

Supporting Information for “Is drought increasing in Maine and hurting wild blueberry production?”

Table S1. Pearson correlation analysis between average Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI) of growing season (May–September) and different scales of SPEI from May to September at three different wild-blueberry study zones: Airport (Irrigated field, Deblois, ME), Baxter (Non-Irrigated field, Deblois, ME), and WH Counties, Maine.

	Airport					Baxter					Maine				
	May	June	July	August	September	May	June	July	August	September	May	June	July	August	September
SPEI 1	0.145	.448*	-0.09	0.307	0.055	0.109	.496*	-0.129	0.352	0.070	0.131	0.303	-0.123	0.296	0.197
SPEI 2	0.200	.460*	0.320	0.160	0.300	0.213	.462*	0.336	0.169	0.344	0.269	0.348	0.172	0.113	0.415
SPEI 3	0.094	.439*	0.337	0.417	0.210	0.103	.469*	0.326	.450*	0.231	0.192	0.405	0.223	0.276	0.258
SPEI 4	0.013	0.387	0.351	0.385	0.368	0.023	0.417	0.366	0.396	0.410	0.167	0.350	0.296	0.262	0.335
SPEI 5	0.087	0.275	0.290	0.387	0.366	0.103	0.309	0.304	0.416	0.391	0.262	0.314	0.235	0.317	0.329
SPEI 6	0.239	0.270	0.201	0.333	0.385	0.272	0.311	0.219	0.360	0.428	0.398	0.362	0.218	0.272	0.386
SPEI 7	0.193	0.411	0.227	0.254	0.337	0.253	.472*	0.255	0.286	0.381	0.363	.470*	0.293	0.258	0.352
SPEI 8	0.316	0.344	0.365	0.290	0.270	0.340	0.427	0.408	0.327	0.314	0.421	.433*	0.394	0.332	0.339
SPEI 9	0.319	.453*	0.318	0.399	0.291	0.365	.497*	0.381	.451*	0.344	0.381	.475*	0.380	0.406	0.398
SPEI 10	.437*	.446*	0.416	0.346	0.410	.497*	.508*	.453*	0.414	.475*	.488*	0.430	0.425	0.386	.473*
SPEI 11	.520*	.531*	0.389	0.419	0.360	.561**	.602**	.440*	.462*	.441*	.540*	.515*	0.372	0.411	.446*
SPEI 12	.646**	.589**	.474*	0.385	0.428	.656**	.642**	.534*	.443*	.481*	.669**	.549**	.455*	0.364	.460*
SPEI 13	.647**	.702**	.530*	.464*	0.401	.647**	.726**	.576**	.529*	.469*	.657**	.667**	.489*	.437*	0.417
SPEI 14	.583**	.698**	.645**	.525*	.472*	.604**	.713**	.664**	.577**	.547*	.642**	.654**	.604**	.476*	.477*
SPEI 15	.576**	.634**	.640**	.631**	.528*	.614**	.667**	.651**	.659**	.590**	.601**	.637**	.596**	.583**	.512*
SPEI 16	.563**	.626**	.587**	.629**	.633**	.612**	.673**	.615**	.648**	.672**	.589**	.601**	.588**	.576**	.616**
SPEI 17	.535*	.611**	.587**	.585**	.630**	.601**	.667**	.629**	.619**	.654**	.577**	.588**	.558**	.573**	.605**
SPEI 18	.583**	.586**	.579**	.586**	.580**	.637**	.657**	.629**	.631**	.617**	.680**	.578**	.552**	.542*	.595**
SPEI 19	.564**	.624**	.562**	.580**	.581**	.615**	.684**	.627**	.633**	.631**	.700**	.664**	.548*	.540*	.565**
SPEI 20	.542*	.607**	.597**	.570**	.577**	.594**	.664**	.652**	.638**	.636**	.730**	.688**	.634**	.544*	.563**
SPEI 21	.570**	.592**	.585**	.604**	.569**	.611**	.650**	.638**	.663**	.643**	.732**	.730**	.663**	.629**	.570**
SPEI 22	.621**	.616**	.569**	.594**	.605**	.654**	.665**	.622**	.651**	.670**	.748**	.731**	.700**	.657**	.650**
SPEI 23	.619**	.657**	.592**	.575**	.598**	.648**	.697**	.637**	.632**	.660**	.771**	.742**	.704**	.692**	.676**
SPEI 24	.631**	.654**	.634**	.604**	.584**	.658**	.691**	.671**	.653**	.645**	.779**	.762**	.713**	.702**	.713**
SPEI 25	.616**	.667**	.635**	.644**	.613**	.646**	.702**	.668**	.685**	.665**	.772**	.774**	.731**	.710**	.720**
SPEI 26	.624**	.651**	.648**	.641**	.647**	.644**	.688**	.681**	.678**	.691**	.782**	.767**	.747**	.725**	.726**
SPEI 27	.635**	.658**	.630**	.650**	.645**	.657**	.686**	.664**	.686**	.684**	.799**	.778**	.736**	.738**	.740**
SPEI 28	.623**	.670**	.634**	.630**	.656**	.640**	.698**	.658**	.667**	.695**	.808**	.795**	.743**	.726**	.753**
SPEI 29	.578**	.660**	.646**	.632**	.636**	.604**	.685**	.670**	.660**	.676**	.799**	.808**	.762**	.731**	.741**
SPEI 30	.601**	.624**	.638**	.645**	.639**	.620**	.656**	.659**	.673**	.670**	.815**	.804**	.776**	.750**	.750**
SPEI 31	.579**	.643**	.601**	.639**	.653**	.591**	.669**	.629**	.664**	.684**	.809**	.819**	.774**	.765**	.769**
SPEI 32	.545*	.624**	.621**	.605**	.647**	.572**	.644**	.644**	.637**	.675**	.786**	.813**	.789**	.766**	.785**
SPEI 33	.584**	.586**	.602**	.623**	.617**	.604**	.619**	.618**	.650**	.652**	.807**	.785**	.783**	.781**	.789**
SPEI 34	.598**	.621**	.564**	.603**	.631**	.614**	.647**	.594**	.625**	.661**	.810**	.804**	.756**	.775**	.801**

SPEI 35	.589**	.632**	.601**	.567**	.612**	.606**	.655**	.624**	.601**	.636**	.814**	.807**	.775**	.750**	.795**
SPEI 36	.612**	.624**	.611**	.600**	.573**	.644**	.647**	.631**	.629**	.609**	.825**	.811**	.780**	.766**	.764**
SPEI 37	.585**	.641**	.606**	.611**	.604**	.617**	.677**	.626**	.636**	.634**	.802**	.819**	.785**	.773**	.780**
SPEI 38	.574**	.616**	.626**	.608**	.617**	.605**	.653**	.659**	.632**	.643**	.797**	.799**	.795**	.779**	.786**
SPEI 39	.554**	.607**	.602**	.628**	.613**	.579**	.643**	.636**	.665**	.638**	.787**	.794**	.776**	.789**	.792**
SPEI 40	.542*	.592**	.596**	.607**	.630**	.576**	.623**	.629**	.644**	.668**	.788**	.787**	.774**	.772**	.800**
SPEI 41	.514*	.581**	.580**	.602**	.609**	.558**	.620**	.608**	.639**	.648**	.785**	.788**	.765**	.771**	.782**
SPEI 42	.521*	.556**	.571**	.586**	.603**	.572**	.604**	.607**	.618**	.642**	.780**	.784**	.766**	.762**	.781**
SPEI 43	.520*	.560**	.545*	.577**	.587**	.572**	.616**	.591**	.617**	.620**	.775**	.780**	.763**	.763**	.772**
SPEI 44	.550**	.557**	.548*	.554**	.580**	.600**	.613**	.601**	.603**	.620**	.787**	.772**	.759**	.761**	.773**
SPEI 45	.547*	.580**	.545*	.558**	.553**	.596**	.634**	.598**	.613**	.603**	.771**	.783**	.753**	.758**	.771**
SPEI 46	.559**	.578**	.567**	.555**	.559**	.612**	.630**	.617**	.611**	.616**	.775**	.768**	.763**	.753**	.769**
SPEI 47	.554**	.586**	.565**	.576**	.555**	.605**	.642**	.613**	.628**	.612**	.770**	.771**	.749**	.764**	.763**
SPEI 48	.555**	.582**	.575**	.575**	.576**	.598**	.637**	.627**	.626**	.630**	.777**	.766**	.753**	.751**	.774**

The numbers mentioned after “SPEI” indicate different scales of SPEI. (e.g., SPEI_16 from September represents the drought impact over past 15 months.) The shaded regions of this table indicate the most significant correlations as well as consistent trends repeating every 10-12 months. [Here the numbers indicate Pearson correlation coefficient values. $p < 0.001^{***}$; $p < 0.01^{**}$; $p < 0.05^{*}$].

Table S2. Pearson correlation analysis between average yield per year and different scales of SPEI from May to September at three different wild-blueberry study zones: Airport (Irrigated field, Deblois, ME), Baxter (Non-Irrigated field, Deblois, ME), and WH Counties, Maine.

	Airport					Baxter					Maine				
	May	June	July	August	September	May	June	July	August	September	May	June	July	August	September
SPEI_1	0.11	0.16	0.16	0.13	0.17	0.30	0.26	0.26	0.48	0.31	0.23	0.68*	0.25	0.41	0.36
SPEI_2	0.04	-0.07	-0.07	-0.14	0.11	0.34	0.22	0.56*	0.86*	0.55	0.08	0.68*	0.65*	0.61*	0.47
SPEI_3	0.03	-0.12	-0.12	-0.23	-0.09	0.40	0.29	0.29	0.63*	0.45	0.18	0.52	0.68*	0.62*	0.54
SPEI_4	0.03	-0.16	-0.16	-0.12	-0.17	0.40	0.39	0.39	0.51	0.34	0.08	0.55	0.57	0.63*	0.65*
SPEI_5	-0.12	-0.13	-0.13	-0.16	-0.11	0.25	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.43	-0.01	0.48	0.51	0.56	0.67*
SPEI_6	-0.06	-0.25	-0.25	-0.20	-0.16	0.41	0.26	0.26	0.56*	0.49	0.00	0.28	0.44	0.51	0.61
SPEI_7	-0.14	-0.19	-0.19	-0.19	-0.22	0.39	0.40	0.40	0.57*	0.55*	-0.11	0.30	0.32	0.45	0.59
SPEI_8	-0.05	-0.24	-0.24	-0.25	-0.19	0.53	0.38	0.38	0.51	0.57*	-0.12	0.15	0.36	0.35	0.58
SPEI_9	-0.05	-0.13	-0.13	-0.19	-0.28	0.54	0.51	0.51	0.56*	0.50	-0.09	0.13	0.23	0.39	0.48
SPEI_10	-0.14	-0.12	-0.12	-0.23	-0.20	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.53	0.58*	0.08	0.14	0.22	0.26	0.53
SPEI_11	-0.15	-0.20	-0.20	-0.16	-0.24	0.38	0.44	0.44	0.62*	0.56*	0.29	0.29	0.21	0.25	0.40
SPEI_12	-0.10	-0.20	-0.20	-0.15	-0.16	0.43	0.35	0.35	0.58*	0.64*	0.33	0.43	0.35	0.23	0.36
SPEI_13	-0.17	-0.16	-0.16	-0.21	-0.15	0.34	0.39	0.39	0.53	0.60*	0.23	0.47	0.45	0.36	0.34
SPEI_14	-0.24	-0.22	-0.22	-0.22	-0.22	0.27	0.32	0.32	0.46	0.54	0.18	0.38	0.47	0.46	0.44
SPEI_15	-0.15	-0.28	-0.28	-0.19	-0.24	0.29	0.25	0.25	0.48	0.46	0.20	0.34	0.40	0.48	0.53
SPEI_16	-0.09	-0.20	-0.20	-0.25	-0.21	0.29	0.27	0.27	0.42	0.48	0.19	0.36	0.37	0.41	0.55
SPEI_17	-0.09	-0.13	-0.13	-0.29	-0.25	0.22	0.27	0.27	0.36	0.41	0.01	0.35	0.41	0.39	0.49
SPEI_18	-0.16	-0.13	-0.13	-0.22	-0.29	0.22	0.20	0.20	0.38	0.35	0.18	0.18	0.41	0.42	0.47
SPEI_19	-0.23	-0.20	-0.20	-0.16	-0.22	0.13	0.20	0.20	0.38	0.38	0.07	0.35	0.26	0.43	0.49
SPEI_20	-0.28	-0.26	-0.26	-0.16	-0.16	0.18	0.12	0.12	0.34	0.37	0.09	0.23	0.45	0.29	0.49
SPEI_21	-0.35	-0.31	-0.31	-0.21	-0.16	0.13	0.17	0.17	0.33	0.32	0.24	0.26	0.34	0.47	0.38
SPEI_22	-0.31	-0.37	-0.37	-0.26	-0.21	0.20	0.12	0.12	0.26	0.32	0.27	0.39	0.36	0.38	0.53
SPEI_23	-0.30	-0.33	-0.33	-0.31	-0.26	0.27	0.18	0.18	0.28	0.24	0.32	0.41	0.47	0.39	0.45
SPEI_24	-0.18	-0.33	-0.33	-0.36	-0.31	0.38	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.27	0.40	0.45	0.47	0.49	0.46
SPEI_25	-0.24	-0.21	-0.21	-0.33	-0.36	0.38	0.36	0.36	0.30	0.23	0.43	0.53	0.51	0.49	0.55
SPEI_26	-0.23	-0.27	-0.27	-0.32	-0.32	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.29	0.35	0.53	0.58	0.52	0.55
SPEI_27	-0.28	-0.25	-0.25	-0.21	-0.32	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.44	0.34	0.38	0.47	0.57	0.60	0.59
SPEI_28	-0.29	-0.30	-0.30	-0.27	-0.21	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.43	0.45	0.26	0.50	0.50	0.58	0.66
SPEI_29	-0.29	-0.30	-0.30	-0.25	-0.27	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.41	0.43	0.14	0.40	0.52	0.51	0.63
SPEI_30	-0.23	-0.31	-0.31	-0.30	-0.25	0.36	0.29	0.29	0.38	0.41	0.12	0.30	0.43	0.54	0.58
SPEI_31	-0.25	-0.25	-0.25	-0.30	-0.30	0.39	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.13	0.29	0.35	0.45	0.60
SPEI_32	-0.25	-0.27	-0.27	-0.31	-0.30	0.39	0.37	0.37	0.36	0.37	0.24	0.31	0.34	0.37	0.53
SPEI_33	-0.21	-0.26	-0.26	-0.25	-0.31	0.45	0.37	0.37	0.41	0.36	0.24	0.41	0.35	0.36	0.46
SPEI_34	-0.14	-0.23	-0.23	-0.27	-0.26	0.45	0.42	0.42	0.43	0.41	0.37	0.38	0.44	0.37	0.47
SPEI_35	-0.09	-0.16	-0.16	-0.26	-0.27	0.47	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.53	0.50	0.42	0.45	0.49
SPEI_36	-0.09	-0.11	-0.11	-0.23	-0.26	0.45	0.44	0.44	0.48	0.42	0.61	0.66	0.52	0.43	0.54
SPEI_37	-0.08	-0.12	-0.12	-0.17	-0.23	0.41	0.42	0.42	0.48	0.47	0.54	0.72*	.673*		0.52
SPEI_38	-0.07	-0.10	-0.10	-0.12	-0.17	0.42	0.39	0.39	0.49	0.48	0.56	0.66	0.75*	.682*	0.61
SPEI_39	-0.04	-0.10	-0.10	-0.12	-0.12	0.48	0.40	0.40	0.47	0.49	0.60	.682*	.696*	.756*	.763*
SPEI_40	-0.03	-0.07	-0.07	-0.11	-0.12	0.54	0.46	0.46	0.45	0.47	0.58	.726*	.726*	.709*	.816*
SPEI_41	-0.03	-0.07	-0.07	-0.11	-0.11	0.53	0.52	0.52	0.46	0.44	0.52	.718*	.747*	.743*	.781*

SPEI_42	-0.01	-0.06	-0.06	-0.08	-0.11	0.51	0.50	0.50	0.51	0.45	0.53	.674*	.743*	.761*	.815**
SPEI_43	0.02	-0.04	-0.04	-0.08	-0.08	0.51	0.49	0.49	0.56*	0.51	0.58	.709*	.715*	.759*	.841**
SPEI_44	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.07	-0.08	0.45	0.49	0.49	0.55	0.56*	0.59	.758*	.739*	.734*	.847**
SPEI_45	0.04	-0.03	-0.03	-0.06	-0.07	0.44	0.43	0.43	0.53	0.55*	.680*	.761*	.785*	.762*	.836**
SPEI_46	0.07	0.02	0.02	-0.03	-0.05	0.41	0.42	0.42	0.54	0.54	.750*	.818**	.738*	.812**	.871**
SPEI_47	0.10	0.04	0.04	-0.05	-0.03	0.44	0.39	0.39	0.48	0.54	.732*	.860**	.813**	.757*	.907**
SPEI_48	0.12	0.07	0.07	0.00	-0.05	0.45	0.41	0.41	0.47	0.47	.793*	.850**	.864**	.832**	.850**

The numbers mentioned after “SPEI” indicate different scales of SPEI. (e.g., SPEI_16 of September represents the drought severity scale of 16 consecutive months.) The colored regions of this table indicate the most significant correlations. [Here the numbers indicate Pearson correlation coefficient values. $p < 0.001^{***}$; $p < 0.01^{**}$; $p < 0.05^{*}$]