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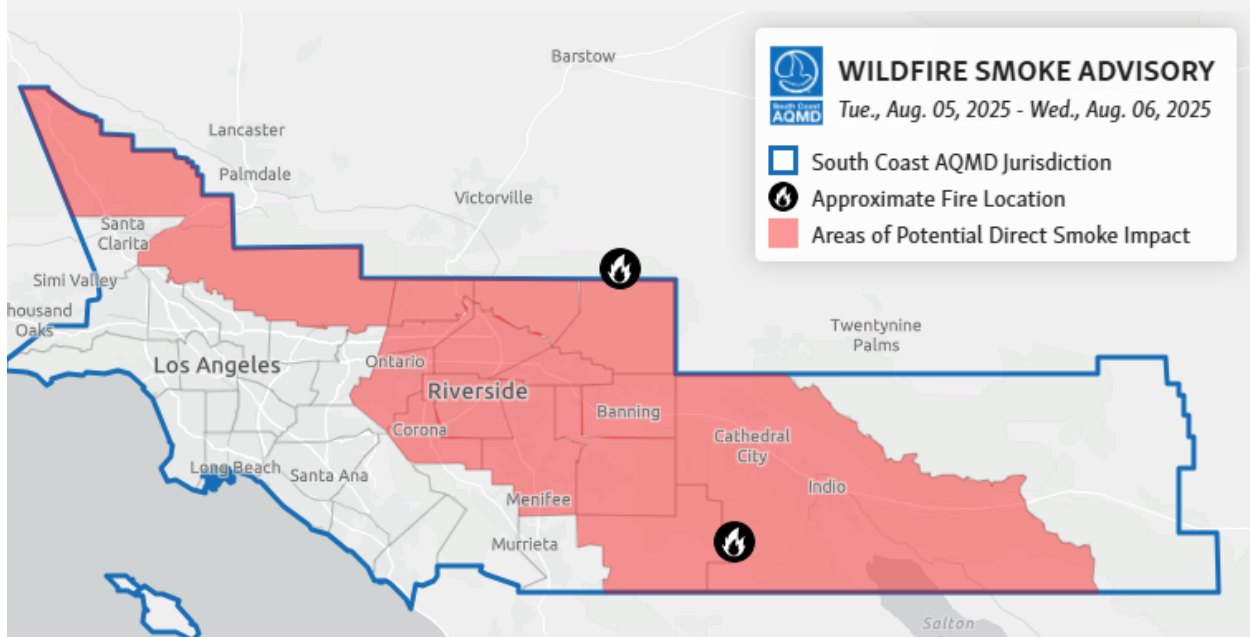
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South Coast AQMD Extends Smoke Advisory Due to Gifford, Rosa, and Gold Fires

Valid until Wednesday 11:59 PM

Valid Tuesday 1:30 PM until Wednesday 11:59 PM



Current conditions

Three wildfires are affecting air quality in the South Coast Air Basin and Coachella Valley. Fire information as of 1:00 PM Tuesday:

Gifford Fire (In the Los Padres National Forest):

- 82,567 acres burned and 7% containment
- More information: <https://share.watchduty.org/i/58187?ts=1754347418000>

Rosa Fire (Near Santa Rosa Mountains):

- 1,535 acres burned and 5% containment
- More information: <https://share.watchduty.org/i/58778?ts=1754346966000>

Gold Fire (In the San Bernardino National Forest North of Big Bear Lake):

- 936 acres burned and 5% containment
- More information: <https://share.watchduty.org/i/58746?ts=1754342422000>

Particle pollution levels were mostly in the **Good** to **Moderate** air quality index (AQI) categories since Monday night in the South Coast Air Basin including in mountain communities. AQI due to particle pollution reached **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** at times in the Coachella Valley on Monday night and Tuesday morning.

Conditions may change quickly due to fire activity and weather. Download the [South Coast AQMD](#) app or visit www.aqmd.gov/AQImap to view current air quality in your neighborhood.

Forecasted Smoke and Air Quality Impacts

Overall, AQI is expected to be highest immediately next to the Rosa and Gold Fire burn areas and in the San Jacinto Mountains. AQI may reach **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher at times in these areas from Tuesday afternoon through Wednesday. AQI due to ozone pollution is expected to reach **Unhealthy** levels in much of the Inland Empire and **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** in other inland areas on Wednesday afternoon.

The Inland Empire, Crestline, Angeles and National Forest, and the San Bernardino mountains: AQI due to particle pollution in the **Moderate** category is expected at most times on Tuesday afternoon and on Wednesday. AQI may reach **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** at times.

Coachella Valley: Smoke from the Rosa Fire is predicted to cause particle pollution levels in the **Moderate** to **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher AQI categories at times from Tuesday afternoon through Wednesday.

Big Bear City and Big Bear Lake: Winds will push smoke from the Gold Fire to the northeast away from Big Bear City and Big Bear Lake. AQI due to particle pollution in the **Good** to **Moderate** AQI categories is expected on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday.

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

If you are in an area impacted by smoke:

- Limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter.
- Avoid vigorous physical activity.
- Run your air conditioning and/or an air purifier. If possible, do not use swamp coolers or whole house fans that bring in outside air.
- Avoid burning wood in your fireplace or firepit and minimize sources of indoor air pollution such as candles, incense, pan-frying, and grilling.
- If you must be outside, a properly fit N95 or P100 respirator may provide some protection.

For more information, visit www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety.

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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