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South Coast AQMD Extends Windblown Dust Advisory to Portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties

Valid: October 7, 2022 through Saturday, October 8, 2022

This advisory is in effect through 6 a.m. Saturday. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

The PM10 Dust Advisory initially issued from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today has been extended through 6 a.m. Saturday morning. The geographical area of this advisory has also been expanded to cover the Coachella Valley, Eastern Riverside County and much of the Inland Empire. Elevated PM10 levels have become more widespread throughout the day on Friday as winds transported dust far from the regions initially affected by the haboob, or wall of dust, yesterday evening. Since vast amounts of dust are still airborne, PM10 concentrations are expected to decline slowly from southeast to northwest.

Airborne dust may result in Unhealthy and higher Air Quality Index (AQI) levels through Saturday morning. Even fine particulate (PM2.5; a subset of PM10) levels will remain elevated. Air quality can vary hour by hour and by location depending on wind conditions.

Areas of direct impacts and poor air quality may include portions of:

- **Los Angeles County:** Pomona-Walnut Valley (Area 10)
- **Riverside County:** Corona-Norco (Area 22), Metropolitan Riverside County (Area 23), Perris Valley (Area 24), Lake Elsinore (Area 25), Temecula Valley (Area 26), San Gorgonio Pass (Area 29), Coachella Valley (Area 30), East Riverside County (Area 31)
- **San Bernardino County:** Northwest San Bernardino Valley (Area 32), Southwest San Bernardino Valley (Area 33), Central San Bernardino Valley (Area 34), East San Bernardino Valley (Area 35)



In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed and avoiding vigorous physical activity.

- South Coast AQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link: <http://www.aqmd.gov/advisory>
- 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://www.aqmd.gov/aqimap>
- For real-time air quality information, maps, notifications, and health alerts in your area, download our award-winning South Coast AQMD app at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/mobileapp>
- Air quality forecasts are available at <http://www.aqmd.gov/forecast>
- For South Coast AQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG.
- For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see <http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas>

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