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South Coast Issues Smoke Advisory Due to Sycamore Fire in Riverside

Valid Saturday September 07, 2019 through Sunday September 08, 2019

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

A wildfire, called the Sycamore Fire is burning in Sycamore Canyon Park in Riverside. As of 5:50 PM on Saturday, the fire is reported to be 250 acres by the Riverside Fire Department.

As of 5:50 PM on Saturday, smoke impacts from the Sycamore Fire are localized, with limited impacts at nearby regulatory monitors in Riverside and Mira Loma, and low-cost sensor networks surrounding the fire. Winds are currently blowing towards the south east, bringing smoke into the Moreno Valley.

Around midnight on Saturday evening and until mid-morning on Sunday, winds may push smoke towards the northwest and into downtown Riverside. Winds out of the west are expected late-morning and throughout the day on Sunday. If the fire continues to generate smoke, transport patterns will likely push it towards the Moreno Valley once again.

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: Metropolitan Riverside County (Area 23), Perris Valley (Area 24)



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: http://www.aqmd.gov/wildfire-health-info-smoke-tips.

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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 http://www.aqmd.gov/ForecastAreas

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