

Weekly Market Review

July 5, 2024

Overview

South Georgia production will start to wind down over the next two weeks as the season closes and move on to other local regions. We are seeing very light supply this week on hot pepper, bell pepper and tomatoes. In the east we are seeing a GAP on a few hot pepper items, poblano and cubanelle are the shortest due to heat and rain related pressure. With the transition to Tennessee and North Carolina expected over the next two weeks we expect supply locally to be extremely short. There are some local deals starting to scratch and Southern Valley is doing what they can to secure any additional product they can. Mainland Mexico is starting to transition from Guanajuato to Chihuahua, but we are seeing delays as the new regions are receiving quite a bit of rain and may get hit by this latest hurricane in the Caribbean Sea. Currently, we are seeing very tight markets on the following items: Habanero, Shishito, Anaheim, Serrano, Poblano while tomatillo and jalapeno supplies are fair. In the west, the summer production is not quite ready in Baja nor California, but we do not expect to see improvements for the next two weeks. The following commodities will see weather related pressure in the west; table grapes, corn, bell pepper, stone fruit, soft squash, tomatoes, beans and eggplant will all be exposed to the first major heat wave of the season in California. We will need to watch this closely as it could dictate the direction of several markets for weeks. Table grapes supply out of Mexico is winding down rapidly as recent rain and heat have caused quality issues and fruit is being rejected at the border daily for poor sizing, soft berry, shatter and other shelf-life issues. Coachella and Arvin will pack more fruit in 7 to 10 days and we could see a bump in markets until we transition completely to the Central Valley. Supply out of the desert on melons has been fair and will transition to California this week. The reduced demand caused by limited avocado availability and high prices has led to changes in the industry. The old crop harvest is now projected to last longer than initially predicted, ensuring that 48s & larger avocados will still be accessible until July. The Loca crop is expected to favor 60s and smaller sizes, with the harvest gradually increasing. There will be expected to be ongoing fluctuations in the market over the next few weeks as all COOs will adapt to varying harvest levels, size distributions, new regulations, and dry matter levels. Rain continues in most Guatemalan growing regions which has damaged many crops. This will have long-term effects on commodities such as French beans, snow peas, sugar snap peas, heirloom tomatoes, and hand-peeled baby carrots. California is heading for a heat wave and while the early harvesting has caused some issues with supply, the heat wave may also be a factor in more supply issues. Now, we are seeing good quality on most items and supply has improved but we are now going to have to keep a close eye on commodities across the board with the temperatures exceeding 100 degrees in some areas. In reference to supply, the big concerns are still brussels sprouts and broccoli. Brussels sprouts are still very tight and prorate should be expected and pricing has now escalated. Broccoli is still seeing extremely light supply and prices will remain escalated. We will have to watch and see what the heat does to the other commodities like, liner, romaine, broccoli, cauliflower and spinach. Although those items are good for now, we do not know the impact the heat will have.

Alert










- Asparagus – **ESCALATED**
- Artichokes -**ESCALATED**
- Avocados – **EXTREME**
- Bell Pepper (All Colors) - **ESCALTED**
- Bok Choy – **ESCALATED**
- Broccoli Florets and Crowns – **ESCALATED**
- Brussel Sprouts-**ESCALATED**
- Cabbage, Red - **ESCALATED**
- Cilantro- **ESCALATED**
- French Beans – **EXTREME**
- Fennel, Anise - **ESCALATED**
- Green Beans – **ESCALATED**
- Hot Peppers (All Varieties) - **EXTREME**
- Limes – **ESCALATED**
- Lettuce, VA Iceberg - **ESCALATED**
- Napa – **ESCALATED**
- Lemons – **EXTREME ON SMALL SIZES**
- Parsley (Curly & Italian) - **ESCALATED**
- Snow Peas – **ESCALATED**
- Tomatoes- **ESCALATED**

Watch List










- Carrots – Jbo, Med & Cello
- Cauliflower
- Ginger
- Lettuce, Romaine and VA Blends,
- Green Leaf and Red Leaf,
- Boston/Butter Lettuce, Better
- Burger, Iceberg Liner
- Oranges
- Spinach
- Table Grapes

Weather










SALINAS, CA

Wed 7/3	Thu 7/4	Fri 7/5	Sat 7/6	Sun 7/7	Mon 7/8	Tue 7/9	Wed 7/10	Thu 7/11
77° 55°F	77° 55°F	78° 55°F	79° 57°F	78° 57°F	75° 56°F	72° 56°F	73° 55°F	72° 55°F
								
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy










OXNARD, CA

Wed 7/3 71° 60°F  AM Clouds/PM	Thu 7/4 69° 62°F  Partly Cloudy	Fri 7/5 75° 65°F  Partly Cloudy	Sat 7/6 77° 64°F  Mostly Sunny	Sun 7/7 75° 63°F  Partly Cloudy	Mon 7/8 75° 64°F  Partly Cloudy	Tue 7/9 75° 64°F  Partly Cloudy	Wed 7/10 76° 63°F  Partly Cloudy	Thu 7/11 76° 64°F  Partly Cloudy
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BAKERSFIELD, CA

Wed 7/3 112° 81°F  Sunny	Thu 7/4 111° 79°F  Sunny	Fri 7/5 110° 81°F  Sunny	Sat 7/6 114° 83°F  Sunny	Sun 7/7 113° 82°F  Sunny	Mon 7/8 112° 81°F  Sunny	Tue 7/9 111° 81°F  Sunny	Wed 7/10 111° 81°F  Sunny	Thu 7/11 112° 81°F  Sunny
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JALISCO, NAYARIT

Wed 7/3 80° 66°F  Thunderstorms	Thu 7/4 82° 67°F  Thunderstorms	Fri 7/5 82° 68°F  Scattered	Sat 7/6 80° 68°F  Thunderstorms	Sun 7/7 79° 68°F  Scattered	Mon 7/8 80° 68°F  Scattered	Tue 7/9 80° 67°F  Thunderstorms	Wed 7/10 78° 66°F  Thunderstorms	Thu 7/11 79° 66°F  Thunderstorms
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VIZCAINO, BAJA SUR

Wed 7/3 99° 71°F  Partly Cloudy	Thu 7/4 101° 69°F  Partly Cloudy	Fri 7/5 103° 73°F  Partly Cloudy	Sat 7/6 102° 72°F  Mostly Sunny	Sun 7/7 103° 71°F  Sunny	Mon 7/8 103° 72°F  Sunny	Tue 7/9 103° 73°F  Sunny	Wed 7/10 102° 74°F  Sunny	Thu 7/11 102° 75°F  Sunny
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HENDERSONVILLE, NC

Wed 7/3 87° 68°F  Sunny	Thu 7/4 90° 71°F  Isolated Thunderstorms	Fri 7/5 87° 70°F  PM Thunderstorms	Sat 7/6 87° 67°F  Scattered Thunderstorms	Sun 7/7 87° 68°F  PM Thunderstorms	Mon 7/8 86° 68°F  Scattered Thunderstorms	Tue 7/9 84° 67°F  Scattered Thunderstorms	Wed 7/10 83° 66°F  Scattered Thunderstorms	Thu 7/11 83° 66°F  Scattered Thunderstorms
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Fruits & Vegetables

Avocados: EXTREME With the reopening of Mexico's imports to the US, there was a huge increase in the total pounds brought to market last week. Up 41% across all COOs, the industry surpassed 60M pounds last week as California produced another enormous week at 21M pounds and accounted for 35% market share. Mexico closed out the week at 41% market share, which is impressive considering there were still a number of restraints and new protocols to adhere to. Peru came in 1.4M pounds under projections, which isn't a surprise as longer transit times delay reactions. Last week's arrivals came in at 10.5M pounds, and this week, the US is expecting almost 12M pounds to arrive. Ocean transit time is 3-4 weeks, so additional volumes ordered during the stoppage won't land for another week or two. Peak volumes will last through July & volumes will decline quickly through August. Last week, California closed at 21M pounds, over double what initial projections called for. With the continuation of elevated market price points and high demand to refill the supply chain, California went all out. Harvest will likely slow as 60M pounds will take the industry some time to move through. Pricing saw a decline on larger fruit but an increase on smaller fruit.

Bananas: Steady supply and quality remain good.

Pineapples: Steady supply and quality remain good. Sizing is going to be a challenge over the next few weeks and may need to be flexible on sizing as 5-6 ct fruit is very short with 7-8's plentiful. We expect to see the sizing distribution even out by the middle of July.

Table Grapes: WATCHLIST Supply will get tight this week as the Mexican Season is rapidly winding down as ongoing quality issues has cut the season short. Lingering supply is out there, but quality is fair at best. Transition to California is underway and expected to be complete over the next 7-10 days. We will need to keep an eye on quality out of California due to the heat wave coming this week.

Berries

Strawberries: Supplies remain plentiful and are expected to remain plentiful for the next several weeks. The weather in Watsonville/Salinas is similar to last week, with daytime temps in the mid 70's and nighttime temps in the mid 50's. Production has been confirmed to have just passed its peak, and we are expecting decreasing production for the following weeks. Sizing is a bit down. Both methods have good sheen, medium-to-large size, strong red color, and good flavor, but all growers see misshapen, bruising, mildew, and overripe fruit. Daytime temperatures in Santa Maria are in the low 80's, and nights in the high 50's. Due to the high heat, fruit ripens quickly, resulting in smaller size and softer skin causing increased quality issues. Production in SM is greatly winding down for the spring crop season as we approach the end of the season in this area until the Fall Crop starts. We are seeing issues of bruising, soft skin, mildew, and overripe fruit in the fields.

Blackberries: Quality is good, with sizing between the medium to large range, nice sheen, mostly black, and with good firmness. Due to high temperatures in the regions, we see some regression in some ranches and some soft, leaking fruit as the days continue to be hot. Volume for blackberries is in a peak from Mexico. Watsonville production is looking good. Production will begin doubling about every week until the peak in September. Quality has been strong with a nice black sheen, but we see some calyx attached and maybe a leaker here and there.

Raspberries: Daytime temps are still in the low 80s in Mexico. There were several light showers throughout the week. Production for bush berries is back up to a sustainable peak, and between MX and CA, we should have plenty of supply. Overall, the fruit looks good with a strong red color, with some fruit lighter in color in the pack due to picking a bit early ahead of the heat. We do see some overripe and crumbled fruit sporadically throughout the packs, but crews are doing their best to keep them out of the packs. Volume for raspberries is in a peak from Mexico. Watsonville production has been steadily increasing and is looking great. Production will begin doubling about every week until the peak in late July to early August. Quality has been good, with good color and flavor, but we are seeing some overripe fruit.

Blueberries: We are seeing some issues of shriveling, scarring, and deformities. Overall, the color, size, and flavor of the blueberries are good. Production is trending down due to the high heat. Conventional-wise, volume is expected to dip in late June through July and then start ramping up again towards September. Organic wise, volume has begun tapering off and has begun winding down for the season. Production is expecting the last week of June to end the season out of the Central Valley. We expect the Pacific Northwest to start organic production this weekend, but we will still have some fruit come in from Mexico. The fruit looks great with a nice big size. Seeing some soft fruit and red backs, but the packing house is doing a good job keeping them out of finished packs. Overall, quality is looking good with nice size and flavor.

California Citrus

Oranges: WATCHLIST The Valencia season is underway with good quality. There are currently small size oranges available but as the summer progresses fruit will be sizing up and small oranges will become scarce again. In addition, many shippers are predicting a gap between the end of the Valencia season and the beginning of the Navel season this fall.

Lemons: EXTREME ON SMALL SIZES We continue to see small Lemons in California exceptionally short with no relief in sight until District 3 fruit gets started late in the summer. Import Lemons are arriving with small fruit available. **FLEXIBILITY ON SIZING AND LOADING AREAS WILL BE MANDATORY IN ORDER TO GET ORDERS FILLED ON ORDERS LOADING IN CALIFORNIA!**

Limes: ESCALATED With 4th of July demand over, pricing has stabilized but is escalated. Over the past few months, lack of rain and high temperatures has impacted sizing and quality. With the recent rain, we will see slight improvement in sizing and quality starting in August.

Grapefruit: California Grapefruit is being packed in Riverside and the central valley.

Imports/Specialties: Domestic mandarins are finishing but imports are starting to arrive. Import Lemons and Oranges are available.

West Coast Lettuce

Iceberg: WATCHLIST Lettuce supplies improved last week, and liner is no longer escalated. We are seeing good quality and condition but with the heat wave coming, we are keeping a close eye on supply for the next few weeks. The heat may cause some burn damage, fringe burn on the outer leave and internal heart.

Iceberg VA: ESCALATED Iceberg VA items are still escalated this week but should be off escalation next week as long as long as the heat wave does not affect the supplies.

Romaine, & Romaine Hearts: WATCHLIST Romaine, and Romaine Heart production is continuing to improve, but we are seeing some light fringe burn in some areas. Weights and yields are looking good. Pricing on hearts is no longer escalated but we will be watching these item for the next few weeks as the weather could cause burn damage, fringe burn on the outer leaves and the internal heart.

Green Leaf and Red Leaf: Production in the Salinas Valley is steady. Overall quality is very good with good movement. These items were added to the watchlist due to the concerns of the heat wave.

Butter: WATCHLIST Production in Salinas Valley is steady. Overall quality is good.

Eastern and Western Vegetables

Green Bell Pepper: ESCALATED Lighter supply in the east and west has spiked the market and expect conditions to be the same for the next week. Transition in both regions combined with weather related supply as well as quality issues have impacted supply until we can get into newer blocks. In the east, Georgia is done, and we will move to North Carolina and Tennessee while in the west the desert is done. Markets will be in the \$30+ range on all sizes with possible pro-rates expected. We will need to keep a close eye on the west as the heat wave will impact the early crop out of Bakersfield and Arvin.

Color Bell Pepper: ESCALATED Very light supply and fair quality will impact the market for the next ten days mostly due to the west coast being in the middle of their transition from the desert to the Central Valley. The heat has complicated this by impacting the tail end of the desert crop resulting in less supply on color pepper.

Mini Sweet Pepper: Supply will be hit and miss this week loading in California.

Mixed Chili Pepper: ESCALATED Record low supply continues! In the east we are seeing a GAP on a few hot pepper items, poblano and cubanelle are the shortest due to heat and rain related pressure. With the transition to Tennessee and North Carolina expected over the next two weeks we expect supply locally to be extremely short. There are some local deals starting to scratch and Southern Valley is doing what they can to secure any additional product they can. Mainland Mexico is starting to transition from Guanajuato to Chihuahua but are also seeing delays. The new regions are receiving quite a bit of rain and may get hit by this latest hurricane in the Caribbean Sea. Currently, they are seeing very tight markets on the following items: habanero, shishito, anaheim, serrano, poblano while tomatillo and jalapeno supplies are fair. In the west the summer production is not quite ready in Baja nor California and we do not expect to see improvements for the next two weeks in the west as well.

Eggplant: Good supply and quality available this week out of the Central Valley and Southeast. We will need to watch the west as they are about to be hit by a heat wave that could damage unprotected crops.

Slicer Cucumbers: Steady supply available out of McAllen and Baja this week. Locally, South Georgia is done, and we are moving north this coming week. Overall, the quality is good.

English Cucumbers: Promotable volume crossing from Mexico; markets were firmer this week due to lighter supply of slicer cucumber. Quality is good.

Pickles: Supply and quality are good this week.

Green Beans: ESCALATED Supply is lighter this week and quality hit and miss due to weather related pressure. We should see better supply in 1 week as we transition to newer growing regions

French Beans: EXTREME Production is extremely low due to the heat and lack of rain for the past several weeks coupled with the recent rain and hail. Supply is expected to be historically low for the next few weeks.

Zucchini/Yellow Squash: Excellent supply out of California and other local regions, and Georgia is mostly done for the summer. We will need to watch the west coast as they are experiencing a heat wave that could impact supply over the next several days.

Herbs

Basil's quality is good. Dill's supply has slightly decreased. Chervil production has returned to its usual level.

HERB	SUPPLY	QUALITY	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN
Arugula	Steady	Marginal	USA
Basil	Steady	Steady	USA/MEX
Opal Basil	Steady	Steady	USA
Thai Basil	Steady	Steady	USA/MEX
Bay Leaves	Steady	Steady	USA/COL
Chervil	Limited	Limited	USA
Chives	Steady	Steady	MEX
Cilantro	Steady	Steady	USA/MEX
Dill	Steady	Steady	USA/MEX

Epazote	Steady	Steady	MEX
Lemongrass	Steady	Steady	USA
Marjoram	Steady	Steady	USA
Mint	Steady	Steady	USA
Oregano	Steady	Steady	USA
Italian Parsley	Steady	Steady	USA
Rosemary	Steady	Steady	USA
Sage	Steady	Steady	USA
Savory	Steady	Limited	USA
Sorrel	Steady	Steady	USA
Tarragon	Steady	Steady	MEX
Thyme	Steady	Steady	USA
Lavender	Steady	Steady	USA
Lemon Thyme	Steady	Steady	USA
Lime Leaves	Steady	Steady	USA

Melons

Cantaloupe: Harvest is underway out of Firebaugh and quality is excellent on both dews and cantaloupe. As we close out our Yuma program and transition to California, we are seeing primarily larger fruit (9Js) which is going to leave smaller sizes in a shorter position. We hope once we get into second/final cuts on Thursday a better spread of sizing will be realized. Flexibility of sizing may be required at time of loading and quality is at optimum levels right now with sizing, color and flavor all peaking with brix above 14%.

Honeydew: Honeydew production started today and will need a few days to build some inventory and pick up momentum. Initial sizing is forecasted to lean more heavily to the 5s leaving the smaller sizes in a limited position, especially 8ct. If daily harvests go as planned, we should begin to see better availability of 6s by the 4th. Flexibility of sizing may be necessary. Golden honeydews will be available weekly this summer from California.

Watermelon: Good supply available as new crop is being harvested out of North and Central Florida as well as Mexico. Overall, the quality is outstanding this season and perfect for the 4th!

Mixed Vegetables

Artichokes: ESCALATED Overall supplies are still light. Quality is good.

Arugula: Supplies are good with very good quality.

Asparagus: ESCALATED Obregon/Southern Baja production continues to be slow due to heat in the fields. Guanajuato is still low in production due to lack of rain and heat. Peruvian volume is still down due to cooler temperatures in the northern growing region of Trujillo. White asparagus continues to be out until mid-July. Markets are extremely active with the lack of production. Large sizes will also be difficult to come by for the next few weeks. Warm weather in both Mexico and Peru is causing smaller sizing

Bok Choy: ESCALATED Supplies are improving, and quality is good. The market is active.

Broccoli/Broccoli Crowns: ESCALATED Overall quality is good, but volumes have decreased drastically. Expect short supplies for at least the next few weeks and increased pricing. The heat wave could potentially cause yellow bead, discoloration, pin rot and breakdown.

Broccolini and Sweet Baby Broccoli: Salinas is showing good quality and supplies are steady.

Brussels Sprouts: ESCALATED Demand is outpacing available supply, and the market will continue to advance. Supplies in the VA category may see some shortages driven by quality issues and whole sprouts will see heavy prorates. Insect damage is still a chronic problem and elongated stem will also be present. This shortage will continue into July and then we should see some relief.

Carrots: (JUMBOS, MEDIUMS and CELLOS): WATCHLIST Steady supplies continue with good Quality. Shippers still have light volume out of California, but volume is improving.

Cauliflower: WATCHLIST Industry supplies are great, and quality and color are very good, but the heat wave could cause yellow bead, discoloration, pin rot and breakdown so this item is being added to the watchlist.

Celery: All production is now in Salinas. The quality is very good, and supplies are steady.

Cilantro: ESCALATED The market is active and supplies remain tight due to field challenges such as burn, mildew and spotting.

Corn: Good supply available out of South Georgia and the Central Valley. Quality is outstanding, but we will need to watch corn out of the west closely as the heat will certainly affect the crop.

Fennel: ESCALATED The fields are seeing lower yields and therefore there is a shortage in supply. Pricing will stay escalated until supplies improve.

Garlic: The 2023-2024 California Garlic will come to an end, prior to the new crop being ready for harvest. Look for subs to Mexican product during transition, starting approximately June 1st. Quality is good.

Ginger: Supplies and market are steady

Green Cabbage: Supplies are steady with very good Quality. Demand is good.

Green Onions: With the warmer weather trend, we are seeing very good quality and supplies.

Mushrooms: Stable supply and good Quality available.

Napa Cabbage: ESCALATED We continue to see some quality issues, but we should see an improvement over the next few weeks. Quality and supplies are improving.

Parsley: ESCALATED (Curly, Italian): Supplies are improving quality is fair.

Rapini: Quality is good, but supply continues to be light. The market is strong and therefore the supplies will continue to be light into July.

Red Cabbage: ESCALATED Pricing is escalated, and quality is good although supplies continue to be tight. Market remains very active

Spinach: WATCHLIST Supplies are good with very good quality, but the heat wave could cause yellowing, discoloration and thick leaf texture so it is being added to the watchlist.

Spring Mix: Supplies are good with very good quality.

Snow Peas and Sugar Snaps: ESCALATED Guatemala production of snow peas and sugar snaps is almost non-existent due to weather issues the past 4-6 weeks. Peruvian snow peas are available in Miami. Markets are very active on all peas. Out of the west, snow peas continue to be very limited while sugar snaps supply remains steady.

Onions: ESCALATED

The onion market is weakening fast on yellows. Between the influx of supply in New Mexico and Central California, as well as the constant crossing of Mexican onions, there is a situation where supply is exceeding demand on yellow onions. We anticipate this situation will stay sloppy on the supply side until the beginning/middle of July. At that point, a lot of the Mexican product, and the remnants of previous deals (Brawley, Washington) will be cleaned up which should help to shore up the surplus of supply. Reds have remained elevated, and while there are volume deals taking place in California due to extreme heat, and in order to move yellows, they appear they will stay fairly strong until the Northwest. Whites had gotten very cheap over the last several weeks, and we are starting to see a lot of those get cleaned up. We should see those rebound and potentially tighten up in the coming weeks as well. There are reports that the Northwest planted more acreage than last year, and pending weather conditions, may have a large crop that will start as early as late July. If that should happen, the market will have a hard time crawling out of wherever the price points are when the Northwest enters. Trucks continue to remain plentiful, and we have not seen any type of rate spike this week.

Potatoes:

The market continues to feel stable on all sizes and grades for the moment. We continue to see 40ct/50ct and now even 60ct remaining tight. They are available in mixer quantities, but heavy volumes do not seem to be available at the moment. Smaller size potatoes continue to remain plentiful and challenging to move. There is really not much further for the market to fall here, as growers are at the point where it would not make any financial sense to pack them at all at lower pricing levels. While relief was widely expected for this coming year, nobody thought the FOBs would be quite as low as they currently are. At this point, there does not seem to be a scenario where the market turns around any time before the Summer. Even then, supply will have to dwindle enough in June/July to allow FOBs to firm up, and quality will need to be strong enough to hold as well. The positive news is that quality is strong

throughout the state, and there should be no shortage of available product in all sizes and grades. In fact, there will likely be an overlap of this year's current crop into next year so next year could unfortunately be a tough year on grower returns as well. Trucks seem to remain plentiful at the moment.

Tomatoes: East Coast – ESCALATED Round Tomatoes: Markets have firmed up due to transition from Florida and South Georgia to the local regions in the Carolinas, Tennessee, Arkansas and Virginia. We expect to see active markets through July 4th.

- **Roma Tomatoes:** Markets have firmed up due to transition from Florida and South Georgia to the local regions in the Carolinas, Tennessee, Arkansas and Virginia. We expect to see active markets through July 4th.
- **Grape Tomatoes:** Light supply expected for 2-3 weeks due to transition
- **Cherry Tomatoes:** Light supply expected for 2-3 weeks due to transition

Tomatoes: Mexico - ESCALATED

- **Round and Roma Tomatoes:** Good supply and quality available out of Jalisco and Baja but rain this week could impact Southern Mexico causing delays in harvesting. We will need to watch the outcome of the tropical weather impacting Central and Southern Mexico this weekend. Expect to see higher demand and upward pressure on price as demand will increase from the east as the local transition is underway. This will put upward pressure on FOB prices
- **Grape Tomatoes:** Lighter supply available as Sinaloa is done for the season and Baja is slow to start. We will also see higher demand from the east as the local transition is underway. Expect firmer markets through July 4th.
- **Cherry Tomatoes:** Steady supply and good quality available crossing through McAllen and Nogales.
- **Medley Grape Tomatoes:** Good supply available this week quality is good.
- **Tomato on the Vine:** Steady volume available this week.

California Tomatoes - WATCHLIST

- Mature greens out of the desert are done and have transitioned to the Central Valley this week. We could see some weather-related pressure on the crop as heat is expected to impact the region for the next several days with highs over 100 degrees.

APPLES

Apples: Washington State Apple Crop continues to produce good supplies and good quality products. The Core Varieties, Reds, Golds, Galas, Fujis, Gr Smiths, and Honeys, will make it to a new crop. Galas are down 600,000 boxes from last year, but the state still shows availability that will likely last for the new crop.

Pears: The crop appears to be 5 weeks from being finished for the Season. The Bosc Crop is finished for the Season, and Red Anjous should be done in the next 4 weeks. Northwest Bartlett Crop should start around August 8th, leaving us about a 2-week gap between old Anjous and New Crop Barts. The Wenatchee Valley Pear crop was devastated due to freezing temps in February. The Yakima Valley and Hood River Growing Regions were hurt but not nearly as badly as Wenatchee. Bottom line – Pear crop will be extremely tight the entire '24/'25 season.

Other Fruit

- California stone fruit now in production and cherries are done with good availability now out of the PNW.
- Apricots now available
- California table grapes will scratch this week.
- Georgia Peaches are in excellent supply.