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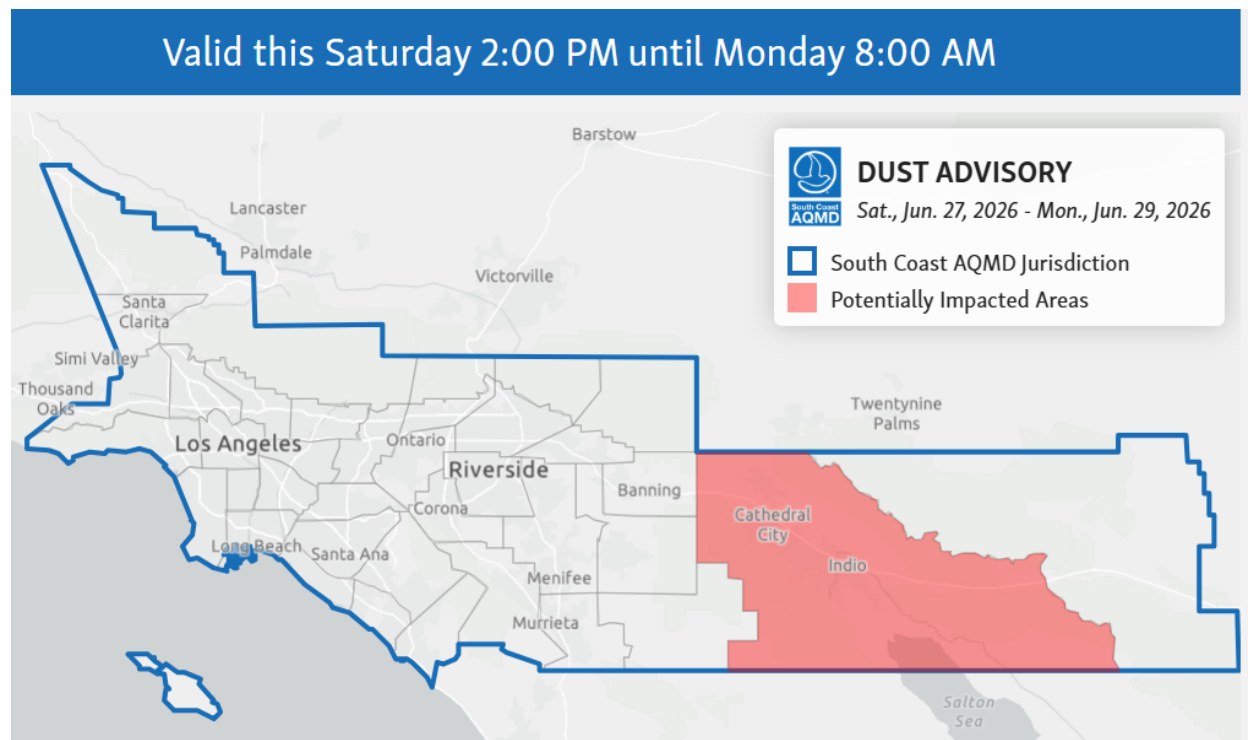
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## South Coast AQMD Extends Windblown Dust Advisory for the Coachella Valley

*Valid Saturday 2:00 PM until Monday 8:00 AM*



### Current Conditions

- South Coast AQMD is extending a windblown dust advisory in Coachella Valley through Monday morning.

- The National Weather Service (NWS) has extended a wind advisory for the San Geronio Pass and Northern Coachella Valley covering Friday through Monday morning. Visit the NWS San Diego website [www.weather.gov/sgx/](http://www.weather.gov/sgx/) for more information.
- Particle pollution (PM10) Air Quality Index (AQI) reached **Unhealthy** and **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** in Northern Cathedral City for the past 2 nights. The PM10 AQI reached **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** last night in areas to the east and southeast of Northern Cathedral City.

To view current air quality in your neighborhood, download the [South Coast AQMD app](#) or visit [www.aqmd.gov/AQImap](http://www.aqmd.gov/AQImap).

**Forecasted Air Quality Impacts**

- Windblown dust due to high winds with gusts up to 40-60 mph is expected Saturday and Sunday nights.
- Windblown dust and high PM10 in the **Unhealthy** or higher AQI categories are expected in the Western Coachella Valley for the evenings and overnight on Saturday and Sunday.
- In other areas of Coachella Valley, **Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups** or higher AQI categories are expected at times for the evenings and overnight on Saturday and Sunday.

**Detailed Forecast**

Saturday evening and overnight	<b>Unhealthy</b> or higher AQI categories are expected in the Western Coachella Valley near Cathedral City. AQI may reach <b>Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups</b> in other areas of the Coachella Valley.
Sunday daytime	The PM10 AQI may remain in the Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups category throughout the day in the Western Coachella Valley.
Sunday evening and overnight	<b>Unhealthy</b> or higher AQI categories are expected in the Western Coachella Valley near Cathedral City. AQI may reach <b>Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups</b> in other areas of the Coachella Valley.
Monday daytime	AQI is expected to gradually improve as wind speeds decrease.

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

**If you are in an area impacted by windblown dust:**

- 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.
- Help minimize dust pollution by stabilizing loose soils and slowing down if driving on dirt roads.

For more information, see the [EPA Guide for Particle 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](http://www.aqmd.gov), download our award-winning app, or follow us on [Facebook](#), [X](#) (formerly known as Twitter) and [Instagram](#).

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