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... Deer and squirrels rely on acorns and other nuts to sustain their diets... The lack of rainfall leads to low production ... and predicts lower reproduction for the next season... The lack of rain also reduces the quality of understory, the leafy greens and berry-producing plants ...

[Drought affecting Louisiana wildlife](#) September 21, 2023 Louisiana, The West Side Journal

... 77 percent of the state experiencing severe to exceptional drought conditions... Drought affects the growth of plants used by deer for food and cover... has been linked to increased bluetongue virus (BT) and epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD) outbreaks...

[Beauregard wildfires have little impact on hunting season, deer population](#) November 9, 2023 Louisiana, Lake Charles KPLC

... “While it is still early, we are only second to the record of 2022, so things are looking pretty good,” Bordelon said... this is likely due to the parish’s timber industry. Timber harvesting and thinning allows for more sunlight to hit the ground, promoting plant growth that deer forage for...