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Climate Change and Heat Waves in Colombia. Possible Effects and Adaptation Strategies

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Abstract

The purpose of this article is to describe the phenomenon of heat waves in various realities such as the Colombian one. The main characters and effects of heat waves are at the beginning described for the main geographic areas of the country. Following, the strategies and actions for adaptation to the heat wave at national and local levels are exposed. In particular, the measures to the territorial and urban infrastructures, the economic-productive systems, and the behaviours of the inhabitants are considered.