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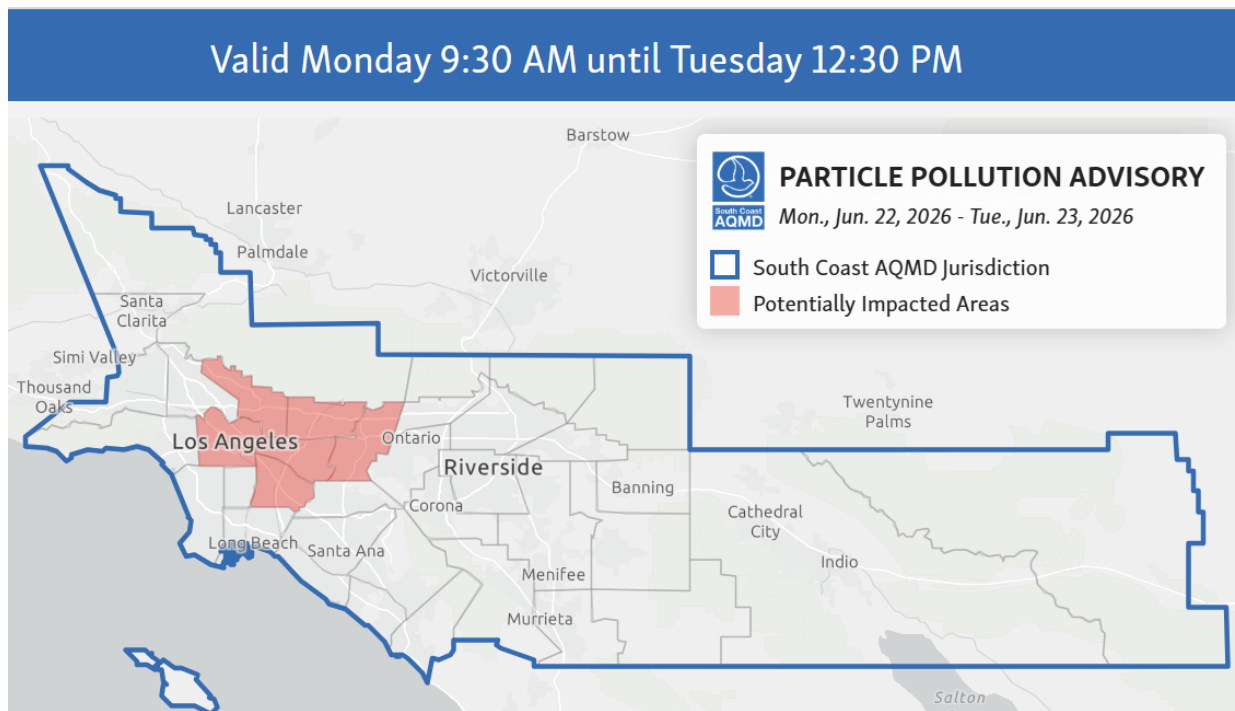
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## South Coast AQMD Extends Particle Pollution Advisory Due to Structure Fire in Boyle Heights

*Valid until Tuesday 12:30 PM*



### Current Conditions

This is not a shelter-in-place order.

Smoke from a large structure fire in Boyle Heights that started on June 17 is impacting air quality throughout the region. As of 9:00 AM on Monday, the fire is actively producing smoke and firefighting efforts are likely to continue.

- More information on the fire can be found at <https://lafd.org/alerts>.
- Webcam imagery of the incident is available at [ALERT California College Peak 2 Camera](#).

Regulatory monitors and sensors measured PM2.5 levels that showed improved Air Quality Index (AQI) beginning around 1:00 PM yesterday (Sunday) in Central and Southeast Los Angeles, the San Gabriel Valley, and the San Fernando Valley. AQI levels near the fire were still elevated, with **Very Unhealthy** conditions measured throughout the day in Boyle Heights. Other areas were **Good** to **Moderate** for PM2.5.

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

- As firefighting efforts progress, smoke will continue to affect air quality throughout the region. Smoke impacts depend on fire activity and will be highly variable in space and time.
- The combination of smoke and high humidity may cause visibility issues overnight.
- Ash may also deposit across the area. Air quality monitors do not account for large ash particles and debris in the AQI readings. Take precautions to protect your health if you smell or see smoke or ash.

### Detailed Forecast

Monday afternoon	Most smoke impacts are expected north and east of the fire in East Los Angeles and the San Gabriel Valley. Significant smoke impacts are likely to continue in areas immediately adjacent to the fire in Boyle Heights. A reduction in smoke impacts compared to yesterday are predicted in the Inland Empire and Orange County.
Monday evening	Smoke will continue to impact East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, and the San Gabriel Valley. Light winds will also allow for the smoke to disperse in all directions from the fire, potentially leading to impacts throughout the metropolitan Los Angeles region.
Tuesday morning	Smoke impacts are expected northeast and east of the fire in areas such as East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, and the San Gabriel Valley.

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

**If you are in impacted area:**

- 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.

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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