



# COUNTY OF YOLO

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## Yolo County Fourth of July Heatwave

(Woodland, CA) – With the Fourth of July around the corner, the U.S. National Weather Service in Sacramento has issued an excessive heat warning for Yolo County from Tuesday morning July 2<sup>nd</sup>, through Sunday evening, July 7<sup>th</sup>. Yolo County is encouraging residents to exercise caution and take steps to remaining safe and cool during this heat wave with potential impacts to people, pets, and livestock due to heat-related illnesses.

The Yolo County Library and the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) have taken proactive measures to provide relief and support by opening local libraries on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> as cooling places for the community with restrooms and waters available. For cooling centers within your city, please visit your specific city's website for more information. The following locations will be open from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. on July 4<sup>th</sup> and July 7<sup>th</sup>:

- Yolo Branch Library – 37750 Sacramento St. Yolo, CA 95697
- Winters Community Library – 708 Railroad Ave. Winters, CA 95694
- Esparto Regional Library – 17065 Yolo Ave. Esparto, CA 95627

“As we gear up for this extended heatwave, our priority is ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all residents throughout Yolo County, so please be sure to check on vulnerable neighbors- including seniors, children and pets. We also urge everyone to stay hydrated, follow local advisories and seek out cooling centers, as needed,” said Chair of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors Lucas Frerichs.

As the temperature rises and the heat intensifies, it's important to remember that your safety is in your hands. We encourage all residents to stay informed and take necessary precautions. Here are some helpful tips to empower you to take charge and stay safe:

- **Stay Informed:** Stay updated on the latest weather conditions and warnings by visiting the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services (OES) website at [yolocounty.org/OES](http://yolocounty.org/OES) and monitoring local news channels.
- **Cooling Locations:** Yolo County has various places to cool down across the region. A comprehensive GIS map with an updated list of cooling locations can be found at [news.caloes.ca.gov/coolingcenters](http://news.caloes.ca.gov/coolingcenters). For immediate assistance in locating nearby cooling centers, residents can dial 2-1-1.

- **Fire Hazards:** The dry and hot weather conditions increase the risk of fire hazards. Exercise caution whenever near dry fuels and refrain from using equipment that may cause sparks such as lawnmowers or equipment with chains. Please report any signs of fire immediately to local authorities by dialing 9-1-1.
- **Power Outages:** Excessive heat could strain the energy grid leading to power outages. Prepare in advance by visiting PG&E's website at [Tips to Prepare for a Power Outage - PG&E Safety Action Center](#).

Your role in keeping Yolo County safe is crucial. Stay connected with Yolo County's safety alert messages by following us on our social media channels on Facebook and X (Twitter). Yolo County is committed to the health and well-being of our community and the importance of staying cool and informed during this intense heatwave.

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