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We need a strong heat protection rule that incorporates best practices and science-based solutions to keep workers safe from exposure to heat at the workplace

Along New Mexico's highways large stretches of orange barrels guide drivers through construction. We regularly see crushed barrels, evidence of careless drivers.

The workers in those stretches of highway are at risk of damage from careless job planning that leaves them victims of unsafe working conditions. This includes protection from heat.

If we could see the workers in various situations outdoors or inside who have been injured because of unsafe working conditions that force them to endure brutal heat things might be different. Next time you see a crushed orange barrel think of the workers in intolerably hot working environments.