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HEAT INDEX EXPECTED TO REACH NEAR 106 DEGREES MUCH OF THE WEEK

Kenner, LA. – Hot temperatures on Monday are expected to last the entire week in Kenner and throughout the metropolitan New Orleans area with the afternoon heat index – the measurement of how hot it feels – reaching 101 to 106 degrees at least through mid-week, according to the National Weather Service.

The 3 p.m. temperature in Kenner on Monday was 93 degrees and highs near 96 degrees are in the forecast for the rest of the week. Combined with high humidity, the heat index will exceed 100 degrees and remain at 100 or above through 6 p.m. at least Tuesday and Wednesday.

“I urge everyone to think before working or playing outside during the peak of the afternoon heat and to keep an eye on loved ones and neighbors,” Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni said.

Residents should drink plenty of fluids and take breaks in air-conditioned comfort indoors if they must spend any time outdoors in the heat, according to National Weather Service forecasters. “Stay out of the sun if possible ... Never leave anyone in a closed parked vehicle.”

There is virtually no chance of rain during the week and nighttime temperatures are expected to remain near 80 degrees.

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