How will climate change impact what you eat?

CLIMATE CHANGE on your PLATE

Many foods that we eat today may become more limited in the future or may not be locally harvested due to projected impacts of climate change in California.

- Less snow fall and earlier snowmelt may impact water available for agriculture, drinking supplies, and wildlife.
- Warmer temperatures and changes in streamflow may result in a rise in stream temperatures degrading habitat for cold water fish such as trout and salmon.
- Higher temperatures, especially at night, may impact the growing season for California's agricultural products, including altering "winter chill" periods needed to grow fruits and nuts.
- Heat stress in animals can lower production in California's dairy, meat and fiber industries.
- Sea-level rise and changing ocean chemistry can degrade habitats that support our fisheries.

Recipe for Action

The state is committed to reducing the causes of climate change, responding to the impacts, and preparing for the future. Here's how you can help!

- Conserving water can also reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.
- Walk, bike, take public transportation, or car-pool to lower your contributions to climate change.
- Support California farmers and reduce the distance your food must travel by buying locally.
- Support organizations working to conserve natural resources for the benefit and health of all Californians.

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