**6.7 Climate Friday: State Specific Extreme Weather Impacts**

**Suggested hashtags:** #ActOnClimate, #ClimateFriday

**Alaska**

***What to say:***

* Southeast Alaska is experiencing severe drought for the first time in nearly 20 years. The growing climate crisis will make extreme weather events like this more frequent and severe. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday <https://weather.com/news/climate/news/2019-05-28-extreme-drought-southeast-alaska>
* The wettest region of Alaska is experiencing extreme drought. To protect our state, it’s critical that we #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://weather.com/news/climate/news/2019-05-28-extreme-drought-southeast-alaska>
* In Alaska, the climate crisis looks like extreme drought – even in the wettest regions of our state. To protect our home, we must #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://weather.com/news/climate/news/2019-05-28-extreme-drought-southeast-alaska>
* From hydroelectric energy to tree health, the extreme drought happening in Southeast Alaska threatens communities across the state. Our path forward is clear: #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://weather.com/news/climate/news/2019-05-28-extreme-drought-southeast-alaska>

**Arizona**

***What to say:***

* Communities in Arizona and across the West are bracing for another season of wildfires made more severe by climate change. To protect our families, we must #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Arizona saw wildfires burn more than 165,000 acres in 2018 alone. To protect our communities, we must address the climate crisis. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday <https://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/intelligence/2018_statssumm/fires_acres18.pdf>
* Wildfires made more dangerous by climate change have already burned thousands of acres across Arizona. We must #ActOnClimate to keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday<https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Check out this new report from @ClimateCentral on climate change and wildfires. #ActOnClimate.#ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>

**Colorado**

***What to say:***

* Communities in Colorado and across the West are bracing for another season of wildfires made more severe by climate change. To protect our families, we must #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Colorado saw wildfires burn more than 475,000 acres in 2018 alone. To protect our communities, we must address the climate crisis. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday <https://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/intelligence/2018_statssumm/fires_acres18.pdf>
* Wildfires made more dangerous by climate change have already burned thousands of acres across Colorado. We must #ActOnClimate to keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Check out this new report from @ClimateCentral on climate change and wildfires. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday<https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>

**Iowa**

***What to say:***

* Iowa communities are facing wave after wave of devastating flooding. The growing climate crisis will make floods like these more frequent and severe. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday <https://www.desmoinesregister.com/story/news/2019/05/28/iowa-flooding-2019-missouri-river-fremont-county-more-floodwaters-highway-2-evacuation/1261227001/>
* As Iowans are still reeling from the devastation of spring flooding, even more storms are on the way. To protect our neighbors, we must #ActOnClimate and address the climate crisis. #ClimateFriday <https://www.desmoinesregister.com/story/news/2019/05/28/iowa-flooding-2019-missouri-river-fremont-county-more-floodwaters-highway-2-evacuation/1261227001/>
* The climate crisis is putting communities across Iowa underwater. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday

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* The climate crisis is causing unprecedented flooding across Iowa. To protect our families and our homes, it’s critical that we #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.desmoinesregister.com/story/news/2019/05/28/iowa-flooding-2019-missouri-river-fremont-county-more-floodwaters-highway-2-evacuation/1261227001/>

**Utah**

***What to say:***

* Communities in Utah and across the West are bracing for another season of wildfires made more severe by climate change. To protect our families, we must #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Utah saw wildfires burn more than 438,000 acres in 2018 alone. To protect our communities, we must address the climate crisis. #ActOnClimate #ClimateFriday <https://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/intelligence/2018_statssumm/fires_acres18.pdf>
* Wildfires made more dangerous by climate change have already burned thousands of acres across Utah. We must #ActOnClimate to keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>
* Check out this new report from @ClimateCentral on climate change and wildfires. #ActOnClimate#ClimateFriday <https://www.climatecentral.org/gallery/graphics/large-western-wildfires-on-the-rise>

**North Carolina**

***What to say:***

* Hurricane season threatens North Carolina’s coastal communities. We must #ActOnClimate to protect our neighbors from extreme weather. @SenThomTillis, what’s your plan? #ClimateFriday <https://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2019/05/29/no_more_time_for_patience_on_climate_change_111203.html>
* As hurricane season begins, it’s critical that @SenThomTillis commits to #ActOnClimate and protects North Carolina communities from storms made more frequent and severe by climate change. #ClimateFriday <https://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2019/05/29/no_more_time_for_patience_on_climate_change_111203.html>
* As summer begins, a reminder that hot days could turn deadly without #ClimateActionNow: “North Carolina...currently averages 10 dangerous heat days a year. By 2050, the state is projected to see nearly 60 dangerous heat days per year.” #ClimateFriday <https://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2019/05/29/no_more_time_for_patience_on_climate_change_111203.html>
* With the start of hurricane season, a reminder that hurricanes like Florence – which dumped as much as 35 inches of rain on North Carolina – are projected to become increasingly devastating unless we #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2019/05/29/no_more_time_for_patience_on_climate_change_111203.html>
* As climate change makes extreme weather more frequent and severe, we have an obligation to protect North Carolina communities with a commitment to #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2019/05/29/no_more_time_for_patience_on_climate_change_111203.html>

**South Carolina**

***What to say:***

* In 2016, Hurricane Matthew devastated South Carolina communities. We must #ActOnClimate to protect South Carolina communities from the climate crisis. #ClimateFriday <https://www.postandcourier.com/news/ways-climate-change-could-alter-life-in-sc-after/article_743edeb4-d879-11e8-ad1f-b7a1ebf4a733.html>
* With the start of hurricane season, we remember the devastation of storms like Hurricane Matthew. To address the climate crisis and protect our communities, it’s critical that we #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://www.postandcourier.com/news/ways-climate-change-could-alter-life-in-sc-after/article_743edeb4-d879-11e8-ad1f-b7a1ebf4a733.html>
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* Hurricane season threatens South Carolina’s coastal communities. We must #ActOnClimate to protect our neighbors from extreme weather. #ClimateFriday <https://www.postandcourier.com/news/ways-climate-change-could-alter-life-in-sc-after/article_743edeb4-d879-11e8-ad1f-b7a1ebf4a733.html>
* As hurricane season begins, we must commit to #ActOnClimate and protect South Carolina communities from storms made more frequent and severe by climate change. #ClimateFriday <https://www.postandcourier.com/news/ways-climate-change-could-alter-life-in-sc-after/article_743edeb4-d879-11e8-ad1f-b7a1ebf4a733.html>

**Maine**

***What to say:***

* More than 30,000 people living in Maine are especially vulnerable to extreme heat. We must #ActOnClimate to keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/maine/extreme-heat>
* By 2050, the typical number of heat wave days in Maine is projected to quadruple from 10 to nearly 40 days a year. We must #ActOnClimate to address the climate crisis and keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/maine/extreme-heat>
* As the climate crisis makes heat waves more frequent and intense, we must #ActOnClimate to protect Maine communities. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/maine/extreme-heat>

**Virginia**

***What to say:***

* As climate change makes extreme weather more frequent and severe, we have an obligation to protect Virginia communities with a commitment to #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/virginia/coastal-flooding>
* Hurricane season threatens Virginia’s coastal communities. We must #ActOnClimate to protect our neighbors from extreme weather. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/virginia/coastal-flooding>
* As hurricane season begins, we must commit to #ActOnClimate and protect Virginia communities from storms made more frequent and severe by climate change. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/virginia/coastal-flooding>
* Virginians are preparing for hurricane season and record-breaking storms made worse by the growing climate crisis. It’s time to #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/virginia/coastal-flooding>

**Pennsylvania**

***What to say:***

* READ: Pennsylvania averages fewer than 5 dangerous heat days a year. By 2050, the state is projected to face more than 15 such days annually. We must #ActOnClimate to keep our communities safe. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/pennsylvania/extreme-heat>
* More than 310,000 people living in Pennsylvania are especially vulnerable to extreme heat. The climate crisis is causing temperatures to reach dangerous heights. #ClimateFriday #ActOnClimate <https://statesatrisk.org/pennsylvania/extreme-heat>
* As the climate crisis makes heat waves more frequent and intense, we must #ActOnClimate to protect Pennsylvania communities. #ClimateFriday <https://archive.triblive.com/news/pennsylvania/climate-change-is-affecting-northeastern-pennsylvania/>
* In Pennsylvania, the climate crisis will lead to increased heat waves that threaten the most vulnerable among us. Our path forward is clear: we must #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <https://archive.triblive.com/news/pennsylvania/climate-change-is-affecting-northeastern-pennsylvania/>

**West Virginia**

***What to say:***

* More than 150,000 West Virginians are at risk from flooding. We must #ActOnClimate to protect our communities. #ClimateFriday <https://statesatrisk.org/west-virginia/inland-flooding>
* As summer approaches, we must #ActOnClimate to protect West Virginia from devastating flooding that puts our communities at risk. #ClimateFriday <http://www.wvexecutive.com/climate-change-question-protect-infrastructure/>
* As the climate crisis makes extreme flooding more frequent and severe, we have an obligation to protect West Virginia communities with a commitment to #ActOnClimate. #ClimateFriday <http://www.wvexecutive.com/climate-change-question-protect-infrastructure/>