



City of Berkeley

# **2019 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan**

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related illnesses.<sup>x</sup> Across California, the highest risk of heat-related illness occurs in the typically cooler regions found in coastal areas like Berkeley.

Projections indicate that the number of extreme heat days, warm nights, and heat waves will increase exponentially: by 2099, the City of Berkeley is expected to average 18 days per year with temperatures over 88.3 degrees F.

### **Hazardous Materials Release**

Over the last 25 years, Berkeley has seen a more than 90 percent reduction in the number of facilities with extremely hazardous materials. The City carefully tracks hazardous materials within its borders, and works closely with companies using large amounts of potentially dangerous materials. The City has identified fifteen facilities in Berkeley with sufficiently large quantities of toxic chemicals to pose a high risk to the community. Hazardous materials also travel through Berkeley by truck and rail. Natural hazards identified in the plan could trigger the release of hazardous materials.

### **Terrorism**

It is not possible to estimate the probability of a terrorist attack. Experts prioritize terrorism readiness efforts by identifying critical sites and assessing these sites' vulnerability to terrorist attacks. City officials are currently working with State and regional groups to prevent and prepare for terrorist attacks.



















