



# South Coast Air Quality Management District

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## NEWS

**For Immediate Release**  
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### South Coast AQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory

**Valid Fri., Apr. 19, 2019**

*This advisory is in effect for today through Sunday morning, April 21, 2019. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.*

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect for Friday, April 19, 2019 through the morning of Sunday, April 21, 2019 for the Coachella Valley. Strong westerly winds predicted across the region on Saturday, April 20, may result in Unhealthy air quality in the Coachella Valley (Area 30) and East Riverside County (Area 31) due to blowing dust.

The National Weather Service (NWS) has posted a wind advisory for portions of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, including the Coachella Valley. Westerly winds are expected to increase in strength on Saturday afternoon with the highest wind gusts occurring during the evening hours of Saturday. This could lead to blowing dust and sand in the advisory areas. Wind speeds will begin to decrease throughout Sunday. Additional areas in Riverside County may experience elevated particulate levels during this wind event.

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

- Riverside County: Coachella Valley (Area 30), and East Riverside County (Area 31).



*In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors.*

- **South Coast AQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link:|**  
[www.aqmd.gov/advisory](http://www.aqmd.gov/advisory)
- **To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to**  
[www.AirAlerts.org](http://www.AirAlerts.org)
- **To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see**  
[www.aqmd.gov/aqimap](http://www.aqmd.gov/aqimap)
- **For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see**  
<http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/map-of-monitoring-areas.pdf>
- **For South Coast AQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley:**  
call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG

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