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SCAQMD Issues Smoke Advisory for Wilson Fire

This advisory is in effect today, Wednesday, Oct. 18, through Thursday morning, Oct. 19. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A brush fire, named the Wilson Fire, is burning in Los Angeles County in the Angeles National Forest above Pasadena. The burn area is reported to be 50 acres this morning, with 25 percent containment. Winds will be from the west, 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. 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:

- West San Gabriel Valley (Forecast Area 8),
- East San Gabriel Valley (Forecast Area 9),
- San Gabriel Mountains (Forecast Area 15),
- Northwest San Bernardino Valley (Forecast Area 32) and
- Southwest San Bernardino Valley (Forecast Area 33);

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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