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## South Coast Issues Smoke Advisory Due to Horseshoe Fire near San Jacinto

Valid Sunday September 15, 2019 through Monday September 16, 2019

This advisory is in effect through Monday morning. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A wildfire, called the Horseshoe Fire, is burning near San Jacinto. As of 9:20 am on Sunday, the Horseshoe Fire area was reported at 250 acres with 20% containment by CAL FIRE and the Riverside County Fire Department. There is visible smoke production from the Horseshoe fire on Sunday morning. Light winds from the southwest on Sunday are expected to transport smoke into San Jacinto, Beaumont, Calimesa, Banning, and Cabazon. On Sunday night, winds are expected to be light and from the south. On Monday after 10 am, winds are expected to be light and from the southwest. If the Horseshoe Fire continues to generate smoke on Sunday night and on Monday, smoke may again impact San Jacinto, Beaumont, Calimesa, Banning, and Cabazon.

Overall, meteorological conditions may bring smoke into portions of Riverside County. Air quality may reach Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups or higher levels in areas directly impacted by smoke. Areas of direct impacts and poor air quality may include portions of:

• Riverside County: Perris Valley (Area 24), Hemet-San Jacinto Valley (Area 28), San Gorgonio Pass (Area 29)



In any area impacted by smoke: If you smell smoke or see ash due to a wildfire, limit your exposure by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed or seeking alternate shelter, and avoiding vigorous physical activity. For more tips on protecting yourself during a wildfire, see South Coast AQMD's Wildfire Smoke & Ash Health & Safety Tips page: <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips">http://www.aqmd.gov/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips</a>.

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- To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see www.aqmd.gov/aqimap
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- For a map of South Coast AQMD Forecast Areas, see <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas">http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas</a>

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