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Commodity of the Month - Potatoes



MARKET ALERTS

Asparagus - Supply is tight due to high temperatures in Southern Baja and Peru. With increased demand before the 4th of July, supplies will remain tight through next week.

Avocado - On June 14, 2024, the USDA suspended avocado harvesting in Michoacan, Mexico, due to road-blocking protests. Two USDA inspectors were detained but safely returned. Harvesting efforts are ongoing, but the pipeline remains dry, and suppliers are in Force Majeure until mid-July.

Brussel Sprouts - Brussels sprouts are in short supply due to warm weather in Mexico, causing discoloration and more bugs. The market is expected to rise next week.

Lemons - 165ct and smaller will be tight all summer. The 140ct and smaller market remains strong. Offshore winds in mid-July will aid domestic lemon farmers.

Limes - Prices are rising due to lower inventories and rain delays in harvesting. The rain is beneficial long-term but causing a short-term price spike.

Oranges - Navels are nearly finished; Valencia's are now the main variety. Valencias are available in the Central Valley and Riverside, with a 12 brix range.

Garlic - There is still a limited amount of garlic produced in Mexico of fair quality.

Lettuce Tender Leaf - Limited supply of tender leaf items like cilantro and Italian parsley due to recent rains causing bacterial spotting.

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CROP UPDATES

Heatwaves are expected across the lower Mississippi Valley, Gulf Coast, California, and Southwest, with temperatures reaching the upper 90s to low 100s. Elevated humidity and a strong high-pressure ridge will extend the heatwave, breaking daily records. Excessive heat warnings are issued, and harvesting hours in San Joaquin, Santa Maria, and Salinas Valleys will be curtailed due to worker safety concerns. [Read more](#)

WEATHER

Arizona - High pressure will bring near-average temperatures through Thursday and above average temperatures on Friday, with lows in the mid-70s to 80s, and temperatures ranging from 106 to 116 degrees.

California - Temperatures will reach full heat wave levels away from the coast on Tuesday, while at the coast, they will remain slightly above average due to the shallow marine layer. Morning lows will range from mid-50s to upper 60s, with gusts up to 30 mph.

Florida - Northern Florida is expected to experience isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms due to a stalled frontal boundary, with temperatures remaining warm through July 5th.

Mexico - Intermittent showers and thunderstorms through July 4th, causing 0.05" to 0.25" rainfall, with isolated showers on Friday and Saturday. Temperatures slightly warmer through July 6th.

FREIGHT

Freight this week contends with 4th of July Holiday markets. We anticipate a slow return of capacity into the week of the 8th as drivers return from vacation and time with family.



IN PEAK SEASON



Honeydew - As we transition from the desert to the Central Valley, the honeydew market stays tight.

Pears - Most Washington shippers are sold out of domestic pears, except for limited quantities of Anjou, Bosc, and Red Anjou. Bartletts are now available on both coasts.

Pineapple - Spot market opportunities are limited as suppliers prioritize contracts. Tropical weather has accelerated fruit maturation, reducing yields.

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Apples

Apple supplies remain strong. In July, some holes in inventories are likely to appear. Pinks, honeys, and golds will thin out. Galas will remain tight. This summer, reds, granny smiths, and Fuji will be plentiful.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Hudson, New York (September - June)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Asparagus

ALERT

The asparagus supply remains tight. Leading up to the 4th of July holiday, many retailers are taking ad volume. Southern Baja has been experiencing temperatures above 100 degrees for about a week, which has caused asparagus to go dormant. There is also more smaller sizing than larger sizes as a result. As a result of the warm weather, Peru is also producing less asparagus. Supplies will remain tight through next week.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Caborca (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Ciudad Obregon (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Peru (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Avocados

ALERT

As of Friday, June 14, 2024, the USDA suspended avocado harvesting and shipments from Michoacan, Mexico, due to a social protest blocking roads in Aranza. Two USDA inspectors were detained but safely returned to Uruapan. USDA and Mexican authorities are working to resume harvesting. The pipeline remains dry, and suppliers are in Force Majeure as of July 3rd. This will continue for the next two weeks until the situation stabilizes.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
California (April - July)	Light	\$\$\$	Good



Bell Peppers

As newer areas get started on both coasts, green bell pepper supplies are improving. We are weeks away from starting in NJ and other areas such as MI and OH. California crops are starting to come out of the Fresno area, and supplies are improving. There is a limited supply of colored bell peppers, so expect that market to remain elevated. This week's extreme heat in CA San Joaquin Valley may lead to some quality issues and a potential bloom drop.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Ohio/NC/MI/NJ (June - September)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$ -Steady, \$ -High

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Berries (Blackberries)

Due to warmer temperatures, blackberries will produce more. Due to these higher temperatures, there may be some crop loss next week.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (Year Round)	High	\$\$\$	Good



Berries (Blueberries)

The Pacific Northwest crop will ramp up over the next few weeks, followed by the British Columbia crop next week. North Carolina is finishing up, and New Jersey is still going. Mexico's season is finished. Shippers on the West Coast are gapping while others have plenty of fruit. Supplies will be more stable next week.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Dover, Florida (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Good



Berries (Raspberries)

As the fruit becomes more difficult to handle and harvest due to excessive heat, availability has dropped. It is expected that markets will react upward until late next week when temperatures will be cooler.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Dover, Florida (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Berries (Strawberries)

Santa Maria will be ending for the most part next week. Watsonville and Salinas have reached their peak production. Over the next few weeks, we will see a slow but steady decline in production. Despite the 4th of July pull behind us, markets are firm. Over the next several days, crops may be damaged by high temperatures.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Dover, Florida (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$\$ -Steady, \$\$\$ -High

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Broccoli

The quality and supply of broccoli are improving. As Santa Maria and Salinas have improved their supplies, the market is beginning to improve. The current heatwave may result in lower yields next week due to tight supplies.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair
Santa Maria, California (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair
Salinas (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair



Brussel Sprouts

ALERT

There is a shortage of Brussels sprouts. As a result of the warm weather in Mexico, discoloration and an increase in bugs are occurring. Next week, the market is likely to trend higher.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (December-August)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Oxnard, CA (May - July)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Carrots

There is a steady market for whole carrots. The main growing region is Bakersfield. The size looks good. No issues for the foreseeable future.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Imperial Valley (February - May)	Steady	\$\$\$	Excellent
Kern County (October - Feb)	Steady	\$\$\$	Excellent



Cauliflower

The supply of cauliflower is steady and of good quality. We offer all sizes at competitive prices. Going into the weekend, this market should remain steady.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Santa Maria, California (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Salinas, California (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Celery

Overall, this market is steady and flat. The large sizing has better availability than the previous week. Most suppliers are filling all orders to the fullest extent possible. Both northern and southern CA are experiencing good quality. This commodity will be available throughout the week in steady supply.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Oxnard, California (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$\$ -Steady, \$\$\$ -High

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Citrus (Lemons)

ALERT

115ct and larger sizes are at their peak. 165ct and smaller sizes will remain extremely tight throughout the summer. The market for 140ct and smaller will remain strong. District 1 (San Joaquin Valley) is now finished, leaving District 2 (Oxnard/Ventura County) as the main growing region. On the West Coast, offshore winds are expected to come into play early/mid July, which will help domestic lemon farmers.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Oxnard/Ventura (October - February)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
San Joaquin Valley (October - May)	Light	\$\$\$	Good



Citrus (Limes)

ALERT

Prices are slightly stronger and there are fewer total inventories around. Rain is delaying harvesting, but demand is good. The rain has been needed and will be good for the crop as we move into summer, but is causing a spike this week. We will see guys quoting fruit they don't have and pricing will hold.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Veracruz (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Citrus (Oranges)

ALERT

Navels are pretty finished; Valencia's are the main variety. Valencia's crop will mirror Navel's. During Valencia season, fruit will peak on 72ct and larger; 88/113/138ct will be tight once summer break for schools is over. Valencia's are currently available in the Central Valley and Riverside. Valencias are in the 12 brix range.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
San Joaquin Valley (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Cucumber

There is a good supply and quality of cucumbers on both coasts.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Georgia (May - June)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Mexico (November - May)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Baja California (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Eggplant

Both coasts have fairly steady markets with enough supply to meet demand.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
California (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Georgia (May - June)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$ -Steady, \$ -High

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Garlic

ALERT

There is still a limited amount of garlic produced in Mexico of fair quality. The market is expected to remain steady for the next few weeks. Domestic supplies begin around the end of July or beginning of August.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
East Coast (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Bakersfield, California (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Gilroy, California (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Grapes (Green)

In the next week or two, Mexican grape season will come to an end. Some growers have already called it quits due to quality issues due to massive heat in the growing areas. Meanwhile, some growers in Bakersfield have already started harvesting this week, and the rest will follow throughout next week. Most people will start with reds, then move on to greens three to four days later. The district should be full speed by July 15th.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (May - June)	High	\$\$\$	Good



Grapes (Red)

In the next week or two, Mexican grape season will come to an end. Some growers have already called it quits due to quality issues due to massive heat in the growing areas. Meanwhile, some growers in Bakersfield have already started harvesting this week, and the rest will follow throughout next week. Most people will start with reds, then move on to greens three to four days later. The district should be full speed by July 15th.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (May - June)	High	\$\$\$	Good



Green Onions

Green onions are in good supply this week, and they are of better quality. Supplies should be plentiful next week.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	High	\$\$\$	Good



Kale

Kale supplies are expected to be plentiful and of good quality this week. There is a great opportunity for Kale to be promoted at the moment.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Oxnard, California (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Salinas, CA (May - OCT)	High	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$\$ -Steady, \$\$\$ -High

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Lettuce Iceberg

As a result of the warm weather in the growing regions, this commodity has experienced increased growth. Due to the closure of schools across the U.S., there is also an increase in availability. At the moment, all value-added product is off escalation and will remain that way for at least a few weeks. Aside from some slight irregular shaped heads and discoloration on the outer leaves, multiple suppliers report the quality is above average.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Santa Maria, California (March-December)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Salinas, California (May - October)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Lettuce Leaf

Romaine, green and red leaf will continue to be in good supply this week, as will romaine hearts. Shippers are flexing so promote as much as possible. The quality of the product remains above average in terms of weight and quality. All this week, you can expect steady competitive production and pricing. Overall, demand is off.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Salinas, California (May - October)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair



Lettuce Tender Leaf



There is a limited supply of tender leaf items such as cilantro and Italian parsley. As a result of all the rains and excessive moisture, quality is experiencing bacterial spotting. As a result, these leaf items will be able to withstand the current heat. For the next few weeks, these markets will remain tight.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Steady	\$\$\$	Fair
Oxnard, California (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Salinas, California (May - October)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Melon (Cantaloupe)

Due to the upcoming holiday and availability of new crops, demand for cantaloupe has increased. Shippers are overselling the new crop, with better supplies available the week of 7/8. The quality of the product is excellent, with Brix levels in the range of 13-16%. California's heat wave is peaking on 9s and Jumbos, with smaller fruit at a premium. For another week, the product will be available in the desert.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Central America (December - May)	Light	\$\$\$	Excellent

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$\$ -Steady, \$\$\$ -High

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Melon (Honeydew)

ALERT

As we move from the desert to the Central Valley, the honeydew market remains tight. As growers build inventory, markets are expected to remain tight. There is a peak in Honeydew 5s and Jumbo 5s in the new crop. Mexico's crossings are lower, leaving a gap for smaller fruits. There is a premium on honeydew 8s. For the next week or two, honeydew markets will remain tight.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Arizona (June-July) (October-November)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Central America (December - May)	Light	\$\$\$	Good



Melon (Watermelon)

Due to a combination of supply and holiday demand, watermelon sales have increased across the country. This week, Mexican watermelons are available in Nogales and Texas. The demand for Mexican fruit has been steady, and California fruit will be available the week of 7/8. Product is expected to peak at 36/45ct. As growers build inventory, organic watermelons are expected to sell at lower volumes for the next two weeks. As suppliers close out their Holiday AD deals, FL watermelon quality remains excellent.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Arizona (June-July) (October-November)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
Central America (December-May)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair



Mushroom

Supply and availability are excellent.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Nationwide	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Onions

CA and NM have excellent supplies of yellow onions. Red and white markets remain elevated and firm due to export demand.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
South Texas (July-April)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
Tri-Cities, Washington (July-April)	Light	\$\$\$	Fair
California Desert (April - May)	High	\$\$\$	Excellent



Pears

ALERT

In the second week of July, new crop California Bartletts will begin shipping just south of Sacramento. Early California crop looks to be about 80% of last year's. Almost all Washington shippers have sold out of domestic pears and only small quantities of Anjou, Bosc, and Red Anjou are left. Only a few shippers will still have Anjou at the beginning of July. Bartletts are now available on both coasts.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Hood River, Oregon (August-July)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Yakima, Washington (August-July)	Light	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$\$ -Steady, \$\$\$ -High

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Pineapples

ALERT

Spot market opportunities are limited, and suppliers are focusing on their contracts. The tropical weather has caused fruit to mature faster than normal, resulting in lower yields. After the holidays, demand remains steady for larger fruit. The quality of Mexican pineapples is excellent.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Costa Rica (Year round)	Light	\$\$\$	Good



Potatoes

The 40 and 50 CT potato sizes remain the most limited, with 60 - 70 CT markets on the rise. There is an abundance of small potatoes.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Bancroft, Wisconsin (August-July)	Steady	\$\$\$	Excellent
Idaho Falls, Idaho (August-July)	High	\$\$\$	Excellent
Monte Vista, Colorado (August-July)	Steady	\$\$\$	Excellent
Pasco, Washington (August-July)	High	\$\$\$	Excellent



Squash

Supplies are plentiful with multiple regions going, the northwest, Santa Maria, Baja, NC, MI, OH to name a few. Quality is good and expect a good amount of supplies across the board.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Georgia (May - June)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good
California (May - Oct)	High	\$\$\$	Good
Ohio/MI/OH/NJ/NC (June - September)	Steady	\$\$\$	Good



Stone Fruit

The apricot season is over. The heat in the central valley has already finished them off. A good supply of peaches, plums, and nectarines is available. Although the heat will limit harvest crew time, it should not affect the crop long-term. The size will increase throughout the month with better varieties coming on in July. Washington cherries have reached the halfway point of their season. Chile's kiwi market is steady to slightly lower.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
San Joaquin Valley (May-October)	High	\$\$\$	Excellent



Tomatoes

Markets remain elevated however there's some relief coming up. CA crops have started and supplies are expected to increase over the next few weeks as well as Baja and Central Mexico. East coast is in a slight gap significant volume not expected until mid July. Hot temperatures in CA this week are something to watch for as it may cause some heat related quality issues.

Commodity/Region	Supply	Price	Quality
Mexico (Year Round)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Florida (November-May)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
Baja California (Spring/Summer - NOV)	Light	\$\$\$	Good
California (July - OCT)	Light	\$\$\$	Good

Price Key: \$\$\$ -Low, \$\$ -Steady, \$ -High

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Weather Updates



CALIFORNIA

Temps will reach full heat wave levels away from the coast Tuesday and last through the rest of the week. At the coast, temperatures will remain near to slightly above average due to the shallow marine layer. Lows in the morning will range from the mid-50s to the upper 60s, while daytime highs will range from the mid-60s to the upper 70s near the coast, from the upper 80s to 100 in the coastal valleys, and from 105-113 south of Soledad. With gusts up to 30 mph, there will be a blustery sea breeze.



MEXICO

Showers and thunderstorms will occur intermittently through July 4th. Most showers will produce 0.05" to 0.25" of rainfall, but some thunderstorms may produce higher totals. It is more likely that shower activity will become isolated over the area on Friday and Saturday. Through July 6th, temperatures will be slightly warmer and closer to normal.



FLORIDA

A stalled frontal boundary will cause isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms over northern Florida on Monday and Tuesday. By the end of the week, showers and thunderstorms will continue to develop over the state due to daytime heating and daytime heating. Most showers will produce rain totals between 0.02" and 0.20", but thunderstorms may produce higher totals. Through July 5th, temperatures will remain warm over the state.



ARIZONA

High pressure continues to bring near-average temperatures through Thursday and well above average temperatures beginning Friday, as monsoonal moisture remains south and east. Tuesday's morning lows will be in the mid 70s to mid 80s, and Saturday's lows will be in the upper 70s to upper 80s. Temperatures will range from 106 to 116 degrees Tuesday, increasing a few degrees each day until reaching 112-123 degrees on Friday.

For more information: <https://www.ventusky.com/?p=31.4;-89.7;3&l=rain-3h>

Freight Updates



Freight this week contends with 4th of July Holiday markets. We anticipate a slow return of capacity into the week of the 8th as drivers return from vacation and time with family.



U.S. On-Highway Diesel Fuel Prices*(dollars per gallon)

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	06/17/24	06/24/24	07/01/24	Change from	
				week ago	year ago
U.S.	3.735	3.769	3.813	↑ 0.044	↑ 0.046
East Coast (PADD1)	3.834	3.876	3.898	↑ 0.022	↑ 0.087
New England (PADD1A)	4.085	4.088	4.096	↑ 0.008	↑ 0.006
Central Atlantic (PADD1B)	4.050	4.048	4.076	↑ 0.028	↑ 0.005
Lower Atlantic (PADD1C)	3.727	3.790	3.812	↑ 0.022	↑ 0.126
Midwest (PADD2)	3.621	3.662	3.729	↑ 0.067	↑ 0.025
Gulf Coast (PADD3)	3.472	3.506	3.549	↑ 0.043	↑ 0.081
Rocky Mountain (PADD4)	3.682	3.710	3.745	↑ 0.035	↓ -0.205
West Coast (PADD5)	4.417	4.420	4.447	↑ 0.027	↑ 0.035
West Coast less California	3.984	3.990	4.039	↑ 0.049	↓ -0.070
California	4.915	4.913	4.915	↑ 0.002	↑ 0.153

*prices include all taxes

For more information: <https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/gasdiesel/>

Crop Update



The heat is on, from the lower Mississippi Valley and the Gulf Coast to California and the Southwest. Temperatures are forecast to soar into the upper 90s to low 100s across the lower Mississippi Valley through midweek. When combined with elevated humidity levels heat indices are expected to rise into the 110s across the region including the Gulf Coast. A strong high-pressure ridge out west will bring an extended extreme heatwave to California and the Southwest through the Holiday week and into the weekend. Temperatures away from the immediate coastline are forecast to reach into the 100-110F range, likely breaking numerous daily records especially in the interior valleys. The duration of this heat wave is concerning with excessive heat warnings issued throughout much of the state. These hot temperatures will curtail harvesting hours in the San Joaquin, Santa Maria and Salinas Valleys due to worker safety issues.



Many crops are in the line of fire in the Salinas and Santa Maria Valleys. Lettuce and romaine supplies will likely see an increase in fringe burn, internal burn, seed discoloration and insect pressure along with lesser texture and shelf life. Tender leaf, spinach, spring mix, parsley and cilantro crops are especially susceptible to these extreme temperatures. Bolting/seeders, yellowing, fringe burn, tip burn, insect damage, wilting and a generally thin/weaker texture will be common in these stands. Broccoli and cauliflower will likely see and increase discoloration, sunscald, hollow core, brown beadpin rot and overall lesser texture. This heat will not help the already very light broccoli supplies in the near term.



Insect pressure is sure to rise given the heat along with general pests (rodents, birds, reptiles etc.) as all will be looking for water and trying to avoid the heat. Rodents are currently being seen in various fields as reported by field personnel. The quality and shelf life of most crops will be challenged as this extended heat wave plays out this week.

Crops in the San Joaquin Valley (Bell peppers, Melons, Onions, Tomatoes) among others are more adjusted to the heat. Harvesting hours will be drastically reduced as growers will attempt to keep moisture in the fields with drip irrigation to mitigate bloom drops and heat related damage.



Hurricane Beryl currently in the Caribbean Sea became the first Category 4 storm to form in June with winds reaching 150mph before becoming the earliest category 5 system ever with winds reaching 160+mph. Beryl is expected to move across the Caribbean reaching the Yucatan Peninsula late this week moving into the Gulf of Mexico on Saturday likely as a Tropical Storm. This storm bears watching this week as the track and intensity becomes clearer as it approaches the warm water in the Gulf of Mexico this weekend.

We will be watching the heat and the tropics this week and keep you up to date as to potential impacts for the various growing regions as we gather more information.

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