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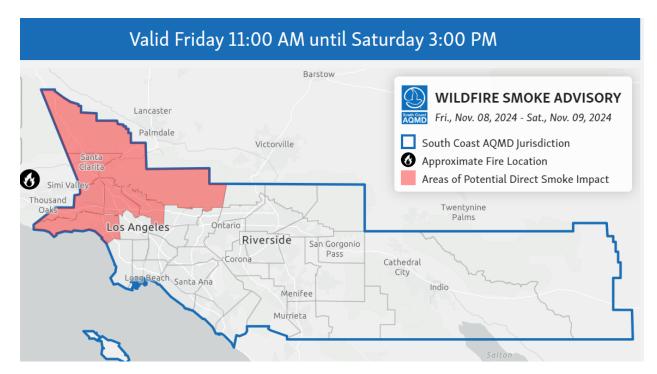
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Smoke Advisory Issued to Most Parts of Los Angeles County due to the Mountain Fire

Valid Friday 11:00 AM until Saturday 3:00 PM



Current Conditions

- The Mountain Fire is burning in the areas of Camarillo Heights and the Camarillo Estates in Ventura County. As of 2 PM Thursday, the fire has burned 19,643 acres and is 0% contained. For more information about the Mountain Fire, visit the Cal Fire webpage at https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2024/11/6/mountain-fire.
- As of 2 PM Thursday, regulatory monitors remain at **Good** Air Quality Index (AQI) category in the northwestern South Coast Air Basin.

Conditions may change quickly due to fire activity and weather. Download the <u>South Coast AQMD app</u> or visit <u>www.aqmd.gov/AQImap</u> to view current air quality in your neighborhood.

Forecasted Smoke and Air Quality Impacts

- Smoke from the Mountain Fires is expected to most heavily impact the areas including the San Gabriel Mountains, San Fernando Valley, Santa Clarita Valley, Northwest coastal Los Angeles County and part of West San Gabriel Valley. These areas may reach the **Unhealthy for Sensitive** Groups AQI category or higher.
- Smoke impacts in the South Coast Air Basin will depend on fire activity and containment efforts.

Detailed Forecast

Friday afternoon	PM2.5 levels may reach the Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups AQI category or higher starting from Friday noon in parts of West San Fernando Valley and Northwest coastal Los Angeles County.
Friday evening and night	Onshore wind may push smoke into the San Gabriel Mountains. PM2.5 levels may reach the Unhealthy AQI category or higher in the San Gabriel Mountains, Santa Clarita Valley, San Fernando Valley, Northwest coastal Los Angeles County and part of West San Gabriel Valley.
Saturday morning and daytime	PM2.5 levels may remain at the Unhealthy AQI category or higher throughout the advisory area.

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

If you are in an area impacted by smoke:

- 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.
- Avoid burning wood in your fireplace or firepit and minimize sources of indoor air pollution such as candles, incense, pan-frying, and grilling.
- If you must be outside, a properly fit N95 or P100 respirator may provide some protection.

For more information, visit www.aqmd.gov/smokesafety.

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, download our award-winning app, or follow us on Facebook, X (formerly known as Twitter) and Instagram.