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SCAQMD Issues Windblown Dust Advisory

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This advisory is in effect for through Wednesday morning, April 10, 2019. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect for southwestern San Bernardino County and Riverside County, including the Coachella Valley. Strong westerly winds across the region today have resulted in Very Unhealthy air quality in the San Gorgonio Pass (Area 29) due to blowing dust.

The National Weather Service (NWS) has posted high wind warnings and wind advisories for portions of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, including the Coachella Valley. Gusty westerly winds are expected to continue through the late evening hours of Tuesday before turning northerly on Wednesday morning. Wind speeds will begin to diminish throughout Wednesday afternoon. Additional areas in San Bernardino and Riverside counties may experience elevated particulate levels as this wind event continues through this evening and into tomorrow morning.

Areas of direct dust impacts and Unhealthy air quality may include portions of:

- Riverside County: Areas 27 (Anza Valley), 28 (Hemet/San Jacinto Valley), 29 (San Gorgonio Pass), 30 (Coachella Valley), and 31 (East Riverside County).
- San Bernardino County: Area 35 (East San Bernardino Valley)



In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors.

- **SCAQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link:**
www.aqmd.gov/advisory
- **To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to**
www.AirAlerts.org
- **To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see**
www.aqmd.gov/aqimap
- **For a map of SCAQMD Forecast Areas, see** <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/map-of-monitoring-areas.pdf>
- **For SCAQMD Daily Rule 403.1 High Wind Forecasts for the Coachella Valley:**
call (909) 396-2399 or 1-800-CUT-SMOG

The SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.