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Hot and Dry Weather Ahead

Kent, Wash – July 29, 2017 – The Puget Sound region is expected to experience the warmest temperatures of the year in the next week, when highs reach into the mid-90s.

While warm weather means outdoor fun, please remember the potential dangers it also brings.

Health safety:

- Stay hydrated with non-caffeinated liquids
- Wear sunscreen – especially children
- Check on the elderly and those house-bound regularly
- Close drapes and windows during the day to keep homes cooler
- Consider waiting until the evenings before going out

Water safety:

- Wear a Coast Guard approved and well-fitting life jacket
- Swim at locations that have lifeguards
- Supervise children at ALL TIMES
- Know that lake and river temperatures can be as low as 50 degrees
- Remember that water activities and alcohol do not mix well

Fire safety:

- Know that there is a Phase 1 burn ban in this area
- Check with your local fire department before starting any outdoor fires
- Never discard cigarettes or other burning materials on the ground
- Keep landscaping near your home well-watered and away from the building
- Dispose of BBQ ashes in a tightly sealed metal container – not a paper sack

Your firefighters want you and your family to have an enjoyable and safe summer. Game of Thrones may say that winter is coming, but not here in the Puget Sound region.

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