

<u>News Release</u>

Subject: Heat Advisory Issued for Yakima Area Contact: Communications & Public Affairs Director Randy Beehler – 901-1142 Release Date: Wednesday, July 5th, 2017

Heat Advisory Calls for Extra Precautions

The National Weather Service ("NWS") has issued a heat advisory for the Yakima area that will be in effect from noon today, Wednesday, July 5th until 8:00 pm Friday, July 7th.

The NWS is predicting temperatures could reach as high as 103 degrees by Thursday afternoon.

The combination of hot temperatures and low humidity will create a situation in which heat illnesses are possible, the NWS advisory cautions.

Weather officials encourage residents to schedule strenuous activities over the next few days in the early morning or evening during the heat advisory. The NWS advisory also suggests residents take extra precautions such as drinking plenty of fluids, staying out of the sun and checking up on relatives and neighbors.

Two options the City offers for beating the heat are Lions Pool (509 W. Pine Ave) and Franklin Pool (2101 Tieton Drive). Both pools are open for recreational swimming and other aquatic programs, such as adult water fitness classes and lap swims. Call 509-575-6046 or visit *yakimaparks.com/aquatics* for pool schedules and additional details.