SUMMARY OF THE JUNE 1979 WEATHER ON THE MONTEREY PENINSULA, CALIFORNIA

General: June was a pleasant month with near normal temperatures but dry and windy. Fog averaged above normal.

Temperature: June started off warm and ended up on the cool side. The result – near normal temperatures. 58.6°F was the average (0.2°F above the 28-year normal). Days were warm, especially through the 11th, averaging 67.8°F (1.0°F above normal); nights were cool, averaging 49.3°F compared to a 49.9°F normal. The ten days with temperatures equal to or greater than 70°F occurred in the first 12 days (85°F maximum on 9 June). Low for the month was 47°F on 12, 14 and 19 June.

Local valleys reported low readings on at least the 7th and 14th of June; unofficially, 34°F in Carmel Valley on the morning of 14 June.

Precipitation: June was very dry, with only 0.02" falling as drizzle 24-25 June. 0.20" is normal. The rain year total (1 July 1978 – 30 June 1979) of 18.71” is 0.46” above the 28-year normal. In the past 28 years, there have been 15 years below normal, 9 above normal and 4 normal years. (Annual rainfall within one inch of normal is considered normal.)

Wind: Monterey experienced another windy month in June, averaging 8.3 miles per hour (mph) at the airport, compared to a 20-year normal of 7.1 mph. May and June are the Peninsula's windiest months. Particularly high wind gusts occurred on 14 June (52 mph) and 29 June (48 mph). On 10 other June days, winds gusted to 30 mph or more.

Fog: June had more foggy days than normal (19 versus 14), but most of the fog was limited to hours near sunrise. The confinement of fog to late night hours only relates well to below normal night-time temperatures.