

North Carolina Drought

Update

For the assessment period ending **July 2, 2024**

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The Main Takeaway

While a few spots picked up heavier rain last week, the ongoing heat and limited rainfall left drought expanding further, including the addition of Severe Drought (D2).

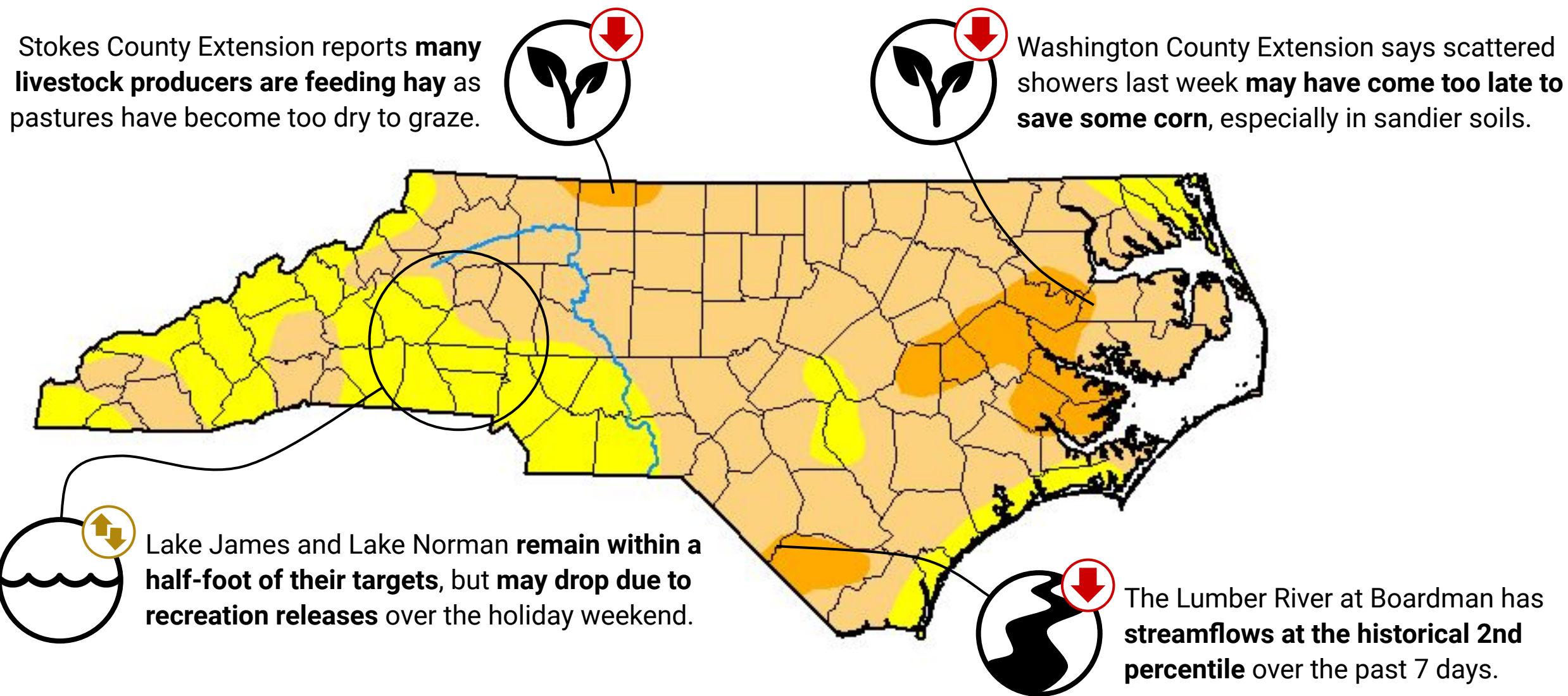
This Week's Summary

Heavier rain in parts of the Coastal Plain was nice but highly localized. Elsewhere, the southern Mountains and western Piedmont – some of our wettest areas in May – continue to dry out. The introduction of Severe Drought is a signal that dryness is now entrenched in soils, and crop losses are becoming more widespread.

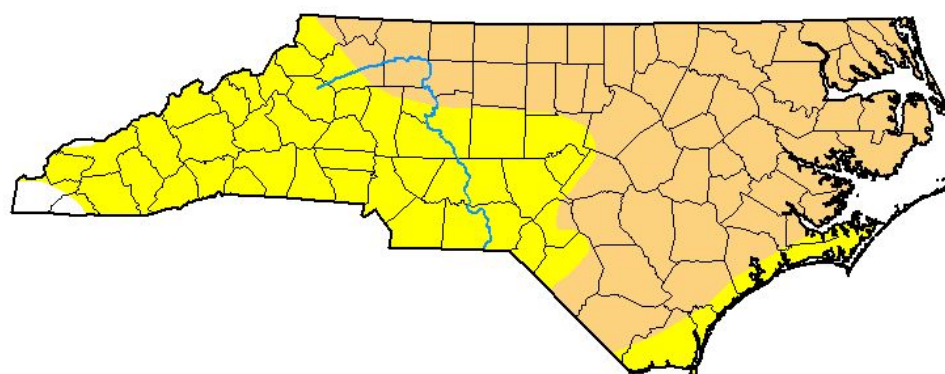
Last Month in Review

Put simply, June was very hot and very dry. In fact, it was the driest June on record for a number of sites in the state, including Franklin (0.97"), Clinton (0.71"), Tarboro (0.71"), Plymouth (0.24") and New Bern (0.89").

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Last Week's Drought Status



Statewide Coverage by Category

Category	Current Coverage	Change Since Last Week
D0: Abnormally Dry	25.46%	-16.87%
D1: Moderate Drought	65.53%	+8.99%
D2: Severe Drought	8.99%	+8.99%
D3: Extreme Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D4: Exceptional Drought	0.00%	0.00%