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NEWS

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SCAQMD Continues Smoke Advisory for Canyon 2 Fire

This advisory is in effect today, Thursday, Oct. 12, through Friday morning, Oct. 13. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A brush fire, named the Canyon Fire 2, is burning in Orange County near Gypsum Canyon, Anaheim Hills and towards the cities of Tustin and Orange. The burn area is reported to be 9,217 acres this morning, with 60 percent containment. Winds will be from the west through Friday, although weaker nighttime and morning winds may cause smoke to accumulate in some areas. Smoke impacts appear to be low at the present time and are mainly in the vicinity of the fire in northern and central Orange County. Air quality may reach Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups levels or higher in areas directly impacted by smoke.

Areas of direct smoke impacts and unhealthful air quality may include portions of:

- Central Orange County (Forecast Area 17) and
- Saddleback Valley (Forecast Area 19).

All individuals are urged to exercise caution and avoid unnecessary outdoor activities in any area directly impacted by smoke. This includes areas where residents can see or smell smoke.

In any area directly impacted by smoke: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors. Keep windows and doors closed or seek alternate shelter. Run your air conditioner if you have one and keep the fresh air intake closed and the filter clean to prevent bringing additional smoke inside. Avoid using a swamp cooler or whole-house fan to prevent bringing additional smoke inside. To avoid worsening the health effects of wildfire smoke, don't use indoor or outdoor wood-burning appliances, including fireplaces.

SCAQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link:

<ftp://ftp.aqmd.gov/pub/globalist/Advisory.pdf>

To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to <http://AirAlerts.org>

To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see <http://www3.aqmd.gov/webappl/gisaqi2/home.aspx>

For more tips on avoiding health impacts from smoke, see SCAQMD Fire Safety Alert Factsheets at <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/library/public-information/publications#factsheet>

SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

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