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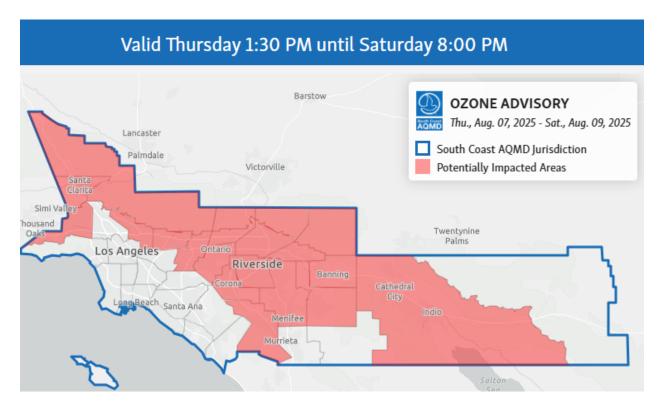
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South Coast AQMD Issues Ozone Advisory Due to Heat Wave

Valid until Saturday 8:00 p.m.



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Current Conditions

- A multi-day extreme ozone (smog) event continues to affect the region, due to the ongoing heatwave and wildfire smoke
- Ozone concentrations reached the **Unhealthy** Air Quality Index (AQI) category in several areas including Santa Clarita, Pasadena, Glendora, Fontana, Crestline, Redlands, San Bernardino, and Riverside on Wednesday

Forecasted Air Quality Impacts

- The National Weather Service has issued Heat Advisories and Extreme Heat Warnings. Visit https://www.weather.gov/sgx/ and https://www.weather.gov/sgx/ and https://www.weather.gov/lox/ for more information.
- Air Quality Index (AQI) will likely reach Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups or higher levels through Saturday evening in inland parts of the South Coast Air Basin — including Lake Elsinore, Corona and Hemet — as well as in the Coachella Valley.
- AQI will likely reach **Unhealthy** or higher in Pasadena, the Santa Clarita Valley, portions of the San Gabriel Valley, the San Bernardino Valley, and portions of the San Bernardino Mountains from Thursday through Saturday.
- Ozone levels are expected to be lower in coastal areas.
- Smoke from regional wildfires may increase both ozone and particulate matter (PM2.5) concentrations.

Detailed Forecast

Daytime	Each day, AQI levels will increase after sunrise, peak in the midafternoon, and then decrease. AQI is predicted to reach the Unhealthy category or higher in large portions of the region.
Early morning and overnight	AQI is predicted to be in the Good to Moderate categories overnight and in the early morning hours each day in large portions of the region. Multiple fires affecting the region may lead to uncommonly high AQI levels in the early morning and overnight hours in the San Bernardino Mountains. AQI levels may reach the Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups category during this time.

South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

During periods of poor air quality due to ozone pollution:

- <u>Check air quality levels</u> and limit outdoor activities as necessary. See <u>health recommendations</u> for each AQI level.
- Limit the use of gasoline powered lawn and garden equipment until evening hours.
- Conserve electricity and set your air conditioner at a higher temperature.
- Try to delay trips to the gas station and the use of household chemicals until the evening.

For more information, see the EPA Guide for Ozone Pollution (PDF).

South Coast AQMD is the regulatory agency responsible for improving air quality for large areas of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including the Coachella Valley. For news, air quality alerts, event updates and more, please visit us at www.aqmd.gov, download our award-winning app, or follow us on Facebook, X (formerly known as Twitter) and Instagram.

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