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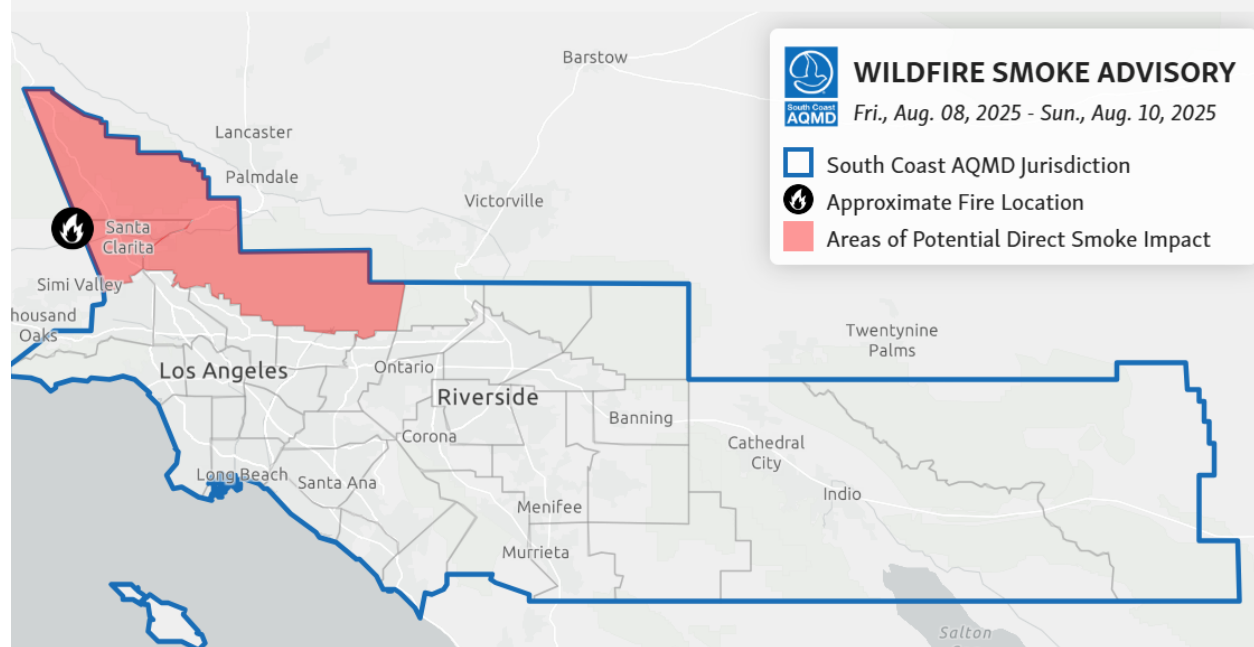
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South Coast AQMD Issues Smoke Advisory Due to Canyon Fire

Valid until Sunday 11:00 AM

Valid Friday 3:00 PM until Sunday 11:00 AM



Current conditions

- The Canyon Fire has burned 5,370 acres along the Ventura - LA County border near Castaic Lake and is 25% contained as of 2:30 PM on August 8, 2025.
See <https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2025/8/7/canyon-fire> for more details.
- Smoke has been impacting the area along the I-5 corridor near Castaic Lake, with Air Quality Index (AQI) levels briefly reaching the **Unhealthy** category for fine particle pollution overnight from Thursday night into Friday morning.

- The smoke impacts in Santa Clarita were less, with the AQI level only reaching the **Moderate** category for fine particle pollution overnight.
- Note that the area is also under an Ozone Advisory. See <https://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/air-quality-advisories> for details.

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

- Smoke is expected to impact the area around the I-5 corridor near Castaic Lake during the overnight hours Friday into Saturday with much less smoke during the day.
- If the fire continues through Saturday, smoke is expected to return overnight Saturday into Sunday.
- Lesser smoke impacts are expected in Santa Clarita.

Detailed Forecast

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| Friday | Moderate AQI levels for fine particle pollution are expected in the Castaic Lake area and Santa Clarita. Also see Ozone Advisory. |
| Overnight Friday to Saturday | Unhealthy or higher AQI categories for fine particle pollution are possible in the Castaic Lake area. Moderate to Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups AQI categories for fine particle pollution are more likely for Santa Clarita. |
| Saturday daytime | Moderate AQI levels for fine particle pollution are expected in the Castaic Lake area and Santa Clarita. Also see Ozone Advisory. |
| Overnight Saturday to Sunday | Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups or higher AQI categories for fine particle pollution are possible in the Castaic Lake area. Moderate to Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups AQI categories for fine particle pollution are more likely for Santa Clarita. |

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.

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