



Corn Sweat

Another heat wave. Another heat dome.
One hundred and ten degrees Fahrenheit
A gash of red cuts across the Midwest
The heat map of the United States swells
Huge fields of monoculture crops like corn
Stretch across what once were miles of prairies
Releasing moisture into the hot air
The humidity rises even higher

When the air is filled with so much moisture
Human bodies cannot cool themselves down
Heat exhaustion can progress to heat stroke
Fatigue, dizziness, nausea, even death
Every summer grows hotter and longer
Heat trapped under record-breaking profits