



Survey on Severe Weather Impacts in Clark County

Clark County is planning for current and future climate impacts to our community. We invite you to share how severe weather events and weather patterns in Clark County have affected you and your family.

The climate planning team and community advisory groups will use this information to inform the next phase of the planning process: what actions the county can take to prepare for and cope with future severe weather events and weather patterns.

Your answers are anonymous (we don't know who you are). Your participation is voluntary. You may choose to skip questions. Your participation provides valuable feedback to help shape future community plans.

You can learn more about the project and stay engaged in next steps here:

<https://clark.wa.gov/community-planning/climate-change-planning>. The planning team will share summary results from this survey and other community engagement efforts on the project website.

This survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Severe Weather Events

The following questions are about severe weather events and weather patterns. Considering our past experiences with severe weather events and weather patterns is important to climate planning because it can help us better plan and prepare for future weather scenarios.

1. Clark County experiences severe weather events that can affect each of us differently, including hot weather, wildfires and smoky air, drought, cold weather, storms, floods, and landslides.

If you or your family have experienced any of these weather events recently, please tell us how you were affected by them. *Please select all that apply.*

Clark County Weather Event	Really hot weather or heat wave	Smoky air	Nearby wildfire	Drought or water shortage	Really cold weather	Heavy rain or rainstorms	Floods	Landslides
								
Health problems or injuries								
Problems related to mental, emotional, or spiritual health								
Disruption to job, school, childcare								
Displacement from your home, even for a short time								
Damage to your home or property								
Financial problems, for yourself or business								
Disruption to transportation or access to essential services								
Another problem not listed here								
No problems/have not been affected by this weather event								

2. If you selected “another problem not listed here” – please describe the weather event and problem affecting you and your family.

3. Please share any **specific examples of impacts** you and your family have experienced from severe weather events.

Example responses:

- When there was a power outage during the last winter rainstorm, we were unable to access childcare and I could not go to work for 3-days.
- When the heat wave ruined several crops, we lost customers.

4. Think about your recent experiences with severe weather in Clark County. What **helped you and your family** during these events?

Please consider strategies you used to cope, information and support you received, or organizations, programs, or policies you found helpful. *Please skip types of weather that have not affected you.*

	Really hot weather or heat wave	
	Smoky air	
	Nearby wildfire	
	Drought or water shortage	
	Really cold weather	
	Heavy rain or rainstorms	
	Floods	
	Landslides	

5. Think about your recent experiences with severe weather in Clark County. What **did you and your family need** that you didn't have during these events?

Please consider specific information, support, programs, or policies that would have been helpful. *Please skip types of weather that have not affected you.*

	Really hot weather or heat wave	
	Smoky air	
	Nearby wildfire	
	Drought or water shortage	
	Really cold weather	
	Heavy rain or rainstorms	
	Floods	
	Landslides	

Other weather concerns

6. What other severe weather events or weather patterns in Clark County concern you and your family that were not listed in previous questions?

7. Some day-to-day challenges make it more difficult to cope with severe weather. Do you and your family experience any of the following? *Please select all that apply.*

- ☐ Difficulty paying for housing
 - ☐ Difficulty paying for energy bills (for heat or air conditioning)
 - ☐ Lack of heating where I live
 - ☐ Lack of air conditioning where I live
 - ☐ Difficulty paying for food
 - ☐ Limited or no access to car or public transportation
 - ☐ Limited or no access to health insurance or health care
 - ☐ Existing health condition or disability
 - ☐ Use a mobility device
 - ☐ Not enough trees, parks, and green space in my neighborhood
 - ☐ Other day-to-day challenges you experience (please write in):
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8. Clark County is expected to have more severe weather events over the next several years. This includes more hot weather, smoky air from wildfires, drought in the summer, heavy rain in the winter, floods and landslides.

How well prepared are you and your family to cope with more severe weather events?

- ☐ Well prepared
- ☐ Somewhat prepared
- ☐ Not well prepared
- ☐ Unsure
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

9. Do you know of any people, places, or services in Clark County that are especially vulnerable to severe weather events? Please explain.

Tell us about yourself

Your answers are anonymous (we won't know who you are). Your participation is voluntary, you may choose to skip questions. Your participation helps us better understand the diversity of people in Clark County who shared feedback with us.

10. ZIP Code where you live: _____

11. How do you identify your race and ethnicity? *Select all that apply to you.*

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian or Asian American
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Two or more races
- ☐ Unknown
- ☐ Another race or ethnicity not listed above: _____
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

12. Please enter your specific ethnicities here. (For example, Chamorro, Ukrainian, Mexican American, Cowlitz Indian Tribe, Tongan, Vietnamese, Chuukese): _____

13. What is your gender? *Select all that apply to you.*

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Non-Binary
- ☐ Transgender
- ☐ Another gender not listed or I would like to self-describe: _____
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

14. Which of the following describes your current living situation?

- ☐ Rent housing
- ☐ Own housing
- ☐ Do not have housing
- ☐ Another housing situation: _____
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

15. Which languages do you speak most frequently? *Select all that apply.*

- ☐ English
- ☐ Spanish
- ☐ Vietnamese
- ☐ Chinese
- ☐ Chuukese
- ☐ Marshallese
- ☐ Tongan
- ☐ Ukrainian
- ☐ Russian
- ☐ Another language: _____
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

16. Please enter any additional indigenous languages that you speak here:

17. Ages of people in your household. *Select all that apply:*

- ☐ Under 10
- ☐ 10-17
- ☐ 18-39
- ☐ 40-64
- ☐ 65-84
- ☐ 85 and older
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

18. Number of people in your household:

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 6+

Thank you for your sharing your time, information, and ideas!