

Scientific aspects of the 1975–76 drought in England and Wales

This book contains the proceedings of a Discussion Meeting held on 28 October 1977. Here are the facts about the drought, partly within the historical sequence of such events, and partly in the context of what happened to Britain's near neighbours and of weather elsewhere in the Northern Hemisphere. The wide range of effects is shown in the impact the drought had on experimental catchments; on farming, including crops and stock, pests and diseases; on river behaviour and the loads imposed on water resources – surface and underground – and the devices used or planned to deal with shortages; and on sewage disposal and other pollution problems. A forward look considers what summer 1976 has to teach in the planning of future development of Britain's water resources.

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