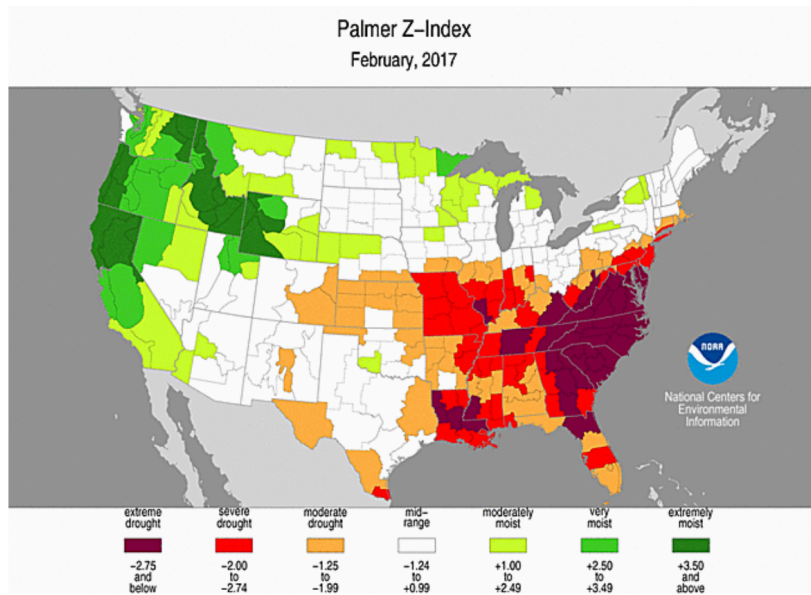


Drought Effects: What Not to Do

By glancing at NOAA's drought map (last updated in February), it is safe to say that most of New England is finally out of the moderate, severe, and extreme drought categories. Since this map does not include our wet March or April, I expect us to be in the light green area. What does this mean for the

upcoming summer? Unfortunately, the drought caused many properties to suffer, from moderately damaged shrubs and trees to severely damaged lawns. With spring finally here, many people are eager to replant shrubs and reseed lawn areas, but they want to ensure another drought does not destroy their property again; that would be like pouring money down the drain!



suffered too. I am certainly no meteorologist, but from looking at past year's rainfall patterns, this summer appears to have normal precipitation levels. This means that we will finally see plenty of rainfall throughout the summer.

Since the rain is coming, I recommend three things for your property: seed, seed, and seed. Starting to seed early will ensure exceptional results. As always, do not over-fertilize, and make sure to raise your lawn mower blades to prevent burning.

If you would like further assistance, the D&D Landscape Team is prepared and happily awaiting your phone call. They have the knowledge, equipment, and man-power to transform your property.

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