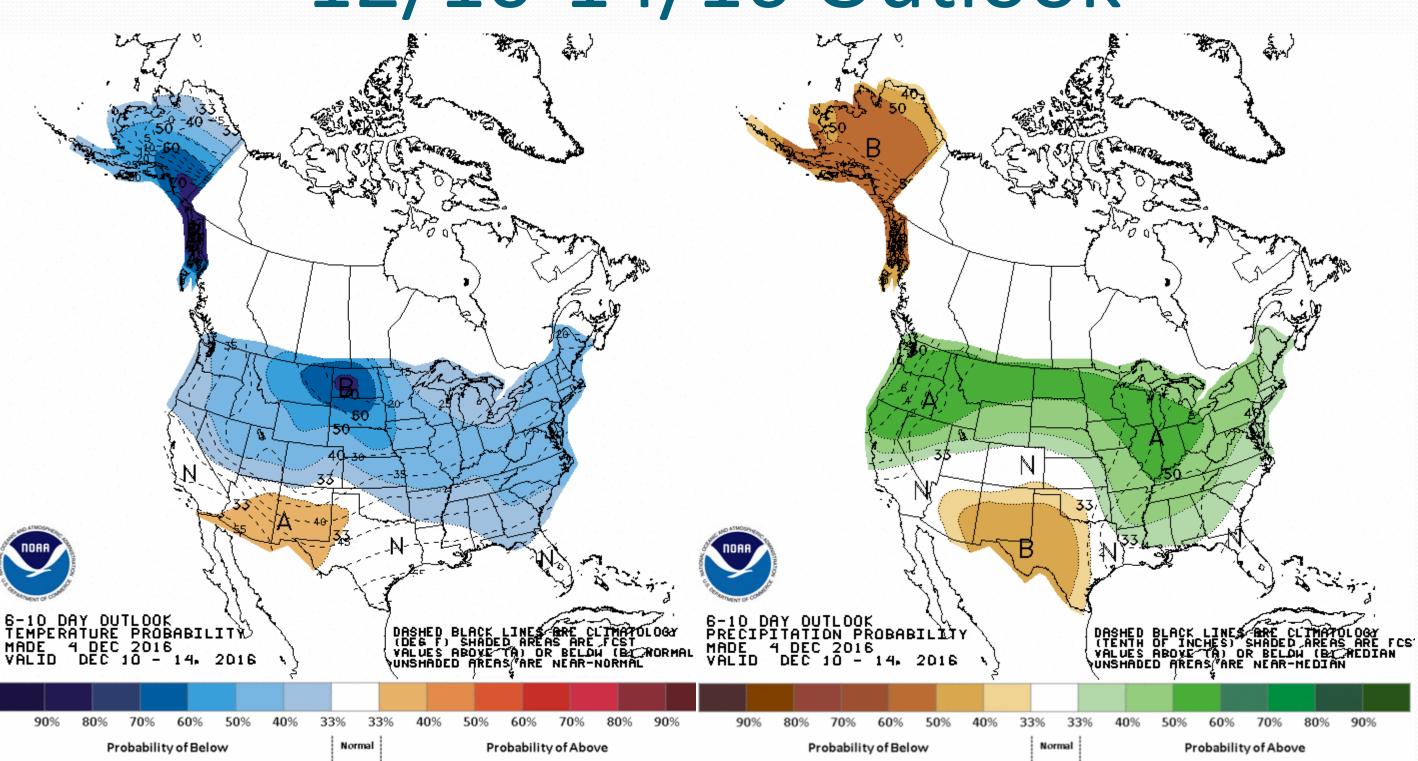


Drought SPI<-0.8 D1: -0.9 to -1.2 D2: -1.3 to -1.5 D3: -1.6 to -1.8 D4: SPI<-2.

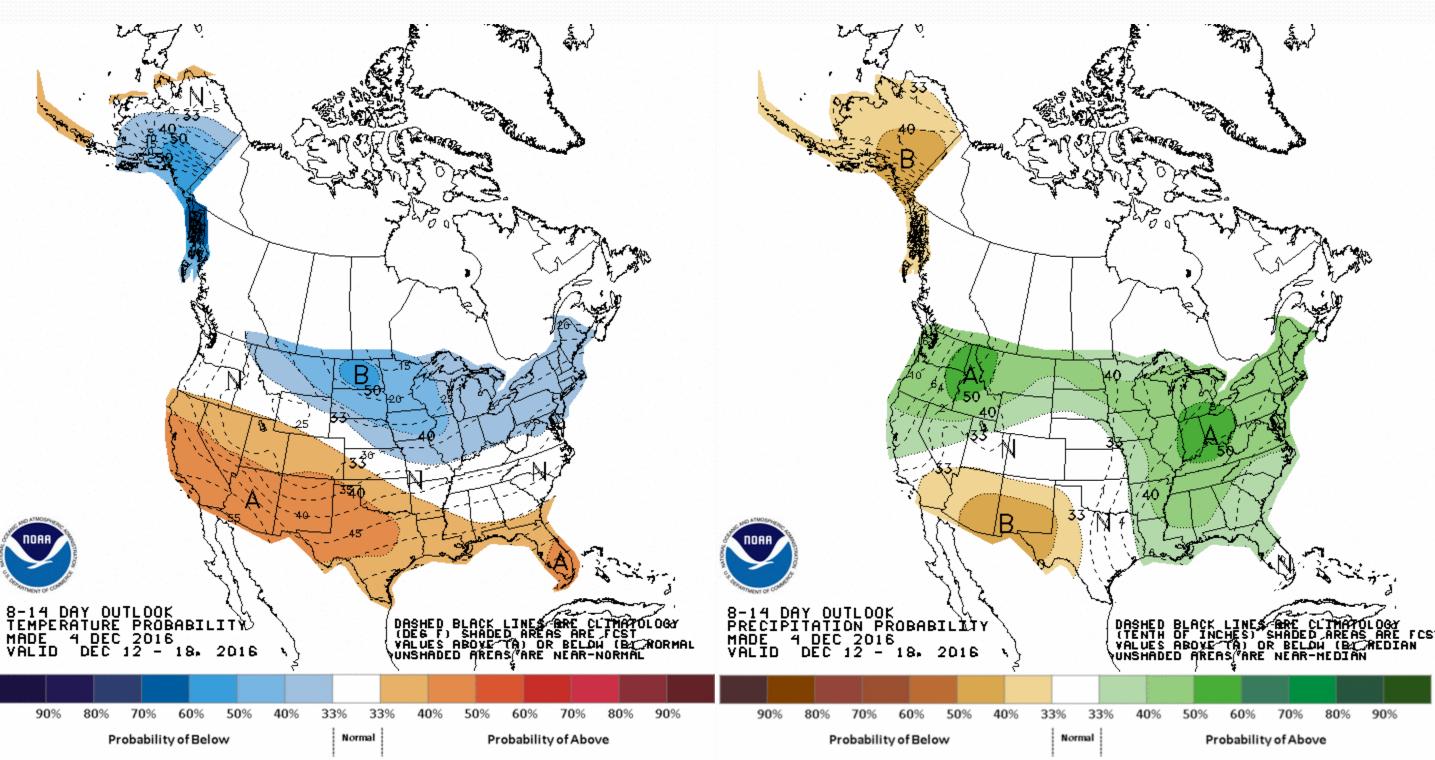
Drought Monitor Nov 29th, 2016



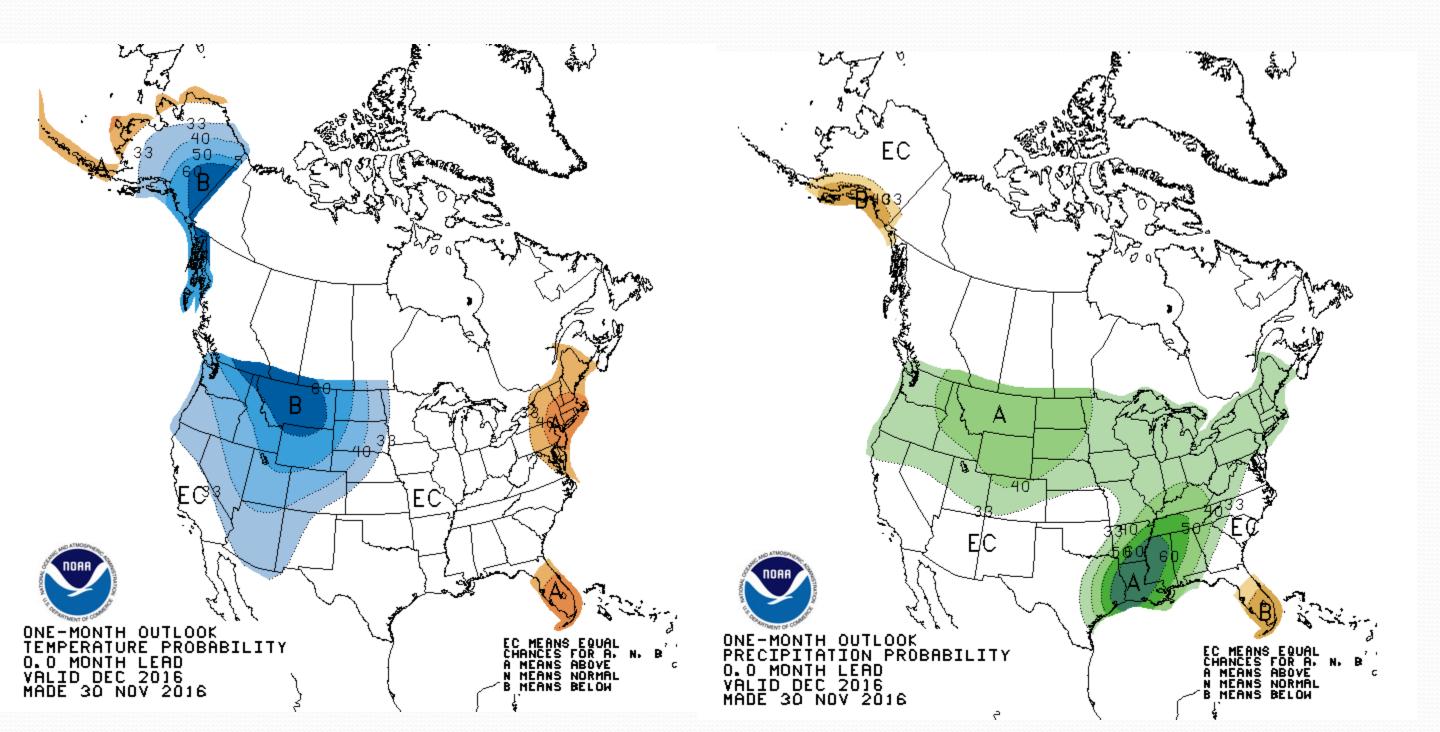
12/10-14/16 Outlook



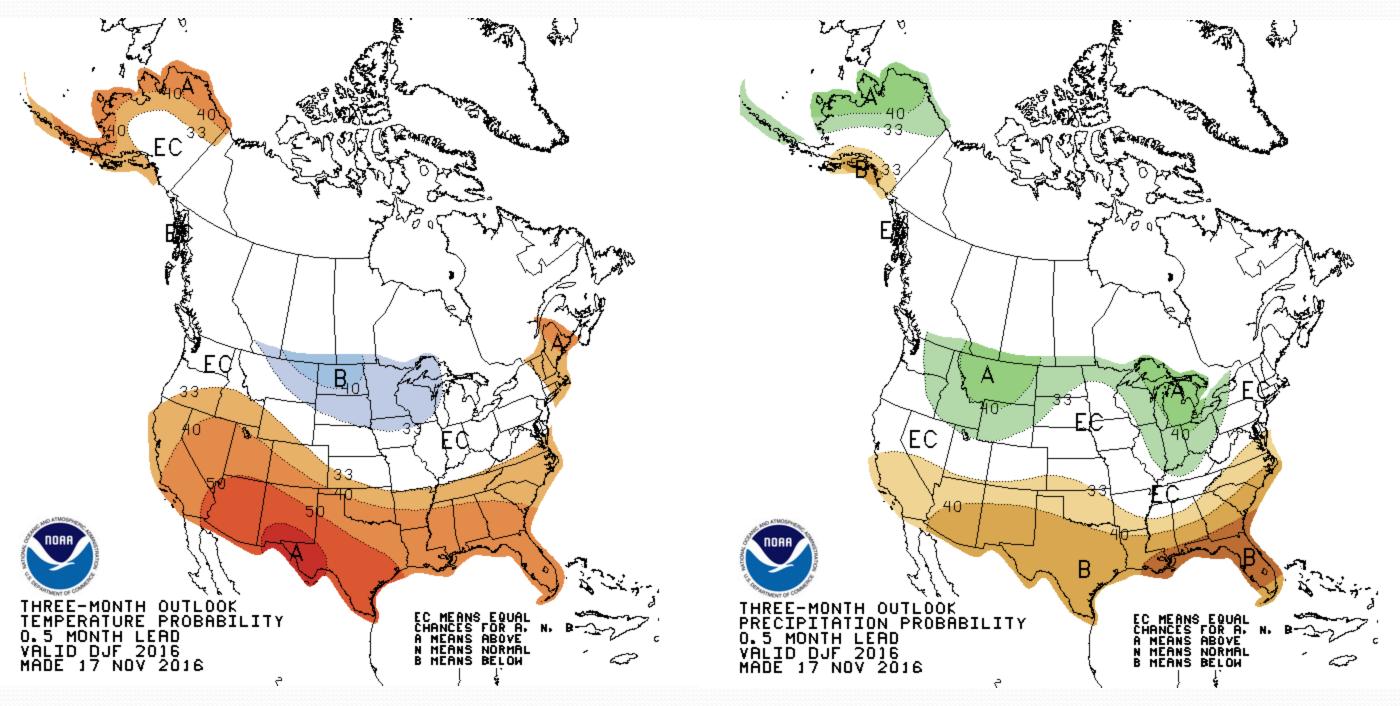
12/12-18/16 Outlook



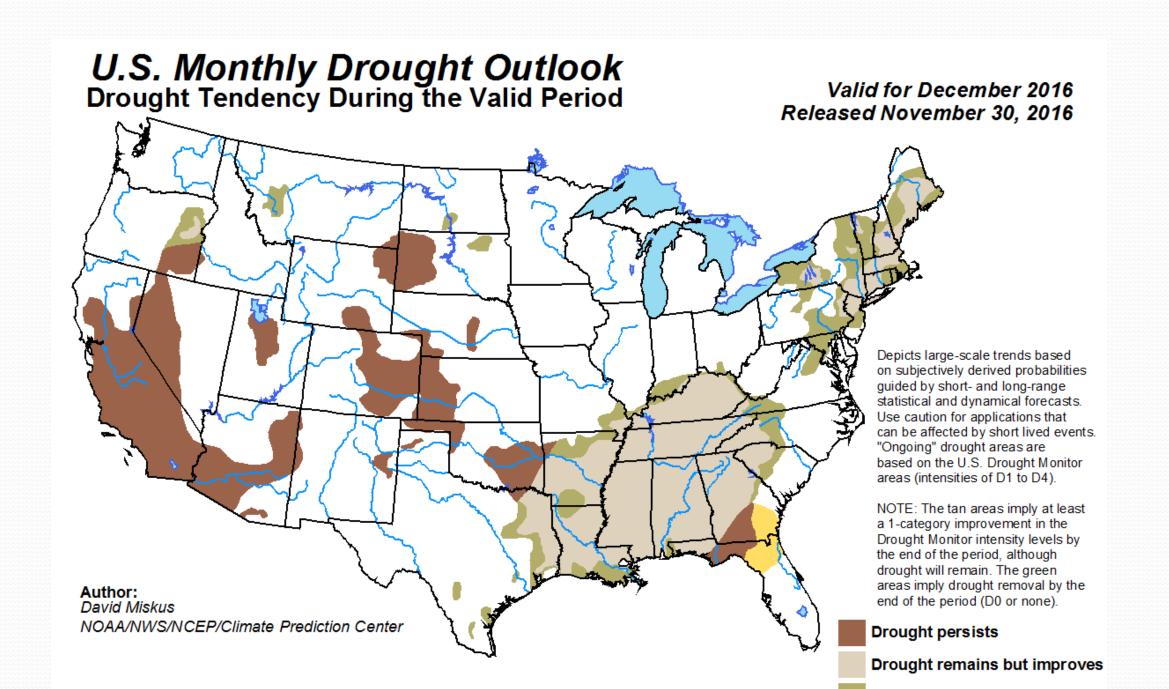
Dec Temp & Precip Outlook



DJF Temp & Precip Outlook



Drought Outlook for Dec 2016



Seasonal Drought Outlook



