

# the Outlook

Very hot temperatures will continue for another day in Central California as the most recent heat wave to hit the Salinas Valley begins to weaken. A sharp cooling trend begins tomorrow after days of record to near record high temperatures. Heat related problems (tip and internal burn, seeders, weak texture, etc.) will continue to plague growers as we approach fall harvests.

Another major concern at the moment is tropical depression Sixteen-E currently crossing Central Baja moving into the Sea of Cortez. Over the next couple of days this system is forecast to bring heavy rainfall to Baja and Northern Mexico before moving into the Southwestern Desert regions later today. These desert locals were recently hit hard by remnant monsoonal moisture from Hurricane Linda on 9-9-15. Up to 5 inches of rain fell in the valley causing flooding in the fields, impacting plantings and field preparation in the region. This latest round of monsoonal moisture looks to impact the entire region once again with 2-5 inches of rain anticipated from this system. This system is forecast to move through Baja and Northern Mexico today on the way to these desert locals.

Recent planting in the area may be in jeopardy as well as the numerous Mexican crops (Peppers, Squash, Tomatoes, Green Onions among others) in the line of fire. These systems are extremely difficult to forecast accurately given the nature of the moisture. At this time we will have to wait and see how the system impacts the very large area involved and how much rain is delivered. We will be closely watching the situation and keep you up to date as we gather more information

