

Weekly Market Review

August 16, 2024

Overview

The impacts of Tropical Storm Debby have yet to be felt to their fullest, but we expect to see major damage to the agriculture industry up the eastern seaboard that could impact the local summer and fall programs. Items that could be impacted are local corn, bell peppers, hot peppers, squash, cucumber, stone fruit, berries, beans and fall items such as sweet potatoes and pumpkins. We are assessing this with our growers currently, but still tracking the storm as it moves northeast up the seaboard. Tomato markets are extremely short, particularly on rounds. We recommend subbing to romas or snacking tomatoes in case of a shortages or pro-rates. Both California's heat wave and rain in the east have impacted markets. Items crossing from Mexico are not enough to supply the nation's demand. The heat in the west has also impacted table grapes, corn, bell pepper, stone fruit, soft squash, beans and eggplant. We will need to watch the heat closely as it could dictate the direction of several markets for weeks. The current table grape supply and demand out of California is strong. Pineapples are very tight and expected to be tight through August; shippers are asking to be flexible on sizing to navigate the shortfalls. Limes are getting short as well; Mexico has adjusted harvesting due to the quality of the older crops while waiting for new crop to ramp up. Fruit will be lighter in color as we will see size distribution lean heavier to mid-range or larger. Small fruit will be short. With Mexico transitioning avocados mostly into Loca now, the size curve has shifted to favor 60s and smaller. Larger fruit and #2s will be in very tight supply for 4-6 weeks. Volumes out of Mexico are increasing, and crop estimates show enough fruit to supply the industry – but the transition from multiple COO's to one has historically brought volatility. Suggesting sizing down some programs for best costing and remaining cautious for more market spikes over the next few weeks. The weather in Salinas is finally cooling down and it is helping slow down growth. The growers have handled the heat very well and we have come out of the heat wave without too many major issues. Brussel sprouts continue to have a few supply issues, but things are looking up and we should see some relief soon. Endive, escarole, leeks, cilantro and fennel are still escalated and will stay that way until we see relief on supply issues. Green onions have escalated quite a bit. They are extremely tight and are suffering from the weather in their growing regions. Expect these to stay escalated throughout the month. Cilantro is also very tight. You can expect to see growers holding to averages on cilantro and green onions.

Alert









- Asparagus – **ESCALATED**
- Artichokes – **ESCALATED**
- Avocados – **EXTREME**
- Bell Pepper (All Colors) – **EXTREME**
- Bok Choy – **ESCALATED**
- Broccoli Florets and Crowns – **ESCALATED**
- Brussel Sprouts – **ESCALATED**
- Carrots – **ESCALATED**
- Cabbage, Red – **ESCALATED**
- Cilantro – **ESCALATED**
- Endive and Escarole – **ESCALATED**
- Fennel, Anise – **ESCALATED**
- Green Beans – **ESCALATED**
- Green Onions – **ESCALATED**
- Hot Peppers (Habanero and Red Fresno) – **EXTREME**
- Leeks – **ESCALATED**
- Limes – **ESCALATED**
- Napa – **ESCALATED**
- Lemons – **EXTREME ON SMALL SIZES**
- Parsley (Curly & Italian) – **ESCALATED**
- Pineapple – **ESCALATED**
- Snow Peas – **ESCALATED**
- Tomatoes (Rounds) – **EXTREME**
- Tomatoes (Roma) – **ESCALATED**

Watch List









- Corn
- French Beans
- Ginger
- Cauliflower
- Lettuce, Boston/Butter Lettuce, Better Burger
- Lettuce Iceberg Liner
- Lettuce Romaine and VA Blends
- Lettuce Green Leaf and Red Leaf
- Melon- Honeydew
- Oranges
- Spinach

Weather









SALINAS, CA

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
68° 53°F	69° 56°F	70° 55°F	68° 51°F	71° 51°F	74° 54°F	71° 53°F	68° 54°F
							
AM Fog/PM	Partly Cloudy	AM Clouds/PM	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy









OXNARD, CA

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
75° 60°F	74° 60°F	73° 60°F	73° 60°F	76° 61°F	77° 63°F	78° 62°F	75° 60°F
							
Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy









BAKERSFIELD, CA

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
97° 69°F	99° 69°F	97° 67°F	94° 67°F	96° 68°F	97° 69°F	95° 68°F	95° 67°F
							
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny









JALISCO, NAYARIT

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
82° 67°F	82° 66°F	79° 66°F	81° 66°F	81° 67°F	82° 68°F	84° 67°F	84° 68°F
							
PM Thunderstorms	PM Thunderstorms	Thunderstorms	Thunderstorms	Thunderstorms	Scattered Thunderstorms	Scattered Thunderstorms	Thunderstorms

SAN QUINTIN, BAJA

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
77° 64°F	78° 64°F	78° 65°F	80° 67°F	82° 68°F	81° 69°F	81° 68°F	80° 68°F
							
AM Fog/PM	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	AM Fog/PM	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny

HENDERSONVILLE, NC

Thu 8/15	Fri 8/16	Sat 8/17	Sun 8/18	Mon 8/19	Tue 8/20	Wed 8/21	Thu 8/22
81° 65°F	84° 68°F	87° 65°F	85° 64°F	80° 61°F	79° 59°F	79° 61°F	78° 61°F
							
Cloudy	PM Thunderstorms	PM Thunderstorms	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Isolated Thunderstorms

Fruits & Vegetables

Avocados: EXTREME Last week's overall volume increased again to 58.7M pounds across all COOs. Mexico continues to regain market share and now has 57% of the volume in the US. Next week, Mexico is projected to increase to 78% and account for 83% of all volume in two weeks' time. Peru officially started their decline with a 28% reduction in arrivals last week, and while California held on for last week, this week, the harvest numbers are showing a drop in volume. Last week's YTD imports had Peru up 20% in volume; this week, it has dropped to 13%. With the season's peak arrivals much earlier this year vs. last year, it's not an even comparison. Many programs are coming to an end as weekly arrivals to the US will continue to drop quickly. The total crop is estimated to bring 153M pounds to the US this season. California completed another very strong week at 12M pounds. Harvest levels are dropping this week, and next week's update will likely report a substantial drop in volume. The season's total volume is already close to surpassing 300M pounds.

Bananas: Steady supply and quality remain good across the country.

Pineapples: ESCALATED Supply was lighter this week and quality remains good. Sizing is going to be a challenge over the next few weeks, and we may need to be flexible on sizing as 5-6ct fruit is very short with 7-8's plentiful. The need to be flexible on sizing may be necessary to maintain consistent supply.

Table Grapes: Excellent supply will be available out of California this week. Quality out of California is mostly good as the crops are taking the heat wave better than expected.

Berries

Strawberries: Daytime temperatures in Watsonville were in the high 60's to low 70's and nighttime temps in the mid 50's this week. Production is still looking good, with strong and consistent volume and quality. Growers expect a minor bump up going into September. Due to hotter days, growers are seeing increased instances of darker, soft, and overripe fruit. The berries have a good sheen, small-to-medium size, strong red color, and good flavor, but all growers see soft fruit, bruising, mildew, and overripe fruit. Labor is a bit tight, especially with school right around the corner. Daytime temperatures in Santa Maria were in the high 60's to low 70's, and nighttime temps in the mid 50's. Fall Crop harvest for conventional and organic fruit have begun this week and each basket is looking cleaner and cleaner, with some great fruit sets coming in the next few weeks as productions ramps up. Growers expect steady production in the coming weeks as we enter late August to early September. Fall Crop plants are looking good with nice, green, uniform fruit starting to bud. Spring Crop fruit is seeing issues of bruising, soft skin, mildew, light color, and overripe fruit in the fields.

Blackberries: The quality is decent out of Mexico, with sizing between the medium to large range, good 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. Rain has caused some concern for instances of mildew. Blackberries' volume has passed its peak and will steadily decline throughout August until we pick back up in early October. Watsonville Blackberries look great, with medium-to-large sizing, and most have great flavor. The attached calyx still seems to be a minor occurrence, and we are seeing some issues with smaller fruit. Overall, production is increasing steadily week-over-week, and there is an expectation of a peak in production around late August until late September.

Raspberries: Mexico's rainy season is starting to end with rain coming more sporadically and less intense. The weather has been hot, wet, and humid; we see temps in the mid 80's and nights in the low 60's. Overall, the fruit looks decent with a strong red color, with some fruit lighter in color in the pack due to picking a bit early ahead of the heat. Growers are expecting better packs as the rain starts to subside. Sizes are mostly medium, with larger berries here and there. Counts are 35-52. Growers do see some overripe, crumbled fruit and mildew from the high moisture environment from the rainy season, but crews are doing their best to keep them out of the packs. Raspberries' volume is expected to stay steady through August until we pick back up in September. Watsonville Raspberries have passed their peak and will continue a downward trend for the rest of this season until we finish around October. Overall, the color is a nice dark red color due to the warm temperatures underneath the hoops, and the sizing of the rasps is a good medium size on average. Very little availability.

Blueberries: Growers are seeing some issues of shriveling, scarring, and deformities out of Mexico's production. Overall, the blueberries' color, size, and flavor are decent. Production is trending to a yearly low due to the high heat. Conventional-wise, volume is expected to be very low through July and then start ramping back up again towards October. Organic-wise, volume has begun tapering off and will have low amounts of small, steady volume over the next few months. Oregon production is back to normal after a heavy week of rain last week. The weather has been nice, with days in the low 80's and no rain this week or next week. Oregon has continued producing strong volume and good quality this week, and the fruit is looking good and meeting estimates. Growers are seeing issues of mold and smashed berries in packs here and there. Organic production is beginning to enter a peak and will have good production through September. We are mid-season for OR blues and expect supplies to last through early October. Washington production is back to normal after a heavy week of rain, too. The weather has been nice, with days in the low 80's and no rain this week or next week. Washington organics production and quality have been going well, and we are seeing strong fruit in this region. Conventional fruit has also been solid, and we expect availability throughout August to drop quickly as we go through October. Organic production has wrapped up. British Columbia production is back to normal and has been going strong, and we have reached peak volume in a few varieties. The weather has been warm, but we are expecting a cooling trend in the coming days. Volume is expected to stay strong and large through late September.

Citrus

Oranges: WATCHLIST The California Valencia orange crop has experienced challenges to quality from high thrip pressure during the growing period. Thrip is a small insect that damages the exterior of the fruit in the early growing cycle. This thrip pressure was caused from the rainy conditions early in the year during the growing period, causing an excessive scarring appearance with a high percentage of fruit not suitable for shipping. In addition, the recent heatwave caused some fruit to drop to the ground which will not be harvestable. Due to these conditions, many growers/shippers are reporting lighter than normal supplies for the balance of the California Valencia season. Most shippers have curtailed harvesting, covering regular business only, but will not have additional supplies. Even with curtailed harvesting, some growers see a potential "GAP" in production between the end of the Valencia season and the beginning of the Navel season, possibly up to 2 to 3 weeks. Import Navels are available.

Lemons: EXTREME ON SMALL SIZES Light supplies continue on small sizes in California and will continue light until new crop District 3 Lemons get started towards the end of September. Import Lemons are arriving with small fruit available. Supplies on Lemons from Mexico continue to be very light as drought conditions have affected available fruit to pick. Flexibility on sizing and loading areas will be mandatory to get orders filled on orders loading in California!

Limes: ESCALATED The market continues to strengthen with higher pricing as yields decline on export quality fruit as we approach the end of the current growing cycle. We are seeing lighter colored fruit and a shift in sizing as availability on large sizes increases, with

declining availability on small sizes. Quality will be hit and miss until we start new crop; defects will continue to be present (stylar/skin breakdown and some decay). Pricing trends on all sizes will likely surge in August, as per seasonal trends. Prevailing demand will ultimately impact pricing, along with the presence of offshore fruit availability.

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

Imports/Specialties: Import lemons, oranges and mandarins are available.

West Coast Lettuce

Iceberg: WATCHLIST The weather is back to mild temps and the crops have improved. Supplies and quality are good but the fields are projected to have lower yields the next few weeks so we may see higher markets on the way. There have also been some reports of thinner texture from the hot weather.

Iceberg VA: Quality and supply looks good. Growers are expecting increased demand on carton and VA Iceberg with school starting.

Romaine, & Romaine Hearts: WATCHLIST Romaine, and romaine heart supplies are good. Product is slightly dehydrated from the high heat, and you may see some light fringes burn on the carton romaine. You may see high core, but overall quality is good. Growers are shooting for a light green color as opposed to a darker leaf to try and avoid some of that ip burn and mechanical damage.

Green Leaf and Red Leaf WATCHLIST: Production in the Salinas Valley is steady. Overall quality is very good with good movement. Supplies have decreased a bit, so we are going to leave this one on the watch list.

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

Eastern and Western Vegetables

Green Bell Pepper: Better supply this week out of Michigan, the Carolinas and West Coast as we get into the last summer regions of the season. Good supply on choice peppers with larger sizes drawing a premium. Overall quality is good.

Color Bell Pepper: EXTREME Very light supply continues mostly due to the heat on the West Coast; however, we are slowly turning the corner on supply and quality. We are also seeing a bit more availability out of Canada and Mexico this week which will certainly offset the need to pull from the West Coast. We recommend subbing orange or green pepper over the next two weeks.

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

Mixed Chili Pepper: ESCALATED Supplies have been very slow to improve however we are turning the corner somewhat as more volume crosses from Mexico and California production ramps up. In the east we could see GAPS on hot pepper based on the track of Tropical Storm Debbie. We are watching this development closely and will provide updates as soon as possible. The shortest items this week are Red Fresno and Habanero.

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 this week crossing in Otay and McAllen. Domestically some of the local regions are scratching such as Tennessee and Michigan. Overall, the quality is good.

English Cucumbers: Stable supply and good quality will be available this week.

Pickles: Supply and quality are good this week.

Green Beans: ESCALATED Supply remains light this week and quality hit and miss due to weather-related pressure.

French Beans: WATCHLIST French beans out of Guatemala continue to improve weekly. Fair supply and good quality of French beans out of Mexico.

Zucchini/Yellow Squash: Excellent supply out of California as well as several local regions. Yellow is the push this week. Quality is good.

Herbs

Good supply and quality on all herbs, except for chervil and lemongrass. The heat of the summer has taken its toll. Growers have limited supplies, but demand is beginning to exceed supply of these two herbs.

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: With the cantaloupe market feeling pressure since early July, there has been some strong retail support over the past week to take on significant volume for promotional purposes. Excellent movement has put upward pressure on the market. Sizing on cantaloupe continues to peak on primarily jumbo fruit leaving smaller sizes still in a very limited position. We reported last month that the excessive heat seen in late June/early July was causing bloom drop, which has now come to fruition with lower yields being realized. Fewer melons on each plant are also allowing for sizing to be pushed higher. Overall quality has remained strong with high shell color and internal brix levels holding mostly in the 14-16% range.

Honeydew: Honeydew fields have been impacted by the bloom drop even more significantly than the cantaloupe fields with an overall shortage being realized since the end of last week, except for jumbo fruit. This has caused the market to push to higher levels and we should see this trend continue over the next few weeks as estimates have been reduced for upcoming fields. Small fruit may soon hit "demand exceeds" territory, so flexibility of sizing may be required at time of loading. Less scarring has been seen with recent fields providing a cleaner melon and internal quality has been consistently maintaining solid brix levels.

Golden Honeydew: Supply available out of California.

Watermelon: Good supply available as new crop is being harvested out of North/South Carolina, California, Missouri, Texas as well as Mexico. Most of the eastern growers are limiting their harvest as Tropical Storm Debbie impacts the east coast. We will assess those crops after the storm passes.

Mixed Vegetables

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

Arugula: Supplies are good, and quality is fair. We are seeing some seeder, so the packs look "stemmier"

Asparagus: ESCALATED Southern Baja production has remained the same this week, still heavy on smaller sizes. Production in Guanajuato remains the same as well but will start wrapping up their season in two weeks, depending on heat in the fields. Peruvian volume continues to improve, but cooler temperatures are still slowing down growth of the bigger sizes. Southern Peru should start to harvest in about 10 days. White asparagus continues to be limited until November. Markets are less active on smalls and standards, more active on large, XL and jumbo.

Bok Choy: ESCALATED Quality is good but supplies may be limited as we go into next week. The light supplies will keep the market escalated.

Broccoli/Broccoli Crowns: ESCALATED Quality and supplies have both improved, but we have seen some slowed growth due to the heat. The slowed growth has caused some supply issues, but things are improving. If you are sourcing broccoli florets out of Mexico, you may see some gaps in supplies. There are some Mexican growers who are not processing florets at all, so look for alternate sources for this week and possibly next week.

Broccolini and Sweet Baby Broccoli: Quality is good, but supplies are limited in some areas. Things are improving though.

Brussels Sprouts: ESCALATED The outlook for supplies is improving. You can still expect to see an escalated market on the bulk items. Quality is good. We should see some relief soon.

Carrots: (JUMBOS, MEDIUMS and CELLOS): Steady supplies continue with good Quality.

Cauliflower: WATCHLIST Quality and color are very good but heat damage has caused a bit of a lighter supply. Things are okay right now but we will be watching this item to see if there are any more issues.

Celery: Quality and Supplies are okay. There are some heat issues and insect pressures.

Cilantro: ESCALATED The market is active and supplies are very tight. High demand has continued. Growers should be able to cover normal volumes.

Corn: WATCHLIST Supply is hit and miss in the east due to transitional gaps and poor quality is prevalent due to insect pressure. In the west, supply is stable. Markets remain firm this week.

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

Garlic: Slight delays in the new crop California Garlic getting started as growers have experienced some growing challenges. Quality remains good with very good demand.

Ginger: Supplies and market are steady

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

Green Onions: ESCALATED Due to the extreme heat we have seen over the past few weeks, the supplies have gotten very short on green onions. Price will be escalated next week, and many growers will be holding to averages. Supplies are very tight.

Mushrooms: Supply was lighter this week, particularly on cremini's. Quality remains good.

Napa Cabbage: ESCALATED 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.

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

Spinach: WATCHLIST Supplies are still good with good quality. There has been some insect activity on the Organic Spinach. The thin texture is improving.

Spring Mix: Supplies are good with very good quality.

Snow Peas and Sugar Snaps: ESCALATED We have started to see some Guatemalan snow peas, but no sugar snaps. Peruvian peas are available in Miami, but the vessel was delayed last week. Markets are sluggish with more Peruvian peas available. Out of the west, the supply of snow peas is fair, but the supply of sugar snap peas will be limited due to weather-related issues.

Onions: ESCALATED

There is a high demand anticipated for the upcoming week to meet the supply. Production in California has decreased, as some summer shippers have already completed their deals. The recent high temperatures may lead to quality issues. Washington started in a very small way on yellow and reds. The initial size profile is expected to be on the smaller side, which is typical for early varieties. New Mexico is also experiencing a small onion profile currently, resulting in an increase in the price of jumbo yellow onions. Late varieties are generally more visually appealing than early varieties. New Mexico will end for the season in the next 5-7 days. By the beginning of September, we will transition to Idaho and Washington.

Potatoes:

The market continues to feel stable on all sizes and grades for the moment. We continue to see 40ct/50ct/60ct remaining tight. They are available in mixer quantities, but heavy volumes do not seem to be available now. Smaller size potatoes continue to remain plentiful and challenging to move. There is 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 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. The positive news is that quality is strong throughout the state, and there should be no shortage of available products 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 for grower returns as well.

Tomatoes: East Coast

- **Round Tomatoes: EXTREME** Supply is very short across all domestic regions; the heat wave in the west will continue to impact quality and overall yields while in the east continued rainfall will continue to cause harvest delays with limited availability for the market. Overall quality is fair and small fruit is limited.
- **Roma Tomatoes: ESCALATED** Markets remain firm as supply has not hit a good stride yet locally. We expect to remain this way through the middle of next week at the earliest.
- **Grape Tomatoes: ESCALATED** Improving supply locally has put downward pressure on the category. We expect this to continue as more volume locally becomes available.
- **Cherry Tomatoes:** Supply is stable with moderate demand. Quality is good.

Tomatoes: Mexico

- **Round Tomatoes: EXTREME** Growers are dealing with quality and supply issues out of Jalisco; Baja is seeing a shortfall in supply combined with the high demand due to the USA supply falling short. We expect to see this imbalance for some time push fob prices higher. We recommend subbing to romas to avoid supply interruptions.
- **Roma Tomatoes:** Limited supply continues out of Jalisco as rain continues to impact Southern Mexico causing delays in harvesting. Baja has transitioned from Vizcaino to San Quintin and volume is ramping up. Central Mexico volume remains light crossing through McAllen due to rain related quality pressure. We expect to see good demand with some improvement in supply this week however fob prices will remain higher than expected.
- **Grape Tomatoes: ESCALATED** Supply slowly improving out of Central Mexico and Baja. Markets remain firm due to strong demand from the east. This should stabilize as the east coast production starts to ramp up.
- **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 – EXTREME

- Mature greens will be very short this week out of the Central Valley due to the extreme heat the region experienced over the past month. We are seeing heavy losses and quality issues emerge post-harvest. We hope to see improvement over the next two weeks, markets will be extremely volatile.

Other Fruit:

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.

- Cherries are available out of Washington
- Yellow and White Peaches are available.

- Yellow and White Nectarines are now available.
- Red and Black Plums available.