...JULY 2012 CLIMATE SUMMARY...

...RECORD WARMTH FOR THE NATION...BUT COOLER THAN AVERAGE WEATHER IN OUR AREA...

JULY 2012 WAS THE WARMEST MONTH ON RECORD FOR THE CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES. JULY TEMPERATURES WERE MUCH ABOVE AVERAGE ACROSS THE PLAINS AND MIDWEST AND ALSO ALONG THE EASTERN SEABOARD. IN TOTAL...32 STATES HAD JULY TEMPERATURES AMONG THEIR 10 WARMEST...AND EIGHT STATES HAD THEIR WARMEST OR SECOND WARMEST JULY ON RECORD.

SUMMARY FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA AND MONTEREY BAY AREA...

IN CONTRAST TO MOST OF THE NATION...TEMPERATURES ACROSS CALIFORNIA IN JULY WERE NEAR AVERAGE. AND...MOST OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA AND MONTEREY BAY AREA EXPERIENCED A SLIGHTLY COOLER THAN AVERAGE MONTH. CONDITIONS BOTH LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY DURING JULY 2012 WERE SIMILAR TO JULY 2011. JULY 2011 WAS ALSO SLIGHTLY COOLER THAN AVERAGE IN OUR PART OF THE COUNTRY...BUT THE NATION AS A WHOLE HAD ONE OF ITS WARMEST JULY'S ON RECORD LAST YEAR.

MUCH OF THE CONTIGUOUS U.S. WAS UNDER A STRONG UPPER LEVEL RIDGE OF HIGH PRESSURE DURING JULY 2012. UPSTREAM FROM THAT RIDGE...A TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE PERSISTED ALONG OR NEAR THE WEST COAST. THIS UPPER LEVEL TROUGH IS WHAT CONTRIBUTED TO OUR SLIGHTLY COOLER THAN AVERAGE TEMPERATURES FOR THE MONTH. ON A FEW OCCASIONS...THE UPPER RIDGE EXTENDED WESTWARD ACROSS CALIFORNIA AND PRODUCED BRIEF WARM-UPS ACROSS OUR AREA. THE MOST NOTABLE OF THESE WARM-UPS OCCURRED ON THE 11TH AND THEN AGAIN TEN DAYS LATER ON THE 21ST. TEMPERATURES TYPICALLY DID NOT STRAY TOO FAR FROM AVERAGE DURING THE MONTH AND NO DAILY HIGH OR LOW TEMPERATURE RECORDS WERE SET OR TIED IN JULY.

PRECIPITATION DURING JULY 2012 CAME PRIMARILY IN THE FORM OF DRIZZLE FALLING FROM MARINE LAYER STRATUS CLOUDS...MAINLY NEAR THE COAST. MOST INLAND AREAS PICKED UP NO MEASURABLE RAINFALL DURING THE MONTH. THIS IS NOT UNUSUAL AS JULY IS TYPICALLY THE DRIEST MONTH OF THE YEAR. IN FACT...THE 30-YEAR AVERAGE JULY PRECIPITATION IS ZERO OR NEAR ZERO AT MOST INLAND CLIMATE STATIONS.

...JULY REGIONAL TEMPERATURE SUMMARY...

LOCATION	AVG HIGH	NORMAL HIGH	DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL	AVG LOW	NORMAL LOW	DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL
NORTH BAY						
CALISTOGA HEALDSBURG KENTFIELD	89.9 87.5 80.4	91.4 89.5 82.7	-1.5 -2.0 -2.3	50.6 53.3 51.6	52.5 54.6 53.0	-1.9 -1.3 -1.4

NAPA AIRPORT PETALUMA SAN RAFAEL SANTA ROSA AP SONOMA	80.8 79.7 83.2	81.9 79.6 83.1	-1.1 0.1 0.1	51.4 53.2 50.5	52.5 52.3 54.9 51.9 52.8	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9 \\ -0.9 \\ -1.7 \\ -1.4 \\ -0.1 \end{array}$
SAN FRANCISCO PENI	NSULA.	•••				
HALF MOON BAY PALO ALTO REDWOOD CITY SAN FRANCISCO					51.6 55.1 56.1	
AIRPORT SAN FRANCISCO	70.1	72.0	-1.9	54.8	55.4	-0.6
DOWNTOWN	65.4	66.5	-1.1	53.5	54.1	-0.6
EAST BAY						
CONCORD CONCORD AIRPORT HAYWARD AIRPORT LIVERMORE AP MARTINEZ MOUNT DIABLO JUNCTION NEWARK OAKLAND OAKLAND AIRPORT SOUTH BAY AND SANT	87.5 85.5 73.9 87.0 88.2 79.6 75.7 71.0 69.8 A CRUZ 85.0 75.4	88.0 87.0 73.0 87.5 88.7 84.7 77.1 72.0 70.3 COUNTY 88.2 77.1	0.9 -0.5 -0.5 -5.1 -1.4 -1.0 -0.5  -3.2 -1.7	56.9 55.4 56.1 53.5 58.5 55.5 55.1 54.5 55.0 57.7	57.9 57.7 57.4 57.2 51.1 60.3 57.8 56.2 55.5 54.5 59.1	-1.0 -2.3 -1.0 -1.1 2.4 -1.8 -2.3 -1.1 -1.0
	79.9 73.0 68.9	81.9 75.3 71.6	-2.0 -2.3 -2.7	57.1 53.6 54.2	58.1	-1.0 -0.4 0.5
MONTEREY AND SAN BENITO COUNTIES						
KING CITY	78.1 82.8 63.5 65.5	85.4 66.3 67.2	-2.9 -2.6 -2.8 -1.7	53.1 52.7 51.9 54.1	53.1 52.2 53.6	0.1 -0.4 -0.3 0.5

...JULY REGIONAL PRECIPITATION SUMMARY...

NOTE: ONLY CLIMATE STATIONS WITH MEASURABLE RAINFALL DURING THE MONTH ARE LISTED.

LOCATION	JULY TOTAL	AVERAGE JULY PRECIP				
NORTH BAY						
KENTFIELD	0.02	0.00	N/A			
SAN FRANCISCO PENI	NSULA					
HALF MOON BAY	0.22	0.14	157			
PACIFICA	0.10	0.03	333			
SAN FRANCISCO			/-			
DOWNTOWN	0.01	0.00	N/A			
EAST BAY						
BERKELEY	0.02	0.01	200			
MOUNT DIABLO						
JUNCTION						
		0.00				
OAKLAND AIRPORT	0.03	0.01	300			
SOUTH BAY AND SANTA CRUZ COUNTY						
SANTA CRUZ	0.03	0.01	300			
WATSONVILLE	0.04	0.01	400			
WATSONVILLE AP	0.05	0.02	250			
MONTEREY AND SAN BENITO COUNTIES						
HOLLISTER	0.01	0.00	N/A			
MONTEREY AIRPORT	0.05	0.01	500			

...DAILY TEMPERATURE RECORDS FOR JULY 2012...

NO DAILY TEMPERATURES RECORDS WERE SET OR TIED IN JULY

...MONTHLY RANKS FOR DOWNTOWN SAN FRANCISCO...

AVERAGE HIGH TEMPERATURE....65.4....54TH WARMEST OUT OF 136 YEARS AVERAGE LOW TEMPERATURE....53.5....58TH WARMEST OUT OF 136 YEARS PRECIPITATION.....0.01 INCHES....37TH WETTEST OUT OF 162 YEARS

...MONTHLY EXTREMES FOR SELECT LOCATIONS...

	WARMEST	COOLEST	WETTEST
LOCATION	DAY(S)	DAY(S)	DAY(S)

SANTA ROSA AIRPORT	7/11 7/21 96 DEG	7/06 45 DEG	N/A
SAN FRANCISCO	7/21 74 DEG	3 DAYS 51 DEG	7/17 0.01 IN
LIVERMORE AIRPORT	7/11 104 DEG	7/06 7/10 53 DEG	N/A
SAN JOSE	7/21 92 DEG	7/10 7/15 54 DEG	N/A
SALINAS AIRPORT	7/21 78 DEG	7/12 52 DEG	N/A

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