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PREPAREDNESS FACT OF THE WEEK

This Week:

HEAT EMERGENCIES

*More Information You Need to Know
Part 11 of 12*

Extremely hot temperatures can result in death, especially among the medically fragile and elderly and have significant on agriculture.

Approximately 20 people die each year from heat-related emergencies, but a severe or extended heat wave can cause more casualties.

Multi-year droughts may result in water shortages, which impact water available for human consumption and agriculture production in the more and arid areas of the state.

The California Emergency Management Agency [Heat Contingency Plan](#) (pdf download) [Heat Contingency Plan](#) (MS Word download) describes state operations during heat related emergencies and provides guidance for state agencies, local governments, and non-governmental organizations in the preparation of their heat emergency response plans and other related activities. Steps to protect you from heat emergencies are also available below.

Additional Resources

Public

California Department of Public Health (CDPH) - "Tips for Preparing for a Hot Summer"

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)- "Heat Fast Facts" (pdf download)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "Extreme Heat Information"

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) "Extreme Heat "

U.S. Department of Homeland Security-Disability Preparedness Council "Disaster Specific Preparedness"

Food and Agriculture

California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) - "Weather Related Disasters-Heat"

United States Department Agriculture (USDA) - "Emergency Preparedness and Response"

Do your part for emergency preparedness and pass along the information!