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SCAQMD Issues Smoke Advisory Due to Cranston Fire

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This advisory is in effect through Friday morning. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A wildfire, named the Cranston Fire, is burning to the east of Hemet in Riverside County within the San Bernardino National Forest. The burn area was last reported at 4,700 acres with five percent containment. Winds will be from the west/southwest this afternoon before transitioning to a light west to northwesterly wind during the evening and overnight hours. Peak wind speeds will occur in the late afternoon to early evening with the onshore winds. This may bring smoke into portions of Riverside County, including the Coachella Valley. During the overnight and early morning hours, drainage winds might bring smoke into the valleys west of the fire. Air quality may reach **Unhealthy** levels or higher in areas directly impacted by smoke.

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

- Riverside County: Areas 24 (Perris Valley), 27 (Anza), 28 (Hemet/San Jacinto Valley), 29 (Banning Pass), and 30 (Coachella Valley).

In any area impacted by smoke: *If you smell smoke or see ash due to a wildfire, limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter, and avoiding vigorous physical activity. For more tips on protecting yourself during a wildfire, see SCAQMD's Wildfire Smoke & Ash Health & Safety Tips page: <http://www.aqmd.gov/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips>*

SCAQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link:

<http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/air-quality/advisories/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 information on avoiding health impacts from smoke, see SCAQMD's Wildfire Smoke & Ash Health & Safety Tips page at:

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For a map of SCAQMD Forecast Areas, see

<http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/map-of-monitoring-areas.pdf>

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