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South Coast AQMD Issues a Windblown Dust Advisory for Portions of Riverside County

Valid: Friday, October 07, 2022

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

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect from 9 a.m. through 6 p.m. Friday due to residual dust from a strong gust front that passed through the Coachella Valley last night. Even though the National Weather Service warnings for this short-lived wind event have since expired, the "haboob", or wall of dust caused **Hazardous** air quality throughout the night. Vast amounts of dust are still airborne and are expected to remain in the Coachella Valley and Banning areas though this evening, gradually subsiding from the southeast to northwest.

Airborne dust may result in **Unhealthy** and higher Air Quality Index (AQI) levels during the daytime on Friday. 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:

- **Riverside County:** San Geronio Pass (Area 29), Coachella Valley (Area 30)



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>
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- 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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